

Area Cites Irrate Over L.A. County COVID Closures

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

On Sunday evening, November 22, 2020 the County of Los Angeles Public Health Department issued a press release restricting dining at restaurants, breweries, wineries and bars [at minimum] for the next three weeks amid new COVID cases. The release stated the new order would take effect Wednesday, November 25th at 10:00pm.

The release also states that in order "To reduce the possibility for crowding and the potential for exposures in settings where people are not wearing their face coverings that only take-out, drive thru and delivery services be made available."

A special meeting was called of the La Mirada City Council, Tuesday November 24th to discuss and publicly oppose the
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Food Drive in Artesia Served Over 1,500 Families



CARS LINED UP for over one mile to receive food from Los Angeles Regional Food Bank sponsored by L.A. County Supervisor Janice Hahn. The food bank distribution is up 145 percent and received donations from Barbara Striesand and the Kardashians.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

This past Friday, November 20th, Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn held a food drive at the Artesia Library, and served more than 1,500 families.

The Los Angeles Regional Food Bank's overall distribution has increased by 145

percent compared to the pre-pandemic period. Over 135 million pounds of food, the equivalent of 111 million meals have been distributed since the crisis began in March, including 1.6 million emergency food boxes distributed to families and individuals through partner agencies and

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Juvenile Arrested in String of La Mirada Armed Robberies

BY BRIAN HEWS

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Norwalk Station is advising of an arrest made in a series of four armed robberies within the city of La Mirada. The robberies of local business occurred between November 11, 2020 and November 13, 2020, near Imperial Highway and Santa Gertrudes Avenue in La Mirada.

The subject stole more than \$1,200 in U.S. Currency from the businesses. During the robberies the subject produced a black handgun and demanded money from the cash registers. Being in fear for their lives the victims complied with his demands.

LASD Major Crimes Bureau Metro Division along with deputies from the La Mirada SAO team conducted a rigorous investigation. During their investigation they were able to positively identify the

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Cerritos College Distributes Over Half Million Pounds of Food



CERRITOS COLLEGE students help out at a food distribution event. Cerritos College reached a significant milestone serving more than 20,000 families through their monthly food drive. On average, the campus served 500 households per month before the pandemic and has doubled their distribution events.

STAFF REPORT

Cerritos College reached a significant milestone serving more than 20,000 families through their monthly food drive. During the health crisis, the College's food drive has served 11,270 families a

total of 665,000 pounds of food, that's 332 tons.

Prior to CoVID-19 the College held walk up food distribution on campus bimonthly, but modified its distribution format to no contact, drive thru events to

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O.C. Nonprofit Helps Those in Homeless Crisis



ASSEMBLYWOMAN COTTIE PETRIE-NORRIS, (D-Costa Mesa, left) and Families Forward CEO Madelynn Hirneise is presented with the 2020 Nonprofit of the Year award for Assembly District 74. The nonprofit is committed to ending homelessness in Orange County.

BY LAURIE HANSON

Helping to end homelessness for families in Orange County for more than 30 years, a nonprofit in Irvine finds themselves meeting an even greater need today during the pandemic.

"Families on the verge of experiencing homelessness will find themselves unable to sustain their housing during these financially uncertain times," said Sarah Stokes, grants and communication manager at Families Forward for almost two

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San Pedro Ports O' Call New Waterfront Makeover Moving Along Nicely

BY BRIAN HEWS

The fishing village called Ports O' Call, which opened in 1962, is getting a major facelift.

The destination was a major attraction until the 1980's when it grew shabby due to lack of investment in its upkeep.

Then the Harbor Commission proposed a complete makeover and it is, after five years, finally coming together with multiple projects.

One project will include a new sea-side attraction with shops, restaurants and bars in shipping containers.

The pier is getting a conversion with a huge "eco friendly" building with "companies of the future."

There will also be an amphitheater the size of L.A.'s Greek Theatre and a promenade.

"Bringing people to our waterfront has been a hallmark of the Port of Los Angeles for decades," Executive Director Gene Seroka told the L.A. Times, "and we believe that the investment will really bring us to the next level."

West Harbor Project

Construction is set to begin early next year on the \$150-million first phase of West Harbor, the dining, shopping and entertainment complex that will replace Ports O' Call.

By making port space public space for everyone, from joggers to boaters to cyclists to walkers, the developer wants to connect San Pedrans, Angelenos, and out-of-towners ready to celebrate small businesses, local restaurants, and community.

A central courtyard surrounded by shipping containers transformed into small restaurant kitchens, seating, fire pits and a stage for live music and dancing.

The developers plan to make the area family friendly with plant gardens and playgrounds.

Gladstone's has already signed on to the project. West Harbor is projected to open in 2022.

Amphitheater

Los Angeles music promoter Nederlander Concerts will operate the 6,200-seat venue right on the waterfront.



WILMINGTON WATERFRONT PROMENADE will be nine acres of open space and recreational areas, including a park, a public pier and a dock.

The developers are saying they will move the USS Iowa, a 45,000-ton vessel to a slip next to West Harbor, so people can watch shows from the massive ship's deck.

Wilmington Waterfront Promenade

Port officials broke ground in October on the \$71-million Wilmington Waterfront Promenade. The nine-acre development will provide more direct public access to Wilmington's historic waterfront and create more open spaces and recreational areas for the harbor community's residents. The project will include a park and a public pier and dock.

Town Square

Work is also underway on the \$33-million Town Square and waterfront promenade project that will connect West Harbor to the historic San Pedro Municipal Ferry Building. The project was designed by Port staff in collaboration with James Corner Field Operations, designer of the High Line urban park in New York City.

The additional segment of public promenade will run parallel to the Port's Main Channel for nearly one mile, meeting the new town square at 6th Street and Harbor Boulevard.

The public space will serve as an important link to the San Pedro Public Market, slated to start construction this spring.

The 1.9-acre, 30-foot wide promenade and four-acre town square will include "harbor swings," public seating, landscaping, hardscaping, signage, architectural finishes, handrails and lighting. In response to growing tourism and visitors to the LA Waterfront, the project will include construction of public restrooms as well.

The project is being funded by the Port's Public Access Investment Plan, which ties community infrastructure investments to a percentage of the Port's operating revenue. Since 2005, the Port has invested more than \$700 million in waterfront capital development, programming and maintenance, with an additional \$300 million in Port funding anticipated through 2025 under the Plan.



WEST HARBOR will be a dining and shopping destination and provide open space for the community. Gladstone's and other restaurants have already signed on.



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O.C. Rescue Mission Helping Children With Distance Learning, Also Assists Homeless Parents

BY LAURIE HANSON

During the pandemic, the Orange County Rescue Mission not only helps homeless parents get on their feet, but also their children through distance learning assistance.

“Homeless children have already suffered many challenges and setbacks in their education,” said Senior Marketing Manager Kristi Nichols. “Our goal is to make sure distance learning is not another setback for them.”

As an “essential provider” during COVID-19 that has been around since 1965, the Orange County Rescue Mission (OCRM) main goal has been to remain open throughout the entire pandemic, according to Nichols.

In order to accommodate distance learning, the OCRM took several measures by increasing Wi-Fi capacity, purchasing equipment and furnishings, renovating rooms to be more conducive as a school setting, and hiring a teacher and two teaching assistants to help the kids, said Nichols.

With extensive changes their protocols and the purchase of PPE for all residents and employees, the OCRM is still allowing new individuals, families, and children to enter their program.

“This week, we are serving 214 people,” said Nichols. “The numbers fluctuate week-to-week with people transitioning in and out.”

“This number is no greater than normal for the OCRM, and the pandemic has not greatly affected the unsheltered homeless community throughout the county,” she added. “It is not a stronger

motivation for them to come to a program to change their lives.”

But that is exactly what the rescue mission offers. The nonprofit and their affiliate organizations help the homeless population with opportunities to change their lives.

They employ a full-time outreach worker, with outreach resourced through short-term programs and the county jails from where individuals are referred. Currently outreach is active in Santa Ana and Costa Mesa, but they go wherever the homeless congregate in Orange County. In a 2019 report, individuals served were representative of every city in the county except one, according to Nichols.

The rescue mission began as a small organization in Santa Ana and has grown into one with 15 campuses, with three affiliated organizations which provide comprehensive and long-term services that get to the root causes of homelessness.

“We work to empower individuals and families towards self-sufficiency,” she said. “It is our mission to minister the love of Jesus Christ to the least, the last and the lost in our community through the provision of assistance in the areas of guidance, counseling, education, job training, shelter, food, clothing, health care and independent living communities.”

