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COUNCIL VOTES TO ARM PARK RANGERS!

In a 2-1 vote, a Los Angeles City Council committee voted to move forward with a motion that would allow park rangers to be armed with guns. Arts, Parks, Health, Education and Neighborhoods Committee consists of council members

arguing that park rangers train like LAPD officers and face situations similar to police officers. "Our city's parks are safe havens— a place to congregate, play and relax and exercise for many individuals and families during the pandemic, at a time



Park Rangers detain suspected arsonist after seeing him set fire to grass as Hansen Dam homeless camp.

Mike Bonin, John Lee and Joe Buscaino, with the latter two voting in favor of the motion. Buscaino — a former LAPD officer — presented the motion,

when many other public spaces were closed," Buscaino said during Tuesday's committee meeting. "The true safety of our parks in open spaces are depen-

ANOTHER HOMELESS TRAGEDY!



A homeless person accidentally set fire to his truck and possessions last Christmas night. The person living in his truck parked in the parking lot of the Sunland Senior Center suf-

fered minor burns and a cut foot as he tried to retrieve his possessions from the burning truck. Onlookers could only stand and wait for the LFD to arrive.

dent upon equipping the rangers who are charged with protecting them, with the right tools to do so." Buscaino added that park rangers currently have to contact LAPD and wait for a response, risking "precious time and resources" during emergencies.

Councilman Bonin voted against the motion, arguing that it is "the opposite" of the city council's calls for "reimagining public safety" in 2020.

"The overwhelming message from

most of elected officials of the city of Los Angeles... was that we need to reimagine public safety," Bonin said Tuesday. "I don't think that most people thought that when we talked about getting armed police officers out of certain aspects of daily life in Los Angeles, that it meant we would start arming other people to deal with

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Win Friends, Lose Pounds at TOPS Weight-Loss Support Group

Your local chapter of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) in Sunland welcomes those looking for weight-loss support to join them! They meet weekly on Thursdays at 6:45p.m. at New Hope Community Church, 10438 Oro Vista Avenue (enter the door to the left of the gate). The meetings are open to all who are 7 or older, and your first visit to any TOPS meeting is free.

TOPS meetings are full of fun

and encouragement, with games, prizes, and recognition for weight loss. They also provided general health information, as well as weight-loss-specific information, in weekly programs on nutrition, exercise, meal planning and more. Everyone is happy to share tips, advice, and good cheer. As well as those seeking to lose weight, the group also includes members who have lost the weight and gained the

status of KOPS (Keep Off Pounds Sensibly) by reaching and staying at their goal weights.

TOPS was founded over 70 years ago and is nonprofit and noncommercial, with thousands of chapters across the US and Canada.

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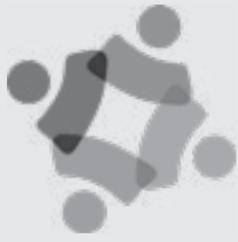
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COMMUNITY NEWS

FIRE ALARM SAVES LIVES ON SCOVILLE

It was 2:00 am in the morning after Christmas and everyone was warm in their beds, when all of a sudden, the fire alarms installed in the house began to go off. The house began to fill with smoke as the LAFD was called. There was no apparent fire, but the smoke seemed to be coming out of the walls as the fire burned behind the



plaster. Quick action by the LAFD prevented the fire from spreading and as they worked, they spread

fire resistant tarps over the furniture to keep them from getting damaged by smoke and water.

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those issues.” Several Angelenos who called in for public comment spoke against the motion, as well, calling parks “sanctuaries” that do not need armed officers. A caller also expressed fears over a belief that armed rangers would be “harassing people who don’t have homes.” The proposal will now be seen by the L.A. City Council Public Safety Committee.

