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Learn more about the critical work that IAVA does at [www.IAVA.org](http://www.IAVA.org). East Arroyo Residents Association board member Marilynne Kennedy is this year's Fundraising Chair who is coordinating donations that ensure active-duty military families and IAVA veterans can attend the event for free. Contact Kennedy at [marilynne.kennedy@yahoo.com](mailto:marilynne.kennedy@yahoo.com) or (626) 577-3107 to help.



## EVENTS & UPDATES

- **The United Pasadena Food Bank serves a free hot dinner** to anyone who's hungry from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesdays at Jackie Robinson Center and Thursdays at Villa-Parke Community Center. Restaurants, volunteers and private donors keep the meals coming. (626) 744-6530.
- **Enjoy an afternoon of music, dancing, art and food** at the 5th annual Armenian Identity Festival from noon to 8 p.m. Sunday, July 22, at Victory Park, 2575 Paloma St., sponsored by the Armenian Community Coalition. (818) 913-6320 or [www.acc-us.org](http://www.acc-us.org).
- **Get your tickets now** for the 10th annual Women for Racial Justice Breakfast from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 15, at the Hilton Pasadena, 168 S. Los Robles Ave. The \$60 tickets benefit the YWCA Pasadena-Foothill Valley. (626) 296-8433 or [www.ywca-pasadena.org](http://www.ywca-pasadena.org).
- **Pasadena Heritage stops traffic on the Colorado Street Bridge** from 6 to 11 p.m. Saturday, July 14, with live music, food, vintage cars and family activities marking the group's 35th birthday. Tickets (\$13-14.50) go on sale June 15. [www.pasadenaheritage.org](http://www.pasadenaheritage.org) or (626) 441-6333.
- **Pedal 24, 63 or 85 miles through Pasadena** during the Gran Fondo Giro'd' Italia. Visit the expo Saturday and Sunday, July 21 and 22, in Centennial Square, where the big ride starts at 7 a.m. Sunday. Spectators welcome! [www.gfgiro.com](http://www.gfgiro.com).
- **Fill up on locally grown fruits and vegetables** at the new Playhouse District Farmer's Market at El Molino Avenue and Union Street. Find flowers, eggs, honey, bread, cheese and more from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays through Sept. 26. (626) 744-7509 or (626) 449-0179.
- **Public art has brought color, diversity and interest** to every corner of the city. Have your say on 10 new policy recommendations for the city's Public Art Master Plan this summer at [www.cityofpasadena.net/arts/Public\\_Art\\_Master\\_Plan](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/arts/Public_Art_Master_Plan). (626) 744-7547.
- **Time for the District 3 Chris Holden Annual Community Block Party.** Head outdoors for free food, raffles, music and fun from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 4, on Jackson Street. Call 744-4738 to reserve a spot for free emergency response training during the block party.
- **Check your citrus trees regularly for the Asian citrus psyllid**, a disease-carrying pest that destroys fruit and kills trees. Visit [www.californiacitrusthreat.org](http://www.californiacitrusthreat.org) for photos and tips or call (800) 491-1899.



Pasadena's Rose Bowl—America's Stadium—once again provides a beautiful backdrop for one of Southern California's biggest and best 4th of July celebrations in honor of our Great Nation's Birthday.

"AmericaFest 2012" is the 86th Annual 4th of July Celebration at the Rose Bowl. This year's event, presented by Honda, honors all U.S. veterans, especially the Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA). Active service military and their immediate families will be admitted free of charge.

A variety of food vendors, entertainment, crafts, exhibits and inflatable rides for the kids will be outside the stadium in Area H at about 2 p.m. Food will also be sold inside the stadium. No outside food or drinks are allowed into the stadium. Families may picnic or "tailgate" on the grassy area outside the Rose Bowl. Stadium gates open for seating by 6:30 p.m. with formal opening ceremonies at 7:15 p.m. with the Presentation of Colors and the National Anthem.

