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The Holidays Are Really a Magical Season



The Spirit of Giving brings joy to all. See story below.

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year

By Ron Sokol

Have you ever had this problem? It's the holiday season right around now, and you just cannot get this particular song out of your head. You're at an intersection, the light turns green, you're humming that very tune, not focusing all that well, and so the person behind you honks quite loudly...

Or, you're at home, and the wife, husband, friend, kid, relative, or significant other, asks you something, and you realize you did not hear what they said. Or, the truth is, maybe you were not really listening because you were humming that tune again.

The tune includes these words:

It's the most wonderful time of the year
With the kids jingle belling

And everyone telling you, "Be of good cheer."

It's the most wonderful time of the year! Under the circumstances, it is fair to ask: How in the world did this holiday thing come to pass? There are quite a few celebrations, including Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, and Nochebuena. Next month will be the Lunar New Year, Omisoka (the Japanese New Year), not to mention New Year's Eve here, as well as Mardi Gras, which begins January 6.

For purposes of this column the focus will be on Christmas, but indeed all of the festivities, all the celebrations and worship, truly add to the spirit of the season.

In 1870, Christmas was declared a federal holiday. The South Bay has a lot of Christmas and holiday celebrations, from parades to tree lighting, Santa Claus visits, holiday

fairs, a "pop up" ice skating rink, snow is brought in or made, concerts flourish, and food and toy giveaways. Those activities are joined by the commercial side of things, from Black Friday to Cyber Monday to end-of-the-year clearance sales. In sum: Christmas is a religious, spiritual holiday, sacred to so many. It also is a commercial phenomenon.

To be sure I am not quite a scholar, but through research and digging, this is what I have been able to piece together as to how this came about:

For centuries, when the worst of the winter had passed, the winter solstice arrived. A time of celebration thus arose. Days were (the days are) longer, and there was more sunlight. Food became plentiful, and in time, rituals were established. For example, in Scandinavia, fathers and sons brought home large logs that would be set on fire, and a feast would go forward until the log burned out. This could last as much as twelve days (hmm, is that related to the song "Twelve Days of Christmas?")

In the fourth century, church officials decided to make Jesus Christ's birth date a holiday. It was not certain, however, what the actual date of birth was. Pope Julius I selected December 25, and in time, Christmas, as it came to be known, was celebrated at the same time as the traditional winter solstice.

Washington Irving played a role here in America. His *The Sketchbook of Geoffrey Crayon, Gent* told stories about the celebration of Christmas in an English manor house. It was 1819, and Christmas was presented as

a peaceful, warm-hearted holiday bringing groups together without consideration of social status or wealth. Then, a little later in the nineteenth century, English author Charles Dickens came forward with the well-known *A Christmas Carol*, which emphasizes the importance of charity and goodwill.

As to Santa Claus, he can be traced back to St. Nicholas, a monk born in 280 A.D. He gave away his inherited wealth, and traveled the countryside helping the sick and the poor. But, what about Christmas ornaments? Where did they come from?

The first trees were decorated with apples, white candy canes, and pastries in varying shapes (stars, flowers, and hearts). Glass baubles originated in Germany by the mid-nineteenth century, which could also be hung on the tree. While the original ornaments were in the form of fruits and nuts, glass figures were soon produced by highly skilled artisans, with clay molds. No less than F. W. Woolworth discovered baubles during a visit to Germany in the 1880s and did very well importing them here. Edward Hibberd Johnson, Vice President of the Edison Electric Light Company, is reputed to have introduced electric lights to Christmas trees in 1882.

Finally, then, what about poinsettias? Why are they a part of Christmas? Is it because they are red and green? The poinsettia is actually native to Mexico. When the Spanish conquered Mexico all those years ago, the poinsettia became known as "la flor de Nochebuena," or Holy Night flower. Today,

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Weekend Forecast

Friday

Partly
Cloudy
63°/52°



Saturday

Mostly
Cloudy
63°/50°



Sunday

Partly
Cloudy
62°/50°





Entertainment



Film Review

A24's *The Brutalist* is a Profound Cinematic Achievement, a "Must-See in Theaters" Experience

By Morgan Rojas for Cinemacy

In 2018, actor-turned-filmmaker Brady Corbet turned heads with his sophomore feature, *Vox Lux*. The Natalie Portman-led dark musical harnessed an uncompromising vision that, at the time, felt exciting and fresh. It was a bold introduction to his aesthetic and unique visual style as an artist. In his latest film, *The Brutalist*, Corbet doesn't so much turn heads as he does command the room. A larger-than-life story about an architect who immigrates to America with nothing more than a dream, *The Brutalist* is a defiant, fiery magnum opus whose enduring appeal will withstand the test of time.

