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La Mirada and Central Basin Partner on Major Recycled Water Project

By Brian Hews

The City of La Mirada and Suburban Water Systems is teaming up with Central Basin Municipal Water District (CB) to expand CB's recycled water distribution system into the city.

Construction is scheduled to begin in January 2018.

The project will measure over five miles and is expected to supply between 650 and 750 acre-feet of recycled water to La Mirada.

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CITY COUNCIL VOTES TO KEEP SKY KNIGHT AND SHERIFF'S STATION

By Brian Hews

After a marathon 4.5 hour Council meeting mostly taken up by debates to cut the Sky Night Helicopter Program and Cerritos Sheriff's Station, the Cerritos City Council decided not to cut the Sky Night program and the station.

Councilman Mark Pulido made the motion to save the Sky Night program, seconded by Councilman Jim Edwards. The motion passed 5-0.

Public Safety Manager Daryl Evans told the Council how valuable the helicopter program is, "the helicopter orbits the area so they can stop the suspects from fleeing, they are easier to find because they are the eye-in-the-sky,

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STUDENTS FROM HASKELL MS SPENT DAY AT CATALINA COURTESY OF CATALINA ISLAND CONSERVANCY



Haskell Middle School students from Cerritos enjoyed an afternoon on Ben Weston Beach during their trip to Catalina Island as part of the Catalina Island Conservancy's Course Catalina, a science-based program that has brought classroom lessons to life by giving hundreds of pre-teens an opportunity to spend a day experiencing the Island. (Photo by Laura Mecoy)

Course Catalina Educates Future Scientists

By Laura Mecoy

AVALON –The youngsters eagerly hiked nearly three miles roundtrip to Catalina's Ben Weston Beach, frequently stopping on the trail to ask about plants and bugs and how they fit into the Island's ecosystem.

They dug through the sand at the beach in search of tiny insects they'd never seen before, and they seriously sniffed a twig of coastal sage to understand why it's sometimes called "cowboy cologne."

The 7th grade students from Haskell Middle School in Cerritos spent a day exploring the wonders of Catalina thanks to the Catalina Island Conservancy's "Course Catalina." Over the past 19 years, this science-based program has brought

classroom lessons to life by giving hundreds of pre-teens an opportunity to spend a day experiencing the Island.

Dr. George Boone, an orthodontist who became a real estate developer and a leading Southern California philanthropist, launched the program. His son, Nick Boone, is the administrator of the Boone Family Foundation and has continued to support Course Catalina.

"I love coming here with them and seeing them experience all that Catalina has to offer – from the boat trip to hiking through the wildlands," he said. "It's wonderful to see how Catalina and its beauty can have such a profound effect on them."

The student's teacher, Elizabeth Ortega, said that "seeing all of this firsthand – nothing can come close to that in helping them understand science. Several of these

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Bruce Barrows Wanted to Cut Sky Knight Helicopter Program for Political Payback in 2012

By Brian Hews



Safety has been a big issue in Cerritos, brought to the forefront by Councilwoman Carol Chen's questionable no vote denying Cerritos residents the chance to approve a

sales tax for the City and fund the Cerritos Sheriff's Station.

Cerritos Council candidate Bruce Barrows, a long-time Chen ally, holds the same view as Chen, once dangling Cerritos resident's safety, the Sky Knight helicopter program, as a political football to advance his personal agenda.

In June of 2012, as documented in HMG-CN, then Mayor pro tem Bruce Barrows was involved in an incident where he physically assaulted Cerritos resident Jay Gray after a Council meeting.

Gray told Hews Media Group-CommunityNews in an exclusive interview at the time, that Barrows "grabbed me" and "threw me" and "yanked at my jacket and neck tie" after the meeting in dispute of Gray's public comments about various city priorities for the upcoming fiscal year budget.

Barrows later appeared before the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office for an "Office Hearing" regarding

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By T. Robinson

LA MIRADA INTERACT CLUB HELPS THE COMMUNITY

Hundreds of local students have benefited from involvement in the activities of Interact Club at La Mirada High School since its formation in 2010. The Interact group is sponsored by the Rotary Club of La Mirada.

Students involved in Interact clubs benefit from connecting with business, professional and government leaders in their local community and around the world. Students become involved in actions to make a difference in their school and community, develop their leadership skills, gain awareness of other cultures, and promote international understanding. Most importantly, Interact club members enjoy the opportunity to have fun while making new friends in their school and around the world.

Interact clubs bring together young people ages 12 to 18 to develop leadership skills while discovering the power of Service Above Self. Rotary International indicates there are currently 20,372 Interact clubs with some 468,556 members in 159 countries around the world.

Interact clubs generally organize at



ROTARY SALUTES YOUTH – La Mirada Rotary Club President John Lewis presents La Mirada High School Interact Club President Amber Salas and other members with a certificate of appreciation for their fundraising work on behalf of Rotary’s Eileen Wade “Clothes for Kids” Shopping Event. “La Mirada Rotary is pleased to sponsor the Interact Club,” says Lewis. “We appreciate all of the time and hard work these young men and women dedicate to serving others in our community throughout the year.”

least two projects every year, one that helps their school or community and one that promotes international understanding. Rotary Club sponsors mentor and guide Interactors as they carry out projects and develop leadership skills.

“The Interact club at La Mirada High School is empowering young people to take action to improve their community, develop leadership skills, and gain a deeper understanding of their world,” says La Mirada Rotary Club President

John Lewis. “Being involved in Interact challenges students to reach their full potential, and helps to prepare them to become future leaders in our society.”

Members of the Interact club have frequently been selected to receive scholarships offered by the Rotary Club of La Mirada based on their records of community service and academic performance.

Interact club meetings are open to La Mirada High School students. Students are encouraged to find out how serious leadership can be seriously fun. Meetings are held on second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at lunchtime in Room 575.

The Rotary Club of La Mirada meets on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. at Sizzlers Restaurant at 15252 Rosecrans Ave. Visitors who wish to learn more about Rotary are welcome to attend.

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SCE will perform routine maintenance on the electrical equipment in Cerritos.

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STONEBRIDGE HOSTS MEET AND GREET WITH BELLFLOWER COUNCIL INCUMBENTS KOOPS AND GARZA



Councilmen Dan Koops and Juan Garza serving up hotdogs and meeting residents at the meet and greet. Photo by Tammye McDuff.

By Tammye McDuff

Owners of Stonebridge Funeral and Cremation services, Robin and Bob Snow, held a meet and greet for Bellflower City Council incumbents Dan Koops and Juan Garza, Saturday, February 4th.

“We wanted to help Bellflower residents get to know Dan and Juan,” said Robin Snow, “many residents never get a chance to just chat with the Council or attend a meeting.”

Dan Koops has been a resident of the city his entire life, he and his wife of 42 years, raised their children in Bellflower and have run a successful business for more than 37 years. “Serving the citizens of Bellflower as Mayor and a member of our City Council has been my greatest honor, says Koops,”Working together we have and can continue to achieve great

things.” Koops has a proven track record of keeping the crime rate low; completing projects; building new playgrounds and maintaining a sustainable city budget.

Juan Garza is a husband, father and veteran of the United States Army. As current councilman and former Commissioner on both the Planning and parks & Recreation Commissions, Garza believes in promoting community partnerships and keeping Bellflower streets safe. Garza earned a master of Public Administration, a Bachelor of Arts in Geography and a Certificate in Urban & Regional studies from Cal State Long Beach. He has streamlined government efficiency at the Port of Long Beach, improved water conservation efforts with the Metropolitan Water District and is an advocate for recycling and alternative fuel vehicles.

'DA' HAWAII SENIORS CLUB DANCERS PERFORMED AT THE CERRITOS FESTIVAL OF FRIENDSHIP



Pictured at the City of Cerritos Festival of Friendship at the Los Cerritos Center on Saturday, February 4, 2017, are Na Kupunawahine of Da' Hawaii Seniors Club Dancers in their new blue performance outfits dancing the hula to “Kaimana Hila” with uli ulis. Photo by Edna Ethington.

By Edna Ethington

The City of Cerritos and the Let Freedom Ring Committee, in conjunction with the Los Cerritos Center, invited people to participate in their annual Festival of Friendship on Saturday, February 4 and Sunday, February 5, 2017, from 11:00 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m. There were 11 groups scheduled to perform on Saturday and Sunday.

Two groups of dancers representing Da' Hawaii Seniors Club performed at the City of Cerritos Festival of Friendship on Saturday, February 4, 2017. The 18 members of Na Kupunawahine of Da' Hawaii Seniors Club were taught by Kumu Hedy Harrison Anduha, and the Na Ipo Hula dancers were led by Frances

McCormick. The Na Kupunawahine of Da' Hawaii Seniors Club dancers wore leis and fancy floral hair pieces. They dressed, for the first time, in their elegant new performance outfits with material in beautiful shades of blue. The six members of Na Ipo Hula dancers wore tuber rose leis with new floral hair pieces and dressed in matching pa'u skirts with colorful floral prints.

