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Cecelia and Nick from Cerritos were married in Buena Park but as frequent visitors to the city came to Fullerton for their reception and wedding photos. They think our city is that beautiful of a place. While in Fullerton they enjoyed the Walk on Wilshire chalk event and took a stack of Save WoW flyers to share with their wedding guests. Photo BY Anjali Tapadia

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CITY NEWS: Important Utility Billing

The City of Fullerton is experiencing a high volume of calls and emails due to billing delays caused by the implementation of a new billing system. Please note the following important information regarding billing delays.

- All billing cycles have been delayed.
- As implementation progresses, it is expected that utility bill delays will decrease and the billing schedule will normalize.
- Bills due between May 27, 2024 and November 12, 2024 will not be penalized and assessed late charges.
- Certain billing cycles affected by delayed water meter reading will be afforded higher consumption ranges to mitigate the impact of meter reading delays.

If you would like to make a payment towards your utility bill over the phone and skip the hold queue:

- Utilize the new payment processing system to pay your utility bill with a virtual operator
- This service is free to use and available 24/7
- Please have your new customer ID and account number ready
- Dial 877-768-8795 to utilize this service

Please visit the City's Utility Services page for the most up-to-date utility billing information.

www.cityoffullerton.com/government/ departments/administrative-servicesfinance/utility-services/ water-service/-fsiteid-1#!/

Orangethorpe Transit Village Conceptual Study

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), in partnership with the City of Fullerton, is conducting the Orangethorpe Transit Village Conceptual Study (Study), which will explore the potential for transit-supportive development at the Fullerton Park and Ride Facility.

The Study will analyze mixed-use development concepts that could include neighborhood retail, offices, and housing.

The Study intends to preserve the transit and park-and-ride functions at the site while enhancing the sense of community and place, complementing surrounding developments, increasing access to sustainable mobility options, and improving the transit rider experi-

Share your input by attending our upcoming in-person meetings and webinar and taking a brief online survey.

Saturday, October 19, 2024 from 10am to noon

Orangethorpe Elementary School Multipurpose Room 1400 S Brookhurst Rd, Fullerton

Thursday, October 24, 2024 from 6 to 8pm Buena Park High School

Cafeteria 8833 Academy Dr, Buena Park

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Changes to Street Sweeping

I read with alarm that the Council is considering reducing the street sweeping schedule. One size does not fit all. I live adjacent to downtown, and my neighborhood not only becomes littered with fast food containers, bottles and cans, but also there are 80-year-old magnolia trees that drop a lot of leaves every day—not just biweekly. If the street sweeping schedule is cut in half, we'll be inundated with magnolia leaves and pods (which I refer to as "ankle breakers"). If reductions must be made, how about continuing weekly on downtown streets and the three -tofour block areas adjacent to the downtown corridor? And around schools too. I'm sure there's a higher percentage of litter in areas adjacent to all our

Additionally, how does biweekly work? Truly every-other-week, or first and third, second and fourth? What about months with five "sweeping" days? This will be exceedingly confusing to residents.

I understand that parking is at a premium in some of our more densely populated neighborhoods, but consider continuing the weekly schedule, sweeping alternate sides morning and afternoon. I have vacationed in locations where street parking is extremely crowded. Those cities sweep one side of their streets in the morning and the other side in the afternoon—every week.

Please do not reduce this service. Get creative and consider alternate sides of the street, every week.

Judy Berg Fullerton

Senior Drivers

I personally think it's a mistake not to have people over 70 come into the DMV office and take the written test to renew their driver's license (I know they still have to come in for the vision test).

Having just studied the DMV handbook and taken the written test this summer (which I passed), I found it very helpful to review the traffic laws, as one forgets them and new ones are always added. I also found the special section on tips for seniors extremely useful.

With the number of accidents and deaths caused by vehicles on the road today, it seems to me that every precaution should be taken to try to prevent them. A test of basic traffic laws and an awareness of tips for safer driving for older people goes a long way to making the roads safer for everyone.

Edith Harvath Buena Park

Thank you

Thank you for another Happy Year of reading!

David Vandenberg Anaheim

"1500 Sign Petition for Walk on Wilshire to Become Permanent"

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter today regarding the title of Anjali Tapadia's article, "1500 Sign Petition for Walk on Wilshire to Become Permanent." This title suggests that the only goal is to make the area permanent, but the upcoming City Council vote will determine whether to keep or remove it altogether. Many in our community support keeping Walk on Wilshire because it has brought benefits like increased foot traffic and revenue for local businesses.

It's important to emphasize that this vote could make the area open to cars again, which would harm the community's quality of life. A clearer title would better reflect the urgency of this issue and encourage more informed discussions among residents.

Thank you for your time, and make it a great day!

Michael K McCabe Fullerton

Little Library Book Theft

There is a book box raider depriving my neighbors of books donated for them to read. I have a very popular book box and bench where many people leave books and take books.

Recently, someone has been cleaning out every book in one fell swoop. The other day someone left a large plastic bin full of books and the book box was filled to capacity. Next day someone took the bin full of books and every book out of the box.

Amazon, I heard, is telling folks they can get rich selling used books. So it appears a thief is taking the books not for personal use but to make money. I say thief not because they are stealing from me, but because they are stealing from the community for which this exchange location is an amenity.

One woman last year left a note of thanks saying that these books had sustained her mother during the pandemic.

Are other "little library" sites having the same mass thefts?

The *Observer* will forward responses c/o Kaluzny.
Send to contact@fullertonobserver.com

J. Kaluzny Fullerton

Renewal

We are so blessed to have a local paper. You are the reason our civic engagement is so robust! Thank you for keeping me informed.

Betty B. Fullerton

Chalk on Wilshire

My grand-children had fun drawing out on the street. It reminded me of when I was little and all the neighborhood kids played in the street. Traffic wasn't like what it is now. We could play for hours in the street. Tag, baseball, soccer, dodge ball, and so on without having to worry about speeding cars or regular traffic.

I really feel like this was a great experience for them and the community. Thank you to the young people who put this on. I hope the city council listens to them and keeps it open. It is such a great space for building connections.

D. Kim Fullerton

School Bonds

What the current state of bond indebtedness in the FSD and FJUHSD is? How much have the previous bonds have left before they're fully paid off?

Joseph D'Hippolito Fullerton

Dear Joseph D'Hippolito,

My bond articles, "Fullerton's Measure L & N Explained' and "School Bond Study Session" answers those questions.

FSD will have no additional bond responsibility if Measure N passes.

The proposed FJUHSD facilities bond adds \$21 to each \$100,000 of tax assessed rate for district area property owners. The assessed rate (found listed on a property owner's Orange County tax bill) is based on property tax rates, not market value. Current residential property owners still pay for 2 previous FJUHSD facilities bonds, 2004's Measure AA and Measure I from 2014.

Measure AA built La Vista/La Sierra High School adding \$9/\$100,000 of assessed value until 2029. Measure I added new and renovated buildings throughout the district adding \$19/\$100,000 until 2039.

If passed in November, Measure L will add an additional \$21/\$100,000 until 2049. Home owners will owe \$49/\$100,000 until 2029, and \$40/\$100,000 until 2039 when Measure I is paid off (if the district does not pass any additional bonds in the interim).

Vivien Moreno Education Reporter Fullerton Observer

Fullerton Observer

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This venture is a not-for-profit one. Revenues are plowed back into maintaining and improving our independent, non-partisan, non-sectarian community newspaper.

Our purpose is to inform Fullerton residents about political, economic, and social forces which impact their lives. We hope that this knowledge can empower residents to participate in constructive ways to hold these public and private entities accountable, so they serve Fullerton in lawful, transparent, and socially responsible ways. We seek to promote a sense of community and an appreciation for the values of diversity with which our country is so blessed.

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Young Observer Editor Edyn Mai, holds the Young Observer page of the Early October edition of the Fullerton Observer during the Troy High School Mentor Breakfast joined by Anthony Falletta, and City of Anaheim Parks and Recreation Department Director J.J. Jimenez who mentored Finley White.



URGENT DECISION AHEAD: Will Walk on Wilshire Remain Car-Free?

Date night at Mulberry Street on Wilshire year-round, permanent, Ristorante on Walk on Wilshire for this power couple who are both former mayors of Fullerton, both educators, and Sharon Quirk-Silva is currently running again for Assemblymember.

Public spaces like the Walk on Wilshire allow the community to meet and thrive! They even give the public the chance to interact with their elected officials and share their stories and experiences. Supporting public spaces means building a cohesive local community!

It is so important to keep the Walk

and fully pedestrianized.

Remember to attend the City Council vote on Tuesday, October 15, 2024 @ 5:30pm at City Hall, 303 W Commonwealth, Fullerton. Keep WoW permanent, year-round, and fully pedestrianized!

Sign the petition of 1,800+. tinyurl.com/savewalkonwilshire

Please note: Save Walk on Wilshire is grateful for the support of our elected leaders, but we remain nonpartisan and do not endorse any particular officials or candidates.

Save Walk on Wilshire

Show up to the City Council Meeting is on October 15 at 5:30 pm City Hall is located at 303 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton

Support Fullerton businesses on and off WoW

Mulberry Street Ristorante 114 W Wilshire Ave, Fullerton (714) 525-1056

Fullerton Brew Co 305 N Harbor Blvd, Fullerton (714) 447-4200

Gilding the Lily (beads and gifts) 305 W Wilshire Ave, Fullerton (714) 680-8893

Rialto Cafe 141 W Wilshire Ave, Fullerton (714) 525-5111

Green Bliss Cafe 305 N Harbor Blvd, Fullerton (714) 773-0018

Sip and Savor 108 W Wilshire Ave, Fullerton (714) 770-0165

Brownstone Cafe 305 N Harbor Blvd, Fullerton (714) 526-9123

Unity Salon 305 N Harbor Blvd, Fullerton (714) 879-7845

Pour Co (Brunch) 136 W Wilshire Ave, Fullerton (714) 869-3125

Vangs World (vintage clothing) 112 W Wilshire Ave, Fullerton (714) 213-8491

SomiSomi (soft serve & taiyaki) 305 N Harbor Blvd, Fullerton (714) 578-5031

Past Times Collectibles 305 N Harbor Blvd, Fullerton (714) 870-8013

Hidalgo's Restaurant 305 N Harbor Blvd. Fullerton (714) 447-3202

Fuoco Pizzeria Napoletana 101 N Harbor Blvd, Fullerton (714) 626-0727

SLICE (Shabu) 114 W Wilshire Ave, Fullerton (714) 525-1056

Tommy Lasorda Hero Award

Tommy Lasorda, the legendary coach of the Dodgers, called Fullerton home for 58 years. After his passing a few years ago, the city now celebrate Tommy Lasorda Day on his birthday. This day is an opportunity to reflect on Tommy's legacy and is now used to recognize outstanding leadership within the city. His daughter Laura presented the Tommy Lasorda Leadership Award in his honor.

"I'm here because this is very near and dear to my heart and family. I grew up here, and my parents lived here. They had a wonderful life here together for 58 years. To remember my father and what he did in his lifetime," said Laura, "He came from humble beginnings. He was true to himself, his country, his community, his family, and his faith; those characteristics are something I want to continue with his



legacy. So I'm here today to present this award to Lieutenant Tony Bogart."

"Talk about special people in the community, and Lt. Bogart comes to mind. A Fullerton resident, a Fullerton volunteer, he is soon retiring from the Fullerton Police Department. He has served as an umpire with Golden Hill and East Fullerton Little League here in Fullerton and recently participated as an umpire during the Junior League World Series. Still, it almost didn't happen because he was in a tragic accident. It's a testament to his strength and courage as he responded on the bike one morning to a traffic accident; he had an accident of his own. But a few broken ribs couldn't stop him. We're very proud of Lt. Bogart," said Mayor Dunlap.

Lt. Bogart said, "I'm honored and humbled by receiving this award. And Laura and I were talking before, and we never thought that the Lasorda family would honor an umpire."



Proclamation October 9th **Hangul Day**

Hangul, the official written system of the Korean language, refers to the Korean alphabet. It was created on October 9th in A.D. 1443 by King Sejong of Joseon. This day, known as Hangul Day, is commemorated to celebrate the cultural significance and preservation of the Korean language. Fullerton also participates in acknowledging Hangul Day, emphasizing the importance of language as a unifying force and its ability to facilitate cross-cultural collaboration and understanding.

City Council Notes by Staff

Meetings are on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 pm. Upcoming agenda information and streaming video of meetings are available at www.cityoffullerton.com click on meetings and agenda. City Hall is located at 303 W. Commonwealth, Fullerton Contact Council at (714) 738-6311 or council@cityoffullerton.com

Tuesday, October 1 Meeting

WAYFINDING SIGNAGE LOCATIONS UPDATE

Director Thomas provided an update on the new signage plans for downtown. The city received a grant of \$799,000 for improvements in and Enhancement Program. The funds will be used to replace the current signage system with a more comprehensive plan to help residents and visitors navigate the town more easily.

During the August 20 meeting, the council decided on a blue and white theme for the signage. The new signage will initially be placed in and around the transportation center, including Amtrak & Metrolink, OCTA stations, and Truslow Ave. However, additional funding will be necessary to add signage downtown.

The signs will be installed on existing light poles, and there will be an 8-11 foot monument sign near the Old Spaghetti Factory, which will feature around the transportation center the "Fullerton Transportation Center" through the CleanCA Transit along with the three transportation logos and the words "The Old Spaghetti Factory." Other signage will direct visitors to various attractions around town and provide bike route information. The project is expected to be completed by December 31, 2024.

The \$129,000 pylon sign north of Chapman and Harbor announcing Downtown Fullerton is not included in this grant and the sign would require expensive trenching. The Selbert Perkins Design consultant was paid \$51,000.

The update was Received & Filed

SENATE BILL 1383 RECYCLING UPDATE

The Public Works Department representative gave a presentation on the implementation of recycling efforts across the city. The overview covered efforts over the past 35 years, including commercial, organic, and inorganic waste recycling. SB 1383 is now the most comprehensive landfill waste reduction mandate in the country, aiming to reduce organic waste disposal by 75% and increase food recovery by 2025.

The city's Public Works Department has completed 60 out of the 70 required tasks to reduce methane emissions and climate pollution. Two new positions, Solid Waste Recycling Specialist and Environmental Services Coordinator, were created, and grants to assist with implementation were pursued. Remaining tasks include negotiations with the city's franchise hauler and an extension due date approval for the Corrective Action Plan from CalRecycle.

Phase 1 of the plan, which included placing new waste bins at City Hall, Fullerton Public Library, and the Public Works Yard, is complete. Phase 2 is in the planning stage and includes new bins for other city-owned facilities. The next step will be to expand collection to residents and businesses, pending negotiations with the city's trash hauler.

The Edible Food Recovery Program redirects excess food inventories from going to landfills. A tiered list of edible food recovery generators within the city has been completed, along with data and communication with those

generators about the requirements. Food Recovery Organizations have been identified. The next steps include connecting with organizations that will be receiving excess edible food regarding their capacity to redirect it to the community.

Part of the program includes education and outreach to the community, which has been done through information tables at events such as City Hall on the Go, CSUF Earth Day, Fullerton Market, Love Fullerton, and Ecohero rap performances at Elementary Schools.

The next step includes the October am-1:30 19th (10:30)Environmental Fair at Fullerton Public Library and the OctoBOOfest on October 24th (4:30-8:30 pm) at Fullerton Museum Plaza.

The city is compliant with the 2023-2025 Recycled Organic Waste Products through compost giveaways supported by grant funding. New funding sources will be required to meet annual compliance in the future. Changes were made to the City's Environmental Purchasing Policy, requiring paper products to be at least 30% recycled unless cost-prohibitive or unavailable. The next step is to finalize an agreement with Zero Footprint to procure compost credit and expand the seasonal compost pro-

There are fines for non-compliance from \$50-\$200 but the City is focusing on educating first.