The Orange County Rescue Mission is completely funded privately through individuals, corporations, foundations and churches. For more information, please visit online at www.rescuemission.org.



TEACHER KATIE PHILIPSON, part of Orange County Rescue Mission's “Village of Hope” with students, Madyson (left) and Dana (right). The nonprofit has made it a part of their goal to help homeless children with distance learning during the coronavirus pandemic.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Video Program & Youth Contests Planned in Cerritos

In celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the City of Cerritos will record a special program to air on Cerritos TV3 on Monday, January 18. The piece will include remarks by the Cerritos City Council and various tributes.

The Cerritos Library is sponsoring an art and writing contests for students. The art contest is open to students in K-12. Participants may submit one art entry, no larger than 12” x 18,” using any drawing or painting materials.

The writing contest is open to students in grades 7 -12. Participants may submit one writing entry, which may be a poem or an essay with no more than 300 words, preferably typed on letter-size paper.

All art and writing contest entries

should represent the theme of “What Are You Doing for Others?” Contest entry forms are available at the Cerritos Library and on the City’s website at cerritos.us. Completed art and writing entries must be dropped off at the Cerritos Library’s Sidewalk Service location by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, January 6. The library is located at 18025 Bloomfield Avenue. The Sidewalk Service is available from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

After judging, selected entries will be recognized in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day video and on the City’s website. For more information about the art and writing contests, call the Community Participation Division at (562) 865-8101.

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Medicare Open Enrollment is Complicated. Here's How to Get Good Advice.

If you've been watching TV lately, you may have seen actor Danny Glover or Joe Namath, the 77-year-old NFL legend, urging you to call an 800 number to get fabulous extra benefits from Medicare.

This is what Medicare's annual enrollment period has come to. Beneficiaries — people who are 65 or older, or with long-term disabilities — have until Dec. 7 to join, switch or drop health or drug plans, which take effect Jan. 1.

For all its complexity and nearly endless options, Medicare fundamentally boils down to two choices: traditional fee-for-service or the managed care approach of Medicare Advantage.

The right choice for you depends on your financial wherewithal and current health status, and on future health scenarios that are often difficult to foresee and unpleasant to contemplate.

Costs and benefits among the multitude of competing Medicare plans vary widely, and the maze of rules and other details can be overwhelming. Indeed, information overload is part of the reason a majority of the more than 60 million people on Medicare, including over 6 million in California, do not comparison-shop or switch to more suitable plans.

"I've been doing it for 33 years and my head still spins," says Jill Selby, corporate vice president of strategic initiatives and product development at SCAN, a Long Beach nonprofit that is one of California's largest purveyors of Medicare managed care, known as Medicare Advantage. "It's definitely a college course."

Which explains why airwaves and mailboxes are jammed with all that pro-

motional material from people offering to help you pass the course.

Many are touting Medicare Advantage, which is administered by private health insurers. It might save you money, but not necessarily, and research suggests that, in some cases, it costs the government more than administering traditional Medicare.

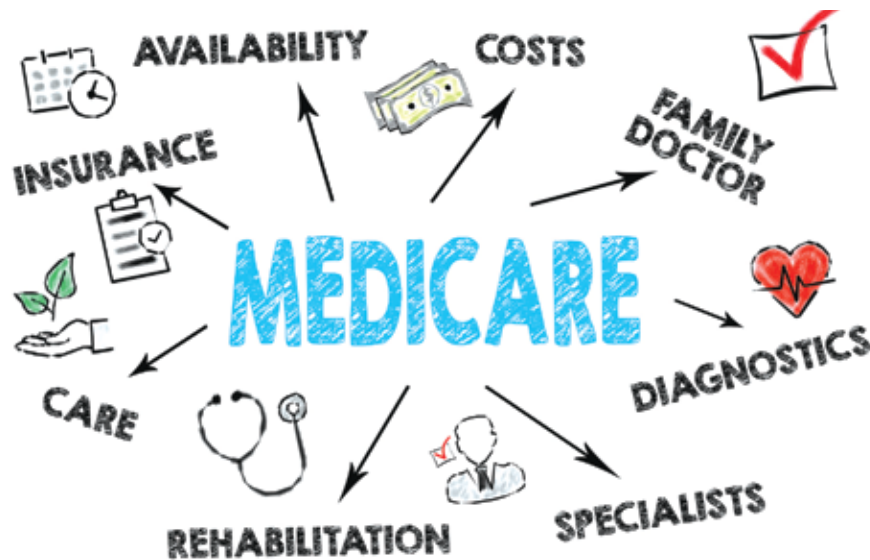
But the hard marketing is not necessarily a sign of bad faith. Licensed insurance agents want the nice commission they get when they sign somebody up, but they can also provide valuable information on the bewildering nuances of Medicare.

Industry insiders and outside experts agree most people should not navigate Medicare alone. "It's just too complicated for the average individual," says Mark Diel, chief executive officer of California Coverage and Health Initiatives, a statewide association of local outreach and health care enrollment organizations.

However, if you decide to consult with an insurance agent, keep your antenna up. Ask people you trust to recommend agents, or try eHealth or another established online brokerage. Vet any agent you choose by asking questions on the phone.

"Be careful if you feel like the insurance agent is pushing you to make a decision," says Andrew Shea, senior vice president of marketing at eHealth. And if in doubt, don't hesitate to get a second opinion, Shea counsels.

You can also talk to a Medicare counselor through one of the State Health Insurance Assistance Programs, which are present in every state. Find your state's SHIP at www.shiptacenter.org.



Medicare & You, a comprehensive handbook, is worth reading. Download it at the official Medicare website, www.medicare.gov.

The website offers a deep dive into all aspects of Medicare. If you type in your ZIP code, you can see and compare all the Medicare Advantage plans, supplemental insurance plans, known as Medigap, and stand-alone drug (Part D) plans.

The site also shows you quality ratings of the plans, on a five-star scale. And it will display your drug costs under each plan if you type in all your prescriptions. Explore the website before you talk to an insurance agent.

California Coverage and Health Initiatives can refer you to licensed insurance agents who will provide local advice and enrollment assistance. Call 833-720-2244. Its members specialize in helping people who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid, the health insurance program for low-income people.

These so-called dual eligibles — nearly 1.5 million in California and about 12 million nationwide — get additional benefits, and in some cases they don't have to pay Medicare's monthly medical (Part B) premium, which will be \$148.50 in 2021 for most beneficiaries, but higher for people above certain income thresholds.

If you choose traditional Medicare, consider a Medigap supplement if you can afford it. Without it, you're liable for 20% of your physician and outpatient costs and a hefty hospital deductible, with no cap on how much you pay out of your own pocket. If you need prescription drugs, you'll probably want a Part D plan.

Medicare Advantage, by contrast, is a one-stop shop. It usually includes a drug benefit in addition to other Medicare benefits, with cost sharing for services and prescriptions that varies from plan to plan. Medicare Advantage plans typically have low to no premiums — aside from the Part B premium that most people pay in either version of Medicare. And they increasingly offer additional benefits, including vision, dental, transportation, meal deliveries and even coverage while traveling abroad.

Beware of the risks, however. Yes, the traditional Medicare route is

generally more expensive upfront if you want to be fully covered. That's because you pay a monthly premium for a Medigap policy, which can cost \$200 or more. Add to that the premium for Part D, estimated to average \$41 a month in 2021, according to KFF. (KHN is an editorially independent program of KFF.)

However, Medigap policies will often protect you against large medical bills if you need lots of care.

In some cases, Medicare Advantage could end up being more expensive if you get seriously ill or injured, because copays can quickly add up. They are typically capped each year, but can still cost you thousands of dollars. Advantage plans also typically have more limited provider networks, and the extra benefits they offer can be subject to restrictions.

Over one-third of Medicare beneficiaries nationally are enrolled in Advantage plans. In California, about 40% are.

The main appeal of traditional Medicare is that it doesn't have the rules and restrictions of managed care.

Dr. Mark Kalish, a retired psychiatrist in San Diego, says he opted for traditional fee-for-service with Medigap and Part D because he didn't want a "mother may I" plan.

"I'm 69 years old, so heart attacks happen; cancer happens. I want to be able to pick my own doctor and go where I want," Kalish says. "I've done well, so the money isn't an issue for me."

Be aware that if you don't join a Medigap plan during a six-month open enrollment period that begins when you enroll in Medicare Part B, you could be denied coverage for a preexisting condition if you try to buy one later.

