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The Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino held the 10th Annual Health Fair on June 3rd, at the Casa Ramona, San Bernardino. Picture above is the Health Fair Committee with Jess Valenzula, center, seated as chairperson. The Health Fair provides an extensive array of health and dental services and referrals for adults and children who lack private access to medical services.

Mrs. Francisca Silva, right, receiving a bouquet of roses from Tony Bocanegra, president of the Sinfonia Mexicana, at the special Concierto de las Madres performance at the California Theater, San Bernardino, when she was elected with the greatest number of children. Mrs. Silva was also selected as the Mother of the Year by the Inland Empire Hispanic News.

The "Concierto Para Las Madres" Mariachi Concert in May, sponsored by the Sinfonia Mexicana, performed to a sellout crowd of 1,725 aficionados at the California Theater, San Bernardino. The Special Mother's Day performance attracted many of the Inland Empire mothers, especially grandmothers or greater.

Tony Bocanegra, president of the Sinfonia Mexicana, said that the audience was very complimentary on the quality of the performing groups. "The fact that the different groups that performed received over three standing ovations, is indicative of the acceptance and the popularity of the Mariachi Las Princeas, the Reynas and Sol de Mexico." Mariachi Las Princeas, an all female mariachi group and a component of the Mariachi Estudiantes Del Inland Empire, gave its premier performance at the concert. Five of the members gave individual singing performances of popular mariachi music. The members range from ages 8 to 18 and have been members of the parent group for four years. The musical groups' founder is Lou Herz, current director and president of the group's foundation.

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Richard Chabran, UCR computer access promoter, is the first recipient of Syracuse University's 21st Century Librarian award.

Richard Chabran, the Director of the Communities for Virtual Research at the University of California, Riverside, is the first recipient of Syracuse University's 21st Century Librarian award.

Chabran's efforts to increase access to computers and the Internet for minorities and the poor, and in launching Chicano library collections and research tools for studying Chicano culture at two UC campuses, reflect the values the national award's organizers seek to recognize. Chabran will receive a $5,000 prize and an invitation to Syracuse University this fall for an awards ceremony.

"Mr. Chabran has exemplified the spirit of 21st Century librarianship - actively adapting the established principals, practices and values of the profession to a changing information environment," said the presenters at Syracuse University's School of Information Studies.

Chabran received a Master's Degree in library and information studies from UC, Berkeley in 1975. From 1975 to 1979, he helped develop the Chicano Studies Library at Berkeley

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Given the impact of taxes, inflation, and longer life expectancies, today's decisions could dictate tomorrow's retirement lifestyle. Bank certificates of deposits (CDs) and deferred annuities are two popular financial vehicles with which to plan for retirement.

Gabe Ramirez, New York Life Insurance Company

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Los Angeles—To meet local consumer needs, a new soft drink has been introduced and another is returning to Southern California. Manzana Mia, a new crisp, apple-flavored soft drink is being introduced by Coca-Cola North America and Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Southern California. Similar to the popular Manzana Lift, a product of The Coca-Cola Company sold in Mexico, Manzana Mia refreshes with the delicious taste and smell of apples. Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Southern California has also reintroduced Fanta. The Coca-Cola Company’s second largest brand that, until now, has been distributed primarily outside of the United States—in flavors orange, grape, strawberry and pineapple.

“Consumers are telling us what they want, and we’re listening,” said Terry Fitch, vice president and general manager, Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Southern California. “Many Southern Californians know about Manzana Lift and have expressed enthusiasm for having it available here in the U.S. They have also told us that they want more fruit-flavored carbonated beverages.”

“We want the people we serve to know that we will continue to add new products and new flavors to our growing family of brands as there needs grow and change.”

In celebration of the rollout of Manzana Mia and Fanta, Coca-Cola will soon introduce “Fiesta de Bienvenida,” and in-store promotion that will offer Southern Californians a chance to win a brand new barbecue grill, $100 worth of food and free Manzana Mia and Fanta beverages. It’s promotional point-of-sale started in April and will appear in participating independent supermarkets and food stores throughout Southern California. Consumers will fill out a “Fiesta de Bienvenida” entry form found at participating Manzana Mia and Fanta retailers. Winning entry will be drawn and Coca-Cola will deliver prizes to the doorsteps of the Manzana Mia and Fanta “Fiesta de Bienvenida” winner.