Da. Hawaii Club member, Jan Kaneshiro, introduced each of the five numbers that Da' Hawaii Club Dancers performed, and Frances McCormick introduced each of the five numbers that Na Ipo Hula performed. All the dances delighted the audience that assembled in front of Forever 21 Stage at the Los Cerritos Mall in Cerritos.

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it is very important deterrent to crime.”

After Evans completed his presentation, questions were opened up to Council.

An angry Mark Pulido said, “I have been opposed to this cut from the beginning, the overhead support that Sky Knight has provided has served not just as coverage for emergent situations but as a deterrent to crime. I do not want to take this away and put up an open sign for criminals.”

The small crowd in the chamber applauded loudly to Pulido’s statement.

Councilwomen Chen was “very pleased to look at the major cost centers of the City. This is one of the areas we

have to look at. In her atypical usual questioning pattern, Chen questioned the number of helicopter responses outside the City. Are there any responses outside of the City, do we get reimbursement?”

Evans indicated it is covered under mutual aid; various police departments will share those types of assets. “We have used helicopters from other cities and vice-versa. A majority of the crimes in Cerritos are property crimes, which will be subordinate to other crimes. Sky Knight is smaller with lesser capabilities so as soon as another helicopter is available they bail out. Other cities using Sky Knight is very minimal.”

Public comment was then allowed on the agenda item with several residents voicing concern over losing Sky Knight; no residents spoke in favor of cutting the program.

Marlene Rafay cited recent crime, where a helicopter was involved; she implored the Council to keep the program and the Sheriff’s Station.

Sally Havice slammed Councilwoman Chen saying, “to take the attitude that they are flying over other cities and to be reimbursed is ridiculous. Why don’t we join up with other cities, even if they can’t pay the entire amount, maybe they can pay part of it so we can keep the program.”

Cerritos resident Jay Gray asked, “What is more important, museum cars or Sky Knight? Magnolia Power Plant or Sky Knight?”

Resident and Council Candidate Anantha Ramachandran said, “we need to prioritize the budget items, we need to keep the Sky Night but look at other major costs. In the future how do we do that, sharing costs?”

Councilman Edwards then spoke passionately about the helicopter program

and indicated he did not want to cut the budget, he made a motion to keep the program.

Pulido made another impassioned speech and seconded Edward’s motion.

Chen then said, “This is not just an issue about safety it is about the budget. Chen blamed redevelopment, and repeated what Mayor Ray indicated earlier, that the City is looking at other cost cutting measures. She again blamed the discussion of budget on Cerritos staff and that ‘no information has come back to us.’

Chen backtracked on earlier comments and “wanted to look at the Magnolia Power Plant,” and “that we would not be discussing helicopter program. We don’t need to cut Sky Knight.”

Solanki agreed with Pulido and Chen as did Ray. The motion passed 5-0 to keep the Sky Knight program.

Council then moved on to the agenda item discussing the Cerritos Sheriff’s Station with Evans once again outlining the consequences of converting the station.

Pulido thanked Evans, Cerritos Sheriff’s Station Captain Nunez, and his staff, and reiterated that he was completely against the conversion. “We have never had a conversation at this level about the station, I have a greater appreciation of what we have here.”

“Folks feel so comfortable in the City, it is beyond me that we are considering what would be an irreversible decision.”

Pulido made a motion to oppose the conversion, but Council had to listen to public comment.

Cerritos Chamber CEO Scott Smith said, “Cerritos is a great place to have a business, great schools, great residents. I am here for my over 300 members, they all want to keep the station. On behalf of

the business community please consider this decision carefully.”

Anantha Ramachandran indicated that the City will make over \$2 million more in sales tax in 2017. “I have talked to the City, they said we will make more money. Let’s use that and pay for the station. Then we can look at other budget cuts.”

Cerritos resident Mel Cortez, who was wearing a “nosalestax” t-shirt, somehow advocated for the Sheriff’s station, and blamed the CCPA deficit, even though Cerritos has sent RFP’s out to operators to take over the iconic theater. He also chided the Council for the museum and the power plant.

Edwards subsequently seconded the motion to oppose converting the station “until the next Council is elected.”

Ray commented “it was our fault that we did not get the sales tax on the ballot.”

The tax did not get on the ballot because Councilwoman Chen inexplicably voted to deny Cerritos residents a chance to vote on the sales tax increase.

Sources are telling HMG-CN that Chen’s no vote was meant to not take away the focus of “her” candidates on the ballot, Bruce Barrows and Chuong Vo, and to keep the number of resident going to the polls as low as possible so the vote is “split.”

Councilwoman Chen, who vehemently argued to close the station and helicopter program only a few months ago, then made an argument to keep the station praising Captain Nunez, Evans, and staff.

"At this point I will support the motion, and allow this to remain at the current model."

The motion passed 5-0.

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As your Councilmember, Tony will focus on several key issues to increase our quality of life in Norwalk.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Eliminate murders and reduce violence in the city

Reinstitute Community Policing as outlined by original “Norwalk Model”

Begin Mobile Public Safety Command post to areas needing increased law enforcement with a team of 4 Sheriffs and 3 PSO’s

Actively patrol problem areas hidden around the city to combat drug use and gang activity

SENIOR PROGRAMS:

Recommitment to Supportive Services and recreation parity between the Social Services Center and Norwalk Senior Center

Extend Meals on Wheels to Weekends

Increase Case Management Support Services 400%

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RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT:

Change City Budget cycle from 2 years to annually

City Council Agenda Consent Calendar will require a report so residents can understand the content

Offsite City Council meetings quarterly with each one held in the four corners of the city with the dividing lines being Pioneer Blvd. and Rosecrans

BUSINESS COMMUNITY:

Re-establish the Business Watch Program

Re-establish PSO bike patrols in shopping centers during high shopping periods especially Christmas and other Holidays

Re-establish the Business Visitation Program

Bolster graffiti removal program and shorten response times

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allegations of criminal misconduct of Penal Code 242 where Barrows reportedly settled the case along with Gray.

Barrows never minced words to anyone about his outrage that HMG-CN “dared to publish the assault story because it was a lie.” That statement was refuted by his meeting with the D.A. and final disposition of the case.

Barrows later took his anger out on HMG-CN at the June 28, 2012 Council meeting, and did so holding the Sky Knight helicopter safety program hostage just “to get back at the HMG-CN.”

Barrows threatened to endanger Cerritos resident’s safety and cut the Sky Knight if Council did not cut the City’s advertising budget with HMG-CN.

At the June 28 meeting, Barrows told Councilman Mark Pulido, an outspoken Sky Knight supporter, “Mark this is to address your Sky Knight issue. I would like to have the council eliminate the city print advertising from the budget. If you

do not vote to eliminate the city’s print advertising budget, I will not vote for Sky Knight.”

This and other statements are on the City’s website recorded on video.

After much debate, Barrows again chimed in and for the second time said, “if we don’t cut the print advertising budget I won’t vote for Sky Knight.

Councilwomen Carol Chen echoed Barrow’s statements saying, “cut print advertising or I won’t approve the Sky Knight funding.”

At the time, then Councilman Joseph Cho commented at the meeting “why are we talking about such small items when we have bigger things to talk about.”

Not wanting to cut the Sky Knight program, Pulido relinquished and voted to cut HMG-CN’s advertising budget to save the program.

Now the program is under scrutiny once again by the Council, mainly because of Chen’s no vote denying the sale tax initiative on the ballot.

The Council will discuss the safety of Cerritos and the plight of the Sky Knight as well as the Cerritos Sheriff’s station during their Feb. 9 meeting.

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FRANK YOKOYAMA HOLDS CAMPAIGN KICKOFF EVENT AT CPE



Frank Yokoyama (center) with State Senator Tony Mendoza, Artesia Mayor Ali Taj and Cerritos Councilman Mark Pulido. Others attending the event were ABC Board President Chris Apodaca, Board members Letty Mendoza, Olympia Chen, and Maynard Law, former ABC Board members Armin Reyes and Celia Spitzer, former Cerritos Mayors Dianna Needham and Laura Lee, and several Commissioners and former Commissioners. Photo by Tammye McDuff.

By Tammye McDuff

Cerritos Council candidate Frank Yokoyama hosted a meet and greet at Cerritos Park East this past Saturday. Yokoyama and his family members were joined by over 200 friends and supporters including State Senator Tony Mendoza,

ABC Board President Chris Apodaca, Board members Letty Mendoza, Olympia Chen, and Maynard Law, former ABC Board member Armin Reyes, Cerritos Councilman Mark Pulido, Artesia Mayor Ali Taj, and former Cerritos Mayors Dianna Needham and Laura Lee.

