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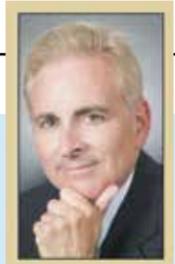
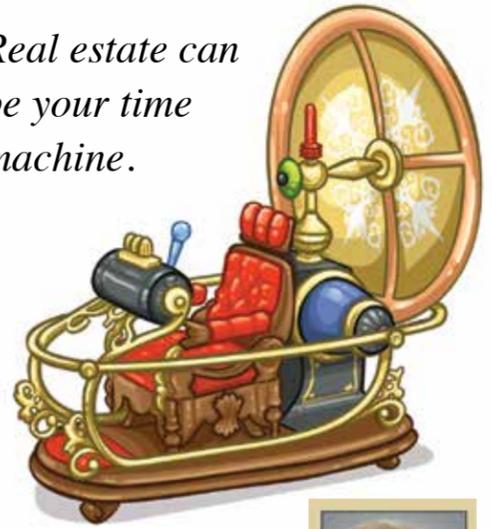
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A cellist rocks it at the Laguna BOB waterfront hangout.

Playful on South Padre Island

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A cellist as bar entertainer. World-class marine sanctuaries. Million dollar waterfront homes, and laid-back beach bars. The most beautiful sunset I've ever seen. Am I in Hawaii? South Florida? No. I'm on South Padre Island in Texas!

I didn't know what to expect when I recently visited Texas' largest barrier island in the Gulf of Mexico — "at the tropical tip of Texas 25 miles north of Mexico" — as the locals say. I'm happy to report its mix of upscale and lowbrow eateries and bars, big splashy watersports and world-class marine ecological programs, centuries old history, and modern hotels add up to a delightful tropical playground.

And at 30 miles in length and only half-mile at its widest point, it's easy to get around.

The Southern Wave Sailing Charters' Sunset Dinner Cruise made a perfect introduction to the island — and Texas' hospitality. Cruising the quiet waters of Laguna Madre Bay, between the island and the mainland, I enjoyed an overview of the fun waterfront bars and restaurants, ritzy neighborhoods and protected estuaries and dunes. "Can I bring you something from the buffet?" This wasn't a deckhand asking. This was a 20-something fellow passenger, worried that if I stood in line, I'd miss the stunning sunset.

At first I was disappointed that kayaking was rained out the next morning. Then I went shopping instead. "Woo hoo!" Texas hospitality continued at two chic boutiques that serve wine while you shop. Cactus Flower Gifts & Interiors poured bubbly, and Sisters Interiors poured light rose. My kind of shopping. Paragraph Books was dry but provided a cheery

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Nicolas Nemiri, Oct. 12 through Oct. 27, is a French illustrator living in Beijing. He will fly in from Beijing to attend the opening in person Oct. 12 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Upcoming shows at GALLERY NUCLEUS

Jake Parker is an illustrator and comics artist who began the famous Inktober challenge in 2009. He will appear in person from 6 to 9 p.m. Oct. 12 at Gallery Nucleus, 210 E. Main St., Alhambra, celebrating Inktober's 10th anniversary with a new exhibition of work, a brand new self-published artbook, and exclusive pins and prints from Gallery Nucleus. Artists are welcome to bring their sketchbooks and draw with Jake. The gallery will provide free refreshments for participating artists.

<https://www.gallerynucleus.com/event/731>

De'Von Stubblefield is a character designer based in Los Angeles who has worked on many Disney and Pixar projects, including *Coco*, *Incredibles 2*, and *Moana*. For his solo show with Gallery Nucleus, Oct. 12 through Oct. 27, De'Von has created a body of work reflecting his relationship with his faith.

"My vision is to give something authentic while sharing my visual exploration process with others. God inspires a deep feeling of home in me, feelings that are reminiscent of Eden. I hope to share a glimpse as I grow and express myself."

<https://www.gallerynucleus.com/gallery/757/exhibition>

Nicolas Nemiri, Oct. 12 through Oct. 27, is a French illustrator living in Beijing. His work is influenced by Japanese art and comics, but he also draws from the French comic artists and illustrators he read in his youth: Moebius, Hugo Pratt, and André Franquin. His work is a striking blend between Eastern and Eu-

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A sensational sunset from the Laguna BOB waterfront bar.

environment — think a small version of Vroman's — to sink into an overstuffed chair and enjoy a relaxing read from Little Golden Books fairytales to novels. "Visitors are always looking for something to read," owner Griff Mangan told me, "so I opened this independent bookstore several years ago, and business is great." Paragraph also carries gifts, cards, music, and DVDs.

Sipping rum and coke with a local girlfriend and rocking out to a cellist playing original tunes on her amplified cello at Laguna BOB (Bar on the Bay), a local favorite waterfront hangout, rounded out the evening. Who knew a cellist could be Jimmy Buffet hip? Or that sunsets could be so dramatic? As the sun hit the horizon, it literally appeared to melt onto the sea like fiery butter spreading on water. "Oh, we see these sunsets all the time," my friend said.

The next morning dawned clear and sunny. Perfect for playing on the pristine beaches that stretch for miles along its eastern Gulf coastline. The soft, powdery sand and calm shallow waters are ranked among the 2019 Top 10 U.S. beaches for families by *Better Homes and Gardens*. And for building sand castles.

"We're the "sand castle capital of the world," Andy Hancock, owner and instructor of Sand Castle Lessons, bragged as he showed me how to carve a turret into the four-foot high castle with a kitchen spatula. In fact, the rock-solid sand — created by millennia of outflow from the Rio Grande River, according to Mr. Hancock — helped start the sand castle craze more than 30 years ago. Thousands of enthusiasts hit the beach every October (this year's 33rd celebration is Oct. 3-6) for the Sand Castle Days competition. There's even a Sandcastle Trail highlighting more than 30 permanent sand sculptures around the island.

Sea creatures also love the island's unspoiled waters and beaches. Laguna Madre Bay is a nationally protected wildlife refuge. And the locals do all they can to preserve and protect them.

"Awe..." The Original Dolphin Watch eco cruise was heart-warming as we watched a mother dolphin and her small baby swim shoulder-to-shoulder in the sparkling lagoon. Like a proud papa, Captain Jesse guided the vessel safely beside the pair and explained about this newest



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Beautiful views at the South Padre Island Birding Nature Center & Alligator Sanctuary.



Technicians help to heal a patient at Sea Turtle Inc.

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Seniors and loneliness

By Craig Statton

Atherton, 214 S. Atlantic Blvd., Alhambra, CA 91801

My mother and father raised my brother and me in rural Colorado. They lived in the community of Limon for over 50 years, and their lives and relationships were woven into the landscape of this community. When my father died suddenly, my mother had a difficult choice: stay in the community with the friends and relationships of 50 years or move to California to be closer to her sons and their families. She chose to move, which our family loved, but the loss of close friends was difficult and created an issue that my mom had to learn to cope with — loneliness.

