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## Hews Media Group-Community News Investigation

# Questionable State Bid Process Leaves California HIV/AIDS Community In Jeopardy

### Award goes to out-of-state company with less experience costing an additional \$9 million

By Brian Hews

Allegations of corruption and bribery are surrounding the California Department of Public Health/Office of AIDS (CDPH/OA) bidding process of the states' massive AIDS Drug Assistance Program contract, with the award going to an out-of-state company that will charge \$9 million more over the term of the agreement.

ADAP assists over 30,000 Californians living with HIV who completely rely on the program

for access to health insurance and lifesaving medications.

Hews Media Group-Community News has obtained documents that show the CDPH/OA blatantly and purposely violated several sections of the state's Public Contract Code, the State Contract Manual, the Request for Proposal Process (RFP), and violated the Freedom of Information Act governing public records requests in awarding a no-bid contract to A.J. Boggs, a Michigan based company, over Oakland based

and minority owned Ramsell, who has administered the ADAP program for over 19 years.

Shockingly, the documents show that Boggs' bid for the entire contract was over \$9 million more than Ramsell's.

In addition, many AIDS organizations and doctors across the state are extremely concerned about the transition to Boggs. According to the documents, this is the first time Boggs will implement a system to administer ADAP.

The organizations include

Access Support Network of San Luis Obispo and Monterey Counties, San Ysidro Health Center, AIDS Project Los Angeles, Los Angeles LGBT Center, Project Inform San Francisco, AIDS Foundation, and the San Francisco Department of Public Health.

The original ADAP RFP was sent out on October 20, 2015 and followed state guidelines using a 1,000-point allocation system to award the bid.

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The CDPH's bidding process of the states' massive AIDS Drug Assistance Program was awarded to an out-of-state company that will charge \$9 million more over the term of the agreement.

## 2012 Utility Tax Helping Bellflower Move Forward With Economic Programs

By Tammy McDuff

The Temporary Utility User's Tax Oversight Board [TUUTOB] held their second update and report Tuesday, July 19, 2016.

The City of Bellflower amended its Utility Users' Tax ordinance, which received voter approval on November 6, 2012. The ordinance amendment increases the tax percentage for electricity, gas, and telecommunications from five (5%) to seven (7%). The seven (7%) percentage tax takes effect on April 1, 2013, and shall be reduced back to five (5%) on April 1, 2018.

The purpose of the TUUTOB is

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## Cerritos Regional Chamber and City Officials Open Aria Apartment Homes



The City of Cerritos and the Cerritos Regional Chamber of Commerce joined with VIPs' of the Picerne Group on Thursday to officially open the Aria Apartment Homes. Photo Tammy McDuff.

## FPPC RULING

# Commerce Councilwoman Tina Baca Del Rio Embezzled Campaign Funds for Personal Gain

By Brian Hews

The Fair Political Practices Commission slammed Tina Baca Del Rio this past week with a record \$104,000 fine as a result of a 2013 Hews Media Group-Community News exclusive expose involving her campaign finance statement reporting.

The violations by Baca Del Rio included failure to timely file and properly disclose financial activity on her campaign statements, and failure to disclose 22 late

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## CARE MUSICAL & ART EXCHANGE HELPS LOW TO MODERATE INCOME FAMILIES

By Tammye McDuff

Care Musical & Art Exchange, Inc. [CMAE] is a non-profit organization, which was established to help nurture the talents of children and teens from 8 to 18 years old from low to moderate-income families. "Our mission," says Founder Jerry Warner, "is to provide financial assistance to gifted and talented youth in the Greater Los Angeles and Orange County areas for the purpose of furthering their fine arts education and cultivating their musical and artistic abilities."

CMAE is proud to release the date for their first Annual Benefit Concert Series to be held Saturday, October 1st 2016 at the Whittier Community Center.

An event for all ages, the series will feature live music, vendor booths, offering a family friendly night out.



James Monsivais, center, receives a \$500 donation from CMAE to fund his trip to Denver, Colorado. Monsivais is a talented guitar player who is currently being mentored by Jeff Piper, the City of Whittier's Chief of Police.

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Special performances by Micky Saunders & Friends, a Beatles Tribute Band and musical program from the Whittier Boys & Girls Club will start the evening. 'The Bigsby's', featuring City of Whittier's Chief of Police Jeff Piper, will perform and 'Redwood Down' featuring CMAE Co-Founder Jamie Schramm will present a unique performance.

Warner has a passion for giving kids an appreciation for the arts. His organization wants to provide financial assistance to gifted and talented youth.

One such young musician is 15 year-old James Monsivais. Monsivais is a talented guitar player who is currently being mentored by Jeff Piper, the City of Whittier's Chief of Police.

He was asked by the City of Whittier

to perform at the All America City Awards in Denver, Colorado in June of this year. CMAE was able to donate \$500 to Monsivais and his family to help offset the cost of the trip.

Tickets to the Benefit Concert Series are on sale now. Cost is \$25 before August 1st, and \$35 after that. Food will be provided by El Tepeyac Mexican Restaurant. Opportunities remain to become a sponsor at the Platinum, Gold, Silver or Bronze level. For more information please contact (562) 708-9922 or email [info@caremusicalart.org](mailto:info@caremusicalart.org). CMAE is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Your donation may be tax deductible.

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## Gateway to Growth Healthy Organizations Create Healthy Communities

By Tammye McDuff

For the past three years, Kaiser Permanente Downey has partnered with the Center for Nonprofit Management to support Southeast Los Angeles area nonprofits with a program called Gateway to Growth [GTG]. As part of the GTG program, Kaiser Permanente has helped to coach nonprofit leaders in areas of Human Resources, Finance, and Process Improvement.

Kaiser Permanente / Center for Nonprofit Management held a mini round table July 11, 2016 as part of their Gateway to Growth seminar series.

Believing that healthy organizations create healthy communities, Kaiser has established an exclusive collaborative training opportunity that has been made available to local non-profits at a no-cost invitation.

The session held July 11th, was specifically targeted toward preparing an engaging and effective financial presentation. MaryHarte, Communications Specialist for Kaiser Permanente--Downey Medical Center noted, "While local non-profits are laser focused on building their capacity and pursuing diverse fundraising strategies, training for nonprofit CFOs is virtually nonexistent. Kaiser Permanente Downey has recognized this need and is ready to help."

Kaiser Permanente / Downey CFO, Kevin Chen, held training for non-profit CFOs, showing them how to discuss finance through stories--not just data. Attendees were given tools to better manage finances, received ways to be

more direct when speaking with internal stakeholders, and how to be better equipped in communicating to a board of directors.

Local non-profits who attended the seminar included Community Family Guidance Center in Cerritos, Spiritt Family Services in Whittier, and Umma Clinic in South LA.

Wende Nichols Julien, Executive Director for the California Conference for Equality & Justice [CCEJ] provides education services and conflict resolution services in the community, schools, police departments all within the Kaiser Permanente service area. The CCEJ provides services to teachers and students on campus to help reduce violence as the ultimate outcome. The organization addresses hostility, as well as racial and gender bias. The idea is to give both teachers and students a neutral setting to discuss those subjects that could be considered taboo. Julien says that Gateway for Growth has been invaluable in dealing with issues in a very human manner, being able to focus on building relationships and trust within the community. "I have a lot of degrees, none of which are in finance," laughs Julien, "being the ED of a medium size non-profit, I have to do everything including finances, which I have had to learn completely on the job. Gateway To Growth and Kaiser have leveraged information they already have to be able to help me and the organization do better."

Spiritt Family Services, Controller Mary Para Flores says, "In our organization we all wear many hats. The ability to pick up the phone and speak with those that we have met through GTG and get advice from others has been very beneficial."