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CRIME MAPPING DEC. 8 TO DEC. 23, 2021

VEHICLE, STOLEN Incident #: 211614584
10300 BLOCK WILSEY AV | 12/23/2021 @ 4:10 PM

BURGLARY Incident #: 211614591
6400 BLOCK OLCOTT ST | 12/23/2021 @ 5:00 AM

VEHICLE, STOLEN Incident #: 211614558
7400 BLOCK FOOTHILL BL | 12/22/2021 @ 6:00 AM

BURGLARY FROM VEHICLE Incident #: 211600916
10300 BLOCK NEWHOME AV | 12/21/2021 @ 6:00 PM

BURGLARY Incident #: 211600915
10400 BLOCK KAILUA LN | 12/15/2021 @ 9:45 PM

VEHICLE, STOLEN Incident #: 211614554
10400 BLOCK MCVINE AV | 12/21/2021 @ 5:00 PM

BURGLARY FROM VEHICLE Incident #: 211614550
9900 BLOCK TUJUNGA CANYON BL | 12/21/2021 @ 1:30 PM

VEHICLE, STOLEN Incident #: 211614505
10200 BLOCK MOUNTAIR AV | 12/20/2021 @ 3:00 PM

THEFT FROM VEHICLE Incident #: 211614514
10500 BLOCK LAS LUNITAS AV | 12/19/2021 @ 8:00 PM

BURGLARY Incident #: 211614509
7500 BLOCK FOOTHILL BL | 12/19/2021 @ 3:00 PM

THEFT FROM VEHICLE Incident #: 211614490
10300 BLOCK COMMERCE AV |

12/19/2021 @ 12:00 PM

THEFT FROM VEHICLE Incident #: 211614489
10200 BLOCK MATHER AV | 12/19/2021 @ 6:00 AM

BURGLARY Incident #: 211614497
10300 BLOCK PLAINVIEW AV | 12/18/2021 @ 7:00 PM

VEHICLE, STOLEN Incident #: 211614502
7700 BLOCK JAYSEEL ST | 12/17/2021 @ 8:00 AM

BURGLARY FROM VEHICLE Incident #: 211614521
11900 BLOCK BIG TUJUNGA CANYON RD | 12/15/2021 @ 4:10 PM

VEHICLE, STOLEN Incident #: 211614470
10600 BLOCK SHERMAN GROVE AV | 12/18/2021 @ 8:00 PM

VEHICLE, STOLEN Incident #: 211614469
11100 BLOCK MCVINE AV | 12/18/2021 @ 6:30 PM

ASSAULT WITH DEADLY WEAPON Incident #: 211614478
10700 BLOCK MT GLEASON AV | 12/18/2021 @ 2:40 PM

ASSAULT WITH DEADLY WEAPON Incident #: 211614477
10700 BLOCK MT GLEASON AV | 12/18/2021 @ 2:40 PM

BURGLARY Incident #: 211614461
10100 BLOCK FERNGLEN AV | 12/11/2021 @ 11:30 P

THEFT FROM VEHICLE Incident #: 211614440
10700 BLOCK SABLE AV | 12/16/2021 @ 4:00 PM

BURGLARY Incident #: 211614399
7400 BLOCK FOOTHILL BL | 12/16/2021 @ 2:25 AM

BURGLARY FROM VEHICLE Incident #: 211614413
TUJUNGA CANYON BL & VALMONT AV | 12/14/2021 @ 7:45 PM

BURGLARY FROM VEHICLE Incident #: 211614351
8500 BLOCK FOOTHILL BL | 12/14/2021 @ 5:30 PM

VEHICLE, STOLEN Incident #: 211614337
7300 BLOCK VALMONT ST | 12/13/2021 @ 5:30 PM

SHOPLIFTING - PETTY THEFT (\$950 & under) Incident #: 211614329
6600 BLOCK FOOTHILL BL | 12/11/2021 @ 4:21 AM

