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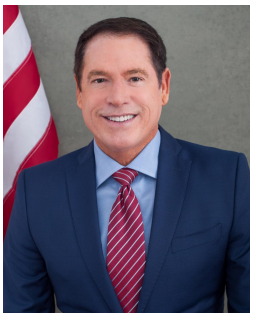

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Dear District 6 Residents,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a relaxing holiday break and enjoyed the Rose Parade and Rose Bowl Game. A big shout-out and thank-you to our Public Works Department crews who did another outstanding job of cleaning up our City after all the New Year's activities. See the graphic below for some eye-popping stats.

Please note that curbside pickup of Christmas trees is available to Pasadena's solid waste customers on your regularly scheduled collection days and routes through

Tuesday, January 16. Christmas trees may also be trimmed to fit in your yard waste containers (black lid) for recycling. For more information, call the Citizens Service Center at (626) 744-7311.

Also note that the January 8 City Council meeting has been canceled. The first Council meeting of 2024 will be held **Monday, January 22**. When the agenda is ready you can find it here.

Please see below for more updates on current community issues and upcoming events.

January/February 2024 Issue of *Pasadena In Focus* Newsletter Out Now

The January/February 2024 issue of *Pasadena In Focus*, a bimonthly newsletter published by the Public Affairs Office, is now available here. The newsletter provides information about programs, events, activities, and issues related to Pasadena municipal government. *Source: Pasadena Public*

Affairs Office.

City Announces Phillip Leclair as Interim Executive Director of New Rent Stabilization Department

The City announced the creation of the new Rent Stabilization Department and the appointment of an interim executive director, Phillip Leclair. Leclair, who previously served as director of the City's IT Department, will be responsible for laying the foundation for the department's success, overseeing key tasks such as supporting the Pasadena Rental Housing Board in executing adopted policies, implementing and managing the rental registry, hiring and managing support staff, establishing operational procedures and policies, developing office space and infrastructure, enhancing community engagement and communication efforts, and contributing to the recruitment of a permanent executive director. Click here to read more. *Source: Pasadena Rent Stabilization Department*.

Chinese Laundry Fire Plaque Installation Event in Mills Place Alley 1/9

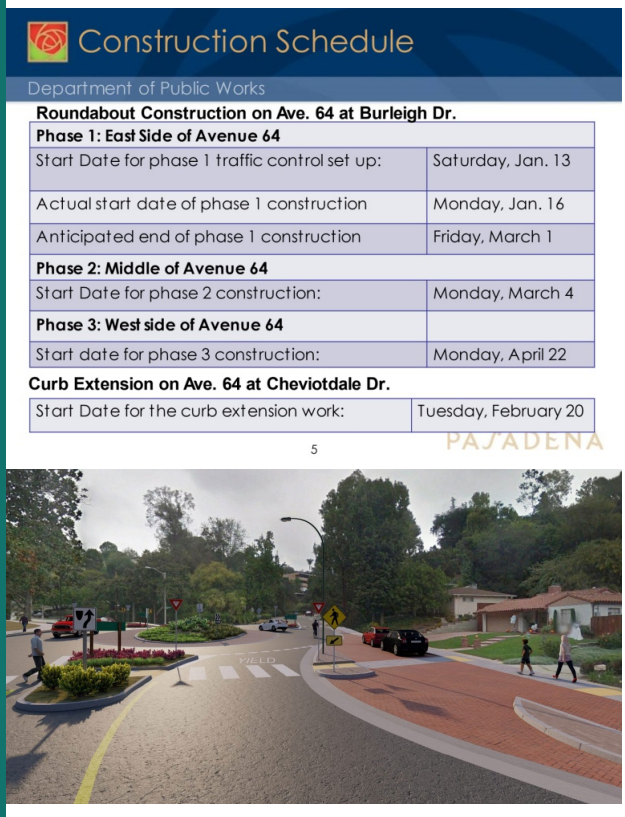
The public is invited to join the City's Human Relations Commission for an Installation Event at **3 p.m. this Tuesday, January 9** , in Mills Place Alley in Old Pasadena. The event will recognize two newly installed plaques that provide historical background of the events that led to the fire of 1885 at Yuen Kee's Laundry on Fair Oaks Ave. and in Ward Alley—now known as Mills Place Alley—and the impact to Chinese residents in the community (read local historian Matt Hormann's 2015 story in *Pasadena Weekly* for more information). This event will be held outdoors (rain or shine) adjacent to 33 W. Green St., the site of the first plaque. Attendees will hear remarks from City representatives, the Human Relations Commission, and historical stakeholders. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided. To RSVP for this event, please email Jane Whitmore at jwhitmore@cityofpasadena.net or call (626) 744-7295. *Source: Pasadena Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department*.

Friends of the Pasadena Library Bookstore to Reopen 1/9

The Friends of the Pasadena Public Library Bookstore is opening **this Tuesday, January 9**, with a variety of used books, DVDs, CDs, LPs, and children's books. The bookstore is located at the Jefferson Elementary School campus, 1500 E. Villa Ave. (between Hill and Allen), east of the Jefferson Library Branch. The hours are Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Donations of all used books in good condition (no textbooks, magazines, or cassettes) are being accepted now at a donation bin located to the east of the library. For large donations, please contact Adrienne, for an appointment, at phrogg8@gmail.com. *Source: Friends of the Pasadena Library*.

