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SEVERAL CANDIDATES PULL PAPERS TO RUN FOR CERRITOS CITY COUNCIL

By Brian Hews



Four candidates travelled down to Cerritos City Hall this past week and "pulled papers" to run for Cerritos City Council in March 2017.

Pulling papers is the first step of the election process; the candidates now need to officially file with Cerritos City

Clerk Vida Barone by mid January. Grace Hu, Bruce Barrows, Chong Vo,

Grace Hu, Bruce Barrows, Chong Vo, and Sam Sultan Ahmad all pulled papers, but none have officially filed.

The filing began December 19 with the cut off date of January 13.

Current Cerritos Mayor George Ray has told HMG-CN that he will not run for reelection. But other sources are telling HMG-CN that, "certain people are placing pressure on Ray to run again, so we don't know if he will run again or not."

In the case of Ray not running, two seats will be open, Ray's and termed out Councilwoman Carol Chen.

Hu and Barrows are both former Council members and Mayors of Cerritos, while Chong Vo, who ran in 2015 placed sixth out of nine candidates.

Sam Sultan Ahmad placed eighth.

Three seats were up for grabs in 2015 with Mark Pulido garnering the most votes at 3,417; Jim Edwards received 3,053 votes, Naresh Solanki received 2,533 votes.

Frank Yokoyama lost by 96 votes and received 2,472 votes; Grace Hu: 2,437 votes, Chong Vo 1,732 votes; Sophia Tse 1,597 votes; Sam Sultan Ahmad: 511 votes; and Manny Maninder Sethi: 210 votes.

Hollywood Sports Park and Bellflower Kiwanis Give Back to Community



For the past few years the Hollywood Sports Park has opened up their banquet hall to offer a free breakfast for families of Bellflower and offer a little bit of hope for the holidays. At their annual Pancakes with Santa Breakfast, over 200 kids were delighted to receive toys, candy canes and photos with the Big Elf himself. Pictured from {I-r} Park owner Giovanni G'Egidio, Bellflower Mayor pro-tem Ron Schnablegger, and Park owner Dennis Bukowski. Photo by Tammye McDuff.

WOMEN'S CLUB OF ARTESIA CERRITOS CONTINUES LEGACY OF DONATIONS

Staff Report

The Woman's Club of Artesia Cerritos, as with many other service groups, in the Cerritos Artesia area, participated in helping those in need during the Holiday Season.

WCAC makes monetary donations to four major charities on a quarterly basis. These charities include Su Casa, Community Family Guidance, Fisher House Veteran's Family Home and Pathways Hospice. With the holiday season, we were able to contribute even

more. Our members also donated over \$1,200 in in-kind donations to each of these groups in December. These items included toys, journals, arts and craft items and DVD's.

WCAC also gave our Year
End contributions to various other
organizations, which include such groups
as 4 Paws 4 Patriots, various Veteran
Groups including the VA Hospital
programs, various USO programs
including Operation Phone Home,

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Downey Council Rescinds Vote, Removes Saab as Mayor pro tem, Ashton Assumes Post

By Tammye McDuff

On December 13th Downey City Council made their selections for Mayor [Fernando Vasquez] and Mayor Pro Tem [Alex Saab] for 2017. This decision was voted on with no public comments or discussions. As the Council has done in the past, there is a set rotation of council members, giving each person a turn as mayor pro tem and as mayor. This has been a matter of routine, but not mandated in the City Charter.

Councilman Sean Ashton was passed over for his 'turn' as Mayor Pro Tem, he felt this was a violation of the Brown Act and filed suit. Since that time City Hall has received 72 letters demanding the new positions of Mayor and Mayor ProTem be rescinded. At their last meeting for 2016 the item was set before the Council once again.

Many residents from the cities of Downey and Bellflower were in attendance. One Downey residents says she was heartbroken that the natural order of the rotating schedule was not adhered to. Resident Art Montoya added, "We were left in shock as we watched what happened. The interaction that I have had with Mr. Ashton has always been positive and helpful. He holds multiple town hall meetings, is very personable and easy to connect with. He deserves the change to prove himself as Mayor Pro Tem."

One visiting Bellflower resident called the actions of Downey Council shady," This stinks of old fashioned back

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Hubert Humphrey Democratic Club's Holiday Party



Welcoming more than 70 guests to the Hubert Humphrey Democratic Club's Holiday Party at Mimi's Cafe in Cerritos were (I-r): Artesia Mayor Ali Taj, Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia, Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn and State Senator Tony Mendoza. All four public officials celebrated the Democratic victories in California that included the newly elected United States Senator Kamala Harris, and the super majorities in both house of the state legislature.

Rotary Club of Cerritos-Artesia Holiday Party



Enjoying the holiday season, at their annual Holiday Party at Panda Inn in La Palma, were Rotary Club of Artesia-Cerritos members, family and friends. Rotary Club President Sug Kitahara welcomed everyone and shared upcoming events including distributing food on New Year's Eve at the New Life Covenant Church in Artesia.

USPS INTRODUCES NEW SKYWRITING 'LOVE' STAMP

Skywriting pilot replicating stamp image linked to Lindbergh.

Staff Report

CHINO, CA — The U.S. Postal Service's new Love Skywriting Forever stamp image will be replicated by a skywriting pilot linked to iconic aviator Charles Lindbergh at noon on January 7 following the 10 a.m. PT First-Day-of-Issue ceremony that takes place at the Planes of Fame Air Museum in Chino, CA.

"The Postal Service issued its first Love stamp in 1973, and over the years, these stamps have dressed up billions of birthday greetings, wedding invitations, birth announcements, and, of course, Valentine's Day cards and letters," said U.S. Postal Service Chief Operating Officer and Executive Vice President David Williams. "From the moment they're spotted on an envelope, these miniature works of art foretell good news. And with this particular stamp, we can really say, once and for all, that 'love is in the air' — and in the mail."

Scheduled to join Williams at the ceremony are Operation Gratitude Vice President and Chief Development Officer Chris Clark; Skytypers President Stephen Stinis and Planes of Fame Air Museum aviation historian and Air Museum moderator Kevin Thompson. Skytypers CEO and Squadron Commander Greg Stinis will fly the skywriting demonstration and be available for media interviews when he lands at 1 p.m. PT.

The stamp art depicts the word "Love" written in white cursive script against a blue sky studded with wispy clouds. The



USPS new "Love Stamp" in skywriting.

edges of the letters are just beginning to blur into the surrounding sky. Underlining the word is a decorative swirl of smoke that emphasizes the message. A small, stylized plane, dwarfed by the giant letters, completes the end of the swirl, with smoke trailing from its tail.

This new issuance is a cheerful and romantic continuation of the U.S. Postal Service tradition of creating stamps that celebrate love. The Love Skywriting stamp will add a sweet, romantic touch to letters and cards, not only on Valentine's Day, but all year round.

The Lost Art of Skywriting

Skywriting had its heyday as an advertising medium from the 1920s to the 1950s, promoting everything from soft drinks to bikinis. Messages are created by a small airplane that emits vaporized fluid from its exhaust system to form letters in the air. Still used occasionally for advertising slogans, skywriting more commonly broadcasts romantic — and very public — declarations of love.