"In the finance world of Kaiser," says Chen, "we are obligated to do community benefit work. Every year we look at

See **GATEWAY TO GROWTH** page 15

## CITY COUNCIL HONORS OUTSTANDING STUDENT



Rushabh Doshi, 17, holding proclamation with his family at last week's Cerritos City Council Meeting. Photo city of Cerritos.

The Cerritos City Council recently recognized Rushabh Doshi, 17, who enters Johns Hopkins University as a junior this fall to major in public health.

The aspiring doctor attended Whitney High School and was part of the California State University, Los Angeles, Early Entrance Program, which provides opportunities for qualified students as young as 11 years old to take college classes on

campus. After a rigorous summer session, Rushabh was one of 31 students selected to enter the Early Entrance Program's matriculating class. He was also accepted to conduct research at Cornell Medical School in New York City.

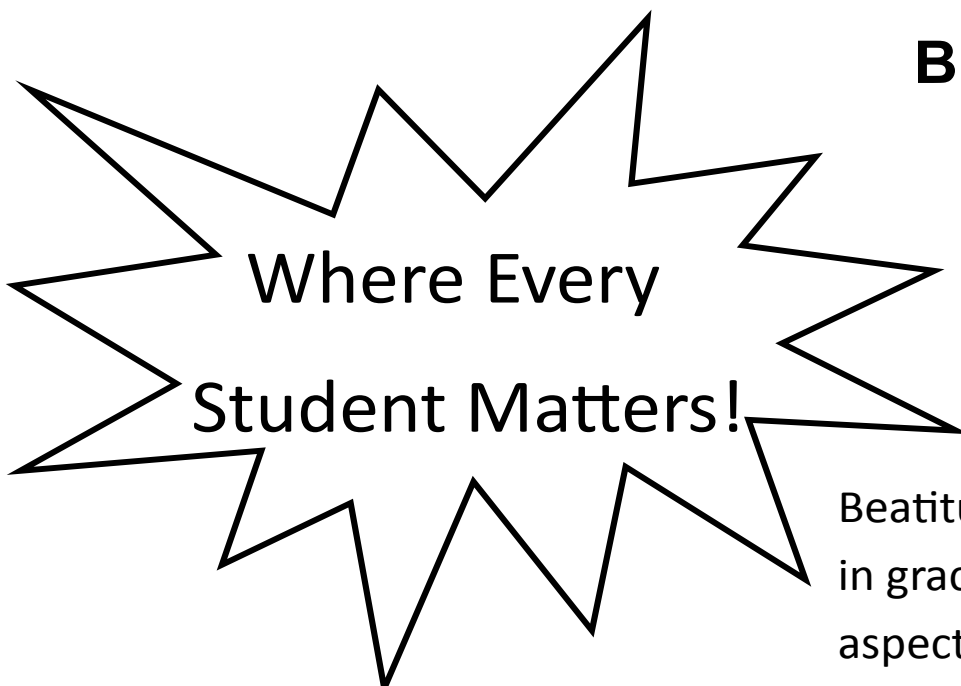
Rushabh plans to do research at Johns Hopkins Hospital and is preparing for the Medical College Admissions Test.

## Los Al Medical Center Auxiliary Awards \$13,000 in Scholarships

LOS ALAMITOS, CA -The volunteer auxiliary at Los Alamitos Medical Center recently awarded over \$13,000 in scholarships to local students. The college-bound students were enrolling in Cypress College, Golden West College, California State University at Long Beach, Mount St. Mary's, Charles Drew University, Northern Arizona University, Biola University,

California State University Fullerton, and California State University San Marcos.

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The Office of the Assessor was previously required to assess the value of business personal property, such as furniture and equipment, worth more than \$2,000. However, in many of these assessments, the cost of completing the assessment exceeded the property tax

collected. Raising the minimum limit would completely eliminate property tax bills for many small business owners.

“Today’s vote will allow my staff to refocus our efforts on larger assessments while dispensing with a requirement that costs the County money and creates challenges for business owners,” said Prang. “In fact, approximately 50,000 business owners will see combined property tax relief of roughly \$3.2 million.

Joseph Kelly, Treasurer and Tax Collector, is also supportive of this increase because of the positive impact to taxpayers. “Small or low dollar billings are easy for taxpayers to overlook or forget about when updating their billing address. If bills go unpaid, taxpayers incur penalties and costs, as well as a potential tax lien.”

### Centenarian is Honored by Cerritos City Council



Marge Rosenberg, Cerritos own centenarian, was honored by the Cerritos City Council with a Certificate of Recognition at the July 14, 2016 council meeting. Mayor George Ray, at the beginning of the meeting, announced that there was a very special resident in attendance, Marjorie Rosenberg who turned 100 years young July 5th. “Usually we ask those receiving recognitions to come up to the dais, however, when you turn are one hundred years old, we will come to you!” She also received a Certificate of Recognition from the office Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia. Photo and caption by Tammy McDuff.

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### Norwalk-La Mirada Unified Graduate Earns Prestigious National Merit Scholar Award



La Mirada High School valedictorian Lawrence Koh gives his commencement speech on July 17 in front of his peers. Koh was recognized as a National Merit Scholar, and will attend University of California, Berkeley.

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#### Staff Report

LA MIRADA, CA – La Mirada High School graduate Lawrence Koh was recognized as a National Merit Scholar, a distinction awarded to about 7,500 of the 1.5 million students who take the PSAT each year.

Koh will attend UC Berkeley, where he will pursue a medical degree with plans to focus his career on battling cancer.

“Cancer is a complex disease that affects so many lives,” Koh said. “For me, it represents one of the highest challenges of medicine and is something I can dedicate a lifetime to.”

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation, established in 1955, is a nationwide scholar program that identifies talented American youth and encourages them to develop their skills. Students apply and are admitted through a combination of PSAT scores, academic record and extracurricular achievements. National Merit Scholars are awarded \$2,500.

Koh is also a National AP Scholar—the highest award given for passing

eight Advanced Placement exams with a score of at least 4 on each – and senior class valedictorian. He delivered his commencement speech at La Mirada High on June 17, celebrating the diversity of all graduating students, not only those recognized for their academic excellence.

“Lawrence represents the caliber of his classmates and the District as a whole,” NLMUSD Superintendent Dr. Hasmik Danielian said. “Earning the National Merit Scholarship is an honorable achievement, and I wish Lawrence the best of luck in his future.”

A community of teachers, counselors and friends helped to guide Lawrence in his ambitions, which are inspired by father, a hematologist, and his older brother, who is also pursuing medicine at Berkeley.

“Lawrence is an inspiration to the students of our District and an example of what they can accomplish,” NLMUSD Board of Education President Karen Morrison said. “We’re excited to watch him fulfill his dreams and move on to the next phase in his life.”

# BIOLA APPROVED FOR PROVISIONAL NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP

Staff Report

LA MIRADA, Calif. --- Biola University's application for membership into the National Collegiate Athletics Association (NCAA) Division II has been approved for the three-year membership process.

"We couldn't be more excited about the news of joining the NCAA Division II," said Biola University President Barry H. Corey. "Membership will allow Biola to become part of an organization that aligns closely with our vision and values. I believe we have a great deal to offer one another."

Approval by NCAA officials is the culmination of a several-year effort on the part of Biola administrators. After careful consideration of the value of changing athletic affiliations, the Board of Trustees voted in January of 2015 to pursue NCAA membership. Under the leadership of Biola Director of Athletics Dr. Bethany Miller, the University prepared and submitted its application in January of this year, and underwent an NCAA campus review in April.

Biola, which has been affiliated with the National Association for Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) since 1964, has seen its accomplishments on the field increase in recent years. The university reached an athletic milestone last season when for the first time in program history its teams earned a spot inside of the top-10 in the Learfield Sports Directors' Cup rankings. In addition, Biola's athletic teams won five Golden State Athletic Conference championships during the 2015-16 season.

