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General Plan Helps Unite Community

“Some men see things as they are and ask ‘why?’ I see things as they could be and ask ‘why not?’”

These are stirring words that challenge us to look beyond today to a better and brighter future. The City of San Gabriel is updating its General Plan over the next year. We’ll be asking you to see things as they could be and ask “why not?”

“Uniting for a Better Future” — the catch phrase you’ll be hearing and seeing more often in the months to come, represents our principal goal and objective — bringing our diverse community together to develop a collective vision for the City.

The General Plan is an opportunity for you to decide what’s important. Key goals include:

- More parks
- Less traffic
- More shopping opportunities
- Better public transportation
- Higher quality development
- More street trees and greenery
- Preservation of historic buildings
- Job growth
- Better housing
- A safe environment

San Gabriel’s General Plan is your chance to help shape the future of San Gabriel, to discuss and deal with the daily issues that are important to everyone who lives and works here. It’s vital that

the community takes an active role so the Plan doesn’t become just one more study that gets put on a shelf and quickly forgotten. Instead, San Gabriel’s General Plan can become the living embodiment



Residents of the 200 block of Sycamore at National Night Out reflect the diversity of our community.

of our City’s hopes and dreams.

How can you get involved? For starters, attend one of the “Tell-A-Vision Nights” coming to a neighborhood near you starting in November, and share your vision for the community’s future. These community workshops will feature something for all ages — coloring books and games for the kids, prize drawings, and historical exhibits.

“Tell-A-Vision Nights” will be held in various locales such as schools, and civic buildings citywide. If you have additional workshop ideas, we want to hear from you!

Please check with the Planning Division or go to our Web site, www.sangabrielci-

www.sangabrielcity.com for dates, locations and times of “Tell-A-Vision Nights” as they are scheduled. You can also use our Web site to provide direct feedback on the General Plan process. Take a minute and fill out our online questionnaire. Your opinion counts!

If your community group, service club or civic organization is interested in having a City representative speak to your group about the General Plan, please contact City Planner Mark Gallatin. We will be happy to provide a speaker.

Get involved! Look for informational flyers at City facilities, visit

us on the Internet, or call the Planning Division at (626) 308-2806 if you’re interested in volunteering. Lend a hand in creating the San Gabriel of tomorrow. Join us in “Uniting for a Better Future!”

Tell-A-Vision Nights

Date	Topic
Nov. 2000	Taking It to the Streets—How We Move Around the City
Dec. 2000	Turning Over a New Leaf—Making San Gabriel Greener
Jan. 2001	Everything Old is New Again Preserving and Building on Our Community’s History
Feb. 2001	Design for Dollars—Building a Strong Economy and a Beautiful City

Holiday Happenings!

The holidays are fast approaching and the City of San Gabriel is ushering in the season with a number of exciting events for the entire family:



FAMILY HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN-CARVING CONTEST

The Parks and Recreation Department will once again be sponsoring its annual pumpkin-carving contest. This annual contest is for elementary school youth and their families. Individual school contests will be held at the playgrounds on Monday, October 30, with winners advancing to the City Finals at the Recreation Center on Tuesday, October 31. Pumpkins may be entered in the following categories: Best Carved, Most Original, Spookiest, Best Decorated, and Most Humorous.

25th ANNUAL TURKEY TROT

The San Gabriel Parks and Recreation Department is gearing up for its 25th Annual Turkey Trot that will be held Saturday, November 18, at Vincent Lugo Park at the corner of Wells and Ramona in San Gabriel. This fun event, which supports youth activities in the community, will include something for everyone—a 5/10K Race, a Youth 1K Run, and a 5K Fun Walk.

Race highlights include post-race refreshments, free blood pressure screening provided by San Gabriel Valley Medical Center, and a door prize raffle along with the awards ceremony.

Registration begins at 7:15 a.m. with the event starting at 8 a.m. The 5/10K Race First Place winners in each age category will receive a turkey and a medal. The First Place winners in the Youth 1K will receive a medal and a gift certificate to the San Marino Toy and Book Shoppe.