"I think it's safe to say more people have walked on the moon than are professional skywriters today," said Greg Stinis, who

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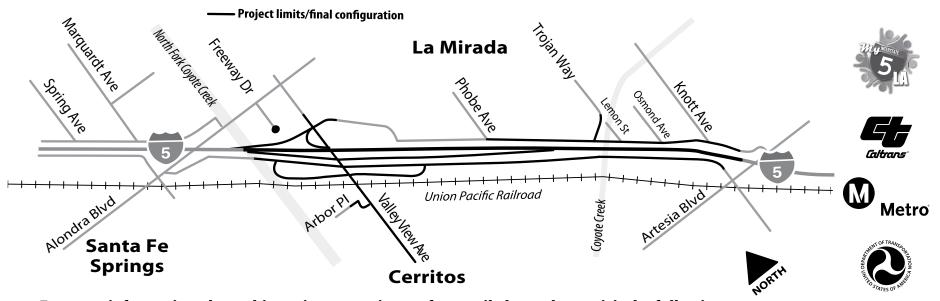
What: The Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5) Valley View Avenue Interchange Project will widen I-5 to add one High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) or carpool lane, and one general purpose lane in each direction. The project extends from the Artesia Boulevard undercrossing to North Fork Coyote Creek approximately 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

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Cerritos College Professor Recognized for His Contribution to Peacebuilding



Dr. Haas receiving his award. He is the Founder and Director of the Global Consortium for Sustainable Peace, a network of global partners that share a common goal of bridging cultural gaps in the world and promoting peace.

Dr. John Haas, assistant professor of history, Cerritos College, received Southern California Mediation Association's (SCMA) Education Foundation Directors Award for his global peacebuilding effort.

Dr. Haas is the Founder and Director of the Global Consortium for Sustainable Peace, a network of global partners that share a common goal of bridging cultural gaps in the world and promoting peace.

Global Consortium broadcasts live from Cerritos College to over 2.1 million college students throughout California, webcast on the internet, broadcast on 3CMediaSolutions, and interactively shown live to partner schools, educators, students, and institutions across the globe.

Using technology, Dr. Haas has linked with Northern Ireland, Israel, Palestine, and Turkey to examine models of conflict management with his students. He has also hosted a live international conference of peacemakers on an SCMA Panel on Technology and Peacemaking.

Dr. Haas has received numerous accolades, including a commendation from the United States Congress, recognizing his work in promoting global peace, education and understanding. He has lectured at universities and symposia around the world and the UN, and has facilitated discussions with leaders in education, conflict resolution, cultural studies and history.

Amapola Market Tamale 'Masa Mess' Continues

By Tammye McDuff

A favorite staple on many Sothern California Christmas tables are homemade tamales. Amapola Market is a longtime family-owned market in Downey and has provided the ingredients for this time honored family tradition of for years. However, Downey police had to be called to the market on Christmas Day when angry customers began showing up and complaining that the store's masa made their tamales inedible.

Now touted as the "masa mess" long lines of customers went around the block as they stood in line with receipts and bad tamales.

Apparently Amapola sold masa that was below the quality that customers were accustomed to. The bad masa resulted in the tamales not cooking properly. A preliminary investigation determined that the defective masa was sold between December 23rd and December 24th and stems from a defective corn bought from a national provider, of which the store has been a customer of for over 15 years. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health was investigating claims tamales made with the masa had made some people

The store eventually had to close and lock its doors Tuesday after apparently running out of cash due to the numerous refunds. On Wednesday, a long line of people stood outside the store again waiting for refunds.

Chief Financial Officer Carlos Galvan, whose family owns the chain of markets, acknowledged the bad masa was responsible for the ruined tamales and said refunds, would be given to anyone who purchased the product at their store, even

if they didn't have a receipt.

Amapola reopened Wednesday to long lines of people still trying to get a refund.

Spokesman Luis Alvarado was also outside the market and told reporters the store would again be giving refunds, but customers now needed to show a receipt proving they purchased the masa at the store for a 'no questions asked' refund. The store would also consider claims from customers who had additional costs for other ingredients ruined by the masa.

Those who purchased their masa on a different date, or who didn't have a receipt, can fill out a claim that will be investigated by the store. The claims can be filled out online and there is no expiration date on getting a refund.

Alvarado was hired specifically to handle the masa mess, "For those people who didn't have a receipt, or any kind of proof, we have a separate line where we're giving them a claim form to fill out so we can start the investigation," Alvarado said. For every 10 pounds of masa, customers with a receipt also received an extra \$20 for ingredients they bought to make their tamales.

"Our first priority is to make sure that we have all our customers refunded for the trouble that they went through," Galvan said. The Market has been in the community for 55 years, "this is the first time something like this has ever happened at the market."

A statement was posted on the Amapola's Facebook page and website stating that they pride themselves on serving the best quality masa and at no point did they encounter evidence to believe there are health risks and a formal investigation is underway.



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What to Do When Holiday Good Cheer Means Overindulgence in Alcohol for Some

The holidays are known as a time of glad tidings and good cheer. But for some people, they're also an excuse to overindulge in alcohol.

For family members of people suffering from alcohol addiction, the holidays pose a particular dilemma: How do you preserve the loving, joyous spirit of the season while making sure Uncle Bob isn't distracted by the rum-spiked eggnog at your holiday party? Or that Aunt Mary doesn't get sidetracked from her 12-step recovery program while you're filling your other guests' glasses with celebratory champagne at New Year's?

"The first and most important thing you need to do is to acknowledge the elephant in the room," says Stuart Finkelstein, MD, an internal medicine and addiction specialist at Lakewood Regional Medical Center in Lakewood, Calif. "Talk openly with your family and the person with the alcohol abuse problem about the problem. Don't keep secrets."

And don't wait until the guests have arrived and the presents are being unwrapped before addressing the issue, adds Dr. Finkelstein.

"Communicate openly with your loved one and your other family members before the holidays have even begun," he says. "Decide ahead of time what your response will be to any drunken behavior by them, and have a plan. Set clear limits so they know that that kind of behavior during family time – not just at the holidays but at any other time of the year – is unacceptable."

Above all, Dr. Finkelstein explains, "let them know that their family loves them and only wants to help them get better. Make it clear that they are 'sick,' not 'bad."

And if they get angry at you or deny that they have a problem? "Communicate 'stern' love. Tell them you care so much that you want to help them get well, rather than support them in destroying themselves. Offer to meet with them before the holidays or the family event to discuss how their problem affects you, and to help them find treatment. And remember — 'invite' them to get help. Pushing them or acting as if you're trying to control them usually only makes things worse."

Because a family member has an alcohol abuse problem doesn't mean you or your other guests have to abstain from drinking – responsibly, of course – at holiday gatherings. "You shouldn't feel bad about serving alcohol," says Dr. Finkelstein. "Most people with an alcohol abuse problem are focused on their own recovery. They don't expect or necessarily want the rest of the world to give up drinking along with them."

At the same time, it's important to be a responsible host. Some people can get caught up in the spirit of the party and have a hard time turning down a drink when it's offered to them. "As a host, don't push too hard," he adds.

Dr. Finkelstein has some simple advice for anyone at a holiday event who feels they're being pressured by friends or family members to drink more than they should: "Don't have an empty glass in your hand. Fill it up with soda or a non-alcoholic mixer and drop a lime in it. People won't push you if they see your glass is full."