The update was Received & Filed

UPCOMING CITY MEETINGS IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 303 W. COMMONWEALTH

- October 01 at 5:30pm: City Council
- October 07 at 4pm: Transportation
- October 09 at 6:30pm: Planning Commission
- October 14 at 5:30pm: Cultural Arts



Hope International University NAIA Baseball National Champions

Not in order: **Players:** Mylan Jones, David Rivera, Mario Tostado, Alex Moreno, Tyler Tilton, Owen Dunn, Nathan Estrada, Wilson Dunn, Derek Sims, Mathew Dorado, Andrew Pinedo, Luis Sato, Amari Bartee, Boom Ward, Ryan Maciel, Troy Flowers, Ryan Lamastra, Raul Herrada, Alec Arnone, JJ Cruz, Noah Stevens, Brandon Reyes, Joey Legg, Jimmy Lane, Trey Seeley, Justin Drury, Chandler DeJong, Giovanni Besio, Joshua Landry, Lucas Wallin, Branden Chun-Ming, Tommy Armendariz, Steven Ordorica, Dylan Douglas **Coaches:** Larry Mahoney, Steven Phillips, Kevin Snapp, Thomas Zieglowsky, Payton Lobdell, Vincent Payne, Omar Veloz with Mayor Nicholas Dunlap, Laura Lasorda, and Councilmember Dr. Shana Charles.

PUBLIC COMMENTS CONTINUED

RENT CONTROL

A young man, who did not identify himself, spoke about the need for rent control in Fullerton. He mentioned that his rent went up by \$160 this year and that his neighbors experienced a \$180 increase. He expressed concerns that landlords might be pushing rent to the maximum legal limit, contributing to the homelessness crisis.

He proposed that implementing a policy for rent control could help alleviate the issue. He acknowledged the limitations imposed by the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act (a California state law that limits the ability of cities to enact rent control) but urged the city to take action to prevent the situation from worsening. Mayor Dunlap requested the speaker to share his contact information with the City Manager to investigate the recent rent increase further.

WALK ON WILSHIRE SUPPORT

(14 people advocated to keep WoW, I person advocated to end it. Not all are transcribed here)

Anjali Tapadia is advocating to make the 200-foot Walk on Wilshire permanent. She highlights that the area is popular for walking, biking, dining, and filming, and parents use it to teach their kids to ride bikes.

Anjali emphasizes that the Walk on Wilshire brings people downtown, increases revenue, and creates a safe space for people to gather, dine, play, and spend money. She urges the city council to keep the space fully pedestrianized and make it permanent yearround, as it brings significant benefits to the local community.

Vanessa Estrella, a candidate for the FSD School Board and owner of a business near downtown, expressed her support for WoW as a gathering space that bolsters local businesses and enhances the vibrancy and uniqueness of Fullerton. She emphasized that the space fosters a sense of belonging for residents and benefits small businesses in the downtown area by attracting people and generating essential revenue

Vanessa highlighted that WoW also promotes a car-free environment, providing a place for families to gather and allowing visitors to experience the charm and character that define Fullerton as a thriving, diverse, and vibrant community. She urged the community to preserve WoW as a source of pride and joy and encouraged everyone to listen to the community's voice

Zee, infamous at the council for his repeated car sales park idea, said he was "trying to get to Commonwealth Post Office but couldn't because Wilshire was blocked - the shortest way from one location to another is a straight line," he said, "and my tax dollars paid for that street." Someone should tell him that there are other streets like Amerige, Commonwealth, or Whiting.

Zee suggested the Save WoW members move over to the new development at the former Angelo & Vinci's. And they could raise the money, come up with a business plan, and take it to the Planning Commission for approval. He ended in a disconnected statement, dissing women without children who want bikes and pedestrian walkways.

POLICE & HOMELESS

Tanya Apona addressed the persecution of homeless individuals who live in fear of police violence. She emphasized that these individuals deserve compassion, food, and support.

Curtis Gamble highlighted that Fullerton Municipal codes 15.42.050 and 15.04 pertain to the limitations imposed on homeless individuals staying at the Illumination Foundation's Fullerton Navigation Center Recuperative Care shelter and the Fullerton Emergency Shelter, restricting stays to no more than 6 months per year.

He suggested that the housing element should encompass shelters and advocated for permitting Movable Tiny Homes and RVs on all residential properties, considering them as a potential source of income for Fullerton residents.

THANK YOU POLICE DEPT & UP TRAIL UPDATE

Helen Higgins enjoyed walks on WoW with friends and her husband. She asked the council to preserve WoW and inquired about the progress of the Union Pacific Trail.

Additionally, she expressed gratitude to the Fullerton Police Department personnel for their patience while she and others attempted to file a report, even though they explained that more evidence would be needed to take action.

Saskia Kennedy, the *Observer* Publisher, requested the council to inform the public about the schedule

for an update on the Union Pacific Trail plan. She expressed eagerness for the community to walk on it and also voiced agreement with all the speakers advocating for the WoW initiative.

Diane Vena expressed her gratitude to the Police Department, specifically Officers Moreno and Zuniga, for taking the time to answer her questions and for going above and beyond in their assistance. She also witnessed several police officers and HOPE Center staff working together to compassionately help a homeless person as she was leaving the department.

Diane expressed her appreciation for having such services in Fullerton. Additionally, she urged the council to preserve the WoW, where she enjoyed a delicious vegan/vegetarian lunch with a friend. She described the place as a treasure without the noise and pollution of cars and requested that it be made permanent for everyone who loves it.

ONLY THE RICH ARE HEARD

Todd Harrison, who has been speaking for years about the tragedy of retirees losing their homes due to excessive rent hikes by predatory landlord John Saunders, the owner of Rancho La Paz Mobile Home Park, said his efforts to get the city council to act have not been successful.

He has come to believe that politicians just don't care. He gave each council member a recent 42-page Harvard report that supports his idea that politicians' decisions are only responsive to people at the top income levels.

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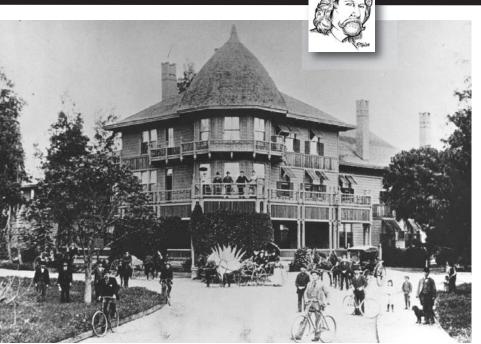
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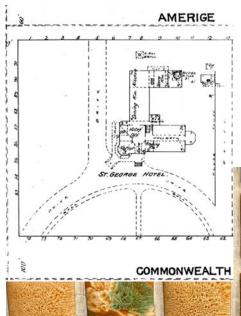
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- * CLIMATE ACTION PLAN UPDATE

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'Bye George

The St. George Hotel, a grand wooden structure, managed to survive several fires that destroyed many early buildings in downtown. However, in 1918, George Amerige sold the hotel to the Whiting Meade Wrecking Company for just \$1300. Plans were underway to build "business blocks" in the area so, after serving as a hub for local social activities for 30 years, the hotel was demolished. In its place, a row of new buildings was erected on East Commonwealth, each featuring unique tile treatments in the front and at least two different colors of brick above. The outlines of the block were designed to resemble the wooden storefronts that once populated the area.

The hotel was located away from the corner, providing space for locals to travel by horse and buggy or bicycle before the advent of modern transportation. New buildings had already been constructed on Spadra while the hotel was still standing. Thanks to Cheri Pape for providing these images, which vividly depict the transformation of downtown into its present-day appearance.

The vintage photo was taken in 1910 when the building that now houses Mickey's was nearing completion. Despite the extensive planning it took to make each space unique, the Central Business

Guidelines of the 1980s seemed to want some sort of cohesive look for signage and even designated what color and type of awnings should be installed. This made it difficult for potential customers driving by to be aware that there were multiple businesses on Commonwealth, Harbor, and their side streets. The Fullerton Downtown Business Association presented a photo study of other downtowns to our City Council, and as a result, the guidelines were relaxed. Today, the row of structures once again reflects the variety of shops and eateries on the "Amerige Block," named after George Amerige, as was the Hotel.

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Chalk On Wilshire

It's not easy to create a public event with only a handful of volunteers, but the supporters of Walk On Wilshire pulled off C.O.W. on October 5 with a number of booths, live music, giveaways, and, of course, hundreds of budding chalk artists. Shade from the tall buildings downtown helped save the day since it really cooled down the asphalt, and as you can see, most of the area was covered in color. The original date was canceled during that brutal 100-degree-plus heat wave we experienced last month. This creative and fun event generated a lot of support for



keeping the area open and many signed a petition at the Save WoW booth in advance of the City Council Meeting on October 15. By the time this is published, we may know the fate of this area. Will it once again see vehicular traffic or remain a space for dining and special events?



The Big O

The big 'O' donut is on South Harbor; the O is the donut on the sign. You knew that because B&B Donuts has been around for 40 years -their glazing is amazing. 40 years of success is an anniversary any business should to be very proud of, and so they are. With competition on every corner and holes in every product to deal with, you gotta be special to make it in that environment, and they are that. Let us know your B&B story for our next edition when we post some photos of the October 12 event. Maybe you were there for the Lit video shoot years ago, or a special time with friends, or even this morning.



All Aboard

Runaway train? Haunted train? How about Trick or Treat during the day? Why not stop by the Fullerton Train Museum on Saturday, October 19, from 9am to noon. Yes, there will be ghosts, and it's FREE. Donations accepted of course,



bring everyone downtown and give your costumes and candy limit a test run. It's at the train station, of course.

Photo Quiz

Send answer to Mike at AllMedia@sbcglobal.net



This time: On what block are these blocks



Last time:

Scott and Cooper knew it was Metallica, but oddly, metalheads Brent and Sasha did not.

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"Particulars" by Valerie Brickey (answer key on page 23)

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- 1. Drizzle
- 5. Name before Wilson or after Rooney
- 9. Czech or Serb
- 13. Prefix for face or faith
- 15. Baseball's Hershiser
- 16. Possess
- 17. *Take satisfaction in
- 19. ___ about (roughly)
- 20. It was dropped in the 60's
- 21. Cool ___ cucumber
- 22. "Encore!"
- 23. *Main menu
- 27. "It's a bird, it's a ____
- 30. Ho Chi Minh City, formerly
- borealis
- 33. Beer barrel
- 34. Kung chicken
- 37. Karen of "Little House on the Prairie"

- 39. Particulars, and a phonetic hint to
- 43. Greek celebratory cry
- 45. "I'm all ears!"
- 46. Padre de tu padre

- 55. Steelers' org.

- 64. Gobs
- 65. Concept
- 66. Sped
- 67. Latin 101 verb
- 68. Play group
- 69. "Working Girl" girl

Down

- 1. Honey, to Henri
- 2. "Need You Tonight" band
- 3. "Tell me about it, ____": "Grease"
- 4. "Cheers" actor Danson
- 5. Entanglement
- 6. "Entourage" agent Gold
- Checkers color
- 8. Ballast Point, for one
- 9. 2024 Emmy-winning drama series
- 10. Hawaiian veranda
- 11. Skirt
- 12. Captain Nemo's creator
- 14. Farm machinery
- 18. Letter before omega
- 22. Back in the day
- 23. Baseballer Slaughter
- 24. Durable wood
- 25. Went out, as a fire
- 26. Encouraged, with "on"
- 27. Senate staffer
- 28. Artificial bait
- 29. Asia's shrinking Sea
- 32. One way to read
- 34. Piper
 35. In fair in love and war
- 36. Capital on a fjord
- 38. Fencing blade
- 40. Small child

- the starred clues
- 42. Electric

- 49. Sassy retort
- 50. *Cover from the sun
- 54. Chair designer Charles
- 56. sum
- 59. Arab ruler
- 60. *Sit shotgun

- 41. Many a Father's Day gift
- 44. Capp and Capone
- 46. Reluctant
- 47. Grafton's " for Burglar"
- 48. "How cool!"
- 50. "Get Out" director Jordan
- 51. Actress Sarah of "Parenthood"
- 52. Leaves off
- 53. Andrews, e.g.: Abbr.
- 56. They're spotted in casinos
- 57. Middle of March
- 58. Drugs, briefly
- 60. Rocker Ocasek
- 61. Civil rights pioneer ____ B. Wells
- Moines, Iowa
- 63. Took a load off





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Pioneer Families of Fullerton (1860-1880)

by Jesse La Tour

The brothers George and Edward Amerige officially founded and laid out the town of Fullerton in 1887. However, they were not the first ones here. Native Americans (the Kizh, or Gabrieleno) lived here for thousands of years prior to the arrival of the Spanish in the 1700s.

In the early to mid-19th century, the land that would become Fullerton was a large Mexican ranch owned by Juan Pacifico and Maria Ontiveros. After the Mexican-American War (1846-1848), the land came into the possession of cattleman Abel Stearns, who began to sell off his vast holdings in the latter half of the 19th century.

In 1857, a group of German grape growers founded the City of Anaheim. Starting about 1860, pioneering families began to settle in the area that would become Fullerton. Some of their names survive as the names of streets and parks.

Much of the information below is taken from Bob Ziebell's book Fullerton: A Pictorial History and Samuel Armor's History of Orange County.

An early settler was the Basque sheepherder Domingo Bastanchury, who arrived in the early 1860s. He first leased and then purchased land in what is now north Fullerton for his growing sheep herd. Over time, he acquired more acres and expanded his business into cattle, hogs, citrus, and other crops.

Domingo's wife, Maria Bastanchury, called the land "the most desolate, lonesome place in the world." The Bastanchury's original adobe house was located about where the clubhouse of the Fullerton Golf Course stands

In 1868, Jerome B. Stone and his wife, Anna, purchased 200 acres of land from present-day Harbor and Orangethorpe to the Santa Fe railroad tracks. This area was known as Orangethorpe before it was called Fullerton.

Jerome and Anna Stone's daughter, Martha, later wrote about the land: "Firewood was scarce on the fertile

plain, but the mustard grew so large that the stalks were cut and burned in cookstoves and for heating. When these were not available, the ranchers hitched their teams to the farm wagons and journeyed up to Carbon Canyon where oil seepage from the ground could be cut in chunks and the 'brea' hauled back to be used for fuel. Little did they realize the potential value of that oil seepage in those days."

Other early settlers in the Orangethorpe area were the Germans Henry Burdorf, Chris Rorden, and Henry Boeckman.

"In 1869, this section of the country was very dreary, dry desert land filled with plants such as cactus, castor bean, sage brush, elderberry trees, and in some places mustard; and animal life such as quail, jackrabbits, doves, coyotes, and even wildcat," Nina May Miller, granddaughter of Henry Burdorf, recalled.

Alexander Gardiner, a native of Scotland, moved here with his family from Tennessee in 1869, planted a walnut farm, and helped establish the Walnut Fullerton Grower's Association. Alexander's son John was later elected to the first City Council in

1904. Benjamin Franklin Porter came here from Texas on a wagon train in 1870 and purchased 40 acres of land on the north side of Orangethorpe. He and his wife raised 15 children. Porter helped establish the Orangethorpe School in 1872 and Fullerton High School in

1893. In 1873, Otto Des Granges, a native of Prussia, bought 80 acres of land around present day Cal State Fullerton and Acacia Ave. and built up a citrus and walnut farm. Richard H. Gilman established a citrus ranch near the Des Granges property. It was here that the first Valencia oranges would be cultivated. A plaque on the CSUF campus commemorates this achievement.

In the 1880s, this land boom in Southern California would see the formation of many new towns, including Fullerton. To learn more local history, visit www.fullertonhistory.com.







League of Women Voters Hosts School Board Forum at Fullerton Community College

by Vivien Moreno

The League of Women Voters hosted a Fullerton School District (TK-8) Trustee Areas 2 and 5 forum on October 8 at Fullerton Community College. School district trustee positions are nonpartisan, and candidates answer audience questions for an hour or

West Fullerton Area 2 represents a diverse population, including many Korean-American and other Asian American families. Incumbent Trustee Hilda Sugarman has served on the FSD board for over 20 years and is a former teacher, PTA mom, and founder of the Fullerton Education Foundation.

James Cho is challenging this seat and is a Fullerton resident who attended Sunset Lane Elementary School, Parks Junior High, and Sunny Hills High School. He is an Air Force Reservist and is a new FSD parent as his son has recently started attending school.

South Fullerton Area 5 represents many Hispanic families. Incumbent Trustee Leonel Talavera has served four years and has children attending district schools. He works in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity and other social service nonprofits serving the community. Vanessa Estrella is a parent and small business owner. She is a PTA member and President of the FSD District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC).