Registration will be accepted at the San Gabriel Recreation Office, 250 S. Mission Drive, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The race fee for the 5/10K is \$18 with a T-shirt and \$10 without the T-shirt. The Youth 1K and the 5K

Millennium Miles Program Is Underway

Millennium Miles, the most comprehensive street rehabilitation and Pavement Management System (PMS) program in the City’s history, is now underway. For the past three years about \$300,000 was allocated each year for street rehabilitation projects.

Residents and business owners have indicated that street repair and rehabilitation are the community’s top priority. The City Council has approved annual expenditures of \$1 million each year over the

next five years — more than three times the amount previously allocated annually for street repair. Millennium Miles, conducted under the auspices of the Public Works Division, substantially increases the number of street miles sealed, repaired and reconstructed.

Projects include gutter construction, minor sidewalk repairs, curb and drive repairs, pavement rehabilitation and handicap access ramps. Not included are major concrete repairs, parkway tree

planting and street light construction.

“By using local resources and innovative funding approaches, we have been able to more than triple the annual expenditures compared to what has been done in the past,” said City Manager Michael Paules. “We’re using Proposition A funds, state and federal transportation funds, block grants and other sources to improve the condition of our City’s streets.”

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Upcoming San Gabriel Civic Auditorium Events

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4-5

Chinese/American Dancing Group, 7:30 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 259-0867

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

The Music Theatre of Southern California with Dance Corp of Pasadena presents Ballet For Young People, 9:30 a.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 281-9444

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Lotus Foundation Chinese Arts Festival, 7 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 573-1580

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Barlock & Jomar Productions
Battle of the Big Bands, 3 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 308-2868

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18-19

Pasadena Civic Ballet Inc. presents Cinderella – a new holiday ballet
Saturday: 3 p.m. & 7 p.m.
Sunday: 2 p.m. & 5 p.m.

For information/tickets, call (626) 792-0873

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, DEC. 9-10, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, DEC. 16-17, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, DEC. 23-24

Pasadena Dance Theatre presents The Nutcracker Ballet, 10 performances
For information/tickets and performance times, call (626) 308-2868

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

Temple City High School presents Annual Holiday Spectacular
Music of the Season, 7:30 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 548-5000

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

San Gabriel Unified School District
Annual Holiday Concert, 7:30 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 285-1551

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

Arcadia Unified School District
Annual Holiday Concert, 7:30 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 281-1788

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

Benefit Variety Show for Correctional Peace Officers, 7 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 915-4892

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6

Han Yee presents
An Evening of Chinese Culture, 7:30 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (310) 404-2867

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12

Temple City High School
Department of the Performance presents
Annual Dance Concert, 7:30 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (626) 548-5000

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13

American/Chinese Cultural Association, 7:30 p.m.
For information/tickets, call (909) 392-3033

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

San Marino Celebrity Series: Benefit for Huntington Memorial Hospital, 10:30 a.m.
The Dorsey Brothers Orchestra
For information/tickets, call (626) 792-4963

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

Los Angeles Theatre Organ Society: A Concert on the Mighty Wurlitzer Theatre Organ, 8 p.m.
(Artist to be announced)
For information/tickets, call (310) 217-9202

FEBRUARY 2-18

The Music Theatre of Southern California presents Cole Porter's "Anything Goes"
For information/tickets, call (626) 308-2868

All events and artists are subject to change or cancellation without notice. Always call the box office prior to arriving at the theater.

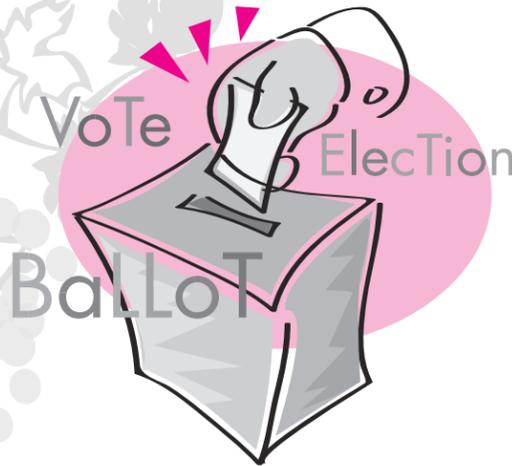
The Box Office is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Call: the Auditorium Box Office at (626) 308-2868 for more information.