If you or someone you love needs help with a substance abuse problem during the holidays or at any other time of the year, Lakewood Regional Medical Center is here to help. For a physician referral to an Addiction Medicine Specialist please call 800-813-4345

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\$1,000 Scholarships Open to ABCUSD High School Seniors

Staff Report

Cerritos resident James Kang has established the Korean American Next Generation Scholarship (KANG scholarship) for students under the age of 19, who have not yet graduated from high school in ABCUSD.

A maximum of 20 students can be awarded a scholarship and applications can be picked from school counselor's office. Applications must be returned to the same counselor.

High schools seniors from Cerritos, Gahr, Artesia, Tracy, and Whitney are all eligible.

The purpose of the KANG scholarship "is to encourage and motivate high school students to achieve at the highest level and assist them in becoming an active member of community in the future."

Potential candidates will be selected based on their achievement in academic performance, extracurricular activities, and essay writing skills during their high school life.

Candidates must submit high school GPA, SAT Score, AP Test Score(s), and other academic achievements.

Candidates must also submit an outline of their extracurricular activities that will include, among other things, their devotion to school leadership and activities, as well as community services.

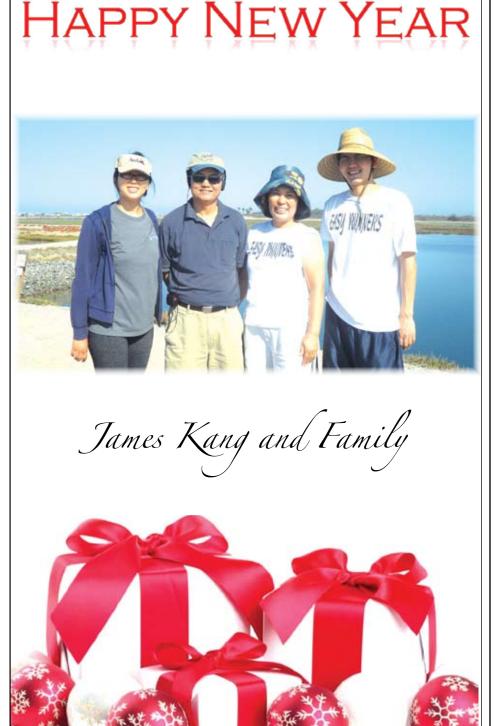
Candidates will submit an essay between 700-800 words, "that tells student's perception to the world in which they live, or their experiences in dealing with difficulty they have encountered."

The application form must be filled and signed by the candidate and his/her parent or guardian as permission to participate. All candidates must furnish a copy of their birth certificate or passport with their application.

Each school will select the top four candidates and forward them to the District level. Qualified finalists will move to the Foundation level.

The deadline to turn in applications to their school advisors is on or before Monday, January 16, 2017.

Scholarships will be awarded between March 25 and April 5, 2017 and will be \$1,000 each.





Cerritos Audiologist to Speak at Hearing Loss Assoc. of America Meeting

Long Beach -David DeKriek, Au.D. will be guest speaker at The Long Beach/ Lakewood Chapter of the Hearing Loss Association of America (HLAA) on Thursday, January 12 at the Weingart Center, 5220 Oliva Avenue, Lakewood, CA 90712 at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. DeKriek will be talking about current hearing aid technology including Bluetooth and Made-For-iPhone wireless The members will learn how Made-For-iPhone is different from traditional Bluetooth. The members will also learn the benefits and limitations of this wireless capability. Lastly he will answer questions from the audience regarding hearing loss or hearing aids. Dr. DeKriek is also the chapter's Professional Advisor.

No reservations are necessary and admission is free. All meetings are Captioned with CART (Communication Access Realtime Translation), have a hearing induction loop and have the Williams Sound System assistive listening devices (ALDs) available. For more information, please call 562-438-0597 or visit www.hlalongbeachlakewood.org. Hearing Loss Association of America, Long Beach/Lakewood Chapter is a support group offering education on coping skills and resources to people with hearing loss to help survive in a hearing world. HLAA meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Weingart Center, 5220 Oliva Avenue, Lakewood, CA.

Dr. DeKriek is located at 13079 E. Artesia Blvd. Suite B-104, Cerritos, Ca. 90703, phone 562.926.6066. web site: fidelityhearingcenter.com.

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began skywriting more than 50 years ago while working for this father. Andy Stinis, Wwho started the company in 1932, and whose plane hangs in the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum.

The Lindbergh Connection

"My dad was friends with Charles Lindbergh and helped him push the Spirit of St. Louis onto the runway for his historic 1927 New York to Paris solo flight. Like Lindbergh, my father also flew mail for the Post Office Department. He flew mail for 20 years in his amphibious Mallard aircraft to Walker's Cay in the Bahamas."

The Five Square Mile Palette in the Sky

On January 7th after Stinis takes off from the Chino Airport in his Grumman Tiger (AA5-B), his search to find a five square mile palette in the sky will take a half hour as he searches for a turbulencefree altitude to avoid distorting the writing. The sky paint will be an environmentally safe paraffin-based liquid that is injected into the exhaust manifold before passing through the plane's 3-inch diameter exhaust pipe to mushroom to a 60 ft. diameter vapor.

To replicate the stamp image the "L" in Love will be 6,000 ft. tall with the remaining letters at 2,000 ft. tall each. To be legible from the ground from Stinis' perspective, he will have to write upsidedown and backwards. His "pen" will scribe between 135 mph and near stall speed as he makes the tight curly elements in the letters. The skywriting will take about 10 minutes to complete. He will not have enough liquid to create the swirl below the word as depicted on the stamp image. Once completed the word should

be visible for 20 miles.

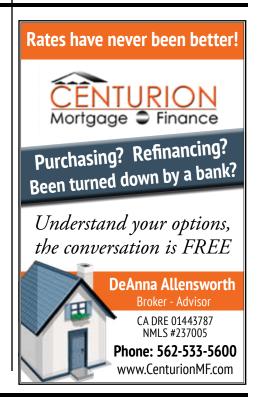
"I've created more than 2,000 skywritings in 50 years, and this one will be one of most challenging because the letter "L" is three times the size of the others and in script. I usually create block letters, so the timing and visual cues and maneuvers are new. Time is against me. Once I start I can't stop writing or the whole message will blow away."

Louise Fili of New York City designed the stamp illustrated by Jessica Hische of San Francisco. Derry Noyesof Washington, DC, was the art director. The Love Skywriting stamp is being issued as a Forever Stamp. This Forever Stamp will always be equal to the current First-Class Mail 1-ounce price.

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SOROPTIMISTS HOLD SUCCESSFUL CAREER MENTORING PROGRAM FOR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

By Diana Needham

On November 17, 2016, Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos held a very successful all- day career mentoring conference for 75 local high school girls, including ten members of the Girls' Advisory Committee from last year's half-day conference.

The Club received extensive support from ABC Unified School District in planning and implementing the program.

Chaired by Soroptimist members Betty Hyatt, Amy Dominguez, and Lou Kaku, the conference was part of a worldwide Soroptimist program for girls entitled "Dream It Be It".

The conference began with comments and introductions by Soroptimist President Pat Law and Co-Chair Betty Hyatt. Dr. Rhonda Buss, Director of Secondary Schools, then shared her personal story of reaching for her dreams, and how along her road of discovery, her dream changed and evolved, leading her to her current

Next, the girls heard guest speakers, Patsy Rodriguez, Soroptimist's Live Your Dream 2016 award recipient, and Isamarc Perez, an Artesia High graduate; tell their stories of overcoming obstacles



Participants of the "Dream It Be It" conference program for girls held by the Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos. The Club received extensive support from ABC Unified School District in planning and implementing the program. Fourteen mentors, each working with 7 or 8 students in small groups, lead the girls in the program.

in order to reach their aspirations and dreams of further education and career goals.

