



MID-YEAR REVIEW SHOWS LA MIRADA IN GOOD FISCAL SHAPE

La Mirada News Services

La Mirada's annual mid-year budget report reviewed during Tuesday's City Council Study Session meeting showed stabilizing revenues and operating costs coming in below budget.

The report examined current City revenues and expenditures, and projected estimates for the end of the current fiscal year.

"Revenues continue to show gradual recovery. The City remains committed to prudent fiscal management practices, including a conservative approach to revenue forecasting," says City Manager Jeff

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Storefront Safety Vehicle Impact Protection Ordinance Approved by Artesia City Council

By Rico Dizon

After a number of public hearings, modifications, and two months short of one year since the idea of a vehicle impact protection ordinance was first brought up, the Artesia City Council at its April 13 meeting finally approved, on a 5-0 vote, the proposed ordinance.

The ordinance will be titled the "Outdoor Dining and Seating Safety Standards for Certain Parking Areas."

Under the new ordinance, which will take effect 30 days after its passage and adoption, vehicle impact protection devices such as bollards or guard posts shall be required on front-end parking spaces that are angled between 30 to 90 degrees and immediately adjacent to outdoor seating areas.

Construction of these devices shall be between the parking space and seating area of the building.

The bollards will be made of steel not less than four inches in diameter and appropriately spaced out so that one bollard is provided for each parking space

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Red Cross Veterans History Project- Collecting Stories of War



The Battleship USS Iowa, located in San Pedro, was the setting this past Wednesday to host the official recognition of the Veterans History Project for the Los Angeles County Chapter. American Red Cross CEO Jarrett Barrios (center) addresses the veterans. Seated (l-r) Kevin Shelby, Cold War Navy Veteran, Bob Patrick Director Veterans History Project, Michael Jordan, Vice President Humanitarian Service and Mike Getscher, Executive Vice President Pacific Battleship Center. Photo by Tammye McDuff

By Tammye McDuff

The American Red Cross has an unwavering commitment to members of the U.S. Military, its Veterans and their families, providing support in numerous ways. The Red Cross has partnered with the Library of Congress on the Veterans History Project (VHP), a national program created in 2000, that preserves and makes accessible the personal accounts of American War veterans so that future generations can better understand the realities of war.

The historic Battleship USS Iowa, located in San Pedro, was the setting this past Wednesday to host the official kick off and recognition of the VHP for the Los Angeles County chapter.

Jarrett Barrios, Chief Executive Officer American Red Cross Los Angeles Region began the celebration by saying, "I'm not going to get all teary eyed like I usually do. For one hundred years the Red Cross has been working with veterans and their families, in times of war and in times of peace, and we are here today to commemorate all those men and women who have shaped our Country."

Los Angeles County has more veterans than any other county in the United States, which means there are more sto-

ries to tell. Barrios continued, "each one of these stories is a living legend of our country. These stories will help our children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren hundreds of years from now to know what our country was about through these chronicles of valor and heroism."

The Los Angeles Region was the first chapter to take up the challenge of recording these stories and embracing the VHP. To date there have been 437 stories recorded by the Long Beach chapter and over 96,000 interviews nationwide as permanent records of our nation's history.

Michael Jordan, Vice President, Humanitarian Services, Pacific Division of the American Red Cross and a veteran of Desert Storm and Iraqi Freedom said being able to participate in this Program was a humbling experience. Jordan recalled, "I was able to interact with the Red Cross while stationed overseas and was able to help military personnel connect with their families in urgent or stressful situations through the Red Cross."

In 2014 the Red Cross was able to respond to 355,000 emergency communications situations, in order for active military to contact those at home.

Director for the VHP with the Library

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HMG-CN PUBLISHER FILES COMPLAINT AFTER WRITTEN THREATS FROM COMMERCE MAYOR PRO TEM TINA BACA DEL RIO

Staff Report



Tina Baca Del Rio

Commerce Community News Publisher Brian Hews, President of Hews Media Group-Community News, fired a letter off to Commerce City Attorney Eduardo Olivo demanding an investigation

into Commerce Mayor pro tem Tina Baca Del Rio's violations of the city's Vehicle Use Policy (VUP) as documented in this newspaper on two different occasions.

Hews also sent a copy to Los Angeles District Attorney Jackie Lacey and the D.A.'s Public Integrity Division.

Hews published two articles in print and online in consecutive weeks starting April 3.

The April 3 article outlined how Baca Del Rio was taking the \$500 car allowance while using the city car, backed up by a picture of the city car in her driveway.

The April 10 article, backed up by a public records request, documented Baca Del Rio covering up her use of the city car by not signing the car out and back in.

When informed the April 3 was to be published, Baca Del Rio sent a threatening email to Hews saying (Editor's note: the email is unedited), "I have just read your email to me with false accusations of my use of the city vehicle. I am not using the city vehicle and collecting a \$500 stipend. You're statements are false, and furthermore, if you continue to write slanderous and accusatory statements about me, I will seek legal action against you. You also claim to have pictures of "the vehicle" in my driveway. Please present the pictures of proof to me with dates showing that I have used the city vehicle, and received a stipend in violation of our current car policy.

Hews sent Baca Del Rio the picture and again asked if she was receiving the

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Los Cerritos Center to Undergo Interior Makeover



Rendering of the new Cheesecake Factory due to open Winter 2015. Macerich, owners of the Los Cerritos Center, is currently updating the interior and exterior of the center.

Macerich announced the full interior makeover of Los Cerritos Center with updates to the 1.2 million-square-foot center "designed to enhance the guest experience at one of the region's top retail properties."

The Los Cerritos Center food court will be transformed into the new Dining Court, offering shoppers flexible culinary options to enjoy indoors or alfresco.

Additional restroom facilities, including family accessible restrooms, will be added to the Dining Court and to other locations in the center.

The property's extensive remodel will touch all aspects of the center's interior façade and community spaces, and will include extensive new lighting with new paint throughout.

Center entrances will be updated to match the design of the newest entrance located by California Pizza Kitchen. New flooring throughout the property will match the modern flooring in the recently

renovated Nordstrom Wing.

The Cheesecake Factory will join Harkins Theatres 16-screen megaplex and DICK's Sporting Goods, already announced as part of the major renovation.

"The Cheesecake Factory looks forward to opening at Los Cerritos Center and serving guests from the local community," said Alethea Rowe, Senior Director Public Relations for The Cheesecake Factory Incorporated. "Los Cerritos Center has an impressive tenant roster and we are excited to be joining this wonderful shopping destination."

During renovations all stores are open for business and ample, convenient parking is available with easy access to all center entrances.

Shoppers are encouraged to visit LCCRenovation.com to experience the remodel live via the Earth Cam and to receive the latest updates on the renovation process and exciting new retailers coming to Los Cerritos Center.

15TH ANNUAL CERRITOS COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST

By Tammye McDuff

On Wednesday, May 13, the Fifteenth Annual Cerritos Community Prayer Breakfast will be held

at the Cerritos Sheraton Hotel, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. This year's keynote speaker is Lieutenant Halcott R. Carter, Battalion Chaplain, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion at Camp Pendleton. In addition, the Prayer Breakfast committee will sponsor ten marines from Marine Corp Base Camp Pendleton as attendees and special guests.

All branches of the military will be recognized, active duty and veterans alike. Supervisor Don Knabe, Fourth Supervisorial District, Los Angeles County will again serve as Master of Ceremonies. The Breakfast committee encourages all the public to attend.

The cost is \$27 per person or \$270 per table of ten. In addition, any individual,

organization or business that would like to be a sponsor, there are three ways to participate and be recognized. A Bronze Contributor at \$300 donation will receive

reservations for one table of ten, signage at your table and recognition in the printed program. The Silver Contributor donating \$500, will receive reservations for one table of ten in a prominent location, recognition in the printed program, special signage at your table, and recognition from the podium. A Gold contribu-

tor donating \$1000 or more will receive reservations for two tables of ten in a prominent location, recognition in the program, a special signage at your table, and recognition from the podium.

Contributions may be mailed to: Cerritos Prayer Breakfast, c/o Julie Knabe, P. O. Box 4501, Cerritos, CA 90703. For additional information, please contact Anna Titus at 562-477-7637.



The 1st Annual LGCA Mother's Day Craft Fair & Boutique

With Mother's Day, Father's Day, and Graduations around the corner, what better way to find that special, unique gift for a loved one than with a gift that reflects the artistry of a local craftsman? Our 1st Annual Mother's Day Craft Fair & Boutique on May 9, 2015 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Lakewood Gardens Civic Association clubhouse, 4217 Ashworth St, Lakewood, CA 90712, is designed to provide a great way to offer these unique handmade pieces of art and gifts just in time for Mother's Day.

