

The vote on medical marijuana dispensaries

Dear Editor:

Ok, the city of Claremont has won a court case. A judge has made it clear the city does not have to let a medical marijuana dispensary open in Claremont. They cannot be forced to.

The City Council has tried a few times to force removing the possibility of a dispensary in Claremont. We have read and discussed several books full of information from studies citing the benefits of medical marijuana at Claremont

readers' comments

City Council meetings. We have discussed and disproved all of the myths and lies concerning medical marijuana there as well. We have pointed out the self-serving and financial concerns of certain politicians, and their intentions concerning medical marijuana.

We have never tried to force a dispensary to open in Claremont. We've never contacted lawyers or filled out paper work. As we have tried to explain

to anyone who would listen, we want them to open a safe regulated non-profit dispensary in Claremont because it's the right thing to do. It's also the right thing to open one in Upland, Rancho Cucamonga, Norco, Montclair and Pomona. In every city, there are people that would benefit from medical marijuana everywhere.

There are all kinds of people in the world. There are people who will use

the cities same tactics to push medical marijuana through. And we applaud them as theirs is a hard uphill fight. They don't do it for political gain, personal glory or money, but because it's the right thing to do.

But, this is not who we are. We will not fight you. We will convince you that it's the right thing to do.

Because it's the right thing for Dave and I to do.

Darlene and Dave Matteson
Upland

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era, Mr. Trakovsky met a man who became a monk because of Andrei Tarkovsky's films.

"It's amazing how influential someone can be on another person's life, even if they've never met," Mr. Trakovsky said.

While studying abroad in Italy in 2006, Mr. Trakovsky shot the rest of the movie with interviews of the filmmaker's son and actors from his movies. He traveled to Mr. Tarkovsky's hometown in Russia and to Sweden, where the director defected from the Soviet Union and shot his final film, **The Sacrifice**.

Mr. Trakovsky is already working on his next film about a violinist he met in New York. The short documentary will consider the relationship between music and film and how they influence and complement each other.

Meeting Andrei Tarkovsky will be showing at the Laemmle Claremont 5 in Village West on Saturday and Sunday beginning at 11 a.m. Tickets are available presale on the Laemmle's website or at the box office before the shows.

"I hope the community comes out to support me," he said. "It's important for people to watch independent films and movies that they are not accustomed to watching. If they don't, less and less of them will be made."

The film will also show the following weekend at the Sunset 5 Laemmle in West Hollywood and at the Museum of Photographic Arts on October 28 in San Diego. For more information, visit www.trakovsky-film.com.

—Tony Krickl



Image courtesy of Trakovsky Film
A still image from Russian-born Claremont resident Dmitry Trakovsky's film *Meeting Andrei Tarkovsky* depicts the Russian town of Yurevets where Andrei Tarkovsky lived as a youth.

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Werner E. Warmbrunn

A memorial event to honor Pitzer College professor emeritus Werner E. Warmbrunn will take place at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, October 28, 2009 in the Broad Center Performance Space at Pitzer College. The celebration of Dr. Warmbrunn's life will begin with a reception followed by a service at 6 p.m. Dr. Warmbrunn, founding member of the Pitzer College faculty and found-

ing dean of faculty, died at his home on July 19, 2009 at the age of 89.

Memorial donations may be made to VNA & Hospice of Southern California, 150 W. First St., Suite 270, Claremont, CA 91711.

Dr. Warmbrunn's obituary was published in the July 29, 2009 edition of the COURIER.



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