In addition, consumers will be able to try Manzana Mia and Fanta through product sampling at various retail locations and at community festivals and events throughout Southern California.

The Launch and Rollout of Manzana Mia and Fanta

Manzana Mia and Fanta began hitting stores shelves in March 2001. The Coca-Cola Company originally launched Fanta in 1960. It is now marketed and distributed by the Coca-Cola system in 188 countries worldwide.

“The introduction of Manzana Mia and Fanta in Southern California demonstrates both the Coca-Cola Company’s strategy of ‘thinking and acting locally’ and Coca-Cola North America’s dedication to developing new, innovative products to respond to consumer need,” said Jeff Werderman, vice president, West Region Division, Coca-Cola North America. “In this case, we evaluated our international beverage portfolio and decided to introduce the Manzana Lift and Fanta beverage concepts in Southern California, adapting their positioning packing to meet local consumer preferences.”

Manzana Mia’s packing features a bright red apple logo against a light green background, with “Manzana Mia” splashed across its center. Fanta’s colorful packing features the Fanta trademark with distinctive orange, grape, strawberry and pineapple fruit graphics.

The Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Southern California has produced, marketed and distributed Coca-Cola products for almost one hundred years, beginning its bottling operations in Los Angeles in 1902. The Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Southern California, the local Coca-Cola bottler serving Southern California, the Central Coast and Southern Nevada, is a division of Coca-Cola Enterprises Inc., the world’s largest marketer, distributor, and producer of bottled and canned liquid nonalcoholic refreshment.

**NEW APPLE-FLAVORED MANZANA MÍA AND POPULAR FANTA SOFT DRINKS ROLL OUT IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

“Fiesta de Bienvenida” promotion and sampling activities planned
ERNESTINE MARTINEZ SELECTED 2001 'ELK LADY OF THE YEAR'

Ernestine (Ernie) Martinez, lifetime resident of San Bernardino, was selected as recipient of the prestigious "Lady of the Year-2001" by the Elks Club #836, San Bernardino.

The selection is presented on an annual basis to a member that exemplifies the mission of the fraternal organization to serve its members, the community at large and youth, according to the resolution.

Martinez has been a member of the San Bernardino Emblem Club #178 for 15 years and has filled the offices of first vice president, second vice president, historian, guard, trustee and activity coordinator and currently is club marshal. Her positions at the national level have included supreme second assistant marshal, supreme assistant chaplain and Southern California supreme district deputy.

Martinez has been involved locally with the Drug Awareness Program, Red Ribbon Parade, National Orange Show and Catholic War Veterans Auxiliary's first vice president.

In 1997, the Ramona-Alessandro Alumni Association, a 700 member organization, awarded Martinez "Alumni of the Year".

"I am very humbled and privilege by this distinction and I will carry the title with pride. I will endeavor to bring honor as Lady of the Year", Martinez stated.

SAN GORGONIO RECEIVES VERIZON GRANT

The Tuesday, June 5th Board of Education meeting is especially important to San Gorgonio High School since the school is receiving a $10,000 grant from Verizon Communications.

Principal Sandy Rohr will formally accept the grant money from Verizon Public Affairs Manager Al Sabsevitz on behalf of the school's TechLinks and Manufacturing Technology career pathways programs at the meeting.

SIERRA FAMILY HEALTH CENTER TO ADOPT DAVIDSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Field trips, career awareness activities, and academic rewards are just some of the benefits Davidson Elementary students will receive from their new adopter, Sierra Family Health Center.

A formal adoption agreement will be signed by Davidson Principal Tracy Smith, a student representative, and a Health Center representative Thursday, June 7th at 5:30 p.m. during a special family picnic event at the school.

The Adopt-A-School program is jointly sponsored by the San Bernardino City Unified School District and the San Bernardino Area Chamber of Commerce.

HERO AND LEGISLATOR PARTICIPATE IN MEMORIAL DAY

Col. Joseph Rodriguez, left, and Congressman Joe Baca, 42nd Congressional District, right, participate at the Memorial Day Program at Mountain View Cemetery in the White Wing Ceremony prior to the release of the 21 Dove Salute to soldiers who died in battle. Col. Rodriguez, San Bernardino native, received the Congressional Medal of Honor during the Korean Conflict.