Adrien Brody plays the fictional character László Toth, a visionary Hungarian-Jewish architect who finds refuge in America from his war-torn homeland in Eastern Europe. Famed for his stunning brutalist structures in his native Budapest, the ongoing political struggle has forced him to flee and temporarily leave his wife Erzébet (Felicity Jones) and niece Zsófia (Raffey Cassidy) behind.

Once in America, Pennsylvania to be exact, László is greeted warmly by his cousin who eagerly gives him a job at his modest furniture shop. While there, he meets the bullish and egotistical Harry Lee (Joe Alwyn) and his wealthy aristocratic and industrialist father Harrison Lee Van Buren Sr. (Guy Pearce). Harrison is transfixed by László's constructions, and he presents the talented designer with a life-changing opportunity. Harrison commissions László to build a dynamic modernist monument that will forever be etched

into the fabric of the American landscape.

This is László's golden ticket. Steady work guarantees he can bring his wife and niece to America and give them a better life. He begins construction on the large-scale structure and it all seems to be going according to plan. However, with mounting pressure from Harrison and the weight of isolation finally starting to crack László's tough exterior, he begins to spiral. Even with his wife and niece by his side, László realizes how quickly the American dream can turn into a nightmare.

There is an ongoing theme throughout *The Brutalist* which shows an artist's sacrifice to execute their vision. No doubt the parallels between László and Corbet are strong, as the filmmaker spent seven years crafting and perfecting his vision. His patience has more than paid off. *The Brutalist* won five awards during its World Premiere at the Venice Film Festival, including the Silver Lion honor of Best Director.

For its humble budget of \$10 million, Corbet & company easily made *The Brutalist* look and feel like it had a \$40-\$50 million budget. It's worth noting that, according to online statistics, A24's average production budget for films in 2023 was \$15.36 million. The scope of this film is monumental, from the expansive sets to the period costumes and the actual story itself. Corbet further accentuates László's world by capturing the film in VistaVision, a high-res, widescreen variant of the 35 mm format.

The handheld opening sequence immerses the viewer into feeling like they were in László's shoes. This intimate and personal experience is jarringly effective, amplified by the dissonant score from composer Daniel Blumberg. The film offers a mix of hand-

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The Brutalist, courtesy A24.



Morgan Rojas

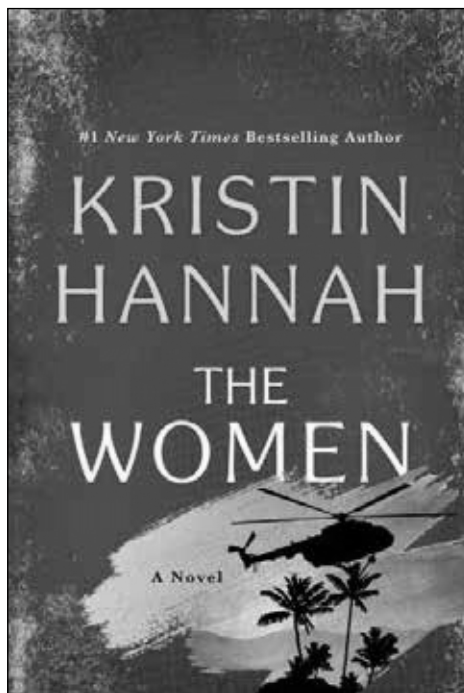
Check It Out

The Women by Kristin Hannah

By Kristen Morell, Librarian

This week I will be reviewing one of my recent favorite historical fiction novels and New York Times Best Seller, *The Women* by Kristin Hannah. In this novel, set in a transformative era in the United States, the 1960s; we learn about the women of the Vietnam War, the women that many believed were not part of the war at all. The protagonist, Frances "Frankie" McGrath is only twenty years old a nursing student inspired to enlist as a nurse when she hears a quote, "women can be heroes too." Frankie is of a privileged background, hailing from Coronado Island and was sheltered by her conservative parents. Frankie was raised to believe her life goal should be to become a wife and stay-at-home mother. Frankie always took pride in being a good girl and doing the

