



COURT CLEARS HMG-CN OF CENTRAL BASIN VASQUEZ' PHONY DEFAMATION ALLEGATIONS

Court finds Hews did a thorough investigation and that Vasquez' lawsuit was frivolous, ordering her to pay \$55,000 in fees.

HMG-CN Staff Report

In a wide-ranging ruling, Superior Court Judge Rafael Ongkeko has ruled in favor of Hews Media Group-Community News and Publisher Brian Hews in a bogus and costly defamation case filed by Central Basin (CB) Director Leticia Vasquez.

In response to the complaint, Hews filed what was known as an Anti-SLAPP motion and won.

SLAPP is an acronym for Strategic Lawsuit Against Public Participation.

The phony defamation case was centered Hews' the article

“SOURCES: Central Basin Director Leticia Vasquez and Montebello Councilwoman Vanessa Delgado Attempted to Extort Money From Cook Hills Officials” published by Hews in June 2016.

Vasquez will now be liable for all of Hews' legal fees, which currently exceed \$55,000.

During the litigation, Hews was blasted by his detractors, including Melinda Kimsey and the Vasquez camp for “pulling the story out of thin air.”

Vasquez argued the case by submitting declarations from people tangentially related to the story, doing everything she

could to claim that Hews made the story up.

The court found the declarations to be worthless and of no evidentiary value.

Judge Ongkeko said, “Hews did not concoct the article out of thin air or base it on unverified anonymous sources.”

Hews' attorney Scott Talkov of Reid and Hellyer based out of Riverside said, “Ms. Vasquez had no information to meet her burden of proof by clear and convincing evidence that my client had any information to doubt the truth of the allegations in the article. This case never should have been filed.”

Vasquez' attorney Nana Gyamfi, who was suspended multiple times by the California State Bar since 1994, twice for a period of two years where the bar ruled Gyamfi had “significantly harmed her client,” six times for administrative violations, briefly argued the case, but Judge Ongkeko strongly rebuked her.

Ongkeko said, “There is a First Amendment I cannot overlook.”

Vasquez' lawsuit was filed in July of this year.

“The lawsuit was the culmination of many disreputable people banding together,



Vasquez and her husband, attorney Ron Wilson.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUES INTO LA MIRADA COUNCIL ELECTION CAMPAIGNS

By Brian Hews



Tony Aiello (top) & Andrew Serega

The Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) has confirmed that the campaign finance investigation started after the La Mirada City Council election in March 2017 continues to be active and on going.

The investigation was a result of a series of articles exclusively published by Hews Media Group-Community News.

In an email, FPPC spokesperson Jay Wierenga told HMG-CN, “I was forwarded an email from Enforcement regarding your inquiry, I can say the case is open.”

The investigation centers around losing District 1 candidate Tony Aiello, current councilman Andrew Serega, and an independent expenditure committee run by resident Ionel Imbre called Residents for a better La Mirada, (RBLM).

The FPPC is looking at whether the independent expenditure committee col-

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ARTESIA LIVE PROJECT BREAKS GROUND



Celebrating the groundbreaking of the latest development project in Artesia were (l-r): Artesia Councilmembers Miguel Canales and Victor Manalo, Mayor Taj, and Councilmember Tony Lima. Photo by Lou Delgado.

By Larry Caballero

Artesia is ready to grow. Several local area officials, Artesia City officials and residents attended the Dec. 7 groundbreaking ceremony for the Artesia Live I Marriott Courtyard Mixed Use Development Project located on Pioneer Boulevard to witness the first phase of that growth.

The seven-story project consists of

a restaurant, hotel, and commercial and high-end residential units.

“It's taken a long time for us to finally be here today,” said Artesia Live Marketing Director Betsy Lee, “but after four years of working very hard to bring all of the partners together, it's finally going to happen.”

Artesia Mayor Ali Taj thanked everyone for attending and witnessing “only the beginning of needed change coming to

HMG INVESTIGATION: HEWS MEDIA OBTAINS SEC LETTER AIMED AT MUSD BOND PROGRAM

By Brian Hews

Hews Media Group-Community News, through the Freedom of Information Act, has obtained the Preservation Letter sent to Montebello Unified School District from the United States Security and Exchange Commission.

The letter and impending investigation is a direct result of an HMG-CN four part investigation that started in 2016 and ended in 2017 with the SEC letter.

The onerous SEC letter casts a wide net over the entire MUSD asking for documents to be preserved since Jan. 1, 2010.

The letter was sent to interim Superintendent of School Anthony Martinez from the SEC's San Francisco Regional Office, dated November 20, 2017, and signed by special counsel Jason Lee.

The first paragraph of the letter indicated that the SEC had initiated an earlier investigation saying, “we believe that MUSD may possess documents and data that are relevant to the ongoing inquiry being conducted by the staff of the

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ARTESIA MAYOR HONORED AT REORGANIZATION CEREMONY, FLOWERS TAKES OVER AS MAYOR

By Larry Caballero
On Politics

It was a standing room only crowd to say goodbye and to honor outgoing Artesia Mayor Ali Taj at the Reorganization Ceremony Dec. 11 at the Albert Little Community Center.

Numerous public officials and community groups presented Taj with Certificates of Appreciation and plaques, including Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn, who told the audience that Taj had made history by becoming the first Pakistani-American mayor in the western United States.

“This only shows that Artesia is truly a city that welcomes and praises diver-

sity. I have enjoyed partnering with Ali this last year as it was also my first year as Supervisor.”

Hahn said Ali has been a great advocate for Artesia, and she was amazed at how visible he has been throughout the county. “Everywhere I go I see Ali representing this beautiful city.”

Mayor Pro-Tem Sally Flowers agreed with Hahn. “He is everywhere, and I thank you for highlighting so well our city.”

Councilmember Victor Manalo said that he could feel “a lot of love given to you tonight, and I am proud to have served under your leadership this year.”

Taj said it was a great honor “serv- ing as your mayor, and I am proud of the

financial stability we were able to bring to Artesia.”

During the Reorganization portion of the meeting, Flowers was elected as Mayor for the fifth time, and Councilmember Tony Lima was elected as Mayor Pro-Tem.

Flowers plans to work on several projects this year including disaster preparedness, expanding the open spaces in the city, and smart development growth.

“We want the city to grow,” said Flowers, but we need to be smart about it.” She mentioned challenges that affect every city, including Artesia that is only 1.62 miles. “Yet if we all work together we can achieve anything. People have the power to make a difference.”