Knights of Columbus, Fourth Degree, participated in the solemn ceremony in the Memorial Day Program at Mountain View Cemetery, San Bernardino, to honor the soldiers who died in battle. The Mountain View Cemetery has sponsored the Memorial Day Program for the 10th year.

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NO MATTER WHAT PARTY, JEFFORDS IS AN EDUCATION LEADER

"No matter what party Sen. Jeffords decides to leave or join today, his leadership in education is rock solid," declared National Education Association President Bob Chase. "His principled, bipartisan work for children and public education should be an inspiration to a fractured Congress striving to define "bi-partisanship.""

Sen. Jeffords has championed mandatory full funding for special education – an issue that Republicans started, but many have abandoned this year. Jeffords' work for increased special education funding recognizes that the federal government has broken its promise to fulfill its share of funding dictated in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

The targeted population for LIHEAP includes working poor households, senior citizens, disabled persons, migrant seasonal farm workers, limited-English-speaking persons and households with very young children whose incomes fall at or below 250 percent of the federal poverty level for the state. For example, households with four members having an annual gross income of $44,125 or less will be eligible for assistance; three-member households earning, $36,575 or less will also qualify, as well as two-member families earning, $29,025 or less; and individuals earning under $21,475.

Sacramento - Governor Gray Davis today announced a new, enhanced energy assistance program designed to help California's low-income residents reduce energy consumption and pay their energy bills. "These funds will address California's energy crisis immediately, especially during the critical high peak demand months of 2001." Governor Davis said, "LIHEAP will supplement existing energy assistance programs and increase the eligibility guidelines to enable more low-income families to qualify and receive energy assistance.

Governor Davis created the California Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) when he signed Senate Bill 5x, appropriating $120 million to implement the program.

Fifty percent of the funds will be allocated for the weatherization of home with emphasis activities will focus on the replacement of older electric water heaters, refrigerators, microwaves and lighting with newer, more efficient energy conservation appliances and compact fluorescent lights. The balance of the funds will be used to assist with the payment of energy bills.

The Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) is a service agency supporting the county's 23 school districts and linking them with the California Department of Education. RCOE services include:

- Administrative support to districts;
- Programs for 53,000 preschool, special education, pregnant minor, correctional, migrant and vocational students;
- Professional training, support and resources for teachers, administrators and staff.

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Síba abordo de un tren de Metrolink y viva una aventura inolvidable. Llamenos para obtener GRATIS su guía de "a-TRACK-ciones," con nuevas rutas en 2001.
MARIACHI CONCERT PERFORMS TO FULL HOUSE
All Photos By IEHN

The Reynas de Los Angeles, as usual, were outstanding. The all-female group, famous in the United States, excelled as musicians and the singers have exceptional voice. The group's repertoire differed from previous performances at the California Theater.

Mariachi Sol de Mexico de Jose Hernandez, the international acclaimed group, was in top shape and although the array of music was somehow different from other performances, by and large, many musical pieces had been previously heard by local audiences.

The most obvious observance in hearing the two outstanding mariachi groups under the direction of Jose Hernandez was the spirit of competition sensed by many in the audience. This in itself is good for the musicians and ultimately good for the audience.

One of the highlights of the evening was the selection of a mother with the largest number of children. The honor went to Mrs. Francisca Silva, mother of 17 children, who was presented with a bouquet of roses. The Inland Empire Hispanic News also selected Mrs. Silva as the Mother of the Year for 2001.

"This was a special performance for all the mothers in the area. The Sinfonia Mexicana board of directors will be strategizing to bring another innovative special performance for next year," said Bocanegra. "Every year is a challenge for us and next year is not different. "We wish to thank the many volunteers who helped in many ways to bring a successful performance to the area. We especially want to thank the public for their support for this concert and all the previous concerts in the past."
HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR ACHIEVES STEP TOWARD GOAL IN MUSIC

Elizabeth Quintero, San Bernardino High Senior, winner of the "Spotlight Award.

Elizabeth Quintero is a highly motivated person and has set her life's goal to achieve in the world of mariachi music. An opportunity recently presented itself when she submitted an application to perform in the Spotlight Awards, a highly competitive musical event at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in Los Angeles.