right thing. It is the year 1965 and Frankie's brother ships out to serve in the Vietnam War. Shortly after, Frankie impulsively joins the Army Nurse Corps, inspired by her brother's decision. Once Frankie arrives in Vietnam, she is overwhelmed by just about everything. Almost immediately, Frankie experiences her first "MASCAL" or mass casualty incident and feels almost instant regret about her decision to enlist. Frankie meets her two roommates and fellow nurses, Barb and Ethel and they soon become her new family away from home. The telling of Frankie's time in Vietnam makes this story hard to put down but the story of her return home was just as fascinating. Frankie, as well as many other Vietnam Veterans had a very troubling experience upon her return to the United States. Kristin Hannah is so descriptive and it makes you feel as if you are in the story and experiencing everything the characters went through. To check out *The Women*, and other books by Kristin Hannah, visit our website www.elsegundolibrary.org to place it on hold. •



The Women by Kristin Hannah



Kristen Morell

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2024 Came to a Close for the City of Hawthorne with the Last Event of the Year



The Holiday Festival and Toy Giveaway took place on December 20th at City Hall. There were toys handed out to kids fifteen and under whose families registered ahead of time. Fun games and picture opportunities with Mr. and Mrs. Claus made the day extra special. Also, plenty of bikes were raffled to lucky kids. Thank you to our many city businesses who made this possible. Happy New Year. Photo courtesy City of Hawthorne.

City of Hawthorne 2024 Year in Review: Progress, Community Engagement and Strategic Initiatives

The City of Hawthorne reflects on a year of growth, community involvement and strategic developments in 2024.

"From enhanced communication tools to public service improvements, new branding and ongoing community support, the City of Hawthorne has made significant strides," said City Manager Vontray Norris. "These efforts reflect our continued commitment to serving our residents and building a stronger, more connected community."

New City Logo Reflects Unity and Progress

In 2024, the City of Hawthorne unveiled a new logo symbolizing unity, progress and civic pride. The design, created in collaboration with Tripepi Smith, incorporates local landmarks, such as the water tower, airport and Betty Ainsworth Sports Center. A rocket element highlights Hawthorne's roots in aviation and commitment to innovation.

Norris emphasized the collaborative process behind the logo, noting that it represents the City's heritage and its dynamic, forward-looking spirit. The new logo appears across City platforms, reinforcing Hawthorne's identity as the "City of Good Neighbors."

Balanced Budget for the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year

The City of Hawthorne adopted a balanced budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, with a surplus of \$2.25 million and a cash balance nearing \$27.5 million. Thanks to keen financial management across City departments, the

budget includes a 13% increase in revenue and focuses on investments in public safety, personnel benefits, pension stabilization and the Civic Center project.

Finance Director Felice Lopez led the City's success in growing reserves from \$30 million to nearly \$100 million over the past six years, demonstrating the City's commitment to conservative spending and long-term fiscal stability.

Expanding Homeless Services and Support Programs

Hawthorne continued to enhance its efforts to address homelessness in 2024. The City's Homeless Services Team offers outreach, case management, housing navigation, health services and substance abuse prevention.

Key programs, such as the City's weekly TeleHealth Van program and Bridge of Hope Community Housing and Pathway Home Hawthorne, provide care and shelter and support to unhoused individuals. A recent homeless count showed a reduction in the number of homeless individuals in Hawthorne, from 277 in 2020 to 180 in 2024.

As 2024 concludes, the City of Hawthorne remains focused on strengthening community ties, improving services and ensuring financial stability. With continued investment in public safety and community engagement, the City is ready for another year of growth and progress in 2025.

Continued Support for Local Economic Development

Throughout 2024, the City of Hawthorne

has continued several economic initiatives to drive growth and strengthen the local business community. Notably, the City hosted the 2024 Business Expo and Job Fair, an event that brought together businesses, job seekers and community leaders to foster connections and explore economic opportunities.