Photo by Lou Delgado

Artesia Mayor Pro-Tem Sally Flowers is happy to accept the nomination of Mayor for the fifth time at the Dec. 11 Reorganization Ceremony.



Photo by Lou Delgado

Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn presents a Certificate to outgoing Artesia mayor Ali Taj at the Dec. 11 Reorganization Ceremony.

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BELLFLOWER WILL LIVE STREAM COUNCIL MEETINGS

By Tammye McDuff

Recently the Bellflower City Council directed staff to investigate streaming City Council meetings on the City's website. Currently, the City contracts with Tripepi Smith & Associates to record Council meetings with the videos captured on DVD media and broadcast through the Charter-Spectrum cable company transmission station to channel 36.

Recordings can be compressed for YouTube and sent to the Public Affairs Specialist in order to play on the City's YouTube channel. This programming will be available for public viewing the day after each council meeting.

In conjunction with this direction, the City must upgrade, purchase and install

video broadcasting equipment for City Hall and Council Chambers. At the December 11th Council meeting, a staff report was presented to Council suggesting a contract be awarded to Vidiflo to carry out this request.

Vidiflo submitted the most reasonably responsive based bid in the amount of \$35,504.

The project consists of the purchase and installation of equipment needed to record City Council meetings on a media server. Charter-Spectrum will provide the video broadcasting encoder and a dedicated fiber optic connection for the City's public access channel. The video content will be connected to the broadcasting encoder to enable a direct broadcast from City Hall.

MESSAGE FROM THE ABC SUPERINTENDENT



Pictured (l-r) front row Dr. Olga Rios, Clerk; Soo Yoo, President; Leticia Mendoza, Vice-President; Dr. Mary Sieu, Superintendent; Sophia Tse; Maynard Law, Ernie Nishii and Chris Apodaca.

As we approach the ending of the 2017 year, it is the perfect time to pause and reflect on who we are and to reaffirm our appreciation for one another. On November 3, 2017, I was honored to receive the State ACSA Superintendent of the Year Award at the President's Award Dinner held at the Fairmont Hotel in San Jose. My son, daughter-in-law, sister, brother-in-law and District staff attended to celebrate with me this distinguished recognition. It was heartwarming to share this moment with my family members and District staff since they have all been instrumental in my journey in ABCUSD.

On Nov. 30, 2017, the California School Boards Association honored Bragg ES with a 2017 Golden Bell Awards at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in San Diego. Bragg ES won the Golden Bell Award for their "Building Bridges Program" that has been in place for over five years. Bragg ES Principal Annette Janeway and her team joined our five Board Members in celebrat-

ing this prestigious Award.

Two newly elected Board Members, Dr. Olga Rios (Trustee Area 6), Ernie Nishii (Trustee Area 3) and reelected Soo Yoo (Trustee Area 2) were installed at the Dec. 5th Board of Education Meeting. We all look forward to working with the new Board Members as part of our District's Governance Team. We thank retiring Board Member Olympia Chen for her twenty years of service as well as Lynda Johnson for her six years of service on the Board of Education.

As we approach a new year together, let's redouble our support for one another and look forward with enthusiasm and optimism. Everyone's time and participation in our schools help us continuously improve. As John Maxwell said, "Giving is the highest level of living."

I look forward to seeing you at the many events in our schools and community. I wish everyone a wonderful holiday season!

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The long-term closure of the northbound I-405 connector to westbound I-105 is necessary to provide a safe work zone for construction crews and motorists. The single-lane connector ramp will be demolished and reconstructed. The project involves reconstructing distressed roadway and the embankment along the connector, excavating pavement, installing a new drainage system, and repairing the roadway with concrete slabs to enhance safety and create a smoother drive for motorists.

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LONG-TIME DOWNEY POLICE OFFICER RETIRES



Kevin Kendall receiving a Plaque of appreciation for 30 years of service.

By Tammye McDuff

Kevin Kendall has been serving the community of Downey for over 30 years as a Downey Police Officer, teacher and active community member. Kendall was presented with a plaque commemorating his official retirement for the Downey Police Department by Chief Carl Charles.

Kendall has been and continues to be very active in the Downey Elks club, Rose Float Association and the Downey Police Fire Foundation. Always willing to volunteer and go the extra mile, one of Kendall's best attribute as a Police Officer is that he is easy to talk too. "Humble and a true leader, the City of Downey is better because of all you have done Kevin," said councilman and former Mayor Alex Saab, "We are appreciative of you and your service to our community."

Kendall grew up in Downey and graduated from Downey High School, where his interest in a law enforcement career began as a Police Aide at the Downey Police Department. He successfully completed the police academy in 1988.

Kendall was one of the original officers assigned to the School Resource Officer Program which began in 1998. He has also involved in the "Every 15-Minutes Program" at Downey High School, which educates students on the dangers of drunk driving.

In August of 2000, Kendall was assigned to the Special Enforcement Team where he conducted background investigations, issued police permits, conducted undercover stings with members of the Alcohol Beverage Control, coordinated the Citizen's Academy, and assisted with Police Department recruitment.

In 1999, Kendall was selected by the Chamber of Commerce as the Field Operations Employee of the Year. In 2004, Kevin was presented the "Community Leadership Award" by the Masons of California. Also in 2004, Kevin received his teaching credentials from the Downey Unified School District to teach a Law Enforcement class for the Los Angeles County Regional Occupational Program (R.O.P.). Besides being a member of the Field Training Program and a School Resource Officer, Kevin was also a member of the department's "Range Staff" helping to train officers and keep them proficient with their firearms.

On May 25, 2015, Corporal Kendall, along with Corporal Weinrich and Offi-

cer Mike Hernandez received the California Highway Patrol 10851 award. This award was for his efforts in the recovery of multiple stolen vehicles within a 12 month period.

"Kevin is a true example of a Downey Police Officer," stated Chief Carl Charles, "Besides being an outstanding "street cop" he also understood the importance of community relations. He treats people with respect and continuously goes out of his way to help those in need."

Throughout his 32-year career, Kevin donated countless hours to charity work, including participating in the department's annual Thanksgiving "turkey drive" and the Christmas "toy drive" to help families in need.



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U.S. POSTAL SERVICE PROVIDES A SNEAK PEEK AT SELECT 2018 STAMPS

WASHINGTON — With a new year just around the corner, the U.S. Postal Service is raising the curtain to provide a sneak peek at a portion of its 2018 stamp program.

Icons such as Lena Horne, John Lennon and Sally Ride and will be immortalized on Forever stamps next year. Stunning photographs of America's dramatic landscapes will commemorate the song "America the Beautiful."