The celebration concludes with the biggest Fourth of July fireworks show in Southern California beginning at 9:05 p.m. Tickets cost \$13 per person; children 7 and under admitted free with paid adult. Vehicle parking is \$20. Go to [www.rosebowlstadium.com/RoseBowl\\_Americafest.php](http://www.rosebowlstadium.com/RoseBowl_Americafest.php) for more info.

All motorists and residents are urged to use extra caution in the Rose Bowl area due to the anticipated crowds.

Founded in 2004, IAVA is the nation's first and largest nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to improving the lives of our newest veterans and their families. IAVA strives to build an empowered generation of veterans who provide sustainable leadership for our country and local communities.

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## Summer Safety Tips from Pasadena FD

Follow these tips from the Pasadena Fire Department for safe and sane summer parties.

- First, remember that all fireworks are illegal in Pasadena, and violators face vehicle impounds, year-long jail terms and fines up to \$50,000. Eliminate your risk by watching the fireworks spectacular at the Rose Bowl instead.
- If you're jumping in the pool, never take your eye off young swimmers, even if they've had lessons, and don't rely on plastic inner tubes or "floaties" to keep them safe. Teach your kids not to run around the pool, or dive into the shallow end, or push, jump on or dunk other swimmers. Designate a "spotter" during parties to watch kids at all times.
- Keep a cordless phone by the pool and call 911 in an emergency. Don't hang up until the operator does first. When the pool is not in use, keep the gate locked and toys stashed out of sight.

For more summer safety tips, call (626) 744-4675.



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## Noticias En Breve

### ¿Está preparado?

Cuando surja el próximo gran desastre o emergencia, ¿Estarán usted y su familia preparados? ¿Tiene un plan de acción básico de emergencia? ¿Suficientes provisiones? ¿Ha sido capacitado en primeros auxilios básicos? ¿Cómo va a cuidar a sus mascotas en caso de una emergencia?

Todos los residentes y dueños de negocios deben estar preparados y tener las necesidades básicas como ser agua, respaldo de energía, calefacción, medicinas y alimentos para un mínimo de tres días, por persona y por mascotas, para sobrevivir a un desastre mayor.

No se demore. Considere estos consejos y prepárese para la próxima emergencia grande antes de que suceda.

- Haga un plan. Planee con anticipación ahora desarrolle su plan de preparación contra los terremotos y el plan de evacuación con su familia.
- Prepare suministros de emergencia casero y un bolso de "Salir" en caso que tenga que evacuar rápidamente con poco o nada previo aviso.
- Mantenga suficiente alimentos, agua, medicina, higiene personal, baterías y otros suministros para mantener a todos los de su casa durante por lo menos tres días. En el bolso de salir debe tener algo de dinero extra, los documentos esenciales, copias de documentos de identidad y otros documentos importantes que usted necesita si tiene que evacuar de prisa.
- Tenga siempre una linterna que funcione en cada habitación para usarla en situaciones de emergencia durante la noche.
- Capacítese. Haga las gestiones para que su vecindario, empresa o grupo reciba la capacitación del Equipo de rescate en caso

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## Public Safety Memorial Service Held

The first Public Safety Memorial service by the Pasadena Police and Fire Departments was held May 15 to honor the brave men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in the performance of their duties in Pasadena.

This was the first of what City officials hope to be an annual joint Police and Fire Memorial Service, Pasadena Police Chief Phillip Sanchez said. May is the traditional time of year when such services are held across the country, according to Pasadena Fire Chief Calvin Wells.