Questions covered communication, Charter schools, California education laws, Measure N, mental health services, the Performance Sports Academy, technology, and parent funding participation. The candidates answered questions in the round-robin

style. I listed areas of agreement first, then separated the candidates by district area and alphabetically for contrasting answers on issues.

All candidates agreed that elected officials need to be available when constituents reach out and are aware of working parents with different hours, welcoming emails, and texts 24/7. Trustee Hilda Sugarman provided her FSD email: hilda sugarman@myfsd.org.

All candidates stood against charter schools in FSD and committed to complying with California education laws concerning no student-forced outings and the Healthy Kids Act. They also committed to respect parent's rights, including the right for parent's to opt out of sex education lessons.

Area 2: James Cho

James Cho wants more youthful, Korean American parent representation on the FSD board. He wants tastier school lunch choices, a district budget review, and halting supplemental parent financing for field trips. FSD should save for capital

He sees the Performance Sports Academy as distracting from important issues Services.

Area 2: Hilda Sugarman

Hilda Sugarman stated that as an FSD Trustee, she is proud of the 1:1 iPad implementation, Spanish and Korean Dual Language Immersion programs, and the choice of a parental FSD school site.

She said that new construction and major infrastructure projects are inaccessible without Measure N funds, and the district cannot access matching state funds without this measure. California funds public schools, and districts get creative to backfill budget cuts. The district pays for highly qualified staff and keeps facilities safe, but grants and parents end up funding educational enrichment.

The Performance Sports Academy is like other optional extracurricular activities like K-Pop camp and instrumental instruction. The program renting Parks Junior High field offers scholarships to 58% of the FSD student population who qualify for free and reduced lunch. FSD offers districtwide mental wellness programs for both students and staff. Eight FSD Community Schools help families receive wrap-around services, including mental health services and health screen-

She supports FSD's culturally diverse families and family engagement programs. She said FSD must stay current with ever-changing technology and support ongoing teacher training, responsible digital citizen student education, and creative ways to incorporate AI.

The cell phone ban has already cut down on social media school bullying and increased student engagement. She cherishes the close relationships she has formed with FSD families and staff and supports innovative programs that make FSD one of Orange County's best school districts.

investments and not rely on school bonds.

like recovering from COVID-19 learning loss. He said mental health care and healthcare are essential for children's well-being. He recommended that the district suggest that all families who qualify for free and reduced lunch be encouraged to sign up for the Medicaid program through Orange County Social

Public schools should focus on education. He stated that age-appropriate, scientific health education on hormonal changes happening to their bodies prepares children to understand themselves better and protects them from predatory manipulation and abuse. He supports having School Resource Officers (SROs) onsite to protect students and blames the administration for not listening to teachers' issues with inappropriate student behavior.

He is concerned about screen time amounts in Transitional Kindergarten (TK). He thinks the district is moving too fast in adopting technology; as the recent cell phone ban says, "Haste makes waste." He said district administrators should not be coercively asking district parents for funds.

Area 5: Leonel Talavera

Area 5: Vanessa Estrella

schools and other district sites addressed. She said FSD needs additional parent

engagement and review of Hispanic students identified with learning disabilities.

supports sports in public schools, but allowing elite athletic programs to use pub-

lic school fields alongside general program students is concerning to her because

She respects parents' rights and believes parents need information about the

district's current comprehensive, fact-based sex education curriculum. She likes

FSD's student mental health support and wants additional professional care

Technology innovation is important, and AI is part of it, but we need to safe-

Students in Title I schools receive more funding to pay for educational

resources, but in Title I schools, PTA and ELAC parents also raise funds to pro-

vide field trips. She advocates for additional cultural awareness staff training to

guard children from bullies and inappropriate actors. She advocated for the district's cell phone ban last year and does not support onsite SROs due to extensive

the expensive Performance Sports Academy is inaccessible to most families.

because too many children still have unaddressed mental health needs.

research showing SROs disproportionally punish children of color.

engage families and serve their needs better.

She supports Measure N, saying public education is everyone's concern. She

Vanessa Estrella wants the persistent learning achievement gap between Area 5

Leonel Talavera said as an FSD Trustee, he is proud of refinancing district debt and expanding Title I school science camp access.

He introduced the new Performance Sports Academy, clarifying the academy rents the field they use, and offered FSD students the option of in-person education with intensive sports training not available at other OC districts.

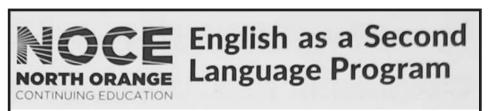
Without Measure N funds, the district needs creative ways like renting district facilities to finance new construction for 50-70-year-old FSD school sites.

His mental health wellness priority is to engage students in school and add a peer-to-peer component to their current program.

He acknowledges FSD's diverse cultural population but pushes back on the idea of "marginalized" FSD families of different cultures, saying the goal is to move forward together.

He wants students to keep up with new technology. He supports a responsible digital citizenship model for students, saying, "We are evolving as a society, so the schools need to show the right ways to use AI in education." He supports restorative practices to address the issues behind bullying problems and supports SROs on campus.

California only funds year-to-year district expenses, which means parents often end up funding academic enrichment activities. He said the Trustee position has been easy and seamless and looks forward to continuing his community outreach and creating engagement between families and the district.



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Community Survey

- Example of questions:
 - How often do you visit Independence Park?
 - What elements would you like to keep?
 - What would you rate your overall satisfaction with Independence Park?
 - · What programs or activities would you like to see at Independence Park?
 - What type of amenities would you like to have at Independence Park?



Art Education by Erin, 9th grade

Youth Artists 4 Equality

In elementary school, the All the Arts program would come to my school to host a free weekly art class. I looked forward to those days, as I hadn't taken an art class before but had a passion for

Like All the Arts, a nationwide organization called Young Artists 4 Equality (YAE) provides youth with art education, mentorship and opportunities to learn and create art. They aim to nurture a passion for the arts in young students despite the challenges of their homes and backgrounds.

Ava Park, a visual arts student at the Orange County School of the Arts (OCSA), was excited when she first heard about the program from Madison Lee, the high school founder of YAE, at a summer camp in New York. Ava wanted to be a part of this cause and started a chapter at OCSA with fellow student Grace Chung, as they are passionate about art and plan on careers in

For their YAE events, they plan on implementing interactive activities, workshops and performances to

engage children in creativity and self-expression. Ava and Grace's chapter in Orange

County joins other high school chapters in Alabama, Colorado and Los Angeles. They have been recognized for their impact by prestigious organizations like the Riley's Way Foundation in New York, the Hershey Company and Youth Service America.

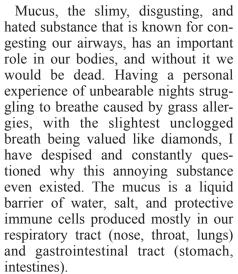
The OCSA chapter is hosting a fallthemed art activity event and is calling on all local high school students - they do not have to be OCSA students - to help out at Arborland Montessori Children's Academy, located at 2121 Hughes Dr, Fullerton, CA 92833, on Oct. 25, 2024, from 3:30 pm to 5:30

If you would like to participate or get involved with this organization, like starting your own chapter at your school, please contact:

cashew71ap@gmail.com, gracechung0914@gmail.com, or their Instagram @oc yae.

Our Bodies by Declan, 9th grade

The Magnificence of Mucus



rapidly increases to eradicate a virus, which creates an uncomfortable, clogged feeling. It rests in our airways to trap foreign particles like dust, chemicals, and germs with its sticky nature, which our body sneezes or coughs out. Along with lubricating our muscles to function properly, mucus coats the walls of our stomach, preventing the strong stomach acid from digesting and disintegrating our body.

The color of mucus helps us determine the state of our bodies.

Mucus can be a clear color, which is healthy; white, which means that the body is congested and can indicate an illness; yellow means the body is currently combating a virus, which means the nasal passage is dry; brown, which warns of the presence of dirt and indicates smoking; and black, which indicates a fungal infec-

Frequently receiving heavy mucus can reveal that one has an allergy, lung disease, or asthma. However, mucus can be relieved. The most effective methods I have used to battle my allergies is to sleep with your head elevated, stand up and walk a few steps, hydrate frequently, and have a humidifier and nasal sprays. All these begin a drainage sensation. Allergy and asthma shots, which I have taken over the years, reduce the severity of mucus build-up more than anything else as the vaccines train the immune system to produce antibodies that prevent these symptoms.



National Observance by Mateo, 11th grade

Disaster Risk Reduction - Oct 13th

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Billions of people worldwide constantly face threats from a myriad of potential disasters. Some are natural, such as the heavy flooding that placed 27 million children across 27 different countries in Africa and the Middle East at risk of drowning and disease just a couple of years ago, and some are artificial, like the current conflict in Israel that has displaced thousands of innocent families.

With the constantly increasing impacts of issues such as climate change and tension between world powers, the risk of experiencing these kinds of disasters grows higher and higher with each passing day.

To mitigate this worrying disaster risk growth, the International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction is held yearly on October

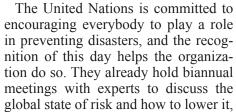
International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction was established in 1989 as a way for the United Nations to encourage global awareness of the devastating effects of various disasters and how to reduce these effects. It

serves as a celebration of the many ways communities collaborate to reduce the risks of disaster and lessen the impact when one does occur.

In recent years, the day's focus has shifted more towards the education of the world's youth in disaster prevention. The UN believes that, by empowering future generations to protect our world from destructive events, they will be properly suited with the knowledge and information they need to guard themselves and their communities in the case of a life-threatening emergency.

Another big aspect of the International Day for Disaster Risk

Reduction is the drive for citizen involve-



but by drawing the general public in as well, more progress can be made at a quicker pace.

If you would like to get involved in this global effort, there are many resources available to you. For instance, many charities help fund disaster relief efforts for families in need and depend on donations to finance their work.

Additionally, you can teach your children about earthquakes, wildfires and other disasters prevaient nere in southern California so that they are prepared when one happens. The UN offers an interactive and engaging free online game for this very purpose at stopdisas-

tersgame.org.

In today's world, disasters are more rampant than ever in all parts of the world. The U.S. alone has had two hurricanes barrel across the East Coast within the last month, taking hundreds of lives and billions of dollars in property damage with them.

International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction reminds us that nobody is alone when dealing with disasters and that we can set future generations up for success in preventing catastrophes and limiting their damage through the measures we as a community take to spread awareness and educate the youth right now.

Stress Management by Alicia, 7th grade

Dealing With Stress As a Student

Many students experience stress due to school assignments, tests, afterschool activities, and social pressures. While a little bit of pressure can be helpful and keep them motivated, too much stress can be a problem. Luckily, there are many ways for students to stay balanced.

One good way for students to handle stress is to stay organized. Using a planner or an app can help them keep track of homework, activities and deadlines. Breaking down big tasks into smaller steps can make everything more manageable. When students know what they need to do and when they need to do it, they feel more in control, which can help lower stress.

Taking breaks is also super important. Even though it might seem like students need to do everything all at once, giving their brains a rest can help them be more productive. Even short breaks to stretch, get a snack, or take a walk can help clear their minds.

Exercise is another productive way

Physical releases endorphins,

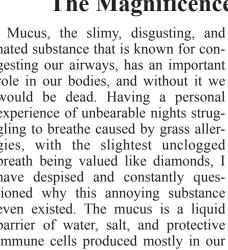
chemicals in the brain that make people happy. Simple activities like walking, riding a bike, dancing, or playing a sport with friends can be helpful. Regular exercise can improve your mood and energy.

Talking to friends, family, or teachers about what's stressing them out is another good way for students to feel better. It can make them feel less alone, and they might get good advice on managing things. Sometimes, just having someone listen makes a big differ-

Deep breathing, meditation, or yoga can also help students feel calm. Taking minutes daily to take deep breaths or sit quietly can lower stress and help students feel more relaxed.

Stress is a normal part of student life, but it doesn't have to be overwhelming. With good stress management students are able to perform better in both school and day-to-day life and feel





During sickness, mucus production

Fullerton Airport Update

- Wings Café will have its 10-year anniversary in October.
- Just in time for the fire season are those new Fire Hawk helicopters that Orange County Fire Authority received. Training had just been completed when those fires broke out last week. The Bell 412 drops 300 gallons of water or fire retardant and the Fire Hawks drops 1000 gallons.
- Terminal rehabilitation was done 10 years ago with phase one. A grant of \$500K under the BIOS Bipartisan Infrastructure law, which is going to allow the airport to continue with phase two of the American Disabilities Act upgrades, was signed recently. these upgrades will include a new fire alarm, resealing the windows on the tower cab to seal out the noise, and signage on the tower that says Fullerton Municipal Airport, most likely with the city seal as well. (The sign was damaged during the painting of the building and was never put back up.) The environment was done, the grant was received, the design should take about three months, and then the process of bidding out the design will begin.
- The new terminal or administration building project is shelved, maybe indefinitely. Construction costs have risen exponentially. In 2019, the estimate for construction was about \$7 million range, and in 2023, it is in the \$17 million range. The airport management will be looking into public and private partnership deals.
- Electric air taxis: The airport is looking into teaming with companies that want to do business there it is perfectly positioned between LAX and other nearby airports.
- The airport purchased the old AFI light training center to increase office space to do more business. The big maintenance hanger will be leased out as it's zoned for heavy maintenance, which is valuable. The engineers estimate was about \$1.1 million, and the low bid came in at \$2.4. The airport took out a \$1.3 million loan through Caltrans. They have an airport loan program, very low interest, 17 years. The construction should be done in November or December. An RFP is needed to select a tenant for a long-term lease.
- · A precision approach path indicator signals the pilots if they're too high or too low on the approach to the airport. Runway 24, coming in from the east, has an FAA-owned PAPI. Runway 6 is on the pulse light approach and slope indicator, which is antiquated; nobody knows how to work on them anymore. It's really hard to get parts. It took a grant for almost \$1 million to get that done. It's waiting for FAA flight approval.
- The entire S apron of the airport needs to be rebuilt in phases because it has exceeded its useful life. It's currently in pretty good shape, but needs to be included in the BFA programs every five years, so this will be a very large phased project.

OPINION by Ruthi Hanchett: Vote Yes on Measure N to Repair our Broken Schools

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"Parenting OC Magazine" has just named Fullerton Elementary School District (FSD) the number one school district in North Orange County. Teachers and staff in FSD work hard every day to create a school climate where every child feels safe and welcomed. But our facilities are not making this job easy. We need a Yes on Measure N to repair our broken schools.

When toilets back up, roofs leak, portable buildings crumble, and AC units quit during September heat waves with temperatures over 100 degrees (all of which have happened in FSD schools recently), it is clear our schools need help to, at a minimum, remain safe and comfortable places to learn and work.

Most of our 20 elementary and junior high schools were built in the '50s and '60s, and Maple Elementary has famously been in the same building for over 100 years. All of our schools need repairs and every single facility would benefit from the passage of Measure N. As the NetZED Laboratory at the University of Oregon reported in their 2021 study, improved facilities lead to better academic outcomes for students and greater teacher job satisfaction (The

Impact of School Facilities on Student assessed property taxes. For the average home-Learning and Engagement).

Fullerton is known as the education community. We take pride in our great schools and the education of our youngest citizens. This reputation is reflected in our higher property values. Families looking to buy homes intentionally move to our city for our world-class, free, public education. This means that even those without children benefit when we have great schools with great facilities.

Our students deserve to know that their community believes in them, values their education, and invests in their future. Our teachers and staff need to feel a sense of pride in the spaces where they work and spend the majority of their day. Our parents want to trust our facilities are the safest possible and provide access to cutting-edge learning opportunities in science and technology.

Budgets to run schools come primarily through the state and are based on the average daily attendance of students. There is no budget provided for capital investments or major upgrades to buildings, which means major repairs and updates to school buildings come at the cost of the operating budget used for school and classroom supplies, teacher salaries, running important school programs, and more.

The alternative for funding, just like buying a home, is to borrow. A bond is a loan from our community that allows our schools to make the

> necessary repairs and improvements to continue serving our students. Bond money can only be used for facilities improvements and is implemented with citizen oversight. FSD has not passed a bond since 2002 (Measure CC), and FSD was even able to refinance the previous bond, resulting in taxpayer savings.