In addition, the City offered programs such as Hawthorne Business Connect and the Commercial Facade Program to empower local businesses. The Business Connect initiative facilitates networking among business owners and City departments, while the Commercial Facade Program offers financial support to improve storefronts, enhance visual appeal and attract investment. Through these efforts, Hawthorne continues to position itself as a hub for innovation and community growth.

Infrastructure Improvements

Continue to Progress Across Hawthorne
2024 saw a series of groundbreaking and ribbon-cutting ceremonies for transformative infrastructure projects that enhanced the City's parks, roadways and public spaces.

Highlights included upgrades to traffic signals and ADA compliance on major streets, alley restorations, housing rehabilitation projects and the revitalization of Zela Davis Park. Residents also witnessed the beginning of a City Hall expansion, improvements to the Senior Center and enhancements at Moneta Gardens. These projects, funded through various measures and grants, demonstrated Hawthorne's dedication to connectivity and

community growth.

Local Events Bolster Community Spirit

The City of Hawthorne hosted a vibrant array of events throughout 2024, showcasing its commitment to fostering community engagement and celebrating local culture. Highlights included the Earth Day Celebration in April, where residents connected with local service providers, participated in sustainable activities and enjoyed eco-friendly goodies. In June, the Juneteenth Celebration at Memorial Park brought the community together to honor emancipation through live music, cultural performances and family-friendly activities. Summer events like the Shakespeare in the Park series, the Hot August Night Car Show and Dodger Day continued to strengthen ties among residents while celebrating the City's diversity.

As the year progressed, Hawthorne's fall lineup offered even more opportunities for residents to connect. The annual Fiesta in the Park in September honored Hispanic heritage with music and live performances, while the Touch a Truck event in October delighted families with hands-on experiences exploring City vehicles. The Halloween Spooktacular carnival capped off October with festive fun for all ages. Additionally, the Senior Resource Fair and ongoing Senior Center Community Day showcased the City's dedication to supporting its older residents through valuable resources and facility upgrades.

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Ringling Out the New Year with Amazing Awards



Congratulations to Lawndale High School for winning the CAASPP CVUHSO Traveling Trophy Award for both Science and Math and to Leuzinger High School for winning English. Photo courtesy Centinela Valley Union High School District.

*“The new year stands before us, like a chapter in a book, waiting to be written.”
— MELODY BEATTIE*

Wonderful Time

from front page

over thirty million poinsettia plants are sold in the United States. The Ecke family, California-based, found a way to breed the plants, producing long-lasting blooms. In the early 1900s, Paul Ecke sold poinsettias from a roadside stand in Hollywood. His son got them onto popular television shows, and the rest is history.

With that, I am going to pour myself an

egg nog, and relax in front of the fire.

Wait a second, what did you ask me? How did egg nog come to be? And, what is the origin of Christmas trees?

If you don't mind, it's the holidays. I'll get back to you in the new year. I'll make it a New Year's resolution!

For now, cheers everybody! Yes, it's the most wonderful time of the year. •

Film Review

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held and steady shots, delicately framed by cinematographer Lol Crawley. His use of lighting and shadow play gives every frame a museum-quality depth which is aptly fitting for a film about an artist.

Running over three and a half hours long, with one smartly placed 15-minute intermis-

sion, *The Brutalist* is a profound cinematic achievement by all involved. From the stunning title cards to the rich performances that will undoubtedly be the talk of awards season, *The Brutalist* is a psychologically introspective and intellectually stimulating stroke of genius. •

City of Hawthorne

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Hawthorne continued its commitment to beautification and community engagement through a series of successful clean-up events in 2024. Partnering with Caltrans, Martinez Landscape and Republic Services, the City organized several initiatives to clean streets and parks. One notable event in March at the Betty Ainsworth Sports Center featured paper shredding, e-waste collection and debris removal.

Hawthorne Parks and Recreation Foundation Continues Legacy of Community Support

Since 1984, the Hawthorne Parks and Recreation Foundation has worked to support recreational opportunities for local youth. In 2024, the Foundation continued its efforts by offering summer swim lesson scholarships to children aged 4 to 15, ensuring access to water safety programs. Through initiatives like the annual Golf Tournament and Beach Boys Landmark Brick Program, the Foundation has raised over \$735,000 for local programs.