Stay a while, have a fresh hot churro while you browse, listen to music and shop. Visitors will have fun strolling through all of the vendor tables, smelling

the scents of handcrafted soaps & lotion bars, tasting the wine jelly, and seeing beautiful handmade purses, pouches, jewelry, woven trivets and more.

Contact Jenna Stewart or go to the LGCA website www.lgca.info for more details! Vendors or businesses interested in being a sponsor or donating items for door prize drawings please email presidentlgca@info.com

This event is sponsored by the Lakewood Gardens Civic Association with the proceeds going toward the restoration & beautification of the LGCA clubhouse. The big project right now is to raise funds to paint the building, create a member's lounge, and turn the large hall into a game room so that the member-resident families in our community will have a fun, safe place to get together.

For more information about this event, go to www.lgca.info. Deadline to register for vendor spaces is on April 26th.

Contact: Jenna Stewart (562) 667-7741, www.lgca.info.

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Artesia City Council Approves Golf Tournament Fundraiser for Artesia Teen Program

By Rico Dizon

The Inaugural Artesia Park and Recreation Commission Benefit Golf Tournament will take place August 21, 2015 at the La Mirada Golf Course in La Mirada.

The City Council approved the contract/agreement and authorized the City Manager to execute the same during its regular April 13 meeting.

The Golf event will raise funds for the Teen Program at AJ Padelford Park to finance the program during the interim period of grant funding from July 1 to the beginning of 2016.

The Artesia Parent Volunteer Group funds will pay the \$500 deposit due April 30 to secure the date and ensure that no funds are expended from the City's General Fund.

Teen Program is currently funded by the Los Angeles County Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). The grant provides approximately \$16,000, \$14,000 of which goes to paying the staff wages. Hence, the city has elected to leave the County CDBG program at the end of the current fiscal year to go after the larger State CDBG funds for 2015-16 fiscal year.

As a result, the Teen Program will not be funded after June 30, 2015.

In addition to the golf tournament fundraiser aimed at raising majority of the funds to continue the Teen Program, the Parks & Recreation Commission at a meeting on Jan. 28, 2015, had agreed to task the Teens with holding fundraisers to raise small portion of the money needed to continue the program and get the community involved by participating in those fundraisers.

The teens have already set up fundraisers at Julio's Pizza on April 16 from 3:00 to 8:00 pm and Yogurtland on May 14 from 4:00 to 9:00 pm. They are currently advertising the fundraisers to ensure the events will be well attended.

For the much bigger event, the Commission discussed the responsibilities of each commissioner to recruit players, sponsors and volunteers. The Commission elected Rene Trivino as the Golf Tournament Chair as he had previously run several fund raisers for other organizations. Two commissioners will also be attending free training on hosting golf tournament fundraisers offered by the American Golf Association on April 22, 2015.

Estimated budget for the event would be approximately \$11,240 with projected profit placed at around \$19,000. The funds necessary to continue the program are \$15,000. Staff recommends the remaining funds be set aside to fund items on the deferred park maintenance list at AJ Padelford Park such as replacing sand at the playground, replacing picnic benches, or purchasing a shade structure.

Once the agreement is approved and executed, advertising for the tournament will begin and sponsors will be solicited. The Commission also made a few contacts with potential sponsors and foresees all the major sponsorships and around half of the player revenue to be received before the end of June 2015. This will enable the Teen Program to continue over the summer even though the tournament is not held until Aug. 21.

DOWNEY'S SPACE AGE COSMIC CLASSIC CAR SHOW



By Tammye McDuff

Columbia Memorial Space Center [CMSC] continued their weeklong schedule of festivities with a Cosmic Classic Car Show. A collection of rare reconditioned automobiles, trucks and motorcycles were on display at the original Johnny's Broiler, now Downey's famous Bob's Big Boy car-hop Wednesday evening, April 8, 2015.

The CMSC set up several display areas demonstrating various ways energy can be harnessed. One such example was mixing simple dishwashing detergent, water, and hair spray together and then lighting it up to create simulated engine fuel. Another

science experiment used leaded number two pencils, wire and a battery to charge up a light bulb. Photographs displaying space age design included the early Pontiac Firebird, introduced in 1953 as a 'jet plane on wheels' it was the first car tested in the United States that was turbine powered and the first to have automated guidance systems, air lock brakes and 'no hold' steering.

Automotive innovations from Karl Benz 1885 Motorwagen internal combustion engine to the 2015 Porsche 918 Spyder 'hypercar' which use alternative fuel sources were also on exhibit.

Outstanding Students Recognized by ABC Adult School

On April 27, 2015 from 6-8 p.m., ABC Adult School will hold their annual Outstanding Student Awards ceremony at the Cerritos Library.

The adult school serves over 11,000 local adult students annually.

Many of the students need to overcome many barriers in order to be successful.

In spite of the challenges they face, the students manage to achieve at levels that are worthy of public recognition.

This year, twenty-two students are being recognized. A Certificate of Achievement is awarded to students from each city, county, and district in which the student resides. April 27, 2015 has also been proclaimed, "ABC Adult School Student Recognition Day" by ABC Unified School District. Before the awards ceremony, entertainment will be provided by the Guitar class. Students from the Citizenship class will be leading the Pledge of Allegiance and singing the National Anthem.

Stitchery will be on display from students in the Brazilian Stitchery class. This year, five students are also being recognized as Lifelong Learners.

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New Changes in Assessment and Accountability



California is in the midst of a fundamental remaking of its assessment and accountability system that has been in place for 15 years. The changes are driven by several significant reform efforts at the State level. They include the following:

- Common Core State Standards adopted by the State Board of Education in August 2010 and the Next Generation Science Standards adopted in September 2013;
- The dramatic reform of California's school finance system adopted in 2013;
- A new statewide accountability system to replace the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) program and reform the Academic Performance Index (API).

In ABC Unified School District, the first administration of the new California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) for students in grades 3rd-8th and 11th will occur during the window period of April 20-June 12, 2015. The Smarter Balanced (SBAC) assessments are computer based English language arts/literacy (ELA) and Mathematics tests. These assessments will measure students' knowledge of the ELA and Math standards, critical thinking, analytical writing and problem solving skills.

These new tests are significantly different from the previous state assessments

known as the California Standards Test under the STAR system. As a result, the scores from the old STAR and the new CAASPP test cannot be compared. The scores from this year's test will be used to establish baseline data to measure the growth students make over time. If there is a significant change in the student's score, it does not mean that the student learned less or that schools are not academically performing. As students experience multiple years of instruction related to the new standards and develop the technological skills used during the test, the results will show improvement over time.

Parent resources are available to help: "Parents Backpack Guide to Common Core Standards" (<http://www.engageny.org/parent-and-family-resources>), and "Teaching is the Core" (<http://www.engageny.org/resources/teaching-is-the-core>). More information is also available on our District's website.

The parents and schools will receive a report of the students' performance on the Smarter Balanced assessments. However, the State Board of Education has suspended using the results this year for the API.

Schools will not be given an API score or ranking in 2015. The State is moving away from a single score, which has been at the heart of the state's accountability system to one that incorporates multiple measures that assess "deeper learning" and readiness for college and career success. The State Board of Education will create guidelines or "rubrics" for determining how schools are doing in the priority areas identified in the Local Control Accountability Plan. A revised API will be released in 2016 using a new accountability system. Full implementation of the new system will be a long term process as different elements of the system will be rolled out at different times during the next several years.

This is a key year for implementation of the new testing and accountability system in ABC and throughout the State. However, it's important to recognize that it will take several years before a complete accountability system will be fully in place. We ask the public to be aware of these changes and access the resources available to learn more about these new directions.

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Artesia Resident Calls Out Local Editor on 7-11 Store Article

To Jerry Bernstein:

I do not understand your opinion from last week on the approval of a 7-11 in Artesia. I notice that your conversations usually have to do with your "Friend from Fruitcake."

Fruitcake does not understand.

Jerry, you were at the meetings in 2010 and in 2014, with standing room only, with residents against a new 7-11 on South Street.

Fruitcake was not.

I am glad to hear in Fruitcake they do not have criminals or drunks loitering about their neighborhood.

We do have these issues in our neighborhood, that is a fact.

Many things happen with drinking customers between 9 p.m. and 2 a.m., just watch the news or read the papers.

My wife and I sat outside the 7-11 on Artesia Blvd and Norwalk Blvd one night from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. As the hours went later and later we noticed the customer base changing. We noticed the amount of beer purchased had also increased with each hour that went by.

We also noticed that some walking in had already been drinking, based on their driving in and out and the volume and kind of conversation.

Fruitcake is in bed by 8 p.m., he would not be seeing this.

We already have a tagging issue on Norwalk Blvd to Bingham St going north. We have gang activity in Artesia, Hawaiian Gardens, and Norwalk.