Dr. Mary Sieu, ABC Unified School District Superintendent, and School District Board Members joined in during the lunch session, and Dr. Sieu shared her experiences and words of encouragement to the girls in reaching

Fourteen mentors, each working with 7 or 8 students in small groups, lead the girls in making dream boards, sharing experiences, singing, and enjoying

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games that emphasized goal setting and future career focus objectives.

Most of the mentors were Soroptimist members.

"The enthusiasm of the mentors and their interaction with the girls was a beautiful sight to see", said Co-Chair Betty Hyatt. "Our Soroptimist Club is gratified that we have so successfully implemented the Dream It Be It Program to benefit local girls", said Co-Chair Amy Dominguez.

To learn about becoming a Soroptimist member, contact President Pat Law at 562-537-9117.

The local service club welcomes new members.

Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos celebrated its 43st year of founding and a successful previous year with over \$22,000 in giving through its Soroptimist programs and donations to many local organizations/charities.



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New U-Pass Program Aimed at College Students Metro recently launched a program that upgrades an existing student's college ID into a transit pass through a special sticker with smart-chip technology. U-Pass is a safe, speedy and secure way to travel to and from school with unlimited rides on all Metro Rail and bus lines. To find out if your college is participating, visit metro.net/college or contact your school's transit administrator.





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CRIME SUMMARIES - DEC. 5-21

Cerritos

There were 29 Part I felony crimes reported in Cerritos this past reporting period, resulting in a decrease of five from the previous week. The following is a breakdown of crimes by category: six residential burglaries, four commercial/other structure burglaries, 11 grand thefts, four vehicle thefts, and four vehicle burglaries. Cerritos Station deputies made seven felony arrests, seven misdemeanor arrests, one warrant arrest, and issued 66 citations. The Sheriff's dispatch center also received a total of 380 calls for service.

Residential Burglary:

16200 block of Indian Creek Road (12/11 – Day): The suspect(s) entered the home by shattering a rear window. Stolen were firearms.

17800 block of Harvest Avenue (12/10 – Evening): The suspects entered the home through an upstairs window. Stolen were electronic devices and coins.

17900 block of Holmes Avenue (12/07 – Evening): The suspect(s) entered the home by shattering a rear window. Nothing was stolen as the suspect(s) were scared off by the homeowners.

11300 block of Sharon Street (12/07 – Evening): The suspect(s) entered the home by shattering an upstairs rear sliding door. It is unknown what was stolen.

19100 block of Holmbury Avenue (12/06 – Day): The suspect(s) entered the home by kicking in the front door. Stolen was a high end purse.

16000 block of Canyon Creek Road (12/05-06 – Overnight): The suspect(s) entered and stole a compressor. It is unknown how entry was made into the home.

Commercial/Other Structure Burglary:

13500 block of Village Drive (12/10 – Evening): The suspect(s) entered the storage unit by breaking the lock off of the door. Stolen was a speaker.

13800 block of Bentley Place (12/07-08 – Unknown): The suspect(s) entered the location through a rear door and stole cash. It is unknown how the door was opened.

12600 block of Artesia Boulevard (12/03-05 – Unknown): The suspect(s) entered the storage unit by cutting the lock off of the door. Stolen were tools.

Grand Theft:

19100 block of Crossdale Avenue (12/10-11 – Overnight): The suspect(s) stole electronic devices and accessories from an unlocked vehicle.

18900 block of Vickie Avenue (12/09-10 – Unknown): The suspect(s) stole rims and tires off of a vehicle.

239 Los Cerritos Center (12/08 – Afternoon): The suspects entered the store while it was open for business and stole watches.17500 block of Bloomfield

Avenue (12/07 – Evening): The suspects entered the electronics store while it was open for business and stole several electronic devices.

16300 block of Arthur Street (12/07-08 – Overnight): The suspect(s) stole batteries from heavy equipment machines parked at the location.

239 Los Cerritos Center (11/30-12/07 – Unknown): The suspect entered the clothing store while it was open for business and stole accessories.

239 Los Cerritos Center (12/06 – Evening): The suspects entered the clothing store while it was open for business and stole bottles of cologne.

13000 block of Moore Street (12/05-06 – Unknown): The suspect(s) stole rims and tires off of a vehicle.

17700 block of Dumont Avenue (12/05-06 – Overnight): The suspect(s) stole electrical wires from the in ground electrical boxes at the location.

18700 block of Alfred Avenue (12/05 – Afternoon): The suspect stole packages off of the front porch.

10900 block of Alondra Boulevard (12/05 – Morning): The suspect entered the store while it was open for business and stole tools. The suspect was arrested.

Grand Theft Auto:

239 Los Cerritos Center (12/09 – Evening): The suspect(s) stole a 2003 GMC Yukon from the parking lot.

10900 block of Alondra Boulevard (12/09 – Morning): The suspect(s) stole a 1994 Toyota from the parking lot.

12700 block of Towne Center Drive (12/09 – Afternoon): The suspect(s) stole a 2003 Toyota Camry from the parking lot.

16600 block of Edwards Road (12/05 – Afternoon): The suspect(s) stole a 1994 Nissan pickup truck from the parking lot.

Vehicle Burglary:

12300 block of Essex Street (12/08-10 – Unknown): The suspect(s) entered a 2009 Nissan Altima parked at the residence and stole an electronic device and the garage remote. It is unknown how entry was made.

16500 block of Little River Lane (12/08-09 – Overnight): The suspect(s) entered a 2003 Cadillac Escalade parked at the residence by shattering a window. Stolen was an electronic device and supplements.

16600 block of Marquardt Avenue (12/05 – Afternoon): The suspect(s) entered a Ford F150 parked in the parking lot by shattering a window. Stolen was a purse.

13000 block of Cantrece Lane (11/17-12/01 – Unknown): The suspect(s) entered a 2008 Honda Civic parked in the driveway of the residence and stole sports equipment. It is unknown how entry was made.

La Mirada

Residential Burglary

- A daytime burglary occurred on the 12000 block of Springview Dr. Jewelry and other personal items were reported stolen.
- Jewelry, cash and collector coins were reported stolen on the 15400 block of La Mirada Blvd.

Vehicle Burglary

- An early morning window smash burglary occurred on the 16700 block of Valley View Ave. A bag with clothing was reported stolen.
- A backpack containing two tablets, a passport, and a box of shirts were stolen during a daytime window smash burglary on the 14300 block of Firestone Blvd.
- An overnight burglary occurred on the 16100 block of Roscrans Ave. A laptop, tablets, and shoes were reported stolen.
- A stereo was reported stolen from a vehicle during a daytime burglary on the 14300 block of Firestone Blvd.

Grand Theft

• Heavy construction equipment was stolen over the weekend on the 16300 block of Trojan Wy.

Grand Theft Vehicle

- A stolen vehicle was recovered on the 14900 block of Gagely Ave.
- A stolen vehicle was recovered on the 14800 block of Telegraph Rd.

Bellflower

Over the past two weeks there have been (92) reported crimes in the City of Bellflower.

