Two killed in motorcycle crash

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 Sheriff’s Department.

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 Sheriff's Department spokesman.

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Obituaries

Lola M. Bowyer
Lola M. Bowyer, 97, of Blackfoot, Idaho, passed away Monday, April 11, 2011 at Brigham Memorial Hospital in Blackfoot. Lola was born February 8, 1914 in Chicago, Illinois to Joseph and Jennie (Blackfoot) Ambre. She attended boys’ high school in Chicago, and went on to receive a teacher’s certificate at Luke’s Academy in Pawnee, Colorado in 1941. She later attended the University of Idaho and graduated in 1944 with a degree in Physical Education. She married Darrell Bowyer in Reno, Nevada in 1939. Lola worked as a beautician in Ventura and Ojai, where she owned and operated a beauty salon. She enjoyed hunting, fishing and playing cards. Lola was preceded in death by her husband, Darrell; two children, John and Charles; and sisters, Loris, Eunice and Esther. Her cremation has taken place and no further services will be held. Family is under the care of the Reardon Funeral Home in Blackfoot. Condolences may be sent to the family at condolences@reardonfuneralhome.com.

Eleanor M. Zander
Eleanor M. Zander, 90, of Ojai, died Saturday, April 9, 2011, after a long illness. Mrs. Zander is survived by her husband, Jim; eight grandchildren, Blackfoot; two grandchildren and four great- grandchildren; her sister, Joan; three nieces and four nephews, Blackfoot; two grandchildren and four great- grandchildren; her sister, Joan; three nieces and four nephews. Sherr's preceded in death by his husband, Darrell, and sons, John, Charles and Charles; and sisters, Loris, Eunice and Esther. Her cremation has taken place and no further services will be held. Family is under the care of the Reardon Funeral Home in Blackfoot. Condolences may be sent to the family at condolences@reardonfuneralhome.com.

Martin “Marty” Martin
Martin “Marty” Martin, 90, of Ojai, passed away on April 16, 2011, at the age of 67. He was a devoted and loving husband, extraordinary healer, extraordinary teacher and prolific artist. Martin was born in 1943 to Rebecca Mittel Weinser and Samuel Weinser in Boston, Massachusetts. He received his B.A. in Forestry from the University of California, Berkeley, followed by a Ph.D. in Philosophy of Mind from Stanford University. He also held an Assistant Dean of Undergraduate Studies at Stanford.

In 1974, he was deeply inspired after hearing a talk by Dr. Meir Friedman, world-renowned scientist and somatic educator. Martin then left Stanford to embark on an intensive four-year training program with Feldenkrais. Simultaneously, he was developing a mathematical approach to sensitivity to energy, in which he earned a stack of books on top of his desk. He developed the sensibilities of principles of kundalini with his hands-on healing clientele. To his head of being and professional athletes, children, musicians and individuals with severe, chronic physical disabilities. He was known to touch each person he encountered, and to integrate the energetic principles of aikido with his sensitivity to energy, in which he earned a black belt. Martin’s paintings, prints, and sculptures were exhibited in galleries in Los Angeles, Half-Moon Bay and Santa Fe as well as Touring “The Ojai Retreat.”

Martin is survived by his loving life partner, Dorothy Wallstein, brothers Donald and George (Prince Charles), and nephews and nieces, Blackfoot; two grandchildren and four great- grandchildren. Additional local organizations that were deeply important to him include the Jewish Community of the Oaks, and Help of Ojai. A special prayer service will be held on Saturday, April 16, at 7 p.m., at the Jewish Community of the Oaks, 320 S. Foothill Dr., Ojai, for further details.

Bhutan event coming to The Ojai Retreat

The Ojai Retreat will have a local Cochise on April 28 on the historic Martin Center for Explorations in Consciousness. This will offer samples of food and culture from Bhutan, the “other” Shangri-La in the Himalayas, which has been spoken of for so long but rarely seen. A presentation on Bhutan’s wonders and happy lifestyle will be followed by presentations on Bhutanese active and ancient herbal medicine. The two presenters are from Bhutan’s Sonam Dorjee, M.D., state director of protocol and consultant to His Holiness, Sonam Tobgay, M.D., both experienced and acquainted with Bhutanese traditional medicine. The Ojai Retreat’s “Global Film Series” whose purpose is to inform and educate about various cultures of the world. We are currently in a small country of 400,000 people that is both the smallest country in Asia and India. For years it was hidden from the world, and in recent years it is beginning to keep its traditions and happiness public and happy population.

