

I HEAR THE TRAIN A COMIN' Foothill Gold Line officials unveil plans for new Pomona station along route to Montclair

Pomona residents, civic leaders and elected officials got a look into the future this month as Foothill Gold Line representatives came to town to show off their plans for a light rail line – with its own railroad station – that, when completed, will take passengers east to Montclair or west to Union Station in Los Angeles by way of Pasadena.

The Gold Line station platform, according to plans, will be built across the parking lot from the ex-

(Traducción en Español pág. 18) isting North Pomona Metrolink station as part of the new 12.3-mile extension from Azusa to Montclair. Selection of locations of the stations was the responsibility of the local cities along the route.

The Pomona station will include its own 750-space parking structure to be shared with Metrolink.

Gold Line officials hosted a community open house for Pomona this month at the Palomares Park

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The Pasadena to Azusa extension is 94 percent complete and is being tested, according to chief project officer Chris Burner.

"Everything is testing well and we should turn it over to Metro in September," he added. "It should go into service in early 2016."

And it's on time and under budget.

Only the timetable for construction through Pomona is still up in the air, as it all depends on funding, Burner said. Enough funds are available now for the planning phase.

"We are seeking funds through Metro and we'll see what happens with the funding," he said.

One ballot measure seeking funding went before New Pomona station... pg. 10



PROPOSED POMONA GOLD LINE STATION -- Pomona station artist Stephen Farley was on hand at an
open house this month to give residents a look at the design of the proposed Pomona Gold Line station.

ON MOTHER'S DAY

Congresswoman Torres travels to Afghanistan to remember female service members on Mother's Day

Congresswoman Norma Torres joined a bipartisan group of Congresswomen on a trip to Afghanistan and Kuwait this month to celebrate Mother's Day with female service members – and moms – who are away from their families.

The four Congresswomen delivered homemade Mother's Day cards created by 16 third-graders at St. Joseph Elementary School in Pomona.

"As the mother of an Air Force veteran, I have an enormous amount of admiration for these dedicated women and the sacrifices they've made to keep our nation safe," Torres said. "Let's remember the many women whose service to our country keeps them thousands of miles away from their children."

Torres delivered the Mother's Day cards at a Mother's Day luncheon where the Congresswomen and female service members discussed the unique challenges facing women and mothers in the armed forces.



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more than 15 hours each way.

Torres told La Nueva Voz the

It was her first trip to the Middle

East and Afghanistan as a member of Congress. During the trip, the Congresswomen also met with female Afghan parliamentarians and were briefed by military and civilian leadership in both Afghanistan and Kuwait on on-going operations in the region.

Dr. Claudia Godlewski, principal at St. Joseph Elementary, told La Female service members... pg. 2



CELEBRATING MOTHER'S DAY WITH MILITARY MOMS -- Congresswoman Norma Torres, center, hands out Mother's Day cards -- handmade by kids at St. Joseph Elementary School in Pomona -- to some of the military moms she met on her trip to Afghanistan this month.



LAGUNA TECHNICAL COLLEGE Arturo Jimenez, President Offering training for professional preschool teachers "Learn to work in a childcare setting."

women touched down in Kuwait on their tour of the region which included delivering Mother's Day

cards to female service members -- and moms -- who would be spending Mother's Day away from their families. Pictured on the tarmac at Ahmed Al-Jaber Air Base are the four Congresswomen

with their military support team. From left, in civilian clothes, are Congresswoman Betty McCol-

lum (D-MN), Congresswoman Norma Torres (D-Pomona), Congresswoman Susan Davis (D-San Diego), and Congresswoman Martha McSally (R-AZ). The air base is about 75 miles from the

fense issues."

Iraqi border and provides support to military operations in the region

"I was grateful for the opportu-

nity to speak face-to-face with our

troops on the ground," Torres said.

"Hearing their experiences and get-

ting a glimpse at their daily lives

will be invaluable as Congress takes

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Female service members... from pg. 1

dents:

Nueva Voz her students completed the cards in a day and cited a quote from William Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice" when asked what the project meant to the stu-

"How far that little candle throws its beams! So, shines a good deed in a naughty world."

Torres, a Democrat from Pomona,

traveled with Congresswoman Susan Davis (D-San Diego), Congresswoman Martha McSally (R-AZ), and Congresswoman Betty McCollum (D-MN).



FROM AN M16 TO A MOTHER'S DAY CARD -- Women serving in the Marines, Air Force and Navy switch gears a little as they take a break from their daily routine service to receive Mother's Day cards from home, delivered by Congresswoman Norma Torres, center. Torres told La Nueva Voz several of the service women -- and Torres herself -- were particularly touched by the gesture.

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'Helpful Honda Dealer' Metro Honda gives new car to lucky Los Osos High School student in 'perfect attendance' school program

According to those television ads, the "Helpful Honda Dealer" will help out with a dishwasher or, perhaps, buying somebody a tank of gasoline. At Metro Honda in Montclair, they gave away a new car to a local high school student this month.

It was all part of an enrichment program called "Keys to Succeed" in which the dealership partners with the Chaffey Joint Union High School District to encourage students to attend school every day for a better education.

Also, of course, increased attendance benefits the school district by increasing "average daily attendance" funding from the state. Nearly 300 students from Chaffey and Los Osos High Schools with perfect attendance for the year filled the showroom at Metro Honda for a huge block party – DJ from a local radio station, snow cones, caramel corn and more – complete with raffle drawings for prizes from local businesses.

But the big drawing at the end of the evening was for a car key. Five students from each high school received the key to a car and students took turns giving their key a turn in the driver's door.

The winner, Lisa Huang, 15, a 10th grader at Los Osos High School, and a resident of Rancho Cucamonga, went back to Metro Honda the fol-



A NEW CAR! -- Chaffey Joint Union High School District Supt. Mat Holton, at right, reads the winning raffle ticket number at this month's "Keys to Succeed" program for students with perfect attendance at Los Osos and Chaffey High Schools. In addition to raffle prizes, 10 students -- five from each school -- won a key and a chance to try the key in the door to a new Honda Civic EX valued at \$24,500. Pictured with Holton are, from left, Chaffey High School (Ontario) Principal Dawn Buboltz; Los Osos High School (Rancho Cucamonga) Assistant Principal of Instruction Tommy Mitchell; Metro Honda General Manager Jeff Proctor; and Chaffey school board members Sue Ovitt and Shari Megaw.

lowing week with her dad, Timothy Huang, to sign a contract – with no out of pocket cost – for a brand new all-black 2014 Honda Civic EX valued at \$24,500.

"It is exciting for Metro Honda to be a part of this and to really give back to the community that supports us as a business," said Jeff Proctor, General Manager of Metro Honda and Managing Partner of Metro Auto Group. "And it is a way to increase attendance in the schools and we all know that attendance is so important to state funding that the schools receive and it's just a thrill for us to be a part of this."

This month's give-away was the second year of the program at Metro Honda – the dealership gave away a

car to a Montclair High School student last year. Metro Honda has committed to continue the program for four years, working with two schools each year.

Asked by La Nueva Voz if he would extend the program to schools just over the line in the Pomona Unified School District, he said he was open to trying to work something out.





A WINNER! -- Metro Honda General Manager Jeff Proctor gives an official thumbs up signaling a winner as Lisa Huang's key opens the door to her new Honda Civic EX. Huang, who was selected at random to receive one of 10 keys in the give-away, is a 10th grader at Los Osos High School in Rancho Cucamonga. The contest, in year two of a four-year program at Metro Honda, was designed to encourage perfect attendance in high school and to help Chaffey Joint Union High School District receive as much state funding for "average daily attendance" as possible.



Please join us in celebrating the Pomona Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting ceremony for the Pomona Caliber Collision on Thursday, June 11th, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch will be provided, along with tours of our state-of-the-art collision facility. Your prompt RSVP is appreciated.

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HIGH SCHOOL ORATORICAL CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED -- The Pomona Breakfast Optimist Club last month announced the winners of its annual oratorical contest for high school students, this year on the theme "How my optimism will help me press on to greater achievements in the future." Pictured, front row, from left, are Optimist Club President Margarita Silva; Marisa Perez, a senior at Pomona's School of Arts and Enterprise, girls' division third place winner; Rebecca Munguia, a ninth grade student at Garfield High School in Los Angeles, girls' division first place winner; Sara Montesinos, a senior at the School of Arts and Enterprise, girls' division second place; and contest chairman Vernon Price. Back row, from left, are Damian DeHoyos, a senior at the School of Arts and Enterprise, boys' division second place: Christian Smith, a senior from Pomona's Diamond Ranch High School, boys' division third place; and Matthew Abilez, a senior at the School of Arts and Enterprise, boys division first place.

