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CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

## VALLEY CHRISTIAN ROUTS SILVERADO, CLAIMS SCHOOL'S 3rd FOOTBALL TITLE

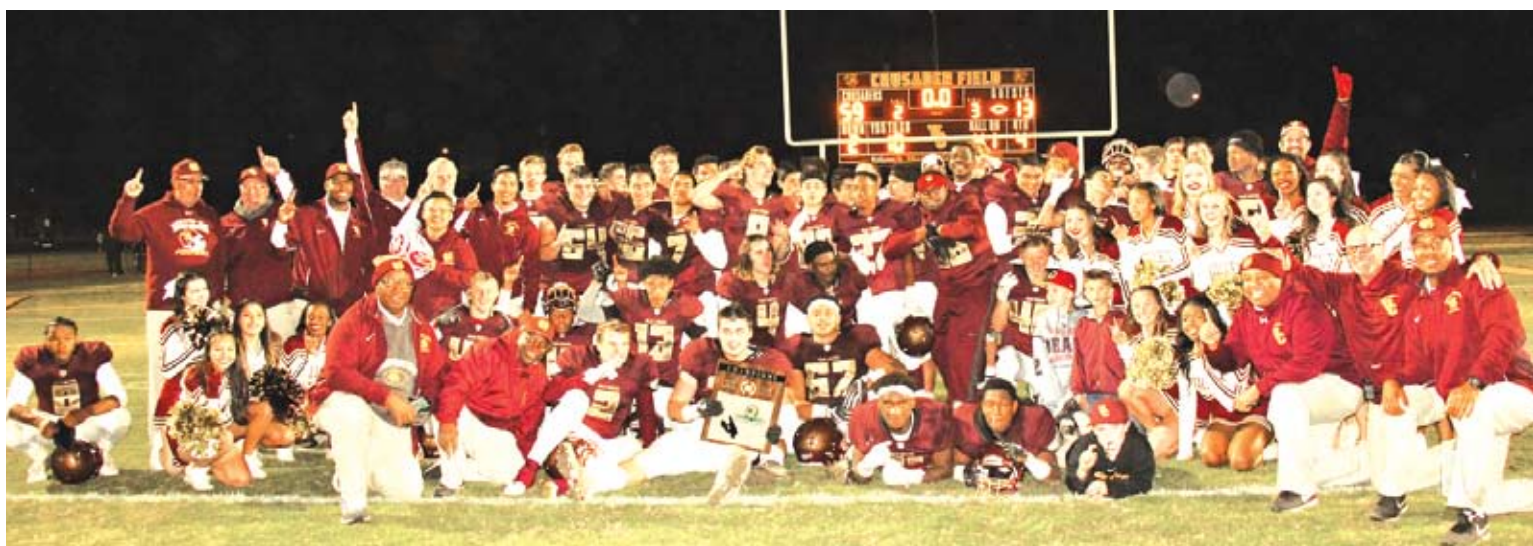
By Loren Kopff  
@LorenKopff on Twitter

When Valley Christian head coach Woodie Grayson was on the coaching staff at Mayfair High, former longtime Monsoons head coach Mike Fitch would say he's looking for that "perfect game" which is to win all three phases. Following V.C.'s 59-13 conquest over Silverado High in the California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section Division 9 championship game last Saturday night, Grayson would agree that the Crusaders played the perfect game.

The Crusaders rolled up 408 yards of total offense and held their sixth straight opponent to no more than 14 points. As V.C. was wrapping up the divisional playoffs by yielding 32 points in the past four games, the program won its third divisional football title and first since 1995. This is the first time the Crusaders had played for a divisional crown since 2002.

"We achieved the goal," Grayson said. "To get these kids to this moment and to watch them seize that opportunity, to play their best game of the year

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The Valley Christian High football team captured the California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section Division 9 championship with a 59-13 win against Silverado High last Saturday night. It's the school's third football divisional title and first since 1995. Photo by Armando Vargas.

## SECOND TO THE LAST TO LEAVE-USS ARIZONA LA MIRADA RESIDENT LAUREN BRUNER RECALLS DECEMBER 7, 1941

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

It has been called 99 minutes of hell when just before 8 a.m. on December 7, 1941, hundreds of Japanese fighter planes attacked the American naval base at Pearl Harbor near Honolulu, Hawaii. The bombardment lasted almost two hours and it was, of course, catastrophic.



Lauren Fay Bruner, Seaman Apprentice, of the USS Arizona was headed to chapel that morning when suddenly 'whomp' an indistinct sound rang out. Bruner recalls, "It sounded like thunder, and I thought it must have been the thunderclouds I had seen earlier that morning."

Bruner's biographer Ed McGrath writes in the book 'Second To The Last to Leave: USS Arizona':

'Whomp! Whomp! The teak laden steel deck, beneath Lauren, shuddered slightly. Seawater rippled between hulls. Bruner heard the shrill whining of a low flying aircraft and remembers

thinking "...some stupid flyboy's gonna get his ass kicked."

Sailors were scattering in all directions, the Japanese aircraft flew so low and close to the ships Bruner could see the faces of those men flying. "I will always remember how the enemy pilots looked. Each wore leather flying helmets and goggles, some were so close I could see them smiling" recalled Bruner.

As plane after plane flew through the harbor someone shouted "Japs! Japs!" Bruner said it took a minute or two before he could wrap his mind around the fact they were under

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## CERRITOS COUNCIL TO CONSIDER ALL-MAIL BALLOTS

By Brian Hews

The Cerritos City Council is considering an ordinance changing Cerritos municipal elections from a combination of polling places and vote by mail to complete all-mail ballots.

Sources have told HMG-CN that the Council will likely approve the ordinance.

An all-mail ballot election will be conducted by mailing an official ballot and voter information guide directly to each registered voter in Cerritos.

According to the city clerk's office, there is over 32,000 registered voters in Cerritos.

Voters will have the choice of mailing that ballot back to the

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# LA MIRADA ROTARY DONATES OVER \$5,000 TO CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY SHOPPING EVENT

Staff Report

The Rotary Club of La Mirada sponsored a Holiday Shopping Spree for children at Marshalls on Wednesday, Dec. 7.

Rotarians worked in conjunction with the Norwalk La Mirada Unified School District to identify 40 children in the community to receive special gifts during the holidays. Rotary invested nearly \$7,000 in the project for new clothing and gifts for the children. Dozens of community volunteers, including City of La Mirada staff and members of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's and Fire Departments, helped the children select clothing items they needed from lists provided by their parents.

Following the Shopping Spree, La Mirada Transit buses took the children to the La Mirada Activity Center for a holiday party. Santa Claus distributed toys to each of the children, and the Chick-fil-A cow, decked out in holiday attire, swayed to Christmas carols. The cow and helpers from the company's La Habra store brought food for the children.

"The Rotary Club of La Mirada is very busy each year at this time conducting holiday projects to assist families," says Rotary President John Lewis, a local attorney who is a member of the City's Planning Commission. "We are very fortunate to have such a great team of community volunteers who support these important projects."

Rotarians participating in the event included: Project Chairman Hal Malkin; Changhai Ahn; Jeff Boynton; Phil Bracey; Sean Bracey; Steve De Ruse;

Russell Hall; Rick Jones; Zurich Lewis; Chris Robinson, MD; Tom Robinson; Terry Smith; Mark Troughton; Lesley Watkins; and Wayne Wong, DDS.

In the days leading up to Thanksgiving Rotarians also donated some \$1,000 in turkeys, canned goods and other food items to the Good Sam Pantry at Beatitudes Church in La Mirada. Using grant funds provided by Walmart, Rotarians purchased the food at the Walmart Neighborhood Market at Imperial Highway and La Mirada Boulevard. Rotarians delivered the food to the Pantry, and volunteers distributed it to needy families. Rotarians will make another food purchase and delivery on December 15 prior to Christmas.

The Rotary Club of La Mirada performs a variety of community service projects throughout the year. The group meets on Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. at the Sizzler's Restaurant on Rosecrans Avenue in La Mirada. Visitors are welcome to attend.