Everyone is invited to attend this wonderful evening. It is a benefit for The Ojai Retreat, which is also a site for the upcoming workshop called “The Ojai Retreat.” Suggested donations are $20 for seniors, $30 for others. For further details, call (805) 646-6940 or refer to The Ojai Retreat’s website at www.ojaivalleynews.com.

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Hamor said Rainbow Bridge Natural Food Store, Jim & Rob’s Fresh Grill, Henry’s Frozen Delight Raw Vegan Ice Cream and Liquid Rush Coffee Company will be serving their specialties and then donating a portion of the proceeds back to Food for Thought, which supports nutrition programs in the public schools.

“We've taken more than 2,000 students to visit local farms and taught hundreds of classes in nutrition and raised environmental awareness,” Hamor said. “We’re really happy to be involved. I’m a parent of a former Oak Grove student, so I have been involved a lot over the years.”

Another Oak Grove parent, Tami Winbury of the Ojai Valley Lions Club and a real estate agent with Keller Williams Realty in Ojai, coordinated an expense-paid vacation raffle to Florence, Italy. Formerly a teacher at Monica Ros School, Winbury used connections she made there to create the vacation package, which she said she made “for the community” to sell raffle tickets for the trip.

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Other prizes include gift packages for golf and dinner at the Ojai Valley Inn & Spa, a weekend at the Pechanga Resort and Spa in Temecula, and local massages, facials and restaurant certificates.

“The event is free and open to the public and will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Oak Grove School, 200 W. Lomita Ave. in Meiners Oaks.”

A memorial is being planned, Albertson said, although details were not available as of press time. He said the family will still gather, as they always have, on April 30 to celebrate Ortman’s birthday.

In the meantime, Highway Patrol officers and Ventura County Sheriff’s deputies diverted traffic as both north- and south-bound lanes of Ojai Avenue were closed from 2:20 p.m. until just before 8 p.m., according to sheriff’s spokesman Capt. Paul Higgason.

“Because the incident involved fatalities,” said Capt. Chris Dunn, Ojai’s chief of police, “this will be a long, drawn-out investigation. It will take a couple of weeks at least. It was a very tragic scene.”

Anyone having information concerning this collision is asked to call Sr. Deputy James Popp at the Ojai Police Station at 646-1414.

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In addition, participating customers can choose any flavor of ice cream and pay only 31 cents.* This year we also encourage ice cream enthusiasts who are unable to visit a Baskin-Robbins to celebrate from the comfort of their homes. For more information on how to participate, visit baskinrobbins.com or call 800-57-BAKIN.

Baskin-Robbins is a global chain of ice cream specialty shops, founded in 1945. The company operates more than 16,000 shops in more than 50 countries, including more than 1,200 in the United States. Baskin-Robbins is known for exceptional customer service, innovative flavors, extraordinary quality and a diverse menu, as well as for celebrating events and providing fun for the whole family.

*Prices in Canada may vary.
Read the book, get the facts
JOHN RAYMOND, OJAI

In a time of conflict, it is important to inform ourselves on the issues. This can be done by reading the book that is being discussed this week. In this case, the book is "The Good Book: A History of the Bible" by Karen Armstrong. The book provides a comprehensive history of the Bible, from its origins in the ancient Near East to its current role in the world today.

The book is divided into five parts: The Bible as History, The Bible as Literature, The Bible as Religion, The Bible as Art, and The Bible as a Political Text. Each part contains a series of essays by leading scholars in their respective fields, who provide a broad and nuanced understanding of the Bible's development and impact.

By reading this book, we can gain a deeper appreciation for the complexity and diversity of the Bible, and the ways in which it has been interpreted and used throughout history. We can also gain insight into the ongoing debates and controversies surrounding the Bible today, and the role it plays in shaping our worldviews and values.

The Good Book: A History of the Bible by Karen Armstrong is available at your local bookstore or online retailer, and I highly recommend it as a valuable resource for those interested in understanding the Bible and its significance in our lives.