Municipal Election To Be Held March 6

The City will conduct its next general municipal election on Tuesday, March 6, 2001. At that time, voters will elect three members of the City Council, a City Clerk and a City Treasurer. To run for office, candidates must reside in the City of San Gabriel at the time of the pickup, circulation and submission of Nomination Papers that can be done between Monday, November 13 and Friday, December 8, 2000.

If any incumbent fails to file Nomination Papers, the December 8 deadline is automatically extended to Wednesday, December 13, 2000. All elected officials are elected at-large. Candidates wishing to provide constituents with a Candidate's Statement



that appears in the Sample Ballot and Voter Pamphlet must do so at their own

cost. Further, the City of San Gabriel does comply with the Voting Rights Act that requires certain translations that must be available upon request, and the cost of which is also borne by the candidate.

The City is also seeking people who live in Los Angeles County to serve on the various elections boards necessary to conduct the general municipal election. This includes inspectors and clerks at the polling places located throughout the City on Election Day, as well as persons to serve at the Central Counting Center after the close of polls. Polling places are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For more information about running for office or serving as an election officer, please call (626) 308-2816.

City Gets New Ambulance



On August 25 the City Council unanimously approved the purchase of a modular ambulance. Fire department paramedics will man the \$97,000 Mobile Intensive Care Unit (MICU). The MICU will be based at the headquarters station at Del Mar and Wells Avenues.

The MICU contains state-of-the-art emergency medical equipment. This includes heart defibrillators, piped-in oxygen, backboards, trauma kit and a variety of medications, all designed to assist paramedics in their effort to save lives of patients. The MICU is also equipped with a communications system (including cell phones and two-way radios) that allows paramedics to communicate with the base hospital and receive patient care directions from a doctor.

The larger modular MICU is designed to accommodate additional paramedics for cases like traumatic trauma or heart attacks. Many times those patients may have several paramedics performing life saving techniques simultaneously, while being transported to a hospital.

All of the paramedics who man the MICU are required to undergo over 2,000 hours of rigorous training, consisting of classroom, lab, hospital internship and field internship with experienced paramedics. Paramedics are also required to take various continuous education courses to keep current. These include Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) and Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS).

Study Evaluates Police Facility



The City Council has allocated \$30,000 for a four-month assessment study designed to evaluate the San Gabriel Police Department's 40-year-old facility. The building was originally designed to house 37 employees; it currently has 68 full-time employees plus volunteers and reserves.

"The study examines current operations and needs and will compare that to industry standards to determine where we need to be and what may be required in the future," said Police Chief David Lawton. "Once the study is completed, the results will be presented to the City Council who will determine a course of action."

Smith Park Dedicated



Tongva Tribal Council members performed at the Smith Park dedication.

The renovation and expansion of Smith Park have been completed. The new park complements the area's history and its indigenous people, the Gabrielino-Tongva. Landscaping reflects the lifestyle of the Tongva peoples who inhabited the area prior to the establishment of the San Gabriel Mission.

At the recent dedication ceremony, George Kotchnik, Director of Parks and Recreation, described the process of community input, planning and design, financing and construction that resulted in this beautiful park. Mayor Harry Baldwin and Gabrielino-Tongva Tribal Council Representative Mark Acuna spoke about the historical connection the new park has and maintains with the original peoples of this region. Members of the Tribal Council performed a ritual dance of welcome and protection as a blessing for the park.

A featured highlight of the dedication was the unveiling of the hand-painted thematic tile mural that depicts scenes of the Tongva lifestyle. The mural, designed and crafted by San Gabriel Artist Dixie Giering, contains beautiful artifacts, symbols, plants and animals that were important to the native peoples.

The park will be opening for public use after the turf areas are fully and completely established.