THEFT FROM VEHICLE Incident #: 211614394
10200 BLOCK TINKER AV | 12/8/2021 @ 9:30 PM

VEHICLE, STOLEN Incident #: 211600004
10700 BLOCK WOODWARD AV | 12/11/2021 @ 9:00 PM

VEHICLE, STOLEN Incident #: 211614269
10700 BLOCK WESCOTT AV | 12/8/2021 @ 3:00 PM

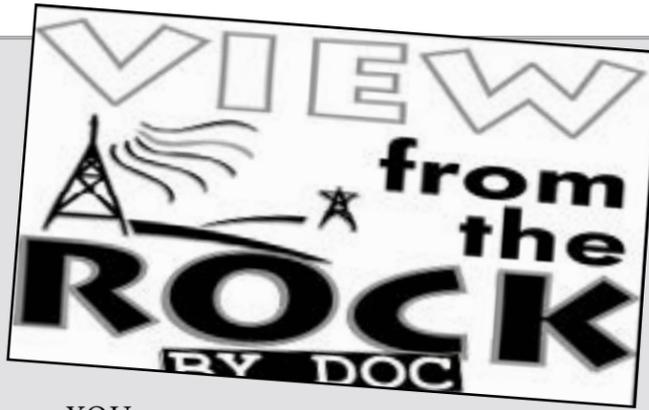
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What a wonderful Christmas we had, at least as long as we were with family and friends, and maintained social distancing. I think I really liked having fewer people around (and no, it wasn't because there was more food to go around LOL). People actually had a chance to talk to each other. Ask questions, and propose solutions to what our country has devolved into.

I'd say that we were actually communicating. Do you remember that scene in Cool Hand Luke where the sheriff shoots Luke? That was the most important part of the story. There was a lack of communication because Luke wouldn't bend to the Wardens whims. Oh, and don't forget that here we are in Sunland-Tujunga, acting like the Eloi and Morlocks of H.G. Wells story, The Time Machine.

Only it's a little bit different. Now, the Morlock are the Facebook, TikTok, Snapchat and other social media. Like hungry sharks, they grab every bit of information that you put out on the Internet. For those of you who play on social media, do you ever wonder why there are so many "surveys" asking you 20 questions about "things?" A typical questioner will ask "Explain What You Do For a Living." Wow! And it got almost 200 people answering so far. Do you see how much information and the names of the people answering they farmed? Remember, they have super computers that can create algorithms to format this information and use it to create ads specific to



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Throw in your criminal records, your driving records, the files your hospital has on you, your purchase records from all the stores, gas stations and restaurants you visit, and you have a pretty good profile that you've given away for free. I'll bet that you never even thought about that. But, you ask, what does that have to do with Christmas and the coming New Years? First, Christmas. Except for there not being much choice of what to buy (and you can blame that on the covid) what there was available, seemed to be exactly what you wanted to buy. Think about that for a moment.

And the New Year? Well, here we have the story of Pandora's Box that was given to Pandora because the Gods knew that she had this curiosity that would cause her to open the lid, letting all the worlds evils escape. Sickness,

death, turmoil, strife, jealousy, hatred, famine and passion. All escaped except one, HOPE. Who was too afraid to leave the box. For decades of living and running various businesses, I came up with my own famous saying, "Those whom the gods would destroy, they first give HOPE." And hope is all we have left now. Our governments, local and national are corrupt. Los Angeles City Hall has become a septic tank of politicians that look at their position(s) as being a license to steal.

All we can do is hope that they leave us some crumbs to live with. I personally feel that without hope, we will descend into anarchy. Can you the reader, think of one local social or service group that hasn't helped destroy all that we here in S-T believe in? Look around you and look at all the failures we've had to suffer. AND DON'T FORGET, we voted in some of them, gave them praise and our money, and watched with blind eyes the waste they created here. Not one of our esteemed social or service clubs have escaped the wrath of Pandora's box. And neither did we.

But, we as humans tend to look the other way, just as long as we have enough leaders to follow. Christ would not have lived as long as he did if there had been social media then. Think about it. What are our evils? Sickness, deadly drivers, turmoil, strife, jealousy, hatred, corruption, homelessness and lawlessness. Does anyone really want to stop them? Does anyone really have hope that things will be better?

Think about it and tell me, and don't say "It's The Water!"

SPEED METERS INSTALLED AT APPERSON & FOOTHILL BLVD.

In an attempt to make drivers aware of their speed going down Foothill Blvd. our Councilmember M-Rod has installed speed meters in two locations in Sunland-Tujunga.

It will be an interesting experiment as most drivers know how fast they are going – and some want to test the limits of what they can get away with.