ELEMENTARY STUDENT ORATORICAL CON-

TEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED -- The Pomona Breakfast Optimist Club last month announced the winners of its second annual "Kids Speak Out" oratorical contest for elementary school students. This year's topic was "How my optimism will help me press on to greater achievements in the future." Pictured, front row, from left, are Jasmine Bryan, a fourth grader at Ranch Hills Elementary School, third place; Aisha Hakim, a fifth grader at Ranch Hills Elementary School, second place; and Daniel Tranancos, also a fifth grader at Ranch Hills, first place. Back row, from left, are Vernon Price, contest chairman; Robin Schary, principal at Ranch Hills, and Robert Martinez, a teacher at Ranch Hills.



Photo by Tom Zasadzinski/Cal Poly Pomona CAL POLY CULTURAL CENTERS MARK 20TH ANNIVERSARY -- Jose Antonio Vargas, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, filmmaker and immigration activist, presented the keynote address this month in the Bronco Student Center at the 20th anniversary celebration of the Cal Poly University Pomona Cultural Centers. Six cultural centers were established on campus 20 years ago following a demonstration in the wake of Proposition 187 in which students were seeking a greater voice. "Our university celebrates diversity as one of its strengths," said La'Keisha Beard, acting director of the Office of Student Life and Cultural Centers. "The work (of the cultural centers) is tied into the university's mission." The cultural centers include African American, Asian and Pacific Islander, and Native American student centers, along with the Cesar E. Chavez Center for Higher Education, the Pride Center and the Violence Prevention and Women's Resource Center.

Third Annual 'Women's Changing, Aging Roles' event set for Saturday

The third annual "Women's Changing, Aging Roles," an event focused on famous women, past, present and future, will be held Saturday, sponsored by Pomona's Inter Valley Health Plan.

The event, to be held from 9 a.m. to noon May 30 in the Health Professions Center at Pomona's Western University of Health Sciences, is free and open to the public.

Women age 55 and over are invited to enjoy food, music, activities, a living museum and hear from local pre-

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senters on a variety of topics ranging from women in healthcare to ways technology has advanced women's health.

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the fourth annual Denim Day and Anti-Violence Community Fair in the Pomona Civic Center. Accompanying Lopez are members of the event planning committee. Project Sister, which hosted the event, was founded in 1972 as a response to a series of violent assaults in the Claremont and Pomona areas. For more information on Project Sister, contact (909) 623-1619.

PROJECT SISTER REACHES OUT --Representatives of Project Sister explain their work to visitors to their booth during last month's fourth annual

Denim Day and Anti-Violence Community Fair in Pomona. Pictured, from left, are Liliana Arbon, a hotline specialist with Project Sister; volunteer Cynthia Barrio, of Pico Rivera; and visitor Alaina Joy of Upland, holding Cora Lie Joy, 14 months. Denim Day is a campaign to raise awareness and educate the public about rape and sexual assault. The movement arose from the outrage that followed an Italian Supreme Court decision in 1998 to overturn a rape conviction because the victim wore tight jeans.

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Cal Poly's Innovation Brew Works receives top honor in university food services competition

Cal Poly Pomona Foundation's new Innovation Brew Works received first place in the National Association of College and University Food Services 2015 Loyal E. Horton Dining Awards.

The annual award is the most prestigious honor that celebrates and recognizes exemplary campus dining services throughout the United States and Canada.

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"To win such a distinguished award is an enormous accomplishment for Innovation Brew Works and the entire Foundation," said Foundation Executive Director Paul Storey. "The Foundation continually strives to provide the best services to the campus and surrounding community, and we are proud to do so with an award-winning dining program."

The brewery was entered in the "retail sales – single concept" category, which is open to any single, stand-alone dining unit that is not part of a marketplace concept.

"When organizing and designing our entry, we not only highlighted all of the brewery's notable features, but also emphasized its educational program and the fact that it is the first genuine educational breweryrestaurant on a university campus that is open to the public," said Foundation Marketing Director Edwin Santiago. "Our goal was to show the judges just how unique and valuable the brewery truly is."

This is the second consecutive year that a Foundation dining unit has received gold in the awards competition. The Foundation's "Poly Trolley" food truck received first place in the same category last year.

'To receive first place two years in a row is an exceptional achievement," said Foundation Dining Services Director Aaron Neilson. "Innovation Brew Works would not have been possible without the help and support of many talented professionals and we are all so honored to have been recognized."

In the awards competition this year, the Foundation placed ahead of Carleton University, University of Connecticut, University of Oklahoma and Vanderbilt University.

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WHEN CARS WERE CARS! -- La Nueva Voz friend Mike Salvato poses with his 1957 Ford Fairlane Sedan, an eight-cylinder with all original everything, at last month's Pomona Catholic Boosters Car Show and Family Fun Day. The car was one of the winners at last year's Knights of Columbus car show at Pomona's St. Joseph Catholic Church.



NATIONAL MOBILITY AWARENESS MONTH -- Pomona's Casa Colina Hospital and Centers for Healthcare teamed up this month with the National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association to showcase a parking lot full of wheelchair accessible vehicles that can be adapted to the needs of individuals with disabilities to offer independence. Pictured explaining the features of a Chariot Solo is Ruben Fernandez as Laurence Johnson of Los Angeles looks on. The Chariot is the first electric vehicle designed from the ground up to be used with a wheelchair. More than six million people across the U.S. and Canada, including one in five seniors, have mobility issues.

FRONT VIEW -- Chariot Mobility, Inc., President and CEO Ralph Megna, based in Riverside, shows off the front view of the Chariot Solo. The car has a 600 pound capacity and can reach speeds up to 35 miles per hour. It has a range of up to 50 miles on a full charge. A brief inspection by La Nueva Voz showed the car has significantly more stability than a golf cart. Megna said 17 prototypes have been built over the past nearly three years and he is taking orders for actual production vehicles expected to be available as early as this summer. The cars are expected to sell for about \$19,000. The company is a member of the National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association and donated one of the four cars the association is giving away this month during National Mobility Awareness Month.



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LIVE AUCTION AT POMONA CATHOLIC -- Pomona Catholic Principal Sam Torres shows off his talents as an auctioneer as he auctions off a bicycle last month at the 14th annual Pomona Catholic Boosters Car Show and Family Fun Day. The event -- filled with everything from classic cars to vendor booths -- is held each year in the school parking lot.

Pomona Eagles recognize Special Olympics athletes at 79th birthday celebration

Members of the Pomona Eagles Aerie #2215 celebrated their 79th birthday last month and took the opportunity to recognize the Pomona Valley Special Olympics Athletes and their own Fabiola Aceves, who has been selected to compete on the USA World Games Special Olympics Team in Los Angeles this summer along with more than 7,000 other athletes from around the world.

Aceves will compete on the tennis team. Pomona Valley Special Olympics was presented with a check representing proceeds from last year's fundraising golf tournament.

For the past 22 years, Pomona Eagles have held the Pomona Eagles Golf Classic to benefit Pomona Valley Special Olympics athletes.

Special Olympics provides year-round athletic programs for athletes with intellectual disabilities.



POMONA AMERICAN LEGION POST 30 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER -- Members of the American Legion Auxiliary at Pomona's American Legion Post 30 presented their annual "Jungle George Orlando Memorial Scholarship" to the winning student during an annual Mother's Day breakfast at the American Legion this month. Receiving her scholarship check for \$250, a certificate of appreciation and a scholarship medal is Natalie Lydick, 18, a graduating senior at Azusa High School. Pictured, from left, are Auxiliary President Peggy Wendt, Lydick and Treasurer Vicki Grillot. Lydick, whose mom, Racheol Lydick, is an employee at Post 30, said she plans to attend UC San Diego in the fall where she will study physics. She has maintained a 4.33 grade point average, plays saxophone in the high school band, is President of the GATE club and participated in the Academic Decathlon. Lydick was selected for the scholarship out of a field of five entries. Her essay told of her experience in a Northrop-Grumman program called High School Involvement in which select students at Gladstone and Azusa High Schools build robots working with mentors at the aerospace and defense contractor's Azusa location. She was born in Pomona at Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center

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Pomona Chamber's 127th annual awards and installation of officers banquet set for next month

Cyndie O'Brien of Pomona's Inter Valley Health Plan will be sworn in as president of the Pomona Chamber of Commerce next month at the Chamber's 127th Annual Awards & Installation of Officers dinner at Mountain Meadows Golf Course.