Other diverse and educational stamps on deck for 2018 will shine light on bioluminescent creatures that glow in the dark; showcase the art of magic through five classic magic tricks; celebrate mythological fire-eating dragons; and

offer "tasty" frozen treats for those with a sweet tooth.

Detailed information and issuance dates on these stamps and others will be revealed later. All stamp designs are preliminary and are subject to



STAMP HONORING JOHN LENNON

change until issuance dates.

Love Flourishes (Love series)

Love Flourishes is the latest stamp in the Love series. The stamp art features a fanciful garden of colorful flowers surrounding the word "Love."

Year of the Dog

The Year of the Dog stamp is the 11th of 12 stamps in the Celebrating Lunar New Year series. The Year of the Dog begins Feb. 16, 2018, and ends Feb. 4, 2019.

Lena Horne

Lena Horne (Black Heritage series)

The 41st issuance in the Black Heritage series honors the achievements of legendary performer and civil rights activist Lena Horne (1917–2010). Remembered as one of America's great interpreters of popular songs, Horne also was a trailblazer in Hollywood for women of color. She used her personal elegance, charisma and fame to become an important spokesperson for civil rights.

U.S. Flag

For more than half a century, U.S. stamps have depicted the American flag in vivid red, white and blue. This eye-catching new issuance continues that tradition with a striking graphic design of a flag

with two crisp folds.

Bioluminescent Life

This issuance celebrates the phenomenon of bioluminescence — the ability of some species to glow — with a pane of 20 stamps featuring 10 life-forms that create their own light.

Illinois Statehood

This stamp celebrates the 200th anniversary of Illinois statehood. Known as the Prairie State, Illinois became the 21st state of the union on Dec. 3, 1818.

Mister Rogers

Fred Rogers (1928–2003) was known as a beloved television neighbor to generations of children. His groundbreaking public television series Mister Rogers' Neighborhood inspired and educated young viewers with warmth, sensitivity and honesty.

STEM Education

These Forever stamps celebrate the role of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education in keeping our nation a global leader in innovation. Designed to pique the curiosity of the viewer, each of these four stamps features a collage of faces, symbols, drawings and numbers that represent the complexity and interconnectedness of the STEM disciplines.

Peace Rose

Peace Rose celebrates one of the most popular roses of all time. The peace rose revolutionized hybrid tea roses with its unique coloring, hardiness, and disease resistance.

Sally Ride

America's first woman in space, Sally Ride (1951–2012), inspired the nation as a pioneering astronaut, brilliant physicist and dedicated educator.

Flag Act of 1818

With this stamp, the Postal Service marks the 200th anniversary of the Flag Act of 1818, which gave us the basic design of the current American flag: 13 stripes symbolizing the original 13 colonies and one star for each state in the union.

Frozen Treats

Frozen Treats features frosty, colorful icy pops on a stick. The tasty, sweet con-



Mister Rogers

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O Beautiful

With the release of O Beautiful, the Postal Service commemorates the beauty and majesty of the United States through images that correspond with one of the nation's most beloved songs, "America the



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PROTESTERS VOICE THEIR OPINION, SLAM REP. ED ROYCE FOR SUPPORTING TAX BILL



Photo by Lou Delgado

Protesters showed up Dec. 12 at the office of Congressman Ed Royce in Brea to demand that he vote NO on the GOP tax proposal that could hurt millions of Americans.

By Larry Caballero

When the California Labor Federation (CLF) sent out an email blast to its supporters with the heading: "Take Action: Stop the GOP Tax Scam on working people," more than fifty protesters showed up Dec. 12 at the office of Representative Ed Royce in Brea to express their indignation and to encourage him to vote NO.

The remainder of the email read, "All hands on deck! We have to defeat the bill that would harm millions of working people so the rich can get even bigger tax breaks."

California Alliance for Retired Americans Southern California Organizer Susan Meyer said, "Most seniors are not aware that the proposed tax plan will

cut so deeply into Medicare and Social Security. These are not entitlements. We pay for these benefits all of our working lives."

Congressional candidate Gil Cisneros agreed. "I support the unions that are represented here today, and I want a better deal for working class and middle class families."

Indivisible CA39 Representative Harry Langenbacher said, "We should repeal and replace Ed Royce, not the Affordable Care Act."

United Domestic Workers Representative Laura Reyes shouted, "We are tired of trickle down economics! We won't be fooled this time!"

As Republicans have lately been calling Democrats "snowflakes," a derogatory way to suggest that people who

take offense to anything from political policy changes to offensive comments, are as weak and vulnerable as a speck of snow, protestor Royce Rodeman had a response: "Ed Royce, they can call us snowflakes, but we're going to be the snowball that hits you in the face in next year's election."

As the protestors began marching, long-time Fullerton resident Anita Venegas challenged Royce: "Come on down, Ed Royce, you coward, and speak to us!"

If passed under current budget rules, it is estimated that the GOP tax bill could result in immediate cuts of more than \$100 billion in health and human services, including \$25 billion per year to Medicare.

This quarter-trillion dollar cut could impact the care of seniors and people with disabilities as well as their families that all depend on this crucial program.

There are several emergency events planned around California this week to fight back against this bill.

The CLF is made up of more than 1,200 unions, representing 2.1 million union members in manufacturing, retail, construction, hospitality, public sector, health care, entertainment and other industries.

Its website states that it is dedicated "to promoting and defending the interests of working people and their families for the betterment of California's communities."

From legislative campaigns to grassroots organizing, its affiliates are actively engaged in every aspect of California's economy and government."

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Dragons
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Birds in Winter
Birds in Winter celebrates four of winter’s winged beauties: the black-capped

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chickadee (*Parus atricapillus*), the northern cardinal (*Cardinalis cardinalis*), the blue jay (*Cyanocitta cristata*), and the red-bellied woodpecker (*Melanerpes carolinus*).

John Lennon (Music Icons series)
The newest stamp in the Music Icons series honors singer and songwriter John



USA 10 Forever!
SALLY RIDE

STAMP HONORING SALLY RIDE

Lennon (1940–1980), a rock 'n' roll hero successful both as a founding member of the Beatles and as a solo artist.

The Art of Magic
The Postal Service celebrates the art of magic with this pane of 20 stamps featuring digital illustrations of five classic tricks magicians use to amaze and delight audiences: a rabbit in a hat (production), a fortune teller using a crystal ball (prediction), a woman floating in the air (levitation), an empty bird cage (vanishing), and a bird emerging from a flower (transformation).