Pasadena's ceremony included a 21-Gun Salute and the Ringing of the Bell to commemorate the lives lost. To date, six Pasadena police officers and nine firefighters have lost their lives protecting our community. Those honored at the event include:

### PASADENA FIREFIGHTERS (Names and Year of Death):

- Engineer Kevin Moore, 2011
- Firefighter Henry Salas, 1983
- Asst. Chief Donald G. Palmer, 1964
- Engineer Hobert Surbur, 1956
- Hoseman George Flannery, 1944
- Engineer Erwin C. Draper, 1940
- Hoseman Daniel Rogers, 1932
- Hoseman Edgar R. Talbot, 1930
- Hoseman Arthur L. Johnson, 1928

### PASADENA POLICE OFFICERS

- Officer Kyle Ballard, 2006
- Agent Richard F. Morris, 1969
- Sgt. Robert W. Speight, 1964
- Juvenile Officer Dennis P. Lamar, 1961
- Patrolman Clarence E. Peck, 1911
- Motorcycle Patrolman John T. Slade, 1909



## Summer Fun at City Library and Parks!

Summer fun for all ages can be found inside the Pasadena Public Library or at Pasadena's local parks.

The Library's annual Summer Reading Club runs through Aug. 4. Keep your reading skills sharp by joining this year's popular reading adventure program. Sign up now at the Central Library or any of the nine branches.

This year's theme "Dream Big READ!" features free shows and fun activities geared especially for children 12 and younger.

Children will use reading logs to record books they finish or that were read to them. Their log books will allow them to receive special prizes.

The 2012 Summer Reading Club is sponsored by The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library. For more information call (626) 744-4045 or go to [www.pasadenapubliclibrary.net/librarykids](http://www.pasadenapubliclibrary.net/librarykids).

Looking for some fun things to do at our parks? Check out the Human Services and Recreation Department's 56-page Summer Recreation Guide online at [www.cityofpasadena.net/HumanServices](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/HumanServices). Click on summer recreation guide icon to see all of the fun available and how parks make life better.

From art to Zumba and everything in between, the summer guidebook is full of indoor and outdoor summer recreation opportunities at very modest prices for children, teens, adults and seniors.

Reservations can be made online at [www.cityofpasadena.net/reserve](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/reserve) or by stopping at one of the City's Community Centers to register in person. Or call (626) 744-4386 for more information.



## Have Fun With Parks After Dark

**Parks Make Life Better!**

Join all the fantastic free fun this year with Pasadena's Parks after Dark Program from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, July 7 to August 24, at Villa-Parke Community Center, 363 E. Villa Street and Robinson Park Recreation Center, 1081 N. Fair Oaks Avenue.

The program is a collaborative effort by several City departments, including Police, Recreation, Library and Transportation, in support of a healthy community and to showcase how parks make life better.

Residents will enjoy FREE recreational and educational opportunities, from swimming, movies in the park, sports leagues, fitness classes and concerts, to extended Library hours, cultural arts and other activities for families, teens or young adults.

Extended hours and some limited free public transportation will be available specifically in support of the Parks After Dark program on ARTS Route 20 Clockwise bus that will operate a shortened to serve those going home from the program at the parks.

For more about Pasadena's free Parks after Dark Program, call (626) 744-6530 or (626) 744-7330, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. An updated calendar of events and transportation route schedule is available on the City's webpage at [www.cityofpasadena.net](http://www.cityofpasadena.net).



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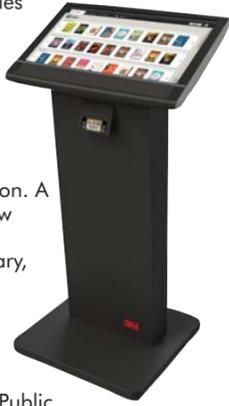
## Pasadena Public Library Opens "Cloud" Branch for e-Book Users

The newest "branch" of the Pasadena Public Library is in the Cloud thanks to a new partnership with the 3M Corp. that is initially making about 1,100 titles available for downloading by library patrons with eBook reading devices.

Pasadena is one of two public library systems selected by 3M to be the first in California to use the company's proprietary software and "Cloud" technology that stores the digitized works of fiction and non-fiction. A special ceremony to announce the new program is planned for 10 a.m. Thursday, June 21 at the Central Library, 285 E. Walnut St.

