Chevron Development Proposal for West Coyote Hills Returns

Although 61% of Fullerton residents voted to overturn a previous council's approval of the Chevron/Pacific Coast Homes housing development in the 2012 Measure W election, the same proposal is once again before the planning commission. After the PC hearing the proposal will go to the city council for final approval or denial. A new twist in the plan is that, if it is approved, the city would purchase an area adjacent to the current Robert Ward Nature Preserve and development would be postponed for a year while funding to buy more of the property as open space is sought.

Chevron would finally become a willing seller which would make the property eligible for M2 and other open space preservation grants. However, approving the development proposal would also significantly increase the purchase price of the vacant oil property and most grants take longer than a year to process.

Chevron's 760-home development plan for the 510-acre West Coyote Hills in north Fullerton will be presented at a Planning Commission public hearing Wed., May 27 at 7pm at City Hall, 303 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton. Notices of the meeting were only sent to people within a 1/4 mile radius of the property.

Observers Around the World: Fullerton Girl Scout Troop 2399 traveled to San Francisco to walk across the Golden Gate Bridge with 6,000 other 5th grade Girl Scouts to celebrate "bridging" from juniors to cadettes.

Parents Voice Safety Concerns About Intruders on Campus

by Jan Youngman

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Public Hearing Phase 3 Water Restrictions

A public hearing to consider a citywide Phase 3 Water Supply Shortage Conservation Plan will be held on Tuesday, May 19 at 6:30pm at the Fullerton City Council meeting at City Hall, 303 W. Commonwealth. The plan is in response to the ongoing statewide drought. Fullerton is required to implement a plan to meet a 28% water savings beginning June 1, 2015 through February 2016.

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77th Annual Memorial Day

The “Greater Generation” and the US Marines will be the focus of a special salute Monday, May 25 at the 77th Annual Fullerton Memorial Day Observance.

The free program, sponsored by the non-profit American Veterans Memorial Association and the City of Fullerton, begins at 10am at Loma Vista Memorial Park, 701 E. Bastanchury in Fullerton.

Members of the public, and all veterans, especially WWII veterans are invited to attend. Special guest speaker will be Lieutenant General David H. Berger, Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force, Camp Pendleton, CA. Commissioned as an Infantry officer in 1981, Berger has served in all of the major conflicts for the past 30 years.

Air Combat USA will provide the Missing Man Formation Flyover. Ed Paul, adjutant of Fullerton American Legion Post 142 and coordinator of the American Veterans Memorial Association, will serve as master of ceremonies. Patriotic music will be sung by Dave Deno and Kristen Romero. Members of the "Greater Generation" are urged to call (714) 871-2412 and provide their names to reserve a seat plus one for a guest.

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Mental illness is a tough problem. Imagine how it would be if you found yourself in a critical situation, with your head tell all you kinds of bad things or direct you to irrational behaviors. Some researchers say that the seeds of mental illness could begin before birth, due to extra stress hormones that are passed on to the fetus when a pregnant mother goes through a tough time. The extra stress hormones can plant a seed that may cause a psychological disorder later in life. Mental illness also runs in the family, suggesting that people who have a family member with a mental illness may be more likely to develop one themselves. However, inheriting a susceptibility to mental illness doesn’t mean a person will necessarily develop the illness. It depends on the interaction of multiple genes and the contributions of other psychological and environmental factors, such as trauma, loneliness, substance abuse, etc. Familial risk is not the only reason mentally ill people have to deal with irrational thoughts and behaviors from their relatives. Sometimes these behaviors turn into violent acts. In many unfortunate situations, the mentally ill person receives the help and support from family and mental health professionals. This help may include short or long-term medication to regulate mental illness with biological sources. When the person becomes compliant with the medication he/she then can become stable and live a somewhat “normal” life. In less fortunate cases, when the violent behaviors are severe, the police may be called upon to restore the peace. But in some cases the confrontation ends in serious injury or death to the very person needing help. Police need to be trained to realize that mentally disabled people often distrust almost everyone. They feel unsafe of others so even of the police officers when responding to a call for help. It seems that their search for help unintentionally led to the death of their loved one.

The Supreme Court is currently considering a major police shooting case involving a mentally ill person. San Francisco Police Department's Sheehan case could set the precedent on which the Americans with Disabilities Act serves as a check on police officers' interactions with people with mental illnesses.

Toward the end of the Sheehan case arguments, Justice Sonia Sotomayor pondered whether the law was designed precisely to prevent these terrible assumptions about people with mental illnesses. The law's purpose was to give them a “chance” in worst-case scenario, much like police officers are given the benefit of the doubt in cases of civilian shootings. The Supreme Court will decide, in the hopes that the majority of the justices will be willing to acknowledge that the lives of mentally ill people matter, and the police should provide reasonable accommodation to these people when responding to a call for help.
MID MAY 2015

OUT OF MY MIND
by Jon Dobrer © 2015 JonDobrer@mac.com

H2-Uh-Oh

The first rule when questioning someone's credibility is not blowing your own. Alas, this rule was violated by both the writer and two senders of the letter taking me to task for my article on fracking and water use. The writers—so far. To error. I also, at times, show some observational bias in marshaling my arguments. However, I have never knowingly committed fraud or intended to deceive in my public writings. Never! This, alas, cannot be said of Jane Farwell, Maureen Madsen and Jack Anderson. Ms. Farwell, was asked to convey the critical letter by Ms. Madsen and to represent it as her own. Ms. Madsen is not a local supporter of all things Fullerton or a disinterested citizen but a professional (To quote the website) at a “Full service public affairs firm” for which she works. This firm specializes in “ballot initiatives, legislative and regulatory campaigns” as well as “crisis communications.”

I feel honored to be subject to the ministrations and machinations of a seasoned professional, such as Ms Madsen, and I hold no grudge for any distortions of half-truths on her part, if any.

Quite a few of her assertions are in the category of being 100% half true. It is true, as she asserts, that more water is extracted/produced by gas and oil fracking than is injected into the well. In fact, much more—as much as 16 times too much. It is also true that these waters are used in agriculture. All this must be good, right?

What is left out is what is in these extracted waters. They contain the chemicals used to frac and acidify the wells. Therefore the chemical stew enters both directly into the food chain (our bodies) and eventually penetrate into the aquifer. But that’s not all folks. The waters also contain natural pollutants from having lived with oil for centuries underground. Besides the salts and strontium there is a natural, if undesirable, oiliness.

But there’s no evidence that fracking liquids are either unsafe or in the aquifer, the letter asserts. Really? One may not like the evidence but it is evidence, non-the-less. Clean Water Action reports that extracted waste water (from fracking) is put into open pits untreated. They both off gas, adding to air pollution, and penetrate the aquifer. According to NBC (Nov 2014) gas companies pump nearly three billion gallons of such wastewater directly into our aquifers. This act, NBC reported, is itself against the law, the aquifers being legally off-limits.

A Colorado hospital narrowed down the substance making people sick to Zetaflow, a fracking brek owned by Halliburton.

The San Francisco Chronicle wrote in April of 2015 that the state of California allowed the oil industry to drill and fill more than 170 waste disposal wells directly into the aquifer without treating for brine, hydrocarbons, waste water, metals, and trace chemicals. Nine tested sites revealed high levels of arsenic, thallium and nitrates. Um, yam. July 2014, the state shut down 11 fracking waste wells. The California State Water Board Resources confirmed in a letter to the Federal EPA that “at least nine of those sites were in fact dumping wastewater contaminated with fracking fluids and other pollutants into the aquifers protected by state law and Federal Safe Drinking Water Act.”

Ok, then (the three identiﬁed) letters complain that I mischaracterized the public’s access to what’s in the fracking fluid. They assert that it is state law that the contents are made public. However, as we've seen, state laws are not necessarily slavishly either followed or enforced. But give the Devil his due, all the chemicals are available online. In fact many of the chemicals are listed, often with both their chemical and generic names, but not in a form that a person can easily inspect or intelligently assess.

There was a poisoning incident in Colorado, the hospital staff tried to find out what was making the folks sick. They narrowed it down to Zetaflow, a fracking brek owned and sold by Halliburton. When the hospital requested a breakdown of the content, Zetaflow, believing reasonably that knowing the ingredients of the poison could aid in treatment, were told by Halliburton, as reported in the Daily Kos and the Denver Post, that Zetaflow increases oil production by 30% and if they demanded the contents, Halliburton would withhold it from the market in Colorado. Great corporate citizens. It is important to remember that organized denial has been the corporate way, the number one choice in their playbook. “Not enough proof that cigarettes cause cancer.” Just conjecture based on flawed studies, “they swore—actually, they perjured. “No real proof that human beings play any significant part in climate change. Hysteria based on bad information. “Fracking fluid is not at all harmful; you could drink it,” one corporate spokesman claimed on TV, and then sensibly, when challenged to prove it, refused to take a sip. Even the paid hack wouldn’t drink the toxic Kool-Aid, and neither should we.