Do they have this in Fruitcake?

This corner is not good for more traffic, more traffic with drinkers behind the wheels and another corner for people to park and hang out.

The safety of our residents are more important than another 7-11.

Even if 7-11 is not asking for a liquor license today, we feel once the building is up, the liquor license would be their next push, which is a big concern of ours.

Having liquor was not the only concern with this new 7-11 store; being open 24 hours was also an issue in the city council meeting.

Jerry, you were there, check your notes please.

If your Friend from Fruitcake had walked into the meeting, it should have been a different opinion, based on what you heard at these same meeting that I attended.

*Gene Ramirez
Artesia Resident*

Dear Editor:

Just in time for the 45th anniversary of Earth Day this Wednesday, the U.S. Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee has made it official: consumption of animal products is not environmentally sustainable. Their conclusions match those of a massive 2010 United Nations report, which concluded that a global shift towards a vegan diet is vital to save the world from hunger, fuel poverty and climate change.

Carbon dioxide, the chief greenhouse gas, is emitted by burning forests to create animal pastures and by combustion of fossil fuels to operate farm machinery, trucks, refrigeration equipment, factory farms, and slaughterhouses. The much more damaging methane and nitrous oxide are released from digestive tracts of cattle and from animal waste cesspools.

Moreover, animal agriculture contributes more pollutants to our waterways than other human activities combined. Principal sources are animal wastes, soil particles, minerals, crop debris, fertilizers, and pesticides from feed croplands. It is also the driving force in world-wide deforestation and wildlife habitat destruction.

In an environmentally sustainable world, just as fossil fuels are replaced by wind, solar, and other sustainable energy sources, animal foods must be replaced by vegetables, fruits, and grains. Our next trip to the supermarket is a great starting point.

*Conrad Alderman
Cerritos*

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Crime Summary
April 6 – April 12, 2015

Cerritos

There were 23 Part 1 felony crimes reported in Cerritos this past reporting period, an increase of nine from the previous week. The following is a breakdown of crimes by category: one robbery, six residential burglaries, three commercial/other structure burglaries, eight vehicle burglaries, two grand thefts, and three auto thefts. Cerritos Station deputies made six felony arrests, ten misdemeanor arrests, four warrant arrests, and issued 102 traffic citations. The Sheriff's dispatch center received a total of 235 calls for service, a decrease from the 2015 weekly average of 253.

Robbery:

Los Cerritos Center (04/10 – Day): Two female suspects entered a business during regular business hours, selected several items off the display shelves and left the store without paying for the items. When loss prevention agents confronted them outside the store, the suspects fought. The suspects' combative actions elevated the crime from a theft to a robbery. Both suspects were arrested for robbery and safely taken into custody.

Residential Burglary:

12300 block of Hedda Dr. (04/12 – Day): The suspect(s) entered the home by prying open a bedroom window. The audible alarm at the residence sounded and the suspect(s) left before they were able to take anything.

12500 block of Pinegrove Ln. (04/10 – Day): The suspect(s) pried open a rear sliding glass door to make entry into the home. The suspect(s) stole electronics and money from the home.

13800 block of Destino St. (03/27 – Late Afternoon): The suspect(s) entered the home through a rear sliding door that may have been left unlocked. The suspect(s) stole a wallet left in a desk drawer.

19100 block of Vickie Ave. (Attempt, 04/12 – Day): Neighbors heard the suspects knocking on the victim's front door and then saw the suspects go around to the back of the house. Neighbors quickly called law enforcement and reported what they had seen. The suspects attempted to break a rear window, but fled before deputies arrived on scene.

12600 block of Park St. (04/07 – Late Evening): The suspect entered the home through a rear window that had been left open. The suspect was apprehended by Cerritos deputies after a neighbor noticed suspicious activity and called 911.

17800 block of Vierra Ave. (04/10-12 – Unknown): The suspect(s) entered the home through a rear sliding door. It is unknown if the door was locked or unlocked.

The suspect(s) stole electronics and other valuables from the residence.

Commercial/Other Structure Burglary:

16000 block of Piuma Ave. (Attempt, 04/10): The suspect(s) attempted to enter the location by prying open a steel door. The suspect(s) were unable to force the door open and fled the area.

17300 block of Edwards Rd. (04/12): The suspect entered an office building by shattering a glass window. Nothing was found to be missing by the owner.

Grand Theft:

16400 block of Berwyn Rd. (04/09-10): The suspect(s) stole two tires off of a trailer parked in the rear parking lot of the location.

13200 block of Moore St. (03/31-04/01): The suspect(s) stole several thousands of dollars worth of electronic equipment from the location, which was set to be delivered to the victim the following day.

Vehicle Burglary:

12900 block of Park Plaza Dr. (04/09): The suspect(s) pried the rear window of a 2013 GMC Yukon and stole the vehicle's 3rd row seat.

11100 block Artesia Blvd. (04/12): The suspect(s) shattered the window of a 2014 Ford Escape and stole a purse left inside of the vehicle.

19700 block of Bloomfield Ave. (04/10): The suspect(s) shattered the window of a 2011 Acura MDX and stole a diaper bag left inside of the vehicle.

11100 block Artesia Blvd. (04/11): The suspect(s) shattered the window of a 2007 Hyundai Santa Fe and stole a purse left inside of the vehicle.

20200 block of Bloomfield Ave. (04/08): The suspect(s) were able to enter a 2007 Pontiac GS by reaching in through a partially open window and accessing the interior pop-up lock. The suspect(s) stole important documents left inside of the vehicle's center console.

11100 block Artesia Blvd. (04/11): The suspect(s) punched the door lock of a 2004 Chevrolet Suburban and stole a gym bag that had been left in plain view on the floorboard.

19900 block of Bloomfield Ave. (04/11): The suspect(s) shattered the front passenger window of a 1997 Honda CRV and stole a purse left inside of the vehicle.

12700 block of Center Court Dr. (04/11): The suspect(s) pried the rear window of a 2007 Chevrolet Tahoe and stole the vehicle's 3rd row seat.

Grand Theft Auto:

16900 block of Jeanette Ave. (04/02): The suspect(s) stole a 1994 Honda Accord from the parking lot of the location. The vehicle was recovered in the City of Buena Park.

18300 block of Studebaker Rd. (03/31):

The suspect(s) stole a 1993 Honda Accord from the parking lot of the location. The vehicle has not yet been recovered.

16600 block of Chaparral Ave. (04/04): The suspect(s) stole a 1994 Honda Accord from the parking lot of the location. The vehicle was recovered in a residential neighborhood in Cerritos.

La Mirada

You can also visit the La Mirada Community Sheriff's Station at 13716 La Mirada Boulevard between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays to submit the request in-person.

Robbery

A robbery was reported near Gleggary Dr. and Highpoint Dr. The incident remains under investigation.

Residential Burglary

A burglary to a residence undergoing fumigation on the 15900 block of Lawnhill Dr. was reported. Jewelry, electronics, and a bicycle were stolen from the home.

Vehicle Burglary

A vehicle burglary was reported on the 15700 block of Stanbrook Dr. Electronics were stolen from the vehicle.

Grand Theft

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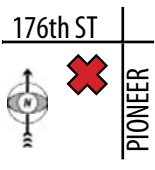
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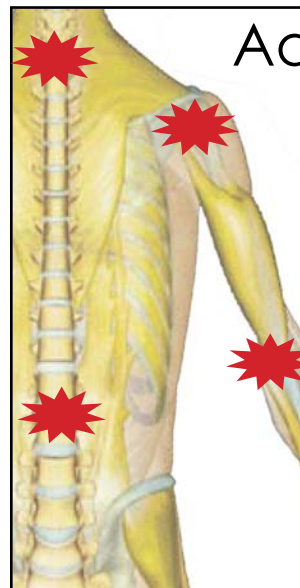
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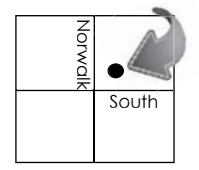
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BACA DEL RIO

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\$500 allowance, but she never responded to either question.

Now, a public records request received today April 16 confirmed what many sources had told HMG-CN, that Mayor pro tem Baca Del Rio has been taking the \$500 car allowance while using the city car, and then trying to cover up the use of the car by not signing the vehicle out or in, a direct violation of the city's VUP.

The public documents showed Baca Del Rio receiving \$1,172.56 broken down as Council Compensation at \$490.21, Successor Agency Stipend at \$150.00, Deferred Compensation Contribution at \$25.00, and Auto Allowance at \$507.35.

Baca Del Rio began taking the \$1,172.56 amount in November 2014, well before the city car was seen in her driveway Dec. 11, 2014 in violation of the VUP.