This week at our Foothills Community Toastmasters meeting, my good friend, Alithea Coleman gave a speech that got me thinking. The speech was about having a theme for your life. Wow, what a concept. At this time of the year, many of us make lists of resolutions. We make resolutions of what we will do and what we will not do. Most of us will not keep our resolutions or will make only some small headway toward them. But what if we each adopted a theme for the new year that encompassed our resolutions?

Let's say you want to get healthier, lose weight, exercise regularly, etc. A theme of your year might be Health. Go ahead and list those resolutions so that you have them down as goals. Then use your theme to help you achieve them.

If you asked yourself repeatedly, "is the action I am taking going to help my health?" Then you would know when you are moving toward your healthy goals.

And don't forget, what goes around, comes around. Consider asking "are the actions I am taking going to improve the health of my family? My community? My clients?"

This literally becomes a yardstick to use in making decisions throughout the year. Your theme might be finance, learning new skills, animal rights, church activities, something that really means something to you. I am working out my own theme and would be interested to know what theme you select for your new year.

Here are my New Year's wishes for all of you.

To all my friends around the world
This is my wish for you
Health, Wealth, Wisdom and Joy
And Success in all you do.
Happy 2022

Let's make this the best year ever.

Star Stories 2:

A celestial journey through the Tujunga night sky

Gaze aloft as local history hunter, Craig Durst, shares the stories of the stars. For millennia, our ancient ancestors all around the world, turned to the lights in the night sky for guidance, and to commune with their gods. From that time to our own, astronomical leaps in knowledge have revealed our universe in ways that truly boggle the mind.



Lay back, relax, and enjoy a tour through the star lore of times long past, and the magnificent scientific discoveries of the Milky Way and beyond.

Saturday, January 1st, 2022 at 7:00 PM

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AREA SAFETY BULLETIN

Due to an increase in violent street robberies, Robbery-Homicide Division has become aware of an ongoing crime trend of follow-home robberies. Suspects have been locating victims in Los Angeles, following them, and then committing the robberies as the victim arrives home or at their business.

Victims have been followed from such places like Melrose Avenue, the Jewelry District of Los Angeles, nightclubs, and high-end restaurants in Los Angeles. The target of these robberies has been expensive jewelry, including watches and necklaces, as well as expensive purses. Victims have also been targeted based on the type of vehicle they are driving.

These crimes have occurred throughout the City of Los Angeles as well as neighboring cities. Different suspects have been identified and arrested for these types of crimes.

The following are recommendations for community members:

- Be aware of one's surroundings for anything unusual or out of the ordinary before exiting your car, walking out of a restaurant, stores, malls, or clubs.
- Be cautious of displaying high value property in public such as: purses, watches, and jewelry.
- Record and report suspicious activity to the police (write down suspicious suspect/vehicle descriptions).
- If you are driving and believe you are being followed, dial 911. If possible, drive to the nearest police station.
- If you are being robbed, do not resist the robbery suspects; cooperate and comply with their demands. Be a good witness.
- After a robbery, immediately call the police department by dialing 911. Immediately write down everything you can remember about the crime, suspects and suspect vehicle.
- Do not chase or follow the robbery suspect out of your place of business or home. Leave the job of catching the suspects to the police.

CONTACT INFO: ROBBERY-HOMICIDE DIVISION, ROBBERY SPECIAL SECTION AT (213) 486-6840

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My Daughter's Last Wish

By Janie Emaus

While driving my thirty-something daughter to her surgery a few years ago, she looked at me with her jaw firmly set and her eyes displaying a fierce intensity and said, "If I die on the table..."

"That's not going to happen," I interrupted, holding up my hand. "It's knee surgery."

But then again, when going under anesthesia, anything can and does happen. Of course, I kept this thought to myself as my mind went off to that sentimental place where images of my family are stored.

I waited for her to continue. I expected her to say, "Tell my children I love them." Or to begin babbling about what a wonderful mother I've been. Or even talk about a secret hiding place in her room where I would find a special seashell to give to her daughter.

What she did say came as a total shock.

"Listen, if I die, the password to my phone is 2526."