Outgoing President Jill Dolan of Mt. SAC will hand over the

gavel, the 2015-2016 Board of Directors will be introduced and outstanding Chamber members and community leaders will be honored at the annual event.

The banquet is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 24, at Mountain Meadows, 1875 Fairplex Drive, Pomona.

Nominations are being ac-

cepted for Image Award, Community Service Organization, New Business of the Year, Employer of the Year and Member of the Year.

Tickets are \$75 and a table of eight is \$550.

For more information, contact the Pomona Chamber at (909) 622-1256.

College of American Pathologists awards laboratory accreditation to Casa Colina

of the College of American Pathologists has awarded accreditation to the Casa Colina Hospital and Centers for Healthcare laboratory based on results of a recent on-site inspection as part of the accreditation process.

The Pomona facility received the national recognition based on the excellence of services being provided. The laboratory is one of more than 7,600 facilities worldwide accredited by the organization.

"We could not be more proud of our pathologist, clinical lab certified scientists, phlebotomists and support staff for once again achieving this es-

The Accreditation Committee teemed accreditation," said Felice Loverso, Ph.D., Casa Colina's President and CEO. "Meeting all of the applicable standards for accreditation reassures referring physicians and their patients that we will continue to meet their needs now and well into the future as we prepare to open our new med-

ical/surgical hospital later this year."

The U.S. government recognizes the College of American Pathologists laboratory accreditation program as being equal to or more stringent than the government's own inspection program, according to a hospital news release.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: "Hope & Hurdles," an on-going feature appearing in La Nueva Voz, was created by artist Evy Schuman as an attempt to "poke fun" at the little things that trouble us all from time to time. Evy, who is also a published writer on the subject, created the cartoon series to show her work at a creative writing class she co-facilitates at Pomona's Tri-City Wellness Center



DRIVERS START COMPUTERS! --YOUR Andrew Lopez, 11, a sixth grader at Pomona's Cortez Math and Science Magnet School competing this month in the ninth annual Robot Rally at Cal Poly University Pomona, releases his computer-programmed robotic vehicle on the track in the fast line following challenge in which points are won or lost for remaining on the track. Other events were the obstacle course (running a table-top track without crashing into concrete blocks) and the sumo robot challenge (two cars competing to see which one remains on the round table top).



The event, held this year in Darlene May Gym at Cal Poly, is sponsored each year by Cal Poly's College of Engineering as part of the Robotics Education through Active Learning Program. More than 800 students from 20 participating schools in eight school districts competed after weeks of designing and building their own robotic vehicles, training and practice. A college spokesperson said the event is the largest K-12 robotics outreach program in the nation.

CORTEZ STUDENTS PREP IN THE PIT BETWEEN EVENTS -- Students from Pomona's Cortez Math and Science Magnet School take a break in the "pit" between competitions in the ninth annual Robot Rally at Cal Poly University Pomona this month. Pictured, from left, are Guillermina Granados, Galilea Vazquez, Haley Lopez, Ximena Avina, Evelyn Jimenez and Karly Camacho.



ZUMBA DEMONSTRATION AT YMCA 'HEALTHY KIDS DAY' -- A zumba demonstration got everybody's attention -- and everybody's blood running -at this month's annual "Healthy Kids Day" in the parking lot outside the YMCA of Pomona Valley in the Village at Indian Hill. And the participants were pretty good, too!

HONORING FORMER YMCA BOARD MEMBER TED PIATT -- Retired Superior Court Judge Ted

Piatt, at right, was honored for his service on the YMCA board at this month's annual "Healthy Kids Day," featuring games, prizes and fun, sponsored by the YMCA of Pomona Valley. Piatt served on the YMCA board for 17 years and stepped down three years ago. His son, Matt Piatt, now serves on the board. Pictured, from left, are Matt Piatt, YMCA Membership Coordinator Martha Plumeba, and Ted Piatt. "The YMCA has done remarkable things for people in the community," especially in the area of child care, Piatt told La Nueva Voz. He was honored "for what you have done in reaching out to helping others in our communities."



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'THEY MADE EVERYTHING SO MUCH EAS-IER' -- Pomona High School senior Jonathan Aleman, speaking to fellow students, faculty and parents at this year's Bright Prospect College Decision Day, thanked the Bright Prospect team. "College is absolutely important to me because it expands knowledge... and it gets you a career after the four years," he said. He announced he will attend Mt. SAC in the fall.



COLLEGE DECISION DAY 2015 -- Bertna Romero, a graduating senior at Pomona High School, was first up at College Decision Day 2015 at Pomona High last month. Romero said she learned about the college preparatory program from her aunt who told her it served undocumented students. She thanked her fellow students in the Bright Prospect program "because they are very important people in my life." She announced that she will attend UC Berkeley in the fall.



HEADING OFF TO COLLEGE -- The entire 2015 Bright Prospect class at Pomona High School smiles at the audience in the high school gym before ceremonies in which they announce where they will attend college. A total of 53 students participated in the Bright Prospect program this year at Pomona High School. Students in this year's class will attend 57 schools nationwide ranging from Wellesley and Duke to Citrus and Chaffey. Bright Prospect, based in Pomona, currently serves nearly 2,000 students in high school and college. The program operates in high schools in Pomona, Montclair and Ontario. Its mission is to empower low-income students to gain admission to, succeed in and graduate from four-year colleges and universities. It accomplishes this by providing a comprehensive support system throughout the students' high school and college years.



SIGNING UP FOR JOBS IN ALASKA -- Icicle Seafoods, Inc., based in Seattle, was on hand this month at GAIN's Pomona Employment Expo and Hiring Spree in Ganesha Park to recruit 80 applicants from the area to go to work in Alaska this summer. Successful hires will either work on one of three fishing boats (actually 300-foot long ships that are floating processing centers) or in one of three land plants in Alaska. The \$750 million company employs as many as 1,500 people during the summer months. Pictured, from left, are applicant Jeffrey Ralph, of Pomona, and recruiters Darrell Kelly and Renae LaRiviere, both of Seattle.

MOVING UP IN THE WORLD -- Job applicants interested in moving up in the world and working as linemen on top of power poles showed up at the right job fair this month if they sat down at the Henkels & McCoy table at the GAIN Employment Expo in Ganesha Park. The company provides contract work for SCE, Verizon, Southern Cali-



fornia Gas Co., PG&E and others and hires on an on-going basis so it can send workers where the work is, even in areas of natural disasters around the country. Henkels & McCoy, with offices nationwide, employs more than 200 in an administrative office in Pomona and another 100 in an engineering facility here. Pictured, from left, are applicant Joseph Comaroto of Covina and recruiters Nora Solano and Mirna Armenta. Jobs open this month included safety coordinator, project manager and electrical engineer. Representatives of nearly 40 employers were on hand at the event offering jobs ranging from bus drivers and trash disposal truck drivers to working for the U.S. Postal Service or Pomona's own Fairplex. More than 275 job-seekers attended the event. Ask about our low rates for inserting your pre-printed ad, flier or menu in **La Nueva Voz.** Call Renee at (909) 762-1446 today!



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the voters in 2012 and another proposed sales tax measure is planned for 2016.

"We expect to be included in that," Burner said. "If we are included and it passes, then we hope to break ground (on the Azusa to Montclair link) in 2017."

And the design and build contract likely would require another five years.

Burner was asked by La Nueva Voz what it would take to get Pomona residents out of their cars and off the freeway and onto the electricity-powered trains.

"It'll be a great system," he said. "You'll be able to get on the train, it'll be a great alternative for cars."

For example, when the system is all built out, he said riders can get on the train in Pomona and ride it all the way down to Long Beach without changing trains.

"One train change and you can go to Santa Monica," he said.

