

CERRITOS COMMUNITY NEWS-HEWS MEDIA CAPTURES TWO LOS ANGELES PRESS CLUB AWARDS

LCCN AWARDED BEST INVESTIGATIVE NEWSPAPER IN LOS ANGELES FOR THE THIRD TIME IN FOUR YEARS, ALSO GARNERS BEST SPORTS FEATURE

Staff Report

Los Cerritos Community News and Hews Media Group captured two top journalistic honors at the 58th Annual Southern California Media Awards Ceremony sponsored by the Los Angeles Press Club this past Sunday night for Best Investigative Series and Best Sports Feature.

There were over 1,000 entries this year, a record for the annual event.

This is the third first place award in the past four years in the prestigious category of Investigative Series for Hews and HMG-CN and a first for

longtime HMG-CN Sports Editor Loren Kopff.

HMG-CN has now garnered eight awards since 2012.

HMG-CN Publisher Brian Hews took home first place in the category of Investigative Series for all print newspapers in the daily or weekly category in Southern California, with the hard hitting investigative article entitled "State Water Board Drought Restrictions Show Political Bias Favoring Governor Brown's Party."

Second and third place went to Rebecca Kimitch, Steve Scauzillo, Jason Henry and Frank Girardot, with the San Gabriel Valley Tribune and

their story entitled, "City of Industry Investigation," and also Hayley Fox, Frances Sharpe, BJ Samuels, Rich Schmitt and Casey Smith with the Palisadian Post, and their story entitled "Lawsuits, Judgments Stack Up Against Prominent Local Biz Denton Jewelers."

The judge's commented, "This is fine enterprise reporting and analysis showing a well-documented pattern of discrimination against Republican led districts in the levying of water use cutbacks and the associated fines. This is the kind of watch dog reporting that we need more of--a lot more!"

The investigation found

that the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB), an unelected body made up of members appointed by Governor Brown and by Senate Pro Tem Kevin DeLeon, and stacked heavily with environmentalists and labor leaders, deliberately assigned higher levels of water conservation to water agencies located in districts with seats held by State Senate and Assembly Republican office holders as opposed to agencies in the districts of Democratic office holders.

Further, the investigation

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Mayor pro tem Solanki and Councilwoman Chen Move to Close Cerritos Sheriff's Station

Both officials were slammed by Mayor Ray, and Councilmen Edwards and Pulido.

By Brian Hews

Last week's Cerritos City Council meeting became very contentious when, during budget talks, Mayor pro tem Naresh Solanki and Councilwoman Carol Chen inexplicably moved to close the Cerritos Sheriff's Station at City Hall.

Solanki and Chen, in defiance of the

other council members and city manager, later voted no to approve the budget.

The city is facing a \$6.6 million deficit for 2016-17 budget and it was agreed to in a prior council meeting, on a vote of 5-0, to approve the budget and then direct staff to analyze areas where they could cut expenses.

The Sheriff's station was never on the radar until Chen and Solanki, in violation of Roberts Rules of Order that govern council meetings, as well as ignoring public input, attempted to place

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Pediatric Rehab Patients from Miller Children's & Women's Hospital Long Beach Take Flight



Cessna 'pilot' Ismeal Cuevas (r) with his two older brothers Emmanuel and Samuel. STORY ON PAGE 3.



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DOWNEY CELEBRATES 241ST BIRTHDAY OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY

By Tammye McDuff

The day of June 14th holds special significance as National Flag day and the birthday of the United States Army.

As the Army website states, “Two hundred forty-one years ago, our nation's leaders established the Continental Army. Today, the Army is the strategic land power of the joint force, called upon to prevent, shape, and win against our adversaries.”

The U.S. Army's 241st Birthday is officially June 14, 2016, a day to commemorate the Total Army Force comprised of multi-component Soldiers and Department of the Army Civilians and their contributions to national defense. “The American Soldier-Always Ready,



U.S. Army Recruiting Battalion, Los Angeles with Craig Ascher and Friday Ameh at Downey City Hall. Photo by Tammye McDuff.

Always Leading’ does so by training, being deployed, engaging and destroying enemies of the United States in combat.

Part of the Army’s birthday traditions is to gather the oldest soldier and the youngest soldier of the community, they take the saber and cut the birthday cake, Sergeant First Class Jimenez and 17 year old new recruit Jesus Gomez of Downey High School had the honors at the Downey Council meeting, Tuesday evening.

Former Councilman and Mayor Mario Guerra said, “Thank you to our Army staff that came to our city council meeting for

our Army's 241st birthday. Thank you for your service.”

Council meeting was concluded in memory of the soldiers who perished at the United Sates Army Military Post Fort Hood, Texas: Staff Sergeant Miguel Vasquez; Specialist Yinming Su; Private First Class Brandon Austin Banner; Private First Class Isaac Deleon; Private First Class Zachery Fuller; Private Tysheena James; Private Christine Armstrong; Private Eddy Gates and Cadet Mitchell Winey.

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ARTESIA OFFERS SUMMER NUTRITION PROGRAM

By Tammye McDuff

The Artesia Parks & Recreation Department is offering a Summer Nutrition Program, Monday to Friday that began June 20th and will run until August 26th.

For over 15 years the city of Artesia has offered a summer nutrition program for children 18 years and younger, offering nutritious meals to children who were part of the school lunch program.

The program will be held at both A.J. Padelford Park and the Artesia Park Community Center.

“It covers those children who are qualified to receive reduced lunches,” said Padelford Park Manager, José Martinez, “we don’t require any documentation, as long as children meet the state regulations.

Children must be between one and 18 years of age, and persons with disabilities 19 years and older can also participate as long as they are enrolled in a special school district program during the school year.”

The school district provides a list of children who receive a 50% or more reduced lunch.

hamburgers, hot dogs, burritos, sandwiches or soups.

A food menu is provided by the California Department of Education. Breakfast must meet the three components and lunch comprised of five components from the food pyramid.

It is estimated an average of 30 to 50 meals are served in the morning while lunch will service anywhere from 75 to 150 children every day.

Breakfast is served between 9:30 am and 10:30 am, and lunch is served from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm.

Artesia has partnered Revolution Foods which was founded by two mothers - Kristin and Kirsten – who, at the time, wanted to transform the way America eats by providing access to healthy, affordable meals.

The two moms believe that proper nutrition is a cornerstone of providing our youth the nourishment they need to lead successful lives.

Revolution Foods now offers meal options for both families and students across the country, serving over 200 million meals.