Celebrate World Town Planning Day



San Gabriel's Community Development Department will join thousands of cities nationwide in November when it celebrates World Town Planning Day. Currently celebrated in more than 30 countries on four continents, World Town Planning Day draws attention to the benefits of effective town planning in building healthier, safer and more attractive communities.

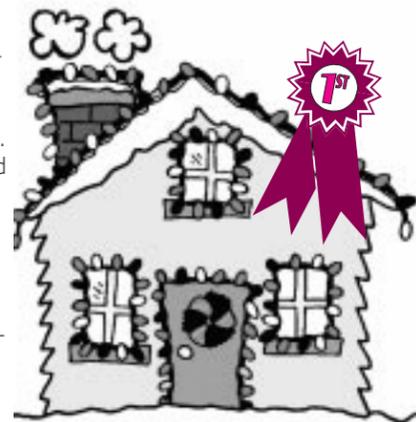
City staff is planning an array of exhibits, presentations, and an open house on Tuesday, November 7, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at City Hall. Residents can learn about the Alameda Corridor East project, the upcoming General Plan Update, new commercial and economic development opportunities, and a host of other City programs and services.

If you would like to attend or would like to more information about World Town Planning Day, please call Steve Preston, Deputy City Manager, at (626) 308-2806.

City Gears Up for Third Annual Holiday Decoration Awards

Residents and business owners are encouraged to participate in the City of San Gabriel's Third Annual Holiday Decorations Award program (you may nominate yourself). Residence and business efforts are recognized separately.

A Selection Committee from the Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce and the City of San Gabriel will review the nominations and visit each nominated site on December 18-19. Winning categories include Originality, Season Theme and Effort Expended. Winners will be recognized at the January City Council meeting.



HOLIDAY DECORATION AWARD PROGRAM

(Sponsored by: Women's Division, Chamber of Commerce)

NOMINATION FORM

Address _____

Property Owner _____

Category (check the appropriate box): Originality Seasonal Theme Effort Expended

List those special qualities about the display that you believe merit consideration (optional):

Nominated by (optional): _____

Phone number (optional): _____

Nominations may be dropped off or mailed to City Hall, 425 S. Mission Dr., San Gabriel, 91778 or faxed to the Community Development Department, (626) 458-2830.



Holiday Tips from the Police Department

“This holiday season, don't let the spirit of giving burglars, muggers, and pickpockets a better chance to do their dirty work,” says Chief David A. Lawton of the San Gabriel Police Department.

Crooks love the holidays as much as everyone else does, but chiefly because it's an opportune time for crime. Homes jam-packed with glittering gifts. Stores, malls and downtown streets are teeming with unsuspecting shoppers. People rushing around, stressed out and careless, looking for last-minute gifts, trying to get everything done. It's enough to make a crook giddy with holiday joy! Here are some tips from the Crime Prevention Office on how to celebrate safely this holiday season.

IF YOU'RE OUT FOR THE EVENING

1. Turn on lights and a radio or TV so it looks like someone is home.
2. Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave, even if it's just for a few minutes.
3. Don't display gifts where they can be seen from outside.

IF YOU'RE SHOPPING

1. Stay alert and be aware of what's going on around you.
2. Park in a well-lighted space, and be sure to lock the car, close the windows, and hide shopping bags and gifts in the trunk.
3. Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Pay with a check or credit card whenever possible.

IF A STRANGER COMES TO YOUR DOOR, BEWARE!

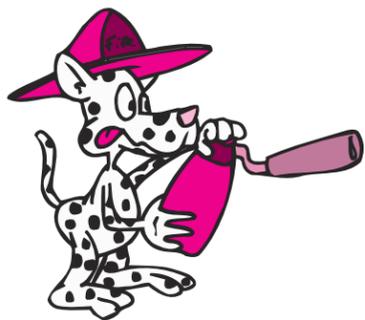
Criminals sometimes pose as couriers delivering gifts. And it's not uncommon for people to try to take advantage of others' generosity during the holidays by going door-to-door for charitable donations when there's no charity involved. Ask for identification, and find out how the funds will be used. If you aren't satisfied, don't give. Help a charitable organization you know and like instead.