The Eagles will continue as an active member of the GSAC conference and the NAIA for the 2016-17 school year while completing Provisional Year One with the NCAA. Beginning in Provisional Year Two

(2017-18), Biola will join the Pacific West (PacWest) Conference and compete with schedules made up of NCAA opponents. With successful completion of Provisional Year Three (2018-19) of the membership process, the Eagles will gain full, active NCAA DII membership and become eligible to compete for NCAA Division II championships beginning as early as 2019-20.

The PacWest Conference is made up of 14 member institutions and sponsors 15 NCAA Division II sports. The conference is made up of institutions based in Southern California, Northern California, Hawaii and Utah. Biola will join a conference featuring former GSAC rivals Azusa Pacific, California Baptist, Concordia-Irvine, Fresno Pacific and Point Loma.

"The NCAA Division II is a great fit for Biola University," said Miller. "The strong emphasis on student-athlete academic success, community engagement, and competitive excellence aligns with our philosophy to develop student-athletes in Christlike character and to thrive at Biola and beyond. We have much to accomplish during our Provisional Membership period, and we are committed to becoming a model Division II institution."

Biola Athletics sponsors 19 varsity intercollegiate athletic programs (nine men's, 10 women's). Over the past five seasons Biola's athletic teams won 10 GSAC championships and four GSAC tournament championships, sending 44 different teams to their respective NAIA national tournaments. Over the previous three years, Biola's student-athletes have accumulated 102 NAIA All-American honors and 234 all-conference honors.

"Biola is ready for the next era of competition in intercollegiate athletics," said Corey.

## Hawaiian Gardens Summer Food Service Program

The City of Hawaiian Gardens will participate in the United States Department of Agriculture's Summer Food Services Program. This program is designed to provide healthy, delicious meals for children under the age of 18.

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## In-Home Care Options for U.S. Veterans and Their Spouses

Qualified participants can receive tax free income for in home care services.

By Edna Ethington

U. S. Veterans and their spouses are invited to a free educational presentation about the Veterans Aid and Attendance Benefit Program on Monday, August 29, 2016, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at St. Irenaeus Parish Hall, 5201 Evergreen Avenue in Cypress.

Presented in association with Comfort Keepers, guest speaker will be Neta Wenrick, a Community Outreach Coordinator with KNR Consulting Group.

The Veterans Aid and Attendance Benefit can be used by U.S. Veterans, their spouses or both married veterans to pay for In-Home Care service.

Attendees will learn about who qualifies, war period eligibility, documents required, information on how to apply, possible monthly pension benefit amount, and what physical and health conditions of the veteran qualify the veteran for the program.

For those who qualify, the Veterans Aid and Attendance Benefit would provide a supplemental tax-free income for wartime veterans and their spouses, solely to be used for In-Home Care services.

Neta Wenrick has a Master's Degree in Healthcare Administration and a Bachelor's Degree in Music Education.

She has worked for the past 30 years

with older adults and has served as Assistant Program Director at the Institute of Geropsychiatry at the Los Alamitos Medical Center for five years.

She was also Director of Marketing for Regency Home Care for the past two years.

Wenrick will be available for further discussion during the Question and Answer period following her presentation.

All U.S. Veterans and their spouses are encouraged to attend this presentation on Veterans In-Home Care Benefit Program so that they will already have pertinent information if and when they will need it in the future. Reservations are not required for this free educational presentation.

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## 89 Bellflower Unified Students Receive Free Glasses After Mobile Clinic Visit

Staff Report

BELLFLOWER - Eighty-nine students from Albert Baxter Elementary School received free eyeglasses Tuesday from nonprofit Vision To Learn, the third vision assistance program at a Bellflower Unified campus funded by the Rotary Club of Bellflower in just over a year.

The program began with a visit from a mobile clinic in which optometrists from Vision To Learn, which provides vision services to children in low-income communities, identified prescription needs. Then, on June 14, Vision To Learn and the Rotary Club returned to Ramona with glasses for the students.

The Rotary Club of Bellflower began sponsoring the visits in 2015, with 102 students at Washington Elementary receiving glasses in May. In February, the Rotary Club funded a mobile clinic visit to Ramona Elementary School, where 68 students received glasses.

"We are truly thankful for the generosity of Bellflower's Rotarians



Baxter Elementary School students celebrate the delivery of new eyeglasses on June 14, 2016. Eighty-nine students received free glasses thanks to the Rotary Club of Bellflower, Vision To Learn and Caring Connections.

as they continue to step up to help the students of our community," Bellflower Unified Superintendent Dr. Brian Jacobs said. "This is a gift that will resonate throughout these students' lives and which emphasizes the powerful of community partnerships."

The events have been facilitated by Caring Connections, a nonprofit dedicated to helping meet the needs of children and families in the Bellflower Unified School District.

One in four adolescents in the U.S.

suffers from common vision ailments that can be corrected with glasses. Studies show students with proper eyeglasses participate more in school, demonstrate better behavior and dramatically improve their self-confidence.

"Any time we can eliminate a barrier to learning, we have helped our students take another step on the path to success," Board of Education President Dr. Paul Helzer said. "I'd like to thank the Rotary Club and Caring Connections for helping our students past this hurdle."

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## Lynwood Councilwoman to Run for Central Basin Water Director Seat

Staff Report

NORWALK—Today, Maria T. Santillan-Beas, the first Latina to be elected to the Lynwood City Council by voters back in 2003, pulled papers at the County Registrar-Recorder's Office to start campaigning for the District 4 seat in the upcoming 2016 Board of Directors Election for the Central Basin Municipal Water District.

The seat is currently held by Lectica Vasquez, who's tenure has been marked by major controversy.

The Central Basin Municipal Water District is managed by a five-member Board of Directors. The terms of three of the current Board of Directors expire in December. Santillan-Beas is vying for the seat, which serves the cities of Lynwood, South Gate, Florence-Graham, Willowbrook and portions of Compton and Carson.

Santillan-Beas was first elected to the

Lynwood City Council in a 2003 Special Election. She then campaigned and was the highest vote-getter in the official 2005 municipal election. Since then, Santillan-Beas was re-elected by voters in the following two elections. Santillan-Beas, the mother of two daughters and one son, is now serving her last four-year-term on the Lynwood City Council. Her term expires in November 2017.

"It has been an honor to serve the City of Lynwood these last 13 years, unfortunately, my time as a member of the City Council has come to an end," said Santillan-Beas. "Fortunately, there are other ways in which I can continue serving my community and other communities nearby. After careful consideration, and a lot of community support, I have decided to run for the Central Basin Municipal Water District. My term limit on the Lynwood City Council is up, but it doesn't mean that my commitment to my community has ended too. My constituents in Lynwood know that I love serving the community and if elected to the CBMWD's Board of Directors for District 4, voters in the communities served by the Central Basin Municipal Water District will get to know me and my commitment to the people."

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# Shooting at Artesia Graduation Party

By Brian Hews

One man was killed and two others were hurt at an Artesia graduation celebration.

Four people hit a back yard graduation party in Artesia Saturday night and opened fire killing one man and wounding two, L.A. County Sheriff's Deputies said.

The shooting occurred about 10 PM in the 18000 block of Alburdis Avenue.

One man was pronounced dead at the scene and two other men were taken to a hospital with injuries.

Detectives are still investigating whether anyone at the party knew the men who opened fire. All three of the gunshot victims were attending the party.

## Weekly Crime Summaries

### La Mirada

To report a crime in progress, call 9-11 or the Community Sheriff's Station at (562) 902-2960. Be a good witness and gather as much information as possible, such as a description of the suspect, license plate information, and direction of travel. Never put yourself in danger by intervening with a crime in progress.

#### Other Structure Burglary

Cash was stolen after the front door to a business was pried open during the early morning hours on the 14300 block of Valley View Ave.