How to Find What is Happening in Wells Near You

According to Audubon International the average American golf course in a dry area uses 1 million gallons of water per day. Here in Orange County the average frack job using a single well uses $30,000 gallons. See links below to find out what is happening in wells near you.

War Costs in Life & Money

California leads the nation with 886 soldiers wounded and 252 dead in war since 2001.

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Priorities

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Water Used for Oil Production

Jon Dobrer’s recent column “A Drought of Good Information” (Mid April 2015) was aptly titled because it lacked solid information and instead used scare tactics about water used for oil production. State water officials have explicitly stated that no contamination has been found related to oil and gas operations. In addition, state law requires oil producers to disclose the ingredients used in hydraulic fracturing fluids. This information is available online.

Hydraulic fracturing operations use a small amount of water. In fact, all hydraulic fracturing in California during 2013 used the same amount of water used to keep a single golf course green for a year.

In addition, oil production is a net water producer. Water that is produced along with oil is either reused for industrial purposes or cleaned up for agricultural use. In Kern County, farmers who are already facing severe water cuts, receive more than 10 billion gallons of water annually from energy producers.

Anti-oil activists continue to distort the truth as a way to ban domestic energy production. This will mean higher costs for consumers and a greater reliance on oil imported from overseas.

With California’s strict standards in place, responsible domestic energy production protects our economy and our environment.

Sheri Madsen BCF Public Affairs Jane Farwell Newport Beach Jack Anderson Orange County to give his town a shower.

Letter Below Turns Out to Be a PR Ploy

The identical letter printed below was sent to the Observer by two different people. One of them forgot to erase a note from BCF Public Affairs employee telling them to erase the note and forward it to the paper. We listed all their names on the letter and wonder how many other media outlets are receiving such letters.

How much did the city of Fullerton pay its lawyers to fight the two district election lawsuits before eventually settling?

Mark Powell Fullerton

ED: Yes, huge contributions in politics are a problem, though of course, unions are not the only special interests that contribute money to campaign.

Palmade actually spent $7.2 million ($4.5 million went to the opposition’s attorneys fees). That city took the issue all the way to the Supreme Court and lost. Our city did not go to court and settled for much less. Voters will now make the decision. See frontpage.

District vs. At Large Elections

At large elections are not only inherently unfair to minorities, they are also unfair to EVERY Fullerton resident. Whom among us has the financial wherewithal to counter the tens of thousands of dollars that the public employees unions spend each election cycle in order to support candidates whom will support their unions when ever contract negotiations roll around? The Fullerton Police Association spent over $10,000 to try to get its candi dates elected and to smear those running against them in the last election. A May 6th article from the LA Times states that the three defendants attorney s in the 3-year Palmade court battle brought by citizens seeking to install the district election system set tled for 4.5 million dollars (plus inter- at the DOGGR site at www.cwensor.ca.gov/dog/ Pages/WellFinder.aspx

The chemical brew (except for trade secret mixtures) is available online through the SCAQMD Rule 1148.2 Oil and Gas Wells Activity Notification portal at http://kapp-prod.aqmnd.gov/11482pubaccess/

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That production info for individual wells is online on the well finder page
New Orange County CEO Frank Kim

Frank Kim was selected unanimously by the OC Board of Supervisors as the new CEO of Orange County. He took office May 12 at an annual salary of $284,060.

Kim was named the county’s top financial officer in 2013 and previously served as County Budget Director for over five years. Since joining the county in 1995, Kim has served in the CEO’s office, and Auditor-Controller, OC Waste & Recycling, and Probation department.

Before starting his career with the county he worked as an internal auditor for American Restaurant Group and as a tax accountant for Arthur Andersen & Co.

At the same meeting the board released CEO Michael Giancola who took over the top job in May 2013. Giancola is retiring due to health reasons after 30 years employment with the county.

Students of All the Arts afterschool program pose in front of the mural they created and donated to the city. PHOTO CHUNG KLENG

CITY COUNCIL NOTES

The City Council meets at 6:30pm on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Upcoming agenda info and streaming video of council meetings are available at www.cityoffullerton.com. Meetings are broadcast live on Cable Ch 3 and rebroadcast at 3pm and 6pm the following Wed. & Sun. and at 5pm Mon.

City Hall is located at 303 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton.

Contact Council at 714-738-6311 or by email to: council@ci.fullerton.ca.us

MAY 5 COUNCIL MEETING (NEXT MEETING MAY 19)

•CITY CLERK AWARD: Fullerton City Clerk Lucinda Williams was honored with an award from the California City Clerk’s Association for renovating the city clerk’s office to make information accessible to the public. She has done an amazing job. Williams accepted the award and gave credit to Assistant City Clerk Mea Klein, and her team Amy Diaz and Cynthia Gill-Santillan, as well as, City Manager Fels and Information Officer Chi-Chung Kueng for nominating her.

•YELLOW FEVER DAY-BITING MOSQUITO: Councilmember Jan Flory, Fullerton’s representative on the Vector Control Board, warned citizens that tiny day-biting mosquitoes with black & white striped legs have been discovered in Anaheim. The mosquitoes can transmit dengue fever, chikungunya, and yellow fever. She reminded everyone to drain all standing water inside and outside the home as the pests can breed in as small a container as a bottle cap. Check screens and wear DEET, Picaridin, or Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus repellent.

Last year West Nile Virus, also spread by mosquitoes, killed 7 people in Orange County and sickened hundreds, many of whom ended up in long hospital stays. This situation is preventable.

If you are bitten by mosquitoes during the day call 714-971-2421. Visit www.ocgov.com for more information.

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Councilmember Flory, Fullerton’s representative on the OCWD board, said that she appreciated Fitzgerald’s comments and because of them she had learned there was more to the story.

Fitzgerald said there was no conflict of interest and that Pringle had no clients involved. She had learned that OCWD had been in talks with the EPA since Feb. 2014 but had not told board members.

Councilmember Chaffee said for the second time that he would like a report on injection of fracking wastewater.

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With the ongoing statewide drought plus new requirements to cut water usage to existing residents, businesses & city parks, it is hard to see where water for the proposed 760 new homes will come from.

Chevron Development Proposal for West Coyote Hills Returns

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Prior to the planning commission public hearing on May 27, a planning commission study session on the plan will be held on Thursday, May 21 at 7 pm at the Fullerton Community Center, 340 W. Commonwealth. There will be city and developer presentations and time for public questions.

The 510-acre vacant property is located north of Rosecrans Ave., and the Nora Kurriner and Castlewood recreational trails, south of the Fullerton/La Habra city boundary, east of the Hawks Pointe divides it around the middle. If you can't make either of the upcoming meetings you can send a comments to wchcomments@cityoffullerton.com or call 714-773-5772. Ask that your comments be made part of the permanent record.

The plan is available at http://cityoffullerton.com/development. Once there scroll down to the link for West Coyote Hills. The staff report will be available 72 hours prior to the hearing at http://www.cityoffullerton.com/gov/departments/city_clerk/meetings.asp. Once there follow the link to the “agenda” under Planning Commission Regular Meeting.

The same housing plan (minus the addendum) was unsuccessfully proposed by Chevron/Pacific Coast Homes in 2010 due to lack of water and that situation has not improved over the recent years of statewide drought.

At that time, Chevron’s plan was to provide water by selling some of its Cal Domestic San Gabriel Valley water shares to La Habra. As part of that plan, La Habra had to agree to sell the water to Fullerton if it was needed for the development within a 20-year window. La Habra also had to agree to not oppose the development. City attorney for both Fullerton and La Habra, Richard Jones, is also the chair of Cal Domestic.

La Habra gets 99% of its water from MWD and Cal Domestic. Water from Cal Domestic is pumped from the San Gabriel Valley Basin, which is highly polluted with VOC contamination. The San Gabriel Valley Watermaster, which regulates pumping and water quality of the basin, lists Chevron water shares as “unpotable” and all of Cal Domestic’s wells, (two have been shut down), are listed as “vulnerable”, due to VOC and other contaminants. (Appendix C, 6 & 7 http://watermaster.org/Final5YR_10_28_13_1018pm_LRALL.pdf)

In its April 2015 report the Watermaster stated that the basin is 45 feet below the minimum operating range and a 20% reduction in imported MWD water deliveries to the basin was noted. Water replenishment to the basin from all sources is expected to continue to decline due to the ongoing drought.