"The connections will be phenomenal and there's all sorts of great destinations that they can connect to," he said. "So it'll be enticing. Plus you don't have the frustration of driving and traffic."

He pointed out that light rail systems like the Gold Line and Metrolink are different systems.

"Metrolink is a commuter line, it is more of a regional line, it connects to five different counties," he said. "So it's more for commuter hours



REVIEWING DESIGN ELEMENTS OF GOLD LINE -- Lisa Levy Buch, director of public affairs for Foothill Gold Line, shows Pomona Mayor Elliott Rothman how the design elements of the Gold Line extension through Pomona will all come together.

and more for those longer distances."

"The transit line, the light rail and the subway, the heavy rail, it's a transit system, so it operates more frequently, it operates longer hours, and it allows you to move around and go to the normal destinations that you would go in your day to day life," Burner said.

"The headway, the times between trains, is shorter," he said.

Line to design the local station, created the design elements of the facility based on the theme "The Power of Pomona is People."

He is asking Pomona residents who inspired them, for whom they are grateful and who changed their life.

But even getting to this point was a community effort, Farley said.

"People really, really worked, (they) wanted to emphasize the diversity of Pomona and how that brings power to the community," he said.

"In looking at the whole concept, I really wanted to honor the people by coming up with the idea that power in the community comes

total of 48 portraits "in what I call a hall of gratitude at the station."

But Farley is already thinking ahead, adding that down the line, these panels can be placed at a variety of other locations throughout Pomona.

"This thing is infinitely scalable," he said. "You can have these all over the place."

Staff members were handing out forms at the open house for residents to complete and return with their own nominations.

In addition to the "hall of gratitude," Farley has designed a canopy of glass showing the old "fun zone" arch at the Los Angeles County Fair, but using single letters, each one

> from a different famous sign in Pomona spelling out the name of the city – signs like the old Fox Theater, a Pomona orange crate label, the old Pomona Mall, the Masonic Lodge and others.

> Farley mentioned that while he now lives in Tucson, he grew up in Ontario and as a boy often visited the fun zone at the Fair.

> An independent public artist who has worked on projects nationwide, Farley said he is working to bring communities together.

> And he created the technique himself that will be used to permanently transfer photos onto glazed ceramic tile to become part of the display.

> He calls it "tilography" using sixinch glazed ceramic tiles.

"This helps create the station as the center of power for the community,"

Farley said. "So someone who isn't from Pomona comes here, sees all these faces and thinks, what's going on here, I want to see what's going on here . . . in this community, where are these people coming from, why are they being honored."

"And the people from Pomona think, wow, we are a great place here and there's so much that we do for each other," he added.

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GOLD LINE SAFETY FEATURES -- Chris Burner, chief project officer for Foothill Gold Line, explains how "at-grade"

crossings will have built in safety features along the route when the Azusa to Montclair link is constructed through

He added that the time of travel is more consistent.

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"If you're riding in a car, there can be a car accident, or traffic can be bad for whatever reason," he said. "A train is very consistent. You know what your schedule is going to be. You can read, you can nap, you can work on your phone."

Designing the Pomona station

Pomona station artist Stephen Farley, retained by Foothill Gold

from people helping people," he added. "So what I'm looking to do is go after the public and invite people to nominate someone that changed their life."

Photographs of those individuals selected – along with a phrase about those selected – will become a permanent part of the station design on two-foot by two-foot panels along the railing.

Farley said there is room for a

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STUDENTS RECEIVE DKG CITIZENSHIP AWARDS -- A total of 21 students from 13 high schools were honored last month by women educators in the Beta Mu chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International at its 42nd annual Citizenship Awards Program at Trinity United Methodist Church in Pomona. High school seniors from the Bonita, Claremont and Pomona Unified School Districts were recognized for improving "their school, their community or their own lives," said program chair Jean Bristol. Participating schools were asked to select students of outstanding character that may not be recognized by other awards. Pictured, from left, front row, are Ray Magana, San Antonio High School, Claremont; Alejandro Torres, Bonita High School, La Verne; Angela Oliveros, Park West High School, Pomona; Jasmine Rivera, Village Academy High School, Pomona; Britain Chaputa, San Dimas High School; and Hannah Yu and Harrison Klinski, both of Claremont High School.

Pictured in the middle row, from left, are Yesenia Nieves, of Pomona High School; Celine Peltecki, of Chaparral High School in San Dimas; Vanessa Covarrubias-Dominguez, Ganesha High School, Pomona; and Julissa Loza Mendez, Diamond Ranch High School, Pomona.

Pictured in the back row, from left, are Youssouf Diakite-Senaya, of Ganesha High School, Pomona; Ruben Acero, of Garey High School, Pomona; Jaleel Jenkins, of Diamond Ranch High School, Pomona; Trinidad Contreras, of Garey High School, Pomona; Maite Gonzalez, of Fremont Academy, Pomona; Samer Najjar, of San Dimas High School; Anahi Sanchez, of Village Academy High School, Pomona; and Dominick Flournoy, Jr., of Pomona High School.

Not pictured were Hayven Caraway, of Bonita High School, La Verne, and Luis Moreno, of Palomares Academy, Pomona.

New officers set to be installed at Pomona's American Legion Post 30

Richard Haro will be installed as Post Commander at Pomona's American Legion Post 30 next month, becoming only the second Mexican American veteran to hold that post in more than 45 years. will be Michael Moore, who will become the first African American to hold an officer's position.

Installation of new officers for the coming year is scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday, June 6, at the American Legion Headquarters, 239 E. Holt Ave., Pomona.

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Entry deadline approaching for 'Battle of the Bands' at the L.A. County Fair

The L.A. County Fair is looking for unsigned high school and college-aged bands from throughout Southern California to compete in this year's Battle of the Bands with the top 20 bands battling it out at the Fair.

Eight finalists then will vie for the top spot.

Prizes are \$1,200 cash for first place, along with a spot in the 2016 Vans Warped Tour at Pomona's Fairplex.

Second place is \$800 cash, and third place is \$500 cash.

Bands must submit application, bio, video, set list with lyrics, a photo of the band and a stage plot.

Applications are available on the web site at lacf.com. No soloists or duos will be eligible and deadline to enter is June 1.

For more information, contact the Fair's entertainment department at (909) 865-4507.

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OLD STYLE LEMONADE STAND -- "Olde Tyme Lemonade" featured hand squeezed lemonade and a special strawberry lemonade slushie. But it didn't matter if it was an old-style booth or a more modern lemonade counter -- the lines were still long at last month's Upland Lemon Festival.

UPLAND LEMON FESTIVAL --

The annual Upland Lemon Festival featured vendors, food and drinks, souvenirs, carnival rides and even supervised "Citrus Grove" play areas for the kids. Pictured showing one of her event t-shirts for sale is Patty Morris, a volunteer at The Learning Centers at Fairplex.



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AND THE WINNERS ARE! -- Winners were announced this month in the mural competition for a public art project at Pomona's East Valley Community Health Center. Pictured, standing in front of the mural, are, from left, Illyana Flores, fifth place; Azucena Quinones, third place; Rosy Mora, second place; Viviana Cabral, first place; and Maria Dominguez, fourth place. The competition among area high school students was designed to encourage students to express their aspirations for wellness, growth and prosperity in the community. All five winners are students at Village Academy High School. The first place winner received a check for \$500.

ceived a check for \$500. **RIBBON-CUTTING FOR PUBLIC ART** -- Pomona's East Valley Community Health Center held a ribbon-cutting this month to unveil and dedicate a public art display, which is a collaborative mural entitled "Catching Hope," appearing on the front of the building at 1555 S. Garey Ave. in Pomona. The mural, created of ceramic tiles, celebrates health, wellness and community and includes butterflies, painted by students at Washington and Philadelphia Elementary Schools, that were adopted and painted by donors. Emerging artists from local schools contributed to the project. Pictured at the ceremonies, from left, are East Valley Executive Director Alicia Mardini and Alison Petty Ragguette, lead artist on the project. Mardini said hundreds of people were involved in the project.