There are a few exceptions to that in federal law, and four states — New York, Massachusetts, Maine, Connecticut — require continuous or yearly access to Medigap coverage regardless of health status.

Make sure you understand the rules and exceptions that apply to you.

Indeed, that is an excellent rule of thumb for all Medicare beneficiaries. Read up and talk to insurance agents and Medicare counselors. Talk to friends, family members, your doctor, your health plan — and other health plans.

When it comes to Medicare, says Erin Trish, associate director of the University of Southern California's Schaeffer Center for Health Policy and Economics, "it takes a village."

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Power Outages Skyrocketing Cities Need to Ban Metallic Balloons

SCE has been in the news lately, but not for any good reasons.

Among other things, the utility has been cited for equipment failures that caused major brush fires.

But they have another major problem that causes headaches for the utility, its employees and customers; runaway metallic balloons.

Two area cities, Glendale and Hermosa Beach recently banned the sale of the balloons; based on information from SCE, HMG-CN calls on other cities to do the same.

The shiny balloons can cause major problems; everything from landing on electrical equipment and causing brush fires to bringing down power lines.

But the tiny balloon can also cause long power outages, and is the most prolific and continuing problem facing SCE and other power utilities.

SCE reported that it has experienced more than 1,000 balloon outages every year since 2017 — peaking with a record 1,128 in 2018.

The company is on pace to surpass the 2018 record with 968 outages through September 2020, which puts it on track to hit 1,290 outages, an increase of 14%.

It's a public safety issue that has grown only worse during the COVID-19 pandemic.

After a comparative lull of 80 and 50 outages in March and April, SCE experienced 222 outages in June, 129 in July, and 124 in August; that was a 50% increase in the typical outages during those months.

A 1990 California law does prohibit the outdoor release of metallic balloons and requires all stores and vendors to always sell properly weighted balloons, but evidently that law is not enforced.

Glendale and Hermosa Beach have gone a big step further with their bans.

A violation in Glendale is punishable by either a fine of up to \$1,000, up to 180 days of jail time or both.

A violation in Hermosa Beach is punishable by a \$100 citation for the first offense, \$200 for the second, \$500 for the third.

HMG-CN knows that banning the sale of metallic balloons will hurt revenues at party stores, but they have many other balloon styles that people will buy that will not cause deadly brush fires or power outages.

And there is another overriding factor that should cause cities to consider a ban.

A power outage can cause ancillary problems and worse, put SCE technicians in mortal danger during repair.

In addition, older adults living at home are cut off, air conditioning goes out, electric heaters go out, power surges can damage appliances, the list goes on and on.

Glendale Councilwoman Paula Devine believed it was past time to take a stand, "I think we can be the leader on this issue, it happens in every city in California, and to not have legislation to ban this product is alarming to me."

HMG-CN thinks other city leaders should lead in the same manner.

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Norwalk Native Takes Oath of Reenlistment in Japan



CULINARY SPECIALIST 1st Class Diana Santillan, from Norwalk recites the oath of reenlistment at CFAO headquarters on Kadena Air Base in Okinawa, Japan, Nov. 23, 2020. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communications Specialist 2nd Class Matthew Dickinson.)

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Crime Blog

Man Shot and Killed in Bellflower

An investigation was underway Wednesday morning into the deadly shooting of a man in Bellflower.

Deputies responded to a call of a gunshot victim in the 8800 block of Burton Street, near Lakewood Boulevard, at about 10:48 p.m. Tuesday and found the victim suffering from several gunshot wounds to the upper body. The victim died at the scene, the department said.

La Mirada

Notable Arrests

Seven suspects were arrested for various warrants and narcotics violations.

Aggravated Assault

During a domestic argument a suspect threatened two victims with a firearm on

the 13100 block of Parise Dr. The known suspect fled the location prior to deputies' arrival. No injuries were sustained.

Two victims sustained minor injuries and the suspect was arrested during an altercation near 15900 Alicante Rd.

Other Structure Burglary

Power tools were stolen from a storage unit on the 15000 block of Alondra Blvd.

Vehicle Burglary

A late night burglary was reported on the 12200 block of Oxford Dr.

An window smash burglary was reported on the 12600 block of La Mirada Blvd.

Grand Theft Auto

A sedan was reported stolen on the 14200 block of Firestone Blvd.

A van was reported stolen on the 14000 block of Estero Rd.

A motor home was reported stolen on the 14900 block of Barnwall St.

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LA MIRADA MAYOR JOHN LEWIS, front left, handles the selfie duties while Rotarians pose in the background. The group donated over 40 turkeys with all the trimmings to those less fortunate.

La Mirada Rotary Donates Thanksgiving Turkeys

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The La Mirada Rotary Club spent additional fireworks profits to purchase 40 Thanksgiving dinners for those residents in need.

Mayor John Lewis and long time Rotarian stated, "This will be repeated for Christmas and Easter as well as a holiday shopping spree for underprivileged La Mirada children. They will receive gift certificates to Marshall's clothing store."

A major shout out goes to Walmart

Neighborhood Grocery Mart, who contributed additional discounts, further helping La Mirada residents.

The food donations included the traditional holiday food items, canned vegetables, muffin mixes, cranberry relish, and of course all the trimmings for holiday pies and treats.

With the motto 'Service Above Self' the Rotary Club of La Mirada has been assisting the community since 1957.

The group normally has its meetings every Wednesday at 12:30pm at Twelve-Sixty Modern Pub and Kitchen 14299 Firestone Blvd. in La Mirada.

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IMPROVEMENTS consist of upgrades to two existing buildings, a restroom remodel to meet accessibility standards, new irrigation system, recreational turf reseeding, jogging trails, sidewalks, plantings and park signage.

STAFF REPORT

The City of Downey received the 2020 Project of the Year Award from the Southern California Chapter of the American Public Works Association for the Furman Park Improvements Project.

Each year, APWA presents the Public Works Projects of the Year award to promote excellence in the management and administration of public works projects, recognizing the alliance between the managing agency, the contractor, the consultant and their cooperative achievements.

Furman Park improvements consist of upgrades to two existing buildings, a restroom remodel to meet accessibility standards and construction of additional restrooms. Other improvements include a new irrigation system, recreational turf reseeding, jogging trails, sidewalks, plantings and park signage to formalize and realign the park's entrance. Recreation enhance-

ments include upgraded backstops, field fencing replacement, resurfacing of four courts, a sport court addition, parking lot expansion, four new picnic shelters and a new trash enclosure. These improvements were made possible thanks to Measure 'S' funding.

"It is an honor for Downey to receive this recognition from the APWA," said Mayor Blanca Pacheco, "Furman Park is one of our most highly utilized parks in the City and we are thrilled that our residents get to enjoy the park even more now with the recent improvements."

APWA is the professional association of Public Works leader's throughout the United States and Canada. The SoCal Chapter covers L.A., Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties with over 1,400 members. The purpose of the awards program is to recognize public agencies for their outstanding projects and programs and to share the wealth of good ideas.

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Santa's Float Will Bring Season's Greetings to Cerritos

STAFF REPORT

The City of Cerritos will debut a new Santa's Holiday Float event this season. The program will be offered on six nights in December and feature a float with Santa traveling through the residential areas of Cerritos. Children will have the opportunity to wave at Santa and enjoy a festive float with music and holiday decorations.

Santa's Holiday Float will travel through the city Monday, December 7 through Wednesday, December 9 and Tuesday, December 15 through Thursday, December 17 starting at 6 p.m. Maps showing the float's route each evening will be posted on the City's website at cerritos.

us by early December. A GPS tracker will be placed on the float to allow residents to track its location each evening through a link on the City's website.

In the event of rain, the float will be canceled for that evening and the route will be rescheduled to another night.

The float is sponsored by the City of Cerritos, Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn, Cerritos Auto Square Dealerships Association and Aria Apartment Homes.

Please wear masks and maintain social distancing while observing the float. Parents are asked to supervise their children to keep them from running into the streets while the float is passing.

BY LAURIE HANSON

Women Helping Women Helps the Unemployed in Job Searches

Although the nonprofit faced sustainability issues for themselves and their clients, they recently placed 50 tenacious job seekers despite the pandemic. Both male and female clients went to remote online webinar trainings, acquiring skills and new network connections that led to good opportunities, according to WHW Chief Development Officer Yumiko Whitaker.

“They stood out as qualified, prepared and ready to solve problems in their new workplaces,” added Whitaker. “They owned their employment journey by developing new skills and confidence for success. Their ‘can do’ attitude replaced feelings of self-pity which helped place them in such fields as sales and marketing, healthcare, information technology, cyber security, operations, logistics, and more.”