Fullerton will be considering entering a Phase 3 back-up on water use by residents, businesses and city operations at its May 19th meeting due to a statewide mandate to cut water use by 25% and MWD’s announcement that it will be curbing supplies to the city by 15% in July. The city has declined to answer repeated questions from the Observer and residents on the rationale of adding new water hookups.

After its project was denied by the council in 2010, Chevron/PCH sued the city in Superior Court for a million dollars and brought the project back for approval. Though the council then approved the plan the lawsuit was not dropped. Regular negotiations have continued to date, costing the city an undiscounted amount of money in fees to contract attorney firm Rutan & Tucker (an attorney from the firm also wrote the analysis on Measure W in the 2012 voter pamphlet which was heavily skewed towards accepting Chevron’s development plan for the hills). Voters turned the measure down.

Many other factors of the proposed development are in question. Because of its proximity to La Habra’s Westridge Shopping Plaza Center, residents of the development are unlikely to add to Fullerton’s sales tax base, though the development will require city services.

In April 2014, the council announced a “Path Forward” possible acquisition plan with confidential negotiations going on between the city, Chevron/PCH, and The Trust for Public Land, an open space preservation non-profit. However, the Trust dropped out after a number of meetings had been held, signalling that it felt the negotiations were a waste of time. The new proposal includes items from the previous one including 310 acres of open space, some of which is required by the city for any new developments plus added acreage to make up for open space requirements that fell short in Chevron’s neighboring development projects on the former Emery Ranch properties in Fullerton and La Mirada. A fire station and reservoirs required for that development were located within the Coyote Hills/Santa Ana property. Separate reservoirs must be built, and a source of water identified, for the Coyote Hills development.

The .73-acre Bob Ward Nature Preserve, purchased by the city (with a portion “gifted” by Chevron) is located adjacent to the southeast boundary of the project area. The city will purchase an additional nearby parcel from Chevron - contingent on its new development plan being passed. Other parcels will also be available for purchase if the public can raise the money within a certain time span rumored to be a year. Funding the development would up the sale value of the property.

The open space areas include steep slopes and oil-degraded areas of the property, according to the latest available 2008 Draft Environmental Impact Report - oil-degraded areas off the trail won’t be cleaned up. “no remediation is proposed specifically to avoid the sensitive habitat and/or species occupying the area...public access to the restricted access open space areas would be prevented...” (see last page of Section 4.9 - Public Health & Safety).

Two-hundred and thirty two oil wells and 15 various sumps, underground tanks, pipelines, and a gas plant operated on the property starting in 1903. Most oil and wastewater injection wells were abandoned by 1998. Major contaminant areas on the property include petroleum hydrocarbons, arsenic, lead, and PCBs.

The McCall Dump Superfund site is located to the south of the property. (The USEPA cleaned up that site in 1996 and spent 12 years in court to get the polluters, Chevron, BP, Shell and Union Oil to pay. The cleanup consisted of capping the pollution in place. That less expensive cleanup method for which the company paid was successfully, still requires gas collection treatment monitoring to date.)

In addition, the homes in the 161 acres planned for residential development would be vented for methane. Any abandoned wells, tanks, etc. discovered during excavation and grading would be removed. Oil and chemical impacted soil would be removed or reused onsite as compacted fill. Chevron would keep mineral rights under the property for future use - probably by slant drilling beneath the homes from outside the properties.

The over 50-year fight to save the property as open space is now once again in the hands of the public and city council and may depend on whether citizens stand up to protect the property or accept the Chevron development.

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Will You Sign My Yearbook?
Our library has been doing some impressive work lately, preserving Fullerton’s history in words and images. Since they have a high quality scanner now, sharp images like this one are being saved for future generations.
Yes, at right is none other than Leo Fender, from one of his high school yearbooks. I wonder how many he may have signed! If you have a yearbook, or a photo, a vintage ad, anything that is Fullerton related and you want to have it scanned and added to the Main Library Local History Room collection please do- and the sooner the better. You will preserve your own family history at the same time. Please contact Cheri Pape at (714) 738-6342 or at cherip@ci.fullerton.ca.us

DOWNTOWN BANK PRINTS MONEY
As Thomas Magnum would say, “I know what you’re thinking”. Yea, Magnum PI is an old TV show but this story is much older.
I found an interesting item recently. It is printed on wood, measures 2 ¼” by 4” and commemorates Fullerton’s “Golden Jubilee,” which celebrated the 50th anniversary of the founding of Fullerton.

That’s not all, after some local research we found the First National Bank which opened on the Northwest corner of Harbor and Commonwealth in the late 1800s, issued currency featuring “Fullerton” on 5,990 sheets of blue seal $20 bills (Don’t try that yourself!) Shown below is a well worn sample printed in 1882

At Left:
One Wooden Nickel was created by the Chamber of Commerce and redeemable at its face value up to May 17, 1937 at the bank.
Below: A $20 note issued by the National Bank of Fullerton.
Vintage Fullerton Photo Quiz

Thanks to Cherie Pape at the Fullerton Public Library History Room for the historic photos of Fullerton!

**QUESTION:** On which of the four original corners of Spadra and Commonwealth did the hotel pictured above sit?

Send your answer to Mike at AllMedia@sbcglobal.net

**ANSWER TO LAST ISSUE’S VINTAGE PHOTO**

The oldest bricks in Fullerton shown in the photo at right are from the building that is now The Matador Cantina at 111 N. Harbor Blvd. The Matador is expanding and a doorway has been cut through the old bricks.

New Patio in Town

The unusual heavy timber construction pictured at left is the roof of a soon to be completed huge outdoor patio for SoCo’s new restaurant. SoCo Sushi just opened but we’ll wait for the next issue to fill you in. Gotta check them out soon!

**OUR TOWN CROSSWORD**

“Bloom ing Actresses” by Valerie Brickey (answer key on page 19)

**ACROSS**

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6. Swindle
10. Leave a mark on
14. Big name in kitchen foil
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16. “Crimes and Misdemeanors” actor
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19. Start of many Hope/Crosby film titles
20. 1951 film “A ___ in the Sun”
21. “Stay!”
23. Frank’s ___ (popular sauce)
26. Something to lend or bend
27. Rooster’s mate
28. Historic period
29. She played Ellen Parsons on TV’s “Damages”
33. Nimble
35. Cupid, to the Greeks
36. Madonna’s “La ___ Bonita”
39. Sat, for a picture
40. Nickel oxide, chemically
41. Poker move
42. River of Hades
43. Select
44. 1979 Peter Sellers film “___ There”
45. Prime cuts of beef
48. Nintendo’s orig. console
49. ___ Lanka
51. “Star-Spangled Banner” preposition
52. Optimally
54. Black or brown spiders
55. Capital of Ghana
56. Capped queen FitzGerald
58. Scat queen Fitzgerald
59. She played Ernestine and Edith Ann on TV’s “Laugh-In”
60. Bachelor’s last words
61. 4G mobile tech.
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**DOWN**

1. British rule in colonial India
2. Pay suffix
3. Much-maligned college football sys.
4. Pizzazz
5. Like a nice suit
6. On ___ (without a contract)
7. Actor Nicolas
8. Kwik-E-Mart clerk on “The Simpsons”
9. Distress signals
10. Tolkien’s ___ Ford of Middle Earth
11. Outdoor dryer?
12. Saying
13. Radioactive gas
14. Alliance acronym
22. Brain legend Bobby
23. Harvests
24. Cereal fungal disease
25. She plays Rey in the much anticipated “Star Wars: The Force Awakens”
26. Kindle purchases
30. ___ ditch day
31. ___ Kane of “All My Children”
32. Christie’s “Death on the ___”
34. LPGA golfer Thompson
37. Come-ons
38. Anxiety
41. Cyclist Lance, if he had ripped stomach muscles?
43. Priscilla or Lisa Marie
46. Ribbon
47. Discretion
49. Stockholm native
50. Angry, with “up”
53. Nickname of Teddy Roosevelt’s older sister
55. Quaker ___
56. Banned apple spray
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STEM Summit at Sunny Hills High School

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School Report

Hermosa Drive Student Council members Kayla Weiss, Morgan Day, Abigail Lees and Anika Kothari provided a very informative presentation on their school, highlighting the many programs and parent involvement opportunities available.