PLEASE! DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE

Driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other controlled substances can greatly reduce and impair your ability to respond to daily driving conditions. Impaired drivers are the single greatest threat to motorists today. One out of every two Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related traffic collision during their lifetime. Be a friend for life and serve as a designated driver. We also encourage you to “buckle up” this holiday season. Seatbelts and child restraints save lives.

Last, but not least, don't let holiday stress get the best of your holiday spirit. Make time to get together with family, friends, and neighbors. And think about reaching out in the spirit of the season and helping someone who's less fortunate or lonely.

Do your part to make the holidays a safe and happy time for everybody — except criminals, and Happy Holidays from the men and women of the San Gabriel Police Department!



And More Holiday Tips – from Your Fire Department!

Fire never takes a holiday! Learning basic fire prevention facts and taking simple precautions can make all of your holiday celebrations safe and memorable. This is also a perfect time to find that portable extinguisher and check to see if it needs to be serviced.

HALLOWEEN:

- Costumes and decorations should only be made of flame-retardant materials. Avoid loose, flammable clothing.
- Each mask, wig, and costume must be easily seen at night.
- Use battery powered lights for jack-o-lanterns, not candles.
- Keep decorations away from sources of heat, such as exposed bulbs and open flames.

THANKSGIVING:

- Start holiday cooking with a clean stove and oven.
- Keep kitchen clutter and loose clothing away from the stove's heat.
- Turn pot handles in, away from a child's reach.
- Use potholders to prevent burns.
- Never throw water on a grease fire. Instead, cover the burning pan with a lid.

CHRISTMAS:

- Make sure your Christmas tree is fresh. Shedding needles is a sign of a dry tree.
- Keep your tree fresh by placing it in a stand that holds water.
- Make sure artificial trees are flame-retardant.
- Never smoke around the tree or flammable decorations.
- Place trees away from direct sources of heat.
- Never place a tree so that it blocks an exit.
- Only buy electric lights that are approved by a national testing lab.
- Never decorate metal trees with electric lights.
- Always unplug lights before going to bed.
- Never run electrical cords through doorways and under rugs.
- Keep candles in sturdy holders and never place them near combustibles, such as curtains.
- Avoid hanging stockings near an open flame.
- Never burn paper in a fireplace. This is a major cause of chimney fires.



National Night Out Unites Our Community

National Night Out 2000, held on Tuesday, August 1, is one of the City's most important annual events. National Night Out helps unite our citizens and bring a sense of community. There were 32 block parties citywide, up from 26 from last year, with over 2,500 residents participating. This year's theme was called “Give Crime A Going Away Party.”

crime in the City of San Gabriel.

The Police Department's Crime Prevention Office worked closely with Fire, City officials, radio and TV stations, and other dignitaries to coordinate the event. Word-of-mouth, personal contacts and telephone calls to organizations by the Crime Prevention Office helped solicit their participation. This brought together many talented individuals from local



National Night Out on the 200 block of Wedgewood.

The City currently has 69 “Neighborhood Watch” groups, with approximately 50 percent participating in this year's event. Events ranged from face painting to fingerprinting children. The Crime Prevention Office provided groups with crime prevention handout materials, strobe lights and other promotional items.

In an effort to make the event a success, City staff and citizens worked together by utilizing their specific skills in both the planning and implementation of National Night Out. This once-a-year event encourages our City officials to go out into the neighborhoods and show the citizens that they care about fighting crime and about those they serve.

Because the event is so important, the City Council cancels their regularly scheduled meeting in honor of National Night Out to visit the neighborhoods and support their efforts. In turn, Neighborhood Watch members organize block parties and gather participation from other streets to show that they care about fighting

radio stations, American Red Cross, U. S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps and numerous government dignitaries.

In addition, because of San Gabriel's diverse population, local English, Spanish and Chinese newspaper and television stations covered the event. Press releases were provided to all newspapers and public service announcements were broadcast on the local cable network. Information was published in the Neighborhood Watch newsletter, which is distributed to over 2,500 residents. Event information was provided to 325 local businesses.