Long time friend and campaign

volunteer Jim Giordano believes that this is his winning year, “We have known each other for some time. We need to let everyone know just what an upstanding man Frank is,” Giordano said, ”with Frank you have someone who has grown up in this city, he went to high school here and he is raising his kids in Cerritos

as well.”

Giordano went on to say that Yokoyama will be able to bridge the generation gaps in the city, “There are young millennial’s and there is the aging population, I know that Frank can bridge the gap and speak to everyone on a very personal level.”

“I am running so your voice will be heard by Cerritos City Hall,” said Yokoyama, “I will serve you and your family. As your Councilman I will represent all of you. I promise leadership that is transparent, ethical and fiscally responsible.”

A graduate from Harvard Law School and UC Berkeley Business School, Yokoyama is a former member of the Cerritos Planning Commission, a real estate broker, an attorney, a local business owner and a youth sports coach for basketball and soccer.

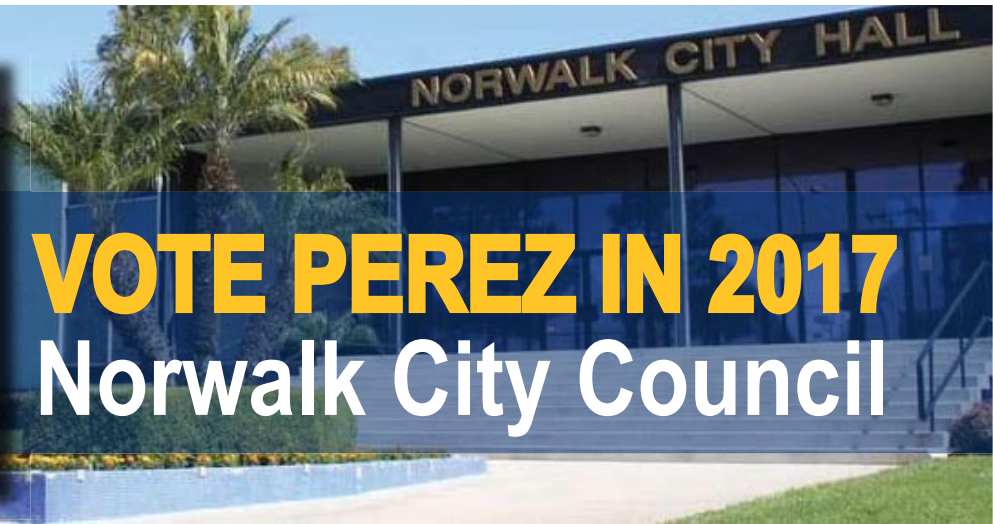
As a planning commissioner, he reviewed and approved plans for new businesses and home improvements to strengthen the local economy and increased property values for Cerritos residents.

As Yokoyama addressed those that came out to campaign for him, he said, “There is somebody here that has really inspired me in their leadership and their message, their integrity and graciousness.”

He went on to say, “As I was planning my speech for this afternoon, I thought why reinvent the wheel when I already know this person who inspires me every day.” Yokoyama then gave honor to his daughter and her dedication as class president of Whitney High School for both the 7th and 8th grade.

“My daughter shows me every day, how to be the right kind of person to lead this city.” He went on to say whether talking about middle school or the great city of Cerritos the same things matter Coming together as one, to do the best thing for our residents.”

Current Councilman and past Mayor of Cerritos Mark Pulido added, “We are so proud of Frank. We are so proud ... that after more than three decades of friendship since our Whitney High School days, we are standing strong and steadfast with him as he fights for the future of our families and our hometown community. Together, we are ready to work very hard, leaving no stone unturned, to ensure victory for Frank in this election!”



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CCPA ARTS EDUCATION PROGRAM

DANZA FLORICANTO/USA AT CCPA



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The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) presented two performances of Danza Floricanto/USA on Thursday, February 9 as part of its arts education programs for students in kindergarten through 12th grade. The shows were made possible and funded by the City of Cerritos.

More than 2,600 students and educators participated from school districts such as ABC Unified School District, Bellflower Unified School District, Compton Unified School District and Long Beach Unified School District.

The first Danza Floricanto/USA performance was presented for sixth through twelfth graders and the second performance was designed specifically for kindergarteners through fifth graders. The Danza Floricanto/USA troupe presented

the colorful panorama of Mexican and California culture from Aztec ritual to the vibrant fiestas of today’s Jalisco, the Spanish-influenced tropics of Veracruz and the contemporary realities of the Chicano experience in California. Founded in 1975, Danza Floricanto/USA is the oldest existing professional Mexican/California Folk dance troupe in Southern California.

“The students really enjoyed the colorful display of Mexican and California culture that was presented at the CCPA,” remarked Cerritos Mayor George Ray. “The City of Cerritos is proud to have been able to present this valuable educational performance for the benefit of the children in Cerritos and the surrounding communities.”

The final CCPA arts education program of the 2016-2017 Season will be “Peter Rabbit Tales” on Friday, March 31 at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

NORWALK SHERIFFS MAKE ARREST IN MYSTERIOUS STRAY BULLET THAT INJURED GIRL

Staff report

A man accused of firing a bullet into the air that wounded a 12-year-old girl in Norwalk was in prison today as a result of a detective’s hunch and ballistic evidence that tied his handgun to the crime, authorities said.

The girl was injured about 8:15 a.m. Nov. 28 in the 14000 block of Jersey Avenue, the sheriff’s department reported.

Andres Ruiz, 35, of Norwalk, was arrested in January and has since pleaded no contest to a charge of discharging a firearm in a grossly negligent manner, with a special allegation of great bodily injury, a sheriff’s statement said. On Feb. 2, Ruiz was sentenced to serve 52 months in state prison.

“The bullet fell from the sky and struck the girl on her forehead,” a sheriff’s statement said. “The impact

of the bullet caused extensive non-life threatening trauma to the girl’s eyebrow and eyelid.”

The girl was taken to a hospital for treatment and is continuing to recover.

“Initially, it was unclear how the girl was injured,” the statement said. “Witnesses did not see or hear anything that would have explained the unforeseen injury. However, after a .40-caliber bullet was found inside the girl’s backpack, the authorities were alerted.”

A break in the case came on Jan. 24, when the Norwalk Station received a call about 9:50 a.m. regarding gunshots heard in the area of Gard Avenue.

“Patrol deputies responded to the area and located expended shell casings in the street,” the statement said. “Based on witness statements, deputies detained a suspect near the scene. The suspect was in possession of a loaded .40-caliber handgun.”

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LA MIRADA HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORE RECEIVES



Ryan Vargas

Staff report

Zooming across a black-and-white checkered finish line at 140 miles an hour in a 400-horsepower car is not unusual for La Mirada High School sophomore Ryan Vargas, who’s been racing since he was 11.

“Growing up, I always loved monster trucks, demolition derbies and Thomas the Tank Engine,” Ryan said. “When my dad took me to a NASCAR event at Irwindale Speedway, I found out that kids could actually race cars and saw it as an opportunity to do something I loved.”

Since then, Ryan has tied for national championships in the Bandolero division in 2014, set five track records across Nevada, California and Arizona, and earned Rookie of the Year in 2015 at The Bullring at Las Vegas. In 2016, he competed in 27 races, placing in the top five 12 times and top 10 25 times, along with reaching fifth place in the California state standings.

Most recently, he was awarded the Wendell Scott Trailblazer Award by NASCAR, which recognizes a high-performing minority or female driver contributing on and off the track in the NASCAR Whelen All-American Series.

“I’m just really, really thankful,” Ryan said. “Being selected to receive this amazing award is such an honor in my life and in my career.”

Racing cars also gave Ryan an opportunity to raise awareness of Down syndrome. In November of 2016, Ryan met a family whose son, Zachary, was born with Down Syndrome. When Ryan found out the family was involved with the nonprofit organization The Upside of Down, he decided to support the cause.

When I saw Zachary playing with my old monster truck cars, I wanted to give him the experience that I have when I’m racing cars,” Ryan said. “I want to support their cause to make people aware of Down syndrome and grasp hold of what to expect when they have a child with Down Syndrome.”

If he’s not at a race track, Ryan’s spending his time maintaining a 4.0 gpa and studying for two honors classes and a pre-Advanced Placement course. After school, he’s practicing and competing on La Mirada High’s track and field team. This is all on top of finding racing sponsorships and funding, which typically go toward new tires and fuel for every race.

“I know racing takes a lot of effort and time from me and my parents, and I’m always going to work my hardest because I know my parents are doing the same for me,” Ryan said. “My parents are working overtime to support my racing and I can’t be more thankful for their support.”

Ryan wants to eventually move up the ranks in NASCAR, and if he’s unable to reach the top tiers, he’ll still find a career working with automobiles.