For more information contact the Artesia Parks and Recreation Department at 562-407-1723 to find a location nearest or call 818-546-2383 for a location nearest you.

Please note meals must be eaten on site.

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Pediatric Rehab Patients from Miller Children’s & Women’s Hospital Long Beach Take Flight

By Tammye McDuff

Patients from the Pediatric Rehabilitation Department of Miller Children’s



Ismeal Cuevas (r) with his two older brothers Emmanuel and Samuel. Ismael actually helped fly the Cessna Jet over Long Beach.

Hospital, joined pilots at the Pacific Jet Center / Mustang Sally & Flight Center in order to help children take flight.

The pediatric patients from the Hospital are those with very special needs, such as spina bifida, brain injuries, and neuromuscular disorders. With the help of some very special people, these children were able to experience their first “Discovery Flight” outing at the Pacific Jet Center / Mustang Sally & Flight Center in Long Beach.

For the past 15 years, rehab patients and their families receive basic training, where pilots discuss the aerodynamics

of flight and talk about what the flight will involve. After their training session, the children get to climb into a Cessna type plane and take the coveted seat as co-pilot, while experiencing hands on flight across the ocean, circling Catalina Island and then heading back to the mainland. The kids learn to maintain level flight, turn, climb, descend and land a plane. Each co-pilot leaves, their earth bound walkers, wheelchairs and braces behind, strapping into the co-pilot seat equipped with walkie-talkies and head sets.

Recreational therapy uses play, recreation and leisure activates like flying, to improve the physical, cognitive, social and emotional abilities of children with special needs. Recreational therapy also helps build confidence and facilitates increased independent functioning for the child. Miller Children’s and the Pacific Jet Center have create these special “Discovery Flights” to instill a sense of adventure and confidence in each patient.

HMG-CN was able to climb aboard a Cessna Citation Mustang, a single pilot, six passenger duel jet plane with Captain George Argyros. His seven year old co-pilot for the afternoon was Miller Hospital patient Ismeal Cuevas. Ismael was born with a rare brain abnormality which was exasperated by two falls. He has lost control of the left side of his body, but was able to hold on to the pilot wheel with big smiles as we cruised through the clouds toward Catalina

Island.
Ismeal was accompanied by his two older brothers Emmanuel and Samuel along with his mother Raquel, who beamed with pride as she watched her son take control and follow directions.
Argyros told the other pilots, “Ismael was awesome. We skimmed right above the clouds, right over Newport Harbor, Long Beach and over the Seal Beach Naval Base. This kid had his hands gripped and eyes on the prize!”
Millers Hospital provides outings every month for their patients, next month patients will be able to go sailing, snorkeling and even scuba diving. Mariana de Sena, Recreational Therapist said, “The idea is to take the kids from their everyday routine and let them know – whatever they dream of doing, they can do. We want to encourage all

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GUEST EDITORIAL/LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SCAN Endorses H.R. 4212,
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Rep. Linda Sanchez

By Chris Wing

Advances in modern medicine coupled with increased awareness of healthy lifestyle habits are allowing more and more Americans to live longer than ever before. But accompanying that good news are the stark realities of where these older Americans will live, how they will afford their healthcare, and how society will respect the dignity that these seniors have earned over their lifetimes.

Nowhere is this more dramatically evident than when it comes to caring for low-income, chronically ill Medicare beneficiaries who, in overwhelming numbers, want to remain in the comfort of their own homes rather than going to a nursing home if given the choice. Sadly, that choice is often taken from them by an outdated system that provides neither the financial support nor the moral compass to allow these citizens to choose how and where they wish to live.

Fortunately, sensible help is on the way. That is why we and the 14 organizational members of the Coalition to Promote Independence in Medicare wholeheartedly endorse important bipartisan legislation, H.R. 4212, of which local Representative Linda Sanchez is the lead sponsor (along with original co-sponsors Rep. Pat Meehan of Pennsylvania, Rep. Kurt Schrader of

Oregon and Rep. Leonard Lance of New Jersey).

H.R. 4212 would establish a new Community-Based Institutional Special Needs Plan (CBI-SNP) demonstration program that would target home- and community-based services for low-income Medicare-only beneficiaries who need assistance with basic activities of daily living. Enabling these seniors to remain in the community by providing them the support they need could significantly improve the quality of life for them and their families while simultaneously delivering savings to both the state and the federal government. Under this proposal, Medicare Advantage plans that have a proven-successful experience caring for this frail population would tailor services to beneficiaries, depending on individual needs. For instance, they might provide assistance with bathing or dressing, housekeeping or transportation, or even respite care for their primary caregiver. Absent of such a program, seniors in need of these services often have little choice but to enter a nursing home. But under the present system the federal government does not pay for long-term services and supports, unless an individual is on Medicaid. Nursing home costs are expensive and long-term care insurance is drying up. As a result, these seniors end up spending down their dwindling assets until they become eligible for Medicaid. This is a system where nobody wins: not the senior who exhausts their income only to end up in a nursing home where they never wanted to be; nor the government, which now has another person unnecessarily on Medicaid. It is a vicious cycle to which attention must be paid.

Rep. Sanchez’s bill is a common sense solution at a time when common sense is becoming a rarer and rarer commodity. This bill will not only give hope to some of the nation’s most vulnerable individuals but at the same time will offer a path toward state and federal budget savings. One study estimates four-year savings of nearly \$60 million for a demonstration of 5,000 Medicare members by postponing or preventing Medicaid eligibility, hospitalization and institutionalization.

We applaud Rep. Sanchez’s vision and leadership and urge passage of this sensible bill, which will not only make life better for frail seniors but is a critical step in reshaping the delivery and financing of long-term care in America.

Chris Wing is chief executive officer of Long Beach-based SCAN Health Plan, one of the nation’s largest not-for-profit Medicare Advantage plans.

LA MIRADA CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS BALANCED BUDGET

The La Mirada City Council has approved the City’s budget for Fiscal Year

2016-17. Developed using the City’s prudent fiscal management practices and conservative approach to revenue forecasting, the budget provides public safety services at a high level, maintains City programs and services to meet community needs and continues its robust capital improvements schedule.

The General Fund operating revenues for the 2016-17 fiscal year are projected at \$41,663,604 with expenditures budgeted at \$41,449,549, including transfers.

“The adopted budget continues to put safety first by prioritizing investment in public safety services while maintaining our commitment to responsible fiscal management,” says City Manager Jeff Boynton. “City finances continue to improve and key infrastructure projects are underway throughout La Mirada.”