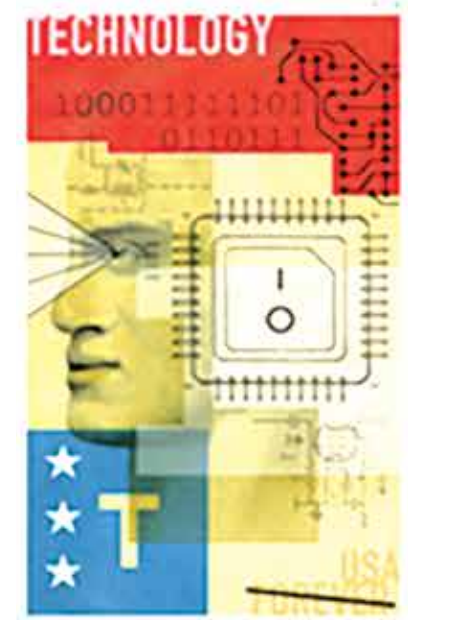
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Sleeping Bear Dunes
With this Priority Mail Express stamp, the Postal Service celebrates the Sleeping Bear Dunes, a national park in Michigan that takes its name from a Native American legend.

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NORWALK RALLIES IN SECOND HALF TO STEAL CONSOLATION CHAMPIONSHIP AWAY FROM CITY RIVAL

By Loren Kopff
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The John Glenn High girls basketball team was destined to blowout its cross-town rival Norwalk High in the consolation championship of their co-hosted tournament, especially when it led 28-14 with 3:31 left in the first half. But the Lady Lancers made a sudden surge at the end of the half, going on a 10-0 run, then outscored the Lady Eagles 18-12 in the third quarter to pull out a 55-49 win last Saturday afternoon at Norwalk High.

The last time these Suburban League rivals were supposed to play each other, it was for 15th place in a 16-team tournament a few years ago. The former coaches back then decided not to play each other. This time, both head coaches were glad that the game went on instead of switching opponents on the final day of the four-day event.

"It was great for our program," said Glenn first-year head coach Ruben Guerrero. "One thing the seniors on my team kept saying is that they have never done that in our tournament or placed in any tournament from what they remember. Playing for the consolation championship felt pretty good and taking third in the Mark Keppel Tournament [Nov. 24-Dec. 2] was

great for my girls. Even though we lost this game, going 2-2 in any tournament is still pretty good."

The Lady Eagles led virtually the entire first quarter and most of the second quarter, going on scoring runs of 6-0, 7-0, 7-0 and 6-0 as they built a 28-14 advantage. Junior Paola Ramirez and sophomore Dominique Harrison were pacing Glenn with a combined 15 points first quarter points and three rebounds each. Glenn shot better than 50 percent from the field and led 21-10 after the first quarter.

"Well, they have more size now," said Norwalk head coach Ashley Baclan of the early woes. "That was just something... we were [without junior] Annie [Valele] but we pulled through. It was just trying to get their minds right again and not giving up."

However, as fast as Glenn built that 14-point lead, it began to evaporate over the final 3:31 of the half when the Lady Eagles missed their final six shots from the field. In that same time, the Lady Lancers scored 11 straight points including back to back steals from seniors Bjanka Torres and Angie Aldana, the former scoring off the theft.

Norwalk took its second one-point lead of the game with 5:51 left in the third quarter following a three-point play from junior

Destiny Goodloe. After that, it was a wave of momentum by both teams with Glenn going on an 8-3 run followed by 9-2 Norwalk run to end the third quarter.

"There were a lot of turnovers on our side," Baclan said. "There were some decisions that could have been a little bit better to make things probably a little bit smoother. But it was fun. I like the intensity of it."

"We did a great job of creating that big lead, but lack of composure to maintain it kept letting Norwalk back in," Guerrero said. "Don't get me wrong, Norwalk played a good game and played hard. The difference in the two teams, as I told my team at the end of the game, is Norwalk followed the coach's instructions; we did not. If that would have been different, who knows how this game would have really went."

Glenn scored the first three baskets of the fourth quarter to take a 46-43 lead before Aldana tied it with a basket and a free throw. Then Harrison gave the Lady Eagles another three-point lead with a free throw and basket as Glenn led with 1:28 remaining. After that, it was all Norwalk. Aldana was fouled on a three-point attempt and made two free throws. Then Goodloe tied the game with a free throw with 1:04 left.

Two more charity shots from Aldana gave Norwalk the lead for good 12 seconds later and her basket soon after iced the game.

"We simply lost our composure," Guerrero said. "We were so set on winning instead of competing for four quarters. My team fell back into old habits. My girls were not making the adjustments that we needed."

Harrison led Glenn with 16 points and 11 rebounds while Ramirez added another 12 points and five rebounds. Glenn had previously lost to Whittier High 49-47 before knocking off Bassett High 38-34 and Samuelli Academy 50-13 in the tournament. After going 3-22 last season, the Lady Eagles are 6-4 as they visited Paramount High on Dec. 14. Glenn will begin league play against Mayfair High on Monday before facing the Lady Lancers at home on Wednesday. The six wins are the most since the 2014-2015 season.

"Our girls play hard and with the coaching change, I believe it brought some excitement back in the program," Guerrero said. "Since we have doubled our wins from last season this early in our season, I believe that's helping the girls believe in the coaches and adding to the excitement

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GAHR'S SHOOTING, OFFENSIVE REBOUNDING GOES COLD IN CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

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amongst the girls.

"With 20 games in front of us, that gives us so much room for opportunity," he continued. "I believe our girls are inspired right now; they want to win. They are tired of losing and sick of the stigma that our program carries, and we are doing everything we can to change it."

Aldana scored a game-high 20 points, with three three-pointers, and had six steals while Torres added 18 points and was six of nine from the line while Goodloe chipped in with eight points and six rebounds.

"I think she's finding her role," Baclaan said of Aldana. "She's understanding it, she's knowing her range. As long as she keeps playing to her strengths, she'll be alright. But her shot has definitely helped us."

"Bjanka has definitely come into her own," Baclaan added. "I think she's now understanding more patience. Defensively, she's become more solid and more solid."

Norwalk, which fell to Pioneer High 61-55 before posting wins against Paramount High (37-33) and Fountain Valley High (57-54), improved to 4-2. The Lady Lancers hosted Baldwin Park High on Dec. 14 and will travel to La Mirada High on Monday before the rematch with Glenn.

"Come within the next couple of weeks, things could change," Baclaan said of the two league meetings with Glenn. "I always see that as the season goes on, everybody gets better in some way. I hope that after having these last three tight games, just realizing that if you just keep pushing through and chipping away little by little, something could happen."

