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## Teacher Dismissal Process Begins

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The La Cañada Unified School District has officially begun initiating dismissal proceedings for LCHS math teacher Gabrielle Leko in the wake of the public complaint filed last June.

According to a statement released by the superintendent's office, on Feb. 7 the board unanimously voted to begin dismissal proceedings against Leko on Feb. 27. The press release, available on LCUSD's website and Facebook page, also stated that the board "would continue to pursue all options, including a settlement that would result in the employee's separation from the District at the end of the current academic year." As of Feb. 29, however, no settlement with Leko had been announced.

Leko continues to teach classes until either a settlement or dismissal is finalized.

By June 2011, former school board

## La Cañada High School Alumni Embark on 9,000-Mile Bike Trip

*"In my life, I want to create something meaningful and inspire others. Through showcasing our visionaries in a documentary, this [will] let me take those steps and head me in that direction."*

— CHRIS WALKER

community leaders they meet, and highlight the work being done to bring about economic change.

Hartley and Walker met in middle school. They were LCHS cross-country teammates, where Walker served as team captain. Both finished college early; Hartley graduated from the University of Chicago in the summer of 2011, receiving a bachelor's degree in political science; Walker graduated from UCLA in the fall of 2011, with a bachelor's degree in communication studies.

During his last college quarter, Walker considered biking from

hours. This fueled Hartley and Walker to put meaning into their bike journey and by the end of the weekend, they had created their project, Postulate One.

"We want to be more than two recent graduates on a bike road trip," said Walker. "We decided we wanted to document the rise of expanding economies in Eurasia, by looking at the unknown people who are contributing to the economic change in their countries and tell their stories. Postulate One is our project brain child for this project. It is a term in geometry, whose concept fits what we are try-



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## Sheriff's Crime Report

A Sony PlayStation3 (\$200) was stolen in a home burglary on upper Palm Drive between 10 a.m. and 12:20 p.m. on Feb. 24. The victim came home to find one of his sons' bedroom windows smashed and the game console missing. His other two sons' bedrooms were ransacked, as well as the master bedroom.

The residence for two days. Each time he left the house, he noticed the pickup truck follow him for a couple of blocks, then turn around.

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A Specialized mountain bicycle (\$400) was stolen out of a garage on the 400 block of Noren Street between 11 a.m. on Feb. 24 between 8 a.m. on Feb. 25. The victim said the garage door was up at the time of the incident.

Verdugo Hills Hospital (VHH) recently welcomed board-certified otolaryngologist, Dr. Michael Bublik, to its medical staff. Bublik is a surgeon who specializes in the treatment of disorders of the ear, mouth, sinuses, neck and vocal cords.

Bublik has training in facial plastic and reconstructive surgery, and performs cosmetic and functional rhinoplasty, facelifts, fillers and botox. Bublik completed a residency in head and neck surgery at the University of Miami and was among an elite group selected for a fellowship in facial plastic and reconstructive surgery and a dual appointment as a clinical faculty instructor. He is also a member of the American Academy of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and has conducted extensive research and written numerous articles on these subjects.

Bublik received his undergraduate degree from UCLA and his medical degree from USC's Keck School of Medicine. He is married and has two daughters.

## VHH Welcomes New Surgeon



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*Clouds parting.*

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