Enhancing Community Engagement

with CityView Newsletter and MyHawthorne311 App

In 2024, Hawthorne continued to prioritize accessibility and community involvement through the CityView newsletter and MyHawthorne311 app. Launched in 2021 and 2022, respectively, these platforms have become essential tools for residents to stay connected with Hawthorne happenings. The CityView newsletter provides timely updates on local news, events, municipal projects and employment opportunities, available to subscribers through the City's website.

The MyHawthorne311 app allows users to report issues, submit photos and track resolutions directly from their mobile devices. The app's 24/7 access and anonymous reporting feature ensure a convenient, transparent experience for residents, businesses and visitors.

For more details on 2024's successes, visit the City of Hawthorne's official website at CityofHawthorne/Government/City-Press Releases

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Love Thy Neighbor

Dear South Bay Cities Neighbors,

We love the profiles we've done, and we've learned so much about South Bay City residents. We want to do more, so please keep the suggestions coming. With over 200,000 residents, we're sure there are some gems we may have overlooked or not been aware of them. Do you have a unique and interesting friend, neighbor, co-worker, colleague or student? All you have to do is ask their permission and send us their contact information. Of course, if you find yourself fascinating, you are welcome to send us your information too. 😊

— Best to you all. HM.

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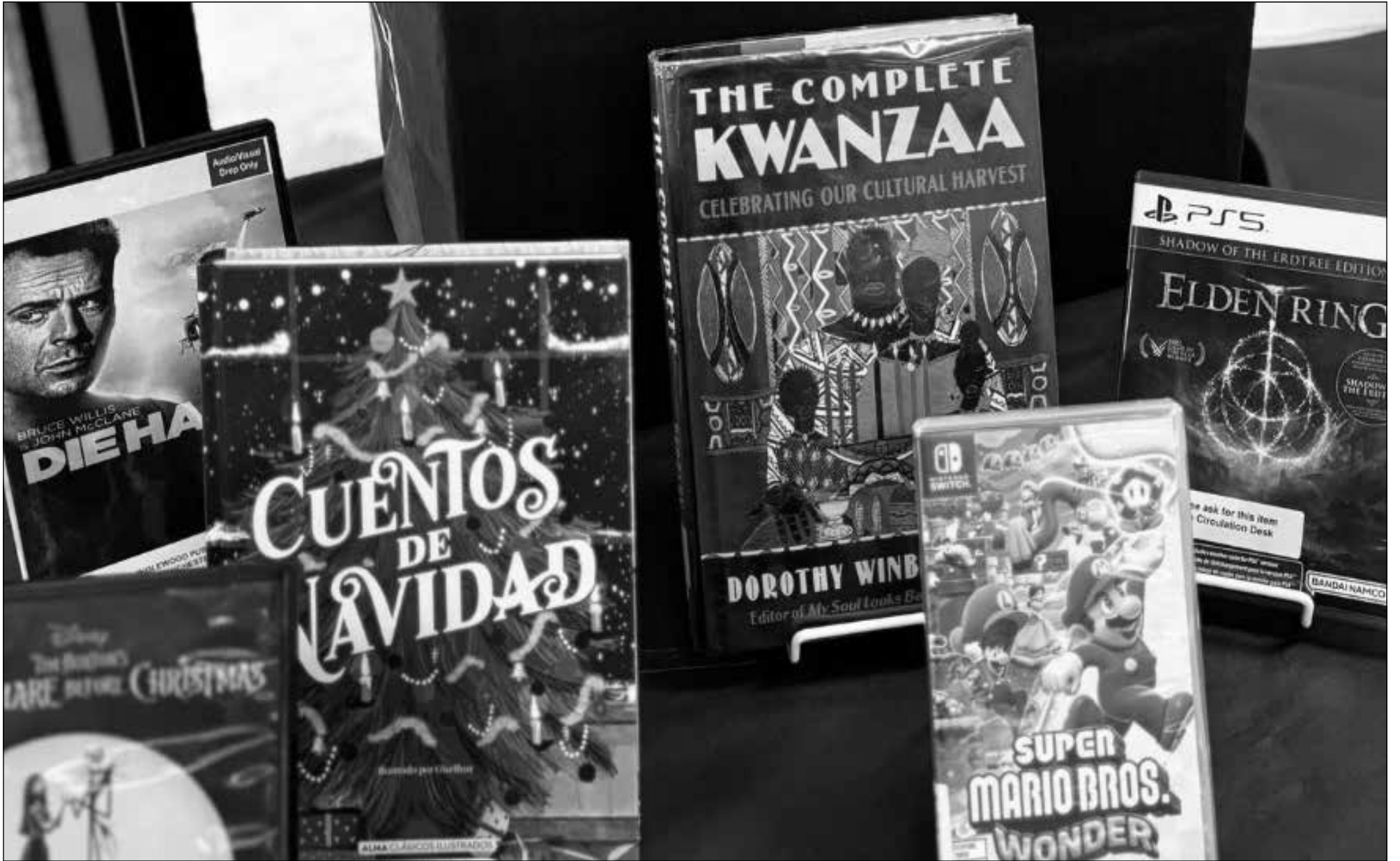
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Finish the Year with Holiday Cheer