The greatest number of incidents occurred on Mondays (19), Thursdays and Fridays (16 ea).

The most common crimes were grand thefts of vehicles (31) and petty thefts (18).

There were (8) robberies during this time period:

- 1) The victim was walking when the suspect approached him, brandished a revolver and demanded his cell phone and wallet. The victim complied and the suspect fled on foot out of view.
- 2) Two suspects entered a business, one holding a handgun, and demanded money from the safe. The victims complied and handed over money from the front safe and rear safe. The suspects then fled on foot in an unknown direction.
- 3) The victim was walking when he was approached by two suspects who tackled him to the ground. They attempted to steal his wallet but he resisted, causing one of the suspects to stab him with an unknown object before getting in their car and driving off out of view. No loss. 4) The suspect walked into the business,

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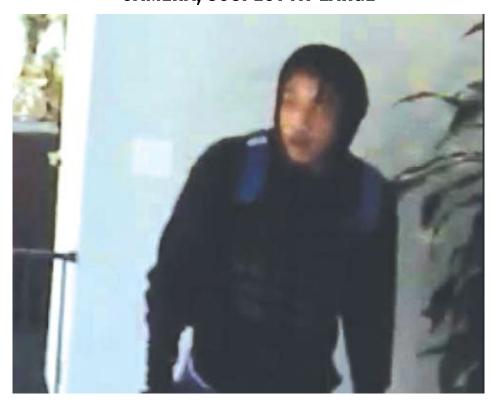
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CERRITOS BREAK-IN CAUGHT ON SECURITY CAMERA, SUSPECT AT LARGE



Security camera picture of robber who stole thousands of dollars in property from a house near Jacob and Bertha in Cerritos. Anyone with any information is urged to call the Cerritos Sheriff's station at (562) 860-0044.

By Brian Hews

Hews Media Group-Community News has been told of a robbery that took place in Cerritos yesterday. The robber entered the home and stole "thousands of dollars in property," according to relatives of the homeowners.

The actual homeowners did not want to be identified although they did post it on their Facebook page.

Relatives told HMG-CN that the

house is in the area of Jacob and Bertha, which is bordered by 195th on the north, Pioneer to the west, Del Amo to the south, and Norwalk Blvd. to the east.

The homeowner's in-home security camera caught fairly high-quality images of the robber inside the house.

They also allege the robber stole a 2013 Mercedes from the same area.

Anyone with any information is urged to call the Cerritos Sheriff's station at (562) 860-0044.

NEW DINING OPTIONS IN LA MIRADA FOR 2017

Staff Report

Four new dining establishments will soon be opening in La Mirada.

Construction is nearing completion for a **McDonald**'s on the northwest corner of Imperial Highway and Telegraph Road.

McDonald's is expected to open by January and is currently recruiting for ll various positions.

The Habit Burger Grill, which will be located at the southwest corner of La Mirada Boulevard and Imperial Highway, is currently completing facade improvements and is also expected to open by next month.

Designs for McDonald's and The Habit will incorporate new, modern and attractive architectural elements as set forth in the City's Imperial Highway Specific Plan.

Shabuya, an all-you-can-eat shabu shabu/hot pot restaurant, will be located at the intersection of Rosecrans Avenue and La Mirada Boulevard in the La Mirada Theatre Shopping Center.

Tenant improvements are currently underway and will include a 6,270 square foot dining area with 69 tables with individual electric heating elements for each customer.

The City has also recently approved interior improvement plans for a new **Piara Pizza** restaurant at 13930 Imperial Highway within the Imperial Plaza

Shopping Center.

"We are delighted that these restaurants chose La Mirada to build and expand here in our great City," said La Mirada Mayor Steve De Ruse, "residents are looking forward to the new and expanded establishments."

"The City is looking forward to the opening of these new eateries," said Community Development Manager Alison Moore.

"These restaurants will provide additional dining opportunities within La Mirada and generate new jobs for students and others in the local community."

For more information, contact the City's Economic Development Team at (562) 943-0131.



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BOYS BASKETBALL: CERRITOS RALLY FALLS SHORT AGAINST DOWNEY AS DONS REMAIN WINLESS AT STAPLES CENTER

By Loren Kopff @LorenKopff on Twitter

LOS ANGELES-For five straight seasons, the Cerritos and Downey High boys basketball teams have met under the bright lights of Staples Center in a non league contest. And each time, the result has been the same, which hasn't fared well for Cerritos.

The Dons found themselves down by as many as 16 points early in the second half, rallied to take a brief lead in the fourth quarter, then saw it go away in the final seconds when Downey's Justin Reyes hit a key basket with 22.2 seconds left as the Vikings came away with a 47-44 win last Friday afternoon. The game was a far cry from the 67-30 Downey win over Cerritos just one week prior in the North Orange County Championships. But this time, it was Reyes who was dominant in the fourth quarter, scoring seven of his team's 12 points in the final stanza.

"He made a big shot; a really good shot," said Cerritos co-head coach Kevin Enomoto. "They have some good shooters. I think it was [junior] Brandon [de Groot] guarding him and he had his hand in his face and he still knocked down that shot. The way Brandon played defense on him was perfect. It's exactly how we want to play defense."

After falling behind 5-0 within the first 48 seconds, the Dons tied the game courtesy of junior Jyvonnte Moore who scored all five points. The Vikings would then go on an 8-0 run before a three-pointer from senior Jason Fernandez closed out the first quarter scoring.

Downey dominated the second quarter, scoring the final seven points of the half to lead 26-13 at the break. Downey's Aaron Garcia then scored the first three points of the third quarter before Cerritos began to chip away at its deficit.

Junior Destin Flucas was a big part of that rally, scoring nine points and grabbing three rebounds in the third quarter alone. He scored consecutive baskets in a span of 49 seconds, the first after getting an offensive rebound, as the Dons trailed 33-24 with 4:18 left in the third quarter. Cerritos would finish the final 3:20 of the stanza on an 8-0 run to trail by three points heading into the fourth.

Garcia would sink a pair of free throws to extend Downey's lead to 38-32 with 5:58 left in the game. But Cerritos had another run and after de Groot scored off a pass from junior Jason Anigbo, he scored on his only steal with just over four minutes remaining to put the Dons in front for the first time, 39-38.

"They started playing defense," Enomoto said of the second half. "They started battling and they started getting rebounds. We were giving up a lot of offensive boards and that doesn't help."

Less than half a minute later, junior Byron Sur hit two free throws to make it a 41-39 contest. After Reyes scored on one of 18 Cerritos turnovers to put the Vikings ahead at 43-41, Flucas tied the contest with 89 seconds remaining in the game. But with 1:10 remaining, a Reyes basket proved to be the eventual game-winner.

Flucas and Moore each scored 13 points to lead the Dons with Flucas grabbing seven rebounds and Moore another five boards. Sur was also solid with half a dozen points and just as many rebounds.

"Both players play very hard," Enomoto said of Flucas and Moore. "They're kind of like our engine that gets us going, getting those rebounds. They're able to get rebounds from other guys to help other guys get open. Byron is another player who gets us going and gets our offense going. If he's playing well, then the rest of our players are playing well."

Of the five games that Cerritos has played at Staples Center, and always falling on a day in which the Los Angeles Clippers are at home later in the night, this was closest in terms of margin of defeat by the Dons. Last season, Downey won by eight points and the season before, it

was a 10-point Downey win. In addition, each school sold close to \$8,000 in tickets for the Clippers game against the Dallas Mavericks prior to last Friday's game. Yet to be determined will be if Cerritos comes back to downtown Los Angeles next season.