WHW is a workforce development nonprofit who prepares women, men, and youth to be qualified candidates for a successful job search. They were founded by two domestic violence survivors in 1993 who knew the importance of having financial self-sufficiency and who believed that people who want to work are elevated by it, according to Whitaker.

“It is a priceless honor to have the opportunity to build bright futures,” she said. “It is a privilege to give generous people a pathway to make the world a better place.”

“We are all knitted together and benefit by having someone believe in us and the power of our dreams,” said Whitaker who has been a volunteer for seven years and a member of the staff for one year at WHW.

Individuals ready to lead independent lives are directed to WHW for them to further develop their job search efforts. WHW acts as a ‘nucleus’ contributing to the community’s overall success by stabilizing lives one job at a time. They work collaboratively with other nonprofits and community partners to provide a ‘wrap-around rehabilitative safety net’ that helps people not fall through the cracks, according to Whitaker.

“We do what we do because every person matters to us,” she said. “Our aim is to ensure no worker is left behind regardless of their life start or circumstances. We love taking people from ‘I don’t know if I can’ to ‘I know I can!’ Our great reward is learning when someone secures a job [through their] applied grit and hard work.”

Historically, WHW has taken high need individuals facing multiple barriers such as domestic abuse survivors, human trafficking victims, foster youth and the formally incarcerated or transitionally housed to give them a built-in support system. However, they simply do not turn anyone away from seeking their services.

Many of their clients were in the middle of their job search or just beginning when the pandemic hit. Most did not know if they should continue their efforts or wait until things improved. Some who received unemployment or were concerned about exposure to the virus paused their search efforts, said Whitaker. Others continued.

“Those from the general population who lost once secure jobs may need help polishing their acumen especially if they’ve been at a job for decades,” she explained. “The marketplace has been upended and the way of work is changing rapidly. Those who are well-qualified and prepared are indeed securing positions.”

“Within a highly competitive job market we are making sure candidates are not just marketable, but honestly prepared for what’s out there,” added Whitaker. “Former program participants who are employed have returned to polish their skills as they aim to retain coveted positions.”

Back on March 13th, near the beginning of the pandemic, WHW swiftly vacated their offices to deliver an entirely virtual format four days later. Whitaker said it was motivated by their early recognition and need for stability for their current 786



A WHW participant who got a job at Pacific Life company.

job seekers.

“It was important (and still is) to make sure people did not lose hope or become invisible as they navigated their resilience,” she said. “We upskilled our small yet agile team transitioning each person from a specialist to a generalist to meet service needs. We also curated a daily Job Seeker E-newsletter filled with useful articles, tips, vetted job leads and community-wide resources to support their navigation of a continually evolving landscape. Our in-person employment readiness workshops and trainings were adapted to a webinar format as our uninterrupted assistance and a vital lifeline.”

To sustain themselves WHW tightly controlled their expenses and made some tough decisions for their organization during the pandemic. They lost two of their largest sources of annual income with the closure of their social enterprise retail boutique and had to cancel their spring luncheon fundraiser. During the pandemic, they suffered another blow when several of their funders and individual donors shifted their giving priorities to essentials like food, housing, healthcare, and racial equality movements. But somehow WHW came through with a financial turnaround in eight months’ time following two years of consecutive decline, according to Whitaker.

“Our professional September audit reports a positive year-end performance for which we are grateful,” she said. “Still, we continue to navigate our continuity as all programs and services are at no cost to individuals or for the 60-plus nonprofits who refer their service population to us.”

Despite their challenges during the pandemic, Whitaker said that WHW has emerged as a much better organization. She explained they had to “walk our talk” by upskilling themselves and taking a hard look in the mirror about what they offer, assessing their true value and performance outcomes.

“With an online delivery format, we are able to reach and serve more people who no longer come to our offices,” she said. “We are lightly providing professional apparel through referral partners by appointment-only.” Providing gently used professional clothing is part of WHW’s services.

She said come December 1, supporter Orange County Business Journal Editor-in-Chief Peter Brennan will join WHW for a virtual business writing workshop. WHW is also developing specialized trainings with Bank of America, a customer service training with Union Bank, and a mentor program with Edwards Life Sciences.

“All of these efforts require a lot of behind-the-scenes coordination from our staff of five, yet they are priceless investments that are moving lives forward,” Whitaker said.

WHW also helps job seekers to develop their tool belts through curated resume writing, LinkedIn profiles, helping also

with job interview skills and networking know-how.

“These basics are enhanced with deep dive instruction in business writing [and] communication skills [for the fields of] project management, information technology, web design, social media, cyber security, healthcare management and other in-demand employer requisites,” she explained.

Participants also receive one-on-one job search navigation assistance, resource sharing, job retention tools, transportation aid and professional attire. Coming soon, a corporate partner-led job coaching program will further propel those in need of added support forward, she said.

WHW accomplishes much through their professional partners who serve as virtual volunteers which transfer employer-in-demand hard and soft skills to their clients. Some of their professional partners include PIMCO, Southern California Edison, Citizens Business Bank, Salesforce, JP Morgan Chase, Capital Group, and CISOSHARE.

Going forward, besides keeping a continuity of services, WHW is hoping to recoup funding shortfalls by reopening their social enterprise resale boutique with limited capacity and stringent safety protocols in place.

Whitaker said the overwhelming community-wide support of clothing and accessory donations received on Fridays only has WHW bursting at the seams.

“We are happy to ensure that cared for wares enjoy a new life adventure in the possession of others,” said Whitaker. “This is an important part of our sustainability values as [it is] retail with a purpose executed.”

For more information on Women Helping Women, please visit online at www.whw.org. or call 949-631-2333.

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Hawaiian Gardens Food Distribution at New Hope



OVER 250 families drove through New Hope Community Church in Hawaiian Gardens to receive food boxes.

STAFF REPORT

While health officials have urged Americans not to travel for Thanksgiving, some do not even have enough money to buy a holiday dinner for their immediate loved ones.

The L.A. Mission has teamed with local organizations to ensure the community is still fed.

One event was with the New Hope Community Church in Hawaiian Gardens where 250 families picked up Thanksgiving dinner at the church.

The smallest city in Los Angeles County is among those that have felt the biggest impact due to the pandemic.

70% of the Hawaiian Gardens general fund comes directly from the Gardens Casino that's been shut down for most of 2020.

The closure left nearly 2,000 employees out of work. Eight months later, New Hope's outreach coordinator, Dandy DePaula, said many are barely making it.

On the Friday before Thanksgiving, he gathered about 30 volunteers in a partnership with the Los Angeles Mission to ensure families in need do not go hungry on Thanksgiving.

Veronica Velazquez is grateful. For her, it is the only way to provide a holiday dinner for her family.

"It helps out a lot, not just one family member, but low income families. It helps them out a lot," said Velazquez. "Especially during the pandemic."

The L.A. Mission distributed 500 food boxes to families in Watts and in Hawaiian Gardens.

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Cypress Breaks Ground on \$13.2 Million Park

STAFF REPORT

The City of Cypress finally broke ground this week on a new, state-of-the-art \$13.2 million park following a two-year development process.

The construction contract was awarded on October 26th 2020 to Horizons Construction Company with work beginning as early as this November. Construction is expected to take approximately one year with the goal to have the park open for public use by Fall 2021.

Mayor Rob Johnson told attendees, "The City of Cypress is excited to be breaking ground of its newest park located on the corner of Lexington Drive

and Cerritos Avenue."

"The new park will be a versatile facility that has something for everyone in the community," he continued.

He said it would not have been possible without a generous nine-acre land donation from the Los Alamitos Race Course.

Johnson thanked Los Alamitos Race Track executive Frank Sherren, who attending the ceremony, for the donation. "It was a very generous donation," he said, with land in Cypress (pre-COVID going for more than \$1 million per acre.

In May of 2018, the city accepted a donation of nine acres for the purposes of constructing a park.



THE CYPRESS CITY COUNCIL pauses for a group photo at the groundbreaking. The park will be located on the corner of Lexington Drive and Cerritos Avenue.



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- 23 – Trash Enclosure
- 24 – Sports Field Lighting
- 25 – Utilities Enclosure
- 26 – 6' Chain Link Perimeter Fence
- 27 – Fire Department Hammerhead

Holiday Donation Programs Offered in Cerritos

STAFF REPORT

This holiday season, residents are invited to donate to local community programs, including Toys for Tots and the Salvation Army Angel Giving Tree Program.