\$8,617,944 is provided for Public Safety, including general law enforcement services, the Community Sheriff’s Station, probation and district attorney services, emergency preparedness, code enforcement, Neighborhood Watch, and other public safety volunteer programs.

A total of \$21,583,000 is allocated for capital improvements and repairs. Major projects proposed in Fiscal Year 2016-17 include two neighborhood street improvement projects funded by Measure I, Santa Gertrudes sidewalk and block wall improvements, Leffingwell Road street rehabilitation, traffic signal upgrades along La Mirada Boulevard, and the completion of the County Library Renovation Project. Funding for the proposed projects includes \$5.65 million from Measure I, \$3.0 million from the General Fund, and \$12.9 million from other local, state, federal funding, and bond proceeds.

The Public Works Department will

receive \$6.8 million to maintain the City’s streets, parks, and recreational areas, parkways, medians, public buildings, and storm drain facilities. This department will also coordinate and manage the City’s capital improvement projects.

The Community Services Department will receive \$5,943,810 to serve La Mirada’s recreational, leisure, and social needs. The Department enhances the quality of life for La Mirada residents through senior services, youth sports, community events, aquatics programs, contract classes, facility reservations, gymnasium programs, and social services. Other programs include counseling, youth employment, and home-bound meal delivery.

The La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts will receive \$5,332,544 for productions, presentations, and other activities. About 77 percent of the Theatre’s costs are recovered through ticket sales, which is well above the industry average. Next season’s shows include The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Lend Me a Tenor, The Last Five Years, West Side Story, and Man of La Mancha.

The Community Development Department will receive \$1,228,674 for planning and building services, and housing programs. With the improving economy, the number of projects reviewed and building permit activity has grown in recent years.

\$2,855,540 is budgeted for City administration, finance, economic development, personnel, risk management, and information technology.

Another \$793,426 is budgeted for legislative and policy responsibilities, City Attorney services, City Clerk’s office, and intergovernmental activities.

The new fiscal year begins Friday, July 1.

La Mirada Hosts Summer Safety Series for Youth

The City of La Mirada will be hosting a Summer Safety series for kids at local parks.

Presentations emphasize safe behavior and cover a variety of topics.

The safety activities will be held from 2:15 to 3 p.m., every Thursday, July 7 through August 11 at the following sites:

July 7

Windermere Park - Animal Safety

July 14

Gardenhill Park - Earthquake Preparedness

July 21

Frontier Park - Fire Safety

July 28

Windermere Park - Pedestrian Safety

August 4

Gardenhill Park - Insect Awareness

August 11

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Ross Middle School Honored at the National Schools to Watch Celebration



(l-r) Jeff Heilig, Asst. Principal, Chris Apodaca, VP Board of Education, Ricardo Brown, Principal, Dr. Mary Sieu, Superintendent, teachers Amanda Silvas, Claudia Serrano and Jimmy Brink.

Staff Report

On June 23, 2016, Ross MS was honored at the 12th Annual Schools to Watch Award Celebration sponsored by the National Forum to Accelerate Middle Grades Reform. Ross Middle School is located in the city of Artesia and serves 7th and 8th grade students in the ABC Unified School District. The National Forum held in Washington, DC recognized Ross MS as one of 13 middle schools in California for the national recognition as well as 144 schools from throughout the country.

The National Forum uses a competitive, rigorous review process to identify high performing, high impact middle schools so that all middle schools may have models of real-world success. The National Forum vision is to prepare students to be lifelong learners ready for

college, career and citizenship. Ross MS met the criteria of being a middle school that is academically excellent, responsive to the developmental needs and interests of young adolescents and socially equitable.

Attending the Awards Celebration were Vice-President of the Board Chris Apodaca, Superintendent of ABCUSD, Dr. Mary Sieu, Ross MS Principal Ricardo Brown, Assistant Principal Jeff Heilig, Teachers Amanda Silvas, Claudia Serrano, and Jimmy Brink.

Superintendent of ABC Unified School District, Dr. Mary Sieu shared that Ross Academy Middle School is now the fourth middle school in the District to be selected as a School to Watch by the National Forum. Carmenita MS, Tetzlaff MS and Fedde MS received the designation during the past three years.

HMG-CN Congratulates Tracy High 2016 Graduates

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ABC Adult School Congratulates Graduates at 2016 Commencement Ceremony

By Larry Caballero

Several hundred family members and friends attended the ABC Adult School Commencement Ceremony Jun. 9 at the Whitney High School gymnasium to congratulate more than 200 graduates, including 71 high school diploma graduates.

Diplomas were also granted to HiSet, GED and Career Technical Education Diploma recipients.

ABC Adult School Principal Dr. PaoLing Guo welcomed everyone and introduced dignitaries from the ABC School Board and the offices of Congresswoman Linda Sanchez, State Senator Tony Mendoza and Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia.

Commencement Speaker and ABC Superintendent Dr. Mary Sieu also congratulated all of the recipients and said, “ The fact that we are here celebrating your commencement means that each of your stories includes elements of determination, hope and resilience. Despite some setbacks and unanticipated hardships, you’ve made it! You’re here having completed an important chapter in your life— finishing!”

Sieu concluded with some thoughts by author Kent Keith who said, “People are illogical, unreasonable and self-centered. Love them anyway. The good you do today will be forgotten tomorrow. Do good anyway. Give the world the best you have, and you might get kicked in the teeth. Give the world



ABC Adult School Principal Dr. PaoLing Guo congratulates Career Technical Education Diploma recipient Jerbhie Joshua B. Wi at the ABC Commencement Ceremony.

the best you have anyway.” The Graduation Address was delivered by high school diploma graduate Jesus Acosta who said that he dropped out of high school, and without the encouragement of his family, he may not have returned to school to earn his high school diploma. He plans to return to study and to become a pharmaceutical technician.

ABC Adult School staff awarded student scholarships, diplomas and certificates, and ABC President Olympia Chen officially accepted the graduates for earning their diplomas and encouraged them “to follow your dreams and make a difference in the world.”

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Assemblymember Garcia Honors Cerritos Resident Lewie Woodson as “Veteran of the Year”



Cerritos resident Lewie Woodson accepts his award on the floor of the California State Assembly from Assemblywoman Garcia.

Assemblymember Cristina Garcia announces Lewie Woodson as her 2016 “Veteran of the Year,” for the 58th Assembly District.

In recognition as “Veteran of the Year” Assemblymember Garcia honored Woodson for his service to the community at a recognition luncheon in Sacramento, with honorees from throughout the state.