“I love cars – I always have as a kid and I still do now,” Ryan said. “That will never change.”

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A proud wife, mother, and grandmother, Margarita Rios has been a Norwalk homeowner for over 25 years. Raised by a single mother and grandparents who lived in Norwalk for over 50 years, she worked her way through college while raising a family. Margarita earned an Associates Degree at Cerritos College and a degree in criminal justice with a minor in psychology from Long Beach State. She was honored with the Jeannie Eisentraut award for outstanding female graduate of the Criminal Justice Department. A police officer with 18 years of law enforcement experience, Margarita is a police sergeant and has spent decades volunteering in our community and our schools.

MARGARITA RIOS IS THE BEST CHOICE FOR CITY COUNCIL



PUBLIC SAFETY EXPERIENCE

Margarita's training and experience have made her an expert on public safety, at-risk youth, and safe communities. During her nearly two decades of law enforcement experience, her assignments included criminal investigations, background investigator, and school resource officer.



LISTEN AND DELIVER

Margarita will collaborate with city staff and residents to strengthen city services to ensure residents' needs are being met. Gathering input from resident's will help Norwalk identify the most pressing issues.



MAKE GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENT

Open communication and transparency are key elements in helping the city to thrive. Margarita will continue to hold coffees and town halls, and maintain an open-door policy to address the community's concerns.



STRENGTHEN THE NORWALK EDUCATION ALLIANCE

Our local schools and community groups are vital to Norwalk. Margarita's relationships with the school district and her experience on the school board will be a great asset to the City Council.



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SUBURBAN LEAGUE BASKETBALL

SLOW-STARTING CERRITOS GIRLS SQUAD RELEGATED TO SHARING LEAGUE CROWN WITH MAYFAIR

By Loren Kopff
@LorenKopff on Twitter

None of the current members of the Cerritos High girls basketball team were born when the program last finished with an undefeated league season. That came back in the 1997-1998 season when Cerritos was a member of the Mission Valley League.

The next two seasons, Lady Dons shared the league crown before winning the whole thing outright in the 2007-2008 and 2014-2015 seasons, but with 11-1 league marks. Cerritos had an opportunity to go unblemished in all 12 league games when it hosted Mayfair High this past Tuesday night. But poor shooting early on and the inability to make timely free throws cost

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the Lady Dons as Mayfair held on for a 67-65 win. Cerritos trailed by as many as 13 points and even by 11 points with 1:40 left to play. But the Lady Dons simply ran out of time.

“I don’t know what is about this year, but this year is a little bit different,” said Cerritos head coach Marcus Chinen. “Last year, it seemed like we were almost comfortable at home and away, we kind of faltered a little bit. This team is different. When we go away, they play a little better.”

Defensively, the Lady Dons came out strong, forcing half a dozen turnovers in the opening quarter. But they were unable to turn those miscues into points and converted on four of 18 field goals in the opening stanza as the Monsoons built a 21-11 lead. Cerritos was able to cut its deficit to four points late in the second quarter after a three-pointer from sophomore Lindsay Fujihiro and trailed by five points at halftime. But the Lady Dons would go into the break shooting 31 percent from the field and missing six of 14 free throws.

“We just didn’t execute and take advantage of their turnovers,” Chinen said. “We just couldn’t score. [Senior] Ifeoma [Okoli] got into foul trouble early and that’s a big difference right there, when you have to take that big presence off the court.”

Cerritos would get within four points again less than two minutes into the second half before the Monsoons, who had lost at home by two points to Cerritos on Jan. 11, increased their lead to 11 points following Sarah Clausen’s basket off of one of her three offensive rebounds in the third quarter.

The Lady Dons, though, began to

rev up its shooting and went on a 19-10 run that ended 65 seconds into the fourth quarter. But Mayfair would respond with a 9-0 run and held a 62-51 lead. That’s when senior Cailey Vitug took over. After being held to 12 points in the first half, Vitug hit three straight three-pointers in a span of 40 seconds and just like that, Mayfair was clinging to a 63-62 lead with 32.9 seconds left.

But Ayah League, who had 10 points in the fourth quarter, iced the game with four straight free throws before Vitug’s last three-pointer at the buzzer ended the game. Vitug, in her final regular season home game, scored a career-high 31 points on 11 of 21 shooting from the field. She also had four rebounds and three steals. In her last four games, Vitug has scored 75 points.

“We try to get her to go to the basket and she tries to draw the contact,” Chinen said. “And a lot of times, she doesn’t get the contact. That’s one of the main things we try to work on her this year. She didn’t shoot the ball very well in the first half. But in the second half, when we really needed it, she was able to come through for us.”

Senior Teresa Torres added eight points while Fujihiro and Okoli each pitched in with seven points. Okoli also had eight rebounds and three steals while Fujihiro had four rebounds and three steals.

The loss to Mayfair also snapped a 12-game winning streak as the Lady Dons will enter next week’s California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section playoffs with a 17-9 record. Last season, Cerritos was 17-11 and finished in second place in the league with a 10-2 mark, both losses coming to Mayfair.

“I think, through the girls and just speaking to them and watching their body language, I’m sure it hurts a little bit and they’re disappointed,” Chinen said. “But you know what, we’re co-Suburban League champs and I’ll take it. We put one up there (pointing to Suburban League girls basketball champions banner) and I’m hoping that in the playoffs, whoever goes to the playoffs from the Suburban League, I hope we all have a great turnout as far as all of us going far in the playoffs.”

Following the game, the Cerritos boys stayed within a possession or two with the Monsoons throughout the first quarter. But Mayfair outscored the Dons 22-8 in the second quarter en route to a 74-58 win. The Dons end the regular season at 13-14 overall and 8-4 in league play, good enough for third place.

The last Cerritos lead came at 10-8 midway through the opening stanza on a three-pointer from junior Vincent Biscoe. A downtown shot from junior Dorian Harris with 3.8 seconds remaining made it an 18-16 Mayfair advantage. Another trifecta from Harris brought Cerritos to within two points again 40 seconds into the second quarter. After that, it was all Mayfair, who went on a 19-5 run the remainder of the half.

Harris came off the bench to post a career-high 19 points and also grabbed six rebounds while junior Destin Flucas added 14 points and eight rebounds.

The basketball playoff brackets will be released Sunday afternoon with wild card games, if necessary, beginning on Tuesday for the boys and girls and first round games on Wednesday for the boys and Thursday for the girls.

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YOUNG VALLEY CHRISTIAN GIRLS SOCCER SQUAD SURGING TOWARDS DEEP RUN IN PLAYOFFS

By Loren Kopff
@LorenKopff on Twitter

Following her team’s 1-0 win over Arroyo High in last season’s California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section Division VI wild card game, Valley Christian High head coach Kim Looney sent a message for the 2017-2018 season. Looney said to back in two years to watch her team because the players she’ll have will be amazing.

She was already giving praise to the nine sophomores and three freshmen that were already playing like upperclassmen. Maybe she was a year too early because those young players have developed into a championship-type team this season.

After finishing in third place in the Olympic League the past two seasons with a combined overall record of 17-23-8, the Lady Crusaders have bounced back in a big way. Heading into the final regular season game at Heritage Christian High on Feb. 9, V.C. was sporting a record of 15-3-3 and 7-0-0 in league action. V.C. has won its fifth outright league crown in the past seven years and ninth overall in the 16 seasons that Looney has been the program’s coach. Looney is also in line to go through her third unblemished league season. Overall, V.C. has won 14 girls soccer league titles.

What makes this season somewhat unique is that the Lady Crusaders have not been scored upon in eight straight games and 11 times overall. V.C. has allowed 16 goals thus far, which would be reminiscent to the 2002-2003 season when that team allowed 12 goals and posted 17 shutouts, including seven straight at one point. But Looney compares this season’s team with another one.

“No, because we went out in the quarterfinals that year,” Looney chuckled. “This team actually seems a lot more similar to my 2009 [team] in the sense of the feel that I have with them. They were on a 13-game non-losing streak. The team back in 2002...it was filled; it was stacked. And we are stacked this season. We are attacking from all different sides of the field in the game.”

Unlike previous seasons when Looney would already have a number of juniors to replace graduating seniors or a number of sophomores to fill in the void of the juniors from the previous seasons, she says this team has been waiting and has had to do their time. Looney had to build this season’s team, which now has eight juniors, five sophomores, five freshmen and two seniors.

The strength of the defense begins with the tandem of junior Destinee Montenegro and freshmen Cassidy Samuelson in goal. The latter was the starting goalkeeper in December but has since been playing on the junior varsity squad. Montenegro has played in all seven league games. In front of them is a solid defense headlined by junior defenders Carli Domino, Mayrsa Garner and Caitlyn Wind, among others. Adding to an already solid defense is freshman defender Emma Spresney, who has fit the mold perfectly, according to Looney.