> The current FSD bond will expire in 2025 before any new money will be drawn on the proposed Measure N. If passed, homeowners in Fullerton will pay \$30 a year per \$100,000 of

owner in Fullerton, that is less than \$150 for the entire year.

Public Education is the very best investment we can make as a community to address poverty and inequality, build our economy, protect democracy, and preserve the high quality of life we expect in Fullerton. It's the right thing for our kids, and it's good for your property's value.

Please join me in investing in Fullerton's future and voting YES on Measure N.

Ruthi Hanchett, FSD Trustee, FSD parent, and Fullertonian.

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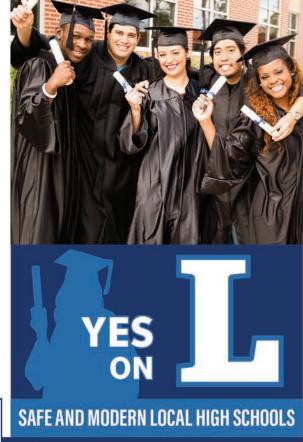


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Is it Redistricting or Gerrymandering?

by Zara Shah

As the election season crawls closer and closer, many California residents will start noticing redistricting notices. Different articles, ads and flyers will find their way into mailboxes, discreet and forgettable. Random headlines on local news stations will read out: California is redistricting. But why is the state suddenly changing the districts? And how does this affect California's demographics?

Redistricting typically occurs when there has been major population shifts within a state. Redistricting can happen every ten years, but states are free to choose when exactly they want to redraw the district lines. For example, California last redrew its districts in 2011 and had the option to redraw the lines again in 2021, but have not acted to do so, until now.

This arouses a lot of questions: why wait to redraw the boundaries until now? Could politicians be trying to influence election results? Is this a case of gerrymandering?

To get a better sense of what's going on, we have to look at what exact changes are being made. All districts are being redrawn to accommodate shifts in the population's concentration. This is triggered by the slow growth away from big cities, such as Los Angeles and San Francisco, to the surrounding suburban areas, and even out of state. In general, California is also slowly losing population due to increasing inflation and the tough housing market. Due to this, California is actually losing a seat in the House of Representatives, for the first time in history.

It's also highly important to consider voter demographics when it comes to redistricting. Latino and Asian populations have grown a lot in recent years, which brings on a new challenge: how does the state equally represent all of these new immigrants? The redistricting addresses this problem, so that ideally, all districts have strong representations of every ethnic group, and the vote is agreed upon by all members, not just one majority group.

Most districts aren't seeing much change in voter demographics, fortunately. But for some key competitive districts, such as CA-3, CA-13, CA-22, CA-40, CA-47 and CA-49 (all of which are located in the Central Valley. Orange County and Inland Empire areas), these changes alter demographics significantly. CA-3 is predicted to flip from a soft Republican district to a soft Democratic district. CA-27 is turning the opposite way, and becoming more red. CA-13 and CA-22 will suddenly have an influx of independent and unallied voters. And on the complete other side, CA-9 and a couple other districts are predicted to have increased voter turnout.

Essentially, the new map is making California a lot more "undecided." While on the whole, the state's 52 votes in the Electoral College vote will likely remain blue, we may see changes in California's leaders for the Senate and the House of Representatives. Locally, we will definitely change, as cities change from red to blue and new, slightly more "purple" policies are adopted in state maintenance government. and California's new electoral map signals a shift towards greater political competition, with potential changes in both state leadership and local governance. As cities transition from red to blue, more moderate policies could emerge, reflecting the state's evolving political landscape.



Attached please find images of signs placed on DMV property, flood control fences, and roundabout medians. PHOTO BY MATT LESLIE

How to Report: Campaign Signs on Public Property

Candidates running for City Council are provided with regulations regarding the placement of political signs, as outlined in the Fullerton Municipal Code Chapter 15-49. Campaigns have violated these regulations to varying extents. The most blatant violations have been committed by Fred Jung's campaign in District 1, Jamie Valencia's campaign in District 4, Yes on N, and Yes on L. These signs are placed high above sidewalks and on public fencing, including park, city, and county areas. Despite the campaigns being notified, these signs remain, and after one of Jamie Valencia's signs was removed by the Public Works Depart, another quickly appeared the same location.

While all campaigns strive to have highly visible and prominently placed signs, only candidates Jung and Valencia consistently and widely violated the regulations. Places considered public property are the median, the area between opposing lanes of traffic, while the parkway is the portion of a public street right-of-way between the curb and sidewalk.

When the Public Works Department identifies these violations, they promptly remove the signs. The department has the authority to remove signs that do not meet City and/or State criteria or pose a safety hazard, as well as signs placed in the public right-of-way, such as over sidewalks.

This irresponsible behavior has wasted the department's time, which is funded by taxpayers through the city budget. These candidates and campaigns for Measures must be held accountable for blatantly disregarding the rules.

Code Enforcement 714-773-5704 Public Works Dept. 714-738-6897





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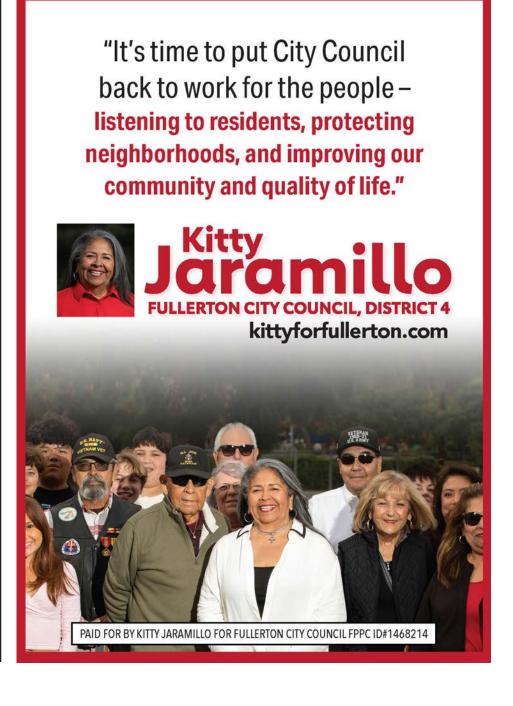
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HITS & MISSES

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MEGALOPOLIS: Two Misses

Famous for "The Godfather" films and "Apocalypse Now," Francis Ford Coppola wrote and directed "Megalopolis." Now, at eighty-five, he has fulfilled a wish to create a vanity piece filled with bizarre and imaginative concepts. So committed was he to this creative endeavor that he sold his northern California wine vineyard to help finance the film.

Set in a heavily urban area, "Megalopolis" explores the premise that this New York City-type environment shares much in common with ancient Rome, once the site of glory but later decay. Both cities face decline after becoming playgrounds for the rich but places of destitution for the poor. One creative genius, Catilina (Adam Driver), an architect by profession, dreams of creating a city of beauty and equity.

We first see Catilina climbing out a window in the Chrysler building and standing on the precipice as if ready to jump. Instead, he calls out, "Time stop," and miraculously, all action, even traffic and pedestrians below, stop moving. It is the kind of inexplicable scene that occurs throughout this movie. Many things happen as if by magic.

Even having received a Nobel prize for his architectural work, Catilina gets no cooperation from the city's Mayor, Franklyn Cicero (Giancarlo Esposito), or from other persons of power and means. The mayor has a daughter (Nathalie Emmanuel) who parties hard



and drops out of medical school but would like to work for Catilina.

Many sexually explicit parties ensue. A greedy banker, played by Jon Voight, and a ne'er-do-well cousin, played by Shia LaBeouf, round out the forces of greed that Catilina must directly contend with.

Throughout the movie, there are brief moments of classical allusions with references to Sappho, Pygmalion, and Shakespeare, which provides the most elevated scene in the film as Adam Driver recites Hamlet's famous soliloquy. His strong and freshly conceived rendition of "To Be or Not to Be" briefly elevates the tone of the movie.

But even Driver's strong performance throughout the movie does not make Coppola's film worth the two-plus hours of myriad images blended together into frames that are more confusing than revelatory. Those critics who previewed this movie at the film festivals in Europe, Canada, and the U.S. left the theater with bifurcated reactions: "a brilliant masterpiece" or "a sprawling megalopo-mess."

Two Hits: Don't Miss it!
A Hit & A Miss: You Might Like it.
Two Misses: Don't Bother.

Weekly Movies

Every Wednesday at 4 pm at the Fullerton Public Library 353 W Commonwealth Ave, Fullerton

The Fifth Element Oct 16

In the colorful future, a cab driver unwittingly becomes the central figure in the search for a legendary cosmic weapon to keep Evil and Mr. Zorg at bay.

Fiddler on the Roof Nov 20

In pre-Revolutionary Russia, a Jewish peasant with traditional values contends with marrying off three of his daughters with modern romantic ideals while growing anti-semitic sentiment threatens his village.

A Quiet Place Nov 27

A family struggles for survival in a world invaded by alien creatures with ultra-sensitive hearing.

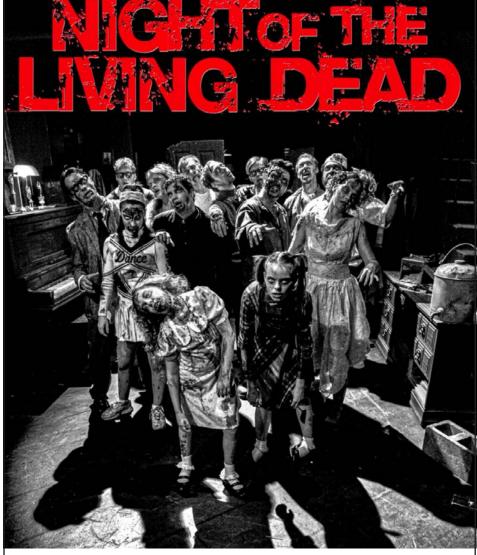
Fullerton **Museum Center**

June Wayne: The Art of Everything exhibit runs through Jan 5, 2025 (714) 519-4461

info@fullertonmuseum.com

The Art and Science of June Wayne exhibition showcases the influential work of artist June Wayne (1918-2011), known for her exploration of the connection between art and science.

The exhibition features pieces from the June Wayne Estate and private collections, along with essays by author Gabrielle Selz and curator Mikaela Sardo Lamarche. Additionally, June Wayne's impressive tapestry On Verra will have its public premiere at FMC for the first time.



MAVERICK THEATER

110 E Walnut Ave, Unit B, Fullerton (714) 526-7070 • https://mavericktheater.com/nold-2021/

The zombie classic that started it all, back for its 18th year! A group of panicked survivors are barricaded in a deserted farmhouse while a horde of flesh-eating zombies hovers outside their door. Will they survive? Will you? This is a one of a kind experience, perfect for the Halloween season. TICKETS \$30 Friday 8pm, Saturday 7pm & 9pm, Sunday 7pm

Adapted and Directed by Brian Newell



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THEATRE & DANCE

The Prom

Oct. 26 - Nov. 2 at 2pm • Little Theatre • Tickets \$24 / \$22 Titan

Four hilariously self-obsessed theater stars desperate for the spotlight find a new stage - and a new cause - when they rush to support a high-school girl in a small town who wants to take her girlfriend to the prom.

The actors and teen join forces to change the hearts of the town's citizens through a message of love and the universal need to be accepted. Winner of the 2019 Drama Desk Award for Best Musical, the message of "The Prom" resonates now more than ever.

Lost Girl

Nov 9 - 16 at 2pm • Hallberg Theatre • Tickets \$14 / \$12 Titan

Have you ever wondered what became of Wendy Darling after her adventures with Peter Pan in Neverland? "Lost Girl" catches up with J.M. Barrie's beloved character who must find Peter, reclaim her kiss, and move forward with her life. In this coming-of-age story about finding love, overcoming trauma, and entering adulthood, Wendy is no longer in Peter's shadow.

SCHOOL of MUSIC concerts

Tuesday Matinée: School of Music Students in Performance

Tuesday, October 15, November 19, and December 10 at 1pm Recital Hall • Free admission

University Singers & Concert Choir

Sunday, October 20 at 3pm • Meng Concert Hall \$15

Percussion Chamber Ensembles

Monday, October 28 at 8pm • Meng Concert Hall • Free admission

Throughout October, Fullerton Firefighters are actively raising funds for cancer awareness and treatment through a series of events that includes:

Pinktober Gear: Supporters can contribute by purchasing special Pinktober gear, with proceeds going to the cause. You can purchase Pinktober gear and support cancer awareness efforts through this link to the Pinktober store: https://teamlocker.squadlocker.com/#/lockers/fullerton-firefighter-s-pinktober-2003972

Climb-A-Thon: A physical challenge where firefighters and community members will climb stairs to honor those battling cancer, with proceeds going to cancer charities. It begins at 10am on Sunday, October 20 at Hillcrest Park. Firefighters are going to climb the stairs continually for an hour in their full gear. So we really invite all the public to come out, walk along with your Firefighters and enjoy a BBQ afterwards.

QR code below or type in these sites: Register for the event at:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/ 1FAIpQLSduyEPWgc10sZ26I_Q42mF GImX6NYkWyiHi3TviZmw1VVvMsA/ viewform

Donate for this event specifically at: https://castj.give.providence.org/ fundraiser/5770254



Friends of Coyote Hills Adopt-A-Park Saturday, October 19

Please join us and help clean up a special part of Fullerton - the Nora Kuttner Trail and Robert E. Ward Nature Preserve trails.

Clean-up is from 9am to 11am and meets at the lower parking lot of Sunny Hills Church of Christ, 2255 N. Euclid St. Bring water, "trash grabbers" and your own gloves if you have them. Wearing sunscreen and comfortable shoes is recommended.



Hunt Branch Library

201 S. Basque Ave. | (714)738-6365 | *Huntlibrary@cityoffullerton.com* Open: Tuesday-Thursday: 10am-4pm

Story Time

Every Tuesday at 10am

Musical Wednesday

Wednesday, October 2 & 16 from 1:30 to 2:30 pm An interactive time where music and reading combine

Craftnoon

Thursday, October 10 & 24 at 3pm A fun afternoon of Arts and Crafts

Game Day

Saturday, October 19 from 9am to 3pm Bring your own game to share or join in on the fun.

The Muckenthaler Cultural Center

(714) 738-6595 | info@themuck.org | 1201 W. Malvern Ave, Fullerton \$35 Non-Member; \$20 Member

Peter Brandon Thurs, Oct 17, 7:30pm

Fullerton native and country singersongwriter Peter Brandon returns for his 15th year at The Muck!

Brandon's shows have a perfect balance of upbeat energetic songs and tender ballads that hit the heart. Join us in the tradition!

Lee Young Nam Thurs, Oct 24, 7:30pm

Evoking spring, Lee Young Nam uses traditional Korean dance to tell a story of a king and queen. Don't miss this beautiful cultural evening of story and dance!

Día de los Muertos Festival Oct 27, 11am to 4pm

Festive activities, stage performances and special ofrendas (altars) to honor deceased loved ones and to celebrate life—a special event for the whole family.

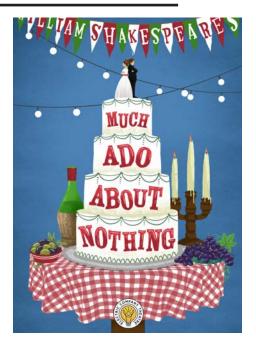
Dr. James Young Arts Legacy Award Nov 21, 7:30pm

The Muckenthaler's Dr. James Young Arts Legacy Award is presented annually to someone who has made a long-term impact on Arts Education in the local Fullerton community.

Much Ado About Nothing October 21 - November 13

Claudio loves Hero and Hero Claudio and nothing seems capable of keeping them apart. Claudio's friend Benedick loves Beatrice and Beatrice Benedick, but (because neither will admit it) nothing seems capable of bringing them together. Only the intrigues of a resentful prince force Benedick to prove his love for Beatrice. Our Much Ado is a bittersweet take on this classic love story, set amid the hypertension of an Italian restaurant.