"Oh, it's a great opportunity," Enomoto said. "It's a great opportunity for the kids and the families that get to come watch them play inside this nice arena. We really wanted to get them today."

Cerritos began action in the Mt. Carmel Tournament in San Diego with a 76-55 win over Mira Mesa High this past Tuesday and met Downey the next night. The win over the Marauders was just the third for the Dons in the first 12 games this season. Cerritos will begin Suburban League action on Jan. 6 at Artesia High.

"We've been playing some pretty good teams, especially in the last tournament," Enomoto said. "But it's a process for us. We're kind of a young team; no starters returning from last year. So, our goal this year was not to worry about wins and losses, but more as far as are we playing the right way? We have to make sure we're playing the right way offensively and defensively. That's what we're doing. I think we're in the right direction."

ORANGE HOLIDAY CLASSIC

VALLEY CHRISTIAN PUT IN A BIG HOLE EARLY, LOSES BADLY TO LA MIRADA IN REMATCH AFFAIR

By Loren Kopff @LorenKopff on Twitter

FULLERTON-For the second straight season, the Valley Christian High boys basketball team hooked up with La Mirada High in the Orange Holiday Classic. But this season's game was a far cry from last season's first round game that featured a combined 14 seniors out of 30 players between the two teams.

La Mirada won last season's affair 65-62 on a buzzer-beating three-pointer from Ian Carter. There would be no dramatics this time around as the Matadores scored the first 13 points of the game and cruised to an 83-55 win this past Tuesday night at Hope International University.

"You're just excited about the chance to compete and play whoever is in front of you," said V.C. head coach Bryan Branderhorst of facing La Mirada again. "So we don't worry about that a lot. We try to prepare the same way for everybody. It wasn't good enough today."

V.C. didn't score until the 4:09 mark

of the first quarter when senior Jalen Hines scored off a pass from junior Jacob Green. La Mirada went up 20-4 before the Crusaders scored the last seven points of the quarter.

After a free throw from senior Johnny Johnson early in the second quarter, the Matadores reeled off eight straight points to open up a 30-12 advantage with 5:20 remaining in the first half. The Crusaders, who trailed by 20 points at halftime, shot five of 17 from the field in the second quarter and only scored consecutive baskets once in the half. Hines came off the bench to score eight points in the half on four of six shooting.

"To use a boxing analogy, they had us on our heels and up against the ropes early," Branderhorst said. "They kept hitting and we had a hard time getting back. We were defensive all night; they were the aggressors and they took it to us. They shot the ball really well, especially early, and put us in that hole."

V,C, was still unable to get any momentum going in the third quarter,

nearly trading basket for basket and was able to get its deficit under 20 points with 3:07 remaining in the third quarter following consecutive baskets from Green and freshman Gorden Boykins.

Hines would lead the Crusaders with a season-high 14 points while Green and senior Aaron Purnell added 12 and 11 points respectively. Green also had five steals but as a team, V.C. grabbed just 20 rebounds.

"Just compete and have a lot of pride," Branderhorst said of his halftime speech to his team. "Keep swinging and going at people. I thought Jacob Green was good all game. He was very aggressive doing that. It was good to see Jalen Hines go a little bit too. He's been awfully rusty and it was good to see him get going a little bit."

The Crusaders would bounce back the next night to knock off Great Oak High 54-48 as Purnell led the way with 16 points followed by Johnson's 14 points. The win over Great Oak improved V.C.'s record to 8-5 and considering all that the

Crusaders have gone through thus far, the record isn't too bad. Two losses have been by less than 10 points with another loss by 10 points. The loss to La Mirada was the worst this season. In addition, three players missed the first six games because of their obligations to the football team and Branderhorst is still waiting for junior transfer Julio Martinez to become eligible.

"It's been kind of up and down," Branderhorst said. "It's just been a transition all the time as far as what our roster is and who we have and what position guys play because we've waited for some bodies. It's a work in progress. One day you feel pretty good about it and one day you can't figure anything else out. Today was one of those days."

The Crusaders finished the tournament on Dec. 29 and will host Villa Park High on Tuesday. The Olympic League opener will be two days later against Heritage Christian High.

NEWS AND NOTES FROM PRESS ROW

LEAGUE PLAY TO BEGIN LATE NEXT WEEK AS TOURNAMENTS WRAP UP

By Loren Kopff @LorenKopff on Twitter

The area basketball and soccer teams have spent the majority of December playing in two or three preseason tournaments to prepare themselves for what will begin the end of next weekleague action. Now that the new calendar year is upon us, here's a brief look at how all of the schools are doing in the aforementioned sports.

ARTESIA

The boys basketball team will enter Suburban League action with a solid 9-5 mark and winners of its last three games, including a 61-58 triumph over Ganesha High last Thursday. The Pioneers are one win away from matching last season's total and has had a winning non league schedule in four straight seasons. The girls basketball team last played on Dec. 21 and fell to Buena Park 44-38. At 5-5, the Pioneers are the only league school that does not have a losing record. The five wins are one more than the team had all of last season. Artesia visited Newport Harbor High on Dec. 29 and will travel to Ganesha on Tuesday night. Both basketball teams will then host Cerritos High on Friday.

The boys soccer team came up with an uncontested 8-0 win over the California Military Institute for its fourth straight

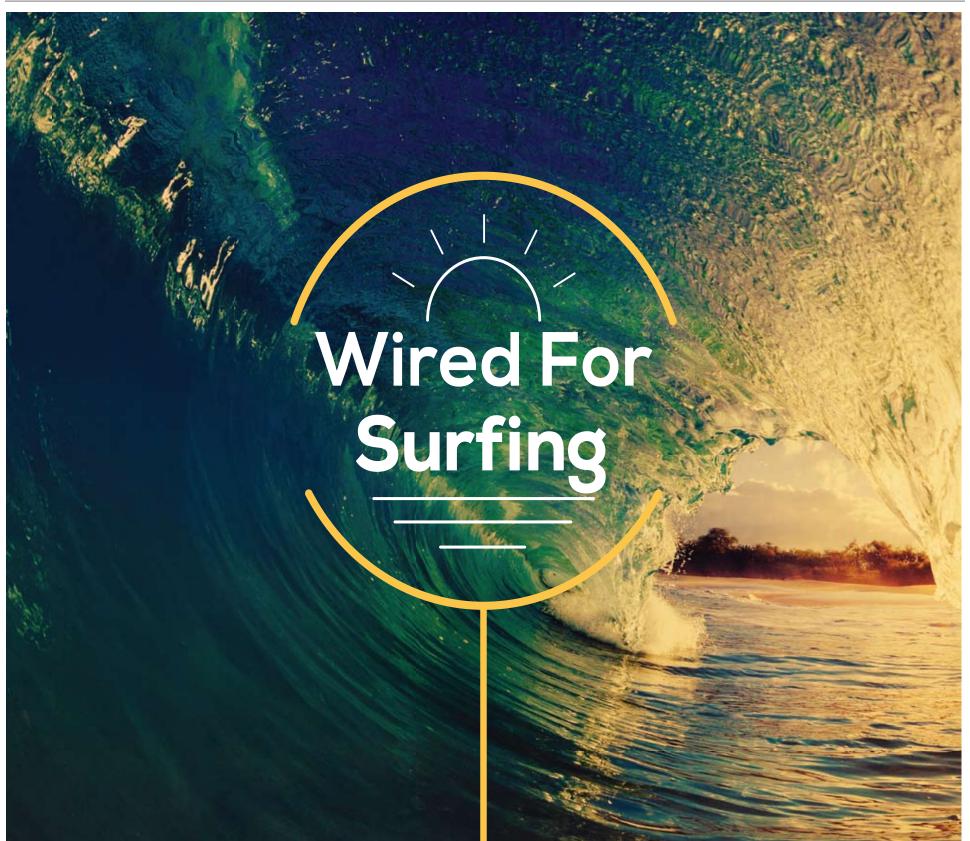
win this past Wednesday to move to 5-7-0. During that time, the Pioneers have outscored their opponents 18-1. Artesia will host Garey High on Monday before visiting Cerritos on Friday. The girls soccer team has been off since Dec. 20 when it blanked Paramount High 2-0. The Pioneers will bring a 4-4-2 record into their league opener against Cerritos on Friday.