Hews' letter, sent via e-mail and USPS stated:

"Mr. Olivo, my newspaper, the Commerce Community News, an affiliate of Hews Media Group-Community News, has published several articles documenting Commerce Mayor pro tem Tina Baca

Del Rio's illegal use of city car in violation of Commerce' City Council Vehicle Use Policy (VUP).

Despite this, your office has failed to take action on the documented violations, misuse of public funds, and the fact she has attempted to cover up the use of the vehicle per the VUP by failing to sign the city car out and then back in.

As per attached, the Commerce City Council amended the VUP on October 21, 2014 stating that the Mayor, Mayor pro tem and councilmembers can take the \$500 allowance but must use their personal car and not the city-owned car, the only exception was if an event was more than 75 miles away from the city.

The amendment to the VUP stated: The Council members will also have the alternative of accepting a vehicle reimbursement of \$500 per month (net of taxes) in order to reimburse them for the required use of their personal vehicles for City business. City Council members that elect to receive such reimbursement at their discretion may also have access to a City vehicle if they are required to travel outside of the Los Angeles area, more than 75 miles from City Hall. If the Council member is required to travel 75 miles beyond City Hall and does not elect to use a City vehicle, the Councilmember shall be entitled to reimbursement for the mileage put on their personal vehicle; the total mileage shall be measured from the City Hall and shall be reimbursed at the current IRS vehicle mileage reimbursement rate beyond the 75 mile point or, for example: if the trip is a total of 200 miles round trip, then the reimbursement will be for 50 miles, discounting the first 150 miles traveled. The vehicles are not to be used for personal business.

An investigation by this newspaper found then-Mayor Baca Del Rio using the car for personal reasons while taking the \$500 stipend. We have pictures of a city car in her driveway, one dated Dec 11, 2014 at 11 a.m. In addition, many residents that live near her have told this newspaper that they have seen her using the car every day and in her driveway for long periods of time.

A further investigation of her daily calendar found no events that would necessitate the use of a city car, farther than 75 miles on Dec. 11, 2014. The calendar is included in this document.

In addition, a public records request showed that the Mayor pro tem never signed the car out or in on Dec 11 as per the city's Transportation Department. The answer of the public records request from the Transportation Department is attached."

The letter then documented Baca Del Rio's violations of the VUP fell under the California Penal Code section 424.

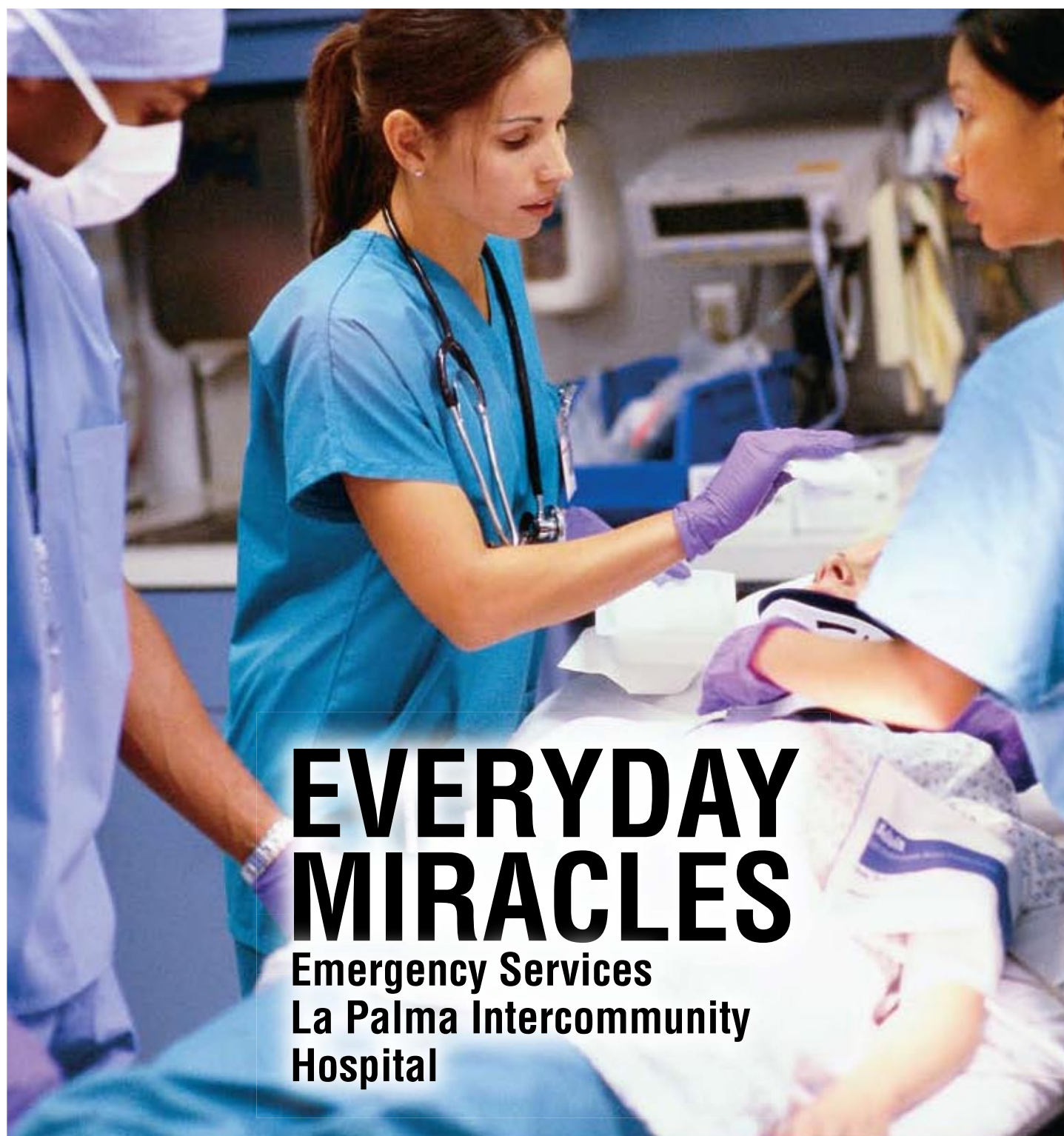
Hews went on to say, "Given the above documentation, Councilwoman Baca Del Rio is in violation of California Penal Code Section 424 and 425: Misappropriation of Public Funds.

PC 424(a), sections 1 and 2 and PC 425 state:424.

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PC 425 dictates that anyone who violates PC 424 is guilty of felony.

The Mayor pro tem misused public funds by spending the car allowance for her own uses, violating 424 section 1. She also profited by using the city car and while not paying expenses for her own car, violating 424 section 2."

Hews' letter to Olivo went on to say, "In the last council meeting, you proceeded to take the council into a questionable closed session to address what was basically a complaint letter from a resident slamming newly elected Councilman Hugo Argumedo, a letter that basically deserved to be read at public comment by the author and then left alone.

Many observers wondered why the closed session was initiated by you, Mr. Olivo.

Given that action against Councilman Argumedo, you are now compelled to initiate an investigation into the violations by Mayor pro tem Baca Del Rio as outlined above or your actions will be construed as prejudiced towards certain city officials.

I await your response as to the time you will initiate an investigation."

The letter was signed by Hews with a copy sent to the L.A. County District Attorney's office.

Hews said, "the corruption in Commerce has gone on long enough. We have a city council run by Baca Del Rio, Mayor Lilia Leon, and councilmember Ivan Altamirano, who play musical Mayor chairs, and threaten people when they feel threatened. They are also puppets for Citadel Outlet Mall owner Steve Craig. The latest maneuver by the three was to completely amend the sign ordinance to the exclusive benefit of the Citadel and Steve Craig, an amendment which now reads, '19.25.180 Conversion Of Citadel Digital Display Sign(S) To Off-Site Digital Sign(S)'. Coincidentally, at the same time, Craig gave \$40,000 to an independent expenditure committee to oppose Hugo Argumedo and Denise Robles in the Mar. 3 election and similar money to another independent expenditure committee in support of Oralia Reballo, who won her election by 59 votes over Robles."

Hews went on, "these people will do anything to keep control of Commerce. They rigged the recent city elections by moving polling places that had been in place for 30 years, so seniors could not vote due to travel restrictions, or had to travel long distances to vote. I don't think there is anything they won't try, and it is time either City Attorney Olivo or D.A. Jackie Lacey step in and stop the corruption."

ARTESIA

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No one design, device, or requirement is appropriate for all locations and conditions and therefore property and business owners will be given flexibility to utilize a variety of design elements and devices to protect pedestrians and shopping customers near vehicle parking areas.

The goal of this ordinance is to establish standards of design of vehicle impact protection devices that achieve the appropriate level of safety but not so onerous as to require unnecessary expensive structures in parking areas.