“With those two, because Destinee has still worked with us, I have two solid keepers,” Looney said. “And then Cassidy is coming up with us during playoffs. Carli is an outstanding defender, probably one of the best defenders in our league. Marysa has been in that defensive spot since she was a freshman and Caitlyn Wind has been in that defensive spot [as well]. They know what to expect, so they’re going into their third year.

“When you have someone solid in the goal and you have a solid defensive line, good things are going to happen because defense wins championships,” she added.

In the past, V.C. has had a history

of getting off to very slow starts, then turning it up by the time league play comes around. But not this season, as the team has not lost since a 3-1 setback to St. Margaret’s High on Dec. 16. Since then, the Lady Crusaders have gone 12-0-2. In fact, all three losses have come in succession in a span of six days.

During the 2004-2005 season, the Lady Crusaders jumped out to a 5-0-1 start, then lost three straight games before finishing as Division V co-champions with a 17-3-3 mark. The program has won more than 17 games twice since that season. The first came two seasons later when the program was Division V co-champions again at 18-8-4 and the other came in 2008-2009 when V.C. finished 20-9-2 and lost in the Division V finals.

“I had 20 on the roster when we started and now 19,” Looney said. “We have been blessed not to have major injuries. That’s not something that we’re used to. That’s why I took 20 on my roster, because we tend to have [major] injuries. Just to be able to work at practice each day with almost two full squads says a lot when we go into games, because we’re able to work on so many different things.”

Offensively, the Lady Crusaders have been paced by freshman forward Janna Dunk and sophomore midfielder Kennedy Wesley. The former is the younger sister of 2013 V.C. graduate Jahdai Dunk. The younger Dunk leads the team with 13 goals, including five at Maranatha High on Jan. 20, which set a new school record. Janna Dunk admitted she never expected to be leading the team in scoring in her high school rookie season and said she expected to be the leader by the time she was a junior or senior.

“The season has been great,” Janna Dunk said. “We haven’t only bonded just as a soccer team, but we’ve bonded as friends and it’s been way more than I ever imagined. I thought it was going to be maybe a little nerve-wracking because I’m a freshman and it’s probably going to be hard to really get to know people. But honestly, it’s been amazing.”

The younger Dunk has memories of watching her older sibling play all four of her high school seasons on the varsity squad and even shagged balls during the pregame warm-ups. Janna Dunk would even go to every practice and pondered the thought of playing for the Lady Crusaders by the time she reached high school.

Wesley, who is a member of the Under-17 Women’s National Team, is one goal behind Janna Dunk. Together, those two have helped the Lady Crusaders score 66 goals through the first 21 games. Even with her commitments with the national team, Wesley has missed just two V.C. games.

“Last year, we had a few more upperclassmen than lowerclassmen and most of us thought that would probably be better for us,” Wesley said. “But I think this year has definitely been a lot better. The freshmen that came in are unbelievable. They have helped drive our team.”

Even with all of the shutouts and high scoring games a couple of times, Looney doesn’t want her team to let up. In that Maranatha game when team was up 5-0, Looney still needed her team to clean up in a few areas and be more disciplined in certain areas. Every time, the team has risen to every challenge.

“What Janna gives to our team is speed and athleticism, and she can finish in front of the net,” Looney said. “All of these kids on my team have different gifts. That’s Janna’s. Am I excited that she’s a freshman and I get her for four years? Absolutely, I do. She’s a great kid. But that doesn’t diminish the rest of them.

“Kennedy is an athlete that we haven’t seen come through our system,” Looney continued. “I compare her to the likes of Hayley Haagsma [and] Lynzi Bulick. She is that caliber of a player. But what is really cool about Kennedy is she’s played a lot of soccer in her life and she’s very humble about it.”

Should V.C., ranked second in the Division VI poll, run the tables and win the school’s third CIF-SS championship, it would finish with what might be a school record 21 wins, not including the potential for more in the Southern California Regional championships. Looney, who currently has compiled a 236-121-49 overall record in her tenure at V.C., has had a pair of 20-win seasons.

“As for the month of January, our team goal from the beginning

of the season was to win a league championship,” Looney said. “We never said anything about shutouts. We never said anything about having a perfect 8-0 [league record]. We never said any of those. We just wanted to be league champions because it stunk to be in third place two years in a row.”

“I think the biggest difference is our relationships off the field have strengthened so much from last year, and that has really translated onto the field,” Wesley said. “Our captains this year have also taken a lot more initiative about what’s going on on the field and communicating with everyone during the games. Everything has just improved from last year. It’s definitely a lot more fun.”

WHITNEY BOYS BASKETBALL GETS IMPORTANT WIN TO KEEP FAINT PLAYOFF HOPES ALIVE

By Loren Kopff
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DOWNEY-With four games remaining in the regular season heading into its road game at Calvary Chapel Downey High last Thursday night, the Whitney High boys basketball team knew that there was very little wiggle room as far as its postseason chances were concerned. The Wildcats needed a win in the worst way against a team below them in the Academy League standings.

Whitney rose up to the challenge and rallied in the final minutes to escape with a 60-53 win over the Grizzlies, scoring the final nine points of the game.

“At first I thought we were okay,” said Whitney first-year head coach Wade Morris. “And then, it’s their senior night and they started fighting. So I had to get involved emotionally and it seemed like most of the calls were going their way. We weren’t getting any calls. We just had to get after it emotionally.”

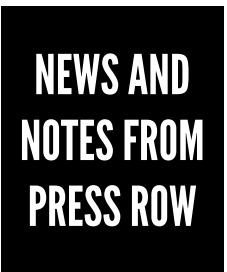
Despite a high volume of shots not going in early (five of 21 from the field in the first quarter), the Wildcats were able to lead 15-5 in the opening seconds of the second quarter. Part of the reason can be attributed to the strong effort on both sides of the glass as Whitney grabbed 14 rebounds in the first quarter, eight on the offensive end. Senior Peter Kang would have half of those offensive boards and finished the game with eight in the game.

But Calvary Chapel Downey would slowly work its way back in the game and outscored the ‘Cats by one in the second quarter. Whitney would open another 10-point lead, this time with 6:23 remaining in the third quarter before the hosts reeled off nine straight points in less than three minutes. It was at that point that Morris would sum it all up in one word.

“Energy,” Morris said. “That’s why I stuck in energy guys. I stuck in energy guys and they couldn’t do it. So then I stuck in my five that always play together and just got on their behinds and said, ‘let’s go’. That did the trick.”

The Grizzlies took their first lead with 90 seconds remaining in the stanza on a basket from Jose Campos and the teams would trade baskets for most of the fourth quarter. A three-pointer from Campos opened up the fourth quarter and gave Calvary Chapel Downey their largest lead of the game at 39-36.

Probably the biggest play of the game came 91 seconds into the fourth quarter when junior Daniel Sou had his fourth steal and scored to give Whitney a 41-39 lead. That came 16 seconds after hitting a three-pointer. Later in the quarter, his second downtown shot of the stanza (third



in the game) ties the game at 51-51.

The game was finally sealed with 13.8 seconds remaining when junior Heaven Flores had a steal, scored, was fouled and hit the subsequent free throw to put the ‘Cats up 57-53. He then scored the next three points on free throws to finish with 17, his most since scoring 20 against Brethren Christian High back on Jan. 6.

“Heaven is incredible,” Morris said. “He was upset because he wasn’t getting any calls and I say, ‘hey, just tough it out’. He listened and he toughed it out. This guy’s courage going to the basketball is incredible.”

Senior Ben Barnett added 12 points and had six rebounds while Sou finished with 11 points. At the time of the win, Whitney had evened its overall mark at 13-13 and was 4-5 in league play and Morris was confident his team could upset either Crean Lutheran High last Saturday, Sage Hill High this past Tuesday or Oxford Academy on Feb. 9

“Hope is eternal,” Morris said. “So, I believe that we can win two out of three games. We have to play perfect against Crean [Lutheran]. We have to play perfect against Sage [Hill] and against Oxford. But I believe these guys can do it. They can get it done.”

Unfortunately, the ‘Cats fell to the first two teams and needed to beat their arch rivals from Cypress just to tie Oxford Academy for fourth place. Either way, this season has been an improvement over last season when Whitney was 8-12 overall, 3-9 in the circuit and finished in fifth place.

Prior to the game, the Whitney girls basketball team, one of four teams in a scramble to finish anywhere from second to fifth place, came up short in a 31-25 decision. Both teams combined for two field goals in 16 attempts in the first quarter with Whitney leading 3-2.

But the Lady Wildcats were outscored 12-1 in the second quarter and never recovered. A three-pointer from senior Nicole Lee drew the visitors to within three points (25-22) with 6:20 left in the game. Two minutes later, sophomore Christine Hamakawa scored to make it a one-point game. But Whitney was held scoreless the final 3:07 of the game.