Lastly, National Night Out T-shirts were presented by the Police Department to each Neighborhood Watch Block Captain who hosted a block party. Each group was also provided a National Night Out banner promoting the event and the corporate sponsor. There were also certificates of appreciation presented by local government officials to the participating Block Captains.

AT YOUR SERVICE!

INTRODUCING YOUR CITY EMPLOYEES ...

Meet HR/Special Projects Manager Cynthia A. Smith

As the City of San Gabriel's Human Resources and Special Projects Manager, Cynthia A. Smith often finds herself juggling a lot of projects and tasks. Cynthia, who joined the City in July 1996, is responsible for overseeing a wide variety of administrative, human resources and information management functions.

For starters, Cynthia writes and develops policies and programs, recruits, selects and tests applicants for employment, oversees the new Employee Orientation Program, and supervises the maintenance of a number of benefit programs.

Cynthia is especially proud of the Employee Orientation Program and Employee Handbook that she formulated for the City. She also spearheads the annual Employee Recognition Program.

Cynthia was instrumental in launching the City's PATH program (Progress and Accomplishments Through History), One City, One Future employee workshops, Mission District programs and she represents the City on employee-related relations issues, and acts as a community liaison.

“My work is really varied, motivating and exciting,” Cynthia says. “One of the best aspects of my job is I get to promote San Gabriel all the time. I've lived in the San Gabriel Valley all of my life, and never get tired of promoting our City and the region.”

That recently included, for instance, supervising an exhibit of San Gabriel Mission Arcangel that was displayed at the Los Angeles County Fair. Children visiting the fair helped make the adobe bricks used to construct the 10'x 20' replica.

Cynthia previously served with the City of Alhambra and held a number of supervisory positions, including public information program coordinator and personnel assistant/health benefits officer. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in applied management from Azusa Pacific University. She is a former executive board member and co-founder of the Southern California Emergency Public Information Officers Association, and a member of the California Association of Public Information Officials and the Publicity Club of Los Angeles.



Cynthia Smith is the City's Human Resources and Special Projects Manager.

City And School Board Meetings

SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL

1ST & 3RD TUESDAYS
7:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

SAN GABRIEL BOARD OF EDUCATION

2ND & 4TH TUESDAYS
7 P.M., DISTRICT OFFICE

PLANNING COMMISSION

2ND MONDAY
7:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

1ST MONDAY
7:30 P.M., COUNCIL CHAMBERS

COORDINATING COUNCIL

1ST FRIDAY
11:45 A.M., CHEC BUILDING

School News

SAN GABRIEL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

In June 1999, the San Gabriel Unified School District received a \$50,000 Healthy Start Planning Grant from the California Department of Education. The purpose of the planning funds was to target youth and their families at Gabriellino High School, Jefferson Middle School, and the Community Education Center. It involved a collaboration of dedicated community partners and the school district. An in-depth assessment was made to identify existing assets, resources for youth and families, and developing strategies with measurable outcomes.

This resulting strategic plan resulted in a \$400,000 Healthy Start Operational Grant awarded in May 2000 to the District. These funds will be used to establish a "One Stop Shop" Family Resource Center for children and their families. The funds will also provide a referral process for schools, families and access to multiple services that will be provided by the appropriate agencies as determined by the Family Resource Center.

In addition, a two-year, \$50,000 Healthy Start Planning Grant has been awarded to three elementary schools — Washington, Roosevelt, and McKinley. At the end of the two-year planning period, an operational proposal may be submitted to the Department of Education

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Rainy Season Brings Out the Con Artists



"With the rainy season almost here, you may notice that your roof may be in need of repairs," states Chief David A. Lawton.

The San Gabriel Police Department would like to alert you that along with the rainy season comes the "con artists." These are people who offer you a "great deal" to handle any repairs, explains Chief Lawton.