The Spotlight Awards recognizes Southern California students for their skills in musical theater voice, classical voice and other related categories. Applicants submit audio recordings and perform in live auditions for final selection.

Quintero was selected to sing mariachi music to a live audience at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion stage. She knew that this was an opportunity of a lifetime and poured out her heart in singing ranchera music with all the enthusiasm and emotion within herself to project the talent and skills developed from a very young age. She reached the finals in her category and was awarded a $2,500 scholarship. "The audience was very enthusiastic about my performance and wanted me to continue," she said.

Elizabeth's singing career began at the early age of 5. "I love to sing and singing has shaped my life and has brought many opportunities," she said.

Her family immigrated to the United States from the state of Guadalajara, Mexico and Elizabeth was placed in the third grade without knowing any English. "I was the only one not able to speak English and forced to speak English in order to learn."

She was able to learn due to her mother's determination and guidance, she said, and credits her in being the motivational force in her life, and learn to be a strong person and to work hard.

Elizabeth is graduating this June and feels that the last four years have shaped her life, and is prepared to continue her education by attending college.

"One of my main goals is to make my mother proud and know that she will be compensated for all the hard work done for me," Elizabeth emphasized with a determined look.

Elizabeth has continued to develop her singing skills while growing up. For a number of years, she was a member of the well-known Youth Mariachi Group of the Inland Empire. Being a member of the group presented many opportunities to perform, including a trip to Washington, D.C. and performing at the White House and Congress for the Cinco de Mayo celebration.

Actively involved in school activities, she has played tennis and ran in track meets and enjoyed the competition to excel.

She also enjoys politics and plans to study political science in college. "I believe women should get involved in politics and express their views. My goal is to become a leader just like Elizabeth Quintero singing before the Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino at Milka's Cafe. Quintero began her singing career at the age of five and has set her career goals of involvement in politics and singing mariachi music. Photo by IEHN

Cesar Chavez."

Elizabeth Quintero has established her foundation and the career goals to achieve them.

GOVERNOR DAVIS SIGNS EXECUTIVE ORDER BENEFITING SMALL BUSINESS

SACRAMENTO- Governor Gray Davis signed an executive order that is aimed at increasing small business participation in the state contracting.

"Small businesses are the principal source of new jobs in California and are instrumental to the health of California's economy," Governor Davis said. "By signing this executive order we are enhancing and encouraging competition and preserving the free enterprise system."

The order requires state agencies to aggressively pursue a goal of an annual 25 percent small business participation level in state contracting and also authorizes the Department of General Services to adopt and fully implement its statewide Small Business Plan, which includes:
• Streaming the small business certification process;
• Increasing the pool of certified small businesses;
• Established a prompt Payment Advocate; and
• Implementing a state-sponsored Economic Conference and Opportunity Fair focusing on enhancing contracting opportunities for small business.

California small businesses comprise nearly 98 percent of all businesses in the state, employ more than 50 percent of California's workforce and generate more than half of the state's gross domestic product.
UCR LAUNCHES GIRLS' SUMMER MATH PROGRAM IN RIVERSIDE

Members of the media are invited to cover a University of California, Riverside-supported free, summer mathematics academy for girls entering middle school in September, which will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on Monday, June 25 through Friday, June 29 at Gage Middle School, 6400 Lincoln Ave., Riverside.

The program dubbed Girls Excelling in Mathematics Successfully (GEMS) will begin each day with an inspirational speaker from 9 - 9:30 a.m. followed by a question-and-answer session with the 50 students selected by program leaders and teachers. The following speakers have been confirmed:

Monday, June 25: Alyce Haskey, GEMS coordinator and teacher.
Tuesday, June 26: Pam Clute, Executive Director of the ALPHA Center and Professor
Wednesday, June 27: U.S. District Court Judge Virginia Phillips.
Thursday, June 28: Debbie Guthrie, president of the Huffman Roof Company.
Friday, June 29: Mary Parks, Channel 4 news reporter covering the Inland Empire.

GEMS is designed to spark girls' interest in mathematics and science-related careers by showing that mathematics can be interesting and relevant to life, said Pamela Clute, director of the ALPHA Center.

Program leaders anticipate the GEMS academy will motivate girls to pursue mathematics and science courses in school and consider careers that are mathematically based. Participants will receive mentoring from successful women while they learn about community service and develop positive attitudes, Clute added.