The annual Toys for Tots program sponsored by the United States Marine Corps in cooperation with the City of Cerritos provides gifts to local underprivileged children.

New, unwrapped toys are requested and can be dropped off now through Friday, December 11 in one of the Toys for Tots bins at Cerritos City Hall, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park and Cerritos Sheriff's Station.

This year, due to COVID-19, Toys for Tots has set up a contactless online shopping option for donors at toysfortotsbox.com.

The Salvation Army Angel Giving Tree Program helps brighten Christmas for children of needy families.

To participate, pick up one or more tags at the Cerritos Senior Center now through Friday, December 11. Each tag (for infants through 12-year-olds) will list the child's age, gender, clothing size and toy request.

Bring your donation, along with the original tag, back to the Cerritos Senior Center on or before Wednesday, December 16.

The Salvation Army also has set up a contactless online shopping option for donors this year.

Visit walmart.com/registry/registryforgood and select the Angel Tree Bellflower cause for an online Christmas registry.

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COMMENTARY

Remembering the Good and Bad of What Was Once "The Murph" and "The Q"

BY LOREN KOPFF
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Editor's note: This is the first of a two-part series remembering the days of the San Diego's multipurpose stadium, which is being torn down.

It should have been torn down years ago, but I guess better late than never. The bulldozers have already made their way to 9449 Friars Road in the Mission Valley area of San Diego, beginning the demolition stages of the city's stadium that once hosted multiple professional sports franchises.

Almost half of the parking lot has already been dug up and the smaller concrete ramps outside the stadium have been taken down. In fact, excavators have begun tearing out the stadium seats while some will go on sale beginning next month. In the first few months of 2021, the stadium will be torn down little by little. There won't be a big implosion, which sealed the fate of previous "cookie-cutter" stadiums in the 1990s and early 2000s. Instead, this will be a slow death of a stadium that I once knew every inch of and probably walked thousands of steps both inside and outside over the course of the past 40 years.

Just in time for the opening of the San Diego State University football season in 2022, Aztec Stadium will be up and running, replacing what was once San Diego Stadium, then Jack Murphy

Stadium, Qualcomm Stadium and finally San Diego County Credit Union Stadium. Believe it or not, it was even called Snapdragon Stadium for a week in a half in 2011. The aging stadium, which was built in November, 1965 and opened for the San Diego Chargers for the 1967 season, has been falling apart over the past decade or so to the point where it would have been more expensive to renovate the facility than it would to build a new stadium on the same site at the intersection of Interstates 8 and 15. Krylon couldn't even help the eliminate the rust that has accumulated on the once shiny handrails throughout SDCCU Stadium and the strongest power washes won't put a dent into the grime that has piled up on the numerous walkways inside and outside the facility.

Aztec Stadium will be part of the 166-acre expansion parcel on the northwest corner of what will be called the new SDSU Mission Valley campus. Not only will it seat roughly 35,000 to start, and can be the home of a future National Football League team should that ever happen, but the surrounding area around the new digs will also be home to housing, offices, retail space and hotels. The \$3.5 billion project will also include 80 acres of park and open space and feature a 34-acre river park.

I moved to America's Finest City 12 years after San Diego Stadium was built and it didn't take long before my family and I began to make frequent visits to it.



A JUNE 2, 1982 PHOTO taken shortly before the start of the San Diego Sockers North American Soccer League game against the Toronto Blizzard. At the time, it was known as Jack Murphy Stadium, in honor of San Diego's longtime sportswriter who was instrumental in building support in the late 1960s for the building of the stadium. The Sockers would call San Diego home from 1978-1984. Notice to the right of the scoreboard is an advertisement for the defunct Pacific Southwest Airlines, which was headquartered in San Diego. Photo by Loren Kopff.

In fact, it was one of the first structures I remembered seeing when I moved to San Diego in the wee hours of the morning of Friday, November 24, 1978, driving west on Interstate 8 before turning on Interstate 15.

Even though I have always been

an avid baseball fan, going back to my pre-San Diego days, it's hard to believe that my early years of canvassing "The Murph" were spent watching the San Diego Sockers of the defunct North American Soccer League. In fact, my family and I had season tickets to the Sockers from 1979-1982.

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For those who remember the NASL and are doing the math at home, that's over 60 home games over four years, plus the 1982 Soccer Bowl between the New York Cosmos and the Seattle Sounders, won by the Cosmos on the strength of a Giorgio Chinaglia goal in the 30th minute, the lone tally of the match. As the league became less popular, we would see more San Diego Sockers' games sprinkled throughout the next few years until the league ceased operations in 1984. The Sockers averaged less than 6,000 fans for their 12 home games in 1984 and during the four years my family and I had season tickets, the Sockers never averaged 15,000 spectators in any season.

Yes, my brother and I must have walked every inch of the stadium in 1979 and the early 1980s, from the bowels where the Servomation Refreshments offices were located, to the circular ramps where we would race each other to see who could get to the plaza level first. Our seats were located on the Plaza Level, the second of five levels, facing north and at the time, the stadium was still open on the east side, where the scoreboard was located. For those lucky enough to sit in the upper level, you could see the cars moving along Interstate 15. Throughout the existence of the Sockers in the NASL,

the field would be configured both north to south, and east to west.

Our trips to the soccer games were pretty much routine and included stops at the Mira Mesa Arby's or Pioneer Chicken to pick up dinner to consume at the games. Of course, we always brought bags of peanuts and other snacks, but nothing could replace the taste of the delicious nachos that were put in small paper bowls, long before the days of the current plastic, rectangular dishes that has a small corner set aside for the cheese.

My brother and I would always buy the latest KICK Magazine upon entry through the gates, catching up on the latest news of the NASL and doing a mini scouting report of the opponent. Then we would head down to the field level to get autographs of the star players and fan favorites, like forwards Hugo Sanchez and Jean Willrich, midfielders Leonardo Cuellar, Kaz Deyna, Ty Keough and Julie Vee, defender Martin Donnelly and goalkeepers Volkmar Gross and Alan Mayer. We would even be entertained by Robin, one of the many vendors walking up and down the steps of the Plaza Level, selling hot dogs and singing.

But it wasn't all about the food at the soccer games. It was about being part of a professional sports team in San Diego, an organization that could join the Aztecs, Chargers and Padres as being called tenants of the stadium.

Being season-ticket holders of the



JUST OFF FRIARS ROAD in the Mission Valley area of San Diego sits the current San Diego County Credit Union Stadium, which is being torn down. The stadium has been a fixture of San Diego's history since 1967 and was home to several professional sports teams as well as collegiate events. Portions of the parking lot have already been dug up. **PHOTO BY DONNA SMITH.**

Sockers had its privileges as we were part of the team's booster club and would frequently go to what was once called Flannigan's Bar, at the corner of Rancho Mission Road and San Diego Mission Road, a mile or so east of the stadium, for post-game gatherings. Occasionally, we would make the short trip up Interstate 5 to see home games of the Los Angeles Aztecs and California Surf.

I guess playing youth soccer at a

young age made me a San Diego Sockers fan in the early 80s. But I also enjoyed going to the stadium as many times as I could, any day of the week. The irony to this is that in the final months and days of the existence of the stadium, there has been little to no mention of the Sockers playing there from 1978-1984. But I will have many memories of going to their games and watching professional soccer.

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Lakewood Regional Employees Honored



LAKWOOD REGIONAL'S Chief Operating Officer Michael Paul Amos (left) congratulates front line health workers who received medals from Art Students from Long Beach City College and Cal State Long Beach for their efforts during the pandemic.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Front line health workers at Lakewood Regional Medical Center [LRMC] received the gift of inspiration in the form of 150 handcrafted medals on Friday, November 20, 2020. Art Students from Long Beach City College, Cal State Long Beach and the Los Angeles Region created handcrafted pieces of wearable art for health care workers.

Professor Kristin Beeler, Visual and

Media Arts Department Coordinator at Long Beach City College coordinated students from LBCC, Cal State Long Beach and regional artists on this project.

The project was conceived by friends and artists Iris Eichenberg and Jimena Rios. The aim is straight forward: for artists, jewelers, students and professionals to craft medals that will honor the service and sacrifice of health workers. Infused with the gratitude, these medals have been made and collected since April 2020.

The design is drawn from a historical Argentinean ex-voto. Authorship is secondary; the medals are not about the maker but the receiver. To underscore the unity of this collaborative worldwide effort, participants copy a template of the hand, meant to be simple enough for all skill levels and easily replicated into whatever metal is available. Beeler stated, "This singular hand design creates a collective voice, reinforcing the shared gratitude that is the project's mission."