Home repair con artists prey on homeowners who desire to get a bargain. A contractor's truck pulls up to the curb and the workman tells you he's just finished a job in the neighborhood and can make you a deal on the price of the repair job because he's got left-over materials that would otherwise go to waste. The most common jobs offered are tree trimming, roof repair and driveway repaving. Not one of the completed

jobs (if ever completed!) is worth the bargain price. The driveway repair, for example, may consist of spraying the driveway with a thin coat of oil. It makes the old asphalt look new, but it washes off in the first rain.

Here are a few tips to avoid being "ripped off":

- Be cautious of people who offer you "free inspections" or who go door-to-door offering home repair services.
- Check the identification of all inspectors.
- Make sure you get a written guarantee on any work that is done.
- Never pay with cash. Before making payments for any work, contact the California State Contractors Board for further information.
- Ask for references and consult the Better Business Bureau.

Lastly, if you have any questions regarding a valid building permit or any information on building contractors, contact the California State Contractors License Board.

Millennium Miles, continued from page one.

An ongoing outreach program has been launched to provide timely information to the community and the media. Elements include promotional materials, public notices, community events and local cable TV updates.

"We're creating a partnership with the community to accomplish the goals

of the program," Paules said. "With Millennium Miles, we're able to significantly increase the number of street rehabilitation projects completed each year."

Want to learn more about the Millennium Miles program? Contact the City Engineering Division at (626) 308-2800, ext. 715.

MILLENNIUM MILES PROGRAM — FIRST-YEAR PROJECTS

YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5
Alhambra Road, City limits to City limits Wells Street/ Ramona to Del Mar St. Albans/Alhambra Road to City limits Roses Road/Alhambra Road to City limits Vineyard Drive/Alhambra Road to City limits Domingo Drive/Alhambra Road to De Sales Coolidge Drive/Alhambra to De Sales Nostrand Drive/Pasqual to Mission Twin Palms Drive/Nostrand to Domingo De Sales Drive/Roses Road to City limits Magnolia Drive/Coolidge to Domingo Nostrand Drive/Mission to De Sales Kendall Drive/Alhambra to end Coolidge Drive/St. Albans to Alhambra Road Roses Road/Alhambra to Mission Mission Drive/Roses Road to City limits Pasqual Avenue/Roses Road to Domingo	Anderson Way/Fairview to Orange Grand Avenue/Anderson to City limits Montecito Drive/Fairview to Main Montecito Drive/Chestnut to Fairview Anderson Way/Chestnut to Fairview Prospect Avenue/Chestnut to Fairview Central Avenue/Ramona to Montecito Fairview Avenue/Ramona to Montecito	Chestnut Avenue/San Gabriel to Charlotte Wells Street/San Gabriel to City limits Scott Street/San Gabriel to Charlotte Gladys Avenue/Scott to Valley Charlotte Avenue/Wells to Chestnut Abilene Street/Charlotte to end Delta Street/Valley to Scott Scott Street/Charlotte to end Pine Street/Wells to end Pine Street/Wells to Chestnut California Street/Wells to Chestnut Lafayette Street/Wells to Chestnut Walnut Street/Wells to Chestnut Gladys Avenue/Scott to Chestnut Charlotte Avenue/Valley to Wells	Palm Avenue/Wells to Chestnut Euclid Avenue/Valley to Newby Newby Avenue/W/O Euclid to E/O Lafayette Kenmore Drive/San Gabriel to end Euclid Street/Newby to Wells Newby Avenue/Del Mar to Palm Walnut Avenue/Valley to Wells Chestnut Avenue/Del Mar to San Gabriel Lafayette Street/Valley to Wells Euclid Avenue/Wells to Chestnut Wells Street/Del Mar to San Gabriel	Live Oak Street/Del Mar to San Gabriel Cameron Way/Live Oak to end California Street/Broadway to Live Oak St. Francis Street/Broadway to Las Tunas Live Oak Street/San Marino to Del Mar California Street/Live Oak to Las Tunas Pine Street/Broadway to Las Tunas Del Mar Avenue/Broadway to Las Tunas Live Oak Street/San Marino to Junipero Serra Wedgwood Street/San Marino to Junipero Serra Broadway/Del Mar to Junipero Serra

Holiday Happenings, continued from page one.