Much Ado About Nothing will take place in the Center Circle Courtyard, which ECT will transform into "Leonato's Trattoria." There will be two tables in the center of the court-



yard that will receive a prix-fixe Italian meal throughout the course of the show (Show and Dinner Ticket) and then a row of chairs around the perimeter of the courtyard that will be viewing only tickets (Show Only Ticket). The entire play will take place in the courtyard.

Punk is Not Dead in OC Meet the Local Bands Keeping It Relevant

by Isabella Rollison

Last Saturday night, as families across Orange County settled into bed, the local punk rock band Forlokos played at a DIY concert behind a Buena Park Wells Fargo.

The show, headlined by well-known local band the Degenerates, was shut down less than an hour after it began. I only just got to hear Forlokos' lead singer, who wished to remain anonymous, decry former President Ronald Reagan at a crowd of dancing teens before a law enforcement officer ordered the group to disperse. While seemingly random, these pop-up gatherings are common within Orange County's swiftly-growing hardcore punk music scene.

Pioneered by SoCal bands like the Descendents in the late 1970s and True Sounds of Liberty (T.S.O.L) in the early 1980s, hardcore punk rock is a subgenre of rock music characterized by its aggressive speed, stripped-down production style, and general disavowal of the established music industry. Over the years, these bands have maintained a dedicated young listener base.

"It's like the voice of the youth," explained Chris Gronowski, a coowner of Fullerton's premiere punk rock venue, Programme Skate and Sound, "College and high school students today hear the older music and are like, 'Wow, this still reaches me in the same way." Although artists of generations past remain popular among fans of the genre, it is the bands of today that will continue to introduce new listeners to the world of hardcore punk rock. This week, I chatted with two local bands keeping hardcore punk alive in Orange County.

When listening to recordings of Garden Grove-based hard rock group NoiseGate, borrowed elements of '70s and '80s hardcore music are impossible to ignore. "My style, if you listen to it, it's just literally the first T.S.O.L record," joked the band's drummer Thomas Wold, referring to T.S.O.L's 1982 EP "Weathered Statues", "I'm not that technical, I'm not that good. I just play fast, play hard, and that's what makes the room move."

Wold, along with bassist and vocalist Ozzy Flores and vocalist and guitarist Eric Blay, formed NoiseGate earlier this year after meeting through mutual friends. "It was just like, 'Dude, come hang out and let's record bands," Blay reflected, "And then we bonded over music. And then it became like, 'Oh wait, we could do something here."

Since their first show on April 27, NoiseGate has played at venues across



OC, attracting enthusiastic listeners of all ages. "[DIY shows] are our favorite," Wold told me excitedly, "I think about this one we played every fday. Like, I don't play a lot of shows where the people actually, like, really like you dude. We were playing and [the crowd] was like, louder than Eric."

Whether they take place in parking lots, skate parks, or backyards, these do-it-yourself (DIY) concerts have been a fixture in OC's hardcore punk scene since its inception. For more insight on this enduring practice, I turned to Seal Beach-based rock band the Chapel. "We prefer [to play at], I would say, a house party. We love to get a little rowdy," guitarist Gino explained, "We have a closet full of

broken mics."

The 10-month-old band shares drummer Thomas Wold with NoiseGate. "At our second show at FTG, the owner was just yelling at us from the crow's nest," Wold recalled, referencing the recently closed Santa Ana live music venue Find The Good Productions (FTG), "We play rock 'n' roll music, y'know, and that scares people."

Despite its seemingly aggressive nature, hardcore punk music continues to attract a supportive community of listeners from across the county. "You gotta be there to understand it," the band's bassist, Parker, insisted, "From the outside it might seem silly or scary, but, I mean, when you're in there it's completely different."

YOUR GUIDE TO HALLOWEEN AND DIA DE LOS MUERTOS 2024 IN FULLERTON by Daphne Ruiz

Peanuts Spooktacular: Oct 18 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm Laguna Lake, 3120 Lakeview Dr, Fullerton

The event is free, but please pre-register for it.

Join the fun in this family-friendly celebration with Peanuts-themed crafts and contests, camp stories and songs under the stars. Come dressed in your Peanuts Halloween best!

A Spooktacular Fun Pack is also available for \$15 at the link below, which includes a face painting and arts and crafts session, a copy of the book "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown," and a treat bag.

Downtown Fullerton Ghost Walk: Sat, Oct. 19 & 26 at 8 pm • \$39 Outside the Hopscotch Tavern, 136 E

Commonwealth Ave. Fullerton

Take a stroll down the most haunted spots of Downtown Fullerton in this 90-minute walking tour brought to you by Haunted Orange County. Tickets are \$39.

https://hauntedoc.com/ghosttours/downtown-fullerton-ghost-walk/

Halloween Show: Sat, Oct. 19 at 5:30pm Independence Park, 801 W Valencia Dr, Fullerton

Bring out your costumes for this punk and goregrind show with a killer lineup. It's free and for all ages, but maybe not family-friendly. Doors open at 5 PM and the show starts at 5:30pm.

Octo-Boo-Fest: Oct 24 from 4:30 - 8:30pm Downtown Fullerton Market, 125 E Wilshire Ave., Fullerton

Octo-Boo-Fest is a Halloween celebration for the whole family with all the tricks and treats including live music, food and craft vendors, games, drinks and a costume parade.



Fullerton Police Dept Trunk-Or-Treat: Friday, Oct. 25 from 5 - 8pm Fullerton Police Department 237 W. Commonwealth Ave

Calling All Ghosts, Goblins, Witches, and Ghouls Celebrate Halloween. Wear a fa-BOO-lous costume, and trick-or-treat with some of the officers who keep your neighborhoods safe. Fullerton Fire, Library, and Parks & Recreation will also be participating. Get into the Halloween spirit and enjoy some spooktacular fun.

4th Annual Halloween Show: Saturday, Oct. 26 at 7 pm Programme Skate and Sound, 2495 E. Chapman Ave, Fullerton

Fullerton's favorite skate shop is bringing Crumbcatcher from Las Vegas for one night only. They'll be joined by No Hard Feelings, Glass Generation, Dry Spell and Stalemate. Tickets are sold at the door, \$12 with costume and \$15 without. The show is all ages with emo/pop punk bands.

Haunted Fullerton Walking Tours: Thurs, Oct 27 & Fri, Oct. 28 at 6 pm

Spend your Halloween week with the haunts of Fullerton. Tours meet inside the Fullerton Museum Center for a cocktail mixer and a 1.5 mile walk. Tickets are \$30 for members and \$35 general.

https://www.fullertonmuseum.com/eve nts/Tkfq9M39eS4E1IfFBUUA



Halloween Concert Spooktacular: Oct. 31 from 2 - 6 pm Mo's Fullerton Music Center, 1109 Commonwealth Ave, Fullerton

Get ghoulish with Little Bandit Records at their curated rock show this Halloween. Lineup includes Prysm, Catammonia, Deep Dark Mystery Club and Cocodial. It starts at 2 PM and it's free.

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Nov 2NO 4:00PM-8:30PM



FMC's Annual Día de los Muertos: Nov. 2 from 3:30 - 7:30 pm Fullerton Museum Center, 301 N Pomona Ave, Fullerton

Free event at the Fullerton Museum Center with a community altar, beer garden, vendors and face painting!

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Día De los Muertos: Oct. 24 from 5 - 8 p.m. Fullerton College,

321 E Chapman Ave, FullertonThis annual Día De los Muertos

event invites everyone in the community to experience a free evening of live music, performances by Aztec dancers and ballet folklórico, face painting and a community ofrenda.

Free parking will be available in the parking structure located on the corner of Lemon St and Fullerton College Dr. https://www.fullcoll.edu/events/dia-de-los-muertos-2024-2/

Día de los Muertos Festival: Oct. 27 from 11 a.m. - 3 pm Muckenthaler Cultural Center, 1201 W Malvern Ave, Fullerton

Join the Muckenthaler Cultural Center for a free community event with festive activities that the whole family can enjoy: live music, local artisans and arts and crafts for kids.

Fullerton Art Walk Downtown: Nov. 1 from 5 - 10pm Blanquel Popular Art, 109 S. Harbor Blvd., Fullerton

Blanquel Popular Art will be debuting giant calavera sculptures at the Fullerton Art Walk.

There will be vendors, music, and art available for purchase at this free event. Other art galleries will also be open.

Noche De Muertos Festival: Nov. 2 from 3:30 - 7:30pm Downtown Fullerton Plaza, 125 E Wilshire Ave, Fullerton

Be a part of the free family activities, followed by pop-up artist workshops and live entertainment.

There will be a variety of vendors and delicious food with the FMC Beer Garden.





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Victorian Artifacts of Death and Mourning on Display at Anaheim's Muzeo

A wicker casket sits in a darkened room resembling a Victorian funeral parlor. Balanced on casket stands and surrounded by floral displays in a corner of the Anaheim museum's main gallery, this coffin was designed not for burial but for display of the deceased during a home wake, according to Aimee Aul, Education Specialist at Muzeo. It's just one of many fascinating examples of Victorian mourning customs on view within Muzeo Museum and Cultural Center's current exhibition, "Eternal Mourning: Death & Remembrance in Victorian America, "open until October 27, 2024. I recently had a chance to interview Executive Director, Kelly Chidester, and Education Specialist, Aimee Aul, about their involvement with this exhibit at the Anaheim museum, and how they found artifacts that explore the story of Victorian death and mourning.

"This was really our Education Specialist's idea, Aimee Aul," said Chidester. "We always lead with scholarship here – so although we have pretty mourning dresses, intimidating medical instruments, and (some might think) odd post-mortem photographs on display, we provide scholarly context so that our patrons leave our programs empowered and connected to the content."

"Eternal Mourning," curated inhouse by Muzeo staff under the direction of Chidester, is rooted within the historical context of the Victorian era, spanning Queen Victoria's reign from 1837 to 1901. According to Muzeo's exhibition statement, this period was marked by major upheaval, particularly due to the Industrial Revolution, urbanization, overcrowding, hazardous living and working conditions, and the resulting spread of diseases, such as cholera and tuberculosis, which in turn led to lower life expectancy, especially for infants and children.

"The United States faced additional turmoil with the Civil War, resulting in significant loss of life. President Abraham Lincoln's assassination in 1865 deepened the nation's grief following the war," wrote Muzeo's inhouse curators. "During this time, death became a prominent cultural fix-

ation in the Western world. Mourning customs, such as wearing black attire intensified, reflecting societal attitudes toward loss."

As a curatorial assistant at Cal State Fullerton, Chidester had worked on a post-mortem photography exhibition, titled "Beyond the Dark Veil," and found the subject fascinating. For "Eternal Mourning," she and her team spent months doing research and writing the text. Most of the design decisions and artifact coordination happened in the few months leading up to the opening. She explained that the exhibit layout follows the grim process of death.

"You begin in the 'sickroom,' learning why death was so prevalent in the Victorian era. Then proceed to death in the home with the Victorian parlor, funerary practices, and post-mortem customs. Then you enter the mourning period with the clothing and jewelry," said Chidester.

Aimee Aul, who also volunteers as a tour guide for the Fullerton Museum Center's long-running Haunted Walking Tours, has always had a fondness for all things ghostly and macabre, so helping with this show was right up her alley. "I love the parlor scene with the wicker coffin, kneeling chair and other objects," said Aul. "The wicker coffin is a typical parlor casket. It dates from the late 19th century and was acquired from a private collection. The wicker design of the coffin allows for air circulation to reduce the odor of decay."

Meanwhile, Chidester's favorite items in the show are the Victorian medical instruments on loan from the Anaheim Public Library. The instruments reflect how little was known about medicine at the time. "All from an Anaheim pharmacy, it gives our patrons a real link to the histories and hardships of the people that lived in the area."

When I visited the exhibit on opening day, one of the first items I gravitated to was the Baby in Casket doll in the 'sickroom' area of the show. According to the wall text, this object may have helped children cope with the reality of premature death. What I also noticed



Top left: Victorian Wheelchair in "sickroom" Top right: "Death in the Home" Victorian Parlor Below: Stereopticon in funeral parlor area of the Eternal Mourning Muzeo exhibit



was that the artifact along with many other items on display were courtesy of an organization called Haunted Orange County.

Aul explained that she saw Haunted Orange County's artifact collection on display at a special short-term exhibit in Orange last year. She said, "It is a private collection acquired over many years from numerous sources. I don't know if they're haunted per se, but these artifacts sure have a presence!"

In addition to the Haunted OC items, Muzeo staff worked with local lenders, including the Anaheim Public Library's Heritage Center, and scoured the internet, historical collections, and antique stores to find artifacts that tell the story of Victorian death and mourning.

"We are so quick to 'deal' with death today," Chidester said. "We see it as something to get over while the Victorians took time to process and honor the deceased. It's such a stark contrast to today and I think this was something we really wanted to explore in this exhibit."

"Eternal Mourning: Death & Remembrance in Victorian America" is on view in Muzeo's Main Gallery until October 27, 2024.

Muzeo Museum and Cultural Center is located at 241 S. Anaheim Boulevard, and is open Wednesday through Sunday from 11am to 5 pm. Admission for adults is \$10; for children, students, seniors, and veterans, it costs \$7. For further information, please visit https://muzeo.org/.



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Out of My Mind

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No Sanctuary in My Temple's Sanctuary

We do not have religious freedom in the United States anymore. We cannot think of ourselves as being free if we must pass through a gate with an armed guard, be searched and go through a magnetometer and then see three armed guards outside the "sanctuary."

Over the years since 9/11 security has increased in a slow evolution—or maybe devolution, marking our deteriorating sense of being secure. Since last October 7th our insecurity has increased exponentially forcing major increases in our sense of vulnerability. This year, for the first time, there was an armed guard inside the Sanctuary. This harsh fact indicated that there is no true sanctuary. No place to run. No place to hide. God might have prepared a table for us in the presence of our enemies, but we feel their presence, and the shadow of death casts its pall.

There is no sanctuary in my Temple's

sanctuary, nor should there be. I cannot wall off the world—the pain, suffering, anger, and anxiety-with brick walls, no matter how thick, or with stained glass,

no matter how delicate its beauty. The world must penetrate, poke, prod and challenge my calm, my rest, indeed my soul.

My meditations are filled with the world. October 7th intrudes and could not and should not be kept out. I hear the cries of its victims and feel their fear and terror. I hear

the shouts of joy from the terrorists as they celebrate the carnage. Still, the bombing, killing and dying in Gaza haunt me, as they must. I feel guilty for admiring the ingenuity of Israeli

Intelligence in the deadly pager and walkie-talkie operation. We are forbidden, both by Scriptures and the Talmud, from rejoicing at the suffering and deaths of our enemies. When the Egyptians were drowning in the Red Sea, G-d rebuked the angels with a stinging rhetorical question, "My creations are drowning, and you are singing before me?"

I bring into this most permeable sanctuary the nearly 100,000 Israelis who have had to flee Hezbollah rocket

> attacks and are now homeless in their homeland. I bring hope for success and horror at the costs of engaging violently with Lebanon—a once peaceful and even pluralistic nation, now broken by internal strife and external forces that make it the battlefield where Israel fights Iranian proxies. I tremble at

prospects of a nuclear Iran, that swears to destroy Israel and is building the nuclear means to do so.

We pray Sim Shalom, "Grant us

peace, Thy most precious gift, Oh Thou eternal source of peace.*" We have prayed a very long time, still peace does not come. Our prayers should not be requests but commitments from us to make peace, and we have failed. We have failed to make peace in our world and in our own hearts.

My sanctuary cannot be an escape from the world. I cannot pretend a peace I do not feel nor block out the drums of war beating in my heart. I cannot escape my sense of vulnerability nor the sounds of suffering from outside both my own senses and the appropriately permeable walls of both my skin and my sanctuary.

I know if I let it all in, I will be rendered powerless, and if I block all of it out, I will be useless as a human being. I must find a balance. I must remember that balance is not static—it sways, moves and compensates. Balance is a kind of trembling, and I tremble. I tremble in fear, in gratitude and in awe of the beauty, the horror and the challenge to find enough peace in myself to make some small contribution of peace in my world.

*From Union Hebrew Prayer Book

AT HOME WITH THE HOMELESS

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What Drives Trump's Campaigns against the Unhoused and Immigrants?