The current battle with CoVID is fought with an enemy invisible to the naked eye. By contrast, metal, especially jewelry is know by it weight and shape against the body. When formed into a design it provides a physical testimony for both the unseen virus and the invisible bravery of those who have fought it. They are symbols not only of how our bodies have become weapons to be sanitized and gloved, but also of their innate power to heal and to connect. Beeler added, "For around the 3,000 jewelers that joined the project, they are the language of skill and expression embodied, they have produced around 70,000 of these medals."

Lakewood Regional is honored to be one of the worldwide facilities chosen for these gifts. Beeler's team of artists' are part of an international effort, the Hand Medal Project where more than 60 countries have had similar gifts created for healthcare workers. Each one is handmade, so no two are alike, and these small (about 2") copper, brass or silver hands hang from a ribbon to be pinned on the worker like a medal of honor.

ROBBERIES

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subject from the robberies.

Today, November 24, 2020, Major Crimes Bureau Metro Division with the assistance of the Whittier County SAO Team arrested the subject for the robberies. The juvenile's name,, a 17 year-old, will not be released.

A search warrant was served at the subject's residence in the unincorporated area of East Whittier. During the search warrant, several items were recovered that were used in the robbery including clothing and a gun.

Due to this being an ongoing investigation, no additional information is available at this time.

The City's Special Assignment Officers (SAO) is a team of deputies that proactively enforce crimes involving gang, juvenile, and narcotics activities.

Anyone with information about these incidents are encouraged to contact the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Norwalk Station at (562) 863-8711.

November 26, 2020 Report Public Health Reports 37 New Deaths and 5,087 New Confirmed Cases of COVID- 19 in Los Angeles County

1,809 people currently hospitalized with COVID-19, 24% are in the ICU.

More than 3,654,454 individuals tested; 10% of all people tested positive.

Public Health reminds residents to avoid crowds over the holiday weekend and encourages everyone to shop online or during off-hours as much as possible. If residents do plan to go out, they should stay 6-feet apart from others and wear a face covering over their nose and mouth at all times. Retail stores are operating at limited occupancy rates and inspectors will be out over the weekend to ensure compliance with safety measures.

"Our hearts go out to those across the county who are experiencing profound grief because they have lost a loved one or friend to COVID-19," said Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MEd, Director of Public Health. "This Thanksgiving, we extend our deep gratitude to the frontline healthcare workers, first responders, and essential workers who have supported our community with critical services. Your dedication and grace have carried us throughout the pandemic. To our LA County family, I wish you peace as you celebrate Thanksgiving."

A wide range of data and dashboards on COVID-19 from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health are available on the Public Health website at www.publichealth.lacounty.gov.

WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: First, read the list of words, then look at the puzzle. The words are found in all directions - vertically, horizontally, diagonally, backward. Circle each letter of a word found and strike it off the list. The letters are often used more than once so do not cross them out. It is best to find the big words first. When you find all the words listed in the clues you'll have a number of letters left over that spell out the WONDERWORD. To see the answer use the link below the puzzle.

American Thanksgiving

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American, Apples, Bless, Boat, Cook, Cranberries, Crop, Dark, Dinner, Dips, Fall, Family, Farm, Feast, Football, Full, Gather, Gravy, Holiday, Light, Mayflower, Meal, November, Oven, Parade, Pies, Plenty, Potatoes, Prayers, Pudding, Pumpkin, Pure, Recipe, Rhubarb, Roast, Salad, Sauce, Settlers, Share, Ship, Show, Sing, Stew, Talk, Tradition, Treaty, Turkey, Yams.

Solution: 8 letters

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Los Angeles County Health Officer order. With community leaders, Chamber of Commerce members and the local Sheriff's Department present, more than 30 businesses were represented by owners or by their patrons addressing the hardships and in some case closures of small businesses if this order takes effect.

President of the Chamber of Commerce Richard Trujillo and Mayor John Lewis took the initiative to visit some of the local restaurants on Monday, November 23rd. "We want to thank you, the City Council for standing up with our businesses and local restaurants. When the Mayor introduced himself, many of the owners were hesitant to speak with us until we told them that we were on the side of small business owners and that the Council opposed the new health restrictions." It is tragic what is happening to the small business owner. Trujillo, who owns the local Farmers Insurance Company, has lost three clients because of closures.

Owners of Draft Picks Sports Grill were one of the local businesses to speak up. The pandemic has had a major affect on the bar. They used to employ 34 people, they have reduced that to five, they have lost inventory, and clients, yet still have to pay rent, utilities, inventory and a myriad of expenses just to keep a business license. Recently the bar has installed heaters and outdoor dining enclosures in order to comply with state regulations, spending thousands of dollars only to be closed down again. Bars cannot operate as a take-out business.

Noel Jaime, Executive Director of the Chamber, recently spoke with Gary Lindblad, Dean of the Crowell School of Business at Biola, divulged that Biola University has lost \$15 million in revenue due to the pandemic and with over 5,000 students that regularly spend money in the city and the ripple effect has been devastating.

Local resident Lieutenant Colonel Tim Escobar approached the dais stating he was present to encourage on principle "At no time in our nation's history have we ever deprived an American the opportunity to work." He spoke of three pandemics in the past one hundred years that were much worse "At no time did our government have the audacity to believe they could shut down a person's ability to make a living." He continued to say that simply by living our lives we take a risk and as yet no one has found a cure for death, "Life is not secure, but in America we live it safely. If our founding fathers were alive today they would be up in arms about the government shutting down businesses. We take precautions, we protect those at risk, but the rest of should

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*Cerritos College
Trustee Zurich Lewis*

be able to live life freely. I stand here and am resolutely opposed to any government entity shutting down anyone's ability to make a living."

Cerritos College Trustee Zurich Lewis took the podium saying "I believe in facts and I believe in science. Let's look at what the science says. From L.A. County's own public health data they have identified 204 outbreak locations, restaurants account for three percent and almost all of them are chain restaurants including McDonalds, Burger King, Jack in the Box and Dominos Pizza. Out of the 204 outbreak locations with 2,249 confirmed cases, eight cases were from non staff members, 15 percent were from grocery stores, 11 percent from food distribution areas, 10 percent from manufacturing, seven percent from automotive industries and an additional government offices. My advice to Dr. Barbara Ferrer and her board of supervisors is to close your own offices before you close our cities."

Each council member made strong statements in support of small business owners and even asked legal counsel of the ramification of opposing the new regulations to which they were given the answer "You might be in violation of the spirit of the order, and may result in some sort of sanction." However it was stated off record that Sheriff's departments are too inundated with other real crime to take any arrests or citations seriously.

Councilmember Steve DeRuse stated that "This is the most ridiculous pandemic on the face of this planet. I have been through three pandemics and have even survived CoVID. But what is happening here is a knee jerk reaction to shut us down without any plan or thought of the ripple effect to our residents, cities and our country."

Resolution 20-35 opposing the L.A. County is a resolution to close outdoor dining was unanimously agreed to by La Mirada City Council. A letter stating that they oppose the closure and that restaurants will be able to remain open and that the city will not enforce any restaurant closures due to financial harm to employees, residents and to the City.

Since the La Mirada special meeting, LCCN-CN has discovered that a dozen cities and their council have had similar emergency meetings and have come to similar conclusions.

Bravo told HMG-CN, "Even though this is heart breaking, it gives all of us workers a real sense of purpose, the world is changing and this is really beautiful what we can do to help others." Bravo confirmed that Barbara Streisand donated to the Food Bank as did Adam Sandler and the Kardashians.

The Food Bank has added over one hundred agency partners since the pandemic started. In a typical month before CoVID, the Food Bank Provided food to 300,000 adults, seniors and children through their partner agency network and Food Bank Direct distribution programs. That number is now estimated to be over 900,000 people served over the course of a month.

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direct drive-through and mobile food pantry distributions. The Food Bank is filling the gap between food supply and demand by purchasing truckloads of food items at wholesale prices utilizing \$10 million of funds committed by Los Angeles County.

"Today is a partnership between LA County Parks & Rec and the LA Regional Food Bank to address food security issues and strategies," stated Mika Yamamoto, Regional Operations Manager, "We are doing three a week and have done around 50 of these since April."

A truck driver for the Food Bank Carlos

**La Palma Home
Decorating Contest**

STAFF REPORT

To spread holiday cheer, the Community Activities & Beautification Committee invites La Palma residents to participate in the 2020 Holiday Home Decorating Contest! Entry is free and each category winner will receive a special prize!