LA MIRADA ROTARY HELPS CHILDREN -- Members of the La Mirada Rotary Club and community volunteers held a Holiday Shopping event at Marshalls Department store to help some 40 children in the community. Rotary volunteers raised money during the year to fund the event. Each child received \$125 in new clothing plus gifts that were distributed by Santa Claus during a holiday party at the La Mirada Activity Center.



HOLIDAY SPIRIT -- Rotary Club of La Mirada President John Lewis (l) and Los Angeles County Fire Department Captain Hugo Valdivia from Fire Station 15 help a local child select his new shoes during the Rotary Club of La Mirada's annual Holiday Shopping Spree at Marshalls.

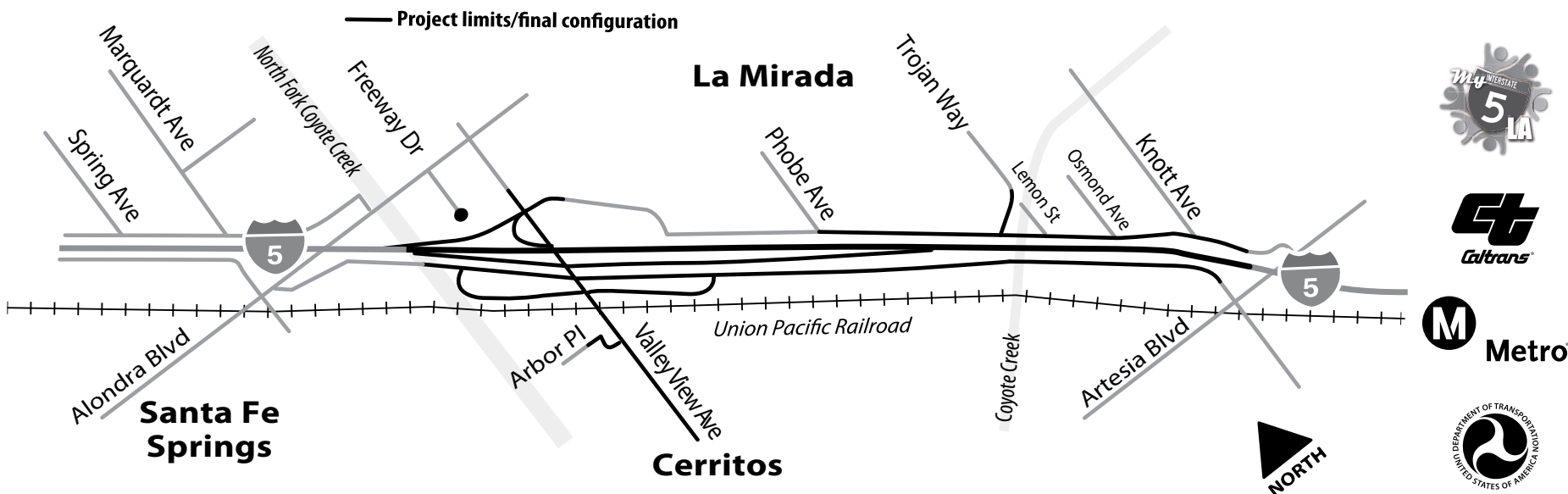
# VALLEY VIEW INTERCHANGE CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY!

**What:** The Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5) Valley View Avenue Interchange Project will widen I-5 to add one High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) or carpool lane, and one general purpose lane in each direction. The project extends from the Artesia Boulevard undercrossing to North Fork Coyote Creek approximately a mile and a half through the cities of Buena Park, La Mirada, Cerritos, and Santa Fe Springs.

**Plan Ahead:** During construction, lanes will be reduced from four lanes to two lanes (one in each direction) on the Valley View Avenue bridge over I-5 so plan ahead and leave a little early.

**When:** November 2016 through Late 2019

- Benefits:**
- Improve the overall traffic circulation along the I-5 south corridor including interchanges and ramps, as well as surface streets
  - Enhance air quality and increase safety
  - Accommodate future projected traffic demands and capacity
  - Revitalize our I-5 community



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# TRACY HIGH SCHOOL'S PEACE CLUB PACKS CARE BOXES FOR TROOPS OVERSEAS

By Tammye McDuff

For the past eight years the Peace Club [Club] of Tracy / Wilbur High School has gathered goods to ship to our military troops overseas.

Pablo Vega, Tracy Activities Director said, “We have been donating care boxes to the troops for the last eight years. The Peace Club here at the high school actually brought the idea to our attention, and every year we send out close to 90 care boxes.”

The care boxes are packed full of snack items, stationary, DVD’s and CD’s, batteries, sunscreen, chapstick and just about every other item essential to everyday needs.

Local elementary schools write letters or draw pictures and each care box receives one of each.

Principal, Jeff Green added that many of the schools in the district wanted to participate, “Hawaiian Elementary held a fundraiser and donated \$400 for the care boxes; Carmenita Middle School donated 20 boxes of goods and individual donations from parents, students and teachers have poured in from all over the district. This is the most we have ever received.”

Names and addresses of soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan are requested from the ABCUSD or from those students who have family stationed overseas.

A few years ago Green’s son was

stationed in Afghanistan as a helicopter pilot. The Club sent boxes to him, to be delivered to the troops on the ground. “My son told me these boxes were a ‘god-send’,” recalls Green, “They loved the letters from the children and bartered with each other for some of the snacks. I understand that a can of Chef Boyardee Ravioli would auction off for \$20.”

Alviso has been with Tracy High School for 42 years. The Peace Club is a voluntary group that meets during their lunch break to discuss alternatives to violence, “We talk about global issues and local issues,” adds Alviso, “we also want our students to understand you can be against war and violence, but still support our troops.”

If the community would like to donate items, the Club could use more items to keep the troops occupied such as soccer balls, hacky sacks, puzzles, games, books, DVD and of course letters. “Letters and cards to our soldiers stationed in other countries means so much to them,” says Pat Alviso, Peace club Advisor, “just to let them know we miss them, and want them to come home safely.”

Money donations are also accepted, each box sent cost \$17.90. The last possible date to contribute to the gift boxes is December 20th. Donations should go to Tracy ASB or contact 562.926.5566 extension 22201.



TRACY HELPING TROOPS OVERSEAS: Tracy Students and staff in front of the goodies collected for the troops overseas. Principal Jeff Green, third from left, who's son was stationed in Afghanistan as a helicopter pilot years ago once told his dad "the boxes were a god-send." He joked they could sell a can of Chef-Boy-R Dee for \$20 if they wanted. Money donations are also accepted, each box sent cost \$17.90. The last possible date to contribute to the gift boxes is December 20th. Donations should go to Tracy ASB or contact 562.926.5566 extension 22201. Photo by Tammye McDuff.

## DUKE'S CAR CLUB HELPS IN TOY DRIVE FOR LA MIRADA AND FIRE STATION 49



Members of Duke's Car Club with fire station 49 crew with donated toys. These toys will be distributed to children in the local community who might otherwise not have a merry Christmas. The group worked with Pastor Jack Miranda of the Living Faith Church in La Mirada.

By Tammye McDuff

La Habra Duke's Car Club once again rolled up sleeves to help the City of La Mirada and the Los Angeles County Fire Station 49 by holding a "toy drive" Saturday, November 19th in the City of Brea Toys were donated to Station 49 on Saturday December 3, 2016.

These toys will be distributed to children in the local community who might otherwise not have a merry Christmas.

Santa arrived by classic car and was introduced to all the children by Kriss FM DJ and child star Rodney Allen ‘Rippy’ of Jack -In-The Box fame.

Friends of EDCO Waste & Recycle Services donated the recyclable cardboard boxes for the toys.

Republic Waste & Recycle Services the donated recyclable trash bins at the Brea event to maintain a clean and litter free environment. SoCal Auto Spas,

Prime Motivation and PowerAll helped sponsored the event, and donated all the raffle items.

Working with Pastor Jack Miranda of the Living Faith Church, money collected will be donated to a local family in the community, to help with cloths, food, toys and possibly a tree. Miranda referred a grandmother raising her grandchildren, ages three and five as recipients. The children lost their mother in a tragic accident earlier this year. Dino’s Bomb Squad and Classic Dreams Car Clubs from Los Angeles joined in the toy drive and classic car show.