“Lewie knows firsthand the difficulties that people face in time of war, often unspoken and unshared,” Garcia said. “He received a Medal of Good Conduct for his years of service in the United States Air Force and has served as a good example of a local hero that gives back to his community.”

Woodson served in the United States

Air Force from 1952-1956. He served in both Korea and France, ranked as an Airman Second Class. Upon his discharge Woodson received a Medal of Good Conduct. Woodson has resided in the City of Cerritos since 1969, upon his discharge he went on to obtain his higher education from Long Beach State and Cal State Los Angeles. Woodson had a successful career of over 34 years with North American Aviation. He continues to maintain his passion to serve his country by staying involved in the community by working on the 1st Combat Engineer Battalion (CEB) Adoption Committee, which aims to enhance the moral and well-being of veterans, in addition to the Cerritos Gadabouts.

AWARD

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revealed that, as the penalties for non-compliance have increased from 1,786 in May to 29,500 in July, a jump of 21,798, 75%, were issued in Republican Senate and Assembly districts.

The investigation also revealed that, of the highest penalized agencies, 90% were in Republican Senate and Assembly districts.

The penalty numbers showed a similar pattern for August and September.

HMG-CN Sports Editor Loren Kopff took home first place in the Best Sports Feature category for his story entitled, “Cerritos’ Movchan Newest Member Of Small 1,000-Point Club.”

The story chronicled the High School basketball career of Alyssa Movchan eclipsing the 1,000-point barrier for the Cerritos High girls basketball program. Movchan broke the barrier on Dec. 23, 2014 with her team’s first basket against St. Mary’s Academy.

The judges commented, “The story was well written and gave a good sense of the young players career so far and all that she has accomplished.”

Second and third place went to Esme Deprez of the Bloomberg News, and her story entitled “The Bulgarian Duo Leading an Indoor Rock Climbing Revolution,” and David Nusbaum with the Los Angeles Business Journal, and his story entitled “Team Player.”

Last year Hews took home first place in the category of Investigative Series with the story about the La Mirada Football Booster Club entitled La Mirada Football Booster Club Under Scrutiny by Attorney General.

The investigation revealed that the Booster Club violated several California laws and had little or no oversight on where and how hundreds of thousands of dollars were spent every year.

Even more alarming, the Booster Club indicated on all donation documents that it was a registered 501c3 non-profit organization, going so far as using an inactive and non-existent identification number.

The investigation also revealed that the organization did not have a California Franchise Tax Board number, and therefore did not remit taxable sales from fundraisers to the state.

Finally, no year-end or internal financial statements have been generated since 2006, and sources told HMG-CN that there are no bank statements available from the organization.

LCCN and HMG-CN also took second place in the Best News Feature category for the riveting expose on former Central Basin Municipal Water District GM Art

Aguilar and his expensive golf outings with top officials at Pacifica Services, Inc., including CEO Ernie Camacho and VP Mike Sisson, that Aguilar did not report on his Statement of Economic Interests For 700.

After the story published, the California Fair Political Practices Commission investigated Aguilar and eventually fined him \$30,000.

Two years ago HMG-CN took home three awards including First Place in the category of Best News Feature for the article “Undercover FBI Agent Rocky Patel Used Dal Rae in Pico Rivera to Stage Calderon Sting Operation.”

The judges of the category praised HMG-CN’s winning entry by stating that the work was “A colorfully written examination of an FBI sting operation that reads like a capsule version of the hit film, American Hustle.”

HMG-CN also took second place in the News category for their explosive expose on former California State Assembly Speaker John Perez Implicated in the Central Basin Water District Investigation.

The LA Press Club also honored HMG-CN with a second place certificate in the category of Best Investigative Series for “Dirty Water: Corruption Inside the Central Basin Municipal Water District.”

Three years ago, at the 55th Annual Southern California Media Awards, HMG-CN won First Place for Best Investigative News Series for the hard hitting work that led to the arrest of Los Angeles County Assessor John Noguez and three other individuals in what former District Attorney Steve Cooley called the biggest “financial corruption scandal in the history of LA County.”

La Mirada to Enforce 4th of July Fireworks and Party Regulations

On July 4, the La Mirada Public Safety Team will be patrolling throughout neighborhoods to enforce fireworks and party regulations. Residents are reminded to follow all City regulations.

The discharging of fireworks on City-owned property including parks, sidewalks and City facilities, is prohibited. The use of “safe and sane” fireworks is only allowed on July 4 from 3 to 10 p.m.

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Artesia Chamber Hosts State of Higher Education Luncheon

By Tammye McDuff

The Artesia Chamber of Commerce held their business networking luncheon June 28th at Artesia restaurant Wok N’ Tandoor. This month’s gathering was to discuss the state of higher education for local cities. The chamber was honored to have Dr. Shin Liu, Cerritos Community College District Board of Trustees President and Dr. Jose Fierro Cerritos Community College District President as special guest speakers for the afternoon.

Dr. Liu was able to present the many accomplishments the College has been able to reach.”Like a good neighbor – we are here!” states Liu. Introducing attendees to the many community benefits the College has to offer: the Falcon Room where fine dining begins, low cost season tickets to many events, a community art gallery, and a performing arts center. Most of these have been made possible by grants and financial measures to increase public awareness.

Major campus construction has been made possible by Bond Measures CC and G. Measure G awarded the College with \$350 million for new construction of a Health & Wellness Center; Field House; Burnight Center; Falcon Center; and Business Education /Language Arts facility. It also provided funds for campus wide projects, security and IT-Infrastructure. Some renovations of existing buildings were included in this Bond such as the Learning Resources Center; Culinary Arts; Health Science and Press Box. On site way-finding, landscaping and parking lots received upgrades as well. Measure C gave the College \$210 million to build an Aquatic Center, Auto Tech Building renovation and expansion; a baseball / softball field, Physical Science and Tech Building, a Facilities and Purchasing complex, Liberal Arts / DSPS building, Science building, tennis court renovations as well as track and field renovations. New projects slated for 2017 include a CIS/Mathematics building and a Fine Arts complex.

Having a culturally diverse student population allowed for more community events including

Chinese Lunar New Year Celebration; Taste & Experience of Korea and a celebration of the Indian and Filipino societies.

Dr. Fierro introduced the College as the top transfer school to CSU’s and UC’s. Stating more than 2,800 students received degrees and certificates, with a 77% acceptance rate to transfer to UC Berkeley and a 71% acceptance rate to transfer

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Senator Tony Mendoza Holds Young Senators Leadership Program Graduation Dinner at CCPA



Senator Tony Mendoza with the first YSLP graduating class at the CCPA.