GROUNDBREAKING FOR NEW SOLAR ENERGY PROJECT AT DIAMOND RANCH -- Pomona's Diamond Ranch High School will become the first Pomona Unified School District school to install solar panels in a move estimated to produce a savings of \$6.5 million over the next 25 years. A series of carports which will house the solar panels will be built in the staff and student parking lots. The solar panels will provide shade and lighting and reduce the school's carbon footprint to a degree equivalent to removing 242 passenger vehicles from the road. Pictured breaking ground for the new project are, from left, Pomona Unified School District Supt. Richard Martinez; Pomona Unified School Board member Dr. Roberta Perlman; the Diamond Ranch Panther; Principal Suzanne Steinseiser-Ripley; Pomona Unified's Assistant Supt. of Business Services Leslie Barnes; and Louis Kwiker, Chairman and CEO of PsomasFMG of Huntington Beach, the solar energy systems provider designing and building the project.

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- California Department of Education's Gold Ribbon School Awards: Ganesha, Lorbeer, Garey, Emerson, Pomona High, Palomares, Simons
- National Academy Foundation Distinguished School: Palomares Academy is among 28 of 667 schools honored.
- National Academy Foundation Schools: Fremont Academy of Engineering and Design, Palomares Academy of Health Sciences, Village Academy of Media and Information Technology

ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Pomona High: CIF Southern Section Mid-Valley Football Champions; Boys Basketball League Champions; Boys and Girls Track teams named Miramonte League Champions; Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Girls Soccer made CIF playoffs
- Diamond Ranch High: Boys Soccer League Champions; Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, and Girls Soccer made CIF playoffs
- Ganesha High: Basketball, Wrestling, Soccer teams made CIF playoffs; 16 students named to All Academic All League Team

NEW AND EXPANDED PROGRAMS

- New English/Spanish Language Immersion Program at Westmont. In 2015-16, adding English/Spanish Dual Immersion at Montvue and English/Mandarin Dual Immersion at Pantera
- Expanded All-Day Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten and opened Full-Day Pre-K
- New and expanded robotics programs in elementary and middle schools
- New school-based oral health centers: Palomares, Alcott, Mendoza,
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 - Students accepted to colleges and universities nationwide with hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarships
 - Multiple scholarships awarded by Pomona Unified Partners in Learning (PUPIL) Foundation and bargaining units
- Mentoring programs with Bright Prospect, Uncommon Good, Upward Bound and AVID across middle and high schools
- Special Olympics: 24 students from Lexington and 33 from Diamond Ranch competed, winning the boys' 4x4 relay, the 50M run, 25M walk-race, and placed second in the girls' 4x4 relay

FACILITIES

- New science lab at La Verne Elementary Charter School, atrium at Palomares Academy and scholarships in memory of Dr. Shane Todd, thanks to the generosity of the Todd family.
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About Foothill Gold Line

The Foothill Gold Line is a nearly \$2 billion, 12-station extension of the Metro Gold Line light rail system, being overseen by the Foothill Gold Line Construction Authority, an independent transportation planning and construction agency created in 1998 by the California State Legislature.

The project is planned in two segments - Pasadena to Azusa and Azusa to Montclair. The Pasadena

to Azusa segment is fully funded by Los Angeles County's Measure R, which is also funding the majority of the cost associated with the advanced engineering and environmental work currently under way for the Azusa to Montclair segment.

Anticipated funding of another \$1 billion is needed to build the Azusa to Montclair segment.

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Diamond Ranch student wins Gates scholarship

Brendan Chin, a senior at Pomona's Diamond Ranch High School, is one of 1,000 students across the country selected to receive a Gates Millennium Scholarship, providing him with a "good-through-graduation" scholarship to any college or university of his choice.

He was chosen from among tens of thousands of applicants in the program which was established in 1999 through a \$1.6 billion grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Winners were announced this month.

Chin will use the scholarship to pursue a degree in computer science at UC San Diego.



AUTHOR FARRELL CHILES SPEAKS AT NAACP -- Author Farrell Chiles of Pomona was guest speaker at this month's meeting of the NAACP Pomona Valley Branch at Laguna Technical College, speaking on his new book, "African American Warrant Officers... In Service to Our Country." Chiles, a Vietnam veteran and a retired Army Chief Warrant Officer with 38 years of military service, said he wrote the compilation of articles and profiles to "start the story," adding he is hopeful someone else will carry on the task in the future. The book is available at Amazon.com and at Barnes & Noble. Pictured welcoming Chiles to the meeting is Branch President Jeanette Roys-

Preliminary hearing bumped over for fourth time in shooting of Pomona Police Officer Shaun Diamond

Preliminary hearing setting was bumped over again last month in Los Angeles - for the fourth time - for David Martinez, who is charged with capital murder for allegedly fatally shooting Pomona Police Officer Shaun Diamond last October.

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Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Sergio Tapia granted the request for a continuance by Deputy Public Defender Brady Sullivan to allow time to review additional evidence received through the discovery process from the district attorney's office.

The matter was scheduled to come back to Dept. 30 of Los Angeles Superior Court at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, June 3, in the Clara Shortridge Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

Martinez has pleaded not guilty.

The case is expected to be reassigned to another department for trial.

Diamond, 45, was fatally shot while participating in a multi-agency SWAT operation in San Gabriel attempting to serve a search warrant last Oct. 28 as part of a Mongols motorcycle gang investigation. He died the following day.

The 19-year law enforcement veteran was the second Pomona police officer killed in the line of duty.

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- American Legion Post #30, 239 E. Holt Ave., Pomona
- Pomona Eagles, 954 W. Mission Blvd., Pomona



Successful adult school students describe the impact of their training at school's 80th anniversary observance

A very thankful and very fluent English as a Second Language student told more than 100 guests at last month's 80th anniversary celebration of Pomona Unified School District's Adult and Career Education Department that learning English is important – both to help their children in school and to look for work and keep a job.

"Without them (the Pomona adult school), we would not be able to learn English," said Gloria O'Neal.

And Charlena Horgain, now a medical assistant student, told the audience that any day she wakes up and makes a change that will make a difference in her life will be a great day.

"I found myself wanting a change in my life way back in 2003," she said. So she enrolled in the adult school's certified nursing assistant program.

After only three months of classes, and paying only for her li-



Gloria O'Neal

cense and state board exam, she graduated, got a new job and got a pay raise.

Horgain thanked the adult school for offering "beneficial classes that help you complete . . . something."

"It also feels good to have something from the community," she added, explaining that this was her "second time around" now that she has enrolled in medical assistant classes, a five and a half month program.

Horgain, who said she chose that program because she would become the first and last person the patient sees, thanked Dr. Enrique Medina, director of the adult school, for always thinking of students' needs first.

George Lopez, who is learning manufacturing skills in the adult school's machinist classes, said he has lived in Pomona for 10 years and drove by the adult school sign countless times - "not knowing what an impact it would have on my life one

He said he looked for a school on solar panel installation last year and was unable to find anything nearby, but stopped in at the adult school and took a look at the machinist class.

day."

His teacher, Joe Martinez, explained how the program works, and how individual students can create projects and learn from each other.

He also explained the high demand for machinists in today's work force. Lopez signed up for the class.

"I have learned so much during the first course," he said, not only in terms of technical skills but also what can be expected when entering the manufacturing industry.

"I have told my wife on several occasions how I wished I had a teacher like Mr. Martinez when I was in school," Lopez said. "His genuine passion and care for each individual student's success is unparalleled."



Charlena Horgain

Lopez said he has already obtained his "dream job" at ALCOA, and was scheduled to report to work the following Monday.

He's already planning on coming back to the adult school for the second course in the series to further his education.

He called Martinez a great instructor, a great mentor and a friend.

"You have made a life changing experience in my life," he added. "I will always treasure this experience."

Medina cited the saying that "mighty oaks from little acorns grow," which means, of course, that great things come from small beginnings.

"This is true not only for the school itself (on its 80th anniversary) but more importantly for the many hundreds of thousands of students who have passed through the doors," he said.

"The aim of any school is to give students the best possible education



Pomona Unified School Board members, from left, Dr. Roberta Perlman, Jason Rothman and Frank Guzman.

so that they may pursue their dreams and to equip them not only with the best education but also with the life skills necessary to see them through the rest of their life," he added.

"This is never an easy task," Medina said. "But the fact that Pomona adult school has done it for over eight decades speaks for itself."

He credited that success to good teachers, a strong commitment from staff, community, business partners and visionary leaders at the local and school district level.