The curriculum includes mathematics literacy, algebra and geometry for career success, critical thinking and problem solving techniques, the role of mathematics in business, and the history of successful women inventors, business owners and leaders. Students will receive daily snacks, duffel bags, books, T-shirts, water bottles, and items needed for the day's activities. The Program is sponsored and organized by the ALPHA Center at UCR, and supported in partnership with Athena of the Inland Valleys, the Riverside Unified School District, and the Greater Riverside Chamber of Commerce.

For more information and to schedule interviews, call Student Affairs Officer Mary Eggers-Simons at the ALPHA Center, (909) 787-5425. E-mail messages for Eggers-Simons should be sent to maryes@citrus.ucr.edu.

Remember Your Fathers on Father's Day June 17th 2001

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No one gets married with the expectation that the relationship will not last. Yet, roughly 50% of marriages in this nation do fall apart and end in divorce. An important question is whether there is help available that could change those numbers.

A marriage, of course, is simply another form of relationship, but a much more serious one because of the weight given it by society. In point of fact, marriage is really a relationship in which there are three parties: each individual, plus the relationship itself.

All three need nourishment to survive. The two people remain two individuals who, no matter how much they love and care about one another, will still have differences of opinions from time to time. And the third party, the marriage itself, carries with it a wide range of responsibilities and legal and social implications.

A good starting point for seeking professional help in regard to a marriage is actually before the marriage begins. Pre-marital counseling can offer a couple the means for building a solid foundation for their relationship. It can help a couple explore each other's feelings and thought, while offering a structured approach to examining a relationship through the guidance of a trained professional. It also provides an opportunity to explore areas of potential difficulty and to plan for handling difficulties when they do occur.

In other words, pre-marital counseling helps a couple better understand each other beyond the current glow of their "love," while also providing an opportunity to anticipate potential problems and to plan for dealing with such problems.

Many, though not all, clergy are trained to do this. Another choice is a professional counselor who has had specialized training in marriage and couples counseling. While such services will cost some money, it can be a worthwhile investment in terms of future happiness and in helping the marriage get more easily through the difficult periods.

But even with pre-marital counseling, it's also a certainty there will be problems at some future time. All marriages hit rough spots. It is a rare marriage, indeed, that treats both partners fairly and sensitively at every issue. Most marriages will face situations that can not be easily resolved in a manner that will treat both partners equally or where each partner gets exactly what he or she wants. This does not mean that they are bad people or selfish or self-centered, or that the marriage should end. It can mean, however, that outside counsel is needed before the situation deteriorates too far for the marriage to be saved.

It is important, therefore, to look for early signs that might indicate help is needed. For example, when one partner feels he or she giving more than he or she is receiving over an extended period of time, it is often an indicator that help is needed. Professional counselors are trained to help "level the playing field" without one team also losing.

Another indicator would be persistent and severe disagreements, coupled with an inability or unwillingness to resolve these disagreements. This is another case where a trained professional counselors can help the marriage partners learn how to disagree without being disagreeable — without causing severe and permanent damage to the marriage.

It's important to remember that no counseling is going to be able to save every marriage. Nor should it. Sometimes a couple is better off apart for any of a variety of reasons. But for a couple that truly cares for each other and that has been trying to communicate on a regular basis, professional counseling can be an important step before things begin to get out of hand.

What counseling can help couples see is the reality of their situation and ways to work more intelligently at the problems they're facing. It isn't possible for each partner to be happy all the time. A good relationship means learning to share both the joy and the disappointments. We all too often plunge into disagreements as a win-lose situation in which the winner takes all.

Professional counselors are trained to help the partners sort out the long-lasting disagreements and to find ways to avoid getting into the win-lose situations in the first place. And, even if only one partner is willing to seek help, a counseling professional can assist that person in finding ways to learn how to cope in a more healthy way.

Seeking help does not signal the end of a marriage. Instead, it may well be only the beginning of building a strong, healthy and long-lasting relationship.

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- Home remedies
  - Azarcon, Greta, and Paylooa, upset stomach, diarrhea, and rashes.