Colorado Street Bridge Barriers at Design Commission 1/9, Survey Through 1/20

The Design Commission will review and provide advisory comments to the City Council regarding the proposed alternative designs for new barriers on the Colorado Street Bridge **this Tuesday, January 9, at 6:30 p.m.** in Council Chambers at City Hall. The public is also invited to visit the City's Colorado Street Bridge Barrier Enhancement Project webpage to share its opinion and comments of newly developed preliminary barrier design concepts via a public opinion survey available here. The City would like to engage the public and take into consideration the community's feedback as the design options are further developed. Please note that the survey will be closed on **Saturday, January 20**. Public meeting presentations and recordings related to the project can be found on the City's project webpage. In March/April, Public Works will return to the community to share further developed concepts and solicit additional public feedback. Exact date to be determined. For additional information, please contact the Department of Public Works, Engineering Division at ColoradoStBridge@cityofpasadena.net. *Source: Pasadena Public Works*.



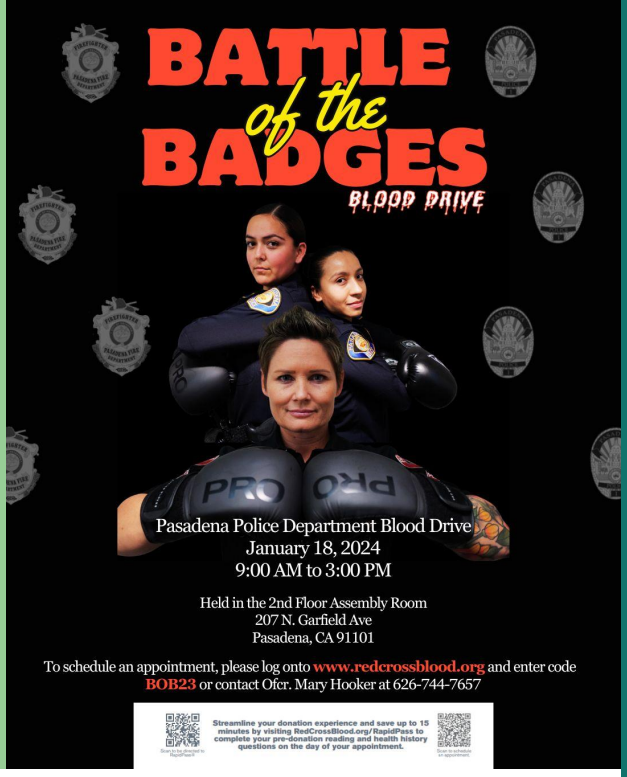
Ave. 64 Roundabout Project Setup 1/13, Construction Begins 1/16

Pasadena's Public Works Department and its contractor will begin a 4-stage traffic calming construction project on Ave. 64, including a roundabout, curb extensions, street light installation and modification, and landscape and hardscape beautifications. Traffic control setup will begin **Saturday, January 13**. Phase 1 (east side of Ave. 64) is scheduled for **January 16**-March 1; Phase 2 (middle of Ave. 64) will begin March 4; and Phase 3 (west side of Ave. 64) will begin April 22. Burleigh Dr. will be completely closed from Brentnal Rd. to Ave. 64 for portions of Stage 1. Ave. 64 will remain open during construction, but there will be lane closures. The curb extension project on Ave. 64 at Cheviotdale Dr. is scheduled to begin February 20. The curb extension project on Ave. 64 at Glenullen Dr. is scheduled for August. Click here to read more. *Source: Pasadena Public Works*.

Pasadena Police Department Blood Drive 1/18

The Pasadena Police Department will

host a Blood Drive from **9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Thursday, January 18**, in the 2nd floor Assembly Room at 207 N. Garfield Ave. To schedule an appointment, please log onto redcrossblood.org and enter code BOB23 or contact Officer Mary Hooker at (626) 744-7657. *Source: Pasadena Police Department*.



Water Town Hall 1/18

Join Pasadena Water and Power for a virtual town hall and learn all about your water: where it comes from, what it takes to deliver it, how costs are recovered, and how we ensure sustainable and reliable delivery of safe, high-quality water services into the future. Assistant General Managers Lynne Chaimowitz, Finance and Administration, and Stacie Takeguchi, Water, will lead a presentation followed by Q&A. The town hall will be held **Thursday, January 18, from 6-8 p.m.** Click here or call (669) 444-9171, Zoom meeting ID: 886 669 61478. *Source: Pasadena Water and Power*.

Celebrating 100 Years Since the Cheeseburger Was Invented in Pasadena with Cheeseburger Week 1/21-27

Cheeseburger Week returns **January 21-27** to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the invention of the cheeseburger by 16-year-old Lionel Sternberger at The Rite

Spot (1500 W. Colorado near Ave. 64) in Pasadena in 1924 (which he called the Aristocratic Burger). There are a few cheeseburger-themed events happening around Pasadena, and 40 of Pasadena's favorite restaurants, lounges, and burger joints will offer their signature burgers, some special creations, and a few deals during Pasadena's Cheeseburger Week. Click here to read more. *Source: Visit Pasadena*.