It's normal to feel lonely from time to time. But as you grow older, relationships change and sometime sever and your risk of social isolation increases. According to a survey of more than 3,000 people conducted by the American Association of Retired Persons, more than one-third of older adults say they're lonely.

"That's problematic because loneliness is linked to depression, and depression may make it much harder for you to manage health problems," said Mary Bernstein, LMFT, and Diane Wilson, LMFT, of the Mills-Peninsula Medical Center Behavioral Health Outpatient Care Team. "And it's not that simple to just go out and make new friends."

Some of the barriers that stand in the way of making new friends are:

- o Transportation – If you can't get up and go by yourself, it is hard to meet your current friends, much less make new ones.
- o Physical limitation – Pain or mobility issues may keep you at home.

- o Poor vision or hearing – You may worry about misreading facial expressions or being unable to follow conversation in noisy places.
- o Mental health issues – Someone battling depression or anxiety, for example, may be unable to leave home.
- o Addiction – A senior who is dependent on a pain medication, alcohol, or other substances may avoid social interaction that could expose his or her addiction.
- o Finances – If you're on a fixed income, you may worry about the cost of social activities.

So what can you do to combat loneliness? The first thing is to recognize that feeling lonely and sad a great deal of the time is not part of the normal aging process. Talking to your doctor, your minister, a family member, or a health care professional may be the beginning of getting help. There are many resources that exist to combat both loneliness and depression.

Another option is to get involved with a group. "A great place to start is your local senior center," Ms. Bernstein said. "Today's senior centers are so much more than bingo. They offer classes, trips, and a whole range of activities, many suitable for young and active people in their early 60s." If not a senior center, how about a church or a supper club? Some people even consider moving to a new community. Communities like Atherton offer a variety of activities, and those who move into these communities have experienced the changes of life and are sympathetic and open to new relationships.



Families can play a major role to help their loved one adjust and overcome loneliness. Ms. Bernstein said, "Geographically, some people are not so close to family anymore. Kids may live on the East Coast and parents on the West Coast. That's difficult for seniors, particularly once they've retired, because they don't feel like they have a purpose the way they do in an intergenerational family. Suddenly they are not connected to the family and community the way they used to be."

Most seniors are proud and do not want to complain or be a burden so they will not admit they are lonely. Yet this attitude will not alleviate the loneliness. Some of the things a family can do are:

- o Call and visit as much as possible.
- o During visits, talk to neighbors and find out what's happening in your relative's social circle.
- o Put together a phone list of doctors and neighbors.
- o Make sure your loved one knows about nearby resources. Perhaps encourage them and even accompany them to a local community group for seniors.
- o Anticipate certain times that may trigger loneliness, such as the holidays or anniversaries of births and deaths.
- o Ask a neighbor to check up on your relative when you can't visit.

The transition for my mom was not easy. I would like to say there were no moments of loneliness, but I know this wasn't true. She missed my father, and she missed her friends, but she loved her family, and she made new friends. There were moments of loneliness, but there were also moments of friendship and family and a new chapter in her life's story.

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member of the lagoon's several bottle nose dolphin pods. Earlier, the onboard naturalist had netted a small sting ray and a puffer fish from the shallow lagoon bottom — putting them into a saltwater tank as he explained their role in the eco system before releasing them back into the water. "We preserve through entertainment — by educating and entertaining our passengers," explained Capt. Jesse.



Mother and baby spotted on the Original Dolphin Watch eco cruise.

Sea Turtle, Inc., is not only a favorite attraction, it's a major force in rescuing, rehabilitating, and releasing injured sea turtles, especially the seriously endangered Kemp's Ridley sea turtle, which frequent the island's waters. "We've been here 42 years and are funded by tourism," explained Jeff George, executive director. "We're the only sea turtle center in the world with its own CT scan." The facility also funds international turtle rescue programs off the coast of Mexico; in Athens, Greece; and in Indonesia. I enjoyed seeing the dozens of large and small turtles, each in its own tank, regaining their health — and for some too injured to return to



"I'm safe!" says a relaxed gator in the South Padre Island Birding Nature Center & Alligator Sanctuary.

the wild — living happily ever after. Beautiful views and beautiful birds are the stars of the South Padre Island Birding, Nature Center & (recently) Alligator Sanctuary. The 360-degree view from the fifth story observation tower was magical. Then walking along the boardwalk above the protected bay-front lagoon and mangroves, I spotted a flock of bright pink roseate spoonbills, and later, an alligator floating in a pond. The alligators are "nuisance" gators, I learned, rescued from Florida where they posed a threat to people or animals.

My hotel was the popular beachfront Hilton Garden Inn. Next door, a Courtyard by Marriott is set to open in October. Everyone was talking about Jimmy Buffet's four-hour visit two weeks before mine. Is a Margaritaville resort in the island's future? Stay tuned!

To learn more, visit www.sopadre.com.

Senior Outings heads to Lake Arrowhead

September's Senior Outing will head up to beautiful Lake Arrowhead Thursday, Sept. 12, for an hour-long, narrated boat tour of the lake aboard the Lake Arrowhead Queen. Learn about the history of the lake and the personalities who shaped it. Back ashore, there will be lots of time to explore the shops and restaurants of Arrowhead Village.

Participants will leave the Joslyn Center at 8:30 a.m. and return at 5:30 p.m. The cost for this trip is \$25, which does not include lunch. The activity level is considered moderate as there will be some walking (at one's own pace) around Lake Arrowhead Village. This will be the only trip for September, so be sure to sign up.

For more information, contact the Joslyn Center at 626-570-5056. Or visit the center at 210 N. Chapel Ave.

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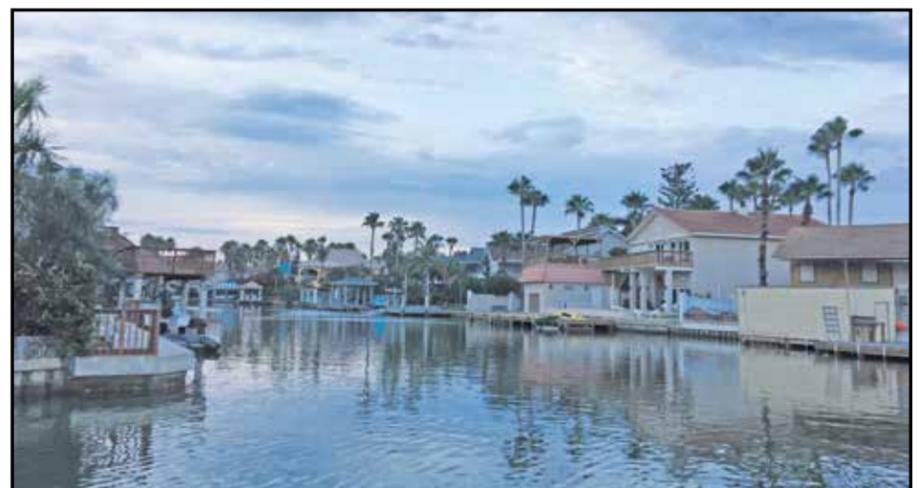
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Are bleeding gums an alarming sign for something more serious?