Certain exemptions will apply to parking spaces that are reconfigured or re-stripped to eliminate front-end parking angled between 30 to 90 degrees relative to immediately adjacent pedestrian or seating area.

Also exempted by the ordinance are parking areas where outdoor seating adjacent to parking spaces are permanently removed. For ADA compliant parking spaces, bollards can be substituted for wheel stops with the ADA sign on top of the pole fronting the vehicle.

"This is a great ordinance that will save many lives," exclaimed Mayor Miguel Canales immediately after the City Council unanimously approved the proposed ordinance. "Parking spaces will now be much safer," said Mayor Pro Tem Victor Manalo.

The new ordinance is a brainchild of Manalo. The crucial presence of safety devices in parking lots just dawned on him after his mother-in-law was killed and his two daughters injured by a SUV that hit them while eating in the outdoor patio of an ice cream parlor in Buena Park in 2014. The investigation concluded that the senior driver of the parked vehicle wrongly stepped on the gas with the SUV in drive.

Manalo researched extensively on vehicle-into-building crashes until he met Rob Reiter of the Storefront Safety Council who helped suggest solutions and provide statistics that revealed 60 incidents per day of vehicle crashing into buildings or houses that result into 500 deaths annually. At least two similar accidents took place in Artesia over the past two years.

Experts in vehicle into building crashes indicate that standard parking lot wheel stops and raised sidewalks are not sufficient by themselves to stop the force of vehicle in such pedal error accidents and that other design standards and devices are needed to protect pedestrians, shoppers and customers.

The proposed ordinance met rough sailing in early December last year when some studies showed that one business establishment alone will incur about \$150,000 to put up the safety barriers in the parking lot. "I just find this update onerous," said City

Council Member Sally Flowers, while City Council Member Tony Lima, a large property owner in Artesia said, "this is very expensive and not even one city in the whole country have this ordinance except one in Florida which is under study."

The proposal then was sent back to the Planning Commission for more reviews and modifications.

Prior to the ordinance approval last Tuesday, Manalo recalled that when his family's tragedy happened last year, he was in Washington D.C. with wife Monica and it took them 24 hours to come back. "It was the worst 24 hours of my life," he said. His daughter Isabel who underwent surgery as a result of the accident, also spoke during the recent meeting who, after briefly narrating her scary and painful experience, said, "I just wish we have the ordinance so that it will help stop similar tragedies from taking place in the future and many lives will be saved."

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Pictured at St. Irenaeus Church are Fiesta Co-Chairs George and Christine Welsch holding a facsimile of the \$10,000 check that will be the Grand Prize which will be awarded at the 51st Annual St. Irenaeus Fiesta on June 28, 2015.

By Edna Ethington

The public is invited to join with the parishioners of St. Irenaeus Church in Cypress as they celebrate their 51st St. Irenaeus Annual Fiesta on Friday, June 26, Saturday June 27, and Sunday June 28, 2015, at 5201 Evergreen Avenue, Cypress. Fr. Patrick Moses, Pastor of St. Irenaeus Parish, said that the Annual Fiesta is one of the best activities at St. Irenaeus Parish as a big fundraiser and community building parish event. He said that the Fiesta offers a great opportunity to come together as a community and meet with old and new friends while enjoying the outdoors surrounded by music and entertainment. Everyone can enjoy participating in the games, carnival rides, food booths, Bingo games, silent auction and trying to win the \$10,000 winning ticket and other drawing prizes.

According to Christine and George Welsch, Co-Chairs of the Annual Fiesta

for their 11th year, all registered parishioners were sent a book of 40 tickets at \$2.00 each, totaling \$80 for one book of tickets. They said that it is important that all parishioners support the Fiesta by selling their one book of tickets so that the Fiesta will be successful as a fundraiser. If parishioners did not receive their book of tickets, they can contact Christine Welsch at 714-553-9910 for tickets, or purchase tickets after Masses in the patio area of the church starting on April 19, 2015.

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WHITTIER CHRISTIAN TOURNAMENT

Stellar pitching, sizzling bats propel Cerritos to Whittier Christian Tournament Win

By Loren Kopff

LA HABRA-After a sluggish start to the season, the Cerritos High softball team is gaining steam with nine games remaining before the California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section Division III playoffs begin in the middle of next month. The Lady Dons flexed their muscles to a season-high 16 hits as they blanked Whittier Christian 9-0 last Saturday afternoon to win the Whittier Christian Tournament.

Cerritos outscored its four opponents 26-3, pounded out 38 hits and in the process, won for the ninth time in its past 10 games to improve to 10-6. While Cerritos is playing one of the top non league schedules around, the team is definitely peaking at the right moment as it remains in a prime position to win a second straight Suburban League title.

"I think the girls are [peaking], but

more so what I saw today is everybody was in the game," said Cerritos assistant coach Brian Iseri. "These girls are more like a family because they grew up with each other. So, they need to feel good about the whole team and I think that's what they really got out of this tournament. They were having a lot of fun with this tournament."

"It was tough [in the beginning of the season] but I feel like now this team is more together," said senior center fielder Megan Darling. "We're playing for each other more and that's what I really like about how we're playing now."

All but one starter had at least one hit against the Heralds as the onslaught began in the top of the second inning when senior catcher Heather Cameron singled to left field and went all the way to third on a sacrifice from, senior third baseman Madison Lee. One pitch later, a groundout from junior left fielder Alyssa Flores plated Cameron.

But the Lady Dons did the bulk of the damage in the next inning by sending 10 batters to the plate, scoring six times. It started with back to back singles from senior second baseman Amanda Lejano and Darling. After a groundout moved the runners up, senior pitcher Jennifer Iseri brought both runners in with a single to right field.

On the next pitch, freshman first baseman Kiarra Pope singled and Cameron was hit by a Hannah Gabriel pitch to load the bases. Two batters later, Flores singled



WINNERS: The Cerritos High softball team gathers for a team picture after winning the Whittier Christian Tournament last Saturday. The Lady Dons blanked the host school 9-0 to cap off a 4-0 mark in the three-day affair.

in a pair of runs followed by a one-pitch, two-run base hit from freshman right fielder Jennifer Morinishi.

Up 7-0, the Lady Dons went right back to work in the fourth as Darling reached on an error and scored on sophomore shortstop Lailoni Mayfield's triple to the base of the center field fence. Jennifer Iseri then knocked in Mayfield with a single to center to complete the scoring.

Jennifer Iseri would go five for five with three runs batted in and ended the tournament with eight straight hits in as many plate appearances. For the tournament, she went 11 for 15 and was named the tournament's most valuable player. The University of Hawai'i signee also scattered

three hits and struck out 10, including two in the first, second, third and fifth innings. She had a no-hitter through the first four innings and did not allow a Whittier Christian runner to reach third base.

Darling (six for 11 in the tournament) and Mayfield (four for 11) each went two for five and were named to the all-tournament team. Senior pinch hitter Leeann Tran collected a pair of hits as well in her two at-bats late in the contest.

"I feel like it's really easy for me to see the ball now and I feel like this will help me see other pitches all throughout the rest of the season," Darling said.

"The girls work really hard," Brian Iseri said. "I think this season they all worked on their swings. At any given time, I feel very comfortable in putting anyone in. These girls have each other's back and they feel confident in themselves."

Cerritos, which won a tournament for the first time since 2011 after claiming the Costa Mesa Tournament, began pool play action last Thursday with a 2-0 win over El Rancho as Darling had a run-scoring hit in the top of the third. Two batters later, she scored on a groundout from Cameron. Jennifer Iseri, who threw a three-hitter and struck out 10, and Pope each went two for four. The next day, Morinishi, in her second start of her young high school career, tossed a no-hitter in an 11-0 win over Southlands Christian.

The Lady Dons, who scored six runs in the bottom of the first and three more in the next inning, had six hits, but were helped with eight walks. Cameron went two for two and drove in three while Darling and Mayfield each went one for one and Jennifer Iseri and Tran each went one for two.

The final pool play game saw the Lady Dons rally from a 3-1 first inning deficit to edge San Dimas 4-3 on Pope's game-winning single to center in the top of the seventh. Darling began the game with a triple and came home on a double from Mayfield.

Cerritos would tie the game in the third when Pope hit a soft single to San Dimas shortstop Ashlei Sanchez who couldn't come up with what would have been a diving catch. The hit allowed Darling and sophomore courtesy runner Katelynn Hernandez to touch home plate. Jennifer Iseri went three for four while Darling and Pope each added a pair of hits.

Cerritos will take a much needed break and won't return to game action until Wednesday when it hosts Bellflower, which was also in the tournament, in the front end of a home and home series. The Lady Dons will then travel to Mater Dei on Thursday.

"When you play the schedule we've been playing, they also need to heal, recover and make sure they get their school projects done and stuff like that," Brian Iseri said. "But they're not going to take it off completely. They're going to be still working and one good thing about these girls is they do a lot of work on their own."