"We're in the Cloud and just delighted to be working with 3M. This offers our customers a seamless experience to explore and borrow eBooks in the digital age," Pasadena Public Library Director Jan Sanders said. The library received a \$25,000 grant from 3M to being the program for eBook users to check out works from authors such as John Grisham, Janet Evanovich, and Ann Patchet. Some of the popular titles now available include *Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*, *Swamplandia*, and *Game of Thrones*.

For more information call (626) 744-4066 or go to [www.pasadenapubliclibrary.net](http://www.pasadenapubliclibrary.net).



de una emergencia de Pasadena (PERT) la capacitación la ofrece el Departamento de Bomberos de Pasadena. Usted aprenderá a estar preparado en caso de desastres, primeros auxilios, extinción de incendios y búsqueda y rescate. Llame al (626) 744-7276 para hacer los arreglos de la capacitación de su grupo.

Inscríbase para recibir alertas de emergencia actualizadas del Departamento de Policía de Pasadena desde el sitio de Internet gratis, Nixle. Ir al [www.nixle.com](http://www.nixle.com), cree una cuenta gratis y ponga su correo electrónico y su número de teléfono celular.

### Este libre de los incendios: Limpie la maleza ahora

El departamento de Bomberos de Pasadena quiere recordarle a todos los propietarios que limpien ahora la maleza o vegetación que esté muy crecidas para mantenerlo a usted y a sus vecinos libres de incendios este verano.

Un folleto en línea en [www.cityofpasadena.net/fire](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/fire) delinea los requisitos obligatorios del estado para limpiar las malezas. El departamento de Bomberos de Pasadena, también puede contestar cualquier pregunta que usted tenga sobre el control de la vegetación peligrosa y limpieza de la maleza. Llame al (626) 744-7177.

El Departamento de Bomberos no recomienda indiscriminadamente limpiar el chaparral nativo debido al papel importante que juegan las plantas nativas en estabilizar las pendientes y el control del erosión. Sin embargo, el césped alto y las hierbas deben de ser cortadas y las matas y árboles deben ser podados.

### Pagué sus multas de estacionamiento o la grúa se llevara su vehiculo

¿Le dieron una multa? El Departamento de Transportación de la ciudad, le recuerda que su auto podría ser remolcado al costo del propietario, si usted tiene cinco (5) o más multas de estacionamiento sin pagar que le han dado a las placas de su vehiculo.

Si usted sabe que tienes multas sin pagar, arregle eso hoy mismo. Si usted no está seguro llame al (626) 744-4360, desde las 7:30 a.m. a 5:00 p.m., de lunes de a viernes y de el número de sus placas.

Usted tiene diferentes maneras de pagar sus multas:

- Internet: [www.cityofpasadena.net/finance](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/finance)
- Por correo regular: Pasadena Parking Citations Section, 100 N. Garfield Ave., N106, Pasadena, CA 91109
- En persona: Alcaldía Municipal sección de multas de estacionamiento, 100 N. Garfield Ave. N106 Pasadena CA 91109, lunes- viernes - 7:30am a 5:15pm. Cerrados los fines de semana y feriados.

### El poder del verano e información actualizada de la Planta Nuclear de San Onofre

El Departamento de Agua y Energía de Pasadena (PWP) seguirá muy de cerca la red eléctrica del Sur de California, mientras la planta de poder Nuclear de San Onofre esté desconectada este verano.

La mayoría de nosotros ni siquiera notaremos que San Onofre está desconectada, pero por lo general las temperaturas altas que aumentan las demanda de electricidad o los apagones no planeados que podrían llevar a los funcionarios de energía de California a iniciar los apagones.