Q. My gums bleed sometimes when I brush. I have been told that the probing of my gums confirmed periodontal disease. Is this a reliable source?

Bleeding gums are generally a sign that your gums are inflamed. It could be a sign of periodontal disease or simply that your teeth have tartar build up and calculus more than you can tolerate.

It is fairly natural for most people to develop some calculus between their recall cleaning visits. This calculus starts to develop usually right at the gum line, the neck of the teeth. When the deposits are not removed, they start to increase in size and start to move under the gums much like when you get a splinter in your skin. This causes an inflammatory response, and your gums start to bleed even with a light touch of the toothbrush. If the problem is addressed, calculus removed and good oral hygiene established, the inflammation and bleeding will decrease and eventually stop.

Understand what gum/periodontal disease is



However, if the problem is not addressed, it leads to serious dental issues. As with any other enemy, your body is using the immune system to fight off the infection. If not treated, the inflammation progresses down and spreads in the bone supporting the teeth. Eventually, so much inflammation occurs that the bone starts to give up and recedes, which creates a gap between the teeth and the gums called a periodontal pocket. The bigger the pocket is, the greater the degree of detachment of the tooth. When a tooth loses its attachment, it leads to tooth mobility and eventually tooth loss.

Gum probing

Dentists use a tiny calibrated instrument called a periodontal probe to exactly measure how deep the space between the tooth and the gum is. Pocket depth of 4mm and greater combined with gum bleeding and bone loss, visible on the x-rays, are certain signs of periodontal disease. A dental probing examination is essential to determine the severity of the periodontal condition.



**Ask
Dr. Dara,
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Dr. Dara Gashparova, D.D.S. is located at 70 S. Palm Ave., Alhambra 91801. Readers with dental questions or concerns should contact her at 626-289-6131, or email daradds@yahoo.com.

What to do in case of periodontal disease

- Have a professional deep cleaning to remove tartar, plaque, and harmful bacteria.
- Prescription mouth wash and antibiotics are given based on the infection found.
- Follow your dentist's recommendation for periodontal maintenance appointments that are scheduled after the deep cleaning, usually every three months.
- Practice a good oral hygiene routine at home in between the visits.
- Floss daily. Flossing is the only way to remove plaque and bacteria hiding under the gums and in between the teeth.
- Avoid sugary snacks: Harmful bacteria feeds on the sugar that is present in your mouth.
- If you smoke, talk with your doctor about quitting.
- If your gum disease is due to systemic problems, such as diabetes, work on controlling the condition first.
- If you have bleeding gums, do not ignore them. Ask your dentist to put the pieces of the dental puzzle together and explain the whole picture. Proper treatment and maintenance is the key to have your teeth for a lifetime.

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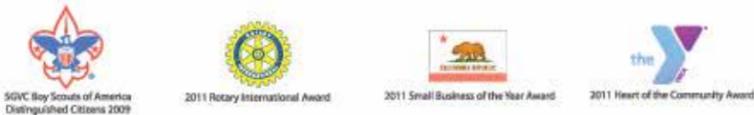
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On being whole

BY SHEILA YONEMOTO, P.T.

As a physical therapist, I see life from different perspectives. Perhaps it is because PTs spend time with their patients in a positive environment working toward getting more function, relieving pain in a soothing way through touch, and getting to know other aspects impacting patients' lives. As a result of working with people from all walks of life, I feel most people want to be happy and safe, pain free, and trouble free. Some fear losing their memory or suffering at the end of their lives, and others are searching for acceptance.

Life moves more quickly than we like. It's always changing, and it seems to get harder as we age.

Some people have a difficult time losing friends or having family move away. Some miss their spouses and can't seem to live happily in a world of couples. Others get depressed because they cannot do 15 different tasks a day like before. It is challenging when one suffers a major loss of function with a stroke, serious illness, or traumatic injury.

So, what defines wholeness? Does one have to be totally healthy, be in a meaningful relationship, or be a productive member of society? Be able to travel the world or drive a car? Have friends?

In reality, we are all in a state of becoming, so we may never feel whole. It might be better to be in a state of now, just as we are, no more, no less. If we could accept who we are at this point in time, then, maybe, we can be whole just as we are.

I often think of the lyrics to a song, *Love the One You Are With*. Then you are not looking forward to some point in the future but can enjoy the present moment.

My father used to say you can focus on people's flaws and be miserable, or you can be happy by focusing on the good. He said there is good and bad in everything. I believe you will find what you are looking for.



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lieve you will find what you are looking for.

I never want to be a person who is always looking forward to the next vacation, holiday, or major event. I strive to enjoy nature and the company of others and to find joy in the task at hand. In doing so, I feel whole.

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- * 92% agree that an attractive smile is an important social asset.
- * 88% say they always remember someone with an especially attractive smile.
- * 85% find that an unattractive smile is less appealing to the opposite sex.
- * 74% agree that an unattractive smile will negatively impact career success.
- * Only 50% of respondents are satisfied with their smiles.

Smile Talk



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Some of the most common complaints people have with their smiles are those that they have had since childhood, such as discolored, gapped, or crooked teeth. Other problems may be those that developed in adulthood, such as cracked or worn down teeth. Then there are teeth that have had fillings that have discolored the front teeth or crowns that no longer match the color of the natural teeth, which turned a darker color.

Whitening your teeth would generally be the first consideration. Very often, when your teeth are whiter, minor discrepancies such as slight crowding of your front teeth will almost disappear. Your dentist may advise that all you need may be the use of a home-bleaching product available over the counter. Failing that, you may ask your dentist to make home-bleaching trays that use a higher concentration of bleaching gel. Over a period of weeks you should see dramatic improvement. For those who want a whiter and even more dramatic result, in-office bleaching procedures that will whiten your teeth within one hour are available.

For gapped front teeth, bonding is generally the initial consideration. Cosmetic bonding calls for the dentist to incrementally build up spaces between the teeth with various shades of composite materials and then "paint" surfaces with additional composites of different hues, chroma, and translucency to match the adjacent teeth. Techniques employing "optical illusion" in shaping the composites give the teeth the appearance of normal-sized teeth without the gaps. This can be done without reducing the teeth. With some precautions and proper care, cosmetic bonding can last many years without chipping or breakage.