Children with lead poisoning can have trouble learning in school and may have behavior problems, as well as other health problems. If your children are one or two years old, you should get them tested for lead poisoning. Also, if you have children tested if they are between the ages of one and six years and have not been tested for lead before. A blood lead test is the only way to know if your child has lead poisoning.

The Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) Program offers free physical exams to those who qualify, and these exams include free blood lead testing. Medi-Cal and other health insurances cover the cost of a blood lead test. If your child does not have health insurance, he/she could qualify for free services. Call the Child and Adolescent Health Program: 1-800-722-3777.
Robert Pacheco, Assemblyman, 60th Assembly District, was inducted into the Hall of Fame by his law school alma mater at Western State University College of Law.

Assemblyman Robert Pacheco, 60th Assembly District, was inducted into the Hall of Fame of his alma mater at the school's 32nd graduation ceremony May 20.

Elected in 1998, Robert Pacheco represents the 60th Assembly District communities and serves as the vice-chair of the Judiciary Committee and sits on various committees including Higher Education and Health.

He has been a member of the California Bar since 1973. Pacheco's career spans more than four decades and includes serving as a business legal advisor and attorney and a bank vice president.

He owns a manufacturing and import company with his wife Gayle, an attorney who is also a Western State alumna.

Pacheco's induction into the Hall of Fame is a reflection of his contributions over the past 18 years to the legal community and the broader society. A former member of the Walnut City Council and planning commissioner, Pacheco sits as a director on several non-profit organizations that he has established. He is a member of the select committees on School Violence, Alameda Corridor East, California-Mexico Affairs, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority and California Ports. Pacheco is also co-founder and Chairman of the Hispanic Republican Caucus.

WSU established the Hall of Fame in 1986 to honor graduates who have achieved unique and enduring professional or humanitarian distinction within the community or legal profession. More than 30 graduates have been recognized.

"I am very honored to be inducted into the Hall of Fame for my alma mater, Western State University College of Law," said Assemblyman Pacheco. "My experience at Western State has helped me to reach beyond my own family's modest beginnings and succeed in a dual career of law and politics."

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- **Insurance companies issue deferred annuity contracts and, unlike CDs, they are not insured by the FDIC. Deferred annuities are backed by life insurance companies.**

**WHEN DO YOU WANT TO PAY TAXES?**

Current tax laws treat the interest earnings of CDs and deferred annuities quite differently. If taxes are a concern, a deferred annuity may prove to be a better option for several reasons:

- Earnings on CDs are taxable on the year the interest is earned. Also, you do not necessarily withdrawal the earnings from the CD to pay the tax amount. Rather, you usually pay the tax out of current income or out of withholding from other income sources. This reduces your spendable income sources today and may reduce it in the future when needed most.
- With deferred annuities, taxes on earnings are deferred until the earnings are withdrawn. This allows more of your money to work harder and gives you a measure of control over when you pay taxes and how much you pay. Your money earns interest on the money that you would ordinarily pay in current income taxes. This tax-deferred feature is one of the greatest advantages of deferred annuities.

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**WHAT IS YOUR INVESTMENT HORIZON?**

When deciding between a CD and a deferred annuity, the time you set aside to save for a specific goal is a key factor. This is your investment horizon. In the short-term, a CD may prove to be the better choice because you can select a maturity date that can be as short as one month or as long as several years. Keep in mind that if you need access to funds prior to the maturity date, you may pay an interest penalty ranging from thirty days to six months’ interest. To avoid this potential pitfall you can invest in several CDs with staggered maturity dates. If you are taking a long-term approach, a deferred annuity may be more attractive. The ability to compound earnings on a tax-deferred basis could help you accumulate assets for retirement. And, should you need additional income, most insurance companies provide you with the ability to access the accumulated cash value in the annuity. Some companies will allow you to withdraw a portion of your deferred annuity’s account value in 10% annually, without a company imposed surrender charge. Withdrawals can often be made in response to a one-time cash need or set up systematically to respond to a continuous need.

Withdrawals from the earnings portion of a deferred annuity are taxable and, if you are under age 59 1/2, these earnings may be subject to a 10% tax penalty in addition to your regular taxes.

As you can see, CDs and deferred annuities are different. In some instances, it may be beneficial to allocate a portion of funds to a CD to meet short-term needs and a portion to deferred annuity for the long term. Ultimately, the decision depends upon your individual goals and objectives.

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