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Sophomore Justine Wu led Whitney with eight points while Hamakawa and Lee each added seven points. Hamakawa and sophomore Kiana Sanchez each grabbed six rebounds.

Whitney would go on to defeat Crean Lutheran 57-46 last Saturday night on the road before falling to Sage Hill at home 38-28 this past Tuesday night. Entering its Feb. 10 game against Oxford Academy, Whitney (13-10, 6-5) was sitting in a fourth place tie with Calvary Chapel Downey, one game behind Sage Hill.

In other basketball action, the last day of the regular season, which was Feb. 9, provided some drama with the other area teams as far as who would be advancing

to next week’s California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section playoffs. The Cerritos boys have locked up third place in the Suburban League while Artesia High and Norwalk High here tied for fourth place with identical 5-6 marks. Artesia (14-11 overall) hosted sixth place Bellflower High while Norwalk (11-14) was home to second place La Mirada High.

Gahr (18-8) visited Dominguez High with the San Gabriel Valley League title at stake. The Gladiators have won all nine league game while Dominguez was sitting one game behind. Valley Christian High picked up a 63-55 win over Whittier Christian High this past Tuesday to improve to 14-11 overall and 3-4 in the Olympic League. The win assured the Crusaders of no worse than third pace as they visited co-league leaders Heritage Christian High on Feb. 9.

The Norwalk girls basketball entered its Feb. 9 home game tied for fourth place in the Suburban League with the team it is hosting La Mirada. The Lady Lancers are 10-13 overall and 4-7 in league action.

Valley Christian has lost three of its last four games but the Lady Crusaders can still claim a share of the Olympic League title if they beat fourth place Heritage Christian on Feb. 9 and Village Christian High loses its final regular season contest. Valley Christian is 18-6 overall and 5-2 in league action.

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The Norwalk and Valley Christian boys teams are in position to win the Suburban and Olympic league titles respectively. Norwalk (13-5-1 overall) blanked Bellflower 2-0 last Friday to catch the Buccaneers at the top of the league. Both are 8-3 in the circuit with Norwalk having visited La Mirada on Feb. 9 while Bellflower travelled to fifth place Artesia.

Valley Christian beat Whittier Christian 3-1 this past Wednesday night to improve to 11-6-2 overall and 5-0-2 in league. V.C. has not lost since Dec. 16, a stretch of nine games.

The V.C. girls soccer team captured another league crown by virtue of a 3-0 win at Whittier Christian this past Wednesday. The Lady Crusaders (15-3-3 overall) won their seventh straight game and 12th in their past 14 games. Like the boys, the Lady Crusaders haven’t lost since Dec. 16.

Cerritos will claim no worse than fourth place in the Suburban League and is coming off a 2-1 overtime win against Mayfair this past Tuesday. The Lady Dons are 13-6-1 overall and 6-5 in league play with a makeup game against La Mirada still pending.

New Executive Director at Mirada Hills Rehabilitation and Convalescent Hospital



LA MIRADA-Mirada Hills Rehabilitation and Convalescent Hospital is welcoming a new executive director, Ryan Maguet.

“Ryan is a dynamic, caring and compassionate leader who is committed to serving our residents and ensuring the highest quality of care is given,” said Sam Magtanong, vice president of parent company Life Care Centers of America’s centers in California.

Maguet comes to Mirada Hills from Life Care Center of Paradise Valley in Phoenix, where he served as administrator-in-training. He also trained at Life Care Center of Yuma, Arizona. He has additional experience in long-term care as a case manager.

“I worked at a skilled nursing facility out of college,” said Maguet. “I came to really enjoy the setting. I like the human interaction – the seniors have stories to tell you.”

Mirada Hills Rehabilitation and Convalescent Hospital, located at 12200 La Mirada Blvd., is one of 10 skilled nursing facilities in California operated or managed by Life Care Centers of America.

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CITY OF ARTESIA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Planning Commission of the City of Artesia will hold a Regular Planning Commission Meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Artesia City Hall, 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, California at **6:30 p.m.** on **Tuesday February 21, 2017** to conduct a **Public Hearing** to consider the following item(s):

Case No. 2016-36

Design Review
18411-18435 Pioneer Boulevard

A request for approval of a design review application to allow façade and site improvements to an existing commercial center located at 18411–18435 Pioneer Boulevard in the Commercial General (C-G) Zone and making a determination of categorical exemption under CEQA.
Resolution No. 2016-31P and Resolution No. 2016-34P

Case No. 2016-37

Variance and Conditional Use Permit
12202 South Street

A request for approval of a conditional use permit to allow the offsite sale of alcoholic beverages at an existing retail business located at 12202 South Street in the Commercial General (C-G) Zone, a request for approval of a variance to be located within the proximity of another establishment selling alcohol and within the proximity of a day care provider and making a determination of categorical exemption under CEQA.
Resolution No. 2016-32P and 2016-33P

Case No. 2017-01

Code Amendment
City Wide

An ordinance of the City Council of the City of Artesia, California amending Titles 5 and 9 of the Artesia Municipal Code to prohibit commercial non-medical marijuana activity and marijuana deliveries and prohibit commercial marijuana activity, commercial uses, and marijuana cultivation, with limited exceptions, in all zones in the City and making a finding of exemption from CEQA under section 15061 (B)(3) of the CEQA guidelines.
Resolution No. 2017-01P

If you challenge any of these proposals in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Artesia Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

All interested persons are invited to attend this hearing and express their opinion on the matters listed above.

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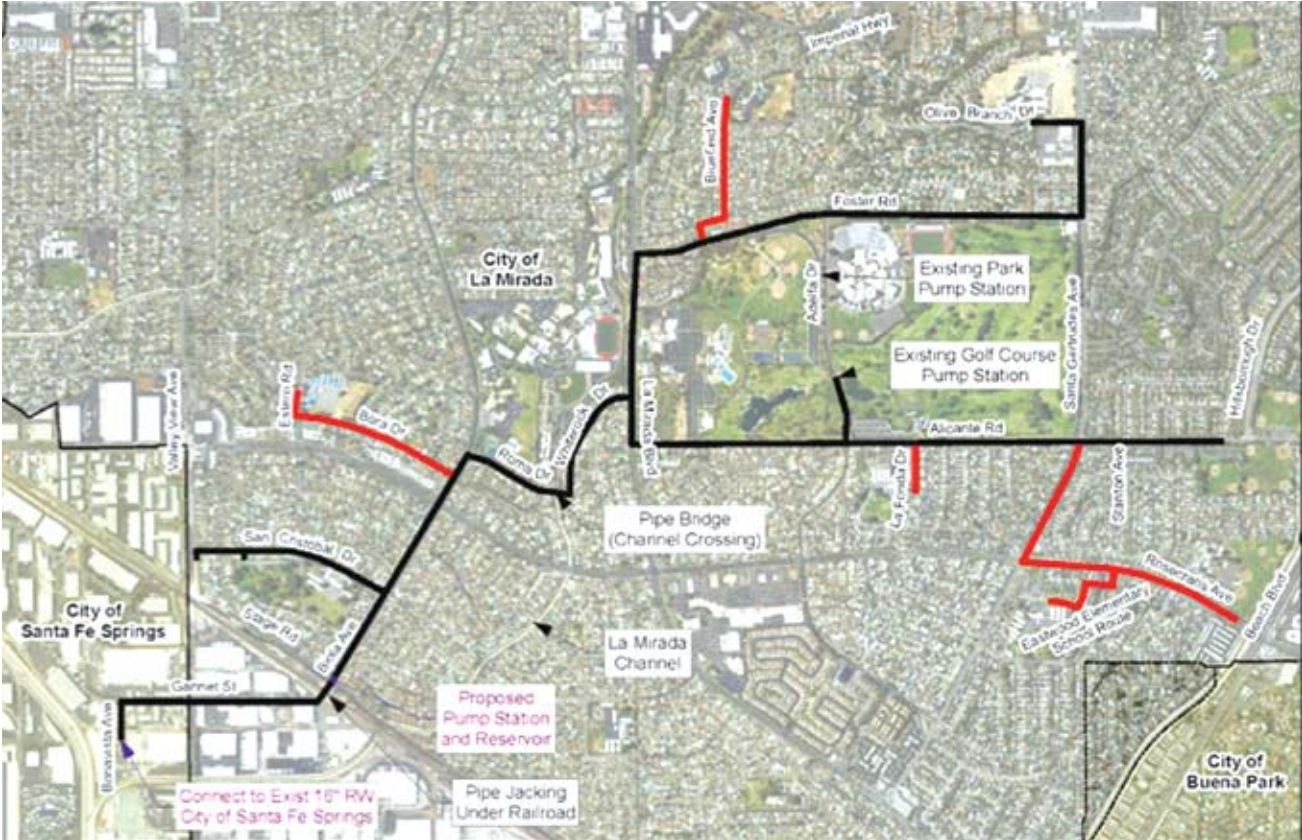
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An acre-foot is 326,000 gallons of water or the amount an average sized California household uses in a year. The expansion is part of Central Basin’s focus on securing regional water reliability while reducing dependence on imported

water supplies. “The best way to describe an acre foot,” said CB Board President Phil Hawkins, “is the amount of water it takes to cover a football field one foot deep.” CB’s recycled water system will be extended from south Santa Fe Springs into the City of La Mirada. Specifically, the recycled water expansion will connect to CB’s existing recycled water pipelines at Bonavista Avenue, continue east on