In the case where the patient desires veneers, because of the strength and durability of enhanced porcelain, this procedure calls for reducing a slight amount of tooth structure to accommodate the thin layer of porcelain that will cover the surface of the teeth. The shell of thin porcelain is bonded over the tooth. Veneers do not change color or shine over time and allow the dentist to do a complete makeover of the smile. Stunning results are achieved with this technique.

For crooked teeth, orthodontics is always a good alternative. Where bands and braces are impractical, veneering can bring changes in a matter of weeks. Transparent plastic "retainers" to move teeth also may be an alternative in some cases.

Where teeth are worn down, previously filled or capped, veneers or porcelain crowns may be a good solution. However, in the case where teeth have been worn down due to involuntary nighttime clenching or grinding, a bite guard should be worn so that new crowns or veneers would not be worn down again.

If you are among the 50% who are not satisfied with your smile, see your dentist for the solution that will work best for you. And if you are among the fortunate 50%, who are satisfied with your smile, see your dentist regularly so that you can maintain that great smile for a lifetime.

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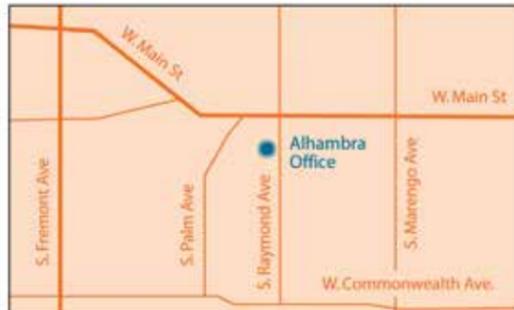
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UPCOMING SHOWS AT GALLERY NUCLEUS

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<https://www.gallerynucleus.com/gallery/758/exhibition>

Both solo shows, Stubblefield and Nemiri, will open the same night, 6 to 9 p.m. Oct. 12, with both exclusive prints as well as artbooks from the artists available for purchase. Mr. Nemiri will fly in from Beijing to attend the opening in person.

Artists Christian Robinson, Kenard Pak, Dan Santat, Joey Chou, and Brigette Barrager will be in attendance from 2 to 5 p.m. Oct. 12 to sign their new book *Sunny Day: A Celebration of the Sesame Street Theme Song*.

Attendees will be able to purchase their copies at the event, or purchase a pre-order copy on the Gallery Nucleus website to pick up before the event. If unable to attend the event in person, signed copies can be pre-ordered on the Gallery Nucleus website and shipped after the event.

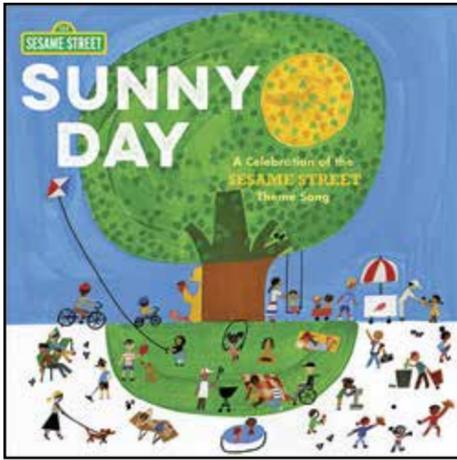
Copies of the Sesame Street book *Love the Fur You're In: Monster Wit & Wisdom from Sesame Street* will also be available for purchase.

The event is free and open to the public.

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Mr. Robinson will also have an exhibition and signing for his new book *Just in Case You Want to Fly* at the same time as the Sesame signing.

The creators of the award-winning *When's My Birthday?* team up again to create an inspirational book for anyone, parent or child, looking for support when facing a new challenge.
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Artists Christian Robinson, Kenard Pak, Dan Santat, Joey Chou, and Brigette Barrager will be in attendance from 2 to 5 p.m. Oct. 12 to sign their new book *Sunny Day: A Celebration of the Sesame Street Theme Song*.



Iridas will perform at the Performing Arts Center at 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22, at Sage Granada Park United Methodist Church, 1850 W. Hellman Ave., Alhambra.

Award-winning electro-chamber ensemble Iridas to perform at Performing Arts Center

Alhambra Performing Arts Center (APAC), under the direction of Chef/Artistic Director Bill Yee, will present award-winning IRIDAS in a free concert at 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 22, at Sage Granada Park United Methodist Church, 1850 W. Hellman Ave., Alhambra.

Iridas was formed in 2015 by composer/producer/multi-instrumentalist Matt Smith in an effort to explore the possibilities of his demanding musical style. Mr. Smith met violinist Megan Shung and former violist Sean Lyons while they were in school together at the Cleveland Institute of Music receiving classical training of the highest caliber. After moving to Los Angeles, they added cellist Pierre Derycz to their line-up, and the quartet sought to blend Mr. Smith's background in contemporary classical music with rock and electronic dance music.

In 2017, Mikala Schmitz joined the band, replacing Mr. Derycz on the cello, and in 2018, Mr. Lyons was replaced by Dmitri Yevstifeev, a talented multi-instrumentalist who plays viola, mandolin, and guitar. The new line-up shares a passion for jazz and hip-hop, which has begun to have a profound impact on the band's already unique voice. The Iridas sound, shaped primarily by Mr. Smith, reaches deep into

music history for influence. The lush harmonies and colors of Maurice Ravel combined with the rhythmic and textural intricacy of Gyorgy Ligeti add fuel to the instrumental fire, but Iridas is far from a classical piano quartet. The band's desire to engage with jazz, hip-hop, rock, and a variety of other styles have all made an impact. The result is unrecognizable simply as classical crossover; Iridas is something new.

APAC, formerly The Center for the Visual & Performing Arts CVPA, is in its 13th season and is already booked through July 2020 with many more exciting world-class performances. Mr. Yee is a founder of this community outreach program based at the historical Sage Granada Park United Methodist Church in 2006. He is a nationally awarded ACF (American Culinary Federation) chef who also owns the Alhambra Culinary School and L.A. Omelets Catering Services. He is the past president of the prestigious Le Cordon Bleu Alumni Association and vice president of the ACF Chefs de Cuisine Association of California.

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Moving Genovese's Italian Kitchen into 21st century

By Jewelyn Co

Located at 2900 W. Main St., Genovese's has been serving the community traditional homestyle Italian food since 1980. Just a few miles from the busy streets of Downtown Alhambra, this cozy Italian restaurant stands at a quieter area of Main Street but still continues to attract crowds.