Public Comments

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School District Notes

by Jan Youngman

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NEW SUPERINTENDENT

Scott Scambry, Ed.D. has been selected as the new superintendent con- tingent on successful contract negotia- tions. A formal announcement will be made on May 19th. Dr. Scambry has served as superintendent at Merced Union High School District since 2008. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administra- tion from CSU Fresno; a Master of Arts in Educational Administration from University of San Francisco; a Tier II Professional Clear Administrative Credential in Ed Administration from the US International University San Diego; and a Doctor of Education in Organizational Leadership from the University of La Verne. He and wife Rachel have three daughters ages 11, 15 and 16.

TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

Each year the school site principals and the district celebrate teachers who demonstrate a higher level of excellence in an already expert field of instructors. This year’s honorees are:

Buena Park: Anthony White teaches social sciences and is a highly respected coach. He also earned the district’s Teacher of the Year recognition.

Fullerton Union: Blanca McGurthe, a mathematic teacher, dedicates her time to making sure that at risk students concentrate on gaining skills that allow them to pass the CA High School Exit Exam.

Golden Ribbon Awards for Buena Park & Sonora

California has 3,523 public high schools and both Buena Park and Sonora were among the 180 honored with the California Gold Ribbon Award. The schools applied and received this award honoring exemplary teaching, creative programs, and creating a positive school climate. This new award is presented in lieu of the California Distinguished Schools Awards until a new assessment system (API) is created.

La Habra: Physics teacher Stephen Imlay teaches in such creative and innovative ways that students not only master the basics but become enamored with a subject most peo- ple find difficult.

La Sierra: English teacher Meagan Bled embrases creative processes that allow her to reach more of her students and her enthusi- asm encourages her fellow teachers to try innovative teaching styles as well.

La Vista: Teacher Sovantevy Long improved the adult transition program while inspiring both students and teachers to try new teaching methods making this exceptional program even better.

Sonora: JROTC Sgt. David Marquez was honored for encouraging students to greater heights and for creating an atmosphere of inclusiveness. He will be retiring at the end of the year and also earned the district’s Teacher of the Year recognition.

Sunny Hills: Math teacher Brian Wall was honored for his amazing talent to get stu- dents to find artistic abilities that they didn’t know they had.

Troy: Special education teacher Sandi Kossler, who will also be retiring this year, was honored for her dedication.

Kids Rule!

“T he World Would Be a Better Place If We Are All Friends to Each Other” artwork by Francine Vudoti who won the first place literature excellence award in the intermediate division grade 3 to 5 National PTA Reflection Arts Contest. PHOTO BY F. BLANCAEL

The World Would Be a Better Place If We Are All Friends to Each Other

One day I saw in the news, the picture of men pointing their guns to people lying on the ground. I asked my mom what it was. She said, “Those were Muslims called ISIS who wanted to hurt the Christians because they have different beliefs.” My mom told me that fighting between people is one of the biggest prob- lems in the world.

I thought to myself, if only we were all friends to each other, then the world would be a better place. But then, I think I almost failed to help the world become a better place.

I met a girl who wanted to make friends with me. However, while I was eating snacks, another friend gossiped to me say- ing, “Did you know that the girl who wants to make friends with you is a Muslim?” She went on to say that Muslims are bad and told me NOT to make friends with her. I said, “Okay.”

During a party, my mom was looking for me but couldn’t find me. The girl who wanted to make friends with me, ran to mom and told her where I was. When we went home my mom asked me if I am friends with the girl who helped her find me. I said, “Well not so much.” My mom asked why. Then I told her what my friend told me about the girl. Then my mom said, “There is nothing wrong with being a Muslim.” What makes Muslims or Christians bad is when they do bad things like hurt other people who do not have the same beliefs.

I felt bad that I didn’t make friends with the girl. I remember the rule I learned from school- treat others the way that you want them to treat you and do not judge anyone by their cover.

Mom said, “It’s not too late, you could still make friends with her.” I said, “Yes.”

The next day, when I met the girl she showed me her favorite book. I told her that it was a nice book and I started mak- ing friends with her. Now we’re already good friends. We talk to each other about our day and we play some games. It makes me happy that I made the right choice.

I think I’m helping the world become a better place because I now try to make friends with everyone. I think we could all help by being friendly with each other even though we are different from each other. Some are whites and some are blacks. Some are Christians and some are Muslims. The most important element that we should have in our hearts is love for one another. If each of us all over the world makes friends with each other then it would be a wonderful world for us all to live.

Francine is a local 8-year-old student who enjoys writing and many other activities.
A horse owner gets ready to ride.

Horses at Bastanchury
by Betz Kuttner / Photos by Liz Marchant

Many passing by Bastanchury near Euclid are intrigued to see horses along the railroad tracks in the V & H Stables. While the proprietors, Versa Harris, used her initials in naming the stables she says the “H” really stands for “Horses,” her prime interest and first love.

She started the stables in 1984, welcoming friends and acquaintances to board their horses with her, and since then, it has become a familiar place for horse owners who do not have big lots to accommodate their pets at home. Most of her customers are from Fullerton, La Habra and as far away as Huntington Beach, as well as those needing temporary stable services to participate in horse shows at the Fullerton Arena at Laguna Lake Park on Lakeview.

Versa has 24 stables for boarding, and most of them are occupied by quarter horses, her favorite kind because of their versatility and stamina. The cost is a minimal $300 monthly fee (plus $50 more for feeding services if needed). Versa not only trains horses and teaches riding but she is also a horse whisperer who diagnoses the problems of horses.

Every Saturday and Sunday, you can see riders take their horses along the 28 miles of Fullerton trails. Healing horses are also brought to visit with senior citizens at a local care center. And once-a-month horse camps at a location just outside Fullerton are available to horse owners boarding at V&H.

Versa fell in love with horses as a three-year-old, already brave enough to sit on a horse in rodeos and horse shows. She owned her first horse at the age of 6, and since then has been caring for them.

High School
Equestrian Champ

Kate Petrusse, Fullerton High School freshman, won the 2015 Orange County Interscholastic Equestrian League Overall Championship for Western Events. The Orange County Interscholastic Equestrian League holds eight horse shows per school year, at the Rancho Mission Viejo Riding Park in San Juan Capistrano, www.ociel.org.

Kate competes on a national level, and last year won the 13 and Under ApHC Youth World Championship for Western Riding.

Kate Petrusse and Fullerton High School Principal Roni Goyal (pictured above) enjoyed a photo-op with the Championship trophy and ribbons. Pictured below is a portion of a collage of Kate and her horse “Specially Vested.”

Specially Vested’s barn name is Paris. Kate and Paris train with National and World Champion, Darren Vincent, of “Winning Ways Ranch” equestrian center, in Riverside.

24 horses are kept at the stables.

V&H Stable owner Versa cleans a stall at the stables.
Anjali Sharma Selected for National Team

Anjali Sharma of Fullerton has been selected to play in Baseball For All’s 2015 Nationals. This tournament is America’s first national girls’ baseball tournament! All Star girls, ages 10-13, from around the country have been selected to play in Baseball For All’s Nationals. This tournament is America’s first national girls’ baseball tournament. The tournament takes only 47 rounds before losing to the top ranked player, Eddie was undefeated this season 48 - 0. His running, passing and kicking skills attracted offers from professional baseball and football teams.

Baseball For All’s Nationals is working with the International Women’s Baseball Center to celebrate the past and present of girls baseball. Anjali will be honored for her participation in this pioneering tournament by members of the original 1943 All American Girls Professional Baseball League. Anjali has been playing baseball for seven years and has played every position on the field but enjoys pitching and playing catcher the most. Anjali has been selected by coaches and managers, as the only girl in her Little League division, to play in the All-Star team.

Baseball For All is a 501(c)3 and the voice and hub of girls baseball in the U.S. Baseball For All’s President and Founder, Justine Siegal, is the first woman to throw batting practice to an MLB team (Cleveland Indians, 2011) and to coach men’s professional baseball (Brockett Rox, 2009). For more information visit www.BaseballForAll.com.

Marvin Owens Inducted into Hall of Fame

by Pamela K. Johnson

Over two decades, the Owens boys were the faces of Fullerton. Throughout the 1950’s and 60’s, the seven siblings ruled in track, baseball and football. On May 15 the last of them, Marvin Owens, was inducted into Fullerton College’s Athletic Hall of Fame, celebrating his outstanding achievements in the school’s baseball and football programs.

“It caught me by surprise,” says Owens of the call that came when he was out on the field coaching Fullerton High School wide receivers. “I had to gather myself before I responded, and then I said, “Sure. I’d love to be inducted.” The recognition feels all the more sweet as Owens recently battled a spate of bad health that led to a kidney transplant in 2013.