La Habra Duke's Mission Statement “To continually promote the concept and improve the image of low-riding through dedication, commitment and involvement within our organization and within our communities”

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# Metro Briefs

GATEWAY CITIES

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### Airport Metro Connector Final EIR Complete




Another significant milestone has been reached toward connecting the regional transit system to LAX. The final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for this project is now complete. Please visit [metro.net/laxconnector](http://metro.net/laxconnector) for more information.

### Metro Launches Off Peak Podcast

Off Peak celebrates the true tales and secret stories that happen between Point A and Point B in Southern California and beyond. Challenging the traditional car-centric narrative of Los Angeles, Off Peak explores the rich history and future of rail, bus, cycling, walking and all modes of getting around in LA. Listen to episodes of the podcast at [metro.net/offpeak](http://metro.net/offpeak).



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# ART ASTOR: AN APPRECIATION

By Cerritos Mayor George Ray



With great sadness I learned that Art Astor, a renowned collector and great friend to the City of Cerritos, passed away this week. I have had the pleasure of getting

to know Mr. Astor throughout the years, working together on the proposed museum/learning center in the City. Before the City came to know Mr. Astor as the great entrepreneur and collector that he was, he was a longtime friend of the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts, purchasing more than 1,000 tickets to attend numerous performances since the theater’s opening in the early ‘90s. As his relationship with the City grew, it paved the way for his eventual generous donations to the City – an impressive collection of vintage cars; 1920’s era radios, Victrolas and

record players; telephones; phonographs; televisions; an antique model train collection; and a model car collection. These items of Americana will become part of a wonderful learning center for the children of our community. It gave Mr. Astor great pride to be able to share his valuable educational resources with our youngsters. Mr. Astor was much more than a collector. He was also a veteran war hero who, during World War II, survived 30 missions over Europe as a B-29 tailgunner. He later became the owner of the Astor Broadcast Group, a

successful family of Southern California radio stations, including KSPA-AM and KIK-FM. His achievements throughout his career and life are to be held in great regard. The City of Cerritos will be forever grateful to Mr. Astor for his friendship and generosity to the City. It was a pleasure to know him, and it is the City’s hope to be able to continue his legacy with something equally as valuable and enriching as the life that he lived. The City of Cerritos offers its heartfelt condolences to Mr. Astor’s family and to all others who were close to him.

## CERRITOS EFFECTIVE PROPERTY TAX RATE AMONG LOWEST IN STATE

Staff Report

According to a recent study by the real estate website Trulia, the effective property tax rate in Cerritos is among the lowest in the state. Cerritos residents pay an effective tax rate of .6 percent largely due to Proposition 13, which was passed by voters in 1978. The measure caps property tax at 1 percent of a home’s value at the time of purchase and limits property tax increases to 2 percent a year. Because Cerritos residents have tended to remain in their homes longer than residents in other cities, they have managed to maintain a lower effective property tax rate. The high rate of home price appreciation in Cerritos also contributes to its relatively low effective tax rate. The City of Cerritos is a no-low property tax city and receives only 7 percent of the total amount of property tax paid by Cerritos property owners (approximately

\$3 million per year). The City’s total assessed valuation is approximately \$8.4 billion. Other cities receive a much higher allocation of property tax of 22 percent or more. About 30 cities which never levied a property tax before Proposition 13 are called no-property-tax cities and approximately 60 cities that levied only low property tax rates are known as low property-tax cities. “In a recent survey of the community, more than 40 percent of respondents indicated that they have lived in Cerritos more than 20 years. An overwhelming majority of the respondents, approximately 92 percent, noted that they were satisfied with the current services provided by the City of Cerritos,” remarked Cerritos Mayor George Ray. “The level of service provided to our residents is undoubtedly a contributing factor as to why so many of them have chosen to live in our City for so many years.

## CERRITOS FACILITIES CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR’S DAY

Staff Report

### Christmas Eve

City Hall, the City Clerk’s Office, Cerritos Library, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park and the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (CCPA) Ticket Office will be closed on Friday, December 23. Cerritos Library will be closed on Saturday, December 24. Community centers will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and the Cerritos Sports Complex will be open from 2 to 4 p.m. The Cerritos Swim and Fitness Center will be open for adult lap swimming from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. and for recreational swimming from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Fitness Center at the Swim Center will be open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Christmas Day All City and park facilities, including City Hall, the City Clerk’s Office, Cerritos Library, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park and the CCPA Ticket Office, will be closed on Sunday, December 25

and Monday, December 26. **New Year’s Eve**

On Saturday, December 31, community centers will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and the Cerritos Sports Complex will be open from 2 to 4 p.m. The Cerritos Swim and Fitness Center will be open for adult lap swimming from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. and for recreational swimming from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Fitness Center at the Swim Center will be open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. The community gymnasiums at Cerritos and Whitney High Schools will be closed.

### New Year’s Day

City Hall, the City Clerk’s Office, Cerritos Library, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park, the CCPA Ticket Office and all park facilities will be closed on Sunday, January 1 and Monday, January 2 in observance of New Year’s Day. The Cerritos Iron-Wood Nine Golf Course will be open on Sunday, January 1 from 6:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Overnight parking restrictions relaxed for holidays

Staff Report

Out-of-town guests visiting family and friends in Cerritos for the holidays are welcome to park overnight on Cerritos streets without a permit during the City’s annual holiday parking moratorium. No parking permit will be required from Saturday, December 10 through Monday,

January 9 for the Christmas and New Year’s Day holidays. Permits are normally required to park on City streets between 3 and 5 a.m. to help keep streets clear and allow residents and deputies to quickly spot suspicious vehicles. For more information, call the Community Safety Division at (562) 916-1266.

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# LAKWOOD REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER SUPPORTS TROOPS

OPERATION GRATITUDE CAMPAIGN ENJOYS SUCCESS

Staff Report

Lakewood Regional Medical Center was proud to sponsor an Operation Gratitude letter writing campaign in honor of our military personnel. Physicians, staff and visitors joined together to participate in this nationwide initiative that sends letters of thanks directly to service members. During the Veteran’s week campaign, Lakewood Regional Medical Center collected over 50 letters to be sent to members of the military.

“We were all inspired when Camden Wheeler, a dedicated JROTC student who participated in the campaign, shared his thoughts about his sister who is currently serving in the United States Navy,” said Lakewood Regional Medical Center CEO John Grah. “He also explained his role in JROTC which gave us an inside view into the life of an aspiring military man.”



JROTC student Camden Wheeler participated in the letter writing campaign in honor of our military personnel. Lakewood Regional Medical Center collected over 50 letters to be sent to members of the military.

The personal touch of taking time to write a simple letter of thanks can make an impact in a military person’s life. Caring for our service members can start with something as simple as letter writing. The Lakewood Regional Medical Center physicians who participated in the campaign expressed gratitude, care and heartfelt prayers for our service personnel,

inspiring others to do the same. Operation Gratitude is a nationwide initiative that sends a care package, along with 5 personal letters, to individual service members. Many of the recipients say they enjoy the letters in their boxes the most. Letters are accepted year round. For more information, visit [www.operationgratitude.com](http://www.operationgratitude.com).

# City of Cerritos to Honor Meritorious Marine Saturday December 10

The City of Cerritos "Adopted" the Marines and Sailors of the 1st Combat Engineer Battalion, stationed in Camp Pendleton, on November 11, 2007. Corporal Edgar Iturralde , a member of the 1st Combat Engineer Battalion (1st CEB), will be hosted and honored in the City of Cerritos on Saturday, December 10th at the Sheraton Hotel's Fountain Court. The public is cordially invited to attend the event, wherein the Mayor and City Council will present him with a proclamation to honor him for his exemplary military service. You will have an opportunity to personally meet and express your appreciation for Cpl Edgar Iturralde's service.

Cpl Edgar Iturralde and his wife, Cynthia, will be the guests of the City of Cerritos and Friends of the 1st CEB sponsors. Lodging and meals are complements of our sponsors: Sheraton Hotel and restaurants Grille 91, Mimi's, TGI Friday, Wood Ranch BBQ & Grill, STACKED, and the Macaroni Grill. The City of Cerritos is providing tickets to attend the Colors of Christmas

performance at the Cerritos Center. AMF Cerritos Lanes is offering free bowling during his visit.