Contest Rules & Guidelines

Categories: Most Original • Best Use of Lights • Best Use of Animation • Best Overall

Registration Deadline: Monday, November 30th

Note: All entries will be listed by category and address on this webpage.

#VoteLaPalma! La Palma residents are encouraged to visit the contestant's homes and vote for their favorites in each category.

Voting Period: December 4th-13th from 6-10 p.m.

Note: Voting forms will be made available on this webpage on December 3rd.

Winners: Each category winner will receive a Commemorative Yard Sign and will be notified the week of December 14th.

Ways to Enter Contest

In Person: Deliver a completed Entry Form to the Community Center (7821 Walker Street)

Email: Email a completed Entry Form to recreation@cityoflapalma.org

Online: Submit an Online Entry Form

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
NOVEMBER 30, 2020**

**Lakewood's Virtual
Tree Lighting &
Fireworks Show**

Dec. 4

STAFF REPORT

Lakewood residents are invited to a two-part, fun-filled, COVID-safe evening to kick off the holiday season on Friday, Dec. 4 starting at 6:30 p.m.

FIRST - Lakewood's 24-foot-tall tree will be lit on Friday, Dec. 4 during a live broadcast of the annual tree lighting ceremony.

You can join in at 6:30 p.m. by tuning in to City TV channel 31 (Spectrum and Frontier), channel 99 (AT&T) or www.lakewoodcity.org/CityTV.

SECOND - At 7:30 p.m. (or about 30 minutes after the virtual tree lighting event ends), step outside your house to see a breathtaking fireworks show light up the sky over Lakewood!

The City of Lakewood is sponsoring this special "Holiday Aerial Fireworks Show" with funding that was not used for the July 3 fireworks show that was planned and paid for, and then had to be postponed.

Three coordinated aerial fireworks shows are set to be displayed in different parts of the city at the same time so that as many Lakewood residents as possible can watch from their front yard or nearby.



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FORWARD

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years now.

“We’ve experienced a dramatic increase in need as a result of COVID-19,” she said. “We’ve received more than 900 requests for emergency housing and employment assistance due to either job loss or decrease in wages since March alone.”

“We know that is just the tip of the iceberg,” said Stokes.

A somewhat hidden fact is how one of the fastest growing segments of the homeless population in Orange County are working families with children who struggle to make ends meet, according to Stokes.

“The high cost of basic living, including rent, transportation and childcare, coupled with the significant lack of affordable housing, puts many families at risk,” she explained. “More than 28,000 school-age children in the county are homeless or housing-insecure. These are the families we see every day.”

Ever since social distance measures were first implemented in March, Families Forward has provided food and diaper assistance to 11,935 families alone, serving more than 53,711 individuals. In February they served 241 families. Before the pandemic, Families Forward primarily served families living in the south Orange County area.

“Since March, we began serving all of Orange County through our drive-thru food assistance program, especially when several local food pantries were unable to stay open,” said Stokes.

“We work with families from all over the county for housing, depending on need, though the majority of housing clients are from south county.”

The nonprofit helps families find realistic solutions for sustainable housing and builds individualized plans to return them to self-sufficiency. They believe by stabilizing and giving them the tools to build a better future, they create stronger communities for everyone.

“A key factor for success is Families Forward’s commitment to collaborate with many organizations to end family homelessness in Orange County, including Orange County United Way, the Commission to End Homelessness, First 5 Orange County and many other partner agencies and foundations,” said Stokes. “Only together will we be able to end homelessness in Orange County.”

They do this by reaching out to low income families to help alleviate the pressures that can cause homelessness in the

first place, by helping them to maintain their stability. Through various safety-net services, those at-risk are given access to assistance such as the on-site food pantry, counseling, career coaching, financial and life skills education.

“The goal of the program is to help families recover from a financial crisis so they can maintain their self-sufficiency,” she explained. They accomplish this through the support of local community members including generous donors who enable Families Forward to provide direct housing and hunger relief.

Founded in 1984, Families Forward started with the belief that every child should have a safe place to sleep. Beginning with five rented apartments in Irvine, the nonprofit now owns or is in partnership with 56 affordable housing units, with that number expected to double by 2022, according to Stokes.

“Our primary programs and services include a Housing Program offering housing assistance and comprehensive support services to homeless families, and a Homeless Prevention Program that offers safety-net services to families on the verge of becoming homeless,” said Stokes. Their supportive services include mental health counseling, career coaching, life-skills education, and the on-site food pantry.

“These programs provide individualized support services, helping families rebuild their lives and return to financial self-sufficiency,” she said. “To do that, we utilize teams of staff specialists to coordinate and provide housing assistance and supportive services.”

Stokes explained how case managers provide resources and guidance for families, while their housing resource specialists rely on trusted relationships with landlords, community developers and property managers in the community, which enables them to act as advocates for families. Their mental health counselors provide support for both children and their parents during times of crisis, and their career coaches are vital to families who have seen their income reduced or lost altogether. Additionally, the Prevention Program provides resources to families who are at-risk for homelessness.

“Families Forward has implemented a ‘team’ approach to case management, dedicating multiple staff specialists to each family to increase engagement and client support during a time when health and safety concerns make personal connection challenging,” said Stokes. “With the challenges that have come with the pandemic, there have also been innovative ways to improve our program delivery – and these program modifications will con-

tinue after the long recovery process has been achieved.”

Back in January, the nonprofit converted to providing services through virtual access to everything families need and has operated remotely since March 16 without interruption. They conduct meetings over the phone or through video conferencing, have digitized their forms, and implemented the use of electronic signatures. Their food assistance program is drive-thru, and they use social distancing plus sanitation precautions, according to Stokes.

Their food pantry was normally staffed by a team of 70 weekly volunteers and was open three days a week. It is now a drive-thru food assistance program that operates with a skeleton crew of staff and volunteers Monday through Thursday.

“While we are still facing uncertainty and do not know the full extent of the impact of the pandemic, Families Forward is committed to meeting the needs of our community and ending family homelessness in Orange County,” said Stokes.

Families Forward welcomes volunteers, and donations are especially needed at this time. If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out a volunteer interest form online. You will also find ways to donate on their website, plus general information about the nonprofit online at www.families-forward.org or by calling at 949-552-2727.

CERRITOS COLLEGE

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feed students and families. On average, the campus served 500 households per month before the pandemic and has doubled their distribution events. Since 2017 the College has partnered with the L.A. Regional Food Bank to distribute free food and resources to students and the community.

Food and basic needs insecurity is a persistent problem for Cerritos College students. According to the 2019 #RealCollege Survey Report conducted by The Hope Center, 46 percent of Cerritos College students who responded to the survey experienced food insecurity within 30 days prior to taking the survey.

To meet growing needs, the College expanded its basic needs support services through the Falcon’s Nest to provide centralized support services for students facing basic need insecurities. With the help of Falcons Nest, students can access on and off campus resources including monthly food drives.

Taking care of the community means to take care of the whole person, meeting the basic needs of the most vulnerable students and community members when they need it the most. Food, during times of distress, is often the best way to show

care. Through the Falcon’s Nest, Cerritos College is feeding the community and providing centralized support services.

The College has also increased its student support offerings to include housing for students facing home insecurity through The Village. Students can also access technology assistance, emergency aid funds and more resources to assist students with unexpected financial challenges so they can stay on track to complete their educational goals.

The Village at Cerritos College is California’s first community college housing project exclusively for homeless students. In partnership with Jovenes, Inc., a Los Angeles nonprofit whose mission is to assist homeless and displaced young adults, the College’s new development provides safe and secure housing to students who face housing uncertainty.

“Our ability to serve 20,000 families in our community is a special honor. We are committed to helping our students and the community during these difficult times,” said Dr. Jose Fierro, President and Superintendent, “Addressing basic needs insecurities is part of our mission to support our students and offer resources to ensure they are successful in their studies.”

Get in Touch With Santa This Holiday Season

STAFF REPORT

Little ones can email or chat with Santa this holiday season.

To receive a phone call from the North Pole, register by Sunday, December 13 through the Classes/RACER link on the City’s website at cerritos.us. Four to six year olds (registration number 7123) must be available to chat with Santa on Monday, December 14 between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.


Seven to nine year olds (registration number 7124) must be available to receive calls from the North Pole on Friday, December 18 between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. For more information, call Heritage Park at (562) 916-8570.

Children ages 11 and younger may also email Santa Monday, November 30 through Friday, December 18.

A link to email Santa will be posted on cerritos.us.

For more information about contacting Santa, call the City’s Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254.