Volunteers Needed for 2024 Homeless Count 1/23-24

Volunteers are needed to count and survey our neighbors experiencing homelessness **from 8-10 p.m. on Tuesday, January 23, and from 6-8 a.m. on Wednesday, January 24**. Volunteers, who must be 18 years old and attend a brief training class prior to the count, will be sent in teams of 4-5 to an assigned zone covering Pasadena. For more details on the 2024 Homeless Count, click here. To sign up to volunteer, click here. *Source: Pasadena Housing Department*.

42nd Annual Black History Parade & Festival 2/17

The 42nd annual Pasadena Black History Parade & Festival will be held on **Saturday, February 17**. The theme is "Past-Present-Future: Celebrating the Life & Legacy of Jackie Robinson." The parade begins at **10 a.m.** on N. Fair Oaks and Mountain View St. and ends at 12 p.m. at Robinson Park, 1081 N. Fair Oaks Ave., where the festival will run through 4 p.m. For more information, click here or call (626) 744-7300. *Source: Pasadena Parks, Recreation, and Community Services Department*.

Pokémon GO Tour: Sinnoh at the Rose Bowl 2/17-18

Niantic is hosting the next Pokémon GO Tour at the Rose Bowl on **February 17-18**. After hosting Pokémon GO Tour: Hoenn in Las Vegas last year, this marks the first time that Niantic will host a major

Pokémon GO live event in the Los Angeles area. Thousands of Pokémon Trainers from around the world are expected to attend to experience two days of catching, trading, and battling with their favorite Pokémon. Click here for more information. *Source: Rose Bowl*.

Cruel World Music Festival at the Rose Bowl 5/11

Goldenvoice announced the return of the Cruel World Music Festival taking place **Saturday, May 11**, at Brookside at the Rose Bowl, featuring a headline performance by Duran Duran and performances from Interpol, Blondie, Simple Minds, Placebo, Soft Cell, Adam Ant, Ministry, Gary Numan, DREAMCAR, and more. Click here to learn more. *Source: Rose Bowl*.

4th of July at the Rose Bowl Returns with Soccer, Fireworks, & Family Fun 7/4

The Rose Bowl Stadium announced that cross-town rivals LA Galaxy and LAFC will return with a world-class soccer match on **Thursday, July 4**. The match will feature the longest-running fireworks display on the West Coast and include tributes to veterans and pre-match tailgating. Click here to read more. *Source: Rose Bowl*.

Paramedic Subscription Program

In an effort to curb the high cost of ambulance transport service, the Pasadena Fire Department offers a Paramedic Subscription Program for only $89 a year. The program provides unlimited access to Pasadena Fire's emergency medical system for Pasadena residents and those in their households, whether they have health insurance or

not. For more information and to apply, please click here. To check the status of your application, please call (800) 906-6552. Click here to read more. *Source: Pasadena Fire Department*.

Mandatory Organics Recycling

California recently adopted Senate Bill 1383, which requires communities to reduce organic waste disposal, such as food waste, by 75% by 2025. To achieve this mandate, the City has launched a Curbside Organics Recycling program in which residential refuse customers must include bagged food waste in their Yard Waste containers. Businesses and multi-family properties should contact their current hauler for guidance on organic recycling options. For more information, click here, see the adjacent graphics, or call the Citizens Service Center at (626) 744-7311. *Source: Pasadena Public Works*.

Follow District 6 on Social Media

Follow all of District 6's social media accounts to stay informed about what is going on in your community. We're on Threads, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube.

Upcoming Rose Bowl Events

Here's a list of other upcoming events at the Rose Bowl:

- **2/17-18:** Pokémon GO Tour: Sinnoh
- **5/11:** Cruel World Music Festival
- **5/18:** Just Like Heaven Music Festival
- **7/4:** LA Galaxy vs. LAFC soccer game and fireworks show

Source: Rose Bowl.

Citizen Service Center

The Citizen Service Center (CSC) is a centralized service to help Pasadena residents connect with their city. CSC is available via web, LiveChat, mobile app, and phone to assist in answering questions about City programs, services, and events.

Our knowledgeable representatives can help you find the information and assistance you need. Access to City Hall is now just a simple click away, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Next time you spot graffiti in your neighborhood, hit a pothole on your way to work, or notice an abandoned shopping cart on your street, just use the Citizen Service Center to report it. Simply open the CSC app, website, or make a call to report an issue. Your issue will be automatically routed to the appropriate department for investigation. You can also track the status of your requests. For more information, or to submit a request, please click here.

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Visit pasadenamedia.org to view Pasadena Media's programming streaming live and on-demand. Check out District 6 Council Liaison Justin Chapman's show "Pasadena Monthly" every fourth Friday of the month. Last month's episode featured an interview with 2024 Tournament of Roses President Alex Aghajanian.

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