Walk are \$13 with the T-shirt and \$5 without. For more information on this event, please call (626) 308-2875. Be sure to come out and join us at this fun-filled event geared for the whole family!

TREE LIGHTING USHERS IN HOLIDAY SEASON

On Tuesday, December 5, San Gabriel will welcome the Christmas Holiday Season with the annual lighting of the City Christmas Tree at Plaza Park. The event, sponsored by the City of San Gabriel and the Women's Division of the San Gabriel Chamber of Commerce, will feature an opportunity for youngsters to make decorations to hang on the City's Christmas tree. More than 600 ornaments were hung on the tree last year.

San Gabriel Unified School District's Jefferson Middle School Band and Chorus will provide entertainment. Everyone in attendance will be treated to hot chocolate provided by the Women's Division.

Residents attending the event are encouraged to bring an unopened non-perishable food item for distribution dur-

ing the holiday season by the San Gabriel Community Coordinating Council Christmas Basket Program.

San Gabriel Mayor Harry Baldwin, the San Gabriel City Council and Chamber of Commerce Officials will wish everyone a happy holiday season as the tree is lighted with 1,250 lights.

With the sound of sirens and bells, Santa Claus arrives on the scene chauffeured by the San Gabriel Fire Department and escorted by the San Gabriel Police Department. As Santa arrives, he will extend holiday greetings to everyone and then personally talk to each youngster in attendance. Santa has promised that he will visit many San Gabriel neighborhoods. Listen for the siren and bells between 5:30 and 9 p.m. on the following dates:

- Wednesday, December 20 — Southwest Area
- Thursday, December 21 — Southeast Area
- Friday, December 22 — Northwest Area
- Saturday, December 23 — Northeast Area

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Discover the World Through Stamps

Want to learn more about the world? Discover it through stamps. Swing by the San Gabriel Post Office at 120 S. Del Mar Avenue between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The post office has more than 150 different types of stamps to add to your collection. The "Celebrate the Century" collection, for example, commemorates significant events and people over the past 100 years.

Chamber Division Looks for Woman of the Year

The Women's Division of the San Gabriel Chamber of Commerce is looking for the 33rd annual "Woman of the Year."

The nominee must have done her volunteer work for an organization within the City or school district boundaries and the service should have been done recently. Previous recipients are not eligible.

Nomination forms are available at the Chamber office, 620 W. Santa Anita St. The form must be returned to the Chamber office by November 17. The award will be presented at the Division's Christmas Luncheon in December. For more information, contact the Chamber office, (626) 576-2525.

Chamber Unveils New Program

The San Gabriel Chamber of Commerce has implemented a new discount program available to members and local residents.

The "Chamber Advantage Card," introduced at the Chamber's annual Street Festival and Birthday Party last April, offers discounts to cardholders at participating Chamber-member merchant businesses.

For a nominal fee of \$5.00, the cardholder receives an official Chamber Advantage Card, merchant brochure and **The Advantage** newsletter for one year. The quarterly newsletter also provides cardholder updates on merchant offers and specials.

Current Chamber Advantage merchants include: All Aboard Mini Storage, Boulevard Florist, Career Partners, Champion Sports Collectables, Happy Donut, Harold's Key Shop, Jeff's Sporting Goods, Jenkins Products, The Medicine Shoppe, Mission Car Wash, Mission Lodge, New San Gabriel Lanes, NBA-California Christian Home, Norman's Plumbing & Heating, PIP Printing, Palitex Balloon, Shakey's Pizza, Special Signs, Tom's Tire Pros, Vina Engraving & Trophies, and WMA Securities.

For more information, please contact the Chamber at (626) 576-2525.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 15

Chamber Mixer, 5:30 p.m.
Asian Youth Center
100 W. Clary Avenue
San Gabriel

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20

Chamber Mixer, 5:30 p.m.
San Gabriel Valley Medical Center at the CHEC Building
261 Junipero Serra Drive
San Gabriel

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17, 2001

Chamber Mixer, 5:30 p.m.
San Gabriel Firefighters Association (South Station)
1303 S. Del Mar Avenue
San Gabriel