One of the great moral, ethical and philosophical conundrums we face is the concept of 'the Other.' The Other is someone in your environment, either intellectually or physically, whose thoughts, opinions, religion, skin color, mode of dress and other characteristics differ from your own and other members of your community. The Other represents the unknown, someone outside your immediate frame of references, who challenges your existence and behavioral norms on many levels.

Traditionally, the outsider is regarded with suspicion. Even in an egalitarian society such as the United States, every new influx of people from outside our borders can raise suspicions and alarm. Even if their appearances are similar, there can be resistance, as when Irish immigrants began coming to America in the 1840s to escape the potato famine that was devastating their home country, and when German Jews began coming here during World War II to escape the Nazi pogrom against their people. Generally, with time and repeated exposure, we stop seeing the Other as alien and threatening, and the process of acceptance and friendship can begin.

The key to acceptance is not just the ability to see another person and see how their life-struggles are similar to our own, but to enjoy and celebrate their differences as examples of life's great diversity. Once you realize another person has similar problems and concerns, you begin to see more similarities than differences and realize we are more alike than unalike, while at the same time embracing the mysteries of different world

The need to empathize and make community with others is more important than ever before. The recent incidents of harassment and violence against Haitian darkest instincts immigrants in Springfield, Ohio makes that crystal clear. And it is to the credit the citizens Springfield that, with few exceptions, they have welcomed these newcomers into their hearts and homes and are defending them against the cruel and dis-

views-vive la différence.

gusting lies of Donald Trump and JD stand this. In fact, he called Trump

Trump and Vance play upon humanity's darkest instincts when they refuse to recant their lies about Haitians eating their neighbors' pets. They know that "A lie can travel halfway around the world while the truth is still putting on its shoes," as Mark Twain observed. In fact, they count on it, as Trump has

since the beginning of his first campaign in 2015. And even though the speed of communications technology has vastly improved since Twain's day, there are still too many credulous souls willing to believe this absurd story, even after numerous corrections and recanting.

To Donald Trump, immigrants, the homeless and liberals can be lumped into one category of otherness: vermin. And vermin are not to be coddled, helped, or understood: they are to be removed, exterminated. That is why he

> has made numerous declarations that, if elected, millions of immigrants-legal and illegal-will be kicked out of the US, the unhoused will be sequestered in camps far from cities, and liberals-or anyone who dares to criticize his actions-will be subject to harassment, imprisonment or worse. In no significant way does this differ from Adolf Hitler's proposals to deal with immigrants, Jews and people found to be mentally unsound.

JD Vance used to under-"America's Hitler" in 2016, which only makes his MAGA conversion that much more baffling. His experience with the Other is as personal as it gets: he married a woman from a culture-India-vastly different from our own. That example alone should have kept him from making the unforced mistake of giving credence to the Haitian story,

which was based on one fabricated Facebook anecdote. The price of Judas Iscariot's betrayal of Jesus Christ was 30 pieces of silver. One has to wonder what Vance's price was.

Trump has never really had to deal with the Other. His wealth and his father's wealth kept him largely insulated from such experiences. When he began his campaign in 2015, some of his first statements were against immigrants, making no distinction between their legality or lack thereof. "They're not sending us their best...They're bringing drugs, they're bringing crime, they're rapists, and some, I assume, are good people." He was also prone to astonishing gaffes like pointing to someone in a crowd and saying, "Look at my African-American!" Over time, his rhetoric has clearly been cherrypicked from "Mein Kampf" and Hitler's speeches, referring to immigrants as "animals" who are "poisoning the blood of our country."

If you are reading this and haven't decided who to vote for for President, I submit that there is only one sane, rational choice, and that is Kamala Harris. She is the only candidate who will represent ALL Americans, not just Trump and Vance's chosen few. And she is the only candidate who won't take this country back more than a century, back to race hatred, eugenics and discrimination against women and minorities. I've been voting in elections since 1984, and never has the choice seemed so chillingly clear and monumental. It is a choice between democracy and sanity, or fascism and insanity.

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Understanding Panic Attacks & How to Prevent/Mitigate Them

People who suffer from panic attacks are apprehensive and overly fearful about the future. They worry about what might happen--a "what if?" way of thinking. This fear happens in the absence of any immediate real danger and can trigger the following automatic irrational thoughts and feelings:

- 1) Difficulty controlling these worries
- 2) Restlessness
- 3) Unrealistic fears of dying or going crazy
- 4) Muscle tension
- 5) Shortness of breath and feelings of being smothered
- **6)** Feeling nauseous
- 7) Sweating or cold clammy hands
- **8)** Dry mouth and feeling of a "lump in the throat"
- 9) Frequent urination
- **10)** Trembling or shaking
- 11) Numbness or tingling sensations in fingers, toes or lips
- **12)** Irritability

The physical or emotional demands that the stress of panic attacks bring drain the body of energy and increase vulnerability to illness and even premature aging.

Physically, people typically who experience some of these symptoms have highly reactive physical bodies due to inherited genes, or they have experienced stress from a prior physical illness, injury, trauma

or have chronic unhealthy lifestyles. Psychologically, people prone to panic attacks might have low selfesteem, be a perfectionist, ignore the physical needs of their body, have an excessive need to be in control, are highly sensitive to rejection and have an excessive need for the approval of others.

Here are some techniques to help during a panic attack:

- 1) Meditation and relaxation exercises
- 2) Deep breathing through the nose only: 9-11 seconds in and 6-8 seconds out
- 3) Repetitive activities such as chewing gum
- 4) Turning negative thoughts into positive ones
- 5) Staying in the present
- **6)** Self-talking that you will survive and get through this crisis
- 7) Finding humor in imperfection that nothing is perfect
- 8) Choosing to feel calm and not let your behavior get out of control
- 9) Recognizing that there are discomforts in life, and you will gradually get in control and change these panic reactions
- 10) Realizing it takes time and effort to change
- 11) Taking care of your body physically
- 12) Recognizing that "the only thing we have to fear is fear itself" (President Franklin D. Roosevelt)
- 13) A mantra where one repeats a chosen sound or word

If these techniques do not help, one may need to seek psychological help.

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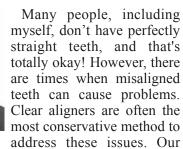
The Dental Corner: Better Oral Health

Do I need braces?

With the rise of clear aligners (such as Invisalign), more adults are considering teeth straightening for a better smile. For most, the reason is simple: they want a nicer smile!

Some patients may benefit from straightening their teeth

for reasons beyond appearance. Dentists assess tooth alignment for balance and cleanability. Shifting teeth can cause damage and overlap, making oral care more challenging and increasing the risk of cavities and gum disease.



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BALANCE & CHANGE

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Acknowledging Our Errors

mistake? Do you go back to the person that you have wronged and apologize? It can be very difficult to admit when we are wrong, but it is so very impor-

It is important in our relationships that when we have wronged someone, we try and repair that rupture. The first step is taking responsibility. To acknowledge what your error was. Honestly! Do not hedge. Do not put some of the blame on someone else. Then apologize. From the heart. Not, "I am sorry, but..." That is deflecting and not truly taking responsibility. When we do this, it builds trust in the rela-

Do you own up when you make a tionship. It can deepen the connection. It can create a safe space for both of

> When we do not do this, the rupture that was created can fester. There is no safety. There is no emotional intimacy. Trust has broken. The relationship may slowly die.

> Yes, it can be scary to accept responsibility. It can be scary to step up. The person you are working with may use your apology and turn it in to a weapon against you, that is true. However, the risks of not apologizing are so much bigger!

> Take the risk! And, as always, enjoy the journey!

Featured Pet by Jules, 8th grade

Duchess



Meet Duchess, a sweet 8-year-old German Shepherd searching for her forever home. Being a calm and easygoing pup, Duchess spends most of her time

relaxing and is the perfect napping companion. Always available for a good nap, Duchess also enjoys taking calm walks and being loved on with cuddles! According to the foster family Duchess is currently staying with, she is comfortable riding in cars, is easy to groom and does not get disturbed by outside noise. Ready to take Duchess to her forever home? If you would like to meet or adopt Duchess, please contact the OC Animal Care at (714) 935-6848 and state Animal ID: A1856078 or visit their website at ocpetinfo.org.

Managing Stress by Taliha, 10th grade

How to Manage Stress

Today, I bet the one thing we can all time for self-care. agree on is that we experience stress! I know for me at least, there is never a day that goes by that I am not thinking about the thousands of things on my plate, and I am left with the question of whether or not I will finish everything on time.

Stress, according to Merriam-Webster, is a factor causing bodily or mental tension and may be linked to disease. For me, it feels like I'm going to crumble under the pressure.

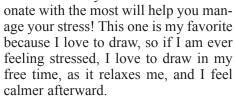
Although getting stressed is a natural part of life growing up (sorry to break it to you all!), there are many ways to overcome it. Being stressed should not be something that pulls you down; instead, it should be a way to improve and become a better person overall!

The number one way that I manage my stress is to take a break. When I have so many things on my mind, I get frazzled and overwhelmed and cannot complete anything. So instead of sitting there trying to finish a million tasks at once, I like to go outside, and just be around nature.

If you cannot go outside, that is okay too! Instead, maybe open a window and try to let your body decompress. Doing this lets you relax your mind and body and center yourself. By being able to center yourself, you will also be able to center your thoughts, which can allow you to plan your tasks and finish everything more efficiently!

Another way I love to manage my stress is to doodle, or draw. For all the artists out there, this one's for you! Drawing is scientifically proven to help your brain relax and to allow you

There are numerous forms of self-care, and whichever one you res-



The last way to manage stress, which is one that I need to improve on the most, is to manage your time! Managing your time is so important, especially when you have a lot you need to finish, and it is important to pace yourself accordingly with everything you need to do.

For me, the best way to manage my time is by having a planner, either online or physically, and writing everything down. I love to plan my day from when I wake up to when I go to sleep. I also find that having a "bedtime" helps a lot as it helps to set a routine, and routines are also essential to managing stress.

While these are just some of the daily tactics I use to manage my stress, everyone is different! What works for me may not work for everyone, and that is okay! Stress management is different for each individual, and that is what makes us all unique. I hope that by reading this, you were able to learn some valuable information about managing stress and that you can incorporate your favorite techniques into your life! Remember that whatever is happening right now is temporary, and if things are not going your way right now, better times are coming soon!

FOLLOW THE MONEY: Groups Backing the Statewide Ballot Measures

(Figures are from online required late filing major donors of ballot measures for the upcoming November 5, 2024 election year through 9/17/2024 available at *cal-access.sos.ca.gov*)

* **Note:** the 6 & 7 digit numbers are the required number given to each committee. You can put that number in the *cal-access.sos.ca.gov* campaign finance activity section on Props & Ballot measures and it will take you to the committee page.

Beware and don't be fooled: Groups supporting or opposing measures on the ballot can call themselves anything they want. For instance a group can get away with saying they are a "coalition of affordable housing advocates, taxpayers and veterans," when they are really a group of property investors and large apartment complex owners against rent control. Similar deceptive information is allowed in the shiny mailers sent to each home around election time. This is why it is good to follow the money.

Below, each statewide ballot measure is listed along with the top funders on each side. Also see Jodi Balma's report on ballot measures, page 18 in the Early-September issue available online at *fullertonobserver.com* under E-Editions. For more information visit *CalMatters.org* and visit the League of Women Voters non-partisan recommendations where they explain each measure at https://lwvc.org/ballot-recommendations/ and attend the League's local candidate and ballot forums.

PROP 2:

Bonds for Public School & Community College Facilities

YES on 2:

Total reported \$3,071,274 funded by:

- \$1,579,298: Coalition for Adequate School Housing Issues Committee #980478
- Funded by contributions from: Architects, Engineering companies, Construction companies, Trades Contractors, Consultants, Astroturf, and individuals in those fields.
- \$1,218,337: Yes on Prop 2 CA for Quality Schools, sponsored by non-profit Education, Labor & Business. #1473035

Funded by contributions from:

- \$1,000,000: CA Building Industry Association Issues Committee;
- \$100,000 Association of School Administrators PAC; CA Alliance for Jobs Rebuild CA Committee;
- \$10,000 Sheet Metal Workers international Assoc. Local Union #104 Issues Committee

- \$273,639: Yes on Prop 2 Community College Facility Coalition Committee #1220380 Funded by contributions from:
- **\$100,000**-DLR Group;
- \$80,000-NEFF Construction;
- \$60,000: Ledesma & Meyer Construction CO, Inc; Tilden-Coil Constructors Inc;
- \$50,000- HMC Architects;
- \$10,000: Murdoch, Walrath & Holmes; Cencal Demolition Inc; King Consulting; Roebbelen Contracting Inc; TBP Architecture Inc; and more and smaller amounts from numerous Architects, Construction & Trades industries contractors & consultants

NO: No opposition filings

PROP 3: Constitutional Right to Marriage

YES on 3:

Total reported \$2,903,832 funded by:

- \$582,266: Kevin de Leon Believing in a Better CA #1297793
- Funded by Kevin de Leon for Lieutenant Governor 2026;
- **\$2,321,566**: Equality California #1340742 Funded by:
- \$1,000,000 Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria,
- \$250,000 CA Works Senator Toni Atkins
- **\$250,000** CA Teachers Assoc. Issues PAC
- \$150,000 CA Federation of Teachers COPE

- \$150,000 CA Nurses Assoc. PAC
- \$100,000 ACLU of Northern CA
- \$100,000 LGBT Cactus Leadership Fund
- \$75,000 Human Rights Campaign
- \$50,000 SEIU CA State Council for Working People
- \$45,900 Planned Parenthood Advocacy Project LA County (nonprofit 501(c)(4) and smaller contributions from individuals

NO: No opposition filings

PROP 4:

Bonds for Safe Drinking Water, Wildlife Protection, Protection from Climate Risks

YES on. 4:

Total reported \$3,033,611 funded by

- \$1,003,636: The Nature Conservancy
- \$750,000 CA Council of Land Trusts Action Fund
- **\$665,421:** Committee for Clean Water, Natural Resources & Parks #1398230
- Funded by contributions from: CA State Parks Foundation, CA Association of Local Conservation Corps, Save the Redwoods League
- and other land trust and park groups.
- \$500,000: Natural Resources and Parks Yes on Prop 4, sponsored by coalition of Environmental Advocates across CA
- \$375,000: CA Trust for Public Land Action Fund
- \$334,951: Fund for a Better Future Inc

NO: No opposition filings

PROP 5:

Bonds for Affordable Housing & Public Infrastructure

YES on 5:

Total reported \$5,748,646 funded by

- **\$2,500,000**: Yes On 5, CA For Safe Affordable Communities #1471670, sponsored by Affordable Housing Advocates, Firefighters, Businesses & Workers
- Funded by contributions from: Chan Zuckerberg Initiative Advocacy Yes on 5 #1405857
- **\$2,523,646:** NPH Action Fund (non-profit (c)(4)
- \$100,000: CA Alliance for Jobs-Rebuild CA Committee;
- \$100,000: CA professional Firefighters Ballot Issue Committee
- \$25,000: The John Stewart Company

NO on 5:

Total reported \$28,435,866 funded by

- \$27,000,000: Homeownership for Families Sponsored by CA Assoc. of Realtors No on 33 #1400190 completely funded by National Association of Realtors and CA Association of Realtors Issues
- Mobilization PAC
 \$33,831: Protect Local Taxpayers
 Funded by contributions from: CA
 Business Roundtable, CCA Business
 Properties Association PAC, Howard
 Jarvis Taxpayers Assoc., RW Selby
 & Company Inc and Affiliated

Entities, and PMI Properties and

Affiliated Entities.

• **\$1,363,992:** Protect Prop 13, a Project of Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Assoc. #931447

Funded by contributions from realtors, real estate investment companies, property mangers, apartment complexes, senior living properties, and other businesses including Saunders & Saunders, John P Brennan Company LLC, Southern California Builders, and more. The majority of the over 400-page list of contributions was from individuals identifying themselves as "retired."