What? I threw my hand against my chest, but I didn't speak. I merely repeated her password, swallowing my surprise, as she was already in a fragile state of mind.

But before a nanosecond passed, she went on. "Please don't forget it. This is really important. I have letters to my kids on my phone and I want you to make sure they read them. And I have hundreds of photos. And poems. And all my banking information. Everything. Every single thing that means anything to me is on this phone." She shook the phone in my face. "So, don't forget."

I know we were living in a digital world, but this really drove the point home. Her request, which at first seemed absurd, made perfect sense. Our phones have become an extension of ourselves, an extra limb. They help us navigate the quickest route from one place to another. They remind us when to take a pill. They wake us up when it's time for work. And lull us to sleep with our favorite music. They can even keep track of our menstrual cycles.

If we leave the house without our phone, most of us feel a void, a disconnect from reality. The world has become smaller, connecting us to places and people we would never have met in the past, yet at the same time it's become less personal.

I thought back to my foot surgery a few decades ago. Like my daughter's, it wasn't life threatening. And like her, I did set things in order. I paid all my bills by checks. I handwrote a list

of important things for my family members. This list did include the password to my AOL account. But only so my husband would know who to

notify if something should happen to me.

My recovery became a time for reflection. Without the distraction of social media, I had a great deal of time to merely think. I felt no pressure to post a minute by minute recap of my recovery. Or to obsess about how many "likes" I got for taking my first step in six months. I had enough to worry about without spending hours on the correct wording for a potentially viral tweet. At the end, I met a better version of myself.

This is what scares me most about our current obsession with social media. Are the youth of today ever alone with their thoughts? Unless they leave their phones behind, (which often causes anxiety centered on what they are missing), there is that constant tug to check Facebook, emails, tweets, Tik Tok, Instagram, Snapchat.

Do they ever sit and stare at the sunset without taking a photo? Do they ever sit at a coffee shop and simply watch the world go by without having to post a comment? Do they value time alone with someone they love? Or is the need to broadcast every mood and action becoming part of our youth's DNA?

When we live to tell rather than tell what we have lived, are we altering the experience before it has time to take a shape of its own?

As James Stewart's character says in *The Greatest Show On Earth*, "Don't believe everything you hear and only half of what you see." So it is with social media. It twists and spins reality into something fictional.

If only my daughter could look inward during her recuperation. Perhaps she can. But I know she'll be posting a photo of her knee the minute she is alert.

Seconds before they wheeled her off, I held her hand. I pressed my lips against her cheek and whispered everything would be okay. I'd see her in a few hours.

"Take my photo," she said, giving me a scared smile.

Reluctantly, I pulled out my phone but the battery was too low to take a picture.

"Did you get it?" she asked.

"Yes. It's right here." I placed my hand on my heart.

It was a private moment between mother and daughter. I was going to keep it that way.

YOU DON'T WANT TO SIT UNDER THESE TREES



These 3 Faux Trees were found off of Foothill Blvd. They really do blend in, but are 2X as expensive as a regular cell tower.

A stand of eucalyptuses sways across the road. But this tree, surrounded by a spiky metal fence, isn't like the others. "AT&T authorized personnel only!" a sign warns. This tree isn't actually a tree at all — it's a cellular transmission tower, one among hundreds or more that now blanket Southern California. "Nobody is fooling anybody — it is a gorilla in a tutu at the ballet — but somehow it allows people to feel a little better." Indeed, the towers are viewed by many city officials and constituents as a visual improvement on their conventional brethren — metal structures, known as monopoles, topped by a tangle of cables and antennas.

"From about a mile away, there's a possibility I could maybe mistake them for a real tree. But up close, no, not at all," said Frank McDonough, a botanical information consultant at the Los Angeles County Arboretum and Botanic Garden, who recently visited several tree tower sites with *The Times*. "They don't remind me of any species at all."

Made from metal, fiberglass and plastic, the structures in L.A.

usually rise 65 to 75 feet, top out at about 120 feet and can come with six-figure price tags. They are, Wireless Infrastructure Assn. Chief Executive Jonathan Adelstein said, "the last choice of a tower builder, but they might be the first choice for the local authorities."