A burglary was reported on the 15900

block of Alicante Rd. The exact loss has yet to be determined.

Pry marks on a door were reported on the 15800 block of Imperial Hwy. No entry was made into the facility.

#### Vehicle Burglary

A power drill was reported stolen on the 15900 block of Alicante Rd.

A purse was reported stolen sometime in the early afternoon hours during a window-smash burglary near the intersection of Stamy Rd. and Las Flores Ave.

A window was pried open during the early evening hours on the 12000 block of Santa Gertrudes Ave. A purse was stolen from the vehicle.

#### Grand Theft

Numerous containers of baby formula were reported stolen from the 15200 block of Rosecrans Ave.

A laptop, wallets and various other personal items were reported stolen from two vehicles on the 13600 block of Sand Creek Ct.

#### Grand Theft Vehicle

A report for a stolen trailer was taken from the 14700 block of Artesia Blvd.

A report of a vehicle on fire near Glengarry Dr. at Highpoint Dr. was called in during the early morning hours of July 9. The vehicle had been reported stolen from the Irvine area and was recovered.

### Cerritos

There were 32 Part I felony crimes reported in Cerritos this past reporting period, resulting in an increase of 14 from the previous week. The following is a breakdown of crimes by category: two robberies, two aggravated assaults, four residential burglaries, four commercial/other structure burglaries, four grand thefts, nine vehicle burglaries, and seven vehicle thefts. Cerritos Station deputies

made three felony arrests, 11 misdemeanor arrests, six warrant arrests, and issued 46 citations. The Sheriff's dispatch center also received a total of 417 calls for service.

#### Robbery:

Norwalk Boulevard & Silva Place (07/05 - Afternoon): The suspect approached the victim from behind as she was walking down the street. The suspect grabbed the victim's purse and the victim held onto it. A struggle ensued and the victim lost her grip on her purse. The suspect fled on a bicycle. A short time later the suspect was spotted and arrested.

13300 block of Artesia Boulevard (07/09 - Evening): The suspect contacted the victim after he had placed an item for sale on "Craigslist." The victim and the suspect met in the parking lot of the location. The female suspect was looking at the "for sale" item when a male suspect exited the rear of the female suspect's vehicle holding a handgun. The victim saw the male suspect and ran away, leaving behind his own car and the item, which were both stolen by the suspects.

#### Aggravated Assault:

239 Los Cerritos Center (07/06 - Afternoon): The suspect left his infant child in the car while he went shopping. A store employee saw the child and quickly dialed 911. Fire responded and safely removed the child from the car. The suspect was arrested. The child was not injured.

12700 block of Castleford Lane (07/08 - Evening): The victim and the suspect are roommates who got into an argument. The suspect shot a Taser dart at the victim's face, striking him. The suspect was arrested a short time later.

#### Residential Burglary:

16700 block of Shenandoah Avenue (07/03-04 - Unknown): The suspect(s) entered the attached garage of the home and stole a floor jack. Entry was made

through the rollup garage door that was left open.

12400 block of Pinegrove Avenue (07/06 - Evening): The suspect(s) entered the home through the rear sliding door that was left unlocked. Stolen were valuables and electronic devices.

20100 block of Mapes Avenue (07/08 - Evening): The suspect(s) entered the home by shattering the rear sliding door. Stolen were valuables.

12300 block of La Jara Lane (07/08-09 - Unknown): The suspect(s) entered the home by shattering the rear sliding door. Stolen was a safe.

#### Commercial/Other Structure Burglary:

13300 block of Artesia Boulevard (07/04 - Morning): The suspect entered the location by shattering the front door. The suspect attempted to steal a safe.

15900 block of Piuma Avenue (07/04 - Evening): The suspect(s) entered the location by prying open the front door. Stolen were electronic devices, e-cigarettes, and a register.

11500 block of South Street (06/08-07/08 - Unknown): The suspect(s) entered the location, while it was open for business, and broke into several candy machines. Stolen was U.S. currency.

13700 block of Artesia Boulevard (07/09-10 - Overnight): The suspect(s) entered the location by shattering the side door. Stolen was the register.

#### Grand Theft:

18800 block of Belshire Avenue (06/30-07/01 - Unknown): The suspect(s) stole valuables from the home.

13300 block of Artesia Boulevard (07/02 - Evening): The suspect attempted to steal the air/water dispenser from the location.

239 Los Cerritos Center (07/10 - Afternoon): The suspects entered the store, while it was open for business, walked to

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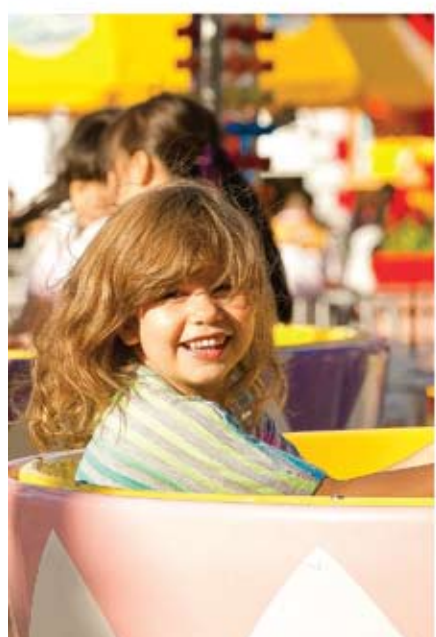
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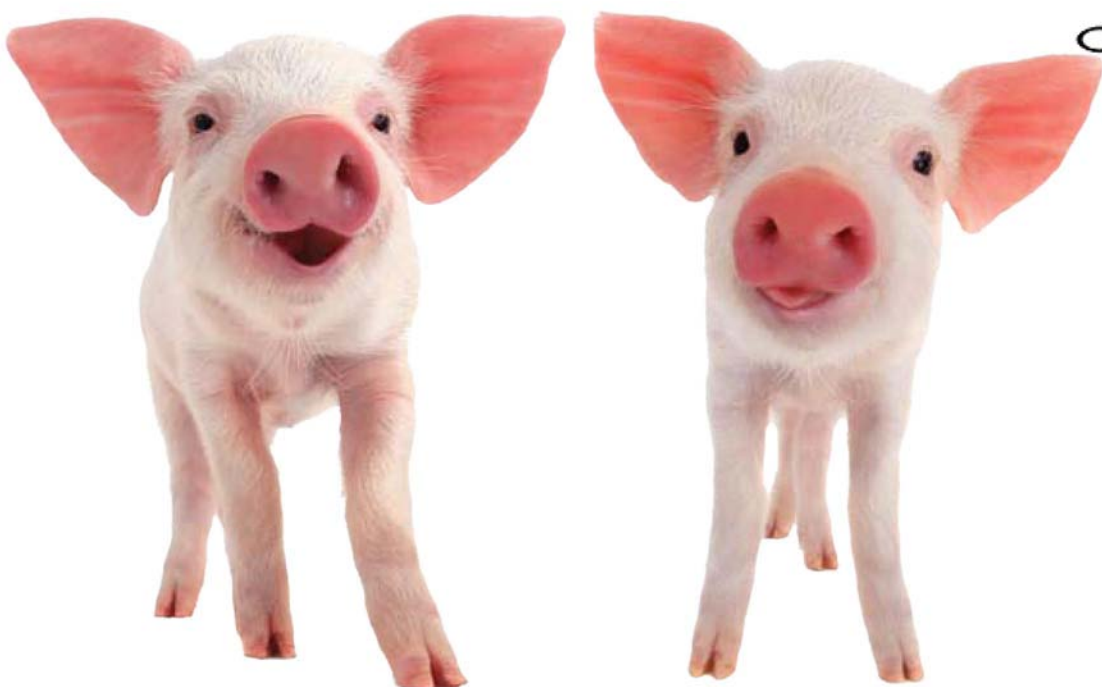
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<b>6. Toshonnie Baker</b>	<b>SS/OF</b>	<b>North Torrance High/University of Hawai'i, Hilo</b>
7. Alexis Lopez	C/3B	Los Osos High
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 Second of double elimination bracket games: Tuesday, July 26  
 Championship game for Platinum Division: Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m. at Deanna Manning Stadium, Colonel Bill Barber Park, Irvine