PROP 6:

Allows Involuntary Servitude for Incarcerated Persons

YES on 6:

Total reported \$726,961 funded by

- \$125,961: Yes On 6, End Slavery in CA sponsored by Social Justice & Civil Rights Organizations #11471645, contributions from: \$47,989 ACLU of Northern CA
- \$47,989 ACLU of Northern CA Issues Committee #1423278;:
- \$51,390 Communities United for Restorative Youth Justice;
- \$18,602 Legal Service for Prisoners with Children;
- \$6,388 Anti Recidivism Coalition;
- \$345,000: All of Us or None Action Network Meson Prop 6; (non-profit 501(c)(4))

contributions from:

• **\$125,000** Patty Quiillin;

- \$120,000 Voters Organized to Educate;
- \$100,000 M. Quinn Delaney)
- \$256,000: Yes On 6, Ending Modern Day Slavery, sponsored by a Coalition of Civil Rights Organizations #1471998, contributions from:
- \$125,000 Patty Quillin;
- \$100,000 Anti Recidivism Coalition; • \$80,000 CA African American PAC
- #1383298;
 \$50,000 SEIU CA State Council
- \$50,000 SEIO CA State Council PAC #1258324;

NO on 6: No opposition filings

PROP 32: Raises Minimum Wage

YES on 32:

Total reported \$11,472,683 funded by

- \$582,266: Kevin de Leon Believing in a Better CA Ballot Measure Committee - Yes on 3, 32, 33 #1297793 funded by Kevin de Leon for Lieutenant Governor 2026. (funded by \$600,000 Kevin De Leon
- for Lieutenant Governor 2026 #1412227)
 • \$10,800,417: Working Hero
- \$10,890,417: Working Hero Action. For the Living Wage Act #1444698
- funded by Joseph N. Sanberg

NO on 32:

Total reported \$70,000 funded by

- \$70,000: CA Against Job Losses & Higher Prices, No on Prop 32. A Coalition of Small Business, Local Restaurants, & Independent Grocers #1471141 contributions from:
- **\$15,000** CA Grocers Assoc PAC #1346973;
- \$15,000 CA Business PAC sponsored by CA Chamber of Commerce #761010:
- \$10,000 National Federation of Independent Business Nashville;
- **\$10,000** CARETAILERS PAC #1274157;
- \$10,000 Western Growers Service Corp #487001;
- \$5000 CA Growers Assoc PAC1346973;
- **\$5000** CA Restaurant Assoc PAC 901032
- (•CA Grocers Assoc PAC is funded by CA Grocers Assoc 501(C)(6) with • \$50,000 from Maplebear Inc DBA Instacart) (•CARETAILERS is sponsored by the California Retailers Association (which lobbies for the retail industry) representing general merchandise, department stores, mass merchandisers, online markets, restaurants, convenience stores, supermarkets and grocery stores, chain drug, specialty retail, and energy suppliers. Members include Amazon, Safeway/Albertsons, Raley's, CVS, Walgreens, JC Penny, Macys, GAP, Best Buy, WilliamsSonoma, and more).

PROP 33:

Expands Local Authority to Enact Residential Rent Control

YES on 33:

Total reported \$31,556,139 funded by

- \$582,266: Kevin de Leon Believing in a Better California Ballot Measure Committee - Yes on 3, 32, 33 #1297793 funded by Kevin de Leon for Lieutenant Governor 2026 #1412227
- \$30,973,873: Renters Homeowners for Rent Control, Yes on 33, sponsored by AIDS Healthcare Foundation #1458912 funding from the AIDS Healthcare Foundation and smaller amounts from individuals

NO on 33:

Total reported \$87,324,615 funded by

- **\$27,000,000**: Homeownership for Families sponsored by CA Assoc. of Realtors No on 33. #1400190. contributions from:
- \$22-million: CA Association of Realtors and CA Assoc.of Realtors Mobilization PAC#782560
- \$5-million: National Association of Realtors
- \$34,500,250: Californians for Responsible Housing: a Bi-Partisan Coalition of Affordable Housing. Advocates, Taxpayers, Veterans, & Small Businesses sponsored by CA Apartment Assoc. PAC#1421884 contributions from:
- \$34,450,000 CA Apartment Assoc Issues Committee PAC #1388537
- \$36,000. George W. Lattimer
- \$14,250. Burnett Apartments LLC & Affiliated Entities (John Lavrich) And numerous smaller contributions from individuals connected to real estate investments.
- \$3,823,865: Californians to Protect Affordable Housing - A Coalition of Housing Advocates, Renters, Businesses, Taxpayers & Veterans #1462983

contributions from:

- \$1,904,000 Michael K. Hayde, Western National Group & Affiliated Entities;
- \$645,000 Apartment Association of Greater LA Issues PAC #1405723;
- **\$400,000** CA for Affordable Housing Sponsored by California Rental Housing Assoc PAC#1406018;
- \$300,000 Multi-County Property Rights PAC #1283587;

- \$270,000 CA Business Roundtable Issues PAC #1264590;
- \$191,950 Gerald J Marcil & Affiliated Entities;
- **\$175,000** CA for Affordable Housing sponsored by CA Rental Housing Assoc.;
- **\$50,000** HG Fenton Company; \$25,000 New Majority PAC. #992074 (Michael Hayde is CEO of Western National Group, a private investment company with over 160 apartment complexes in two states. In Fullerton they operate Courtyard on W. Valencia, Highland Creek on S. Highland, and Kimberly Arms on N. Euclid.) (Gerald J Marcil is a real estate developer, owner of Palos Verdes Investments, and owner of 4000 apartment units in OC and LA County.)
- \$175,000: Californians for Affordable Housing sponsored by CA Rental Housing Assoc. #1406018 contributions from:
- \$43,375 North Valley Property Owners Assn Inc;
- \$36,714. Mission Rock Residential; \$32,000. Southern CA Rental Housing PAC#1468498; \$26,440 VandenBerghe Inc & VandenBerge Properties Inc; • \$22,629 Cirrus Management; \$18,280 Berkeley Property Owners Assoc.; • **\$14,676** UDR Inc; \$11,798 East Bay Rental Housing Assoc. #1342695; • \$10,017 Winn Residential (Haggerty); and numerous contributions by other property and real estate and investment businesses.

PROP 34:

Restricts Spending of Prescription Drug Revenues by Certain Health Care Providers

YES on 34:

Total reported \$29,788,615 funded by

- \$29,788,615: Yes on 34, Protect Patients Now: A Coalition of Veterans, LGBTQ+ Advocates, & Patient Groups, sponsored by California Apartment Association. #1462796 Funded by contributions from:
- \$29,500,000**:** CA Apartment Association Issues Committee #1388537
- \$250,000: CA Association of Realtors Issues Mobilization PAC
- **\$38,615:** CA Apartment Assoc.

NO on 34:

Total reported \$1,145,435 funded by

• \$1,145,435: Stop the Revenge Initiative - No on 34, sponsored by AIDS Healthcare Foundation #1469081

Funded by contributions from: AIDS Healthcare Foundation #1458912

PROP 35:

Provides Permanent Funding for Medi-Cal Health Care Services

YES on 35:

Total reported \$48,441,146 funded by

- \$48,230,007: Coalition to protect Access to healthcare, a Coalition of Doctors, Non-Profit. Community Health. Centers, First Responders, Healthcare Workers, Hospitals, and Community Health Plans. #1462573 contributions from:
- \$15,000,000: CA Hospitals Committee on Issues sponsored by CA Assoc. of Hospitals & Health Systems #880212
- **\$13,000,000**: Global Medical Response Inc & its subsidiaries
- \$10,381,545; CA Medical Assoc. Physicians' Issues Committee #870983
- **\$1,000,000:** CA Primary Care Assoc. Advocates Committee to Protect Patient Access to Care through Community Health Centers #1465399
- **\$1,000,000**: CA Dental Assoc

- **\$1,000,000**: Family Health Centers of San Diego
- \$1,000,000: Altamed Health Services Corp
- \$1,000,000: Air Methods Corp
- **\$900,000:** Community Health Center Network Inc
- **\$900,000:** CA. Primary Care Assoc • \$510,000: Health Care Partners of
- Southern CA
- \$500,000: CEP America LLC (DBA Vitality) & Affiliated Entities
- \$550,000: Innercare
- And contributions of smaller amounts from other healthcare providers
- \$211,139: Planned Parenthood Advocacy Project Los Angeles County - Yes on Prop 5 (non-profit (501(c)(4))
 - NO: No opposition filings

PROP 36:

Allows Felony Charges & Increases Sentences for Certain Drug & Theft Crimes

YES on 36:

Total reported \$11,473,111 funded by

- \$11,473,111: Yes on Prop 36 CA for Safer Communities sponsored by Golden State Communities contributions from:
- \$4,083,840: Walmart Inc
- \$1,000,000 Home Depot USA Inc • \$1,000,000 Target Corp; In-N-Out.
- Burgers; Taylor Fresh Foods Inc;
- \$500,000 CA Business Roundtable PAC #1264590; • **\$300,000** 7-Eleven; CA Correctional
- Peace Officers Assoc. Truth in American Government Fund (nonprofit 501(c)(5) #1302403
- \$250,000: San Manuel Band of Mission Indians;
- \$200,000: Macy's Inc; William Oberndorf Enterprises LLC;
- **\$150,000**; United Auburn Indian Community of Auburn Rancheria: Franchise Owners Assoc. SoCal: Franchise Owners Assoc. Southern CA:
- \$100,000: Stater Bros. Holdings Inc; ULTA Inc, Illinois; Susan Groff (owner Northwest Escavating); Joe Saraceno 7-Eleven Franchisee Owners Assoc.: 7-Eleven Franchisee's PAC#1222119; Raley's; River Park Properties II;

- Super Center Concepts Inc dba Superior Grocers;
- \$85,000: West Coast Franchisee Owners Association LLC; CA Business Properties Assoc PAC #1244001;
- \$75,000: SF. Police Officers Assoc. PAC#1317554; 7-Eleven Franchise Owners Association San Diego;
- \$60,000; American Bail Coalition; SF- Monterey Bays Franchisee Owners Assoc.;
- \$50,000: Kilroy Realty LP; Table Mountain Rancheria; Allied Universal;
- **\$45,000**: American Petroleum & Convenience Store Assoc. Inc;
- \$35,000: Sycuan Band of Kumeyaay Nation; Greater Bay Franchise Owners Assoc
- \$30,000: Walgreens Family of Companies; And contributions of smaller amounts from Real Estate Investment, Development, Large Groups, **Property** Owner Construction, Police Officers Assoc., Deputy DA PAC, Grocery, Pharmacy, and various other businesses and several politicians.

NO on 36:

Total reported \$1,671,319 funded by

- Public Safety, sponsored by Action for Safety & Justice, No on Prop 36 #1468083 #1472149 contributions from:
- **\$500,000**: Patty Quillin
- \$325,000: Stacy H. Schusterman
- \$250,000: SEIU CA State Council for Working People #960895
- \$225,000: Quinn Delaney
- \$127,253: ACLU of Northern CA Issues Committee #1423278
- \$1,671,319: Committee to Protect \$100,000: Smart Justice CA Action Fund #142313
 - \$75,000: San Francisco Foundation
 - **\$25,000**: Django Bonderman
 - \$20,000: Action for Safety & Justice • \$12,500: PICO CA Action Fund (non-profit 501(c)(4)) #1472149
 - \$10,000: Margo George
 - \$1,564: CA Democratic Party #741666

Vote Center Locations

- October 26: American Red Cross Building
- 1207 N Lemon St, Btwn Berkeley Ave & Brea Blvd • October 26: Fullerton Public Library Drive Thru
- 353 W Commonwealth Ave, Enter off Library Ln
- November 2: CSUF Titan Student Union
- 800 N State College Blvd, At Student Union Way (Parking Structure)
- November 2: Fullerton College, RM 844 Classified Lounge 321 E Chapman Ave, Enter Fullerton College Dr, Off Lemon St
- 1580 W Commonwealth Ave, Corner of Basque Ave
- 1051 W Bastanchury Rd, Btwn Euclid St & Parks Rd

• November 2: Fullerton Joint Union High School District

- November 2: Public Works Maintenance Yard
- November 2: St. Andrews Episcopal Church
- 1231 E Chapman Ave, Off Victoria Dr
- November 2: St. Paul Lutheran Church 111 W Las Palmas Dr, NW Corner of Harbor Blvd

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(Including the period covering 7/1-9/21, 2024, and prior filing for the 2024 Election) Documentation presented here is from the candidate's required 460 & 497 campaign finance form filings available in the "Elections" section on the City of Fullerton website. Note: Contributor is from Fullerton unless designated otherwise.

DISTRICT 1 (Candidates Jung and Truxaw)



•FRED JUNG

(current Mayor Pro Tem)

Retired

Jung for city council 2024 committee ID 1455417

(Jane Rands, treasurer) **Total Raised: \$264,237**

Largest contributions from:

\$7,932: (transfer from his former campaign committee Jung for Fullerton City Council 2020 ID 1427666)

\$5500: John R. Saunders Manhattan Beach (owner Rancho La Paz Mobile Home Park. Ad Saunders Properties); Asian Pacific Islanders for Progress ID 1440706, Irvine; Fullerton Firefighters Association PAC #921657

\$5000: Katana Racing Inc, Pomona; Hyundai Ok Lee (owner of The Spring Highland Fields Corp)

\$4,900: Anthony Bushala; George Bushala; Commonwealth Fuel Inc; Irvine Company, Newport Beach; Jake Sejin Oh, CEO LinkOne; Luxurros Inc/J's Korean Cuisine; Hyun Lee, Cerritos;

\$4000-\$4500: Jennifer Hyekyoung Kim (CEO MetaBiz Inc, Buena Park; Ayeong Cho (Need Care GM), Buena Park; Hyun Lee, Cerritos;

\$3500: INNOARC (Hyung-joon Sim)

\$3000: Galaxy Oil; Min Sun Michelle Ju, LA, (owner JBS Investments);

\$2500: Angeles Contractor Inc, City of Industry; Be the best Corp, dba 8 Eighty-Eight Cigar Lounge; Newport Partners, Irvine;

\$2000: OC Employees Association PAC #801447;

\$1500: Falk Mobile Health Corp (dba Care Ambulance), Orange; Gary Du (owner DapperDu Inc), Fountain Valley; Jonathan Zee, Tustin; Sigma Petroleum Inc, dba Anthem Oil, Orange;

\$1000: CA Apartment Assoc. ID 745208, Sacramento; Tom Carpenter, Frontier Real Estate Investments, San Juan Capistrano; Oscar Valadez (JVC Inc Director); 10/40 Window Inc, Malibu; Townsend Public Affairs Inc (lobbyist); LE03-a Win Management Inc, Arizona; Shelly Eum; J&E Entertainment LLC, Lynwood; Ryan Farsai (FL Harbor) H&M. Inc. Newport Beach:

\$750: Daniel Brito, Orange (owner Kalaveras):

\$500: J&M California Inc., LA; Dong Monk (Gabriel) Yim, La Canada; Jay Hang Kim, Torrance;); Nina Kim (CEO Admission Masters), Brea;

\$249: LA/OC Building & Construction Trades Council #822029;

\$28: in unitemized contributions of under \$100 each



•MATTHEW TRUXAW

IT Manager/Director

Truxaw for City Council District One 2024 ID 1471808 (Audrey Eisner-Hoeller, treasurer)

Total Raised: \$3,187

Largest contributions from:

\$957: Loan to self

\$500: Lauren Shultz, Managing Director EPIC, Philadelphia, PA;

\$200: Danny Truxaw, Reseda; Robert Bergstro

\$130: Margaret Truxaw

\$100 and under: from 8 individuals (5 from Fullerton) \$500: in unitemized contributions of under \$100 each

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DISTRICT 2 (Candidates Dunlap and Flory)



•NICK DUNLAP

(current Mayor)

Senior Vice President, Property Management DUNLAP for City Council 2024 committee ID 1458610

(Jen Slater, treasurer) **Total Raised: \$ 93,046**

Largest contributions from:

\$10,000: in loans from self forgiven

\$5500: Columbus Pacific Properties (Rick Margolis); Fullerton Police Officers

Association; Lincoln Club of OC PAC 970861 \$5000: CREPAC (California Real Estate Political Action Committee) ID

8901061

\$3000: Tony Bushala (Bushala Brothers Inc)

\$2500: Apartment Assoc of OC PAC ID 980470, Santa Ana;