Gannet Street, north on Biola Avenue, and would travel north and east through the City of La Mirada. The system expansion will serve landscaped facilities for an estimated 20 sites, including parks, schools, landscaped street medians, a memorial park and City Hall. The project is currently undergoing CEQA environmental compliance as part of the project design aspect. CB is



PIPELINE ROUTE
PROPOSED PUMP STATION AND RESERVOIR
PHASE 1
PHASE 2

working with Aspen Environmental to review the environmental compliance. Tetra Tech, an engineering firm based in Irvine, is working under CB’s direction to conduct the engineering design for this project. Tetra Tech recommended that a pump station and reservoir is needed to deliver recycled water at the necessary water pressure for the sites.

Design and environmental review is scheduled to be complete by August 2017. Both processes are necessary prior to breaking ground. **Overview of the Central Basin Recycled Water System** Currently, CB’s recycled water system is comprised of of two distribution systems, four pump stations and over 80 miles of pipeline.

The distribution systems are responsible for the delivery of treated water and include the Century Distribution System and the Rio Hondo Distribution System. The pump stations include the Rio Hondo Pump Station, Hollydale Pump Station, Cudahy Pump Station and Cerritos Pump Station. CB obtains recycled water from the San Jose Creek Reclamation Plan and from the Los Coyotes Reclamation Plant.

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students have a real passion for science.” Their passion showed. They peppered the Conservancy’s educational staff with questions about the Island’s plants and animals. They learned about how the Conservancy and its partner, the Institute for Wildlife Studies, worked together to bring the endangered Catalina Island fox back from the brink of extinction. And they hiked to Ben Weston Beach, where they shed their shoes, rolled up their pants

and dashed into the surf. There, they also completed a short class and workbook on Catalina Island’s ecosystem and explored a salt grass and salt bush under a field microscope linked to an iPad. Too soon for the youngsters, the lessons at the beach ended, and they had to hike quickly back to the bus. Joshua Mahar summed up the day for his classmates. “This is way better than any other field trip I have ever been on,” he said. “You can do way more things out here. It’s just pure nature, and you get to experience it!” **About the Conservancy** Formed in 1972, the Catalina Island

Conservancy is one of California’s oldest land trusts. Its mission is to be a responsible steward of its lands through a balance of conservation, education and recreation. Through its ongoing efforts, the Conservancy protects the magnificent natural and cultural heritage of Santa Catalina Island, stewarding approximately 42,000 acres of land and more than 60 miles of rugged shoreline. It provides an airport and 50 miles of biking and nearly 150 miles of hiking opportunities within its road and trail system. For additional information, please visit www.catalinaconservancy.org.

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Ủy Viên Hội Đồng Thành Phố - Bầu tối đa hai (2):

Grace Hu
Sally M. Havice
Bruce W. Barrows
Frank Aurelio Yokoyama
Chuong Vo
Ashish Kumar Verma
Anantha Ramachandran

/s/Vida Barone

Vida Barone
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CIUDAD DE CERRITOS

NOTIFICACIÓN DE CANDIDATOS PARA CARGOS PÚBLICOS

POR MEDIO DEL PRESENTE SE COMUNICA que se ha nombrado a las siguientes personas como candidatos para los cargos que se ocuparán en las Elecciones Municipales Generales que se celebrarán en la ciudad de Cerritos el martes 11 de abril de 2017.

Para miembro del Concejo Municipal – Vote por dos (2) como máximo:

Grace Hu
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/s/Vida Barone

Vida Barone
Secretaria Municipal, ciudad de Cerritos

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **Cerritos City Council** will conduct a public hearing at a regular meeting on **February 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.** on the following matter:

Review and consideration to waive reading of and adopt A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE FEE SCHEDULE FOR DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING, AND PUBLIC WORKS RELATED FEES.

This public hearing will be conducted in the Council Chambers of the Cerritos City Hall, Cerritos Civic Center, Bloomfield Avenue and 183rd Street in Cerritos, California 90703. The meeting will also air live on Cerritos TV3 and will be streamed over the City of Cerritos website at **www.cerritos.us**. In addition, a copy of the related staff report is available for viewing and download on the City's website.

If you challenge the above mentioned item and related actions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the **Cerritos City Council** at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Any person interested in this matter may contact the Department of Community Development at (562) 916-1201 for additional information and/or appear at the hearing in person or by agent and be heard.

Dated: February 10, 2017

/s/Vida Barone

Vida Barone, City Clerk

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/s/Vida Barone

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CLARENCE REED
Case No. 17STPB01025

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of CLARENCE REED

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Stacie Williams in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Stacie Williams be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on March 10, 2017 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 11 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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On March 9, 2017 at 09:00 AM, Vineyard Ballroom, Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded on October 4, 2007 as Instrument No. 20072282211, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by ALEX JIMENEZ A SINGLE MAN, as Trustor(s), in favor of WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14416 SAN ESTEBAN DRIVE, LA MIRADA, CA 90638 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$525,232.17 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call Auction.com at 800.280.2832 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site address www.Auction.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08002069-16-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: January 31, 2017 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08002069-16-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone:949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660-4288 Myron Ravelo, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.Auction.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: Auction.com at 800.280.2832 Trustee Corps may be acting as a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained may be used for that purpose.ISL Number 27665, Pub Dates: 02/10/2017, 02/17/2017, 02/24/2017, LA MIRADA LAMPLIGHTER

CITY OF CERRITOS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

**CERRITOS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS
MAILING LIST ACQUISITION SERVICES
BID NO. 1289-17**

Sealed bids will be received at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Cerritos, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Bloomfield Avenue at 183rd Street, Cerritos, California, 90703, until **11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 28, 2017**, for the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts Mailing List Acquisition Services, Bid No. 1289-17.

Bids will be publicly opened at Cerritos City Hall at 11:00 a.m., **Tuesday, February 28, 2017**. Bids must be made on the form provided for this purpose, addressed to the City Clerk, City of Cerritos, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Bloomfield Avenue at 183rd Street, Cerritos, California, 90703, marked **“Bid for the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts Mailing List Acquisition Services, Bid No. 1289-17.”**

Please contact the City of Cerritos Communications Division at (562) 916-1320 to obtain specifications and contract documents.

No bid will be accepted unless it is made on a proposal form furnished by the City and has the bid number and project name clearly identified on the outside label.

The City of Cerritos reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or portions of any and all bids or waive the informality in a bid not affected by law.

Bid specifications are available online at www.cerritos.us/BUSINESSES/bid_and_contract_opportunities/bid_listings.php

Dated/Posted/Published: February 10, 2017

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NORWALK TANK FARM
RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING NOTICE

The next meeting of the Norwalk Tank Farm Restoration Advisory Board (RAB) is scheduled for **Thursday, February 23, 2017, at 4:00 p.m. at the Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, Hargitt Room, 13000 Clarkdale Avenue**. This meeting is open to the public.

The RAB is an advisory committee made up of citizens from the Norwalk area and representatives of Defense Logistics Agency Installation Support for Energy (DLA), Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. (KMEP), state regulators, and the City of Norwalk. The RAB reviews and comments on documents related to the environmental cleanup of the former Tank Farm.

The meeting's agenda tentatively includes updates on remediation system, semiannual monitoring results, site activities, and the ongoing remediation of shallow soil by DLA. Documents relating to the cleanup are available for public review at the information repository located in the Norwalk Public Library reference section.

For more information, contact Lisa Moreno: (562) 597-1055 x1801, lisa.moreno@apexcso.com or visit www.norwalkrab.com.

LUNSOD NG CERRITOS

PAUNAWA NG MGA IMINUNGKAHI PARA SA PAMPUBLIKONG KATUNGKULAN

ANG PAUNAWA AY IBINIBIGAY SA PAMAMAGITAN NITO na ang mga sumusunod na tao ay iminungkahi para sa mga katungkulang itinakdang punuan sa Pangkalahatang Halalang Munisipal na gaganapin sa Lunsod ng Cerritos sa Martes, Ika-11 ng Abril, 2017.