**HISTORY OF ARTESIA PUNISHERS GOLD TEAMS AT THE PGF NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

(Double elimination playoff games only)  
**2013**  
 Lost 6-1 to the (Hillsboro) Oregon Thunder  
 Lost 9-7 to the (Chandler) Arizona Hotshots  
**2014**  
 Lost 5-4 to the Salinas Storm  
 Lost 5-2 to the (West Hills) Southern California 3D  
**2015**  
 Lost 10-7 to the (Salem, OR) Northwest Batbusters  
 Lost 6-5 to the (Sugarland, TX) Aces Express

team that we've built for a couple of years," said manager Bob Medina. "We expect to do well [at Nationals] and that's what we're looking forward to."

"Every year we're adding kids for our next year," Medina continued. "We're starting to recruit now. So we're trying to put them together. The ones that we were trying to put together for this year, we had to give up a little because we only had a few seniors. But this year, everyone is onboard and it looks like everybody is healthy and it's a surprise to me."

This hasn't been a normal summer by Medina's standards as he has not had a full complement of his team, or even half of his team at times. Four of his veteran players-Toshonnie Baker, Veronica Garcia, Lauren Sabihon and Alexis Sargent-were part of the North Torrance High squad that won a California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section Division IV championship and had to miss several PGF Qualifier games because of that, as well as school celebration obligations. Other senior players also missed some PGF Qualifier games because of senior functions from their respective schools. But now, Medina has his entire team together for probably the first time in a while.

The Artesia Punishers 18 Gold travel softball team will be making its fourth straight appearance in the Premier Girls Fastpitch National Championship. But unlike the previous three trips, the Punishers will be seeing their first win in the double elimination bracket games, having gone two and out in 2013, 2014 and 2015. This season, the Punishers are built with a hodgepodge of veteran players who have played in the aforementioned PGF National Championship games, as well as some younger players who have been gaining valuable experience over the past several months.

"This year is nice; we have a

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"If you have all of your older players together and all of the players that we need... we do have a younger team and that younger team was with us," Medina said. "I think the team that we have on the field now is the one that we're going to go with."

The pitching staff will be anchored by veterans Leah Gonzales and Jackie Vargas, both of whom have had experience playing for Medina's team at the PGF National Championship, as well as a pair of young, but ready to go hurlers in Yamila Evans, Brianna Garrett and Quincy Greenwood.

"We're loaded there because we have Leah, we have Bri, we have Jackie, we have Yami and we have Quincy," Medina said. "We have the depth and some of them are young and some of them are older. The older ones are not going to get as flustered; the younger ones will. I feel very confident."

The infield is one of the best that Medina has fielded with Baker at third base, Summer Bodkin at shortstop, Alexxis Ponce at second and Shayna Dahlen, Veronica Garcia or Gonzales at first, depending on who is pitching. Dahlen could also see some time behind the plate. This will be the third straight trip to the PGF National Championship for Baker and Ponce.

The same can be said for Sabihon, who will most likely patrol centerfield. Sargent will be in left field while right field is up for grabs right now, according to Medina. Last year, the Punishers

18 Gold team had half a dozen players who were returning to the PGF National Championship. This year, there are 12 returning players.

"They've already been to Nationals they've been flustered," Medina said of his veteran crew. "They have something to prove. It took us two years to get them to this point and last year maybe wasn't the team. This year is the team because they're more mature and older. All of them understand the way we play softball. So, it's going to be very fortunate for us."

As for the younger players, Medina said the biggest improvements over the past several months have been Vargas, for her pitching, and Evans and Alexis Lopez for their hitting. Medina is hoping to win his second national championship. The first came back in 2007 when his squad won the Amateur Softball Association '18-A' National Championship, losing just one pool play game and going undefeated in the bracket portion.

"Everybody's ultimate goal is to win the whole thing," Medina said. "You don't go in there to say, 'hey, we just want to go three games and we're good'. We're going to compete with everybody there and what I want to accomplish is to work hard and play hard against every team. It would be nice to qualify this year [for next year's National Championships] so that we can build a team for next year."

## Whitney High's Iseri goes on a trip of a lifetime, learns a lot about Fukushima

By Loren Kopff  
@LorenKopff on Twitter

To say that Ashley Iseri has had a jam packed summer would be a huge understatement. In between all of the tournaments and games she has played in for her California A's travel softball team, the soon to be Whitney High senior recently went on a trip to Japan.

But this just wasn't any ordinary summer vacation to the Land of the Rising Sun. Iseri was one of five students who went to Fukushima to see how the residents of that city and the region are coping five years after a 6.6 magnitude earthquake, plus a tsunami ravaged the area. Iseri found out about the trip from her cousin, Sydney Suzuki, who went on the same trip last summer. After telling her about the trip towards the end of last summer, Iseri was sold and wanted to go this summer.

Iseri had to apply through the Japan government and fill out a lot of paperwork. She signed up with the Nanka Fukushima Kenjinkai, a group located out

of Torrance which deals with people who have ancestry from Fukushima. She had to write a little about why she wanted to go and what she would take away from this experience, but more importantly, she had to tell the group that she has relatives in Japan.

Iseri was one of five accepted to participate in the Homestay program with the other four being from Hawai'i and from the Honolulu Fukushima Kenjinkai. Iseri only had to pay for the flight and a few meals while in Japan.

"It's a once in a lifetime experience because if I were to go to Japan on my own, it would cost a lot of money," Iseri said. "I figured this would be a good opportunity to get to see Japan and get to meet some of my relatives."

Iseri turned in her paperwork in late May and was notified very soon after that. She left on June 28 to go to Hawai'i for a few days before proceeding to Japan and came back home on July 9 (she left Japan on July 8). Upon arrival, Iseri spent the first night in Ueno, Japan, then toured a couple of cities before spending the rest of the trip in Fukushima. While in Japan, the small group had a very tight schedule but still went to several places in Fukushima, some of them the more touristy parts, but other places to learn how the locals recovered after the earthquake and the disaster from the Fukushima power plant.

"We visited a city called Izu, and there's a company where

ladies, after the disaster, started a company where they made stuffed animal bears which I actually bought one," Iseri said. "It was kind of expensive, but it was worth it. They basically explained how they recovered after the earthquake and what impact it had on them."

"Pretty much almost every single place that we went to, the owner or someone who worked there, would give us a presentation on how the earthquake and the nuclear power plant explosion affected them and how they recovered from that," she continued.

Iseri, who was making her first visit to Japan, said she met about 10 family members in Fukushima and marked the first time she ever met any of them while staying at great, great uncle's house.

"I think it got me more towards my heart when I saw it in real life," Iseri said of seeing the area. "And I think it was really great to actually meet my family. I'm glad they were okay. They weren't really affected by it as much as other people we met. But I'm just glad to meet my family and I'm glad to know a little bit more about where I came from."

"Driving towards the coastline, we saw on the side of the road a lot of trash bags that have the soil that has been contaminated with radiation. I remembered hearing the tour guide say they're still trying to

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**PUBLIC HEALTH**

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Consistent with government regulations, the actual monetary bid for the contract, the "Cost Calculation," was weighted at 75% (750 points) and "Technical Calculation" requirements were weighted at 25% (250 points).

The term of the ADAP RFP was three years with two one-year extensions.