\$2000: George Bushala (Bushala Brothers Inc); John R. Saunders (owner Rancho La Paz Mobile Home Park); Western Manufactured Housing Communities Assoc PAC 742422; Manufactured Housing Education Trust PAC ID 8201651; Charles Sargent (owner M Park Maintenance, Orange)

\$1500: McEB LLC (Greg McCafferty Anaheim)

\$1250: Play Coffee Inc., Santa Ana;

\$1000: NOC Chamber PAC ID 13996071, Irvine; Richard Jasminski, Long Beach; Intracorp SW - Brad Perozzi, Newport Beach, Tustin; Dunlap Real Estate Investments Inc. Rick Roshan (Pacific Coast Management), Newport Beach; John Tomlinson Property Management, Capistrano Beach; Balcom Park Apartments; Raymond P. Maggi. (Property manager MPMS Inc) Anaheim; Parkside Apartments; Adam Agathakis (consultant), San Clemente; Rick Roshan (Bona Fide Mortgage Inc), Irvine; Apartment Assoc of OC PAC ID 980470, Santa Ana; Manatt, Phelps & Phillips LLP, LA; 421-unit Uptown Fullerton

Apartments; William R. Mitchell Inc, (attorney) Irvine; Contractor Julian Leonard of Dana Point; Care Ambulance Inc, Orange; Brijesh Patel (Alliance Funding Group); CA Apartment Assoc PAC ID 754208; Earl Vaughn Real Estate Investor, Manhattan Beach; Richard Price;

\$600: Michael Sugarman;

\$500: Ryan Farsai (owner H&M Inc), Newport Beach; Pacific Towing Inc, Anaheim,; Alan Gottlieb;

\$300: Lawrence A. Bennett (Bennet Financial & Insurance), Placentia;

\$200-\$250: Frank Montez; Mark Rumfola; Intratek Computer Inc, Irvine; Meridian Moulding Inc, Corona; Smith Public Affairs, Orange; Fairley & Associates Inc dba Brian's Beer & Billiards;

\$100 – \$150: JD Property Management, Costa Mesa; Thomas Fuentes (owner Strategic Consulting), Newport Beach; ANSA Insurance Services; Joyce Nohavec, Corona; Cynthia Von Collin; Sharon Nelson; Miguel Pulido, Santa

\$198: in unitemized contributions of under \$100 each

Other./Non Monetary Contributions

\$4335: Lincoln Club OC Slate PAC ID 970861 of Irvine paid for slate mailers

\$500: Roscoe's Famous Deli reception costs

\$150: Republican Party of OC door hangers in support



•JAN FLORY

Retired Family Attorney & former Fullerton Councilmember & former Mayor Jan Flory for City Council 2024 committee ID 1472358 (Joana Barcelona, treasurer)

Total Raised: \$12,368

Largest contributions from:

\$5500: John Phelps

\$1168: loan to self

\$1000: Sharon Quirk-Silva (CA State Assemblymember, Fullerton)

\$500: Keith Magliulo, artist; Faisal Quazi, doctor

\$150 – \$300: from 17 Fullerton residents, including librarians, teachers, former

department heads, and attorneys – most retired. \$200: in unitemized contributions of under \$100 each

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DISTRICT 4 (Candidates Jaramillo, Valencia, and Whitaker)

(•MARKOWITZ: Based on the fact no one has been able to contact Mr. Markowitz, he has not participated in any political forums or the Observer spread, and has made no financial fillings, we suspect that he may have dropped out of the race.)



•JAMIE VALENCIA
Registered Nurse
Valencia 4 Fullerton City
Council ID 1471578
(Shawna Pettigrew,
treasurer)
Total Raised: \$37,777



•LINDA WHITAKER
Linda Whitaker for
Fullerton City Council
District 4, 2024 #1468571
Total raised: \$29,908



•KITTY JARAMILLO

Retired city employee and Commissioner Kitty Jaramillo for City Council 2024 ID 1468214

(Joana Barcelona, treasurer) **Total Raised:** \$55,846

Largest contributions from:

\$5500: The John Saunders Trust, Newport Beach (Real Estate investor & owner of Rancho La Paz Mobilehome Park); Fullerton Police Officers Association PAC; Fullerton Firefighters Union 3241

\$2500: Anthony Bushala (Bushala Bros Inc); Mario Valdez, JVC Inc; Gilberto Vargas, Vargas Tree Service;

\$2100: Gloria Reyes, Anaheim; Veronica Moraga

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\$1000: Fred Jung; Daniel Se Young Choi. (LinkOne Inc); Hwa M Roh. (NGL Transportation); Adel Hagekhali (Metropolitan Water District (MWD); Western Carpenters Union;

\$900: Pricilla Orozco, Anaheim

\$500: Mohsin Mortada (MWD); TC Hoag (UD Tech Group); Be the Best Corp dba 8 Eighty Cigar Lounge; Oscar Valadez;

\$250-\$300: Perter Whittingham Public Advisors, Rancho Santa Margarita; James Cheon MD; Jung Suk Lee

\$200 or less: from 4 individuals (1 from Fullerton)

\$343: in unitemized contributions of under \$100 each

Largest contributions from:

\$5500: Lincoln Club OC PAC #970861, Irvine **\$5000:** Alaeddin Fawzi Hassan, Newport Coast (owner of Chevron Service Station Fullerton)

\$4900: David Jerome Properties;

\$4500: Freydeel Bushala

\$2500: Piccadilly Square LP, Newport Beach **\$900:** Elect Bruce Whitaker #1330388 transfer

\$800: Henry Xie/Grand Inn;

\$750: MHET PAC, Irvine #820165;

\$500: Fullerton Liquor; Norkat Financial Inc, Corona; H&M Inc; FI-Harbor LLC, Laguna Hills:

\$300: Pacific Towing, Anaheim; Mona Swihart, Montrose; Sean Paden;

\$250 – \$200: Cathy Green, Huntington Beach; Whittingham Public Affairs Advisors, Racho Margarita; Dan Wosab; Gregory Sebourn; James Fissler, Costa Mesa; Community Legacy Local PAC #, Sacramento; Thomas & Barbara Babcock Trust; Sueling Hsu Chen; Stan Chen; Damion Planchon;

\$150: Sharon Nelson; Erik Wehn; Tony T. Liu, Anaheim; Faubel Public Affairs, Mission Viejo; James Stewart, Fountain Valley; James Pollock;

\$100: in Fullerton 6 / out of town 2 \$308: in contributions less than \$100 each Non-Monetary:

\$2065:Lagos Mexican Cuisine

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Largest contributions from:

\$5500: John Phelps; Sharon Quirk-Silva (CA Assemblymember, Fullerton);

\$3000: Loan to self; UFCW Local 324 PAC #1306048; Anjani Thakur, MD Danville;

\$2500: Kevin Shenkman, attorney Malibu;

\$2215: Aaruni Thakur;

\$2000: OC Employees Association PAC #801447;

\$1814: Keiko Beatie;

\$1500: Women in Leadership C00790790;

\$1000: Ruby Thakur (Terra Bella Property Management Inc); Building a Stronger CA Western States Council of Carpenters #870169; Josh Newman for Senate #1435010;

\$900: Mesa Verde Group, #1467745, Sacramento;

\$750: Teresa Juarez, Orange;

\$670 – \$600: Roberto Melendez; Christopher Sanchez (Mesa Verde Group, Sacramento;

\$500 – \$550: Ahmad Zahra; Helen Higgins; John Quijano, retired Mission Viejo; Carolyn Miller; Planned Parenthood of Orange & San Bernardino Counties PAC 1282464, Sacramento; Doug Chaffee; John Quijano, Mission Viejo;

\$300 - \$350: Susan Luevano; Joey Hernandez, Tustin; Alexanda Quijao, Mission Viejo; Sammy Perales, Yorba Linda; \$275 - \$125: Greta Nagel; Miguel Alvarez; Cecilia Flores; John Bruschke; Vince Buck; George Mankiewicz; Anne Mankewicz; Carmen Melendez; Lesley Mahaffey; Jim Ranii; Kathleen Disney; Matt Hanchett; Ruthi Hanchett; Patti Tutor; Shana Charles; Rosamaria Gomez-Amaro

\$100: from 14 individuals (9 from Fullerton)

\$1194: in unitemized contributions of under \$100 each

Vote Center Locations in Fullerton

Select Vote Centers Open: Sat, Oct 26 - Fri, Nov 1, 8am-5pm • All Vote Centers Open: Sat, Nov 2 - Mon, Nov 4, 8am-8pm, Tue, Nov 5, 7am-8pm American Red Cross Building at 1207 N Lemon St • Fullerton Public Library (Drive Thru) at 353 W Commonwealth Ave.

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Fullerton Teachers Support



For FSD School Board Trustee Area 5

- Champions policies that benefit all children, including social and emotional health.
- Helped create a more inclusive and supportive school environment.
- Strengthened community bonds and fostered mutual understanding.

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- FSD Parent
- Area 5 Business Owner
- President of FSD English Language Advisory Committee
- PTA Leader

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Barbara Jean Cheney Martindale 1937-2024

Barbara Jean Cheney Martindale, age 87, born January 29, 1937. passed away Sunday, October 6, 2024, in her home with her daughter by her side.

She married the love of her life, Jerry Martindale on April 7,

1958, when they moved to Brea, California. Jerry and Barbara loved to go square dancing together and they were very involved in their church, Orangethorpe United Methodist, where Barbara helped



feed the hungry every week. The married couple moved to Fullerton in 1959, where they bought their home and remained until they passed.

Barbara was preceded in death by her husband Jerry, daughter Kathie and son Robert. She leaves behind daughters

Cyndi Davies, Karen Motley and Susan MacDonald; 5 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren and 3 greatgreat-grandchildren.

She will be deeply missed.

Verna Linnell 1931-2024

Verna Helen Heineken Gorg Linnell, 93, died September 20, 2024 in Yorba Linda, CA. She was born, November 21, 1930 Valley Falls, KS, to Harry Lewelling Heineken and Amanda Alice Lewis.

Linnell is survived by her children, Gail (Mark)

Roberts, Michael Gorg, Rebecca (Brent) Money, 9 grandchildren, 33

great-grandchildren, and 2 step children Lori (Dirk) Brinkerhoff, Scott Cemetery, Fullerton.



Linnell, 5 step grandchildren, and 22 step greatgrandchildren.

Verna was preceded in death by her parents, husbands, Donald Galen Gorg and William Lee Linnell, brother, Leroy Elbert Heineken, sister, Fern Allene Conder and step daughter, Susan

Linnell.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, October 5 at Loma Vista

"What we have once enjoyed, we can never lose. All that we love deeply becomes a part of us."

- Helen Keller

John H. Mathews 1943-2024

John H. Mathews, age 81, passed away on October 4, 2024, at his home in Fullerton, California. He was born June 10, 1943 in McMinnville, Oregon to Francis and Edith Mathews. John graduated from high school and college in the

Portland, Oregon area. He later earned a Ph. D degree in Mathematics at Michigan State University in East Lansing. John went on to teach Mathematics at Cal State University of Fullerton and retired as a full professor in 2003. John wrote numerous papers and books on the subject of math and computer science. His books on



computer science and mathematics have been translated into several languages and are still being used today.

John was active at Richfield Community Church in Yorba Linda and had many friends

John is survived by

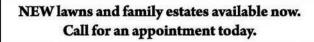
his loving wife Frances; sons Robert, Daniel (Karen), and Jimmy (Jenny); grandchildren Kyle, Jordan and Ian; and a host of many other family and friends.

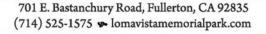
John's family was always the center of his life and he was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather.

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Community Services Specialist Series - Community Center

Full Time: \$17 - \$18 Hourly Non-Regular (At Will/Non-Benefited) Category: Parks and Recreation Department: Parks and Recreation Job Number: 02 - Community Ctr.

Fiscal Operations Supervisor

Full Time: \$16 - \$17 Hourly Non-Regular (At Will/Non-Benefited) Category: Clerical & Data Entry/Accounting & Finance/Parks & Recreation

Department: Multiple Departments Job Number: 2024-SCSRS

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Fire Department Utility Worker I/II

Full Time: \$89K - \$113K Annually Department: Administrative Services

Location: City Hall

Job Number: 2024-Fisc Oper Sup

Principal Civil Engineer - Water & Senior Civil Engineer - Water

Full Time: See Discription
Department: Public Works
Job Number: 2024-srengw/prcegw

Senior Planner

Salary: \$117K annually Full Time: See Discription

Department: Community & Economic

Development

Job Number: 2024-Sr Planner

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ANSWER KEY TO PUZZLE "PARTICULARS" on pg 7:



Puzzle Master Valerie Brickey was born in Fullerton and returned to raise her family here. She has contributed puzzles since 2014.

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INCA, CalOptima, and OC Supervisor Doug Chaffee will be giving out meat vouchers along with fruit and vegetable boxes. Vouchers can be redeemed at any Northgate Market location. All items are first come first serve while supplies last.

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Fullerton Teachers Support

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For FSD School Board Trustee Area 2

- Committed to students, teachers, technology, and access to critical programs.
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From left to right: Muckenthaler Original Living Room (Fireplace), Walter & Adella Muckenthaler, with their son Harold, and Executive Officer Farrell Hirsch

History and Events by Tegan, 8th grade

The Muckenthaler

Located in the heart of Fullerton, the features is its gallery Muckenthaler Cultural Center is an art museum that is the legacy of Walter and Adella Muckenthaler. Built in 1925 and later donated to the city by the Muckenthaler family in 1965, the estate's mission was clear: "to enrich the community through the arts."

CEO Farrell Hirsch oversees the center with a deep commitment to its historical preservation and cultural significance. I was recently honored with the opportunity to interview him, gaining further insights into the center and its wonderful elements.

One of the center's most compelling

space adorned with local and international

artworks, which was originally the living room of the Muckenthaler man-

Adjacent to the living room was originally an open, sunlit patio which was later enclosed in the 1940s by the Muckenthaler family. However, concealed in the back wall of this terrace lies, arguably, the mansion's most interesting aspect. During the Great Depression to provide employment, the government initiated programs like the Works Progress Administration

mural, a reinterpretation of an Italian forest painting, adorned this back wall. Over time, the City obscured it using 24 layers of paint, plywood, sheetrock and a false wall.

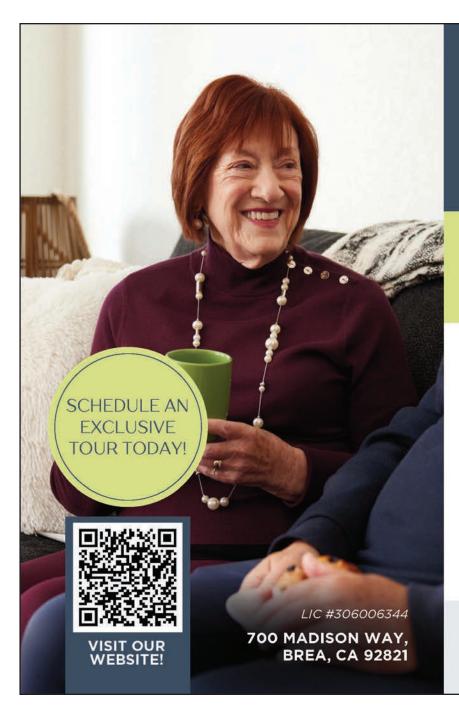
According to Hirsch, the task of uncovering the mural was daunting. Two scientists dedicated an entire week to meticulously analyzing each layer, "determining the chemical composition needed to dissolve each one without damaging the artwork under-

Under Hirsch's leadership, the center has also blossomed into a vibrant cultural hub, hosting galas, music performances and educational programs that celebrate local heritage and global creativity. For this fall season, the

(WPA), which offered jobs to artists. A Muckenthaler exhibits a ceramics chapter. Experienced master ceramicists cater to a variety of ages, offering classes to guide one through sculpture pottery techniques. Muckenthaler also embraces a wilder side, as demonstrated recently.

Just this past Saturday, October 5, the Muckenthaler hosted the Pathways of Hope event, featuring Look Who's Dancing, where respected philanthropists whirled, jumped and twirled. Raising over 180 donations, this occasion successfully supported those in need- while still enrapturing guests with a fun, competitive spirit.

The Muckenthaler Cultural Center is truly an enriches to Fullerton, boththrough communal events and its cultural value.



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