Staff Report

On Friday, June 24th at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts, Senator Tony Mendoza held the First Annual Young Senators Leadership Program (YSLP) Graduation Dinner honoring his 2015-16 class of YSLP graduates.

“I congratulate and am very proud of the Young Senators Class of 2016. Each and every one of them will move on to accomplish great things,” said Mendoza.

“Throughout this process, they have learned how a bill becomes law, how cities and municipalities operate in today’s complex world, how water is delivered to each household, and how unions and small businesses add to the economic development of our communities.”

Forty-eight seniors representing 25 high schools in Senate District 32 participated in the graduation.

YSLP provides high school seniors with the unique opportunity to learn about California’s government and legislative

process. Students participate in a broad range of activities, including researching local issues, attending meetings with legislative staff, assisting constituents, and traveling to Sacramento for a mock legislative session in the State Capitol.

Senator Mendoza’s office is currently accepting applications for the 2016-17 YSLP. Applicants must be incoming high school seniors for the 2016-17 school year and have an interest in government and public service. Applications are available by calling Senator Mendoza’s office at (562) 860-3202 or at his website: <http://sd32.senate.ca.gov/young-senators-leadership-program>

To submit a YSLP application, email it to Ana.Perez@sen.ca.gov, drop it off, or mail it to Senator Mendoza’s District Office at 17315 Studebaker Road, Suite 332 Cerritos, CA 90703.

The deadline for submitting an application is June 30, 2016. Young Senators will be selected in July after a screening of all eligible applications.

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LA MIRADA CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS 2020 STRATEGIC PLAN

The La Mirada City Council recently adopted the 2020 Strategic Plan. The City’s strategic planning process identifies future goals and objectives and sets the course to achieve them. The Plan also assists the City in adapting to changes occurring within and outside the organization, and in directing the City’s efforts and resources to focus on its highest priorities.

Specific goals, objectives, and performance indicators were identified by City Council, staff, and through community input. The 2020 Strategic Plan consists of five core strategies, 18 goals in support of

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ABC Superintendent Honored by
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(l-r) Colleagues from ABCUSD and Dr. Mary Sieu honored with the "2016 Protector of Children Award."

Staff Report

On June 27, 2016, Dr. Mary Sieu, Superintendent of ABC Unified School District was honored by the Community Family Guidance Center with their "Protector of Children Award".


The event was held at the Los Coyotes Country Club in Buena Park.

The Awards Dinner followed their annual golf tournament to support the Community Family Guidance Center.

The recipient of last year's Award was L.A. Supervisor Don Knabe.

In accepting the Award, Dr. Sieu shared the strong partnership that ABC Unified School District has with the Community Family Guidance Center in providing mental health services for students and families in the District.


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HMG-CN FAMILY MEMBER GRADUATES FROM CAL POLY SAN LUIS OBISPO



Jessica Hews (left) with her sister Ellis during a lighter moment after the Cal Poly SLO 2016 Graduation Ceremonies on the campus in San Luis Obispo.

HMG-CN Staff Report

Jessica Hews, daughter of HMG-CN Publisher/Owners Brian and Cora Hews, earned her Masters in Agriculture with a Specialization in Nutrition from Cal Poly SLO this past June 11.

To earn her degree, Jessica authored a 162-page thesis entitled "Nutrition and Health Related Quality of Life in Older Adults in the U.S."

The results of her thesis, which encompassed analyzing four years of data through statistical methods, were

so significant that the thesis will be published in a leading Nutrition trade journal in the coming months.

Jessica now moves on to a one-year Dietetic Internship at the prestigious Brigham and Women's Children's Hospital in Boston, Mass., a Harvard teaching hospital.

She was one of twelve students accepted in the U.S.; the program starts August 1.

Jessica plans to become a Clinical Dietician.

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the core strategies, and 67 separate actions with key performance indicators to assist in achieving the goals by the end of 2020. The five core strategies include: Ensure a well-managed City government; Provide a safe community; Promote a high quality of life; Provide quality planning and infrastructure; and Support a strong local economy.

"The Strategic Plan is a management tool to help guide the City over the near term while focusing on key community goals," says City Manager Jeff Boynton. "The 2020 Strategic Plan was created with input provided by residents, City Council, and staff interested in advancing La Mirada as a safe, attractive, and thriving community."

Progress towards achieving the commitments outlined in the Plan will be made available on the City's website. The Plan can be viewed online at www.cityoflamirada.org.

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MCCART’S BIRTHDAY SLAM PROPELS CERRITOS 10-UNDER ALL-STARS INTO STATE TOURNAMENT

By Loren Kopff
@LorenKopff on Twitter

LONG BEACH-The shot that was heard around Bancroft Middle School during the Amateur Softball Association Los Angeles/South Bay “B” District Tournament was the one that put the Cerritos Girls Softball Association 10-Under All-Stars in the ASA “B” State Tournament. Clinging to a 9-8 lead with two outs in the top of the sixth inning, first baseman Ashley McCart smacked a grand slam to dead center and helped the Cerritos Legacy to a 13-10 win over La Mirada’s Gold team last Saturday afternoon.

The Legacy would lose to Long Beach Heartwell 7-2 this past Sunday morning, but the celebration of going to the state tournament was still lingering. The grand slam was even sweeter considering it was McCart’s 11th birthday and through the first three games of the district tournament, McCart was batting a blistering .777 with nine runs batted in.

“She had a great beginning,” Legacy manager Anthony Medina said. “She hit a first inning triple, so she did her job every at-bat. She was just due again. She just had a great day.”

Cerritos took a quick 2-0 lead in the first inning when McCart tripled in courtesy runner Haley Ceron, then came home on a groundout from catcher Chanel Madrid. The lead increased to 5-0 in the next inning when center fielder Natalia Hill scored on a wild pitch, right fielder Makayla Vanosse scored on a groundout

from shortstop Catherine Quibrantar and second baseman Michelle Meza scored on an error.

After La Mirada rallied to score six in the bottom of the second, Cerritos regained the lead in the third on a groundout from left fielder Maya Torres, plating McCart, and a triple from Vanosse, allowing Hill to come home after she was walked. La Mirada would tie the game at 7-7 in the fourth before the Legacy pushed across a run in the fifth on Hill’s two-out single, bringing in Ceron.