PWP hará lo mejor que pueda para hacerle saber de los apagones planeados. En algunos casos, PWP no recibe ningún aviso con anticipación - otra buena razón para estar preparado para los apagones sin planear y otras emergencias. Si su ser querido depende de un equipo medico que tiene que estar conectado a la electricidad, inscribise en la lista de "preserve la vida" en: [www.pwpweb.com/emergency](http://www.pwpweb.com/emergency). Otros consejos para estar preparados en caso de una emergencia, también los puede encontrar en la página de Internet de PWP.

## Summer Power and San Onofre Nuclear Plant Update



Did you know the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station serves about 1.4 million households in Southern California, but it does not directly supply Pasadena with electricity?

The City of Pasadena Water and Power Department (PWP) meets customers' power needs from several other sources, including our local natural gas generation plant. Still, PWP will be keeping a close eye on San Onofre while the nuclear plant is offline this summer just in case we need to share resources with our neighbors.

Most Southern Californians probably won't even notice that

San Onofre is offline for inspections and repairs, but unusually hot weather that spikes power demands or unplanned outages at other generating stations may prompt the California Independent System Operator Corporation (CAISO) to initiate rolling blackouts.

CAISO operates the electric grid that handles about 70 percent of the electric load throughout California. As a member of the CASIO network, participating utilities, including PWP, must take part in rolling blackouts as needed.

PWP will do its best to let you know about planned outages. If CAISO announces rolling blackouts, PWP will send out news releases, notify the media and post information on the City's website and Facebook page. In some cases, PWP does not receive any advance notice of rolling blackouts from CAISO—another good reason to be prepared for blackouts, unplanned outages and other emergencies.

Remember, emergency kits should be stocked with enough food, water, clothes, hygiene, medical and weather protection supplies to last each person at least three days. Be sure to have flashlights, new batteries and solar or hand-crank chargers for electronics or communication devices.

If you or a loved one depends on plug-in medical equipment, register for the "Sustain Life" list at [www.pwpweb.com/emergency](http://www.pwpweb.com/emergency). Additional emergency preparedness tips can also be found on the PWP webpage.



## KPAS to Expand Original Programming



**KPAS**  
CITY OF PASADENA

KPAS, the City of Pasadena's government cable television station, is sporting a new look these days with an updated logo and plans to increase local original programming.

Currently, KPAS broadcasts all City Council meetings live and produces City Beat, a twice monthly, 30-minute talk show featuring City leaders and members of the local press. The station plans to expand its original programming with more news, information and feature stories about Pasadena, City Hall and local special events. "Pasadena is such a beautiful City. We want to get out of the studio and go on location to showcase all the great things that make Pasadena a dynamic place to live, work, shop and learn," said Keri Stokstad, KPAS Executive Producer.

KPAS is seen by Charter subscribers on Channel 3 and online by AT&T U-verse subscribers. The Pasadena Community Access Corp. (PCAC) operates KPAS under contract with the City. For more information, go online to [www.pasadenamedia.org](http://www.pasadenamedia.org).



## Be Fire Safe: Clear Brush Now

The Pasadena Fire Department wants to remind all property owners to clear out overgrown brush and vegetation now.

A brochure at [www.cityofpasadena.net/fire](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/fire) outlines State-mandated requirements for brush clearance. The Pasadena Fire Department can also answer any questions you may have about hazardous vegetation management and brush clearance. Call us at (626) 744-7177.

The Fire Department does not recommend indiscriminate clearing of native chaparral due to the important role native plants play in slope stabilization and erosion control. However, tall grass and weeds should be mowed and shrubs and trees should be trimmed.

Clean up leaves, needles and twigs from roof gutters and keep your property free of dried cuttings and wood piles. Soak trees and shrubs monthly to maintain leaf moisture content and mulch flat planting areas at least three inches deep to suppress weeds.



## Pay Parking Tickets or Get Towed

Got tickets? The City's Transportation Department reminds you that your car can be towed away at your expense if you have five (5) or more unpaid parking tickets issued to your vehicle's license plate.