It was the early ’70’s when Owens’ exploits attracted offers from professional baseball and football teams.

“Baseball was my best sport,” he recalls. A Fullerton Junior College newspaper article from the era concurred, noting: “Owens, the fast-footed, strong-armed center fielder, led the Hornets with a .371 average. He powered three home runs, five triples, and four doubles in addition to 24 singles. Owens stole eight bases, scored 19 runs and drove in 25 of his team mates.”

In 1969, he won FJC’s Most Valuable Player (MVP) in baseball, and major league offers came in both from the Oakland A’s and the San Diego Padres. But it was the dawn of the Civil Rights era, when African Americans were fighting for equality in every arena, and the pro teams’ offers didn’t seem to match what Owens felt he brought to the table. “In my area we were being drafted, receiving bonuses, and I got offered the lowest contract I ever heard of and the lowest bonus,” says the former athlete.

He weighed his options and began to look more seriously at football, where he was the rare African-American playing quarterback. During FJC’s 67 -68 season, his running, passing and kicking skills helped the Hornets go undefeated for 47 consecutive games, and won him a second MVP distinction. Coach Hal Sherbeck called Owens “the best quarterback there is,” while fans insisted that his real name was “Marvelous Marvin.”

In the early ’70’s, Owens went on to sign a contract with the Minnesota Vikings for a year. When they released him, he joined the St. Louis Cardinals for two seasons, and briefly got picked up by the New York Jets.

Still, he sometimes wonders about the path not taken, particularly the Padres’ offer. It included a month or two of grooming in their AA division before moving him up to the majors. It would’ve kept him in San Diego, with Ray Boone and Tom Cheek, and with a shot to play for the Washington Redskins, and served as an assistant executive director of the NFL Players Association. Jewel Owens started for Fullerton High and Fullerton College in the early 50s. Leon was a football and track star at Fullerton High, and played-semi-pro baseball. David “Sonny” Owens mastered high and low hurdles at the school, while Alfred Jr. went on to distinguish himself in baseball and football.

Ted shone in baseball and football at both Fullerton High and Fullerton College, and Jesse, the youngest, garnered attention as their only male sibling not to go into sports. When it came to grades, his parents were no nonsense, expecting them to earn at least a “B” and to go on to college.

By the 1980’s, Owens had become a mortgage banker, husband and father. He could still run several miles at a clip and horse around with the kids, but there was trouble ahead. He had a stroke, followed by a heart attack in the late 90s and then his kidneys began to fail. By the sixth year on dialysis to perform the life-saving functions his kidneys no longer could. But the sessions left him spent.

He provides a safety net for them just as his father had before. Marvin Owens works as a cinematographer.

“T he question sent Owens, now 64, reeling. After years of pre-dawn dialysis, he had begun to give up hope. The successful surgery allowed him to get back to something he loves: coaching kids.”

Owens says motivating athletes today is different from the way he remembers it: “You can’t yell and scream; I have to tone it down a notch.” A computer has replaced the 5- or 4-inch binder of information, once known as The Playbook. In terms of soft skills, he seeks to help students make smarter relationships choices and social-media boundaries.

He provides a safety net for them just as Peter Liapis of the Fullerton Boy’s Club and Coach Gil Tucker did when he came along. Sometimes he sees one of his old mentors, still serving a fine example: Coach Tucker. “He’s in excellent shape at 90 plus, out there walking.”

Marvin and Najita Owens, with their daughter Najita and son Brigm an. - Photo by KAYE KITTRELL

Fullerton High School Tennis

Fullerton High School senior, Eddie Gutierrez and sophomore Mikayla Rinker competed in the 115th Ojai Valley Tennis Tournament. The tournament takes only 47 players from around the country and in her division but now she will be making history playing baseball with other girls who love baseball as much as she does.

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Day of Music Open Stage for Performers 
Sunday, June 21

by Carol van Ahlers

Andy Warhol was attributed with saying that everyone will have his or her 15 minutes of fame. Well, a chance for fame is just a few weeks away at the Day of Music Fullerton (Sunday, June 21) when anyone can bring their guitar (or any stringed instrument) and join the “Kats & Strats” Concert – center stage at the Fullerton Museum Plaza on E. Wilshire between Harbor and Pomona, in downtown Fullerton.

String musicians, beginning to professional, young and old, can join with Bubba and the Big Bad Blues Band on stage to play a few tunes including Smoke on the Water and Louise, Louise.

Right after Louise, Louise, special guests are scheduled to perform. Lit will jump on stage and lead a one in a lifetime chance to play their hit “My Own Worst Enemy” with them. Luckily, keyboardists Jerry and A. J. Popoff will be back home in Fullerton and ready to go after playing a concert at Irvine Meadows the night before with Tears For Fears, Bush, Everclear and Cake. Lit, Fullerton’s hometown band, began in 1995 and have enjoyed a long run on the rock tour circuit.

“This will be an awesome 15 minutes for anyone who loves the guitar,” said Mike Rizzo, a member of the DOM Organizing Committee. “We see Kats & Strats as the perfect opportunity to celebrate Fullerton’s unique guitar legacy with dozens of enthusiasts on stage directly adjacent to the Leo Fender Museum. Bring your guitar and come play, there is no need to audition.”

Those interested in joining Kats & Strats for the noon performance at the Plaza, must pre-register on the website to ensure a spot. To register visit www.thedayofmusic.com.

“Our goal is to have two other such events planned,” explained Ritto. “It’s like soup. With just four weeks to go until the big day, organizers are working hard to match more than 100 interested bands with venues throughout the city. A full day of free music is planned for both the Fullerton Museum Plaza and the Hillcrest Bowl, which will be known as the “Burger Bowl” on the day thanks to the sponsorship of Fullerton’s own Burger Records. Other venues, including parks, cafes, churches and local businesses are set to feature music performances of all genres. The Day of Music in Fullerton, which features performances all around town on Sunday, June 21st, is free to participants and attendees. For full details visit www.thedayofmusic.com.

ZenJames & Band a Hit at Library’s New Local Talent Showcase

On Monday May 4th, Fullerton resident Zen James, of Cherokee heritage, performed his Native American flute before a full house as part of the Fullerton Library Local Talent Showcase. The name of the show was “Night Raid for My Lakota Girl.” He told a Native American adventure romance story based upon a chapter from the book Black Elk Speaks.

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Around the
Downtown ArtWalk

The May 1st ArtWalk in Downtown Fullerton featured many interesting sights. The free event repeats on the first Friday of each month from 6pm to 10pm and is definitely worth experiencing. All the venues showing art are within walking distance of each other and parking is free on the street and in the various structures around town.

The Magoski Art Colony at 223 W. Santa Fe, houses many artist studios and galleries and is always open on the Art Walk. Artist/entertainer Candace Magoski always dresses in fabulously imaginative costumes to add a flair to her warm hostessing in the art colony.

The Colony is a ArtWalk hotspot and as usual was alive with visitors on May 1st.

Brian Prince’s newly remodeled artsy Pas Gallery is the first sight you see when entering the colony. The featured show “Ephphatha [Be Opened]” displayed drip/impasto abstract paintings by Kristy Prince.

Jesse La Tour’s Hibleton Gallery featured one of Fullerton’s well-known authors, Philip K. Dick.

Dick lived in Fullerton and wrote his last five novels (1970-1982), set mainly in Orange County. There were samples of his books and video interviews. Hollywood used some of his writing after his death to create movies such as Blade Runner.


Also at the colony, Denise and Joe had their gallery open showing a variety of jewelry, mosaics and melted/flattened bottles.

Another ArtWalk favorite venue is Max Bloom’s Café Noir at 220 N. Malden Avenue with its new gallery exhibiting art work curated by Stephan Baxter. This month’s exhibit features artist/photographer/portrait, Shan Ta’s series “Eyewourkes.” The artist recently moved from Irvine to Washington D.C. The walls are covered with her colorful abstract expression paintings, on exhibit through the end of the month.

Oh, Hello Friend at 122 N. Harbor featured the delicate work of Pasadena-based illustrator Heeyeon Kim. The Fullerton Museum Center and many shops also had exhibits.

The upcoming Artwalk is Friday, June 5, from 6pm to 10pm. Don’t miss it!

For more information on the Artwalk including a listing of venues and a map visit www.fullertonartwalk.com or better yet just make it downtown on the first Friday of each month and explore.