Cerritos was looking for the win but with two outs in the bottom of the fifth, Amanda Urbina singled, stole second on the third pitch thrown to Sammie Orozco and came home on a pair of errors. Now, playing under international tiebreaking rules with Hill beginning on second, Vanosse moved her over on a groundout and a bases loaded walk issued to pitcher Bella Bulthuis made it 9-8. Up came McCart and after working to a full count, she smacked the grand slam.

It was a big hit for multiple reasons because La Mirada’s Marley Cortez singled with one out to score Orozco. Then with two outs, a triple from Jaiden Delatorre allowed Cortez to score the last run of the game. On the very next pitch, Rossy Gonzalez grounded out to end the game.

“That was a great game,” Medina said. “That was probably one of the best games I’ve ever been a part of. Again, we worked so hard as a team and just kept fighting and fighting and never gave up.”

The Legacy began the districts with

an 11-3 loss to Long Beach Heartwell last Friday afternoon as McCart went two for two and Madrid belted a two-run home run in the top of the fifth. The next morning, Cerritos stayed alive in the loser’s bracket with a 10-2 win over Santa Monica. McCart went two for three and drove in four runs while Quibrantar also had a pair of hits and scored three runs. Bulthuis was solid in the circle, going five innings, scattering five hits and striking out four.

The last game for Cerritos saw the Legacy score its two runs in the top of the first as a single from Bulthuis plated Quibrantar and McCart later on came home when catcher Natalia Sanchez was safe on an error. But Long Beach Heartwell answered with four runs in its half of the frame and added two more in the second.

This is the first time since 2012 that a CGSA 10-Under All-Star team has moved on to states and fifth time overall. The Legacy are also on somewhat of a roll, going 2-2 in its last two tournaments after a 1-8-1 start to the summer, thus lifting a load off the shoulders off of Medina and his team.

“I think it has for the whole team,” he said. “We started off slow and had a rough road, but the way they bounced back today...this is where it counted. They peaked at the right time and they did a great job.”

Despite the team pounding out 24 hits in the four games, the one area that needs to improve on the most is the defense. In the four games, the Legacy committed 20

errors as opposed to the 13 from its foes.

“What it boils down to is depending on who is pitching changes the infield and changes the outfield,” Medina said. “That’s just something we just need to work on based on who is pitching and what defense we have. We have four different defenses that we use. So just tightening that up makes things a lot easier for us.”

The two other players on the Legacy are Alea Medina and Brynn VanderWal, who pitched the first two innings of the second game against Long Beach Heartwell. The coaching staff consists of Cedric Hill, Jack Molina, George Molina, Tony Torres and Jeff Vanosse. The team mom is Natalee Molina.

8-Under

The CGSA 8-Under All-Stars, who by far were the best of the four Cerritos teams this summer in terms of wins and losses, also advanced to the state tournament and like the 10-Under All-Stars, they too won their first game, rallying for a 3-2 win over La Mirada’s Gold team last Friday afternoon.

“It’s really nice for the girls; they played really hard all season,” said manager Dan Hensgen. “Last year we lost the first two. This year, they had to win a really tough game yesterday. We went to the international tiebreaker [situation], so the girls really pushed it and really fought really hard.”

Alyssa Hensgen was throwing a no-hitter through the first three innings and had allowed one runner to reach base of

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Clinging to a 9-8 lead with two outs in the top of the sixth inning, first baseman Ashley McCart smacked a grand slam to dead center and helped the Cerritos Legacy to a 13-10 win over La Mirada's Gold team last Saturday afternoon. Photo courtesy 10-Under team.



The CGSA 8-Under All-Stars, who by far were the best of the four Cerritos teams this summer in terms of wins and losses, also advanced to the state tournament. Photo courtesy 8-Under team.

the first 12 she faced. But with two outs in the top of the fourth, she walked Sophia Hernandez, who then scored on a four-base error on a bunt attempt from Aubrie Barugh. Alyssa Hensgen would finish the game allowing one hit and striking out 10 batters.

Meanwhile, the Shockwave scored its first run in the bottom of the fourth when Emily Vargas singled to the right field gap, scoring Kalie Matsuno. In the next inning, Kayleigh Sutton reached on an error, stole second, moved to third on a wild pitch and tied the game when Anaya Granflor was safe on a bases loaded error with two outs. Alyssa Riley would score the game winner when she came home on a bases loaded walk issued to Taylor Martinez.

Cerritos was issued five walks and was limited to two hits-one from Var-

gas and the other from Mia Tapia. The Shockwave fell into the loser's bracket after a 4-0 loss to Torrance last Saturday. All four runs came in the bottom of the second and Cerritos had just one base runner, a one-out walk issued to Nevaeh Leon Guerrero in the third.

Cerritos came back later in the day to edge Pico Fastpitch 2-1 with the game-winner coming in the top of the sixth. Granflor would come home on a one-out groundout from Alyssa Hensgen. Tapia went two for two and scored in the second inning on a groundout from Danielle Baca.

The Shockwave would then be on the south side of a 2-1 decision to Downey this past Sunday as it was held to three hits. The lone run came in the top of the fourth when Tapia drove in Matsuno with

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PREMIER GIRLS FASTPITCH LAS VEGAS QUALIFIER

ARTESIA PUNISHERS 18 GOLD SQUAD STARTS FAST IN FINAL QUALIFIER, RUNS OUT OF GAS

By Loren Kopff
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When it comes to Premier Girls Fastpitch qualifiers, the Artesia Punishers 18 Gold teams that have been managed by Bob Medina have been unlucky. But in the Las Vegas Qualifier last weekend, the Punishers were hoping luck would finally be on their side despite fielding another small squad, this time with dozen players.

The Punishers got out to a great

start in triple digit heat, winning their first three games last Saturday before falling in two straight games this past Sunday. When it was all said and done, Medina had seen his team finish in fifth place in a qualifier in which the top four teams earned automatic berths to the PGF National Championships later this month.

"It was hot, the teams were good and pitching ran out," Medina said. "We had 12 kids, so we did what we could."

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The kids played so hard throughout the whole weekend.”

Already in the semifinals, the Punishers just needed to beat the (West Covina) Orange County Batbusters-Perez this past Sunday morning to garner at least a Platinum Division berth. But a back and forth battle fell just short in a 6-5 loss under the international tiebreaker rules.