Edgar Iturralde graduated high school in the top fifteen percent of his class, attended college for a short stint before joining the Marine Corps, graduating from Marine Corps Basic Training in May 2013. Upon graduation of boot camp, he attended Marine Combat Training and Basic Combat Engineer School before being assigned to Charlie Company, 1st Combat Engineer Battalion.

Since joining Charlie Company, Cpl Iturralde has been in First Platoon, Charlie Company, and recently attached to 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines which just returned from a deployment in Iraq in support of Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force-Crisis Response-Central Commanded 16.2. During the deployment, he was assigned 1st Team Leader and provided exceptional engineering support to Echo Company, 2/7. His day to day tasks included security operations to keep his fellow Marines safe and constructing fighting positions and shelters to provide Marines cover and concealment.

Cpl Iturralde has displayed great initiative in the performance of all duties assigned to him by his superiors, earning him the trust and confidence of his subordinates, peers and seniors.

# CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING OFFERED

Staff Report

Cerritos residents in single-family homes can recycle their Christmas trees beginning Monday, December 26 through Friday, January 13 by placing them at the curb for pick-up by 7 a.m. on their trash collection days. The trees will be composted or used for the Los Angeles County Sanitation District’s daily landfill cover.

Trees to be recycled should not contain any lights, tinsel, nails, metal stands or decorations, and should not be placed in bags. Trees more than 4 feet tall should be cut in half. Flocked trees will be accepted.

Businesses in Cerritos or residents living in apartments or condominiums can place trees next to their trash bin for collection. For more information, call the City’s Public Works Department at (562) 916-1220.

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city clerk’s office, dropping the ballot off at the city clerk’s office, or dropping the ballot off at drop off locations throughout the city on Election Day.

Residents can also vote in person at the city clerk’s office 29 days before the election, March 13 to April 11, or they can vote provisionally in person at the city clerk’s office on Election Day.

The staff report cites that all-mail ballot cities have seen an increase in voter turnout and a reduction in costs.

The report also indicated that the city would see a decrease in liabilities pertaining to the Voting Rights Act, electioneering, training and monitoring workers, and transporting ballots from the 11 ballot locations.

Finally, ballots can be counted quicker so with the change it is likely that semi-official results of the election will be available by 9 PM on Election Night.

Studies show that over the past several

election cycles there has been a significant increase in the number of Cerritos voters casting their ballots by mail.

In the past six election cycles, the majority of voters have cast their ballots by mail rather than at the polls.

The chart below left graphically illustrates the approximate number of voters who went to the polls and those who voted by mail.

Crunching the numbers further reveals a huge trend in favor of voting by mail, illustrated by chart below on right.

In 2009, 32% more residents voted by

mail than went to the polls; in 2011, 46% more residents voted by mail; in 2013, 61% more residents voted by mail; and in 2015, 63% more residents voted by mail marking an almost 100% increase in all-mail ballots over that time span.

One observer told HMG-CN, “the transition to vote by mail will logically give more people the opportunity to cast their ballots. This increase has been seen in other cities who have transitioned to complete vote by mail. It is also much cheaper and potential liabilities are removed using vote by mail.”

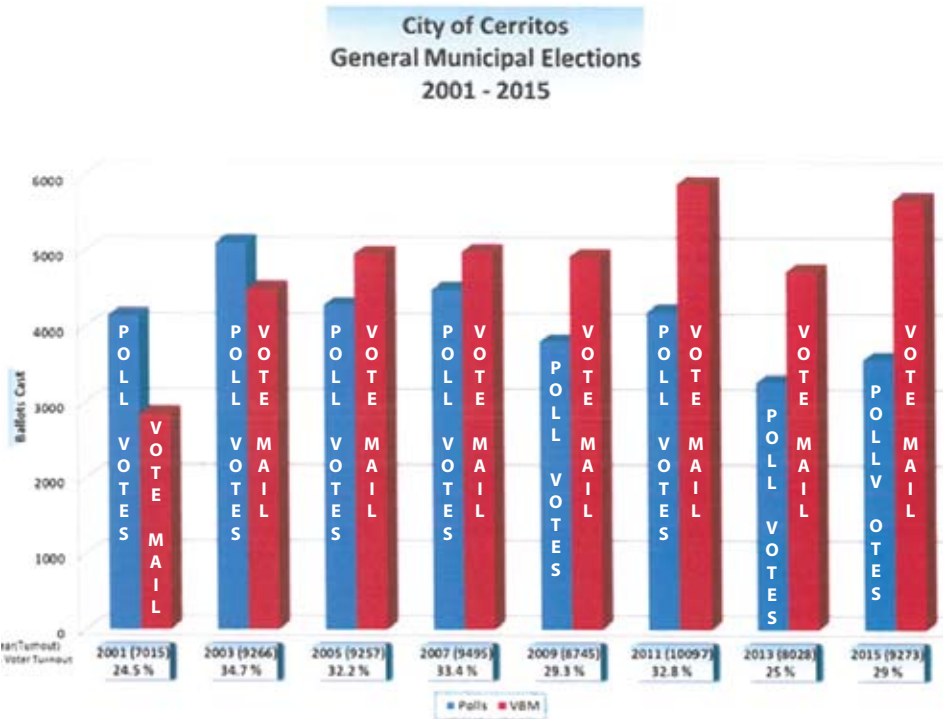


Chart showing the approximate number of voters who went to the polls and those who voted by mail from 2001-2015.

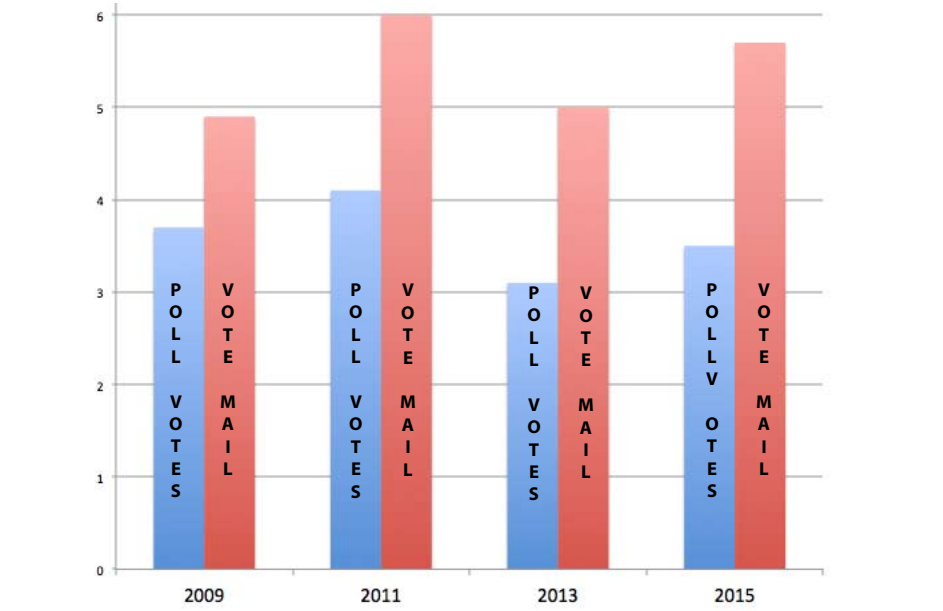


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Judging for the Holiday Home Decorating program will take place December 1 through December 11. Winners will be selected in the categories of Most Original, Best Use of Lights, and Best Holiday Scene. Award winners will receive a holiday ornament and will be

announced on the City's website at [www.cityoflamirada.org](http://www.cityoflamirada.org). For more information on the Holiday Home Decorating program, call the Community Sheriff's Station at (562) 902-2960.

Holiday Toy/Food Drive

Help those less fortunate this holiday season during the annual Holiday Toy & Food Drive. Now through December 12, donations of new, unwrapped toys and nonperishable food items will be collected at the following City facilities: Activity Center, Resource Center, Community Gymnasium, Community Sheriff's Station, Splash!, City Hall, and at participating local businesses throughout the City.