Renowned chefs and owners Aricia Alvarado and Hugo Molina have been in the restaurant and food industry for many years and have now added Genovese's to their lists of many successful business they have handled. Hugo began cooking at the age of 14 and continued his journey as a chef for many famous people and cooked alongside famous chefs across the country. He opened Parkway Grill in Pasadena, where he and Aricia met and began

their journey in the food industry together.

When the opportunity to take over Genovese's came along, they did not hesitate to let the chance go by. They bought Genovese's in February 2018 and had a re-grand opening in May 2019. "We have been residents of Alhambra for many years, and

we always dreamed about having a community restaurant that we could be a part of," Aricia said. "This place is perfect for us and very convenient. We have run many busy restaurants, bars, and a catering company, and it is time for us to settle at a slower paced environment." To honor the history of Genovese's, they felt it was a wise idea to keep Genovese's name, menu, and its concept while adding approachable twists for the 21st century.

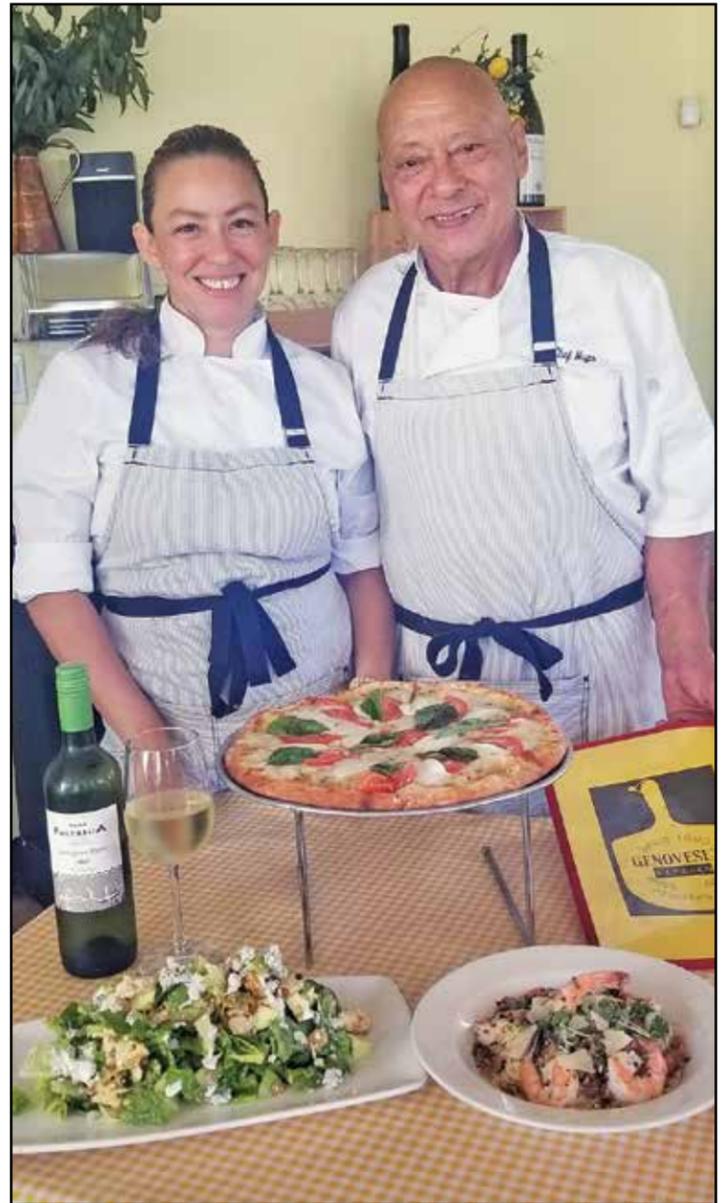
Being among the Top 10 Chefs, with numerous recognitions and awards, Chef Hugo and Chef Aricia bring innovative flavors to Genovese's dishes with their secret ingredients and creative preparations. From hand-made sauces, doughs, and pastas, the dishes are made from scratch with fresh ingredients in-house. Every dish is made to order and crafted timely; worth the wait for the flavors to be more enjoy-

able. From personal sized to large 18 inch specialty pizzas, diners can choose from extensive toppings or order from their most popular such as the Margarita pizza made with extra virgin olive oil, garlic base, fresh mozzarella, garden picked basil, and tomatoes. For parties and special gatherings and occasions, the jumbo sized 24 inch pizza is available for take-out only. Well portioned with juicy chicken, fresh crisp romaine lettuce, green apples, blue cheese crumbles, and toasted almonds dressed with ranch and

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2020 Acura MDX, MDX Sport Hybrid arrive at dealerships

The 2020 Acura MDX and MDX Sport Hybrid are on sale at Acura dealerships across the U.S. with a starting Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) of \$44,400 and \$52,900 (excluding \$995 destination and handling), respectively. As the best-selling three-row luxury SUV of all time, the MDX in 2018 posted a seventh straight year of sales exceeding 50,000 units, something no other three-row model in segment can match, and continues to outsell key competitors in 2019.

The 2020 MDX offers a dynamic

driving experience with both a standard and Sport Hybrid version, an available A-Spec sport appearance variant, and an extensive list of standard premium features and high-tech appointments on all grades, including AcuraWatch™ safety and driver-assistive technologies.

2020 MDX

The 2020 MDX includes base, Tech, and Advance package options, with optional Super-Handling All-Wheel Drive™ (SH-AWD®) technology, which is one of the most capable and sophisticated torque-vectoring AWD systems

in the marketplace. The popular MDX A-Spec, includes a comprehensive list of appearance upgrades, including unique exterior styling, high-contrast seat and door panel stitching, and contrasting front seat side garnishes. Also featured on the 2020 MDX are front passenger seats with standard four-way power lumbar adjustments, a walk through second-row seat configuration on Technology and Entertainment packages, and a trim-exclusive matching wood center console available on the MDX Advance Package.

The 2020 MDX is powered by a responsive 3.5-liter direct-injected i-VTEC® 24-valve V6 engine with 290 peak horsepower (SAE net) and 267 pound feet peak torque (SAE net), mated to a quick-shifting and highly refined nine-speed automatic transmission.

The 2020 MDX with front-wheel drive has an EPA fuel economy rating of 20/27/23 mpg (city/highway/combined), A-Spec is rated at 19/25/21, and all other models with SH-AWD® have an EPA rating of 19/26/22 mpg (city/highway/combined).

2020 MDX key features include:

- 3.5-liter direct-injected i-VTEC® 24-valve V6 engine.
- Available in standard front wheel drive or with Super-Handling All-Wheel Drive™ (SH-AWD®) technology.
- Nine-speed automatic transmission.
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- Available A-Spec sport appearance package.
- Standard AcuraWatch™ suite of advanced safety and driver-assistive

technologies.