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The making of the Tonight Show
Opening Reception: 6pm-9pm
Saturday May 30-August 16

Costumes, stage props, video, cue cards, and production materials bring visitors behind the scenes into the phenomenal creative collaboration that dominated late night TV from 1962 through 1992.

Museum openings are free to members and $5 for non-members. You can sign up to become a member at the door if you like.

Dextra Franken Kel Celebration at CSUF

Dextra Franken visited CSUF Art Department Begovich Gallery to celebrate her 90th birthday! Dextra was the Exhibition Design Program Director at CSUF for many years. Her vision and exhibition design was impeccable. She invited and discovered artist before they were well known, ie Judy Chicago and others.

The celebration was attended by former students, retired colleagues, current professors and friends.

Dextra opened the new gallery space in the Visual Art Department in 1970 with the exhibition, "India; Arts of the People-Tribal/Village/Town" in 1970. Many professional exhibits followed and many students benefited from her teaching the fine art of exhibition design.

Exhibit Opening Reception at the Fullerton Museum Center

Saturday, May 30
from 6-9pm!
$5 admission
Free for Museum members

The night will include food, live music, a curator’s talk and more!

Enjoy video, photographs, props and costumes from Carson’s 30 years as host of the “Tonight Show.”

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Dextra Frankel and Dorian Hunter visit at the reception.
At Right:

An unhappy Gretchen (Michelle Lynn) confronts Robert (Phil Nieto) in some of the play’s most playful and stand-out scenes in Stages Theater’s production of Boeing Boeing playing through June 14th.

REVIEWED by Mark Rosier

BOEING BOEING AT STAGES IN FULLERTON

Marc Camelotti’s famed farce Boeing Boeing takes off for a wild and comedic flight at Stages Theatre in Fullerton.

On the surface Bernard (Brian Fichner) has created a life for himself that would be the envy of many a woman-chasing male. In the swinging era of the 1960’s Bernard is engaged to three, yes, three women, which he has no immediate plans to join on a saunter down the aisle to matrimony.

Residing in a Paris flat, with the aid of his French housekeeper Berthe (Amy Lauren Getty), Bernard takes full opportunity of his situation with a revolving door of three stewardesses with employment schedules that are ideally patterned to keeping his unsavory behavior from becoming unraveled. If that wasn’t a template for inevitable chaos the proceeding get kicked up a notch with the arrival of Bernard’s old schoolmate Robert (Phil Nieto) who is soon brought up to speed on his current relationship status.

Robert, equal parts impressed and mortified, goes from having a front-row seat to Bernard’s deceitful display to inevitably, and with a great many nerve rattling comic results, becoming entangled in the epicenter of the fray. Bernard’s once pleasure-packed universe gets entangled in the epicenter of the fray. The engagement is a threat to the well-being of the tale built on deception after deception.

In under two hours the manner in which Boeing Boeing’s plot is resolved leaves the audience with a well earned sense of gleeful destruction. Standout performances include, but are not limited to, Brian Fichner whose Bernard is dashingly charismatic, turning from straight man to the focal point of the comedy in an engaging manner; Amy Lauren Getty as Berthe whose patience - initially infinite - soon dissipates, vastly intensifying her frustrations and making for delightful filled chaos; Phil Nieto as Robert whose simple intentions to visit an old friend soon prove to be as stress-filled an experience he could ever hope to encounter; and Michelle Lynn, as Gretchen, whose physical command of comedy is infused with some endearing moments.

Nieto’s scenes with Michelle Lynn make for some of the plays most standout and playful instances. The tightly packed opening night audience of varying age, were understandably vocal in their approval of the evening’s entertainment, a promising prelude of what to expect in the ongoing performances still to come.

Maverick Theater
110 E. Walnut Ave., Fullerton
714-526-7070 www.mavericktheater.com

Les Miserables by Alain Boublil & Claude-Michel Schönberg, lyrics by Herbert Kretzmer plays thru May 30th. Set in early 19th-century France, this Tony Award Winner musical is the story of Jean Valjean, a French peasant and his quest for redemption after serving 19 years in jail for having stolen a loaf of bread for his sister’s starving child. Valjean decides to break his parole and start a new life anew after a kindly bishop inspires him by a tremendous act of mercy, but he is relentlessly tracked down by a police inspector named Javert. Along the way, Valjean and a slew of characters are swept into a revolutionary period in France, where a group of young idealists make their last stand at a street barricade.

Venue Q by Jeff Whitty, music & lyrics by Robert Lopez & Jeff Marx, opens June 5 and plays through July 18th. This rated R Tony Award winning musical is a puppet-filled comedy that tells the story of a recent college grad named Princeton who moves into a shabby New York apartment all the way out on Avenue Q. He soon discovers that although the residents seem nice, it’s clear that this is not your ordinary neighborhood. Together, Princeton and his new-found friends struggle to find jobs, dates, and their ever-elusive purpose in life. Filled with gut-busting humor and a delightfully catchy score, not to mention puppets, Avenue Q is a truly unique show. For audiences 17 and up. $28 (students/$15)

Chance Theater
5522 E. La Palma Ave., Anaheim Hills
Tickets 714-777-3033 www.chancetheater.com

Samsara by Lauren Yee, directed by Benjamin Kamine. West Coast Premiere plays thru May 31. What to expect when you’re expecting someone else’s baby. Americans Katie and Craig are having a baby with Suzuya, a surrogate from India. The story unfolds as all three “parents” anxiously await the baby’s due date.

OC-Centric New Play Festival
Moulton Center Studio Theatre, Chapman University
300 E. Palm Ave., Orange
Tickets 714-902-5716 www.oc-centric.com

Comming up August 20-30 Save the date for new plays from established and emerging local playwrights featured at the 5th annual new play festival. Full-length plays include Fabulous Monsters by Diana Burbano and Grace Note by Robert Kontz.

One-act plays include Corrupt Impressions or The Dangerous Ones by Joni Ravenna; Hamlet by Tamiko Washington; Love’s Last Word by Leonard Joseph Dunham; and Spoken Allowed by David Scaglione.

Specific times, dates, and descriptions will be available on the oc-centric website as the date draws nearer. $20

Stages Theater
400 E. Commonwealth, Fullerton
Tickets 714-525-4484 www.stagetheatresoc.org

Boeing Boeing plays Fri & Sat at 8pm, and Sun at 2pm, thru June 14.

The House of Yes by Wendy MacLeod, directed by Jack Millis plays Sat. & Sun. at 5pm, thru June 13. It’s Thanksgiving 20 years after the Kennedy assassination and MArty’s arrival home from New York is greatly anticipated by his mother, Mrs. Pascal, his twin sister Jackie-O and his younger brother, Anthony. He arrives during a hurricane, but worse than the storm, is the fact he brings Lesly, his fiancé, who ruins everything. The engagement is a threat to the well-being of the family, especially to Jackie-O who has always wanted her brother to herself. On top of that, Jackie-O has just recently been released from a mental hospital, Anthony dropped out of Princeton and their mother has a serious problem handling any of this.

Auditions: Auditions for Cabaret will be held Sat, June 13, 10am-2pm. Check website for details.

Long Beach Playhouse Seeks Ethnically Diverse Directors

Qualified and interested directors of diverse ethnicities and backgrounds are invited to submit resumes to be considered for upcoming shows at the Long Beach Playhouse. Send resumes and cover letters directly to the theater at pr@lpplayhouse.org.
Far from the Madding Crowd: Two Hits

Of Thomas Hardy's half dozen most notable novels, none has been regarded as frequently the big screen as Far from the Madding Crowd,” the first a silent film in 1915, and in the more recent past, John Schlesinger's 1967 version with Julie Christie. Danish director Thomas Vinterberg has now taken on the challenge, providing a film from the 3-hour Schlesinger version to a modest two hours. Some colorful scenes from the 1967 version have been omitted but the basic story is very much intact.

Why does interest persist in this late Victorian novel? Hardy's heroine, Bathsheba Everdene—smart, beautiful, spirited and independent—could have graced an Austin novel or a twenty-first century narrative, carrying with her the troublesome traits of imperious behavior and faulty decision making. Hardy also brings to his story the complexities of love and the interplay of fate and human passions. Bathsheba's choices can reverse a character's fortunes in a universe ruled by the indifferent forces of Nature.

Bathsheba (Carey Mulligan), well-educated but orphaned, works on her aunt's farm, which borders the sheep-raising pastures of Gabriel Oak (Belgian actor Matthias Schoenaerts). Hardy's novel has as much in common with the lovely Bathsheba and almost immediately asks that she marry him, but she responds quickly that she does not want to be anyone's property. Soon after, she receives a letter explaining that a distant uncle has died and has willed her his substantial farm with its large stone farmhouse.