The Punishers trailed 1-0 before coming back with two runs in the bottom of the second on a two-run



home run from designated player Alexis Lopez (Los Osos High). The Batbusters tied the game in the third before catcher Shayna Dahlen (Villa Park High/Idaho State University) walked to lead off the fourth and came home on a single from shortstop Summer Bodkin (Banning High/La Sierra University). But again, the Batbusters would tie the contest with two outs in the fifth. With the Batbusters scoring three runs in the top of the seventh to take a 6-3 lead and leftfielder Alexis Sargent (North Torrance High/Hope University) at second, second baseman Toshonnie Baker (North Torrance High/University of Hawai’i, Hilo) singled to make it 6-4. Centerfielder Lauren Sabihon (North Torrance High/Siena College) then had a base hit and one out later, first baseman Veronica Garcia (North Torrance High/Odesa College) singled to bring in Baker.

However, the next two batters would strikeout, thus putting the Punishers in the loser’s bracket. There, the Punishers were eliminated by the (Scottsdale) Firecrackers AZ 11-1 with the lone tally coming in the top of the second on a lead-off single from Bodkin, who advanced on an error and scored on a base hit from Sargent. Still, the fifth place finish was the highest ever in all PGF qualifiers that Medina has been in.

“That was a great game; we should have won that game all the way through,” Medina said of the first game this past Sunday. “And [the players]

even knew it. They played so hard with the heat and everything. You cannot say that they did anything wrong.”

“I think we left everything on the table with the Batbusters,” he continued. “Their energy was up. We went into the next game and started with a double right off the bat on the first pitch. Everybody was still fired up and our pitchers didn’t have any more gas. The catchers were saying they didn’t have it. They were tired and I understand it. They worked hard against some very, very good teams.”

The Punishers began the tournament with a 5-1 win over the (Anaheim) Orange County United last Saturday morning as Dahlen (three for three) and Baker each hit solo home runs and Sabihon went two for four with a run scored. Pitcher Leah Gonzales (Banning High/University of Hawai’i, Hilo) scattered five hits and struck out five. Immediately after that game, the Punishers blanked the (Pleasanton) Lady Hustle 5-0 as pitcher Brianna Garrett (Quartz Hill High/Siena College) tossed a one-hitter and struck out five.

The Punishers scored in the top of the first on a home run from Baker, one in the fourth on a run-scoring single from Bodkin, who drove in Dahlen, one more in the fifth on a triple from Baker and a single from Sabihon and two in the sixth on a two-run home run from Sargent.

Later in the day, the Punishers doubled up the (San Diego) Batbusters-Mauga 4-2 with a pair of runs in the

bottom of the third on a two-run home run from Sabihon and two more in the fifth. Gonzales was brilliant again in the circle, yielding four hits and allowing no earned runs.

“We went out [to Las Vegas] and the kids who went were solid,” Medina said. “Just seeing the older kids out there playing again...this is the level of play in order to qualify in big tournaments to play against the best of the best. This is the team you have to have on the field. You cannot put a younger team, a 16-Under team in an 18 Gold level. That’s kind of where we’re at, but we had the majority of our [older] kids back and the first five or six girls in the lineup were solid.”

Even with 12 players, the Punishers were banged up like they’ve never been banged up before. Prior to coming to Las Vegas, Lopez and her mother were involved in a car accident where they were rear-ended. As a result, Lopez played with a hurt back. Gonzales was sent to the emergency room with an infection to her face as a result of a bug bite. Bodkin was also in the emergency room in Las Vegas with strep throat. Baker and Sargent were sick prior to coming to Las Vegas but managed to battle the elements to play through.

The Punishers will take this weekend off before competing in the Surf City Summer Showcase July 8-10. In addition, the Punishers will be hosting a clinic on July 8 run by college coaches.

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a one out single.

This is the fourth time that a CGSA 8-Under All-Star team has advanced to the state tournament and the team is currently 11-7-2 in five summer tournaments, winning the South Huntington Beach Tournament the first weekend in June.

“We knew we had three returners who were going to be the core of the team who were really strong and were the foundation to build with the other ones,” Dan Hensgen said. “We have a good group who are cohesive and they get along. This team is phenomenal because when they play good defense, they can beat anybody.”

Ava Ceron and Dalani Cooley are the other two players with Brent Matsuno, Jen Riley and Ed Sutton as the coaches. The team mom is Eleanor Granflor.

Both the 8-Under and 10-Under All-Star teams will begin the state tournament on July 8 with games through July 10 throughout the Lancaster/Palmdale area. The opening ceremonies will take place at 7:00 on July 8 at Jet Hawk Stadium.

12-Under

A summer that saw the CGSA 12-Under All-Stars win one game in five tournaments and make a managerial change midway through the season ended with two resounding losses in the district tournament. The Elite was crushed by the Torrance Silver team 17-2 last Friday, then was eliminated by Santa Monica 13-5 last Saturday morning.

“This all-star season was, of course, trying in every aspect of the game; to try to get the girls confidence and just to keep their head in the game,” said manager Luis Duenas. “They would just get

down on themselves and we tried to do the best we could to pump them up and get them back into the game. Of course it’s hard when you only win one game all season.”

Against Torrance, both runs were scored in the top of the third. Alexa Diaz singled and stole second. Mya Veliz was then walked and both runners stole third and second respectively before coming home on a base hit from Isabel Navarro.

Against Santa Monica, the Elite was trailing 8-0 before scoring four runs in the bottom of the fourth. Diaz, Navarro and Veliz all singled with Diaz scoring the first run. Then with two outs, Sarah Ochoa singled and Dy’Mond Manzo, who drove in three of the five runs, was walked. Two innings later, Ochoa doubled home Veliz, who had three hits. Diaz, Manzo and Ochoa would all collect a pair of hits.

“Yesterday’s game, for some reason, it felt like we had a two-out syndrome where we would get two outs and one simple mistake turned into an avalanche for the girls,” Duenas said. “That was basically the culprit for this entire all-star season. But when they came out today, their bats were alive a lot better and I know the girls played their hearts out. That’s all I could ask for.”

Despite the long season in which Cerritos scored 35 runs in 14 games, Duenas was still optimistic about the summer.

“I believe all of these girls are all-stars in their own way,” Duenas said. “They all bring something to the team in different ways. In my heart, they’re all all-stars and I love them to death. I wouldn’t change this team for the world.”

The rest of the 12-Under Elite all-stars are: Chelsea Azevedo, Daniela Barron, Katelyn Colvin, Alexis Duenas, Breanna Lucero, Natalyn Membreno and Adrina Urias. The coaches were Gabe Azevedo and Jonny Shaffer and the team mom was Ana Azevedo.

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to UCLA through the Scholars’ Honors Program. Students have also transferred to USC, Stanford, Biola, and UC Santa Barbara.