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SAN GABRIEL VALLEY LEAGUE SOFTBALL

Gahr's defense fails in league-opening loss to Warren

By Loren Kopff

DOWNEY-The Gahr High softball team had not played since a Mar. 24 loss to Los Alamitos and after it's San Gabriel Valley League opener against defending league co-champion Warren, it looked as if the Gladiators were still on vacation. Gahr had a season-high four errors and were held to three hits until the final inning when a late rally fell short in a 5-3 loss to the Bears this past Tuesday.

There was reason for Gahr head coach Shawn Quarles to be concerned about the three weeks away from game action and when the game had ended with the tying run on first base, it was somewhat easy to see why the Gladiators, who shared last season's league crown with the Bears, have not won at Warren since 2008.

"We tried to do some live hitting in practice and tried to simulate some real life game situations," Quarles said of the past three weeks. "But obviously that didn't help us. We just got outplayed today by a better team and we better put in some hard work if we expect to even be close to them in league."

Gahr grabbed a 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning when freshman shortstop Dejanae Davis reached on an error and came home on a two-out base hit up the middle from sophomore catcher Alyssa Kumiyama. But the Bears, ranked eighth in the California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section Division III top 10 poll, put together a two-out rally in the bottom of the frame.

Facing freshman Dani Martinez, who was making her first start of the season, Nadia Amezcua singled on the first pitch she saw before Whitney Pemberton launched a home run over the fence in left center. Still, Martinez threw 10 pitches in the inning. But in the second, the first of the four errors allowed Kimberly Olivas to be safe and keep the inning alive for Taylor Gallo, whose single made it 3-1.

Martinez, who entered the game with a 1.75 earned run average in 24 innings of work, pitched three innings and allowed five of Warren's eight hits.

"She was the only one I had to go with," Quarles said. "I had seniors who were hurt; I had seniors who don't show up for practice. I have girls who miss practice and don't let me know. So, Dani was the only pitcher that we had."

"I thought she missed a couple spots at times," he continued. "She's a tough pitcher and as a freshman, she has to learn to be a little more strategic when she pitches. The ball that got hit over the fence...that was supposed to be in the middle of the batter's box."

Meanwhile, Gahr's offense, which was explosive last season, was being held in check by Jissel Caballero, who retired eight straight and 13 of the next 14 batters after Kumiyama's single. The Bears would add to their lead in the bottom of the fifth when Megan Narvaez and Amezcua reached on errors. Pinch runner Sydney Romero would come home on another error which allowed Caballero to reach first and Amezcua scored on a groundout from Wendy DeLeon.

"It's really disappointing," Quarles said of the errors. "It's obvious that sometimes bad plays happen. But I'm really disappointed with the way we looked. I

take most of the blame because maybe of the long layoff. Maybe I didn't do the schedule right. But we have a lot of work to do. We're not as good as we thought we were."

The errors would prove to be costly because Gahr (10-6) showed a glimmer of life in the seventh. Senior designated player Brianna Besenty, also making her first start of the season, singled to center. That was followed by a home run from junior center fielder Alyssa Cuffia. Following a strikeout, senior second baseman Deja Portillo singled to left and Davis singled up the middle to set the stage for Madison Huskey.

The freshman right fielder singled to center but Quarles decided to send Portillo home where she would be thrown out. That play was critical because on the very next pitch, sophomore third baseman Malia Quarles flied out to Amezcua with Kumiyama left standing in the on-deck circle. "That was totally my mistake," Shawn Quarles said. "If it was a one-run game, then I would [put] the blame of the loss on me. But that was totally a bad call on my spot and I should have known better."

"We still had some girls with some bad at-bats," he continued. "We don't have our clutch hitters doing really anything to carry their weight except Kumi. Malia Quarles needs to step up when the times get rough

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John Glenn's Sanchez throws another gem against Norwalk

By Loren Kopff

Last season, John Glenn High's Victor Sanchez was simply brilliant when he faced Norwalk on the road, throwing a no-hitter in an 11-0 victory. The senior southpaw hurler was back at it again as he yielded three hits, struck out nine and allowed a second inning, unearned run as the visiting Eagles slammed the Lancers 8-1 this past Wednesday.

It was the third complete game of the season for Sanchez, who improved to 5-1. He also helped his own cause by going three for five and driving in a pair of runs in the top of the second inning as Glenn (10-7 overall, 2-1 in the Suburban League) bolted out to a 3-0 lead. The inning started with junior center fielder Sammy Lopez (three for five) doubling down the left field line and senior first baseman Erick Galindo following that with a base hit to right field.

After a groundout brought in Lopez, the bases were loaded before Sanchez singled to left for two more runs. In the next inning, junior right fielder Hector

Sanchez singled, stole second and eventually scored on an error.

Norwalk (5-8, 1-4) got on the board in its half of the second inning when senior pitcher Hector Amaya singled and scored on a bases loaded fielder's choice from junior designated player Alex Aguilar. On that play, junior catcher Adan Orozco was forced at second for the second out. Glenn freshman second baseman Humberto Chiquito (two for four) then threw home to get junior shortstop Julio Sanchez to end Norwalk's best chance to add more runs.

After that, Victor Sanchez allowed only three more runners to reach base, none of whom got past second. With the Eagles up 5-1, they put the game away with three more runs in the sixth on a run scoring triple from senior shortstop Jake Carr (two for five), a run scoring fielder's choice from Hector Sanchez and a run scoring groundout from Galindo.

Glenn, which defeated its cross-town rivals for the third straight time, pounded out a season-high 14 hits as the two teams will meet on the east side of the city today. The Eagles will then host Mayfair on Wednesday while the Lancers will be home to Artesia on Wednesday.

In other baseball action, Artesia, which has lost nine of its last 10 games, was blanked by La Mirada 9-0 this past Wednesday to fall to 3-14 overall and 0-3

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and she's just not able to do that."

Davis and Kumiyama accounted for half of the offensive output as the Gladiators hosted Paramount on Apr. 16 and will visit Downey on Tuesday before coming back home to face Dominguez on Thursday. The loss to Warren was also the fifth time in the last six seasons that Gahr had lost its league opener. Last season, Gahr edged Warren 6-5 at home in its league opener. The rematch will be Apr. 30 at Gahr.

"I just think this team is a better team than us," Shawn Quarles said. "I don't care where we played today. They would have beaten us. It was due to my mistakes and due to my team not showing up."

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in the Suburban League. Cerritos (12-6) will visit Valley Christian for a doubleheader today. The Crusaders (12-5) will also host Heritage Christian on Tuesday to begin a home and home series with the Knights. The return game will be on Thursday. Cerritos will host Bellflower on Tuesday.

Gahr dropped a 7-6 road decision to Warren this past Tuesday in the San Gabriel Valley League opener for both teams. The Gladiators (10-8, 0-1) will host Warren today, then face El Segundo on Saturday in a Redondo Tournament game before visiting Paramount on Tuesday.

SOFTBALL

Artesia is still trying to break its dol-

drums in Suburban League action after falling to La Mirada 14-0 this past Wednesday. It was the 18th straight loss in league play and at least the 35th straight loss to La Mirada.

John Glenn fell to Norwalk 3-0 this past Wednesday to drop to 5-8 overall and 1-2 in league play. Norwalk (10-4, 4-1) remained on the heels of Cerritos for the top spot in the league. Freshman sensation Breanna Vasquez allowed five hits and improved to 9-1 in the circle.

Valley Christian (7-10) swept a doubleheader against Western last Saturday, winning the first game 7-4 before blasting the Pioneers 15-5 in the second game. The Lady Crusaders visited Heritage Christian on Apr. 16 and will host Village Christian on Tuesday before going to Maranatha on Thursday.

Whitney lost its Academy League opener to Oxford Academy 11-0 this past

Tuesday and saw its record drop to 4-7 overall. The Lady Wildcats will travel to Calvary Chapel Downey today before hosting Brethren Christian on Tuesday.

COLLEGE SIGNINGS

Cerritos High School held a signing party for five senior athletes this past Wednesday afternoon. From the softball field, infielder Madison Lee signed her letter of intent to Ball State University while her teammate Amanda Lejano, also an infielder, signed to play at California State University, San Marcos.

Angel Alcala from the swimming team will be attending the University of the Pacific, Dominick Nevarez from the water polo team will be going to California Baptist University and Occidental College will be the new home for golf's Samantha Rocha.

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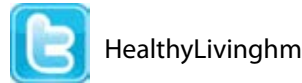
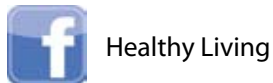
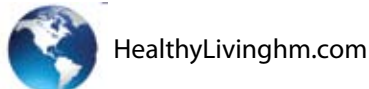
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Saturday, May 2nd from 9am-1pm. Stop by to dispose of your used tires and help keep your city clean!