"This campus is dedicated not only to our students but also to our families," said Pomona Unified School Board member Frank Guzman, referring to a place where adults come to select a trade.

Board member Jason Rothman said some of the adult school's best graduates go into "some of the best jobs around."

"It's one of the best programs that

George Lopez

we have in the district," he added.

"Everybody takes a different path through life," said Board member Dr. Roberta Perlman. "As long as we're going to get a good education and something that we can give back to our community, that's what it's all about."

Supt. Richard Martinez said the school board has been very supportive of the adult school.

And he encouraged the students to continue the relationships they establish here because "they're going

Dr. Enrique Medina

to be your doors into other places, in bigger places."

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Oficiales de Foothill Gold Line (Línea Dorada de Foothill) presentan plan para una nueva estación en Pomona

Residentes, líderes y funcionarios de Pomona pudieron mirar hacia el futuro cuando representantes de Foothill Gold Line presentaron sus planes para una línea de tren – con su propia estación – que cuando esté terminado llevará a los pasajero con dirección al este hacia Montclair o al oeste hacia Union Station en Los Angeles vía Pasadena.

De acuerdo a los planos, la plataforma de la estación Gold Line se edificará sobre el estacionamiento de la existente estación Metrolink del Norte de Pomona como parte de la nueva ampliación de 12.3 millas desde Azusa a Montclair.

La estación de Pomona incluirá su propia estructura de estacionamiento con capacidad de estacionar 750 autos que compartirá con Metrolink.

Los oficiales de Gold Line llevaron a cabo un evento abierto a la comunidad de Pomona en el Centro Comunitario del Parque Palomares – uno de seis eventos que la agencia a llevado a cabo a través de la ruta en ciudades desde Glendora a Montclair.

La ampliación Pasadena a Azusa esta el 94 por ciento terminado y actualmente se esta poniendo a prueba, de acuerdo a Chris Burner, director principal del proyecto.

"Todo se esta poniendo a prueba de manera eficaz y esperamos entregarlo a Metro en Septiembre," agregó Burner. "Se espera este en servicio a principios del 2016."

Está a tiempo pero debajo del presupuesto. Solamente el trabajado programado para Pomona esta en el aire, ya que depende de los fondos pues hay fondos suficientes ahora para la fase de planificación. "Estamos en busca de fondos a través de Metro y esperaremos el resultado," dijo Burner.

Una medida electoral solicitando fondos se presentó ante los votantes en el 2012 y otra propuesta de una medida de impuestos sobre ventas se presentará en el 2016.

"Esperamos ser incluidos en esta propuesta," dijo Burner. "Si estamos incluidos y pasa, entonces se espera empezar la construcción de la conexión de Azusa a Montclair en el 2017."

Y el contrato de diseño y edificación quizás se tarde otros cinco años.

La Nueva Voz preguntó a Burner cual es la manera para convencer a los residentes de Pomona que dejen sus autos y usen el tren como transportación principal.

"Será un gran sistema," dijo Burner. "Subirse al tren será una buena alternativa."

Por ejemplo, los pasajeros se podrán subir al tren en Pomona y viajar hasta Long Beach sin tener que cambiar de tren. Y podrán viajar a Santa Monica con solamente un cambio de tren.

"Será tentador para el público porque tendrán acceso a una variedad de destinos fantásticos con conexiones excepcionales y dejarán atrás las frustraciones del manejo y del trafico."

Burner señaló que los sistemas de riel ligero como Gold Line y Metrolink son diferentes.

"Metrolink es una línea de riel más regional que se conecta a cinco diferentes condados," dijo Burner. "Entonces son más horas de viaje y para distancias largas." "La línea de transito, el riel ligero y el metro, la riel convencional, es un sistema de transito que opera más frecuentemente y por mas horas y que permite que uno se pueda mover de aquí para allá a destinos comunes de la vida diaria," dijo Burner. "El tiempo de viaje es más corto y consistente y se puede evitar la congestión de tráfico y la posibilidad de algún accidente de auto. Usted podrá leer, tomarse una siesta, o trabajar en su computadora portátil o teléfono."

Diseñando la estación de Pomona

Stephen Farley, el artista de la estación de Pomona, creó los elementos del diseño de las instalaciones basándose en el tema "El Poder de Pomona es su Gente."

"El poder viene de personas ayudando a otras personas, entonces mirando el concepto entero quise honrar eso," dijo Farley. "Entonces, invite al público para nominar a alguien que haya cambiado su vida,"

Fotografías de aquellos seleccionados – junto con una frase sobre los seleccionados – será una parte permanente del diseño de la estación en un panel de dos pies por dos pies a través de la baranda.

Farley dijo que hay espacio para 48 retratos en lo que él llama la sala de gratitud.

Pero Farley mencionó que aun piensa en el futuro, agregando que estos paneles pudieran ser colocados en una variedad de lugares a través de Pomona.

Farley, un artista independiente que ha trabajado en proyectos a través del país, dice que le agrada trabajar en la unificación de comunidades.

Farley personalmente creó la

técnica que se ocupará para permanente trasladar las fotos sobre un azulejo de cerámica barnizada lo cual formará parte de la exhibición.

"La estación representará un centro de fuerza y poder para la comunidad," dijo Farley. "Alguien que no es de Pomona pasará por aquí y mirará los rostros y se preguntará, que pasa aquí, yo quiero saber que pasa en esta comunidad, de donde son estas personas, por que están siendo honradas. Y los residentes de Pomona dirán, wow, somos una gran comunidad y hay mucho que hacemos el uno por el otro," agregó Farley.

Sobre Foothill Gold Line

Foothill Gold Line es un sistema de riel ligero valorado a casi \$2 billones y de una ampliación de 12 estaciones supervisado por la Autoridad de Construcción de Foothill Gold Line, una agencia de construcción y planificación independiente de transportación creada en 1998 por la Legislatura Estatal de California.

El proyecto esta programada en dos secciones – Pasadena a Azusa y Azusa a Montclair. La sección Pasadena a Azusa esta financiada totalmente por la Medida R del Condado de Los Angeles, la cual también esta financiando la mayoría de los costos asociados con el trabajo ambiental y el trabajo de ingeniería avanzada actualmente en curso para la sección de Azusa a Montclair.

Se ocupa la financiación de otros mil millones de dólares para edificar la sección de Azusa a Montclair.

La sección original de Los Angeles a Pasadena de 13.9 millas fue terminada en el 2003.

Organizations team up to remind adults at graduation time that underage drinking is against the law

The season of graduation parties, prom nights, summer parties and backyard barbecues has once against prompted the message that "The Parents Who Host, Lose The Most," a campaign encouraging responsible adults, parents and schools to remind kids that underage drinking is against the law.

"It is our responsibility as a community to ensure that these celebrations are safe and that our loved ones are cared for," said Lance Holliday, teen director at the Boys and Girls Clubs of Pomona Valley. "The last thing we want during this time is a tragedy."

Data collected from the California Healthy Kids Survey of 2013-2014 in the Pomona Unified School District revealed that 53 percent of 11th graders have used alcohol in their lifetime.

The campaign is being sponsored by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Prototypes, Partnership for a Positive Pomona and Substance Abuse Prevention and Control all joining with the Drug Free Action Alliance.

For more information, visit the web site at www.prototypes.org.





LEARNING ABOUT EVERYTHING FROM PLANTS TO ROBOTICS -- More than 3,000 students, parents, teachers and exhibitors attended this year's Sarah Ross / Nancy McCracken Learning Expo at Pomona's Fairplex, learning about everything from plants to robotics. The event was staffed by 78 volunteers and included 50 booths from the community and another 28 booths from Pomona Unified School District. Diamond Point Elementary School and Park West High School were winners of the Sarah Ross Foundation Interactive Best Booth award.

Pomona Valley Hospital receives certification for orthopedic joint replacement

Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center announced this month it has been awarded The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval and certification for orthopedic joint replacement.

The Joint Commission experts completed a rigorous on-site review of the hospital's orthopedic program last month and evaluated compliance with national disease-specific care standards, as well as orthopedic joint replacement requirements.

The hospital became one of only 24 hospitals in the state with certification in both hip and knee.

"Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center has thoroughly demonstrated a high level of care for patients requiring orthopedic joint replacement," said Wendi Roberts, RN, executive director of certification programs for The Joint Commission.