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By Tammye McDuff

Lakewood’s 3rd Annual Tree lighting was held Friday, December 2nd, with over 6000 residents gathered outside the Centre at Sycamore Plaza to see the 24’ decorated Christmas tree. Mayor Ron Piazza welcomed the crowd, “It is wonderful to see so many residents at our third annual tree lighting. This is a special time of year, and we decided to pull out the stops and deck the Civic Center.”

Snow gently fell while families lined up for the opportunity to take Christmas photos from five different backdrops and costumed characters. A new and more diverse selection of food trucks were available, as well as face painting, free carnival games and photos with Santa. Dickens carolers provided cheerful holiday songs as they roamed the Plaza.

CITY OF LAKEWOOD HOSTS TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY



ETHICS ARE TROUBLING AS LYNDA JOHNSON TAKES DEPUTY POST FOR SUPERVISOR JANICE HAHN

By Brian Hews

In a surprising move, ABC School Board member Lynda Johnson has left her post at the Compton District Attorney's Office and is now working for Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn as a Deputy Field Representative. The ethics on the surface seem troubling, as Johnson will represent the cities of Artesia, Cerritos, Bellflower, Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood, and Paramount.

With the exception of Paramount, all other cities are within the border of the ABC Unified School District, which could cause conflicts of interest for Johnson in a number of areas.

It is well known that Johnson is seriously contemplating running for Cerritos City Council in April 2016. Hews Media Group-Community News has asked Johnson several times for comment on the City Council run, with no response.

It is a surprising hire for the progressive Hahn, as Johnson has demonstrated obstructionist tendencies during her tenure as an ABC Board Member.

Supervisor Hahn is very labor friendly while Johnson has shown her dislike for local labor several times during board meetings. In an awkward move, at an August

2016 board meeting, Johnson attempted to block the committee appointment of long-time employee and volunteer Gavin Riley.

Johnson also refused a cost of living increase for teachers and staff at ABC then pushed for a vote to upgrade to lunch area overhead structures that would cost over \$10 million.

Supervisor Hahn would also advocate that the wealthy pay their fair share of taxes.

In October of this year, Johnson inexplicably “abstained” from supporting a non-binding board resolution in favor of Proposition 55, a proposition that would provide \$27 million to the ABCUSD every year.

The state analyst indicated that Prop. 55 would not raise taxes and provide billions in funding to all state schools by keeping in place the tax on people making more than \$250,000 per year, \$500,000 per couple.

But Johnson said, “I am not really comfortable with voting to support this resolution.” No reason was given by Johnson.

Also going against Hahn’s views, Johnson has made it well known that she wants to close schools in the some areas of the ABC and bus the affected children to other schools in the district.

In addition, the appointment will now accelerate Johnson’s recent request to have ABC’s attorney at every school board meeting.

With the likely conflicts of interest caused by the appointment, the possibility of Johnson having to recuse herself from board votes rises dramatically as will the need for legal advice. Sources tell HMG-CN that move would cost an additional \$100,000 per year.

As proof of the impending conflicts, the first meeting after the appointment, Johnson had to recuse herself.

HMG-CN emailed board member Johnson for comment, Johnson did not

answer, instead forwarding the email to Supervisor Hahn’s office for comment.

In a prepared statement Hahn said, “Lynda Johnson brings years of knowledge and experience to the job as my field representative in the cities of Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood, and Paramount. Additionally, as the daughter of a Filipino veteran, she is keenly aware of the challenges our veterans face and will be advising me on veterans issues. She will also be working closely with our County Department of Parks and Recreation on the many programs and services they offer to the residents of the Fourth District. She is a dedicated, compassionate public servant, and I am confident that our communities will be well served by her.

“It is very interesting,” said one observer, “and does not pass the smell test. If Hahn wanted to recognize Johnson for her years of service next year, does Johnson

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advising them if the scanned license plate belongs to a stolen vehicle, a person with an outstanding warrant or other persons of interest.

The vehicles are being supplied by the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department at the cost of less than \$13 a day per vehicle, and will be deployed by existing Cerritos Sheriff’s Station personnel.

“These new ALPR-equipped patrol vehicles are an excellent crime-fighting tool to help keep our City safe,” remarked Cerritos Mayor George Ray. “The ALPR technology will assist deputies in better patrolling and protecting the community, especially at the many shopping centers in the city. These new vehicles will help to more easily identify suspected law breakers among the thousands of people who visit places such as the Los Cerritos Center every day.”



The new patrol vehicles are equipped with four roof-mounted digital cameras and a computer that instantly checks the license plate number of vehicles. Within seconds after a vehicle plate is scanned, deputies receive an electronic message advising them if the scanned license plate belongs to a stolen vehicle, a person with an outstanding warrant or other persons of interest.



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# CERRITOS OPTIMIST PARTNER WITH SOROPTIMIST OF ARTESIA-CERRITOS ON NEEDY FAMILY PROJECT



Area holding Needy Family donations from last year. Look for club members collecting non-perishable food items outside local Ralph’s Grocery Market on December 10th and 11th from noon to 6:00 p.m. Drop a can of food on the table as you leave the market and we will see it gets to a family in need.

Staff Report

The Cerritos Optimist Club will once again be partnering with Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos for their annual Needy Family Project supporting over 30 families in our community. Each of the families, which are identified by local agencies, receives at least half dozen boxes of food and sundries along with Christmas presents for every child tailored to their age and gender. Under the clubs’ leadership, the Needy Family Project has become a sophisticated operation of love and giving that has now reached its twenty-eighth year of operation. This community effort involves the City of Cerritos, local companies such as LeFiell Manufacturing, the Crown Carton Company and the ABCUSD-AFT. The student body at Gahr High School and the Octagon Club at Cerritos High as well as dozens of

volunteers from both the Optimist and Soroptimists organizations also make this project happen.

Please look for club members collecting non-perishable food items outside local Ralph’s Grocery Market on December 10th and 11th from noon to 6:00p.m. Drop a can of food on the table as you leave the market and we will see it gets to a family in need. Without your efforts, many children who live within a few miles of our homes will not have any Christmas presents, let alone a supply of food, clothing and toiletries over the holidays. Our greatest need at this time is obtaining sufficient toys to meet the needs of over 85 children!

If you would like to donate to this project or have any questions, please contact Ray Lovell at 562-921-2984 or [rrlovell@hotmail.com](mailto:rrlovell@hotmail.com).

# Senator Mendoza Hosts Holiday Open House/Toy Drive



Thanking Mendoza (center) for his support of the cities he represents were (l-r): Lakewood City Councilman Steve Croft, Cerritos College Board of Trustees President Dr. Shin Liu and Hawaiian Gardens Mayor Pro-Tem Reynaldo Rodriguez. Photo by Larry Caballero.

By Larry Caballero

State Senator Tony Mendoza welcomed and thanked more than 100 guests for attending his Open House & Toy Drive event Nov. 30 at his district office in Cerritos.

“The toys donated tonight,” said Mendoza, “will be given to local organizations, such as Su Casa-Ending Domestic Violence and the children at Paddelford Park in Artesia, so that families in need will have a Christmas that is a little brighter.”

Mendoza said the legislature was busy this year passing several bills into law, but he is especially proud of SB 1160 that helps minimize worker compensation fraud and expedites care for workers. “That’s a win-win for both employer and employee.”

“These bills show what we stand for in California as we protect our families and stand together with them. We’re doing a lot of good work,” said Mendoza.



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against a quality opponent, probably one of the toughest opponents we’ve played all year...it’s rewarding to see these kids get to enjoy this. The fruits of all of their hard work; to have it pay off for them is just very special.”

The Crusaders, who won their 11th straight game to improve to 12-2 on the season, were paced by junior running back Gianni Hurd, who rushed for a game-high 150 yards on 23 carries and scored a pair of touchdowns.

“My emotions are pretty high,” Hurd said. “It’s off the charts.”

His first touchdown turned out to be the eventual game-winner and came nearly five minutes into the second quarter. V. C. had begun its first drive of the stanza at its own nine-yard line. After Hurd gained five yards, plus a six-yard run from junior Bailey Torres, Hurd busted loose for a 74-yard score that put the hosts up 14-7. It was Hurd’s fourth longest touchdown run this season. He would also add a one-yard score on the first play of the fourth quarter to make it a 52-7 contest. Winning a divisional title was somewhat redeeming for Hurd, who transferred from Lakewood High prior to last season. He said that all of the Lakewood coaches were against Hurd for leaving. But now, Hurd has the last laugh.