All Cerritos, Downey, La Mirada, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, and Santa Fe Springs residents are welcome! Proof of residency is required.

Help ensure that all used tires are collected safely and recycled. Residents can transport up to 9 tires maximum per trip. Multiple trips are okay. Please bring passenger and light truck tires only. NO semi truck, construction equipment or agricultural tractor tires are accepted. Tires from businesses and non-profits will not be accepted. ALL tires must be removed from the rims.

Help keep the cities Clean and Green! For more information about this event please call 562-904-7103 or 562-944-4766.



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of Congress, Bob Patrick introduced the Project, "The Veterans Wartime History Project's main goal is to collect stories from veterans. The folks here at the Los Angeles Regional district have done a terrific job putting the program together. It is very special to begin collecting the stories here on the USS Iowa. We want to gather as many stories as we can."

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Cruise to Mexico Raises Funds for Two Charities

By Edna Ethington

Members of Catholic Charities Auxiliary Chapter II and St. Vincent de Paul of Orange County worked together to raise funds for both their charities by joining the Fundraising Cruise to Cabo San Lucas and Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, on February 21-28, 2015. Carnival Cruise Line and Mark Furlan of Cruise One Dream Vacations, donated \$100 for each of the 31 double occupancy cabins, and \$50 for each of the three single occupancy cabins. Donations from collections on Friday and Sunday during the cruise added an additional \$928. With members of the two charities, their families, friends and parishioners from other churches joining the cruise, there were over 70 people who came on the cruise and helped to raise over \$4,700. After expenses were accounted for, over \$4,500 will be distributed to the two charities according to the number of their participants who came on the cruise and additional donations received from their individual benefactors.

Fr. Patrick Moses, Pastor of St. Irenaeus Church in Cypress, served as Chaplain on the cruise. He offered daily Mass on board the ship and gave blessings and prayers for special occasions. Since Fr. Patrick could not be present for the Rosary and Celebration of Life of St. Irenaeus parishioner, Mary O'Hara, he led the praying of the Rosary on the day parishioners of St. Irenaeus were praying in Cypress. He also celebrated a Mass for Mary on the same day Mass was being offered for her at St. Irenaeus Church. Mary O'Hara was a staunch supporter of Catholic Charities



Pictured are about 60 people who traveled on the Carnival Cruise Ship Miracle in February, 2015, including members of Catholic Charities Auxiliary Chapter II and St. Vincent de Paul, family, friends, parishioners and others. Photo courtesy of Diane Halal.

Auxiliary and was Director of Chapter II for many years and she had encouraged people to join the cruise to raise funds for Catholic Charities prior to her passing.

Fr. Patrick also celebrated joyous occasions with two couples who were on the cruise who celebrated their 51st Wedding Anniversaries. Fr. Patrick congratulated and blessed the Renewal of Wedding Vows of Gary and Patti Moore, parishioners of St. Irenaeus Church in Cypress, John and Jeanette Barrares, parishioners of Holy Family Church in Leisure World. Fr. Patrick also anointed and blessed everyone, including the ship's crew, during a Healing Mass.

Diane Halal, Assistant Director of Chapter II of Catholic Charities and host of the Fundraising Cruise, said that she was most impressed with the testimonial Fr. Patrick gave about how he became a priest after living a very financially successful life as a businessman. All the riches he had in his earlier life did not bring the happiness he now experiences as a priest. He shared the joy with which he lives as a priest as he offered daily Mass

with everyone on board the ship. Halal said that Fr. Patrick helped to make the cruise a spiritual journey also, and witnessing his enthusiasm for living his life doing God's Will was inspirational!

Halal said that everyone enjoyed the great weather they had and wonderful food on board the ship. She thought it was a great opportunity to visit and learn about different cultures and make new friends. People could watch whales swimming by or choose to go snorkeling to see amazing fish. Of course, some chose to just stay on board the ship and sleep, relax, or participate in activities on the ship.

Halal was ecstatic that so many people came on this cruise that she is already planning for another cruise in 2016. Diane enjoys going on cruises and said that it was "an easy way to raise funds for a charity while having fun on a vacation." Diane said that the next cruise that she is planning for is a cruise to the Caribbean. For more information about the Fundraising Caribbean Cruise for Charities in February of 2016, contact Diane Halal at 562-596-3162.

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Overall, total revenues are expected to reach \$39.3 million versus total expenditures of \$36.6 million for an operating surplus of \$2.7 million during the 2014-15 Fiscal Year.

General Fund expenditures were \$12.3 million or 42.0 percent of budgeted appropriations. General Fund expenditures are projected to decrease by approximately \$256,000 below budgeted levels in a continued effort to limit costs.

Sales tax revenue is projected to increase \$237,000 or 2.6 percent above the budgeted revenue mainly due to strong sales from businesses located in the City’s industrial area and the continuing economic recovery.

Measure I revenues were \$2.2 million at mid-year. It is projected to be \$4.6 million at year end, an increase of \$500,000 or 6.9 percent above the conservative budget estimate. This funding source is planned for neighborhood infrastructure repairs such as Phase I which is nearing completion and Phase II which will begin by early June. Residential Street Phase III is entering the preliminary design phase.

Property tax revenue was \$1.9 million. Property tax is projected to be close to the budgeted figure of \$5.3 million, and has remained stable overall with home values posting modest gains.

Intergovernmental revenue is projected to be \$4.7 million or 6.3 percent above the original budget. Reimbursements from the County of Los Angeles for Splash Energy Enhancements and the railroad sound study are anticipated in the current fiscal year.

The City is also continuing to make progress on a number of capital projects budgeted this year. Measure I Street Improvement Phase I, Foster Park Phase IV are very near completion.

The Imperial Highway median and streetscape improvement project was completed earlier this year. Improvements were made to the Neff Park playground equipment and walkways. The marquees were replaced at City Hall and Behringer Park.

Upgrades were made to La Mirada Boulevard medians. The Santa Gertrudes Avenue and Hillsborough Drive slurry seal and restriping project and the Alondra Boulevard pavement project were also completed.

Measure I Phase 2 construction is anticipated to start in the late spring. A street rehabilitation project within the Industrial Area is in the preliminary bid phase.

Several civic parking facilities in the community will receive enhancements

and intersection improvements and a traffic signal upgrade for the intersection of Imperial Highway and Telegraph Road is set to begin this summer.

La Mirada Events

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The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$511,292.18 (Estimated good through 4/5/15). Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. 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If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site http://www.qualityloan.com, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-14-652822-JP. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. 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Date: Quality Loan Service Corporation 411 Ivy Street San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 714-730-2727 Or Login to: http://www.qualityloan.com Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No.: CA-14-652822-JP IDSPub #0080798 4/17/2015 4/24/2015 5/1/2015

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-14-652822-JP Order No.: 12-0115949 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/2/2008. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, legal fees and costs, charges and expenses of the undersigned trustee ("Trustee") for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): NATHAN PARAMESWARAN, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY. Recorded: 4/10/2008 as Instrument No. 20080618506 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California. Date of Sale: 5/8/2015 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$323,207.12 The purported property address is: 12547 BRANDO ST, CERRITOS, CA 90703 Assessor's Parcel No.: 7054-014-070 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. 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If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (714) 508-7373 or visit this Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com using the file number assigned to this case F14-00085. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. DATE: 3/19/2015 Assured Lender Services, Inc. Cherie Maples, Vice President of Trustee Operations Assured Lender Services, Inc. 2552 Walnut Avenue Suite 100 Tustin, CA 92780 Sales Line: (714) 573-1965 Sales Website: www.priorityposting.com Reinstatement Line: (714) 508-7373 To request reinstatement and/or payoff FAX request to: (714) 505-3831 THIS OFFICE IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. P1136370 3/27, 4/3, 04/10/2015

Trustee Sale No. F14-00085 Loan No. SUAREZ/RIGOS Title Order No. 109512 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 09/01/2013 AND MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BELOW UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashiers check (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States) (payable to Assured Lender Services, Inc.), will be held by a duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, legal fees and costs, charges and expenses of the undersigned trustee ("Trustee") for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor(s): Ornelis Suarez and Jaime Rios Recorded: recorded on 09/09/2013 as Document No. 2013132095 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California; Date of Sale: 04/17/2015 at 09:00AM Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$425,897.25 The purported property address is: 11936 Yearling Street, Cerritos, CA 90703 Legal Description: Lot 39 of Tract No. 25921, in the City of Cerritos, As per map recorded in Book 762 pages 23 to 25 inclusive of maps, in the office of the County Recorder of said County Assessors Parcel No. 7055-015-012 The beneficiary under the Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell Under Deed of Trust (the "Notice of Default and Election to Sell"). The undersigned caused the Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. 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CITY OF LA MIRADA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR
RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL REFUSE SERVICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the La Mirada City Council will conduct a public hearing in order to allow comments from residents and businesses regarding adjustment of the franchise fee for residential and commercial refuse rates and service. The City will review and discuss proposed adjustments in the City's refuse rate schedule.