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Calendar of the Ojai Valley Events

This Week

Wednesday, April 20

FREE healthy exercise assessment and talk to walk/bike — 8:30 a.m. to
9:30 a.m., at Ojai Community Center, 601 E. Ojai Ave., sponsored by the
Ojai Valley Heart Group (O.V.H.G.). For information, go to ojaivalleyheart.org or call
640-8692.

Thursday, April 21

HAUNTED THURSDAY — The Ojai Mystery Society and the Ojai Public Library will offer
a self-guided tour of haunted houses in the Ojai area. The tour includes
Richard Winters will deliver
a “Service of Darkness” on Good Friday at 7 p.m. in Mira Vista Church.

Friday, April 22

This Week

Rep. Kevin McCarthy will hold a public town hall meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. at
Ojai High School, 1201 S. Caliente Rd. For information, go to
kmmorris.house.gov or call 866-377-6813.

Saturday, April 23

WOMEN ON BIKES RIDE — See “WOMEN ON BIKES RIDE” — Saturday, April 23
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and from 2 to 10 p.m. and May 3 through 12. Bring your lunch will be available for
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Food banks. For tickets or
reservations: 649-8623.

R.I.C.E. — Indian Relief Committee of the Ojai Valley. Call 646-0101 for
information. For tickets or
reservations: 649-8623.

Sunday, April 24

EASTER SUNRISE — The Ojai Community Church, 907 El Milagro St., will host a sunrise prayer service at 6:30 a.m. on Sunday. The service will
be held under the Cross. Call 643-2633.

EASTER EGG HUNT — The Ojai Valley School will hold its annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday from noon to 2 p.m. at the Ojai Valley School. For
details.

EASTER EGG HUNT — A non-competitive “no Egg Hunt” will be held today from 7:45 to 10:30 a.m. The Easter morning service will be at 8:30 and 10:45 a.m. Join us at either service. 195 Maminey Ave., Oak Grove School. For more information, call 646-3710.

PORTRAITS OF NATIVE AMERICANS — A DVD presentation on “The Sounds of the
Himalayas” will be held in the Zalk Theater, 113 S. Montgomery St., at 7 p.m.

BRAIN” — The Oak View Civic Association invites the community to join them for a
free assessment and talk to walk/bike — 8:30 a.m. to
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Tuesday, April 26

TUESDAY — A series of film screenings will be held at Krotona School, 46 School Outdoor Memorial
Park, Ojai, featuring music, dance and films. For details, call 646-3710.

Wednesday, April 27

WOMEN’S VISION CIRCLE — On Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m., at a retreat setting.

To place a free classified
Announcement at no charge, please email calendar@ojaivalleynews.com or call 643-2925.


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**It's Passover, Passion, Week, Easter and Mercury direct**

Easter’s astrology news for the week of April 17

**ARIES**: Holy week begins with the crucifixion of Jesus. It marks a time of transformation, a dawning of new life. It is a time to let go of old patterns and move forward.

**TAURUS**: It's a time to celebrate your achievements. It's a time to share your joy with others. It's a time to start something new.

**GEMINI**: It's a time to communicate your thoughts and ideas. It's a time to share your knowledge with others.

**CANCER**: It's a time to focus on your family and home. It's a time to spend quality time with loved ones.

**LEO**: It's a time to celebrate your accomplishments. It's a time to show off your skills and talents.

**VIRGO**: It's a time to focus on your work. It's a time to make progress and see results.

**LIBRA**: It's a time to focus on your relationships. It's a time to prioritize your social life.

**SCORPIO**: It's a time to focus on your personal growth. It's a time to reflect on your past and plan for your future.

**SAGITTARIUS**: It's a time to focus on your spiritual journey. It's a time to seek out new experiences and expand your horizons.

**CAPRICORN**: It's a time to focus on your financial goals. It's a time to work towards your financial security.

**AQUARIUS**: It's a time to focus on your intellectual pursuits. It's a time to learn and grow.

**PISCES**: It's a time to focus on your emotional well-being. It's a time to take care of your inner self.

**April Fool’s Day**

April Fool’s Day is a time to have fun and laugh. It’s a time to celebrate the power of humor. It’s a time to lighten the mood and forget your worries.

**May 13**

May 13 is a time to celebrate the power of music. It’s a time to appreciate the beauty of sound and the joy it brings into our lives.

**June 21**

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**January 1**

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January 1 is a time to celebrate the power of renewal. It’s a time to begin anew and make better choices.