**Cost Calculation**

Ramsell's bid was \$900,000 per year, with no increase over the five-year term.

A.J. Boggs' bid was \$4,699,585, almost \$3.8 million more than Ramsell's in year one.

For reasons unknown, the amount dropped to \$2,212,563 in year 2; \$2,208,767 in year 3; \$2,211,532 in year

4; and \$2,235,012 in year 5.

All tolled for the three years, Ramsell's bid was \$2.7 million and Boggs was \$9,120,159.

For the five-year term, Ramsell's bid was \$4.5 million and Boggs was \$13,567,459, a staggering difference of \$9.067 million.

Under the RFP guidelines, point allocation to Ramsell, the lowest bidder, would have been 750 points, while Boggs would have received 296 points using a state mandated formula.

This initial Cost Calculation would have effectively ended the bid process in favor of Ramsell.

That is until the Procurement Officer for the CDPH/OA, Jeffrey Mapes, inexplicably and illegally changed the terms of the RFP, setting into motion the eventual no bid award to Boggs.

On Dec. 3, 2015, two months after the ADAP RFP was issued, Mapes suddenly reversed the RFP's priorities and allocated the Technical Calculation at 75% and the Cost Calculation at 25%.

No reason was given for the changes.

In doing so, Mapes and the CDPH/AO knowingly violated sections of the Public Contract Code and Sate Contract Manual to favor Boggs' bid.

With the new format, Ramsell, the lowest bidder, received the maximum 250 points and Boggs received 120 points.

But even the 120 points given to Boggs was in error, staff at the CDPH/AO seemingly could not perform a simple math calculation nor correct an error.

Under the formula, the total points given to Boggs should have been 72.5 not 120, and that error was one of the reasons Boggs' won the contract.

But there was more.

**Technical Calculation**

The Technical Calculation allocation raised even more serious questions about the legitimacy and legality of the award process.

Boggs, who has not implemented a system as required by ADAP, received 730 points.

Ramsell, who has maintained a fully functioning system for ADAP for over 19 years, inexplicably received only 534 points.

Similar to the Cost Calculation, included in the Technical Calculation totals was another very questionable allocation.

There were three levels within the Technical Calculation that, if attained, would garner 150 total additional points.

Despite identical features between the two companies, the CDPH/OA gave Boggs 150 points and shockingly gave only 25 points to Ramsell.

Even after all the calculations, illegal changes, and simple math calculation errors, the CDPH/OA awarded the contract to Boggs on Mar. 4, 2016 and sent an email to Ramsell officials informing them of the Boggs award.

Not yet knowing about the contract fiasco, Ramsell immediately submitted a public records request for all documents related to the Boggs bid.

Mapes and the CDPH/OA stalled the production of the documents, and in doing so violated the Freedom of Information Act.

The FOI Act dictates that a public records request must be answered within ten calendar days. If the agency cannot gather the required documents within 10 days, they must send a letter by the 10th day asking for an additional 14 calendar

days, for a total of 24 days.

Ramsell made its request Mar. 7, 2016, Mapes and the CDPH/OA did not issue a 10- day letter and waited 17 days to answer.

On March 24, Ramsell was given a DVD, but it was blank.

Informed the DVD was blank, Mapes sent another DVD Mar. 28, but the DVD contained only summary sheets.

Conveniently missing was the actual evaluation and forms used to allocate points, another violation of the FOI Act.

When Ramsell officials read the DVD, they found out why those documents were missing.

**Ramsell Was the Winning Bidder**

The summary documents showed that Boggs point total was 880, while Ramsell's point total was 834.

But the Boggs total included the simple math error from the Cost Calculation. The 120 points awarded should have been only 72.5, a difference of 47.5 points.

That difference would have lowered Boggs total to 832.5 (880-47.5) giving the contract to Ramsell who came in at 834 points.

But that did not matter to the CDPH/AO or Mapes.

In addition, Ramsell was certainly entitled to receive the same amount of points, 150, for attaining the three levels within the Technical Calculation as Boggs received.

Instead, Ramsell was awarded 25 points.

Giving Ramsell its rightful total of 150 points, the company would now have a total of 959, eclipsing Boggs total.

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a display table and placed several articles of clothing into their purses. The suspects quickly exited the store.

17900 block of San Gabriel Avenue (07/10 – Morning): The suspect(s) entered the victim's unlocked vehicle and stole a purse and cellphone.

**Vehicle Burglary:**

19700 block of Lusk Avenue (07/05-06 – Unknown): The suspect(s) entered a 2016 Honda Accord parked at the residence and stole a pair of eyeglasses and sunglasses. It is unknown how entry was made.

11100 block of Gonsalvez Street (07/05-06 – Unknown): The suspect(s) entered a 2000 Honda Accord parked on the street in front of the residence by prying open a window. Stolen was a jacket.

16500 block of Marquardt Avenue (07/05-06 – Unknown): The suspect(s) entered a 2009 Interstate Victory trailer in the parking lot by cutting the padlock off the rear door. Stolen was a battery charger.

12700 block of Center Court Drive (07/06-07 – Unknown): The suspect(s) entered a 2008 Chevrolet Tahoe in the parking lot by breaking the door lock. Stolen was the third row seat and sunglasses.

11400 block of South Street (07/07 – Evening): The suspect(s) entered a 2009 Hyundai Sonata parked at the residence by shattering a window. Nothing appeared to be stolen.

10900 block of Alondra Boulevard (07/08 – Morning): The suspect(s) entered a 1997 Chevrolet Express in the parking lot by breaking the door lock. Stolen were tools.

16900 block of Judy Way (07/08-10 – Unknown): The suspect(s) entered a 1995 Volkswagen Eurovan parked at the residence and stole a backpack and a speaker. It is unknown how entry was made.

12500 block of Peppercreek Lane (07/09-10 – Overnight): The suspect(s) entered a 2009 Audi A4 parked at the residence and stole an electronic device. It is unknown how entry was made.

239 Los Cerritos Center (07/10 – Evening): The suspect(s) entered a Chevrolet Tahoe in the parking lot by punching the door lock. Stolen was the third row seat, tools, and a GPS device.

**Grand Theft Auto:**

13400 block of Naoma Lane (07/03-06 – Unknown): The suspect(s) stole a 1989 Nissan Pathfinder from the driveway of the residence.

239 Los Cerritos Center (07/06 – Evening): The suspect(s) stole a 1997 Honda Accord from the store parking lot.

16300 block of Piuma Avenue (07/07-08 – Unknown): The suspect(s) stole a 2001 Ford E350 from the business parking lot.

11200 block of 183rd Street (07/08 – Early Morning): The suspect(s) attempted to steal a 2004 Chevrolet Avalanche from the restaurant parking lot.

18100 block of Bloomfield Avenue (07/08 – Morning): The suspect(s) attempted to steal a 2003 Chevrolet Venture parked at the bus stop.

13300 block of Artesia Boulevard (07/09 – Evening): The suspect(s) stole a 2007 Chevrolet Impala from the store parking lot.

16700 block of Yvette Way (07/10-11 – Overnight): The suspect(s) stole a 1991 Honda Civic parked at the residence.

**Artesia Chamber of Commerce Hosts Ribbon Cutting at Brooklyn Pizza**



Artesia Mayor pro tem Ali Taj and Councilwoman Sally Flowers at the Brooklynz Pizza ribbon cutting.

By Edward Kang

Brooklynz Pizza, located on 11809 Artesia Blvd in Artesia, recently officially opened up its doors to the public with a ribbon cutting ceremony hosted by the Artesia Chamber of Commerce.

The restaurant received recognition from Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe, Congresswoman Linda Sanchez, State Senator Tony Mendoza, and Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia.

Additionally, the event was attended by Artesia pro tem mayor Ali Taj, councilmember Sally Flowers and other community and business leaders.