The hearing will be held on June 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California, 90638. All interested persons are invited to attend and public testimony will be heard at that time.

Additional information on refuse rates and services can be obtained by calling the City's Recycling Coordinator at (562) 902-2372. In compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, individuals in need of special assistance at the public hearing should contact the City Clerk at (562) 943-0131, extension 2309 three days prior to the date of the hearing.

Anne Haraksin, City Clerk
 City of La Mirada

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CITY OF CERRITOS
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
NOTICE TO BIDDERS OF THE
STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON BECHARD AVENUE ALLEY,
PALM STREET, PARK STREET AND PARKSIDE AVENUE
PROJECT NO. 13053, BID NO. 1206-15

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cerritos, County of Los Angeles, State of California, hereby invites sealed bids for the following:

“STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON BECHARD AVENUE ALLEY, PALM STREET, PARK STREET AND PARKSIDE AVENUE, PROJECT NO. 13053, BID NO. 1206-15.”

The work or improvement to be performed on the Bechard Avenue alleys, Park Street, Parkside Avenue, and Palm Street generally consists of unclassified excavation, installation of base and asphalt concrete, cold milling 2" of existing asphalt concrete (AC), crack sealing the existing AC, and construction of a 2" AC overlay. Additional improvements also include the removal & replacement of deficient curbs & gutters, sidewalks and wheelchair access ramps; adjustment of utilities to grade; and re-stripping of stop bars.

Sealed bids shall be delivered to the City Clerk of the City of Cerritos at or before **11:00 AM on April 29, 2015**, at the office of the City Clerk, City of Cerritos, First Floor, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Bloomfield Avenue at 183rd Street, Cerritos, California 90703 and marked **“STREET IMPROVEMENTS ON BECHARD AVENUE ALLEY, PALM STREET, PARK STREET AND PARKSIDE AVENUE, PROJECT NO. 13053, BID NO. 1206-15.”**

A set of Contract Documents, including the Plans and Specifications, may be purchased at the Engineering Division of the City of Cerritos for \$10.00 (\$15.00 if mailing is requested). There will be no refund for return of the Contract Documents. Return of such documents is not required.

The City of Cerritos reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or portions of any and all bids, or waive any informality or irregularity in a bid to the extent allowed by law.

No bid will be accepted from a contractor who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 9, Division III of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California. The contractor must possess a license of the following classification at the time the contract is awarded (and must maintain this license classification through completion of the project): **“A”** or **“C12”** is required. The bidder's attention is also directed to Section 7028.15 of the Business and Professions Code.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1776, et al. of the Labor Code of the State of California, the Director of Industrial Relations for the State of California has determined the general prevailing rate of wages and employer payments for health and welfare, vacations, pensions and similar purposes applicable to the work to be done. These rates shall be the minimum rates for this project. Rates are available on the Internet at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD>. In addition, the information can be obtained by calling the Division of Labor Statistics and Research's Prevailing Wage Unit at (415) 703-4774, or by faxing the Prevailing Wage Unit at (415) 703-4771, or by writing to: California Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Labor Statistics and Research, Prevailing Wage Unit, P.O. Box 420603, San Francisco, CA, 94142.

By order of the City of Cerritos

Dated/posted/published: April 17, 2015

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JUDY ANN HURD
Case No. BP161758

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

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Kenneth Hurd in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Kenneth Hurd and Kimberly A. Hurd be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on May 7, 2015 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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

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

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

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

Attorney for petitioner:
MISTY L COLWELL ESQ
SBN 151436
333 W BROADWAY
STE 100
LONG BEACH CA 90802

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-14-609853-AL Order No.: 140009077-CA-API YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 3/20/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. 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Trustor(s): MICHAEL J CHAVEZ, A MARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE & SEPARATE PROPERTY Recorded: 3/30/2007 as Instrument No. 20070747991 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California; Date of Sale: 5/14/2015 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: At the Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, in the Vineyard Ballroom Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$445,208.62 The purported property address is: 13412 BIOLA AVE., LA MIRADA, CA 90638-2953 Assessor's Parcel No.: 8041-009-017 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. 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12PM NO LIMIT HOLD'EM DEEPSTACK
\$65 BUY-IN - 10K STARTING - \$2,500 GUARANTEE
MONDAY - FRIDAY MAY 1ST - 15TH

\$150 MAIN EVENT MEGA SATELLITES
SUNDAY MAY 3RD - TUESDAY MAY 12TH
NIGHTLY AT 8PM - TWO \$1,650 SEATS GUARANTEED

\$240 MAIN EVENT MEGA SATELLITES
WEDNESDAY MAY 13TH AT 5PM & 8PM*
THURSDAY MAY 14TH AT 2PM, 5PM & 8PM*
FRIDAY MAY 15TH AT 8PM*
TEN \$1,650 SEATS GUARANTEED IN EACH

DAILY 6 HANDED SINGLE TABLE SATELLITES
NOON - MIDNIGHT

OVER
\$1.5 MILLION
IN GUARANTEES

#	DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT	GUARANTEE	BUY-IN
1	FRI	5/1	5PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM	\$50,000	\$175
2	SAT	5/2	11AM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM	\$50,000	\$350
3	SUN	5/3	1PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM KNOCKOUT BOUNTY [○]	\$100,000	\$350
4	SUN	5/3	5PM	FACEBOOK EXCLUSIVE NO LIMIT HOLD'EM	\$25,000	\$75
	SUN	5/3	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	2 Seats	\$150
5	MON	5/4	2PM	OMAHA 8 OR BETTER	\$25,000	\$350
6	MON	5/4	5PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM DOUBLESTACK TURBO ^{**}	\$20,000	\$240
	MON	5/4	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	2 Seats	\$150
7	TUE	5/5	2PM	H.O.R.S.E.	\$25,000	\$350
8	TUE	5/5	5PM	7 HANDED NO LIMIT HOLD'EM	\$20,000	\$350
	TUE	5/5	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	2 Seats	\$150
9A1	WED	5/6	1PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM [*]	\$250,000	\$240
9A2	WED	5/6	5PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM [*]		\$240
	WED	5/6	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	2 Seats	\$150
9B1	THU	5/7	1PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM [*]		\$240
9B2	THU	5/7	5PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM [*]		\$240
	THU	5/7	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	2 Seats	\$150
9C1	FRI	5/8	1PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM [*]		\$240
9C2	FRI	5/8	5PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM [*]		\$240
	FRI	5/8	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	2 Seats	\$150
9D1	SAT	5/9	1PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM [*]		\$240
9D2	SAT	5/9	5PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM		\$240
	SAT	5/9	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	2 Seats	\$150
10	SUN	5/10	1PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM KNOCKOUT BOUNTY [○]	\$50,000	\$240
11	SUN	5/10	5PM	POT LIMIT OMAHA 8 OR BETTER w/ Rebuys & Addon	\$20,000	\$125
	SUN	5/10	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	2 Seats	\$150
12	MON	5/11	2PM	OMAHA 8 OR BETTER	\$25,000	\$570
13	MON	5/11	5PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM w/ Rebuys & Addon	\$20,000	\$125
	MON	5/11	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	2 Seats	\$150
14	TUE	5/12	2PM	STUD 8 OR BETTER	\$25,000	\$350
15	TUE	5/12	5PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM 8 HRS & TIME TO CHOP	\$20,000	\$350
	TUE	5/12	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	2 Seats	\$150
16	WED	5/13	2PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM	\$100,000	\$350
	WED	5/13	5PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	10 Seats	\$240
	WED	5/13	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE TURBO For \$1,650 Seats	10 Seats	\$240
	THU	5/14	2PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	10 Seats	\$240
	THU	5/14	5PM	MEGA SATELLITE For \$1,650 Seats	10 Seats	\$240
	THU	5/14	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE TURBO For \$1,650 Seats	10 Seats	\$240
17A	FRI	5/15	1PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM MAIN EVENT 1A	\$500,000	\$1,650
	FRI	5/15	8PM	MEGA SATELLITE TURBO For \$1,650 Seats	10 Seats	\$240
17B	SAT	5/16	1PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM MAIN EVENT 1B		\$1,650
18	SAT	5/16	5PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM ^{**}	\$50,000	\$1,100
	SUN	5/17	1PM	NO LIMIT HOLD'EM MAIN EVENT ^{Final Day}	WINNER TO RECEIVE A \$10K 2016 ^{WPT} ^{IAPC} SEAT	

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