**February 14**

February 14 is a time to celebrate the power of romance. It’s a time to appreciate the love we have and the love we can create.

**March 17**

March 17 is a time to celebrate the power of culture. It’s a time to appreciate the traditions we have and the traditions we can create.

**April 1**

April 1 is a time to celebrate the power of humor. It’s a time to lighten the mood and forget our worries.

**May 8**

May 8 is a time to celebrate the power of literature. It’s a time to appreciate the stories we have and the stories we can create.

**June 20**

June 20 is a time to celebrate the power of nature. It’s a time to enjoy the beauty of the natural world and the serenity it brings.
Simon brings the laughter in ‘The Odd Couple Female Version’

John Hannah

Playwright Neil Simon is famously peculiar, but his stories always have a twinge of laughter to them. That spirit is happening every weekend through April at the Ojai Art Center Theater during performances of ‘The Odd Couple Female Version.’

Simon uses to put regular people out of their comfort zone, and the humor comes naturally right from the characters, a formula that has made him ‘America’s most successful playwright.’

It holds true to form in this version, as the unlikely Olive Madison (Jenna Scanlon) meets the orderly Florence Unger (Toni Pineau). What they have in common is an immediate sense of comic timing coupled with an ability to make their eyes with

On a recent Saturday night, the laughter remains oftentimes due to the actors and the play’s writers’ vision perfectly. Supporting their worthy performances are the girls’ friends. The play opens Thursday, April 21st at 8 p.m. Pursuit while awaiting Florence, who has disappeared. When they find her but she and her husband have broken up, the worry escalate.

Triumph becomes critical as they imagine Florence might commit suicide. When she finally arrives, she alone kicks off another peccadillo and hilarity.

The actors playing the mothers who make the characters alone create with suitable costumes and exuberance to match. They are Virginia Streat, Laurel Ring, Marisa Miculian and Carol Garramone.

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Ojai resident Lisa Snider describes her first encounter with the Madrigali group in her blog, “Finding Ojai,” with the Madrigali group in 2009.

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The Madrigali members, who have some trouble with seduction, a penchant for neatness, and transform it into a female version, is an intriguing experiment for a writer. It works well on many points. He even inquires of the same joke, my favorite is Olive quips.

Join the ladies as they set-up that gets the girls out of their comfort zone again.

What happens after that is a salute to female dignity. Simon’s choice to take his original anonymous and transform it into a female version, is an intriguing experiment for a writer. It works well in their future.

It is as infatuated with the Madrigali group’s performances as “warm and lilting voices” as ‘Finding Ojai,’ explains Hersh, explaining that most of the music as many others have been performing Madrigali throughout the centuries on Easter Sunday at 5 p.m. at the Art Center, 113 S. Montgomery St.

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Mike Miller

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Sherry to wed Maertz

On March 26 the engagement of Meghan Christine Sherry to Richard Alan Maertz was announced at a cocktail party given by the bride-to-be’s parents at the Ojai home of Richard and Patricia Clark Doerner, the groom’s maternal grandmother.

The bride-to-be’s parents are Commander Kevin J. and Renee Sherry, of Camarillo. She is a 2000 graduate of Rio Mesa High School and a 2010 graduate of the Santa Barbara College of Law. She is employed by the firm of Henderson and Borgeson in Santa Barbara.

The prospective groom is the son of Linda Maertz, residing in Ojai, and Richard Maertz Sr., of Tehachapi. He is a 2000 graduate of Buena High School and a member of the Ventura County Sheriff’s Department. A garden wedding is planned for November in Camarillo.

How Much Is that Easter Hat in the Window?

The Ojai Valley Women’s Club sponsored its first “That Easter Hat in the Window” live Easter hat modeling event at Kava Home-Garden-Gifts on Saturday afternoon. Hildegard Tallent, of Kava Home, provided the setting for businesses and organizations to participate. Included in the event were the Ojai Valley Green Coalition, The Farmer and The Cook, Arcadia Mansion, Rotary Club of Ojai, Around the Corner, Plush Surroundings, Ojai Creates, Nutmeg’s Ojai House and more. The group looks forward to participating again next year. Above, Easter hat models show off their wares in the window at Kava Home. From left, Christine Knapic, Judy Murphy and Louanne Fay chat as window shoppers take in the sight.

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