“When we came over, a lot of people doubted us,” Hurd said. “They said we were weak and we weren’t going to go far. It just feels good to shut everyone up.”

Defense dictated the first quarter as Silverado, the third ranked team in the division, was held on downs and punted while the Olympic League champions and top ranked team in the division also punted before getting on the board with 1:50 left. Senior quarterback Isaac Joseph tossed a short six-yard pass to junior wide receiver Quory Smith.

The Hawks would knot the score

early in the second quarter when Dionzae Nolan sneaked in from a yard out. After that, it was all V.C., which opened up some breathing room midway through the quarter when senior wide receiver Michael Polk caught a 15-yard score from Joseph.

The turning point of the game may have come nearly five minutes later when senior Clay D’Amico booted a 38-yard field goal. On Silverado’s first play from scrimmage after the field goal, senior linebacker Jalen Hines recovered the first of two Silverado fumbles in the stanza. That was followed by a 17-yard touchdown strike from Joseph to senior wide receiver R.J. Van Kampen. All of this happened in a span of 12 seconds.

“We came together,” Hurd said. “The last few games, we were all separate bits and pieces and the defense did their part. But tonight, the offense, defense and special teams all did their part. It was a whole team and the unity and the family.”

The Crusaders were up 31-7 at the half but were still having fits with Silverado signal caller Levi Taylor, who entered the contest with over 3,700 passing yards and 44 touchdowns. In the first half he completed 11 of 21 passes for 121 yards. But he was also limited to four yards on half a dozen carries and in the second half, he would complete three passes while throwing another interception, which was returned by junior defensive back Garret Williams 35 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter.

“You can’t say anything more,” Grayson said of his team’s defense. “They’ve been great all year and even tonight, they set the table for us. We were able to capitalize more so than we’ve done all year. We took advantage of every turnover and owned the field position. I’m almost speechless at how the guys played. You always hope that they play their best game at the end of the year when it matters the most.”

“Our defense is great,” Hurd said. “We wouldn’t be here without them. Last week our defense won the game, and I have to



**Valley Christian High junior Darian Green is about to catch a three-yard touchdown pass from junior quarterback Isaac Joseph early in the third quarter as part of the team's 59-13 win over Silverado High in last Saturday night's California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section Division 9 football championship. It was Green's second reception of the game.**  
Photo By Armando Vargas.

say that was our CIF [championship] game. But our defense won the championship for us. Not everyone knows our defense well.”

V.C.’s first touchdown of the third quarter was actually set up by a fake punt attempt when D’Amico threw a 23-yard pass to Williams on fourth and six at the Silverado 45-yard line. Four plays later, Joseph added another touchdown pass, this time to junior Darian Green for three yards. The last score of the night for the Crusaders came with 3:38 left in the game when Smith rumbled in from 21 yards out. He would pick up 31 yards on four carries.

Joseph was nearly perfect on this night, completing 11 of 14 passes for 159 yards and did not attempt a pass in the fourth quarter as the Crusaders were up by 38 points heading into the final 12 minutes.

“None of those numbers are earth shattering,” Grayson said of his offensive performance. “So I think it just speaks to how well we played as a team.”

V.C., winners of 11 straight games,

will extend it season when it hosts The Bishop’s School on Saturday night in a CIF Division 3-A Regional Football Championship Bowl Game. The Knights, who won the San Diego Section Division 3 championship, enter with a 13-0 mark and have outscored their opponents 635-165. The Bishop’s School has a team of 25 players but is still very prolific with quarterback Jeffrey Jackson throwing for over 3000 yards and 39 touchdowns opposite three interceptions. Hasant Moses-Hillman is the leading ground gainer with 825 yards and 10 touchdowns while Jacob Jackson has caught 54 passes for 1,074 yards and a dozen touchdowns.

“This championship stands out on its own as just a Valley Christian championship,” Grayson said. “This program is a very, very proud program with a rich tradition. To be able to get back on top after so many years removed of where we’re used to being around here is rewarding in its own right.”

STOCK KEEPS RISING AT  
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FORMER NORWALK HIGH  
STAR PENNY

By Loren Kopff  
@LorenKopff on Twitter

Rashaad Penny was nothing short of brilliant throughout his three years on the Norwalk High varsity football team. Now, he’s picking up where he left off and excelling at San Diego State University at an even better pace, with mind boggling numbers to back up his success.

During his time on Montezuma Mesa, Penny has emerged as one of the best kickoff returners in the NCAA and has already set the school record with five career kickoffs returned for touchdowns, two short of the NCAA record. Penny has been a key component for the two-time defending Mountain West Conference champion Aztecs, who will be playing in the 25th Annual Las Vegas Bowl against the University of Houston on Dec. 17.

Penny and the Aztecs are sporting a 10-3 mark following a 27-24 win against the University of Wyoming in the MWC Championship game last Saturday evening. And has been the case for the majority of his time in college, Penny had a big part in the win. He rushed for 117 yards and scored a pair of touchdowns against the Cowboys. He also added 113 yards on a pair of kickoff returns. As the Aztecs

embark on their seventh consecutive bowl game, Penny is second on the team in rushing yards and touchdowns with 1,025 and 11 respectively. But where he shines the most is on kickoff returns, where he has amassed 575 yards on 18 returns with a season-high 100-yard return against the University of California, Berkley on Sept. 10.

Penny has been on the eyes of many across the landscape of college football over the past two seasons. Entering this season, his name was listed for eight different preseason awards plus being on the Paul Hornung Award Watch List as the Most Versatile Player. He was the MWC Special Teams Player of the Week, Sept. 12 and entering the final regular season game against Colorado State University on Nov. 26, he was the seventh leading rusher in the MWC for the 2016 season, fifth in the MWC in all purpose yards, tied for sixth in the MWC in scoring and tied for third in the MWC in touchdowns. On top of all of that, he is one of seven players in the country with at least nine rushing and three receiving touchdowns and is the only one in the country with at least one kickoff return for a touchdown.

“Those are big time accomplishments but at the end of the day, I’m just playing for the team,” Penny said. “I’m a team guy and I’m enjoying my moment here. But it’s a pretty exciting deal. I try to do my best to win for the team. I’m glad I’m able to do what I have to do and just getting the job done.”

As a freshman, Penny had an even 500 yards in kickoff returns, including a season-high 110 yards against the University of the Nevada, Reno. But it



**Ex-Norwalk High star Rashaad Penny gets away from Bryce Peters on one of his career-high seven kickoff returns in San Diego State University's home finale against Colorado State University on Nov. 26. Penny had 113 return yards against the Rams, which is a season-high and second most in his three years at SDSU. Photo by Armando Vargas.**

wasn’t until last season when his presence was really being felt. He had 100-yard kickoff returns for touchdowns against Penn State University in Happy Valley and again against the University of Cincinnati in the Hawai’i Bowl. Last season, he was third on the team in rushing with 381 yards and scored four touchdowns while leading the team in kickoff returns (24), yardage (804) and touchdowns (three). Needless to say, college life has been everything he expected.

“Definitely, this is a great experience, and just seeing it all pass by is crazy,”

Penny said. “I never knew how time really passes [by] and just getting it done is the most important thing. But I just keep fighting and just seeing what happens.”

When Penny was at Norwalk, following in the footsteps of older siblings Robert and Elijah, he was force to be reckoned with in Norwalk’s vaunted double wing offense. In his senior season of 2013, Penny rushed for 2,520 yards and scored 40 touchdowns in helping the Lancers to a Suburban League title and a berth in the California Interscholastic





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PENNY

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Federation-Southern Section Southeast Division championship game against La Serna High. He left Norwalk with 81 career rushing touchdowns, 22 receiving touchdowns and four more on returns. When Penny graduated, he left as the 16th player in state history with over 100 career touchdowns.

With the numbers he put up in high school and those he has added in college, he obviously has transitioned well from high school to college

“You have to adjust to the challenge a little bit,” Penny said. “It’s always a little tough. But at the end of the day, it’s all about adjusting to whether you like it or not and just sticking with you best decision. And that’s what I did and I’m glad I’m here.”