Owner Gurpal Sood, having experience with opening up several restaurants in the past, saw the need for a higher quality pizza offering in the area that exceeds its fast food competitors. He hopes to do his part in providing good food that the surrounding community will appreciate. For first timers, he recommends the meat

lovers pizza for a savory treat and also emphasizes how good the vegetarian pizza is as well. Moreover, Brooklynz offers two slices of any pizza and a drink for just \$6.50, a great deal considering the quality and size of the slices themselves.

Going into the restaurant, one could tell the effort put into making its theme and atmosphere distinctively New York. With its brick walls and contemporary city photos, I could personally almost feel as if I were in the Big Apple itself eating authentic New York pizza. Furthermore, going off of other customers' reactions that day, many others feel the same and greatly enjoyed their experience there.

Overall, the ribbon cutting was a success as the samples given out were met with enthusiasm from the many attendees. Sood, an Artesia native for thirty years, has once again opened an innovative restaurant which strives to offer the surrounding community a new experience of pizza.

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ISERI

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buy the land from the owner so that they can put the soil near a plot of land near the nuclear power plants," Iseri later added.

Unlike other trips similar to the one Iseri just went on, especially high school or junior high trips where the students have to do some type of assignment based on the experiences they just had, which could include a paper being written, Iseri doesn't have to do any type of report on her trip. The only thing she has to do is simply get the word out about Fukushima and where they are five years removed from the disaster.

"I would say don't listen to the terrible rumors that you've heard, and just go to Fukushima to see it for yourself if you really want to know," Iseri said. "I went and it was probably the best trip of my lifetime."

She adds that the Fukushima government planned the trip excellent and she got to see a lot of Fukushima in a short amount of time. Iseri indicated that she wants to go again and upon arriving back to the United States, the group of five began planning another trip to Japan.

"The sad part is you can only really know about this program from your friends and relatives who actually are in this program," Iseri said.

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to assist the City in restoring and / or maintaining services which include neighborhood Sheriff's patrols; local Sheriff's substation; gang prevention/enforcement; graffiti removal; school safety/after-school programs; pothole repairs; and other services through the Economic Development Department [EDD].

The EDD is working to bring new life and tourist dollars into the City by

reaching out to retailers and developers. Staff is working to bring a new four-star hotel to be located on Artesia Boulevard, new coffee houses, the relocation of Riccis Italian Deli and ongoing construction of the L.A. County Fire Museum.

The Economic Development Department plans, coordinates, promotes and manages the City's programs to support economic expansion. Efforts include public and private development projects, business outreach, recruitment and retention; and marketing programs. The Department focuses on coordinating and implementing comprehensive development projects that will hopefully have a positive impact on the City and ultimately increase property values, community beautification and improved quality of life for residents. Housing, Grants, and Public Affairs are also workings of the department. In addition, the Department provides staff assistance to the Temporary Utility Users Tax Oversight Board.

The TUUTOB currently has \$1,562,829 available under Measure P. These funds, as explained by the EDD help to fund Bellflower Summer events such as Food Trucks & Flicks; Summer Streetfests and the annual Bellflower Car Show. The funds also support Bellflower Recreation in Motion [BRIM] program, which brings games and activities to the underserved neighborhoods within the City. The program has actually seen an increase in children's participation and served over 5,000 children last year.

The Utility Users Tax sustains Bellflowers Public Safety programs by adding two full time positions for Patrol Deputy's, one part time probation officer, a new park surveillance camera system, a mobile automatic license plate recognition system, radar trailer and aids with Deputy overtime for additional crime control. National Night Out also receives funding from the Users Tax, which will be held August 2nd at Thompson Park beginning at 6:00 pm.

A Restaurant Assistance Program [RAP] supports establishments that

need to apply for a Conditional Use Permit for the acquisition of Alcoholic Beverage Control licensing. The brand new Kalaveras eatery was approved for the program and will open their doors in August. The second element of the RAP is to help restaurants apply and receive grant funding for interior upgrades, plumbing, electrical or façade renovations. The ever popular Marino's Italian Restaurant is currently working on their application.

In an effort to bring in affordable housing, the City, Partnership Housing Inc. and Habitat for Humanity are constructing six affordable housing units on Ramona Street. All six have been sold with one home being reserved for Veterans.

BACA DEL RIO

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contributions of \$1,000 or more in 14 separate cases.

But the violations that could catch the attention of District Attorney Jackie Lacey involve Baca Del Rio's personal use of campaign funds.

HMG CN spoke to several law experts who indicated that the DA could hit Baca Del Rio with felony embezzlement charges.

During 2011, Baca Del Rio reported that she made a \$6,000 loan to the committee.

The FPPC "repeatedly asked for evidence to substantiate the loan but none was provided."

During that time, Baca Del Rio "repaid" herself by transferring over \$8,000 from the committee into her personal bank account through a series of 14 transfers.

Further, the committee paid for two charges at Lowe's for \$418 and \$960 that was not disclosed on her committee statements.

According to a FPPC interview, Baca Del Rio indicated she was "remodeling her kitchen and her husband accidentally used the committee bank card for the expenditures at Lowe's."

Later, Baca Del Rio tried to backtrack

telling the FPPC that she later "deposited \$1,500 in cash into the committee," but, according to the FPPC, "the source of the cash could not be confirmed nor was any evidence found to substantiate the repayment."

All tolled, Baca Del Rio personally used and never repaid \$9,500 out of her various campaign finance committee accounts, which the DA could possibly prosecute as embezzlement.

In their decision, the FPPC blasted Baca Del Rio saying, "while Baca Del Rio claims to have made loans to the committee and repaid the expenditure made to Lowe's, she has provided no evidence to substantiate any repayment. Personal use of campaign funds violates the trust of the contributors giving to that campaign and is a serious violation of the Political Reform Act. Baca Del Rio had ample opportunity to provide any documentation to show she made any repayments or loans to the committee, which she has not provided and no checks or other documentation supporting the idea that a loan occurred has been uncovered through our detailed investigation."

Baca Del Rio was hit with four counts of failing to file campaign disclosure statement and fined \$20,000.

She was also hit with 14 violations of failing to file late contribution reports and fined \$56,000, and three counts of failure to file annual fees and slammed with an \$8,000 fine.

Finally she was hit with 4 counts of "personal use probation" and fined \$20,000 for a record total of \$104,000 for a local elected official.

LOCAL COUPONS



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**GATEWAY TO GROWTH**

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organizations that could profit from a partnership.” Chen and Kaiser sat down with a number of people in the world of finance and identified areas in accounting and finance where other organizations

might be able to take advantage of. Chen adds “We have designed a series of courses, to try to help with financial skill sets. We have workshops on how to design templates and accounting policies, procedure manuals, and even help them to build better leadership skills.”

Sheri Bathurst, Community Benefit Manager for Kaiser noted that a few years ago, Kaiser took a closer look at the service

area of Downey Medical Center and saw that the big investors were overlooking the Gateway Cities area. “Our nonprofit center needed some capacity building, and was ‘non-profit’ poor,” notes Bathurst, “dollars were not being invested in the local service areas as compared to Los Angeles or Orange County. The compliance in grant making for Kaiser means we must have our non-profits functioning at a certain

level in order to donate to them.” Bathurst adds that these organizations were literally doing ‘God’s work’ on a non-existent budget.

Kaiser is in a unique position to educate and partner with amazing non-profits. They have embarked on a journey of speaking and listening to local non-profits, deciding what the need is and focusing on where Kaiser can be the most helpful.