After finishing in seventh place in the Brea Olinda Tournament to begin the season, the Gahr High girls basketball team made a huge jump in one week, playing for the championship of the 2017 John Glenn-Norwalk Varsity Classic. However, poor shooting and the lack of rebounding on the offensive end plagued the Lady Gladiators for much the game as they fell to Bell Gardens High 48-35 last Saturday night at Norwalk High.

"We couldn't get any rhythm," said Gahr head coach Rob Godwin. "We missed tons of shots today. That's just what it was. We had our opportunities to put up shots. But we just missed them. Our motto is defense, and we let them score 48. If we hold them under 40, it will be a different game."

The only lead Gahr had was the game's opening basket by senior Angelina Jacobe 52 seconds in. After that, the Lancers went on an 8-0 run and led by as many as 11 points late in the quarter. Gahr shot five of 11 from the field in the first eight minutes, but just nine of 35 the rest of the way. Gahr was also missing the services of senior Nori Smith, who was elbowed in the jaw during the Brea Olinda Tournament. She was supposed to be cleared to play this past Tuesday.

Without her, the Lady Gladiators suffered in the rebounding department, getting 24 for the game but only three under their own basket and not until the second half.

"I think we were fighting with our bigs down there, but our guards need

to crash the boards a little bit more," Godwin said. "So, it's just work because I think they stayed out there on the perimeter too much watching instead of crashing in for rebounds."

Gahr tried to make it a game several times but was simply too deep in a hole from the first quarter. Senior Dezirae Smith's only first half basket made it 26-18 with 4:41 left in the half, a three-pointer from sophomore Clarissa Heredia with 59 seconds left in the third quarter made it 36-28 and another Smith basket almost two minutes into the final stanza cut Gahr's deficit to eight again. It wouldn't dip below eight points the remainder of the game.

Heredia led the Lady Gladiators with 11 points and 11 rebounds while senior Naomi Ellis, who had been playing strong coming into the contest, was limited to five points, all in the first quarter.

"I can say this was a tough game for her," Godwin said. "She was productive more last week. But coming into this week, she was getting over the flu. So, we're trying to get her up to par, but you know how that is when kids are sick."

Gahr began the tournament with a 49-26 win over Bassett High on Dec. 6 before getting past Whittier High 52-47 the next night. The de facto championship game might have been last Friday night when Gahr hooked up with Whitney High and rallied for a 51-47 victory. Gahr trailed by six points midway through the third period but didn't seal the win until Ellis scored off a pass from Heredia with 17 seconds left to make it 49-45.

"The last two or three games we played, including Whitney, were tough

games," Godwin said. "Coming into [the Bell Gardens] game, I think it might have tired us out a little bit, playing back to back tough games. But I don't believe we came with our best effort tonight."

The Lady Wildcats held a 12-9 advantage late in the first quarter before Gahr scored nine straight points to end the stanza, then took a 23-13 lead following Ellis' three-pointer with 5:34 left in the half. But Gahr would score just two points the remainder of the half while the defense was watching junior Christine Hamakawa nail three perimeter shots in the second quarter and five for the half.

Despite Whitney leading 35-29 midway through the third quarter, Hamakawa was being silenced by Gahr's defense, which was a turning point in the contest. She was held without a shot in the second half and the Lady Wildcats got three baskets from three different players in the quarter.

"Well, we box-and-one'd her," Godwin said of Hamakawa. "We probably had three different girls that we put on her all through the rest of the second half. We figured if we could stop her, then that basically was how far the team was going to go. We wanted to make everybody else contribute."

"We ran our man offense and stayed the same as in the first half, scoring about 25 points in each half," said Whitney head coach Jeff Day.

A steal and basket from Jacobe put Gahr up 43-41 but the game-winner came with 2:12 left to play when Heredia drained a three-pointer. Smith led Gahr with 16 points while Ellis added

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13 more, plus 11 rebounds. Heredia also grabbed nine boards as the Lady Gladiators were 4-4 heading into their Dec. 14 contest at El Dorado High.

"I believe this is probably the best year as far as competition that we've had in the last two years," Godwin said. "We're playing more tougher teams that I think are going to help us down the line for league."

As for Whitney, junior Justine Wu and freshman Julianna Lee each scored 10 points against Gahr, but was outrebound-

ed 38-22. Whitney had previously defeated Lifeline Charter High 57-16 and Santa Fe High 42-26 prior to the Gahr game, then claimed third place in the tournament with a 46-32 win over Mary Star of the Sea High last Saturday night. "I look at games and performance, not place in an event," Day said. "From the Santa Fe game onward, we executed our half-court offense and controlled the tempo for the most part in all games which gave us an opportunity to be successful in this tournament." Against Mary Star of the Sea, the Lady Wildcats put the game away with eight straight points to end the first half and hold a 30-21 advantage. Wu had a pair

of three-pointers in the second quarter and led Whitney with 13 points. She also had three steals, as did Hamakawa while junior Kiana Sanchez and freshman Kim Hosada each had four thefts. "Christine is our captain and leader on the court," Day said. "Justine is our one constant that must be aggressive and involved for a successful and balanced offense. In this event, they both were that." The win over Mary Star of the Sea left the Lady Wildcats at 5-4 at the time, which is about where Day thought his team would be after nine games. "Our defense has controlled tempo as well," Day said. "The main concern is

no inside strength, no toughness, no rebounding and playing physical by any of us. This will be necessary onward, especially against the better teams in our league." Whitney began play in the 41st annual Valley Christian Tournament and defeated Westminster High 59-46 this past Monday and before falling to Long Beach Wilson High 48-41 this past Wednesday as Hamakawa scored a season-high 18 points. Whitney will wrap up the tournament on Saturday, then have the rest of the month off.

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Valley Christian High girls head soccer coach Kim Looney hasn't beaten backyard neighbor Mayfair High in such a long time that she would have been happy with a tie when the two teams met this past Tuesday night at Crusader Field. Since she took over during the 2001-2002 season, Looney has defeated the Monsoons twice, with the last time coming back on Dec. 7, 2010, a 5-0 win at Mayfair.

In fact, the Lady Crusaders have not defeated Mayfair at home under Looney's watch and that streak will continue. With five minutes remaining in the game, Haley Davis took a crossing pass and from the left side of the field, found a spot between the far post and the left side of V.C. senior goalkeeper Destinee Montenegro, which held up in a 1-0 affair.