The Joint Commission, an independent non-profit organization, is the nation's oldest and largest standards setting and accrediting body in healthcare.

Ganesha High stadium \$2.5 million renovation project under way

Pomona's Ganesha High School kicked off a \$2.5 million turf renovation project last month in the Nancy J. McCracken Stadium, bringing a host of improvements to the athletic facility which is used by the school's football, soccer, track and field teams.

Upgrades include a new synthetic turf, all-weather track and scoreboard.

The project will be complete in time for football season in the fall.

Prior to 2014, Ganesha shared the field with other Pomona Unified School District high schools. The stadium project is being funded under the district's \$235 million Measure PS facilities bond.

Other improvements will include new fencing, ADA-compliant restrooms, emergency field lighting, restructuring of the track and field pits and resurfacing and painting of the surrounding parking lot.

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Marshall unveils new mural to mark 60th anniversary celebration

Pomona's Marshall Middle School anniversary.

unveiled a custom-designed, three-el-

The mural, giving the school cafeement mural depicting the Marshall teria a new look, was funded through donations from local businesses, Mar-Mustang mascot last month as an effort to instill a stronger sense of pride shall families and student fundraisers. in the school as it celebrates its 60th One wall says "Marshall Pride" in

the school's signature black, maroon and gray colors, the back wall features mustangs running, and the third wall incorporates a horseshoes design. The front of the cafeteria says "Marshall Home of the Mustangs."

The school, named after the nation's longest serving U.S. Supreme Court Justice, John Marshall, opened its doors in 1955 as a grade seven to nine junior high school. It now serves grades six to eight.



David & Margaret Youth and Family Services seeking community partners to complete expansion funding package

A capital campaign and \$24.2 million expansion project, currently under way at David & Margaret Youth and Family Services in La Verne, will provide 25 apartment homes for foster youth aging out of the system at age 18 that, once completed, will make the agency one of the largest providers of permanent supportive housing for transitional age youth in Southern California.

The project will also provide job and life-skills training for the youth, according to a news release.

"There are thousands of

THE WEEKEND GARDENER By Leif Green

young people... in our communities - foster children who reach age 18, become adults and begin 'aging out' of the foster care system, ready or not, and most of them are not," said Charles Rich, executive director of David & Margaret. "There are opportunities for some to stay in the system and live in an apartment under the supervision of a social worker until they turn 21, but the demand for these living arrangements vastly outstrips the supply."

The agency is partnering with a wide range of local businesses. foundations and individuals to

Gophers and moles and voles, oh my!

help fund the remaining \$3.7 million the project will require.

2,300 Los Angeles County foster youth "aged out" of the foster care system, some of whom went to live with relatives or friends or ended up looking for more secure housing.

David & Margaret, a 105year-old agency, has provided some level of services for more than 30 years for youth who are transitioning out of foster care but have little or no family support. Construction on the latest expansion project - in the making for more than seven years -

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Fruit gum down the hole. I have not

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began last January. It is expected to be completed Last year alone, more than next year.

David & Margaret Youth and Family Services serves more than 1,000 clients annually in areas including a residentiallybased program for adolescent girls, shelter care for adolescent girls, a foster family agency,

adoption assistance, mental health services, treatment for learning disabilities, school- and community-based education and mentoring programs.

For more information on the expansion project, contact David & Margaret at (909) 596-5921, ext. 3226, or visit www.DavidandMargaret.org.

A belated Mother's Day poem in honor of mothers everywhere Mamá Eres Una Rosa Preciosa

Mamá, tú eres una rosa preciosa, y muy fina, y siempre seras parte de mí vida, y te llevare en mí corazón por siempre. Tú eres el amor, y tú amor es lo que le dio luz a mí vida . . .

Mamá, tus caricias son lo que tocaron a mí alma, y tú amor lo tengo muy dentro de mí corazón. Tú eres la luz de las estrellas, y esa luz me guía desde

el cielo y hasta el fondo del mar...

Mamá, gracias, por todos los buenos recuerdos, y por tus buenos consejos. Tus ejemplos y tú cariño me enseñaron

lo que es el amor por los hijos . . .

Mamá, tú eres una rosa preciosa. Y el olor de esa flor la llevare en mi corazon como un recuerdo de ti por siempre. Mamá, tú eres un regalo que Dios me dio. Y ese regalo se da solamente una vez, y despues, nunca jamás. Este regalo se debe guardar como un tesoro para toda la vida y más...



BUILD A BIKE DAY -- It was "build a bike day" again this month at the Boys and Girls Clubs of

Pomona Valley when employees and volunteers from Golden State Foods spread out 50 bicycles on the gym floor. It was the third year the company that supplies McDonald's restaurants presented the program. A free McDonald's breakfast was part of the package, too. Of the 50 kids ages 6 through 9 (and their parents) on hand to put their own bikes together, half were club members and the other half were from Vejar Elementary School in Pomona. Requirements to participate in the program were good grades, good behavior and the need for a bike, according to Boys and Girls Clubs Executive Director Victor Caceres. Putting the handlebars on the bike is Jesus Moreno. 8, a third grader at Lexington Elementary School in Pomona, as his mom, Esperanza Moreno, not pictured, supervised Jesus, "expert" Billy Munson, at right, a driver and safety class instructor with Golden State Foods, and Pam McCoy, whose husband, Bob, also drives for Golden State



Leif Green

den and they can destroy valuable plants. Also, voles are known to use gopher and mole tunnels for easy access to the tasty roots. Gophers and moles also can be especially difficult to get rid of.

Aside from traps and poisons, there are several natural ways to rid your garden of these critters. One recipe uses mint. Apparently, moles especially hate the smell of mint. Take two big handfuls of the leaves and stems and put them in your blender with just enough water to cre-



mole holes and surrounding area. To be successful, persistence is required as several applications may be required to chase the varmint away.

Another recipe calls for mixing two parts caster oil with one part dish soap. Two tablespoons per gallon are then sprayed in and around the holes. The effectiveness of this treatment is mixed.

There are also some really crazy ideas out there about how to rid your garden of these pests. Save your time and money; they don't work. Some

trate may then be used to hair in the hole and on their lawn is make five to six gallons effective. The hair is supposed to get of a treatment solution. between their toes and drive them When mole or gopher crazy. While this method may be efactivity is detected, pour fective, it doesn't sound very appealthe solution into the Mechanical or electronic ing. devices that use sound as a repellant look good on paper, but they also just don't work. If you have any unique solutions

for keeping your garden pest free, send them in. They may be published in a future column.

Editor's Note: Leif Green, the author's pen name, grew up in Pomona and graduated from Cal Poly University Pomona with a master's degree in biology. Gardening has always been his hobby and his column is presented as a public service.



Enroll now in St. Joseph Elementary!

Enrollment is now open for Transitional Kindergarten through Eighth Grade students attending St. Joseph Elementary in Pomona for the Spring semester.

Operating since 1898, St. Joseph Elementary today is a 14-room school which includes nine classrooms, a library, a new computer lab, a music room, a conference room and an after school care room.

Curriculum follows the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and includes instruction in core subjects of religion, math, science, social studies, English, reading/ literature and spelling

· Supplemental subjects include handwriting for grades one through four, computer class, art class, music and physical education

The school is fully accredited. Religious activities include Mass every Thursday, prayer "buddies" and sacraments. Academic activities include science and math fairs and academic "bees." Social activities include Christmas and Spring plays, cultural awareness and parents/grandparents open house

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Wells Fargo donates \$60,000 to area non-profits in annual recognition program

The President and Founder of Pomona's Angels Who Care, Inc. – one of 60 non-profits receiving a \$1,000 grant each from Wells Fargo – told a room full of leaders of the organizations and Wells Fargo managers last week that she appreciated Wells Fargo trusting and believing in the work her group is doing.

Pamela Lynn made the comments at Wells Fargo's annual Community Connection Breakfast at Pomona's Sheraton Fairplex Hotel where more than \$60,000 was donated to community groups.

Lynn said she organized Angels Who Care in 2008 because she saw the need and began serving homeless families "right out of the back of my truck."

Her focus shifted to the children when parents started bringing their children by her church for a hot breakfast on the way to school. And she started her "Shoes that Fit" program when she saw mothers walking their kids on the street without shoes at 8 o'clock in the morning.