**CITY OF CERRITOS  
STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
NOTICE TO BIDDERS OF THE  
CONSTRUCTION OF LIBERTY PARK  
ANNEX EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS  
PROJECT NO. 10805, BID NO. 1253-17**

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 project:

**Project Identification:** CONSTRUCTION OF LIBERTY PARK ANNEX EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS, PROJECT NO. 10805, BID NO. 1253-17

**Project Description:** The work or improvement to be performed generally consists of pavement rehabilitation; construction of a decorative block wall fence; installation of gates for trash enclosure; pressure washing the exposed concrete roof tiles; repainting the building exterior and other miscellaneous items as specified in the proposal sheets. The pavement rehabilitation and construction of a decorative block wall fence must be completed on weekdays only between August 29 and September 16, 2016. All other work shall be completed within the timeframe provided in the bid specifications, including weekends.

**Mandatory, Pre-Bid Conference:** Friday, July 29, 10:00 a.m.  
Liberty Park Annex, 19033 Studebaker Road, Cerritos, California

**Bids must be received on or before:** Wednesday, August 3, 2016, 11:00 a.m.

**Bids will be opened on:** Wednesday, August 3, 2016, 11:00 a.m.

**Place of bid receipt:** Office of the City Clerk, City Hall  
18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor  
Cerritos, California 90703  
Bids must be marked: **“CONSTRUCTION OF LIBERTY PARK ANNEX EXTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS, PROJECT NO. 10805, BID NO. 1253-17”**

All bids shall be made on the form furnished by the City and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Cerritos, City Hall.

**Obtaining Contract Documents:** 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.

Each bid shall be accompanied by bid security referred to in the Contract Documents and by a list of proposed subcontractors. Evidence of insurance, a performance bond, and a labor and materials bond as specified in the Contract Documents will be required prior to execution of the contract. In accordance with Public Contract Code section 22300, the bidder who is awarded the contract may substitute securities for retention moneys withheld by a public agency to ensure performance under the contract. The procedure and requirements for substituting said securities is set forth in Public Contract Code section 22300, which is incorporated by this reference as set forth herein.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or portions thereof, or to 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 California Business and Professions Code. 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.”** The bidder’s attention is also directed to Section 7028.15 of the Business and Professions Code for further reference. Only a contractor registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations (“DIR”) to bid on public works contracts in California shall be permitted to submit a bid. Furthermore, only subcontractors registered with the DIR to bid on public works contracts in California shall be permitted to perform work or labor or render service under subcontract to the subject contractor.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1770, et seq., of the California Labor Code, the DIR 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. Copies of the prevailing wage rates are on file at City Hall, located at 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, California, 90703, and shall be available to any interested party upon request. In addition, rates may be obtained by visiting <http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/pwd/>, calling the DIR, Division of Labor Statistics and Research’s Prevailing Wage Unit at (415) 703-4774, faxing the Prevailing Wage Unit at (415) 703-4771, or writing to: DIR, Division of Labor Statistics and Research, Prevailing Wage Unit, P.O. Box 420603, San Francisco, CA, 94142. The contractor to whom the contract is awarded, and the subcontractors under him, must pay not less than these rates for this area to all workers employed in the execution of the contract.

By order of the City of Cerritos.

Dated/posted/published: July 22, 2016

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**CITY OF LA MIRADA  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM  
LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION REPORT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the La Mirada City Council will conduct a public hearing in order to allow comments from local residents and businesses regarding the City’s annual Local Implementation Report. The City Council will be reviewing and discussing the Local Implementation Report which includes new development activity reporting. Said hearing will be held on August 9, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California 90638.

Additional information on this report can be obtained by calling the City’s Congestion Management Coordinator at (562) 902-2385. Under compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any individual in need of special assistance at the public hearing should contact the City Clerk at (562) 943-0131, three days prior to the date of the hearing.

Anne Haraksin, City Clerk

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE**  
(Division 6 of the Commercial Code)  
Escrow No. 047826  
(1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described.  
(2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: ERIC H. LIN AND YA MEI LIN, 10220 ALONDRA BLVD, BELLFLOWER, CA 90706  
(3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is:  
(4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: RICHARD JONES, 10220 ALONDRA BLVD, BELLFLOWER, CA 90706  
(5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: ALL STOCK IN TRADE INCLUDING INVENTORY, SUPPLIES, MERCHANDISE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL AND TRADE NAME of that certain business located at: 10220 ALONDRA BLVD, BELLFLOWER, CA 90706  
(6) The business name used by the Seller(s) at said location is: PIZZA USA  
(7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is AUGUST 9, 2016, at the office of SECURITY LAND ESCROW COMPANY, 10805 PARAMOUNT BLVD, STE A, DOWNEY, CA 90241, ESCROW NO. 047826, Escrow Officer: LAWRENCE GARCES  
(8) Claims may be filed with Same as “7” above.  
(9) The last date for filing claims is: AUGUST 8, 2016  
(10) This Bulk Sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial Code.  
(11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE  
Dated: JULY 13, 2016  
TRANSFEREES: RICHARD JONES  
LA1683948 LOS CERRITOS COMMUNITY NEWS 7/22/16

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE T.S. No.: 16-16288 A.P.N.: 7009-018-039 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE SECTION 2923.3(a), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO ABOVE IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 5/18/2009. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier’s check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor: ABEGAIL J. HAWAK, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Duly Appointed Trustee: Carrington Foreclosure Services, LLC Recorded 6/2/2009 as Instrument No. 20090817329 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Described as follows: As more fully described in the Deed of Trust Date of Sale: 8/18/2016 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: Vineyard Ballroom of the Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$283,298.08 (Estimated) Street Address or other common designation of real property: 11973 HERMOSURA ST NORWALK, CA 90650 A.P.N.: 7009-018-039 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. 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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Trustor, or the Mortgagee’s Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder’s rights against the real property only. THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder’s office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (800) 280-2832 or visit this Internet Web site [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com), using the file number assigned to this case 16-16288. 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: 07/12/2016 Carrington Foreclosure Services, LLC 600 City Parkway West, Suite 110-A Orange, CA 92868 Automated Sale Information: (800) 280-2832 or [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com) for NON-SALE information: 888-313-1969 Shirley Best, Trustee Sale Specialist A-4583726 07/22/2016, 07/29/2016, 08/05/2016

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF STEPHEN J. OKUBO aka STEPHEN JIRO OKUBO**  
Case No. 16STPB00694

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of STEPHEN J. OKUBO aka STEPHEN JIRO OKUBO

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Harold K. Kono in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Harold K. Kono 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 July 25, 2016 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 99 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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

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

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

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

Petitioner: Harold K. Kono  
HAROLD K KONO  
831 STATE ST  
STE 289  
SANTA BARBARA CA 93101  
CN925325 OKUBO Jun 3,10,17, 2016

T.S. No.: 9986-0045 TSG Order No.: 160089976-CA-VOI A.P.N.: 8059-009-010 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 07/25/2012. 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. NBS Default Services, LLC, as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded 08/01/2012 as Document No.: 20121134270, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: JOSE MOLINA AND ANDREA MOJICA, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable in full at time of sale by cash, a cashier’s check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the property situated in said County and state, and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. Sale Date & Time: 08/18/2016 at 09:00 AM Sale Location: Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, Vineyard Ballroom, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14018 GLADESIDE DRIVE, LA MIRADA, CA 90638 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made in an “AS IS” condition, 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: \$269,527.24 (Estimated) as of 07/15/2016. Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. 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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Ocean Blvd. Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 800-766-7751 For Trustee Sale Information Log On To: [www.auction.com](http://www.auction.com) or Call: 1-800-280-2832. NBS Default Services, LLC, Kim Coker, Foreclosure Associate This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. However, if you have received a discharge of the debt referenced herein in a bankruptcy proceeding, this is not an attempt to impose personal liability upon you for payment of that debt. In the event you have received a bankruptcy discharge, any action to enforce the debt will be taken against the property only. NPP0286106 To: LA MIRADA LAMPLIGHTER 07/15/2016, 07/22/2016, 07/29/2016

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