“We think Rashaad is a very good running back and also a great kick returner,” said SDSU head coach Rocky Long following the Colorado State game. “The combination of him and D.J. Pumphrey complement each other. They have different styles, so we think Rashaad is a good running back in his own right. Obviously as he gets better, he gets the ball more often. He’s an important ingredient to any success that we have.”

Long was referring to senior running back Donnel Pumphrey, who leads the

Aztecs with 2,068 rushing yards and 16 touchdowns. Pumphrey now has 6,290 career yards and needs only 108 more against Houston to become the NCAA’s all-time career leader in rushing yardage. Penny says that he has been a big influence on him and what he has learned during his time at SDSU will help him next season as he is projected to be one of the top running backs, if not the top, for the 2017 campaign.

“He’s definitely a big brother role model-type to me,” Penny said. “I’ve watched everything he does and it’s amazing what he does. All of the other running backs in the room will tell you the same. It’s constantly hard work. He amazes some people, but at the end of the day, it’s just preparation and watching what he’s doing and keying in on every move he makes. I’m just trying to be like him.”

Recently, Penny was named the MWC Special Teams Player of the Year again and in 40 collegiate games, he has 62 kickoff returns (fourth in SDSU history) for 1,879 yards (second in SDSU history) and the five touchdowns. He needs 31 kickoff returns and 337 yards to be No. 1 in those two categories.

As a freshman, Penny had played against the second of the four brothers in the family, Elijahaa, who was a junior at the University of Idaho. Now, Elijahaa Penny is a member of the Arizona Cardinals practice squad. With the numbers he has already put together, the NFL just might see another Penny running up and down the field for the 2018 season.

“We’re a hard-working family,” Penny said. “We lead by example and that’s what we’ve been able to do. Our family is just unique; we’re just one of the most humbling people you’ll ever meet. We probably barely talk. It’s definitely a humbling experience and we like it.”

GAHR, WHITNEY GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAMS WIN OPENING GAMES OF THE GLENN-NORWALK TOURNAMENT

By Loren Kopff  
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After splitting the first four games of their first tournaments to begin the new season, the Gahr High and Whitney High girls basketball teams each picked up victories in the opening round of the Glenn-Norwalk Tournament this past Wednesday night at John Glenn High. The tournament kicked off with Whitney holding off La Serna High 42-36 while Gahr had an easier time against Mary Star of the Sea High in a 47-14 triumph.

While the Lady Wildcats never trailed, they had a hard time pulling away from the Chiefs throughout the contest. Whitney had an 11-2 first quarter lead before La Serna got to within a basket with 94 seconds left in the stanza. Early in the second quarter, a three-pointer from sophomore Christine Hamakawa put Whitney up 20-13 and four straight free throws from senior Nicole Lee enabled the ‘Cats to hold a 24-15 halftime advantage.

Whitney would opened up a 10-point lead twice in the third quarter before La Serna got to within two points again, this time early in the fourth quarter. But Hamakawa, who had a team-high 17 points, put the game away with consecutive three-pointers as Whitney would go up 38-30.

Hamakawa would also grab nine rebounds and have three steals while Lee added 12 points and also had nine boards. Sophomore Justine Wu chipped in with eight points, five steals and three



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rebounds as Whitney would face Whittier High on Dec. 8.

Later in the evening, it was all Gahr as it was barely challenged by the Stars. The Lady Gladiators raced out to a 10-2 first quarter lead and led 19-5 at the break. Gahr would get balanced scoring in the first half as senior Lauren Magno and junior Naomi Ellis each had five points while junior Nori Smith and sophomore Hannah Kumiya each added four points. In addition, freshman Kimya Oliver had six rebounds in the first quarter alone and finished with 10 of the team’s 44 rebounds for the game.

Kumiya and junior Dezirae Smith each had a season-high 10 points while Ellis, freshman Clarissa Heredia and Nori Smith all had half a dozen points. Kumiya would also have eight rebounds and three steals while Ellis and Nori Smith each had five boards. The Lady Gladiators would meet Crescenta Valley High, a 75-5 winner over Mountain View High, on Dec. 8. The tournament will conclude on Saturday.

In other girls basketball action, Cerritos High is off to a 2-3 start as the Lady Dons fell to Lakewood High 50-31 this past Monday in the first game

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attack. Memories of penetrating metal slivers and chunks of wood flew from the decks as sailors leaped out of the way toward ladders to man the guns.

The first wave of the attack, 180 Kate Bombers swarmed the Waianae Mountains toward Ford Island, Hickam and Wheeler Fields, then to Battleship Row.



**Bruner's Purple Heart.** The award is a United States military decoration awarded in the name of the President to those wounded or killed.

Officer's quarters were hit first, and then hangers, landing strips and aircraft, Battleship Row were like ducks swimming in a pond. "With each explosion Arizona shook like a dog shedding water," said Bruner, "and it would reverberate through the hull, the bulkheads and then through my entire body."

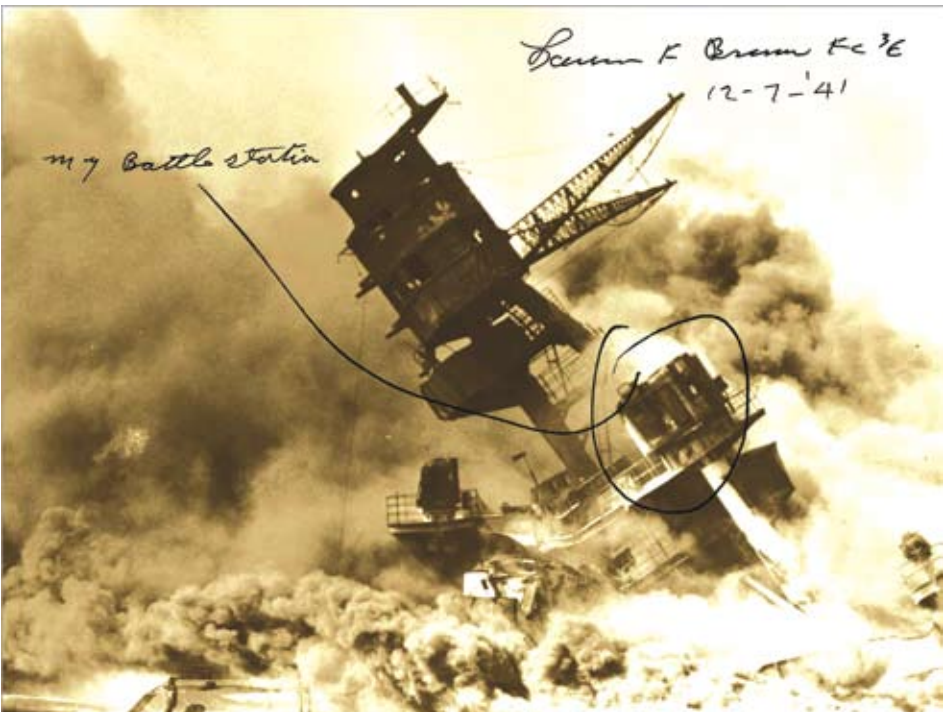
During the attack Bruner said time slowed down, "What we saw, heard, did or thought, happened in milliseconds, like an old fashioned frame-by-frame viewer."

A bomb hit the Arizona, striking the portside:

"Milliseconds became microseconds. Microseconds stretched as if they were pulled taffy. No longer was the 'whoosh' sound important. One thousand seven hundred and seven pounds of destructive power hurtled from ten thousand feet, to find its mark."

Acts of heroism were everywhere. Men being attacked repeatedly with bombs or machine-gun fire from low-flying aircraft as they brought boxes of ammo up ladders to the antiaircraft guns. Men carrying wounded sailors to safety, trying desperately to stop their bleeding, others navigating through the fiery sea, pulling oil-soaked sailors from the water, all the while dodging enemy bullets that were cutting everything around them to shreds, including their fellow sailors.