The program has grown and today she is using a community room in an apartment building to provide after school tutoring to 45 children three days a week, using volunteer students from area colleges. The kids – and their families – also are invited to a pancake breakfast once a month.

She told the audience that Angels Who Care took 100 kids and their moms to Raging Waters water park in San Dimas after she learned many children who live in Pomona had never been to the nearby attraction.

"I just want to thank Wells Fargo for trusting Angels Who Care and believing that what we do is something that is worthwhile for the community," she said.

Juan Mora, manager of Wells Fargo's Pomona branch at 321 E. Holt Ave., nominated Angels Who Care as his local recipient of this year's Wells Fargo grant.

"Thank you so much for your work in the community, for feeding hundreds of families with your food pantry every year, keeping children off the streets with your after-school program, working with families of veterans, reuniting families, providing services for our forgotten heroes which are our veterans, thank you so much, and thank you for making a difference," Mora said in introducing Lynn.

A total of 49 Wells Fargo branches – from Eastern Los Angeles County and Northern Orange County – were included in the program.

Other local organizations recognized included the Joan Macy School at David & Margaret Youth and Family Services in La Verne, represented by Claudia Enriquez, and the Haynes Family of Programs, also in La Verne, represented by Dan Maydeck.

Eastern Gateway President Darryl Montgomery thanks non-profits for their work

Darryl Montgomery, Eastern Gateway Area President for Wells Fargo, told leaders of the non-profits that the annual event distributing what he called "token grants" is Wells Fargo's way of showing them how much they are appreciated.

"When we think about all the great things that you're doing in the communities that you serve, we can't appreciate you more," Montgomery said.

He added that in 2014, Wells Fargo donated about \$281 million nationwide, including \$24 million locally in Los Angeles County, Orange County and the Inland Empire.

And Wells Fargo employees themselves contributed \$9 million in the 2014 campaign.

He said in addition to supporting non-profits financially, Wells Fargo team members – including Montgomery – go out into the community and work to give back, building houses for those in need, and have given more than

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Last year arone in L.A. County, as well as (the) Inland Empire and Orange County, our team spent 33,000 hours working in the community, helping the community be better off than they are today," Montgomery said.

He said team members are working every day to ensure their communities succeed, and he pointed to the bank's work in the schools teaching financial literacy to help ensure kids are more likely to succeed financially when they grow up.



Pamela Lynn, President and Founder of Angels Who Care, Inc. in Pomona, thanks Wells Fargo for believing in her organization at last week's Community Connection Breakfast as Juan Mora, branch manager of Wells Fargo in Pomona, looks on.



Wells Fargo Area President Darryl Montgomery, at right, introduces Jonathan Weedman, of Wells Fargo Foundations, at last week's Community Connection Breakfast in Pomona.

Montgomery also pointed to Wells Fargo's work with small business which he said is "the engine that keeps the economy going" and continues to hire more employees in the community.

He said Wells Fargo is the number one small business lender in the nation and last year committed to \$100 billion in small business lending over the next five years. **Wells Fargo Foundations**

Senior Vice President puts it in perspective Jonathan Weedman, Sen-

ior Vice President of Wells Fargo Foundations, put it all in perspective telling the audience that Wells Fargo is

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ANNUAL POW-WOW -- Tony Cerda, at right, "head man" of Pomona's Costanoan Rumsen Carmel Tribe of Native Americans, greets his long-time friend Niisowah Ramaan of Pomona as he arrives Saturday at last month's three-day 23rd annual Ohlone "Big Time" Gathering and Pow-Wow in Pomona's Tony Cerda Park. Ramaan said his walking stick is decorated with markings that esent his travels around the world, mainly in Egypt and Africa





DRESSED IN FULL REGALIA -- Dressed for the 23rd annual Pow-Wow last month in Pomona's Tony Cerda Park are, from left, Kylie Krueger, 10, Linda Quijas, 18, and Lillyanna Krueger, 6, all of Monrovia, and Vanessa Rangel, 11, of Pico Rivera



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'Quarter Mania' fundraiser set at Boys and Girls Clubs in Pomona

"Quarter Mania," a unique and interactive day of prize raffling, will be held next month as a "fun time for a good cause" at the Boys and Girls Clubs of Pomona Valley in Pomona.

The event, scheduled for 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 13, will benefit the Boys and Girls Clubs, Pomona Optimist Club, Los Jovenes, Inc., and Children of Joy.

Guests are encouraged to bring three or four rolls of quarters to enter bids in the various baskets. Bids will vary from four to six quarters.

Tickets are \$15 or two for \$10 each and include lunch.

The Boys and Girls Clubs are located at 1420 S. Garey Ave., Pomona.

For tickets, contact Rebecca Byrne, at (310) 903-9308.

Doo-Wop concert set for July 18 in Upland

Four original doo-wop groups and solo artists from the 1950s and 1960s will perform in an evening of classic vocal harmony, rhythm and blues, and rock and roll music on Saturday, July 18, in the Highlander Auditorium in Upland.

"The Golden Era of Doo-Wop" will include "The Flamingos," featuring Terry Johnson, "The Tokens," Jimmy Clanton and Kathy Young.

Legendary radio personality Dave Hull, known as "The Hullabalooer," will serve as master of ceremonies.

The event is scheduled for 7 p.m. on July 18 at the Highlander Auditorium, located at 850 N. San Antonio Ave. (at Foothill Blvd.), Upland.

For tickets, which range from \$39 to \$79, visit the web site at www.affordablemusicproductions.com or call (888) 718-4253. There are no service fees and parking is free.



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FISH YOUR WAY TO COLLEGE -- Emily Morales, 7, of Pomona, demonstrates her skill tossing a ping pong ball to win a fish at the "Fish your way to College" game ("Winning a Fish is as Easy as Winning a Scholarship"), at this month's Nakland children's carnival at Pomona's Boys and Girls Clubs. Pictured behind the table, from left, are Javier Padilla, event co-chair; Boys and Girls Clubs Executive Director Victor Caceres; Raul Hernandez, event co-chair; and volunteer Devaney Cruz, 28, a senior at Cal Poly from Rowland Heights majoring in kinesiology. Organizers said members and participating alumni of the fraternity came from similar backgrounds as the kids at the Boys and Girls Clubs and they hope to give the kids the motivation to continue their education. Nearly 600 kids including several dozen Boys and Girls Clubs members attended the event.

RINGING THE BELL -- An unidentified visitor with a pretty good swing pounds a mallet to ring the bell this month at the fourth annual Pomona Nakland free children's carnival, with events both indoors and out, this year back at the Boys and Girls Clubs of Pomona Valley for the second year. The event was sponsored by Nu Alpha Kappa Fraternity of Cal Poly University Pomona to promote higher education in the community. Boys and Girls Clubs Executive Director Victor Caceres said the event also helped promote the clubs' summer program which includes day camp, swim lessons, karate and more



Diamond Ranch senior wins \$180,000 'full tuition' scholarship to pursue medical career

Pomona's Diamond Ranch High School, has received a full-tuition \$180,000 scholarship from the Posse Foundation and plans to attend Tulane University in the fall where he will prepare for a medical career focused on public health.

The Posse Foundation identifies extraordinary students who may be

Adrian Garcia, a senior at overlooked by traditional college selection processes.

Garcia competed against 65 students for the scholarship. He was among thousands more across the nation who were recommended for the competition.

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One important budgeting tool is to have a starting point. "Establishing a starting point is especially important for single parents, as they don't have the safety net a second income can sometimes provide," said Michelle Hunter, senior vice president of marketing and development at Credit Union of Southern California. "By accounting for every dollar properly, you can also manage your money instead of your money managing you."

Other Financial Tips for Single Parents:

Pay yourself first. Make sure all the necessary bills are paid and food is on the table before paying down large debt. Make minimum payments on credit cards and hospital bills if necessary to avoid adding more debt. Call the creditor if you'll be late or have to miss a payment. Many will work with you to set up a reasonable payment plan.

Set short-, mid- and long-term goals to track financial progress. An emergency fund should be among your first goals, followed by paying down debt and investing for retirement.

Shop smart. Consignment sales and online bargaining sites are great places to consider. In addition, shop six to eight weeks after a store puts out new clothes-that's generally when those items go on the clearance rack.

Consult your financial institution. Many credit unions, for example, provide free budgeting workshops.

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