"We played scared the first 10 minutes of the [game]," Looney said. "We were just trying to figure it out. We knew

it would be the toughest team we've gone up against and it was going to take us awhile to respond and figure it out. Going into the second half, we knew what we needed to do. If we could get out of the initial 10 minutes of the second half, then we can play right with them. But they always say the last five minutes of any half are the most crucial and 5:13, there you go."

Both teams were coming in ranked third in their respective divisions in the California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section polls, Mayfair in Division 3 and V.C. in Division 4 and the first

VALLEY CHRISTIAN GIRLS SOCCER SURRENDERS GOAL IN CLOSING MINUTES TO MAYFAIR



HMG-CN Sports Editor Loren Kopff

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half showed why both teams were solid. Each got off just one shot in the first half and the first legitimate opportunity didn't come until the 59th minute when Mayfair's Alyssa Villalobos shot from the right side was punched out by Montenegro as she dove to her right. The follow-up attempt from Amanda Scott then sailed too high. To make matters worse, Mayfair's goal came with only 10 players as one had been ejected moments earlier. Villalobos then had a chance to ice the game in stoppage time, but her shot clanked off the crossbar and down to the hands of Montenegro.

"We were getting tired and they were not," Looney said. "And they took advantage of that and as much as we were working as hard as we could, we just couldn't keep up with it. They had us fitness-wise the last 10 minutes." The Lady Crusaders, who fell to 5-2, have been rock solid this season despite not playing tough competition up until the Mayfair contest. Still, V.C. has outscored its foes 21-4 and a lot of the talk has been about sophomore midfielder Megan Bouma, who leads the team with eight goals, the brand new midfield or the stingy defense. "[Senior] Carli [Domino] is the heart and soul of our defense," Looney said. "As much as she doesn't talk, she leads with her play. We added Sophia Schrock, who is a freshman this year [and] has added a lot of speed and a nice left foot. [Senior] Marysa [Garner] has been consistent for me for four years. [Junior]

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Las Posadas
Celebration
Saturday, January 6, 2018
6:00-9:00 p.m.
City Hall Lawn
12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Join us for a traditional cultural celebration! A candlelit procession at the City Hall lawn will bring the community together during the holiday season. This festive event will feature caroling of holiday songs, light refreshments, cultural activities for children such as piñatas, and special performances by Mariachis and ballet folklorico dancers. Everyone is welcome!

CITY OF NORWALK
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Recreation and Park Services Department
For information, please call (562) 929-5702.

Celebremos!
Las Posadas
Sabado, 6 de enero, 2018
6:00-9:00 p.m.
En el Pasto Municipal de Norwalk
12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Vengan y disfruten de nuestras tradiciones y cultura! Habrá una procesión alumbrando con velas pidiendo posada por medio de canciones tradicionales. La comunidad se reúne en el pasto municipal de la ciudad para esta celebración. En este evento festivo se ofrecerá bebidas, pan dulce, actividades culturales para niños, piñatas, y actuaciones especiales de mariachis y bailarines de ballet folklórico.

CITY OF NORWALK
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Departamento de Recreación y Servicios de Parques
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Christina [Pollard] and [senior] Caity [Wind] are filling in the back and half and Destinee and [sophomore goalkeeper] Cassidy [Samuelson] have been doing a nice job. Destinee stepped up tonight and this by far was her best game this season.”

V.C. visited St. Anthony High this past Wednesday and shut out the Saints 4-0 behind a hat trick from Bouma, now up to 11 goals. The Lady Crusaders will conclude the Best in the West Winter Classic with a pair of games on Saturday, the first against San Gabriel Mission High and the second against either Garden Grove High or Santa Fe High.

In other girls soccer action, four other area schools are also in the Best in the West Winter Classic. Artesia High (1-4-1) will face Hoover High and either Bellflower High or New West Charter High, then begin Suburban League play at Bellflower on Monday.

Cerritos High, which was blanked by Warren High 6-0 this past Tuesday, hosted Cypress High on Dec. 14 and will square off against Westminster High on Saturday, followed by a game against either Santa Ana High or California High. The Lady Dons (3-3-1) will visit La Mirada High on Wednesday.

Gahr High was blanked by Marina High 6-0 this past Tuesday and will visit Montebello High for the first game on Saturday before seeing either Carson High or Pioneer High in the second game. The Lady Gladiators (3-3-1) will

also host Savanna High on Tuesday.

John Glenn High (0-4-1) will host Mayfair on Monday, visit Dominguez High on Tuesday and come back home to face Norwalk High on Wednesday. Norwalk (2-6) will play Ramona Convent High on Saturday, followed by either Glendale High or El Rancho High later in the day. The Lady Lancers open league play at home against La Mirada while Whitney High (3-1-1) will host Buena Park High on Thursday.

BOYS BASKETBALL

The marquee game will be tonight when Cerritos and Gahr renew their long-standing city rivalry at Cerritos. The two teams played in the third place game of their co-hosted tournament last Saturday with Gahr (4-4) edging the Dons 56-55. Cerritos (5-3) will then visit La Mirada.

Artesia (5-3) will visit Bellflower on

Monday and host Garey High and Ganesha High on Wednesday and Thursday respectively.

Glenn (6-4) visited Paramount High on Dec. 14 and will host Mayfair on Monday and Norwalk on Wednesday while Valley Christian is off to a 7-1 start following an 83-80 win against Bishop Amat High in the Bellflower Tournament. The Crusaders will host Marshall Fundamental on Thursday.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

All Suburban League teams will precede their boys' games on Monday and Wednesday. In addition, Artesia (6-1) will wrap up its own tournament on Saturday, Cerritos (6-2) will visit North Torrance High on Saturday night and Valley Christian (3-4) will finish its own tournament tonight before hosting South Hills High on Thursday.

MONTEBELLO

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United States Securities and Exchange Commission.”

The language also indicated an underlying concern by the SEC that documents were destroyed or will be destroyed.

The letter stressed to Martinez that he may need to, “Act affirmatively to prevent the destruction of evidence including quarantining certain evidence to avoid destruction or alteration.”

The SEC’s Lee took the unusual step of underlining “you have a duty to reasonably preserve and retain such evidence.”

“We hereby provide notice that such evidence should be reasonably preserved and retained until further notice. Failure to do so could give rise to civil and criminal liability.”

And in another unusual move, Lee requested that the MUSD “take no action to delete any content existing on social networking websites including Facebook and LinkedIn.”

Finally, Lee stated, “take no affirmative action to delete any emails even emails that may not fit within the parameters set up with this letter.”