"Cell towers don't grow on trees — they are costly to build in the first place, but if you need to go through these concealment efforts, they are even more" expensive, said Adelstein, adding that tree towers can cost up to double a conventional array of the same height.

There are no universal rules for cell towers' design, and jurisdictions have different requirements. The city of Los Angeles requires that wireless telecommunications facilities "have the least possible visual impact on the environment." It mandates that towers be designed with stealth techniques, which may include camouflaging them to look like trees. (Other stealth options include faux water towers, rock formations and windmills.)

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ASK RUSTY



By AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor Russell Gloor, Association of Mature American Citizens.

Should I Take Social Security Even If I Don't Need It?

Dear Rusty: I am 66 years plus 8 months old, am still working making six figures, and can support myself. I'm a healthy, self-employed single woman and have a State Pension (from a divorce settlement). I will work part time, probably through next year and until I am 70 years old or more. What should I do about my Social Security - take it or "bank it" in Social Security? Signed: Fully Independent Lady

Dear Fully Independent: When to take your Social Security is always a personal choice which should look at your health, life expectancy and need for the money at this time. Since you imply that you don't really need the money at this time, you might choose to simply wait until age 70 to claim, which will give you both the highest possible monthly benefit in your later years, as well as the most in cumulative lifetime benefits if you enjoy at least average longevity.

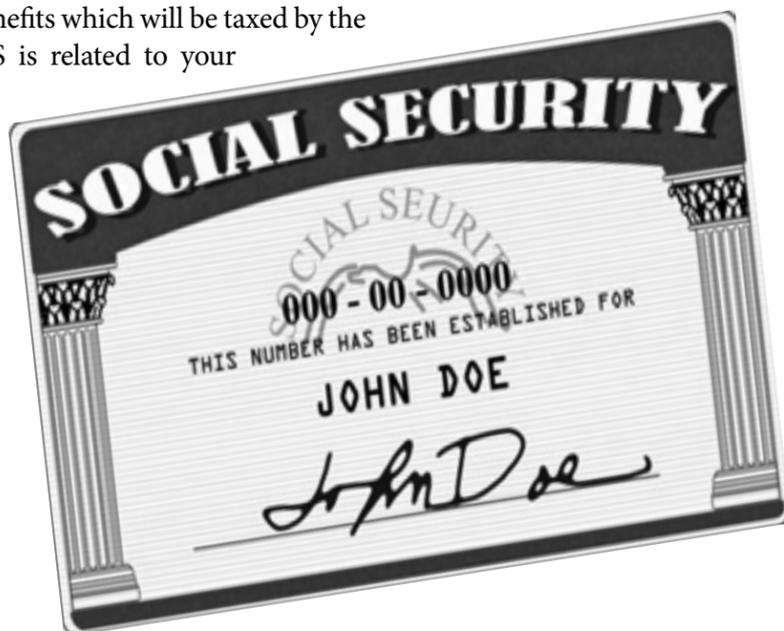
Statistically, according to Social Security, a healthy woman your current age will, on average, live to about 87. If you wait until age 70 to claim (vs. claiming now) your

benefit will be about 30% higher and you'll breakeven money-wise when you're about 83. Depending upon your benefit amount and how long you live, that could give you tens of thousands of dollars more in benefits during your later years, and that higher monthly SS benefit would be a good hedge against future inflation.

Keep in mind too that, at your current income level, up to 85% your Social Security benefits will become part of your taxable income. Even if you are only working part time, your combined income from all sources (including half of your SS benefits) will cause a minimum of 50% of your SS benefits for each tax year to become part of your taxable income at your normal IRS tax rate. The point being that the amount of your SS benefits which will be taxed by the IRS is related to your

overall income, so there are tax advantages to waiting to claim until your income is lower.

We can only advise you on your Social Security options. If you wish to consider claiming your SS earlier and investing those benefits, you should seek the services of a Certified Financial Planner who can discuss your investment options, your risk tolerance and possible rate of return. From a Social Security standpoint, waiting until age 70 will maximize your benefit amount and, if you enjoy at least average longevity, reduce your "longevity risk" (the risk you might outlive your money). It will also yield the most in lifetime SS benefits. But, in the end, only you can make that decision after carefully considering all your options.