CERRITOS

After narrowly falling to Downey High 47-44 at Staples Center last Friday afternoon, the Dons have won the first two games of the Mt. Carmel Tournament and have won three of their last four games. Cerritos knocked off Mira Mesa high 7655 this past Tuesday before getting revenge on Downey, 65-63, this past Wednesday. Cerritos (4-9) faced West Torrance in a semifinal game on Dec. 29. And will conclude the tournament tonight.

The girls basketball team recorded one of its biggest routs in years when it blasted Hawthorne High 85-9 this past Tuesday morning in the Larry Doyle/Dan Wiley Orange County Tournament of Champions. The Lady Dons, who began the tournament with a 53-36 loss to Warren High the day before, scored the first 39 points of the game and led Hawthorne 59-1 at the break. All but one player scored as senior Cailey Vitug and

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ASHTON

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door deals and private handshakes about who can and cannot be mayor or pro tem. I can't call you honorable because of possible funny business going on behind the scenes. It appears that some shenanigans have gone on behind closed doors. There should be an iron clad rule on rotation where common sense dictates each councilmember be treated fairly. No member should hold the high seat twice, when not everyone has had their opportunity on rotation." He went on to say the decision reeked of collusion and incompetence with the City Council being a septic tank ... where the big chunks rise to the top.

Kimberly Hayes is a long time Downey resident and has known the Ashton family for years, "I have known the Ashton's years, our children have gone to school together. Sean is a stand up guy and is always there to lend a hand. I am upset that not only does it appear this Council passed him over, but by doing so you have passed over all those residents in District Two." Hayes continued stating by bouncing the 'Mayorship' between two people, is playing the 'good old boys club' game.

"Rarely do politically bodies have the opportunity for a second chance," says Bryan Hayman, resident from District One, "This council has the chance to do the right thing. Just the past year we had the scandal of Councilman Marquez and here is the beginning of yet another one. But was shocked when I read that this action had taken place denying Mr. Ashton a chance at Mayor Pro Tem."

Hayman goes on to say that it was more than petty politics, but rather political

cunning by a former Councilman that continues to pull the strings in this city and with each of the council members. Hayman noted an ad that was taken out in the Downey Patriot. This ad had the City Seal in the middle and was surrounded with business cards from all four of Council members except for Ashton's. "As I understood it Mr. Ashton could not afford to have his business card in placed in the ad, so in his place a card from a former councilman was placed! The gall of this individual is appalling."

Finally after public discussion was finished, a motion was made by Mayor Fernando Vasquez to resend the nomination of Alex Saab as Mayor Pro Tem. Saab said "I hope that everyone was able to view the video from the December 13th meeting. Everyone was given the opportunity to make motions or discuss but no one brought it up. I do take great offense when someone says that we have violated the Brown Act. There was no collusion or violation. There has been a concern with the lack of confidence in Mr. Ashton's ability to understand the complexities of city hall. No one doubts his commitment to the city. I am going to make the motion that Ashton be Pro Tem and hope that he does a good job. We want to move forward into 2017. We all voted to do what was best for our residents."

Ashton thanked Saab for his comments and clarified that he did not have opposition with being passed over. When he began question the actions taken was when former Mayor and Council Mario Guerra had placed a public comment on Facebook applauding the nomination of Saab and Vasquez, stating:

"I am also excited to see the first vote by our new council working together was to elect Fernando Vasquez as our new Mayor and Alex Saab as our Mayor Pro Tem. Alex did an amazing job as Mayor

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this year and our city is best served with those who commit and honor their office. This is great news for Downey. We are in great hands and our future is bright. Congrats are warranted to our great City of Downey."

Ashton explained when two people talk about anything that could be on the Council agenda, that is not a violation, however when a third person is involved it becomes a violation, constituting a majority of Council. He concluded by stating that if the Council questioned his abilities then, he was open to discussing the issue. Sean Ashton was nominated as Mayor Pro Tem with a unanimous vote.

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the Ronald McDonald House in Long Beach, the Artesia/Cerritos Xmas Basket program, Special Olympics, ABC Adult Transition Program, 1st CEB, Breast Cancer Angels and Final Salute are just some of the many organizations that we contribute to. We are a very active, philanthropic group in the cities of Artesia and Cerritos for over 100 years.

As the 2017 year starts we will be collecting and donating feminine hygiene products in conjunction with Assemblymember Garcia's Open House & Tampon Drive. The sanitary products collected will be donated to local shelters, organizations and schools. We will also be collecting canned goods and non perishables in March for the Food Bank. Our club will also be conducting a Candidates Forum for the Cerritos City Council elections in March for the April elections.

So if you see something that might interest you and you would like

to become involved or help out or organization, please contact Joanne Witt, membership VP at 562-860-2036 or Katherine Chu, president at 562-552-4262. Article contributor, Gail Grossman

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selected several items and walked out without paying. When the victim ran out after the suspect, the suspect hit the victim with one of the stolen items and took off running in an unknown direction.

5) Two suspects entered a business and went straight to the victims and demanded money from the safe. Suspect 1 pointed a handgun at the victims as they removed the money. The suspects then left the location on foot and out of view.

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junior Kalea Trias each scored 12 points while sophomore Lindsay Fujihiro and junior Allyson Hayakawa pitched in with 11 and 10 points respectively. Vitug also had six steals in the first quarter alone and had nine in the game while senior Ifeoma Okoli grabbed 10 rebounds in the first and third quarters combined.

The Lady Dons (5-7) would knock off Marina High 61-28 this past Wednesday to move on to the consolation championship game against Edison High on Dec. 29.

The boys soccer team participated in the Marina Tournament and was blanked by Kennedy High 1-0 this past Wednesday while the girls soccer team has been idle since winning its group of the Best in the West Tournament on Dec. 17. The Lady Dons outscored their four tournament foes 6-2 and end their preseason slate at 7-1-1.

GAHR

One of the best team in the area record-wise is in north San Diego County for the popular Under Armour Torrey Pines Holiday Classic. The Gladiators defeated Wasilla (Alaska) High 76-52 this past Tuesday in the American Division and Iolani (Hawai'i) High 45-39 this past Wednesday. Gahr (8-5) faced St. Joseph Notre Dame High out of Alameda on Dec. 29 in the semifinals. After finishing in the tournament tonight, the Gladiators will face Santa Monica High on Jan. 7 in the Westchester Challenge.