The SEC considered potentially relevant documents and aimed squarely at MUSD’s bond, bond procurement and bid process asking for:

1. MUSD finances, accounting, budget, interim financial reports, general ledger, financial statements, financial solvency, and or general fund reserves;

2. MUSD’s municipal securities program;

3. Any contemplated or actual securities issued by MUSD;

4. The contemplated or actual use of any proceeds raised from securities issued by MUSD;

5. Any entity or individual who contemplated or actually submitted a bid it to MUSD for work related to the district municipal securities program;

6. The selection of any entity or individual to perform work for MUSD related to the district municipal securities program;

7. Del Terra Real Estate Services, any of its personnel, and or Luis D Rojas;

8. Any member of MUSD municipal securities financing team including Mission Trail Advisors, which is owned by Lalo Trujillo whom HMG-CN reported on in 2016.

Other members included Stifle Nielaus and Company, Piper Jaffrey and Company, Samuel A Ramirez and Company, RBC Capital Markets, Blalock Beal Van, LLC, Cabrera Capital Markets, US Bank National Association, any bond counsel, any disclosure counsel, and/or any of the foregoing and these personnel;

9. Any Citizens Oversight Committee for any securities issued a MUSD.

Lee finished, “we recognize that this may be a burden on you, it is absolutely necessary that you fully comply with the obligations to reasonably retain and preserve evidence.”

ARTESIA

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Artesia. We are fortunate to have investors willing to spend their money in Artesia, and this will lead to substantial growth in the City and the regional economy.”

Tax revenues will also increase because of sales taxes, commercial fees, and residential CFD fees.

Artesia Live II will be a similar project located on Gridley and 183rd that will also consist of a restaurant and commercial and high-end residential properties. The Artesia Planning Commission did not approve the second project because of concerns over parking and the opposition of local residents. The Artesia City Council will discuss the project at its next meeting.

Both projects have a contemporary design, surface and subterranean parking, and rooftop gardens, and will bring an estimated 1200 new jobs from the construction, operation and development.

FPPC

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luded with Sarega and Aiello in sending out campaign materials, a major FPPC violation that carries heavy fines.

Independent expenditure committees are just that, by law they have to be independent from any candidate and cannot be controlled by anyone running for office.

Current Congressional candidate Stelian Onufrie, who’s campaign is being run by Sarega, donated the money to RBLM under a construction company listing it’s address as a PO Box at a UPS store in La Habra.

RBLM spend thousands on campaign mailer’s supporting Aiello and Sarega and slamming their opponents John Lewis and Pauline Deal.

Lewis beat Aiello, but Deal lost to Sarega.

The attack campaign mailers were strikingly similar in graphic design and content. They were also printed and mailed from the same post office in Texas.

The revelation of the campaign information triggered the FPPC investigation.

Aiello recently sent a threatening retraction letter to HMG-CN denying involvement even though he is under investigation by the FPPC.

VASQUEZ

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people who dislike me for my investigative reporting, who want to financially harm my organization, it was an attack on free press by elected officials sworn to defend the constitution,” said Hews.

One example was current La Mirada Councilman Andrew Sarega, whom Hews exposed for campaign finance violations, and who is currently under an FPPC investigation because of Hews’ exposé.

Sarega is who Vasquez chose to serve the lawsuit. Sarega waited outside of Hews’ offices in Cerritos to give Hews the subpoena.

Sarega and many others, including former HMG-CN employees Jerry Bernstein and Randy Economy, were part of a plan to “take Hews down.”

“I will be exposing these people in a later series of articles,” said Hews, “these people were cold-blooded and calculating in their actions.”

COOK HILLS MEETING

Hews’ article described a 2016 meeting between Vasquez and Cook Hills Development, who had a pending \$552,000 water project with CB in Montebello.

The project was scheduled for a CB Board vote within days of the meeting, which was “arranged” by Montebello Councilwoman Vanessa Delgado.

Delgado had worked for Primstor, a developer in Los Angeles for years.

Many questioned the meeting: Montebello is not in Vasquez’ electoral district, Vasquez does not sell water, is not an engineer, or carries an engineering degree.

Judge Ongkeko also questioned why Vasquez was at the meeting.

Sources told Hews that Vasquez demanded campaign donations from Cook in exchange for her yes vote on the CB contract.

Those same sources told HMG-CN that CB General Manager Kevin Hunt and CB Chief Engineer Lonnie Curtis received phone calls immediately after the meeting from Cook officials who were “irate that a CB Director would try such a thing.”

When contacted by HMG-CN, Hunt simply stated, “You will have to wait until Monday’s meeting,” Monday was the day of the vote.

Hews also called Cook Hills inquiring about the meeting and talked with an administrative assistant for over four minutes before being told, “they will call you back.”

Cook Hills never called Hews back. Attempts to reach Delgado and

Vasquez resulted in no response, instead Delgado claimed her email was old and that Hews should have tried to contact her through her Montebello city council email listed on the city’s website. At the time, council emails were not on the site.

After the article was published, the Cook Hills project was pulled without any explanation and never voted on again.

In the ruling and referring to the lack of response by everyone involved Judge Ongkeko stated, “silence on the other side is reasonable” to rely upon as an admission that the allegations are true, providing as an example if “someone says no comment.”

Ongkeko admonished Vasquez saying, “Vasquez has not shown that Hews’ investigation was inadequate so as to rise to the degree of actual malice, Vasquez did not established clear and convincing evidence of actual malice on Hews’ part.”

This is a victory for HMG-CN, with the court finding the investigation thorough and accurately reported in print and online.

“Vasquez and Wilson were very angry how good my sources were,” said Hews, “in fact the court was impressed that my sources came out on the record by name confirming the information they provided, they stood behind their story.”

Ongkeko stated he did not believe the two sources were unreliable.

“Not one attorney I talked to said she was going to prevail,” said Hews, “but Vasquez did not care. Her husband Ron Wilson is a Stanford graduate attorney, he was helping with the case, so she was not paying legal fees.... now she has to pay mine.”