- Driver and front passenger four-way power lumbar seats.
- Premium interior refinements including wood trim, high-contrast seat and door panel stitching, and contrasting front seat side garnishes.

2020 MDX Sport Hybrid

The 2020 MDX Sport Hybrid is engineered for customers who desire the ultimate in driving refinement, technological sophistication, and prestige. Featuring Acura's signature three-motor Sport Hybrid Super-Handling All-Wheel Drive™ (SH-AWD®) system, the MDX Sport Hybrid is the brand's most powerful and efficient production vehicle.

The MDX Sport Hybrid's 3.0-liter, i-VTEC™ V6 engine and three-motor Sport Hybrid Super Handling-All Wheel Drive™ (SH-AWD®) system delivers decisive power and control as well as instant torque. While turning out 321 total system horsepower and 289 lb.-ft. of combined system torque, all MDX Sport Hybrids earn an impressive EPA combined fuel economy rating of 27 mpg. An advanced seven-speed dual-clutch transmission (7DCT) — a feature closely related to the NSX supercar's nine-speed DCT — is offered as standard equipment. The MDX Sport Hybrid's electric SH-AWD® system operates independently of the gasoline engine, with the two rear-mounted electric motors dynamically apportioning torque directly to the left and right rear wheels.

Offered in a Technology and Advanced package, the Tech Package models include seating for seven, while the range-topping Advance Package incor-

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The new Passat: more comfort as standard thanks to better connectivity

The new Passat is the car for frequent drivers. Volkswagen is now bringing this popular company car to market equipped with the next development stage of operating and Infotainment systems. Hardware and software together form an intuitive interface with which onboard convenience and communication can be optimally adjusted by means of online-based functions and services. In the Passat, five components combine to form the current level of connected mobility: a new generation of Infotainment, an online connectivity unit (OCU) with integrated eSIM, Volkswagen We as an online ecosystem, the Digital Cockpit, and a head-up display.

Online Infotainment

The new Passat boasts a standard Composition radio system (including 6.5-inch display) as well as the optional Discover Media (8-inch) and Discover Pro (9.2-inch) navigation systems. They are coupled with an online connectivity unit, which is always online (on request), even without a connected smartphone, thanks to eSIM.

New functions and an extensively redesigned menu navigation have been introduced in the Discover Media and Discover Pro navigations systems. They belong to the third generation of the modular Infotainment matrix (MIB3). The superior Discover Pro navigation system is now also equipped with App Connect Wireless. This means that Apple CarPlay™ can be used to integrate many iPhone apps wirelessly.

MIB and Volkswagen We as one unit

Thanks to the OCU and eSIM, the Passat will be synchronized with a completely new range of internet-based information and service options. Volkswagen We is a digital ecosystem developed by Volkswagen for this purpose. It enables apps, online functions, and services to be offered conveniently. It couldn't be simpler: via the Volkswagen We online portal, customers receive their individual Volkswagen ID with which they can access functions and services such as those of We Connect and We Connect Plus directly through the Passat's Info-

tainment system or a connected smartphone.

An overview of the We Connect and We Connect Plus functions

We Connect (free of charge) and We Connect Plus (free of charge for a year) are part of the Passat package as standard.

A few examples of We Connect functions:

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Production of the 2020 BMW 8 Series Gran Coupe began in July. Market launch is September.

2020 BMW 8 Series Gran Coupe offers beautiful design, latest driver assistance systems, connectivity

BMW announced the new four-door 2020 8 Series Gran Coupes. Available in rear-wheel drive 840i, all-wheel drive 840i xDrive, and M850i xDrive models, the new Gran Coupes offer the unmatched combination of beautiful design, luxurious appointments, the latest driver assistance systems, connectivity, and sports car performance expected from the top of the line of BMW automobiles.

Presenting a unique design from the windscreen back, the new BMW 8 Series Gran Coupes are 9 inches longer, 1.2 inches wider, 2.2 inches taller than the 8 Series Coupe, and feature a wheelbase that is 7.9 inches longer. Handcrafted exterior elements confirm the new 8 Series Gran Coupe as the choice for those discriminating drivers seeking modern elegance and exhilarating performance.

Prices start at \$84,900 for the new 2020 840i Gran Coupe, \$87,800 for the 840i xDrive Gran Coupe, and \$108,900 for the M850i xDrive Gran Coupe. Pricing does not include \$995 destination.

Exterior design

The new BMW 8 Series Gran Coupe, irrespective of engine choice, offers a stunning and powerful sweeping four-door body with wide flanks and sharp creased mod-

ern lines. In fact, with a rear track of 65.8 inches (1.2 inches wider than the 8 Series Coupe), the 8 Series Gran Coupe stands on the widest rear track of any BMW automobile, a design criteria that required an update of the Plant Dingolfing assembly line in order to accommodate the new, wider platform.

From the a-pillar back, the 8 Series Gran Coupe design differs from that of the Coupe to both increase interior space and deliver a vehicle with strong presence and authority. The windshield features less rake than in the Coupe to allow the roofline to rise to a higher point above the front seats, providing increased headroom for both front and rear passengers. The roof then merges into the rear trunk lid with fin-like transitional lines to create the visual of a long and flowing body. The rear glass is mounted with increased rake to increase the size of the trunk opening and also acts to form a fixed part of the body's structure to increase torsional rigidity and reduce noise entering the cabin. The subtle flying buttress design of the rear glass surround requires that the finishing folds of the metalwork be done by hand, a unique feature of the 8 Series Gran Coupe that allows for a truly elegant design to be delivered

to each and every owner.

Interior design

The BMW 8 Series' blend of sporting flair and luxury can now be enjoyed from all five available seats in the new Gran Coupe. The longer wheelbase and wider rear flanks of the sleek 8 Series Gran Coupe have allowed for sizable increases in interior space. Front head room increases by .2 inches while rear headroom is up by 3.4 inches. Rear legroom increases by a substantial 7.1 inches while rear shoulder room improves by 7.7 inches. The trunk gains .7 cubic feet of room.

The welcoming interior features touches such as Nappa leather on the dashboard and upper door panels, electroplated air vent surrounds, and door trim and quilting and decorative stitching on the seating surfaces. The extended center console in the 8 Series Gran Coupe is unique to the model and continues into the rear space, dividing the individually-styled right and left seats while still allowing for the rear center seat space to be used when needed. The rear console offers passengers individual right and left climate controls, air vents, storage tray, and USB-C ports.