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Nabils and Elizabeth Nabils recorded on 12/12/2019 in Book n/a of Official Records of LOS ANGELES County, at page n/a, Recorder’s Instrument No. 20191387334, by reason of a breach or default in payment or performance of the obligations secured thereby, including that breach or default, Notice of which was recorded 8/19/2020 as Recorder’s Instrument No. 20200967735, in Book n/a, at page n/a, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, lawful money of the United States, evidenced by a Cashier’s Check drawn on a state or national bank, or the equivalent thereof drawn on any other financial institution specified in section 5102 of the California Financial Code, authorized to do business in the State of California, ALL PAYABLE AT THE TIME OF SALE, all right, title and interest held by it as Trustee, in that real property situated in said County and State, described as follows: Lot 21, Tract 25251, per Map, Book 853, Pages 73 and 74 of Maps. 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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
TREASURER AND
TAX COLLECTOR**

It’s **Annual Property Tax Time** in Los Angeles County and the Treasurer and Tax Collector reminds property owners that our offices remain closed due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Many self-service options are available online at <https://ttc.lacounty.gov/>, including:

- Pay online (no cost for eChecks)
- Locate property tax amounts due
- Review your payment history
- Learn how to avoid penalties
- Manage multiple properties

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICIA PARA UNA AUDIENCIA PUBLICA**

CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS CITY COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Hawaiian Gardens will conduct public hearing pertaining to the item(s) listed below:

HEARING BODY:	Hawaiian Gardens City Council
DATE OF HEARING:	December 8, 2020
TIME OF HEARING:	6:00 P.M., or soon thereafter.
LOCATION OF HEARING:	City Council Chambers 21815 Pioneer Boulevard Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716 No Members of the Public will be permitted to attend

PUBLIC HEARING: Cases PLNG2020-0051-DRB (Design Review Board). The City of Hawaiian Gardens City Council will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of appealing and reconsidering the Planning Commission decision of the above described entitlement. A Design Review Board application to consider the architectural design, building materials and colors of a proposed three-story 5-unit apartment complex for property located at 12329 214th Street, in the City of Hawaiian Gardens.

The proposed project is Categorically Exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) per Section 15303 (Class 3, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures) of the CEQA guidelines. Categorical Exemptions are projects, which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and have been exempted from the requirements of the CEQA statutes. Class 3 includes construction of new structure including this request. It is determined that the proposed residential dwelling will not have a significant effect on the environment; thereby qualifying for the Class 3 exemption.

INVITATION TO BE HEARD

****DUE TO THE EVOLVING SITUATION WITH THE COVID-19 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS AND HEALTH ORDERS FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND L.A. COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, THE CITY OF HAWAIIAN GARDENS CITY COUNCIL MEETING SHALL ONLY BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC REMOTELY****

The general public cannot attend the meeting in the Council Chambers due to various State and County orders and restrictions, including but not limited to social distancing requirements. The meeting can be viewed via various platforms as follows:

- City of Hawaiian Gardens local cable/channel:
 - ATT - 99
 - FRONTIER - 16
 - SPECTRUM - 36

Live Stream via City website at: www.hgcity.org

FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THIS PUBLIC HEARING ITEM, IT IS ADVISED TO SUBMIT USING ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:

• **Via E-Comment** on the City of Hawaiian Gardens website. A person wishing to speak telephonically **MUST** provide a phone number and will receive a call back during the public comment section of the meeting. E-comments may be submitted through our website **PUBLIC COMMENT**, which will become part of the official record. E-comments will be distributed to the Mayor and City Council members prior to commencement of the meeting. E-comments **will not be read by the Clerk's office.** All E-comments and Phone Voice Messages must be submitted by no later than **Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 4:00 PM.**

• **Written Correspondence** may also be delivered to the City Hall Drop Box or received via mail, they will become part of the official record and they will be distributed to the Mayor and City Council members prior to the commencement of the meeting. All written correspondence **MUST** be received by no later than **Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 4:00 PM.** If submitting a comment pertaining to an agenda item, please reference the agenda item. Written comments **will not be read by the Clerk's office.**

• **Via Phone Voice Message for Call-Back:** A person may also leave a voice message and provide name and phone number to receive a **call back during the public comment section.** If the comment pertains to an agenda item, you must reference the agenda item in your voice message. Contact: 562.420-2641, Ext. 251. **Each caller will be given 3 minutes to speak.**

• Please reference the hearing title and date of hearing in any written correspondence.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Hawaiian Gardens Community Development Department at (562) 420-2641. Si desea obtener mas informacion, llame al Departamento de Desarrollo de la Comunidad al (562) 420-2641.

Joseph Colombo
Community Development Director

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Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice US Storage Centers - Commerce – Olympic located at 5415 E. Olympic Blvd. Commerce CA 90022 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagecenters.com on 12/17/2020 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Ernesto Carrillo; Mindy Lynn Horn; Georgina Torres; Sandra Espinoza Valencia; Alon Hatvil; Sunshine Aranza Arellano Mendez; Issac Daniel Garcia; Rene Flores (2 units); Angelica M Barajas; Maria Isabel Portillo; Margarita Martinez; Juan Manuel Morales; Derrick Myles Maestas; Stacey Marie Padilla; Ryan Joseph Luera; Christopher Gonzalez; Jessica Stephanie Santiago; Roberto Hernandez Salas; Omar Francisco Rodriguez; Adriana Corona. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice US Storage Centers – Cerritos located at 16015 Piuma Ave. Cerritos, CA 90703 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.usstoragecenters.com/auctions on 12/17/2020 at 10:00AM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Winifred Elease Williams; David Emanuel Burnham; Kyron K Williams; Toby Arthur Jr. Reyes; Curtis Jr Williams. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
GRACE ROCHA AKA GRACIELA ROCHA
CASE NO. 20STPB09557**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of GRACE ROCHA AKA GRACIELA ROCHA. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by STEVEN ROCHA in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that STEVEN ROCHA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 12/16/20 at 8:30AM in Dept. 44 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

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

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

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

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**NOTICE OF SALE OF ABANDONED
PERSONAL PROPERTY**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under and pursuant to Section 1993.07 of the California Civil Code, the property listed below believed to be abandoned by: Printing Management Associates, a California Corporation; Michael P. Lane, an individual; and Jeffrey F. Brady. Who last known business address was: 17128 Edwards Road, Cerritos, CA 90701. Will be sold at public auction on: Date: December 10, 2020 Time: 10:00 a.m. Place: 17128 Edwards Road, Cerritos, CA 90701. Preview: 8:30 a.m. until time of sale. Description of Property: Exhibit "A": IN-VENTORY; Konica Minolta Copier - BizHub C458; Konica Minolta Accuriopress Printer - C3070 and Konica Minolta Fiery Rip, PRO80. Terms of sale are: cash in lawful money of the United States, money order or cashier's check, with sale going to the highest bidder in competitive bidding, the property must be paid for and removed by the purchaser at the time of sale. Cost of advertising and sale will be paid for from the proceeds of sale. Dated: November 6, 2020. Richard L. Seide, Esq., 901 Dove Street, Suite 120, Newport Beach, CA 92660-3018 Tele: (949) 474-8000
CN973439 CRCL-011 Nov 20,27, 2020

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT**

File Number 2020165669
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: HONEE CHILD LA, 6618 BEQUETTE AVE., PICO RIVERA CA. 90660 Registered Owner: HOLLIDAY, LLC 6618 BEQUETTE AVE., PICO RIVERA CA. 90660. THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS A CORPORATION. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ ERIKA NICOLE HOLLIDAY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on OCTOBER 19, 2020. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. 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 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 11/27/20.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

RANDY PETERS BOLIVAR filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows: RANDY BOLIVAR VARONA. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant a petition without a hearing. Court date 1/4/20, Dept C, 10:30 A.M. Room 312. Published at LCCN 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 11/27/20.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

JIANGDZHAO filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows: JAMES D. ZHAO. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant a petition without a hearing. Court date 1/4/20, Dept C, 10:30 A.M. Room 312. Published at LCCN 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 11/27/20.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

SHENGYI LIU filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows: JESSEN GALLAGHER LIU. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant a petition without a hearing. Court date 1/4/20, Dept C, 10:30 A.M. Room 312. Published at LCCN 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 11/27/20.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

GARY CLIFTON TANNER
CASE NO. 20STPB09369

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of GARY CLIFTON TANNER.

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

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 12/11/20 at 8:30AM in Dept. 11 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

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

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

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

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