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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following person is doing business as CHICK FIL A USC IN LINE, 3758 S. FIGUEROA ST., LOS ANGELES, CA., 90007 The following business is conducted as A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY registrant's name and location is PARK ENTERPRISES, LLC, 5082 HOUSTIN AVE., LA PALMA, CA., 90623 The company has begun to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein 11/15/2017. /S/ ANDREW M. PARK

The statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 12/1/2017

NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state or common law (see section 14400et seq. Business and Profession Code), Published at LCCN on 12/1, 12/8, 12/15, 12/22/17

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF WRETA F. STRUCK aka WRETA FAE STRUCK Case No. 17STPB10712

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of WRETA F. STRUCK aka WRETA FAE STRUCK

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

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

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 January 2, 2018 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 99 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:

ROBERT L. COHEN ESQ

SBN 150913

LAW OFFICES OF

ROBERT L. COHEN INC

8081 ORANGETHORPE AVE

BUENA PARK CA 90621

CN943848 STRUCK Dec 8,15,22, 2017

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No.: 16-01300 Loan No.: ****468 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 05/26/2005 AND MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BELOW. 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 payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States (payable to Attorney Lender Services, Inc.) 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: JANICE KONG, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Trustee: ATTORNEY LENDER SERVICES, INC. Recorded 06/03/2005 as Instrument No. 05 1302343 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, Date of Sale: 12/29/2017 at 10:00AM 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: \$357,903.20 The purported property address is: 13426 ASHBURY COURT LA MIRADA, CA 90638 A.P.N.: 8037-051-060 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 wherein the real property is located and more than three (3) months have elapsed since such recordation. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property 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 Trustee's Sale. 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 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 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site www.nationwideposting.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, 16-01300. 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: 11/29/2017 AT-TORNEY LENDER SERVICES, INC. Diane Weifenbach, Trustee Sale Officer 5120 E. LaPalma Avenue, #209 Anaheim, CA 92807 Telephone: 714-695-6637 Sales Line: (916)939-0772 Sales Website: www.nationwideposting.com This office is attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. NPP0321691 To: LA MIRADA LAMPLIGHTER 12/08/2017, 12/15/2017, 12/22/2017

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE

(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)

Escrow No. 35550-MW

- (1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described
- (2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: JART RESTAURANT GROUP INC, 11308 SOUTH STREET, CERRITOS, CA 90703
- (3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: 26485 AVENIDA DESEO, MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691
- (4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: MAHMOUD BOAYES AND SUSANA CARIAGA BOAYES, 22722 RASHDALL AVE, CARSON, CA 90745
- (5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT of that certain business located at: 11308 SOUTH STREET, CERRITOS, CA 90703
- (6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: CHRONIC TACOS
- (7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is JANUARY 4, 2018 at the office of: ADVANTAGE ONE ESCROW, 7777 CENTER AVE #350 HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647, Escrow No. 35550-MW, Escrow Officer: MARILYN WESTMORELAND
- (8) Claims may be filed with: ADVANTAGE ONE ESCROW, 7777 CENTER AVE #350 HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647, Escrow No. 35550-MW, Escrow Officer: MARILYN WESTMORELAND
- (9) The last day for filing claims is: JANUARY 3, 2018.
- (10) This Bulk Sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.
- (11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE.

Dated: DECEMBER 7, 2017

SELLER: JART RESTAURANT GROUP INC, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION

BUYER: MAHMOUD BOAYES AND SUSANA CARIAGA BOAYES

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE

(UCC Sec. 6105)

Escrow No. 17-2338-JY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: JUNG RAN KIM AND GUK JIN PARK, 19119 BLOOMFIELD AVENUE, CERRITOS, CA 90703

Doing Business as: HAIR FANTASY

All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: NONE

The location in California of the Chief Executive Officer of the Seller(s) is: NONE

The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: MICHEAL KIM AND YUN HWA HONG, 1653 AVENIDA SELVA, FULLERTON, CA 92833

The assets to be sold are described in general as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, GOODWILL, TRADENAME, LEASEHOLD INTEREST, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, ALL TRANSFERABLE PERMITS AND LICENSES, AND ALL INVENTORY OF STOCK IN TRADE and are located at: 19119 BLOOMFIELD AVENUE, CERRITOS, CA 90703

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: ACE ESCROW INC, 6871 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 and the anticipated sale date is JANUARY 4, 2018

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

[If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided.] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: ACE ESCROW INC, 6871 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 and the last day for filing claims shall be JANUARY 3, 2018, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.

Dated: DECEMBER 6, 2017

BUYER: MICHEAL KIM AND YUN HWA HONG

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE AND SALE OF CAPITAL STOCK

(UCC Sec. 6101 to 6107)

Escrow No. 7469

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to creditors of the within named parties that a bulk sale is intended to be made of personal property hereinafter described of the Corporation whose stock is being sold.

The name(s) and business address of the seller(s)/transferor(s) are: ARTURO SUING PAMINTUAN AD YOLANDA D. PAMINTUAN 20124 STATE ROAD, CERRITOS, CA 90703

The name(s) and business address of the buyer(s)/transferee(s) are: LAB SOLUTIONS INC. (A CA CORP) 1057 EAST IMPERIAL HIGHWAY #254, PLACENTIA, CA 92870

The stock being sold/transferred is generally described as ONE-HUNDRED (100%) PERCENT of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of: CERRITOS REFERENCE LABORATORIES, INC. (A CA CORP)

The assets/personal property being sold/transferred are generally described as: ALL TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS OF THE SELLER INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, MACHINERY, GOODS, INVENTORY OF STOCK IN TRADE, GOODS, LICENSES, PERMITS, LEASE(S), ACCOUNTS, CONTRACTS, TELEPHONE NUMBERS, GOOD WILL AND THE TRADE NAME OF THE CORPORATION

Business known as: CERRITOS REFERENCE LABORATORIES, INC. (A CORP)

and located at: 20124 STATE ROAD, CERRITOS, CA 90703

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: D & G ESCROW CORPORATION, 17327 VENTURA BLVD, STE 300, ENCINO, CA 91316 and the anticipated sale date is JANUARY 4, 2018

All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the seller(s)/transferor(s) within the past three years, as stated by the seller(s)/transferor(s), are: NONE

Dated: NOVEMBER 21, 2017

LAB SOLUTIONS INC. (A CA CORP), Buyer(s)

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Title Order No.: 05933828 Trustee Sale No.82418 Loan No.: 399126444 APN: 8064-048-008

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/22/2016. 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 1/16/2018 at 10:30 AM, CALIFORNIA TD SPECIALISTS as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 6/24/2016 as Instrument No. 20160730358 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: PDGA USA, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, as Trustor, THE EVERGREEN ADVANTAGE, LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, 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: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza 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 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE-continued 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: 15020 LA MIRADA BOULEVARD 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 trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$4,786,342.31 (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 of Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. DATE: 12/14/2017 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.stoxposting.com CALL: 844-477-7869 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 844-477-7869, or visit this internet Web site www.stoxposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case T.S.#82418. 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. CALIFORNIA TD SPECIALISTS Attn: Teri Snyder 8190 EAST KAISER BLVD. ANAHEIM HILLS, CA 92808



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