Paint finishes and interior trim

Standard paint finishes on the new 8 Series Gran Coupe include non-metallic Alpine White and metallic finishes in Carbon Black (when the M Sport package is selected), Black Sapphire (840i and 840i xDrive only), Mineral White, Sonic Speed Blue, Sunset Orange, Bluestone (840i and 840i xDrive only), Blue Ridge Mountain (840i and 840i xDrive only), and Barcelona Blue (840i and 840i xDrive only).

Optional Individual paint finishes include Dravit Grey Metallic, Tanzanite Blue II Metallic, Aventurin Red Metallic, and Frozen Bluestone Metallic.

The 840i and 840i xDrive Gran Coupes feature standard Vernasca leather in either Black, Ivory White or Cognac. Optional on these two models and standard on the M850i xDrive Gran Coupe is Individual Extended Merino Leather in Black Ivory White, Cognac and two-tone Night Blue/Black, Tartufo/Black and Fiona Red/Black.

BMW Individual Full Merino leather is optional on all three Gran Coupe models and includes Black, Cognac, Ivory White, Ivory White/Night Blue, Ivory White/Tartufo, Night Blue/Black, Tartufo/Black, and Fiona Red/Black.

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porates a six-passenger interior configuration with second-row captain's chairs and a large second-row center console in place of a three-occupant bench seat.

MDX Sport Hybrid key features include:

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Six-passenger interior configuration with second-row captain's chairs and a large second-row center console (Advance Package).

Technology Package models include seating for seven.

owners to create the ride experience they desire or the one that conditions demand. Modes are tailored for normal, eco, sport, and slippery, plus snow and sand conditions.

Titanium models are available with an all-new heads-up display, a first-for-Ford in North America. The feature that projects information onto a 6-inch screen, giving drivers easy access to important information such as vehicle speed without taking their eyes off the road.

Class-exclusive driver-assist tech-

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Escape comes standard with Ford Co-Pilot360™ and makes available other driver-assist features such as Adaptive Cruise Control with Stop-and-Go and Lane-Centering.

FordPass Connect™ is a standard feature that provides 4G LTE Wi-Fi for up to 10 mobile devices with compatible wireless subscription service. FordPass Connect also gives drivers remote access to their Escape, allowing them to use their smartphone to lock, unlock, locate, and start the vehicle, as well as monitor key vehicle diagnostics.

An 8-inch touch screen — standard on SE models and above — shares information with the available 12.3-inch all-digital instrument cluster, which displays important vehicle information such as speedometer and fuel level. It uses 3D animated graphics to indicate the drive mode.

Available SYNC® 3 is compatible with available features such as Apple CarPlay™, Android Auto™, Ford+Alexa and Waze navigation. For music lovers, Escape offers an available 575-watt 10-speaker B&O Sound System by Bang & Olufsen.

The all-new Escape, available in S, SE, SE Sport, SEL, and Titanium series trim levels, is built at Louisville Assembly Plant in Kentucky. Vehicles are due to reach showrooms this fall. Plug-in hybrid units are due to arrive next spring.

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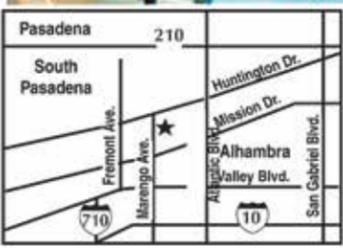
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2019 Mazda6 earns IIHS Top Safety Pick award

The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) announced that the 2019 Mazda6 has earned its Top Safety Pick award when equipped with specific headlights.

To qualify as a 2019 Top Safety Pick, a vehicle must earn good ratings in the driver-side small overlap front, moderate overlap front, side, roof strength, and head restraint tests, as well as a good or acceptable rating in the passenger-side small overlap front test. It also needs an advanced or superior rating for front crash prevention and a good or acceptable headlight rating.

The 2019 Mazda6 earns good ratings in all six IIHS crashworthiness evaluations.

The 2019 Mazda6 i-Activsense safety features are now standard on every Mazda6 sold. These features include Advanced Smart City Brake Support with Pedestrian Detection, Blind Spot Monitoring with Rear Cross-Traffic Alert, Lane Departure Warning with Lane-Keep Assist, Smart Brake Support and Mazda Radar Cruise Control with stop and go function.

"Mazda designs its vehicles with the driver in mind," said Mazda President Jeff Guyton. "Taking an active approach to safety gives the driver more peace of mind, which makes driving more fun. Confident driving is better driving, and the updates to the 2019 Mazda6 show Mazda's commitment to providing our customers with advanced safety technologies."

The 2019 Mazda6 now joins the 2019 Mazda3 Sedan and Hatch, 2019 CX-3, 2019 CX-9 as Top Safety Pick winners, while the CX-5 earns the higher-tier Top Safety Pick+ award.

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THE TIME MACHINE OF REAL ESTATE

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“We all have our time machines. Those that take us back are memories ... and those that carry us forward, are dreams.” H. G. Wells



The Forbidden City can take you back to the era of the Ming Dynasty.

Have you ever wanted to travel in a time machine? A time machine that can take you into the past or into the future. A time machine that would allow you to see and feel what people of certain eras experienced.

Real estate can be your time machine. You may have never lived in the 18th century, but real estate and its architecture can take you back to an era that existed hundreds of years before you were born. And the architecture of real estate can take you into the future to observe a world that someday will be commonplace.

Real estate is tangible. You can literally stand in a spot and see what people of an era long past actually saw. And that same spot you occupy may have been provided a space for historically noted people. When real estate acts as a time machine, you not only see what people of a previous era saw, but gain a feeling and a greater historical understanding of past times and cultures.

So where can you go to travel back in time? Some locations are local, and some are international.

A real estate “time machine” that takes you back 500 years is the Mosque-Cathedral of Cor-

doba in Cordoba, Spain. This World Heritage Site spreads over a dozen acres and switched ownership between Christians and Muslims multiple times. Since the 1500s, it has been a Catholic cathedral and remains substantially unchanged. And with this, it becomes our time machine. The Mosque-Cathedral of Cordoba was previously a Muslim Mosque originally built in 784 A.D., and part of its current name pays respect to this heritage. Prior to 784 A.D. it was a shared religious site between Christians and Muslims.

Although it is a Catholic cathedral, its accomplished Moorish architecture helped qualify it as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Architecturally, Roman columns are blended with Moorish arcades built with jasper, onyx, marble, and granite. Between these columns, Abd al-Rahman III, known as the “Defender of the Muslim Faith” and ruler of the Iberian Empire, would walk. And later, King Ferdinand III of Spain walked the same path between the beautiful columns.