The girls basketball team went 2-2 in the Gahr Christmas Classic after beating Peninsula High 44-32 on Dec. 23. The Lady Gladiators (7-5) will visit Santa Fe High on Tuesday. The boys soccer team hasn't played since falling to Artesia 5-1 back on Dec. 20 to fall to 3-2-1 while the girls began the season with eight shutout losses before blanking San Gabriel High 5-0 on Dec. 17. While the boys will be off until their San Gabriel Valley League opener against Lynwood High on Jan. 10, the girls will host Savanna High on Wednesday.

JOHN GLENN

The basketball woes continue for both the boys and girls as they have combined for one win through this past Wednesday. The boys lone victory came on Dec. 2 and since then, the Eagles have dropped seven straight with the latest loss coming to Calvary Chapel Santa Ana High, 46-39, this past Wednesday in the Estancia Coast Classic. Glenn squared off against Calvary Chapel Downey High on Dec.

The girls are competing in the Cantwell Sacred Heart of Mary Cardinal Classic and played Whittier High on Dec. 29. Today, the Lady Eagles, who have not scored more than 36 points through their first seven games, will play Palisades High. Both the boys and girls will be off all of next week before visiting La Mirada High on Jan. 9 in their Suburban League opener.

The boys soccer team, searching for its first victory, has scored two goals all season as it host Cantwell Sacred Heart of Mary High on Wednesday while the girls, who have been off since Dec. 15, are also winless and have scored three goals.

NORWALK

The boys basketball team is in the Whittier Christian Tournament where the Lancers have dropped two straight games. Norwalk (6-7), defeated Ontario High 59-44 this past Monday before

falling to Hawai'i Baptist Academy 48-35 this past Tuesday and Whittier Christian High 61-35 the next night.

The Lady Lancers have been participating in the Garden Grove Tournament where they have split their last two games, beating the host school 48-43 this past Tuesday before losing to California High 50-38 this past Wednesday. Both Norwalk hoops teams will open Suburban League action at Mayfair High on Friday.

The boys soccer team was shutout by Pioneer High 8-0 last Thursday to fall to 4-2-1 as the Lancers will make up a game with Garden Grove High on Wednesday while the girls haven't played since tying Whitney High 0-0 on Dec. 20. The Lady Lancers have a record of 6-1-3 and will visit Mayfair on Friday while the boys will host the Monsoons.

VALLEY CHRISTIAN

While the boys basketball team wraps up play in the Orange Holiday Classic (see story), the girls are the hottest team in the area. The Lady Crusaders won the Villa Park Tournament following a 60-50 win over Pacifica High on Dec. 23 to improve to 11-3. V.C. will visit Mary Star of the Sea High on Tuesday before opening Olympic League action against Heritage Christian High on Thursday.

The last time the boys soccer team has been in action was on Dec. 16, a 2-1 loss to St. Margaret's High. The Crusaders are 4-6-1 and will host La Quinta High Tuesday before travelling to St. Anthony High on Wednesday.

The girls are competing in the Ontario Christian Christmas Classic where they have advanced to the championship game following victories over Palm Springs High (6-0) and St. Anthony High (1-0) this past Tuesday and Don Lugo High (1-1, but 3-1 in penalty kicks) this past

Wednesday. The Lady Crusaders (7-4-2) faced Ontario Christian High on Dec. 29 and will host St. Anthony Wednesday.

WHITNEY

The boys basketball team dropped a 79-60 decision to South East High in the Rancho Alamitos Tournament this past Wednesday to even its record at 7-7. The girls haven't played since they were in the Valley Christian Tournament which ended on Dec. 17. Both teams will host Brethren Christian High on Friday in the Academy League opener.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED COMMUNICATIONS TOWER CONSTRUCTION

Horvath Towers V has constructed a communications tower in Cerritos, CA. Horvath Towers V has petitioned the Federal Communications Commission for an Antenna Structure Registration utilizing Form 854 with a filing number of A0942530. The tower is located with an address of 16307 Arthur Street, Cerritos, CA 90703. Coordinates of the location are 33° 52' 57.8" N, 118° 03' 45.7' W. The project will consist of the construction of a 60' tall monopine tower. The ground space will be developed with a fenced in compound measuring 7' x 20'. The tower will not be lit. Interested persons can review this application by going to: www.fcc.gov/asr/applications and entering the Form 854 file number of A0942530. Persons who may have environmental concerns about this structure are able to raise such concerns by filing a Request for Environmental Review with the Federal Communications Commission. The Federal Communication Commission strongly encourages interested parties to file a Request for Environmental Review. Interested persons can file a Request for Environmental Review at www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest. If you would rather mail in a paper copy you can do so to: FCC Requests for Environmental Review, Attn: Ramon Williams, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20554.

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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 Climer's Auctions (Bond # 5181494), on or after January 10th, 2017 @ 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: toys, bed frames, stroller, head/foot boards, boxes totes, bags, dryer, refrigerators, stove, microwave, carts, monitor chair, loose clothing, ironing board, bedding, dressers, chest of drawers, fans, mattresses, couch, box springs, rugs, chairs, metal tubes, suitcases, paintings, glass, office chairs, printer, lamp shades, TV trays, desk, entertainment center, TV, and metal tables belonging to the following.

NAME.	<u>UNIT #</u>
Diane Devine	B311
Consuelo Rodriguez	B719
Janet Haros Gonzalez	B124
Jonathan Hicks	B264
Marquette Penniman	A310
Andres Solis	B160

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.

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BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other
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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 interests conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under any submant to a Deed of Trust described as More fully described in said Deed of Trust, street Address or other common designation of real property: 19008 Jeffrey Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703 A, P.N.: 7044-025-036
The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. The sale will be made, but without your saie date has been postponed, and, it applicable, the rescheduled time and date tor the sale of this property, you may call (866)-960-8299 or visit it www.altisource.com/MortgageServices/DefaultManagement/TrusteeServices.aspx using the file number assigned to this case 2014-06033-CA. Inform 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 way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

Date: November 29, 2016 Western Progressive, LLC, as Trustee for beneficiary C/o 30 Corporate Park, Suite 450 Irvine, CA 92606 Sale Inf 8299 http://www.altisource.com/MortgageServices/DefaultManagement/TrusteeServices.aspx.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-16-744844-AB Order No.: 730-1608957-70 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED TO THE COPY PROVI DED TO THE MORTGAGOR OR TRUSTOR (Pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code 2923.3) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/4/2006. 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 eash, eashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial C ode and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. 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Trustor(s): Muhammad Bibi, an unmarried woman Recorded: 4/19/2006 as Instrument No. 06 0854853 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California; Date of Sale: 1/25/2017 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$776,115.67 The purported property address is: 13532 FELSON STREET, CERRITOS, CA 90703 Assessor's Parcel No.: 7023-002-060 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risk 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 listelf. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. 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You will be bidding the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary; the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary'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 holders right's against the real property only, QUALITY MAY BE CONSIDERED A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAIT PURPOSE. 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CITY OF ARTESIA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the City Council of the City of Artesia will hold a public hearing in the City Council Chambers of the Artesia City Hall, 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, California at 7:00 p.m. on January 11, 2017, to conduct a Public Hearing to consider the following

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

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 the notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Artesia City Council at or prior to the public hearing.

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

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