Para Miyembro ng Konseho ng Lunsod - Bumoto ng hindi lalampas sa dalawa (2):

Grace Hu
Sally M. Havice
Bruce W. Barrows
Frank Aurelio Yokoyama
Chuong Vo
Ashish Kumar Verma
Anantha Ramachandran

/s/Vida Barone
Vida Barone
Klerk ng Lunsod, Lunsod ng Cerritos

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세리토스 시

공직 후보자에 대한 공지

2017년4월11일 화요일에 세리토스 시에서 실시될 시 총선거를 통해 선출될 공직에 추천된 후보자는 아래와 같음을 이에 공지합니다.

시의원 – 두(2)명에게만 투표하십시오:

Grace Hu
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Ashish Kumar Verma
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/s/Vida Barone
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세리토스 시 서기관

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CITY OF CERRITOS

NOTICE OF NOMINEES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following persons have been nominated for the offices designated to be filled at the General Municipal Election to be held in the City of Cerritos on Tuesday, April 11, 2017.

For Member of the City Council - Vote for no more than two (2):

Grace Hu
Sally M. Havice
Bruce W. Barrows
Frank Aurelio Yokoyama
Chuong Vo
Ashish Kumar Verma
Anantha Ramachandran

/s/Vida Barone
Vida Barone
City Clerk, City of Cerritos

Dated: February 10, 2017

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喜瑞都市

有關公職提名人的通知

特此通知，下列人士已被提名參加將於2017年4月11日（星期二）在喜瑞都市舉行的市級普選職務競選。

市議員 — 投票選舉人數不得超過二（2）人：

Grace Hu
Sally M. Havice
Bruce W. Barrows
Frank Aurelio Yokoyama
Chuong Vo
Ashish Kumar Verma
Anantha Ramachandran

/s/Vida Barone
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 16-0271-11 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED

注 本文件包含一个信息摘要
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TÀI LIỆU NÀY PLEASE NOTE

PLEASE NOTE THAT PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(d)(1) THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS REQUIRED TO APPEAR ON THIS DOCUMENT BUT PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a) THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION IS NOT REQUIRED TO BE RECORDED OR PUBLISHED AND THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION NEED ONLY BE MAILED TO THE MORTGAGOR OR TRUSTOR. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/23/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: PHOEBE BOSWELL, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN Duly Appointed Trustee: The Wolf Firm, A Law Corporation Recorded 6/1/2007 as Instrument No. 20071330050 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Street Address or other common designation of real property: 13000 SOUTH PALM PLACE CERRITOS, CA 90703 A.P.N.: 7008-003-016 Date of Sale: 2/17/2017 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$308,242.51, estimated The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 916-939-0772 or visit this Internet Web site www.nationwideposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 16-0271-11. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: 1/12/2017 The Wolf Firm, A Law Corporation 2955 Main Street, 2nd Floor Irvine, California 92614 Foreclosure Department (949) 720-9200 Sale Information Only: 916-939-0772 www.nationwideposting.com Darlene Clark, Foreclosure Officer PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE WOLF FIRM MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION YOU PROVIDE WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NPP0300084 To: LOS CERRITOS COMMUNITY NEWS 01/27/2017, 02/03/2017, 02/10/2017

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-16-736142-AB Order No.: 160178264-CA-VOI NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED TO THE COPY PROVIDED TO THE MORTGAGOR OR TRUSTOR (Pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code 2923.3) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 2/19/2008. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): CHAD HUSSAIN AND MUHAMMAD HUSSAIN HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS Recorded: 2/26/2008 as Instrument No. 20080326449 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California; Date of Sale: 2/21/2017 at 10:00 AM Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$1,434,709.15 The purported property address is: 12428 TIMBERCREEK LANE, CERRITOS, CA 90703 Assessor's Parcel No.: 7010-010-017 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. 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If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 916-939-0772 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-16-736142-AB. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. QUALITY MAY BE CONSIDERED A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Date: Quality Loan Service Corporation 411 Ivy Street San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 916-939-0772 Or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No.: CA-16-736142-AB IDSPub #0121328 1/27/2017 2/3/2017 2/10/2017

T.S. No. 011976-CA APN: 7056-006-014 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Pursuant to CA Civil Code 2923.3 IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 11/21/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER On 2/21/2017 at 10:30 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP., as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 11/28/2006, as Instrument No. 06 2629484, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: RANDALL K. MIZUNO AND BARBARA J. MIZUNO WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON SAID DEED OF TRUST The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 19929 RAINBOW WAY CERRITOS, CALIFORNIA 90703 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$627,725.49 If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (844) 477-7869 or visit this Internet Web site WWW.STOXPOSTING.COM, using the file number assigned to this case 011976-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (844) 477-7869 CLEAR RECON CORP. 4375 Jutland Drive Suite 200 San Diego, California 92117

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
ELEANOR ELAINE HOMUTOFF
CASE NO. 16STPB07215
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of ELEANOR ELAINE HOMUTOFF.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by NICKOLAS HOMUTOFF in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that NICKOLAS HOMUTOFF be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act . (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 03/01/17 at 8:30AM in Dept. 5 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.
Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for Petitioner
JAMES NGUYEN - SBN 299469
BARTH CALDERON LLP
333 CITY BOULEVARD WEST, SUITE 2050
ORANGE, CA 92868
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LUNAR NEW YEAR

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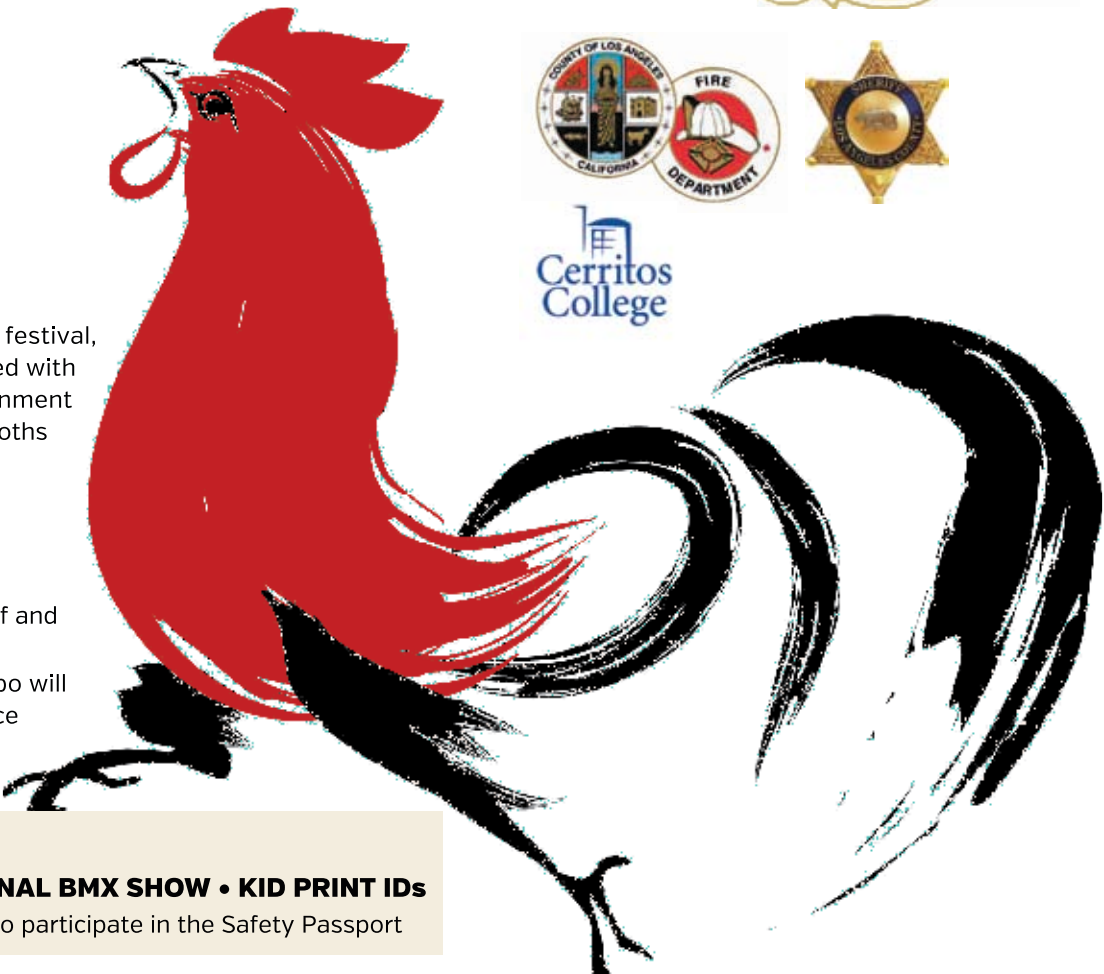
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