Excited and delighted, Bathsheba leaves for the neighboring village of Westhay.

Addressing her newly acquired farm hands, she dismisses an incompetent bailiff, whose lack of attention has almost let her barn burn down, and she explains to her employees that she will be in the fields with them, working before they arrive and after they leave. Bathsheba also throws her talents into the marketplace of grain sales, insinuating the superiority of her wheat and hauling out for top dollar (actually pounds, since it's Britain). Her efforts to impress her is "I have some interesting pigs.

WED, MAY 20
• 8am - 1pm: Fullerton City Council Meeting at City Hall, 303 W. Commonwealth Ave. Public hearing on water conservation public hearing. Visit www.ci.fullerton.ca.us and click on the city council link to bring up the agenda.

• 7pm: Surviving Pizza is a do-it-yourself, all-you-can-eat Israeli-Palestinian conflict challenges the two states solution and offers an alternative: confederation. Discussion with producers Joseph Aversan and Charles Fredrickson followed by Q & A at the Fullerton Club community meeting room at the Irvine Ranch Water District, 15500 Sand Canyon Ave., Irvine. Free.

THURS, MAY 21
• 10:30am-2pm: League of Women Voters luncheon and annual meeting features speaker Danielle Nava-Nava-Mijares, who will talk about her work as director of Community and Strategic Initiatives for the California Conference for Equality and Justice. Meridian Club, 1281 E. W ilishire Blvd, Fullerton. Free to members, $5 for non members. Free with a donation of non-perishable food item. Reservations on line at w w w.lwvfullerton.org or call 714-738-6338.

• 5pm-8pm: 36th Annual Assistance League Outdoor Market. E. Wilshire & Pomona. Fresh produce, craft booths, food vendors, kids activities, beer & wine garden, live music at 6:30pm. E. Wilshire between Harbor and Harbor.

• 5pm-6pm: Teen Summer Volunteer Orientation for teens 7th through 12th grade in the fall, interested in volunteering at the Fullerton Public Library, Meet in the Osborne Auditorium downstairs, Contact McIntire for more info at 714-738-6338. 353 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton.

• 5pm-7pm: Coyote Hills Planning Commission Study Session at Fullerton Community Center, 340 W. Commonwealth. Come and find out what the revised proposed plans are for the 510 acre West Coyote Hills. For more info visit: w w w.fultontca.ca.gov/artsyl.org

• Fox Theatre 90th Birthday Speakeasy Days Celebration begins at 6pm Friday with an unveiling of the refurbished rooftop sign which will be completely for the first time since after dusk. The celebration continues at 11am on Saturday with free tours of the renovations so far, a live 1920s orchestra, vintage cars, raffles, prize giving of new featured books and film, free food and wine for all with tickets purchased online. Admission is free. Corner of Harbor Blvd and Chapman Ave., in downtown Fullerton For full details visit w w w.foxtheather.com

TUES, MAY 19
• 6:30pm: Fullerton City Council Meeting at City Hall, 303 W. Commonwealth. Public water conservation public hearing. Visit www.ci.fullerton.ca.us and click on the city council link to bring up the agenda.

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TUES, MAY 26
• 5:30pm-6:30pm: Mini-State of the City by current Fullerton Mayor Greg Sebourn at the Public Library, 353 W. Commonwealth. This is a free mini-version of the one he gave at the Chamber of Commerce fundraiser on March 19 which charged citizens admission to attend.

THURS, MAY 28

11am: OC Registrar of Voters Neal Kelley is the keynote speaker at the Fullerton Republican Club's May luncheon. Federated luncheon meeting. Mr. Kelley will explain how he works to ensure the integrity of our election system. RSV RSVP to Cynthia Thacker at 714-670-6915.

• 4pm-8:30pm: Downtown Fullerton Outdoor Market at Fullerton Public Library Center Plaza, Santa Ana. The California Public Utilities Commission is holding public hearings throughout southern California to gather public comments on the rate hike proposed by SoCal Gas. If approved the average customer can expect an increase of about $2.61 per month. The CPUC will be deciding the case Jan. 2016. Visit w w w.cpuc.ca.gov

• 7pm: The Actors Room is opening at 231 E. Imperial Hwy, suite 105, in Fullerton with a curtain raiser. Public is invited. Visit www.TheActorsRoom.com for more information.

• 7pm-8pm: Public Hearing on OCWD Groundwater Management Plan 2015 public comments will be taken and plan which was reviewed at www.ocwd.com. The meeting will be held in the Boardroom at Orange County Water District, 18700 Ward St., Fountain Valley, CA 92708. The plan is scheduled for adoption at the June 17, 2015 meeting at 5:30pm.

• 6:30pm: Day of Music Workshop at Fullerton Public Library, 553 W. Commonwealth. Public invited. Visit w w w.fullertonlibrary.org

• 6:30pm: Public Hearing on proposed Solution and offers an alternative: confederation. Discussion with producers Joseph Aversan and Charles Fredrickson followed by Q & A at the Fullerton Club community meeting room at the Irvine Ranch Water District, 15500 Sand Canyon Ave., Irvine. Free.

• 6:30pm-9pm: Annual Assistance League Taste of Silence ride. www.rideofsilence.org

• 9am-2pm: Craft Workshop at the Fullerton Library. 553 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton. Free for school-aged kids.

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Charles “Charlie” M. Reed, Jr.
May 8, 1933 – April 19, 2015

Former Fullerton resident and business-owner Charles “Charlie” Reed, 81, died Sunday April 19, 2015 of a sudden heart attack at his home in Huntington Beach. His wife, Roberta “Birdie” Reed and daughter, Carolyn, were with him at the time. He and Birdie were a couple for 63 years, married for over 57 years. Together, they were the proprietors of a long-time Fullerton retail institution, Brewer’s Stationers.

Born in Mineola, New York on May 8, 1933, Charlie grew up in Hempstead, and Brightwaters, Long Island, New York, the only child of Charles Maynard Reed and May Belle Eisemann Reed. He attended the Peddie School in Heightstown, New Jersey 1944 -1950, Dartmouth College in Hanover New Hampshire 1950 - 54, and Harvard Business School in Boston, Massachusetts, 1954 – 57. He met his sweetheart, Birdie, in the spring of 1952 at the local high school’s Class Day, while she was a junior at Bay Shore High and he was a sophomore at Dartmouth; after a whirlwind summer together, the couple maintained a long-distance commuter relationship, dating for the next five years.

Charlie and Birdie were married June 15, 1957 in Bay Shore, Long Island, New York, and almost immediately moved west to Longview, Washington where Charlie accepted a job with Longview Fibre Company. After a job transfer south to California, the couple bought a home in Whittier in 1960, where their daughter Carolyn (the ultimate birthday present) was born on May 8 a few years later. In 1966, the couple bought an office supply and stationery store, Brewer’s Stationer’s, in Anaheim, California and went to work together.

Brewer’s moved to Post Office Village in Fullerton in May 1972, eventually occupying two units at 1318-1320 Chapman Avenue. The store was known for being a pioneer in the alternative card industry along with having innovative gifts, and towards the end of its existence is also carried a diverse and progressive collection of books and magazines. In addition, it was paralleled by two well-known fine-line security officers, D.C. and A.C.

The family moved to Fullerton from Whittier in 1976, and during his time in Fullerton, Charlie, along with Birdie, supported the Fullerton Arboretum, were members of the Orange County International, the ACLU and attended the Fullerton Unitarian-Universalist Church. Charlie was also active in the Orange County chapter of the Dartmouth College Alumni Club, where he served as treasurer for many years. He and Birdie also served in various capacities for the local Unitarian-Universalist camp and conference center, deBenedetto Pines.

Although he had a stern countenance, Charlie was known as a big softhearted by his employees, treating them like extended family; most employees came to Brewer’s to work part-time while attending local colleges. The store closed its doors in 1995. Birdie and Charlie moved to Huntington Beach in 1996, where they lived close to the beach.

Upon retirement, Charlie became more active in a number of social justice causes. Through his association with the Orange Coast Unitarian Universalist Church, he and his wife Birdie delivered meals to AIDS patients as a part of Aids Team Ministry. He served as treasurer for the Orange County chapter of PFLAG, marched in support of gay marriage, and immigrant rights, helped Birdie in reestablishing the Orange County chapter of the ACLU, and served on the President’s Council for the Unitarian Universalist Association. Charlie and Birdie also opened their hearts and home to various young people in need of shelter and a safe haven. He and Birdie also traveled extensively to Europe, Hawaii, Canada, the Caribbean and throughout the continental United States.