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LACoFD's EXPLORER PROGRAM NOW RECRUITING PARTICIPANTS FOR 2022



Prospective participants may sign up for a virtual recruitment event and open house.

Los Angeles, CA – The Los Angeles County Fire Department's (LACoFD's) Fire Explorer Program is preparing to welcome a new group of participants in 2022. Interested individuals may now sign up for a virtual recruitment event and open house to learn more about the Explorer Program.

"The LACoFD's Explorer Program has always provided a valuable and well-rounded experience for its participants," said Interim Fire

Chief Anthony C. Marrone. "Explorers receive basic safety training, first aid skills and CPR certification, and the opportunity to be on ride-alongs. This program is a great introduction into the fire service."

Candidates for the Explorer Program must meet the following requirements:

- 15-20 years of age
- Submit a physician-completed medical/physical exam form
- Show proof of COVID-19 vaccination (pursuant to L.A. County policies and for the everyone's health and safety)

To register for one of the

upcoming virtual recruitment events listed below, please click here.

- Wednesday, January 12, 2022 – 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

- Saturday, January 15, 2022 – 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

For more information about the LACoFD's Explorer Program, please visit <https://fire.lacounty.gov/explorer-program/>.

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Threat of Wildfire Decreases While Fire Use Restrictions Remain in Place

Effective Friday, Dec. 24, the fire danger rating on the Angeles National Forest will decrease from "Very High" to "High."

Recent rain and snowfall have increased moisture levels in grasses and shrubs across the Southland. With more rain and snow anticipated, fire management officials lowered the fire danger level to reflect the change in conditions.

Even though the threat of wildfire has been mitigated to "High," the potential for a large fire remains. It is due to this; fire management officials have opted to keep the fire use restrictions in place.

The current restrictions allow forest visitors to use campfires and stove fires within designated campgrounds and picnic areas, where steel fire rings and stoves are provided.

Furthermore, persons with a valid California Campfire Permit may use a portable lantern or stove using jellied petroleum, or pressurized liquid fuel outside developed areas.

Additionally, with the New Year holiday approaching, we are reminding visitors that discharging or lighting fireworks of any kind is prohibited on the Angeles National Forest. Even though there has been rain and snowfall recently, fireworks can create enough spark to ignite a wildfire.

With the public's help, we can start 2022 free of unwanted wildfires and focus our efforts on rehabilitating areas in the forest that have experienced wildfires in past years. We're eager to welcome back visitors to these treasured landscapes but want to make sure it's safe for the public and the national forest.

Fire Restrictions include:

- 1. Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire, campfire, or stove fire. 36 CFR 261.52(a).
- 2. Smoking. 36 CFR 261.52(c).
- 3. Welding, operating an acetylene or other torch with open flame. 36 CFR 261.52(i).
- 4. Discharging a firearm, air rifle, or gas gun, except in authorized public shooting ranges. 36 CFR 261.58(m) Welding, grinding, and cutting are allowed only with a permit.



HISTORY OF THE THEREMIN

Filmmaker **Steven M. Martin** will lecture on the history of the theremin and present his award winning film, *THEREMIN — An Electronic Odyssey*.

THEREMIN — An Electronic Odyssey is a feature length documentary about the amazing life and work of Russian genius, Lev Sergeivich Termen, known in the West as Leon Theremin. Professor Theremin literally changed the course of 20th Century music. The Theremin is also the only musical instrument played without being touched. The musician controls the sound by waving their hands in the air around the instrument.

The film won the Filmmakers Award at the Sundance Film Festival, the Golden Gate Award at the San Francisco Film Festival, was nominated for an International Emmy, and was presented at major film festivals around the world.



The film runs 1 hour and 23 minutes. After the showing, Mr. Martin will answer questions and demonstrate the theremin. Guests will also have a *once in a lifetime* opportunity to play this unique instrument.

Saturday, January 8th, 2022

1:00 PM

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