If you know you have unpaid tickets take care of them today. If you are unsure, call us at (626) 744-4360, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and provide your license plate number. You have several ways to pay your tickets:

- Internet: [www.cityofpasadena.net/finance](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/finance)
- Mail: Pasadena Parking Citations Section, 100 N. Garfield Ave., N106, Pasadena, CA 91109
- In Person: City Hall Parking Citations Section 100 N. Garfield Ave. N106 Pasadena CA 91109, Monday- Friday - 7:30am to 5:15pm. Closed Weekends and Holidays.



## Give Your Home Power a Summer Vacation

Air conditioners and home appliances work hard each summer to cope with rising temperatures and families home on vacation. If you want to save some money on your electric bill and help the environment, consider these tips:

- Replace air conditioner filters, set thermostat to 78 degrees and turn off the AC overnight or when you're away. Open windows for natural cooling.
- Close drapes and blinds to keep rooms dark and cool.
- Set the refrigerator to 37 degrees minimum and clean coils regularly. Unplug or get rid of that old, spare refrigerator/freezer in the garage.
- Remember to do full loads only in the washer, dryer and dishwasher before noon and after 7:00 p.m.
- Set your hot water heater to 120 degrees or "low" and use energy saving lights wherever possible, indoors and out.
- Check out all the energy rebates at [www.cityofpasadena.net/rebates](http://www.cityofpasadena.net/rebates).



## History of Water in Pasadena, Part 1 of 3

By Tim Brick

Water has shaped Pasadena in remarkable ways. It is the essential element that has molded our geography, growth and lifestyle. This year, as we celebrate the centennial of Pasadena's municipal water department, we will highlight the stories of Pasadenans who devoted themselves to building the reliable water supply that makes our existence here possible.

Pasadena sits on a plateau 600 feet to 1,000 feet above sea level and is bounded by the Arroyo Seco to the west, Santa Anita Canyon to the east, the San Gabriel Foothills to the north and the Raymond Fault to the south. Spanish explorers dubbed the eastern watershed the Arroyo Seco, or "dry riverbed," but local native tribes who lived here knew the region as Hahamongna, "the land of flowing waters, fruitful valley." The padres and settlers of the San Gabriel Mission were the first Europeans to tap the springs and artesian water that gushed at the plateau's southern boundary to develop California's richest mission.

In the mid-nineteenth century, a new wave of settlers used the "flowing waters" to feed their orchards and subdivisions. In the 1860s, Benjamin Eaton built "Wilson's Ditch" to transport water from the upper Arroyo to ranches further onto the mesa.

The pioneers of the Indiana Colony, who incorporated the San Gabriel Valley Orange Grove Association in 1874, made their first priority the development of a reliable water system. Eaton laid out a three-mile pipeline, bringing water from Devil's Gate to a 3 million gallon reservoir near present day Colorado Boulevard and Orange Grove Avenue. Eaton's pipeline was a bold departure from the open-ditch water systems of the day.

Ten years later, three companies assumed responsibility for developing Pasadena and its water system: Pasadena Land & Water Company, Lake Vineyard Land & Water Company, and North Pasadena Land & Water Company. *To Be Continued.*

Tim Brick lives in Pasadena and serves on the Board of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. He is the author of a forthcoming book on the history of water in Pasadena. Find out more at [www.PWPweb.com/WaterCentennial](http://www.PWPweb.com/WaterCentennial).



## Turf Alert: Rebates Return August 1

The City's popular Turf Removal Program returns August 1. Get \$1 for every square foot of water-thirsty grass you replace with water-smart landscaping, up to \$2,500 per customer account. Make your plans and pick your drought-tolerant and native plant today, but don't tear out your grass until your project has been approved!

Applications will be available Aug. 1 at [www.PWPweb.com/TurfRemoval](http://www.PWPweb.com/TurfRemoval).