Another UNESCO World Heritage Site that becomes a time machine is the Forbidden City of China. UNESCO designates it as the largest collection of preserved ancient wooden structures in

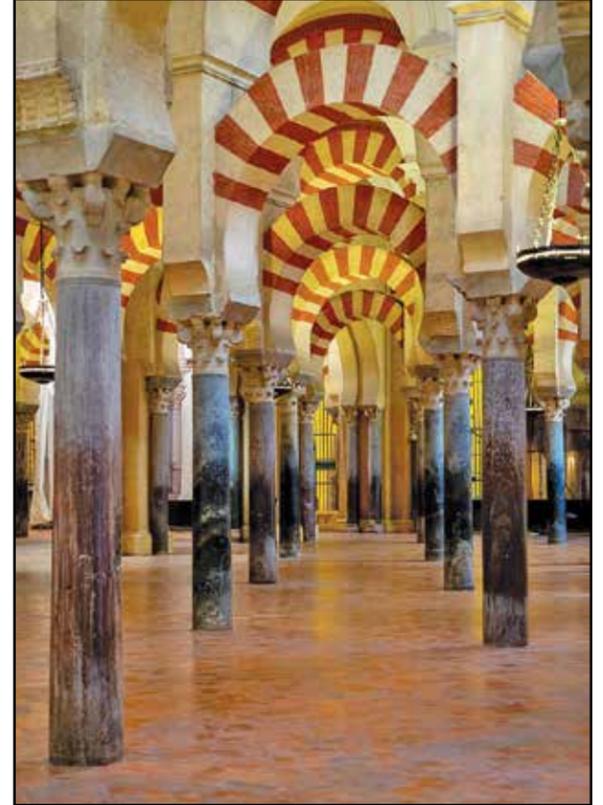
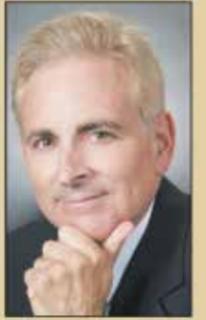
the world. The Forbidden City encompasses a massive 180 acres in Beijing and served as the home of emperors and their families along with being the ceremonial and political center of Chinese government for nearly 500 years. The Forbidden City was built between 1406 and 1420 and consists of 980 buildings. The palace becomes a time machine by demonstrating Chinese architecture from an era long past.

The grandeur of the

Understanding Real Estate

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The Mosque-Cathedral of Cordoba, Spain, can transport you back in time 500 years. Photo by Ajay Sureshof of New York, NY.

Forbidden City demonstrates the majesty of Chinese imperial power with the color yellow being prominent as the color of the emperor. And here again you step on actual pathways that members of the Ming Dynasty to the Qing Dynasty walked.

Locally, the Avila Adobe is the oldest standing residence in the City of Los Angeles. It is located in the paseo of historical Olvera Street and registered as California Historical Landmark #145. Typical of adobe construction, the walls of Avila Adobe are 2.5 to 3 feet thick with the adobe bricks gaining strength from a mixture of straw and horsehair.

The Avila Adobe was built in 1818 by a wealthy cattle rancher named Francisco Avila. The structure not only was a residence, but also a location for Avila to conduct trade and commerce.

Not all real estate time machines are structures. Much of California’s coastline is built up, and yet some sections still remain as they were hundreds of years earlier. The southern portion of San Onofre State Beach provides a glimpse of what California’s coast looked like at an earlier time. The 405 Freeway is concealed by the cliff line running along the beach, and Camp Pendleton Marine Corp Base has left this section of their complex undeveloped. From the beach, you are seeing a sight that native Californians saw hundreds of years ago.

Whether it be the Casa Mila in Spain, the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem, the Cambodian temples, or the Grand Canyon, real estate can be your time machine. When you let real estate be your time machine, keep in mind that you are seeing and experiencing what would have been seen at a much earlier date, just as if a time machine took you back in time. And with this and a little imagination, you actually are being transported by the time machine of real estate.

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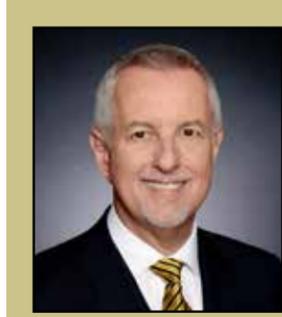
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Since the Great Recession in 2008, new housing construction across the country has steadily increased, according to a new report out from Apartment List. But the number of housing permits authorized in 2018 is still “significantly below its pre-recession peak,” the report noted, with nearly 40% fewer units permitted in 2018 than there were in 2005.

One issue in the slow housing recovery is that multi-family homes are being built at a faster rate than single-family homes, in areas that already had a lot of multi-unit buildings, according to the author of the report, Chris Salviati. In California cities like San Francisco and San Diego, high construction costs lead developers to build large apartment complexes at high prices to ensure that their project is profitable. Strict zoning laws also constrain where multi-housing projects can be built.

But what is missing are other types of buildings, such as townhouses and

low-rise apartments, which are alternatives for dense neighborhoods and maintain inclusive housing affordability, according to Mr. Salviati.

“Many of the zoning reforms described above strive to remove barriers to building a type of housing that has been referred to as the ‘missing middle,’” Mr. Salviati wrote. “This type of housing — two to four unit buildings, accessory dwelling units, townhouses, and low-rise apartment buildings — can play an important role in increasing density and creating walkable neighborhoods without impacting neighborhood character in the same way as mid- and high-rise apartment buildings.”

Why it matters. Senate Bill 50 would have done just that, by overwriting zoning regulations to allow for more housing in jobs- and transit-rich areas and the development of fourplex buildings. But the legislation was shelved until January 2020 after local officials pushed back on state Sen. Scott

Wiener, D-San Francisco, for writing a proposal that challenged their zoning restrictions. Housing advocates for the bill said it would increase production in a state that desperately needs additional housing. But opponents of the bill also said it would spur gentrification in areas that are already struggling with rising rent prices.

Mr. Salviati pointed to SB 50 and several national laws that would have changes policies that are often “inextricably linked to redlining practices that served to explicitly enforce patterns of residential racial segregation.”

“Single-family zoning also impedes the development of dense multi-family housing units, which can be an important source of market-rate affordable housing. Furthermore, denser cities are significantly more sustainable, and growing our cities with more dense development can play an important role in combating climate change.”

Source: sacbee.com

MOVING GENOVESE’S ITALIAN KITCHEN INTO 21ST CENTURY

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curry vinaigrette, the Apple Curry Chicken Salad is one of the house favorites. The shrimp scampi pasta dish is balanced with blended flavors of fresh herbs, butter, garlic, chopped olives, and cooked with sauteed shrimp with white wine, then served over angel hair pasta.

“I’ve been coming to Genovese’s since the 1990s, and I really like the variety of foods they serve, said diner Dominic. “This is a comfortable type of place that you enjoy coming back to because of the great food, and their pizza is not fabricated. You can taste the freshness.”

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