As the year comes to a close, celebrate with exciting reads, thrilling movies, and fun games. Visit the Main Library, 2nd Floor display and check out these amazing picks... such as the 2024 Guinness Book of World Records. From books to movies, there's something for everyone to enjoy as you ring in the new year. Photo courtesy City of Inglewood.

Seniors

Smart Tips to Support Your Wellness Journey

(BPT) - Are you one of the many people working hard to maintain your weight and live a healthy lifestyle? If you're using GLP-1 medications or transitioning off them and want to maintain your healthy habits and wellness, you may be interested in tips to help you maintain your hard-earned progress.

With renewed focus on high-protein and high-fiber foods that also have low carb and low sugar content, the Atkins Strong line offers a convenient way to support the long-term health and wellness goals of anyone seeking a healthier lifestyle.

Whether you're planning meals or grabbing a quick snack, choosing options that are high in protein will help boost your energy, no matter what your day has in store. While it's easy to center meals on high-quality proteins you love, high-protein snacks can be harder to find.

For quick, easy and tasty snacking options with plenty of protein, Atkins Strong 30g

Protein Shakes come in three great flavors: Chocolate Peanut Butter, Milk Chocolate and Vanilla). You can enjoy them at home or on the go just as they are, or combine them with your favorite coffee beverage for a quick pick-me-up. Each shake provides 30 grams of sustained absorption protein that helps maintain lean muscle and support muscle health, while keeping you feeling energized throughout the day.

According to Harvard Health, the best foods for increasing fiber intake include legumes (beans and peas), fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains (like brown rice, whole wheat and oats), nuts and seeds. High-fiber foods are nutrient dense, helping to aid digestion and keeping you feeling fuller, longer. For an easy, on-the-go high-fiber snack, remember that Atkins Strong 30g Protein Shakes offer 7 grams of prebiotic fiber.

Choosing low-carb food options for meals and snacks will also support you on your

wellness journey. What are low-carb foods? For example, lean proteins, non-starchy veggies (think leafy greens, broccoli, carrots and tomatoes), nuts or seeds, plus fruits like apples and berries are all options that can help you keep your carbs to a minimum.

Choosing lower sugar options is healthier, but many people naturally crave something sweet. The good news is, you can satisfy your sweet tooth and support your well-being

at the same time. Atkins Strong products offer protein-packed decadence, so you can enjoy the deliciously smooth flavor you love, without a ton of sugar.

Keep your wellness progress going strong with the Atkins Strong line range of protein-packed, low-carb products designed to support healthy lifestyles. You'll find tips, recipes, products and more to support your wellness journey at [Atkins.com](https://www.atkins.com).

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you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

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Program Description: The City of Hawthorne is pleased to announce the availability of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program funds for the 2025-2026 Program Year. These programs are funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and are administered locally by the City of Hawthorne to support the development of affordable housing, provision of public services, and other activities that principally benefit low- and moderate-income persons and neighborhoods.