Charlie is also survived by extended family members Charlie Vartanian, Deanne Nelsen and Michiko Vartanian. A memorial service is planned for Saturday, May 23, 2015, 11:00 am at the Orange Coast Unitarian Universalist Church in Costa Mesa. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be sent in his honor to Dartmouth College Arboretum, the Orange County chapter of the ACLU, the Orange County chapter of PFLAG, or the Unitarian Universalist Association in Boston.
The family and friends of Deloris Lorraine Buckland Bill joyfully celebrated her 90th birthday on April 17, 2015. Deloris (fondly referred to as Mama Bill) was born on the family farm in Bryant, South Dakota to parents Charles and Mabel Jefferson Buckland. She has 13 siblings, of which she is the eighth. She keeps in touch with her six sisters still living in various parts of the midwest by phone and always birthday cards.

Deloris (Dee) met her late husband, Leo Rawland Bill in Long Beach, California where he was living with her older sister Lillian. Dee and Leo married in August, 1946 and made their home in Fullerton. Leo established “Bill’s Body Works” collision auto service in Highland Ave in Fullerton that their wedding anniversary. Two weeks after celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary.

Fernando Rojas is not one to obsess over the SAT, P.E. credits, or college applications. He’s too busy learning. And because he is one of the best students in the country, the Ivy League schools—Brown, Columbia, Cornell, Dartmouth, Harvard, University of Pennsylvania, Princeton, and Yale—will all want him. He chose Yale.

Fernando’s parents, both Mexican immigrants, did not attend high school. His father, the oldest of eight children, picked maize and milked cows so his younger siblings could go to school.

Since arriving in the United States 30 years ago, Fernando’s father has worked in a local factory; for 25 years his mother has been a seamstress.

"Surprisingly I’ll be up at three in the morning doing homework. My dad wakes up to get ready to go to work and I’ll make him sandwiches. It’s rough. I’ll come home from school, but I won’t sit down to watch TV because he likes to sleep on the couch."

Fernando cherishes the free education his parents didn’t have. “People at school complain about all this work. And I get it. AP classes are tough, but I’ve learned how to value it,” he said. “I know that if I can take school by the horns, it’s a lot easier. That was the thing that pushed me to do better.”

Fernando is interested in Hispanic studies, international studies, law, and political science, but he admits that he doesn’t know what path he will take.

"People always ask me, ‘Well, what class do you want to be like? What’s the most important thing?” Fernando said, “So, I’m not Mexican because I get good grades! It’s hard enough to try to fit into the Ivy League culture when people back here are trying to cut me off by saying, ‘Oh, you’re not that Mexican’ because I’m successful in school.”

Fernando is ready to give to his community, but some doubt his accomplishments and authenticity. This makes him a little anxious. Some have said, “You got into Yale because you’re Mexican,” and others said, “You got into Yale because you’re not that Mexican.”

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“A big factor that went into applying for these schools was the connections I will make if I attend. It helps to be around people in positions of power and privilege. At Yale I can make connections between people who need help and those who want to help. Everyone wants to make a difference, but not everyone has the means.”

PHOTO: Deloris Buckland Bill enjoying her 90th birthday party thrown by her four children.

Deloris (far left) enjoyed her 90th birthday party thrown by her four children.

Happy 90th Birthday Deloris Bill!

PHOTO: Deloris Buckland Bill enjoys her 90th birthday party.

PHOTO: MARY BECKELSHIMER

THE INSPIRING FERNANDO ROJAS

by Kimberly Harris

Fernando Rojas competed in Kansas City, Missouri last year where he became the National Champion in Poetry Interpretation. He called his mom after the final round, where he performed Bobby LeFebre’s “Invisible Workforce.” Fernando made a special connection with the bilingual poem that highlights the strength of a female undocumented worker.

Fernando says there is a need for more authentic Hispanic literature. “The suffering is all there. The Hispanic culture is all there. But the literature is missing. Something that sets the African American culture apart is that they have people like Langston Hughes and Sunni Patterson.”

To help build that literacy, Fernando hopes to start a poetry program in New Haven next year. He wants to teach high school students how to find their voices. He says he was inspired by poet Sarah Kay who worked with surrounding high schools when she attended Brown University.

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Social media might claim that people don’t care about the world any more. But people do. People are talking about things that matter. If you look for them, they’re there.”

PHOTO: MARY BECKELSHIMER
A Trio of Transportation Events

by Jere Greene

Trains, Planes and Automobiles returned for this year’s Fullerton Transportation Days.

On the first weekend in May Railroad Days offered a wonderful display spread over the train station parking lots. Tents with displays of model railroad layouts were presented by numerous clubs from the surrounding area.

The engine from Disneyland was trucked in, and steam and diesel locomotives were on display as well. The weather was great and 35,000 train fans enjoyed everything.

On May 9th, the second Saturday, 5,000 people came to Airport Days at the Fullerton Municipal Airport to see a huge grouping of airplanes. Exhibits covering the field ranged from the largest Russian Biplane, to a 1940s period DC3, to a duplicate of the Electra Amelia Earhart was flying when she was lost. Formation flights, a water drop by the Orange County Fire Authority helicopter and a flyover by the Goodyear blimp all entertained the visitors. Rules were available on local helicopters, fixed wing and biplanes.

The third event was held May 16 and 17th at the Muckenthaler Cultural Center and presented custom cars and hot rods on Saturday, followed by vintage vehicles on Sunday.

If you missed any of these events, mark your calendar for May in 2016. You won’t be disappointed.

Below: One of the many charming miniature model train exhibits at Railroad Days complete with people going about their everyday business as tiny trains sped over the nearby rails. PHOTO BY JERE GREENE

Love Fullerton Citywide Service Day

The 2nd annual Love Fullerton citywide service day was also scheduled for May 9th. Three thousand people participated in the second annual Love Fullerton citywide service day on May 9th. The event began with a gathering at the downtown plaza where volunteers signed up for one of over 50 service projects for the day and received an official “Love Fullerton” T-shirt.

One of this year’s projects involved tearing out the east lawn at City Hall in preparation for a new drought tolerant landscaping that will be installed by city crews. At noon, Heroes Bar & Grill, donated and served up a free lunch to volunteers at Hillcrest Park. The event is a partnership of area religious institutions, city employees, local businesses, schools, and residents all coming together to make Fullerton a better place.

Above: Adults had as much fun as the kids playing engineer. PHOTO BY JERE GREENE

At Right: Pilot Sammy checks out the view from the cockpit of a vintage plane at Airport Days. PHOTO BY SANDY’S DAD

Below: Love Fullerton Citywide Service Day.

At Left: Inspired kids created their own miniature train-related scenes at the Lego area. PHOTO BY JERE GREENE

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CHANGE & BALANCE
by Michelle Gottlieb

Fighting Consequences of Boredom

Want a guaranteed way to get depressed? Get and stay bored. As any teacher will attest, when children get bored, misbehavior starts to escalate. It is no different with adults. However, those “misbehaviors” look different. When we are bored, we want to do things to increase our stimulation. Those choices may not always be healthy. For instance, have you ever overeaten or drunk too much or bought too much just because you were bored? We may make these or other choices, like hanging out with people who can cause problems for us, just to stop the boredom.

We need stimulation. If we do not get it, it can send us down a vortex of depression. One client that I was working with was able to lift his depression by starting back to school and getting his brain engaged again. There are many ways to combat boredom that are healthy. First, find some things that you are interested in. These do not need to be the level of going to Paris. It could be gardening, going on a hike, reading a good book, volunteering, or, like my client, signing up for a class. You encourage us to actually get out and interact with real people. We, as humans, do better when we have real contact with other humans.

So! Fight depression! Fight boredom! Start a hobby! You will be amazed at how much better you feel! And, as always, enjoy the journey!
Troy 2nd Annual Warrior Film Showcase Winners
by Tila Pacheco

Troy High School’s film and media program held its “2nd Annual Warrior Film Showcase” to highlight films produced by students participating in the school’s Film and Media Concepts classes. Awards were presented by Troy’s Film and Media Program teachers, Jim Falletta and Jesse Knowles, in the categories of best trailer, comedy, musical, commercial, Vlog, drama, and Best in Show.

A total of 45 films were submitted, some of which are featured on Troy’s YouTube page:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3JMLm-TcaFachIWI4HypefQ

AWARDEES OF THIS YEAR’S COMPETITION

Trailers: Oscuro produced by Adriana Morales
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