President Roosevelt called December 7th "a date that will live in infamy." But for



**TOP:** Famous picture of the USS Arizona with Bruner's handwritten note pointing out where he was stationed on the ship, writing "my battle station." **LOWER PHOTOS:** Bruner at the memorial for those who died at Pearl Harbor with several naval officers and crew. Photos courtesy of Lauren Bruner.

the survivors of that day, it remains alive in memory, like shrapnel left embedded because it is too dangerous to remove."

The images remain with the survivors

seventy-five years later. Sometimes they intrude into a day, a moment spontaneously combusting, and suddenly they are back in the flames that engulfed a ship or in the oil-slick waters that surrounded it. Sometimes the memories come at night, unforgettable images that haunt sleep, or a phone rings, or a car backfires, Bruner says "These memories lie within me, forever still and silent, like the men entombed in the Arizona."

That day, the Japanese destroyed 20 American naval vessels, including eight massive battleships, and over 300 airplanes. More than 2,000 Americans soldiers and sailors died in the attack, and another 1,000 were wounded.

The day after the assault, President Franklin D. Roosevelt asked Congress to declare war on Japan. Congress approved his declaration with just one dissenting vote. Three days later, Japanese allies Germany and Italy also declared war on the United States, and again Congress reciprocated. More than two years into the conflict, America had finally joined World War II.

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of the Ocean View Tournament. Valley Christian High also came away with a split in its first tournament, going 2-2 in the Redondo Battle of the Beach event.

V.C. visited Lakewood High on Dec. 8 and will visit Long Beach Wilson High tonight before facing Westminster High and South East High in pool play action of the 40th Annual V.C. Tournament on Monday and Wednesday respectively.

**BOYS BASKETBALL**

The game of the week takes place tonight as Cerritos will visit Gahr in the annual city tussle between two solid programs. Cerritos enters the contest with a 1-3 mark but its last two losses in the Buena Park Tournament have come by a combined three points. The Dons fell to Foothill High 53-51 on Dec. 1 and lost to Kennedy High 74-73 last Saturday night. Cerritos will then face Orange Lutheran High on Monday in pool play action of the North Orange County Championships. Cerritos will also play Capistrano Valley High and Lakewood High on Tuesday and Wednesday respectively to finish pool play action.

After taking the consolation championship of the Pacific Shores Tournament the week of Thanksgiving, Gahr lost to Oak Park High 82-57 last Friday and will sport a 3-2 mark entering tonight's game. The Gladiators are also in the North Orange County Championships and will face Servite High on Monday, La Habra High on Wednesday and La Mirada High on Thursday in pool play action.

Cerritos and Gahr played each other three times last season with Cerritos knocking off the Gladiators 83-76 in the finals of the Cerritos-Gahr Tournament before the Gladiators won 76-66 six days later. The two rivals met again in the North Orange County Championships with Cerritos coming away with a 74-62 victory.

Glenn, which went winless last season, picked up its first win last Friday, a 60-51 overtime affair against Duarte High in the Sierra Vista Tournament. The Eagles, who are 1-5, will visit Century High tonight.

Norwalk opened up pool play action of the 56th Annual Valley Christian Tournament with a 74-30 win over Samueli Academy this past Monday. The win was the third straight for the Lancers, who will face Monrovia High on Monday to begin the Pioneer High.

V.C. won its first pool play game of its own tournament by taking care of Excelsior Charter 97-7 this past Tuesday. The Crusaders are also in the Pioneer Tournament and will face Bell High on Monday.

Whitney went 2-2 in the Los Amigos Tournament and will host Orange High on Monday.

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The 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 the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Jose P. Blanco, Jr, a married man as his sole and separate property Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation Recorded 07/21/2006 as Instrument No. 06 1610234 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Los Angeles County, California. Date of Sale: 12/30/2016 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$640,257.22 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 17221 Ely Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703 A.P.N.: 7025-006-005 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. The requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)/2923.55(c) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. 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 714-730-2727 or visit this Internet Web site www.ndscorp.com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 16-20366-SP-CA. 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: 12/06/2016 National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany and Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1230 Columbia Street, Suite 680 San Diego, CA 92101 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 714-730-2727; Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com/sales Zahara Joyner, Trustee Sales Representative A-4601307 12/09/2016, 12/16/2016, 12/23/2016

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CITY OF ARTESIA  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Planning Commission of the City of Artesia will hold a Regular Planning Commission Meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Artesia City Hall, 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, California at **6:30 p.m. on Tuesday December 20, 2016** to conduct a **Public Hearing** to consider the following item(s):

Case No. 2016-32

Code Amendment  
City Wide

“AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ARTESIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE REGULATION OF SECOND DWELLING UNITS (ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS), AMENDING THE ARTESIA MUNICIPAL CODE, AND MAKING A DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION UNDER CEQA”  
Resolution No. 2016-28P

Case No. 2016-34

Variance, Conditional Use Permit  
And Design Review  
17127 Roseton Avenue

Case No. 2016-35

Design Review  
17221 Pioneer Boulevard

Tony Mendoza, 10410 Lower Azusa Road, El Monte, CA 91731  
A request for approval of a design review request to construct an outdoor dining area for the property located at 17221 Pioneer Boulevard in the Commercial General (C-G) Zone and making a determination of categorical exemption under CEQA.  
Resolution No. 2016-30P

If you challenge any of these proposals in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Artesia Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

All interested persons are invited to attend this hearing and express their opinion on the matters listed above.

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NOTICE OF SALE OF ABANDONED PROPERT Notice is given that pursuant to sections 21700-21713 of the Business and Professions Code, Section 2328 of the Commercial Code, Section 535 of the Penal Code. 1812.607, that Norwalk Self Storage at 11564 E. Firestone Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 will sell by competitive bidding by Cimer’s Auctions ( Bond # 5181494 ), on or after **December 13, 2016 @ 10:00 a.m.**, property belonging to those listed below. Auction is to be held at the above address. Property to be sold as follows: Chair, Mattress, Box Spring, Night Stands, Box TV, exercise equipment, Coffee Table, loose clothing, empty boxes, computer chair, piñata, moving stabilizer, Head Board, Dollie, Canvas Roll, Hangers, Loose bedding, Book Case, wicker basket, books, hat box, metal table, totes, boxes, tools, tripod, gas can, artwork, stroller, frame, toys, microwave, couch, ice chest, speakers, pot, scooter, CD’s, Table top, and games belonging to the following.

NAME	UNIT #
Carly Robinson	B176
Diane Devine	B311
Juana Delgadillo	B503
Ezequiel Villa/Vanessa Martinez	B616
Melissa Ellie Lara/ Earthly Juices	B716
Consuelo Rodriguez	B719

This notice is given in accordance with the provisions of Section 21700 et seq. of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California.

Sales subject to prior cancellation in the event of settlement between Owner and obligated party.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:  
EDDIE V. BELTRAN AKA EDDIE BELTRAN  
CASE NO. 16STPB06059  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of EDDIE V. BELTRAN AKA EDDIE BELTRAN.  
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by KATHARINE STIEGELMEIER in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that KATHARINE STIEGELMEIER f/k/a KATHY BELTRAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.  
THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.  
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act . (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.  
A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 12/13/16 at 8:30AM in Dept. 79 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  
MICHAEL S. MAGNUSON - SBN 066680  
LAW OFFICES OF MICHAEL S. MAGNUSON  
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T.S. No. 046083-CA APN: 8064-040-019 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE Pursuant to CA Civil Code 2923.3 IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 5/1/2004. 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 On 12/13/2016 at 10:30 AM, CLEAR RECON CORP., as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 7/9/2004, as Instrument No. 04 1758105, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of CALIFORNIA executed by: PAUL H NESHEIWAT, A SINGLE PERSON, AND, ALA H NESHEIWAT, A SINGLE PERSON WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER’S CHECK DRAWN ON 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: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766 all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: Lot 19 of Tract 20943, as per map recorded in Book 621, Pages 63 through 67 inclusive of Miscellaneous Maps, in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 15733 PESCADOS DR LA MIRADA, CA 906384932 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 held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition, or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$95,918.59 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. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (844) 477-7869 or visit this Internet Web site WWW.STOXPOSTING.COM, using the file number assigned to this case 046083-CA. 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. FOR SALES INFORMATION: (844) 477-7869 CLEAR RECON CORP. 4375 Jutland Drive Suite 200 San Diego, California 92117



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