HAWTHORNECA/Participant. Applications must be submitted through the City's online submission portal, Neighborly, by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, January 24, 2025. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted. The City has included an instructional guide for applicant registration and the submission process through the Neighborly system on the City's website https://www.cityofhawthorne.org/departments/housing/cdbg.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: ALMA J. LYNTON, aka ALMA JESTINE LYNTON CASE NO. 24STPB13364

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of ALMA J. LYNTON, aka ALMA JESTINE LYNTON. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DAVID M. LYNTON, JR. in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DAVID M. LYNTON, JR. be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name Case No. 24TRCP04050

Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. Petition of: LWIN SOE YAUNG and FLORY HLAING YAUNG on behalf of children for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner LWIN SOE YAUNG and FLORY HLAING YAUNG on behalf of children filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: HTET HTET HLAING SOE to JESSICA SOE YAUNG

not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted.

HL-28820

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name Case No. 24TRCP0498

Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. Petition of: MARCUS DWAYNE SCROGGINS JR for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner MARCUS DWAYNE SCROGGINS JR filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: MARCUS DWAYNE SCROGGINS JR to MARCUS DWAYNE MOORE

appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

HL-28837

COMPETING NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: JOSEFINA OROZCO CASE NO. 24STPB11934

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of JOSEFINA OROZCO in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that LEO OROZCO be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

ANGELES, CA 90012 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

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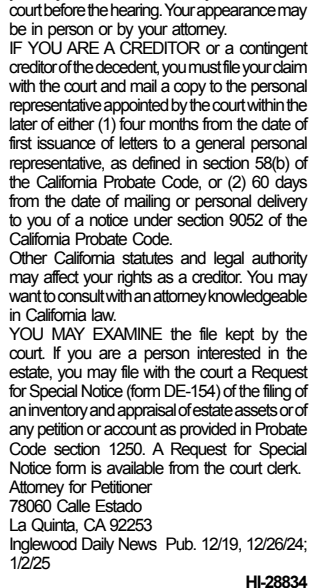
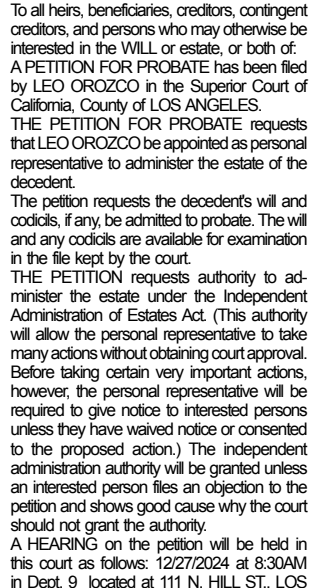
AVISO DE DISPONIBILIDAD DE FONDOS (NOFA) CIUDAD DE HAWTHORNE Programas de Subvención en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG) y de Asociaciones de Inversión en el Hogar (HOME) del AP25-26

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- 1 medium onion, chopped (about 1/2 cup)
- 2 tablespoons all purpose flour
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 2 cans (about 6.5 ounces each) minced clams, drained

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: STANLEY LESIAK AKA STANLEY LESIAK III

CASE NO. 24STPB14118
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of STANLEY LESIAK AKA STANLEY LESIAK III. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ARLENE FRANCES WILLIAMS in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ARLENE FRANCES WILLIAMS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 01/24/25 at 8:30AM in Dept. 44 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the

court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner MICHAEL J. PATINELLI - SBN 158825 PATINELLI & CHANG LLP 2355 CRENSHAW BLVD., UNIT 185 TORRANCE CA 90501 Telephone (310) 312-8117 12/26/24, 1/2, 1/9/25 CNS-3880684# Hawthorne Press Tribune Pub. 12/26/24; 1/2, 1/9/25

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NOTICE OF AMENDED PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: VERA LEE FOOTMAN AKA VERA H. FOOTMAN

CASE NO. 24STPB06510
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of VERA LEE FOOTMAN AKA VERA H. FOOTMAN. AN AMENDED PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by LINDA JOYCE OAKLEY in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE AMENDED PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that LINDA JOYCE OAKLEY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 01/23/2025 at 8:30AM in Dept. 2D located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS

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ANGELES, CA 90012. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner DMITRIY ARISTOV Forward Estate Planning 222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 2000 El Segundo, CA 90245 424-259-3550 Hawthorne Press Tribune Pub. 12/26/24; 1/2, 1/9/25



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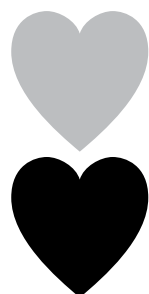
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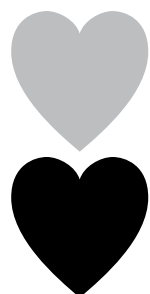
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TV. Come visit this sweet girl today! <https://spcala.com/adoptable/pet/?ss=LACA-A-17338>

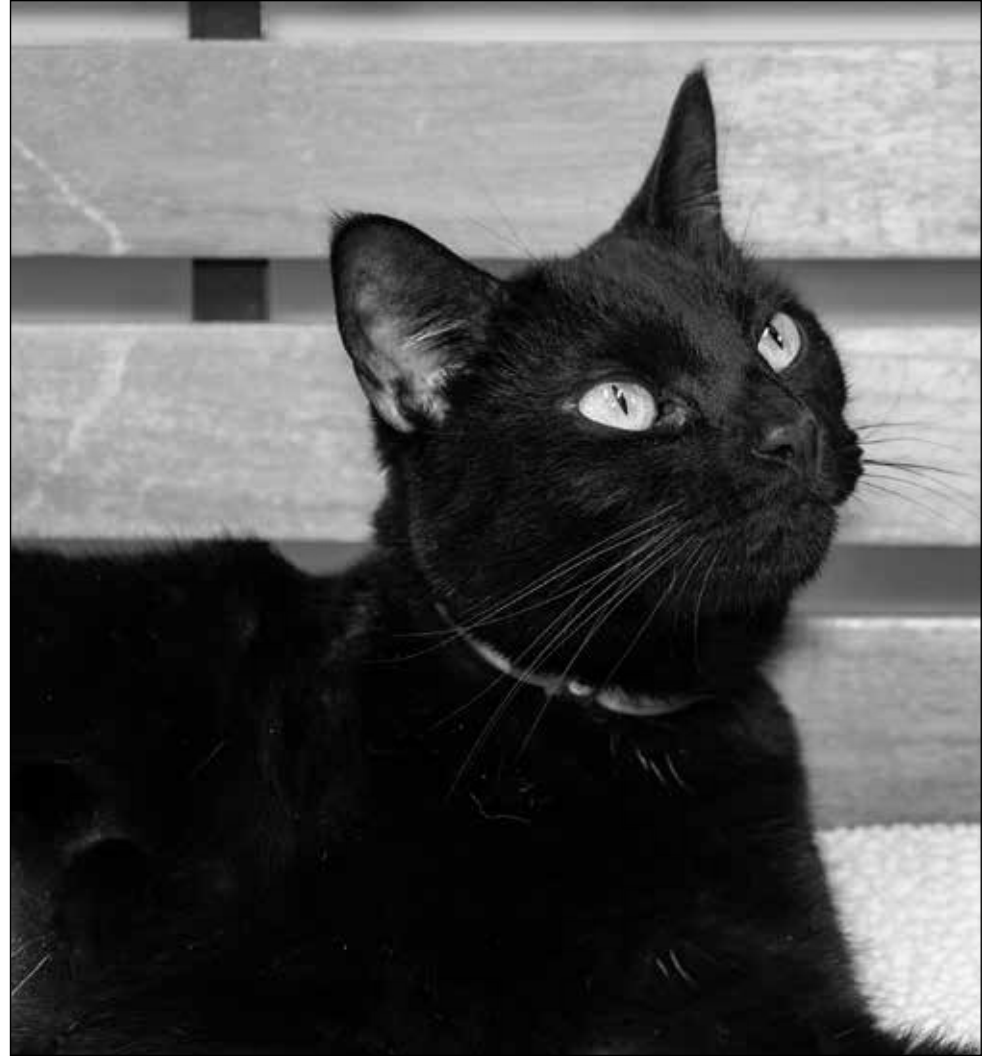
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