Cerritos College offers a unique and successful Veterans Resource Center, the first of its kind dedicated to a training program for military Veterans in the repair of Solar PV Systems and EV Charging Stations. The College has been named a ‘Military Friendly School’ by GI Jobs Magazine and listed as ‘Best Practices’ by the State Chancellors Office. Currently the College serves 433 veterans, of which 243 are post 9/11 veterans and 49 vocational rehabilitations.

California Legislature approved the 2016-17 budgets on June 15th allotting \$71 billion for community colleges which is a \$2.8 billion increase from the previous year’s budget. This increases the Proposition 98 Guarantee by \$626 million over a three

year period of 2014-15 to 2016-17.

Cerritos College Operating Budget 2015-16 stands at \$114 million.

Currently the College has 136 students receiving their AA degrees and 75 students receiving certificate of achievements; 247 international students were enrolled for 2015-16 due to the Intensive English Program [IEP] allowing associated degrees and transfer pathways. Students hail from South Korea, Saudi Arabia, China, Viet Nam, Taiwan, Cambodia, India, Philippines, Russia, and Venezuela.

Cerritos has increased learning programs and initiatives through the Presidents Middle College Scholars Program; K-18 Bridge [Cerritos Complete Program]; TeacherTrac / Summer STEM Institute and the English Dual Enrollment Pilot Program in cooperation with Artesia High School.

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the Sheriff’s station to a vote instead of “agendizing” the item for a later meeting. That's when the fireworks started. Chen started the fray by immediately asking about the Sheriff’s contract, “When do we need to give notice, when is the end of the current contract?” It was evident that Ray, Edwards and Pulido had no idea about the move and were visibly angry. City Manager Art Gallucci indicated the city needs to give a 60-day notice, but did not include the helicopter, which is on an annual contract. Gallucci advised Chen to “take some time in looking at Sheriff’s station.” Chen countered, “we need to balance the budget with these cost cuts in mind.” Solanki, who was endorsed by Chen and former Mayor Bruce Barrows, then took his turn. Solanki said, “I cannot approve a

budget that is ‘upside down,’ the Sheriff’s station only covers \$4.5 million, I would have a hard time approving a budget like this. How do we cut 6.6 million?” Gallucci said to Solanki, “I don’t want to be argumentative but at the last meeting, the motion was made to study the budget and bring back proposed cuts in 2 months, that vote was 5-0 and we have it on tape, and that is the path we have been on until this evening.” An angry Solanki then said, “the community safety expense is a big number, if we convert the station that is a large amount of money.” Mayor Ray then rebuked Chen and Solanki saying, “this was not an agenda item, we voted to approve the budget with the understanding that the staff would come back later with cuts to get to \$6.6 million, and part of that process is to educate the residents, I have a philosophical problem not getting input from residents, through that process we would discuss the cuts. I would have a problem since this was not agendized.”

Pulido followed Ray and was even angrier pointing out that both Chen and Solanki’s council campaigns stressed public safety and support of the Sheriff’s station. “I support the budget as is, and it would be non-starter for me if we cut the Sheriff’s station, public safety was my top priority in my campaign as it was a top priority in your campaigns.” Ray and Edwards were seen nodding in agreement. Pulido then slammed Chen and Solanki, “why are you trying to pass the cuts without placing them on the agenda, the public should have opportunity for input.” “I have problems with last minute conversations, why are you questioning our council staff, you need to let them work.” A visibly angry Councilman Edwards then chimed in saying, “we cannot cut things we have never talked about, this is a mistake and we never discussed these cuts, transparency is important to residents,

their number one priority is safety. Let’s pass the budget as then look at the cuts.” Undaunted Chen said, “we need to balance the budget, we can’t buy the services if you cannot afford it. I would be willing to postpone the approval of the budget until cuts are made.” Solanki could be seen nodding his head in agreement. Mayor Ray supported passing the budget and then implementing budget cuts over the next six months. The budget passed on a 3-2 vote, with Chen and Solanki voting no. Long-time Cerritos resident Jim McMahon told HMG-CN, “Solanki and Chen wanted to cancel the Cerritos Sheriff's contract immediately and move the facility to the City of Lakewood in order to save \$7 million. He did not want to have any public discussion, he did not want this on the agenda, nor did he want staff to do any reports on the cost of having a service at our substation versus at the Lakewood Sheriff’s station. Very disturbing.”

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On 7/22/2016 at 1:00 PM, CALIFORNIA TD SPECIALISTS as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded on 7/18/2013 as Instrument No. 20131053190 in book N/A, page N/A of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: FRANK ARBISO AND ELIZABETH ARBISO, as Trustor MIKE ANTIMIE, as Beneficiary WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by 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). At: In the main dining room of the Pomona Masonic Temple, located at 395 South Thomas Street, Pomona, CA, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: LOT 15 OF TRACT NO. 24178, IN THE CITY OF LA MIRADA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 646, PAGE 81 AND 82 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. 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: 13117 BLUEFIELD AVE, 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, 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 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, to-wit: \$161,182.29 (Estimated) Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. 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 and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. Date: 6/24/2016 CALIFORNIA TD SPECIALISTS, as Trustee 8190 EAST KAISER BLVD., ANAHEIM HILLS, CA 92808 Phone: 714-283-2180 For Trustee Sale Information log on to: www.usa-foreclosure.com CALL: (714) 277-4845. PATRICIO S. INCE', VICE PRESIDENT CALIFORNIA TD SPECIALISTS IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. "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 (818) 708-7272 or visit this Internet Web site www.servicelinkasap.com, using the file number assigned to this case 16-25998. 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. 6/23/16 TD FORECLOSURE SERVICES, INC. 5023 N. Parkway Calabasas Calabasas, CA 91302 (818) 708-7272 Lynn Wolcott, President A-4581445 07/01/2016, 07/08/2016, 07/15/2016

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 16-25998 Loan No. VALINO Title Order No. 160021501 APN 7025-004-023 TRA No. NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED.* *PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE Section 2923.3(a), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO ABOVE IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 04/28/2015 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 07/22/2016 at 11:00AM, TD FORECLOSURE SERVICES, INC. as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 05/01/15 AS INSTRUMENT NUMBER 20150499593 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: RAMON VALINO, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Trustor, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (Made payable to TD FORECLOSURE SERVICES, INC. at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by 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). At: BY THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED AT 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, California describing the land therein: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED ON 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: 17308 JANELL AVENUE, CERRITOS, CA 90703. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. 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