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UPDATE MEETINGS ON 20-MILE LIGHT RAIL FROM ARTESIA TO DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES

By Brian Hews

Los Angeles County Metro, along with the Eco-Rapid Transit Joint Powers Authority (ERT) will be holding four public scoping meetings beginning March 12 related to the ongoing development of a major 20-mile light rail transit system that would connect southeast LA County to downtown Los Angeles.

The West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor (WSAB) will serve the cities Artesia, Bellflower, Paramount, Downey, South Gate, Cudahy, Bell, Huntington Park, and Vernon; the unincorporated community of Florence-Graham, along with Los Angeles, Little Tokyo and the Arts District. Of these cities, nine will be directly served by stations.

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BELLFLOWER HOSTS STATE OF THE CITY

By Tammye McDuff

Bellflower's State of the City 2018 was held on Thursday, February 22, 2018 at the new Mayne Events Center. The theme this year was 'Reinventing Bellflower through Resurgence, Revitalization and Redevelopment'.

Mayor Ron Schnablegger discussed Bellflower's unemployment rate decrease, which has been significant in the last few years, adding to rise in home ownership and property value.

Downtown Bellflower is looking forward to the addition of SteelCraft, an outdoor eatery that offers high quality craft food and drinks, which will open summer of 2018. Also coming this year is Big Al's Supreme Pizza and a new Dunkin Donuts that will open on Bellflower Boulevard. Due to the Widening Project, several businesses have relocated. The former Victory Drug building will be demolished to make way for an In-n-Out Burger.

The Public Safety department has increased their online presence through

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LAKESWOOD AREA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT IS ONE OF CALIFORNIA'S TOP GOLFERS



Anna (center) with her mother Xueping Xie and father Hong Dong. Dong grew up in China and, in 2015, through the International Student Program, was able to come to the United States and attend St. Joseph's High School.

By Tammye McDuff

Linyu "Anna" Dong, from Saint Joseph High School, was honored as the 2017 Lakewood Youth Hall of Fame Athlete of the Year at the 37th annual induction banquet Monday, February 26, 2018 held at The Centre at Sycamore Plaza.

In the spring of 2018 Dong will graduate from St. Joseph High School, not only as one of the top academic students but as one of the most decorated high school golfers in the state of California.

"This is a great honor," says Dong, "I really want to thank my parents and coaches, as well as the school. Everyone has been helping me and supporting me."

Head golf coach, Jim Armstrong told HMG-CN, "of all the sports in this city and out of all the athletes in all of these sports, to be the one chosen as Athlete of the Year is quite a tribute and we are all tremendously proud."

Dong grew up in China, attending a high school that allowed her to participate in golf. This was very uncommon, because Chinese high schools do not hold interscholastic athletic competitions.

Through the International Student Program, Dong was able to come to the

United States, and was accepted to St. Josephs High School in 2015. The entire family moved to California to help her pursue the game she loves.

"One of my friends parents helped us do research on the Lakewood area and St. Josephs High School. I was really impressed with everything they offered and immediately wanted to attend.

Joey Albert, St. Josephs Athletic director said "Our athletes have a good history being inducted into the Lakewood Hall of Fame, and with Anna being added as 2017 Athlete of the Year we are all extremely proud of her accomplishments."

With the help of a translator, Dong's parents told HMG-CN the reason they came to the United States was so their daughter could pursue the game of golf.

Dong's mother, Xueping Xie, said their daughter could play the game very well and hopes she can become a positive influence for other young women.

Anna's father said becoming Athlete of the Year is a tremendous honor that recognizes her hard work and sacrifices.

Dong's education in America began as a sophomore and in just a few short years, her accomplishment on the golf course have become impressive winning CIF Southern Section Individual Champion, Del Rey League MVP, All Del Rey

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HMG-CN EXCLUSIVE STORIES

LYNWOOD MAYOR PRO TEM SANTILLAN-BEAS HARASSED CITY EMPLOYEE

By Brian Hews

Hews Media Group-Community News has obtained a lawsuit, originally filed in 2007, outlining allegations of sexual harassment by current Lynwood Mayor pro tem Maria Santillan-Beas against a former city employee.

In a sworn declaration attached to the lawsuit, the former employee, Laura Alderete, alleged, "Mayor Santillan exposed her breast to me at work. This was unwanted and made me feel very uncomfortable."

The lawsuit involved other plaintiffs including Nabar Enrique Martinez and Maria Duarte, under case number BC374258 filed

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PICO RIVERA CM BOBADILLA TO BE FIRED FOR REFUSING TO 'CHANGE' CITY VENDOR

By Brian Hews

Hews Media Group-Community News has exclusively learned that Pico Rivera City Manager Rene Bobadilla, who had his contract extended less than a year ago on a 3-2 vote, is being forced to resign today by three city councilmembers that include disgraced El Rancho Unified teacher Gregory Salcido.

The revelation came from high level sources inside City Hall as well as outside sources.

According to the sources, a lunch meeting was held last week at Pico Rivera's Dal Rae restaurant attended by Bobadilla, Assistant City Manager Ben Cardenas, Mayor Gustavo Camacho, Armenta and two "potential city vendors."

During this meeting, Armenta reportedly ordered Bobadilla to terminate the city's contract with LEBA Inc., the long-time operators of the Pico Rivera Sports Arena.

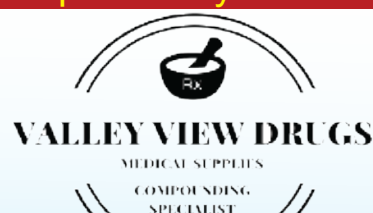
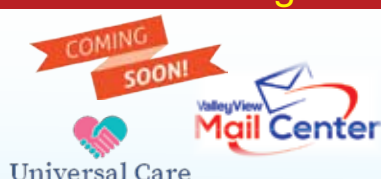
Bobadilla evidently objected to the termination because LEBA was not in violation of their contract.

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CERRITOS MAYOR RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS BUSINESS AWARD

By Larry Caballero

Cerritos Mayor Grace Hu received the Global Federation of Chinese Business Women’s Golden Crown Award for Outstanding Chinese Women Entrepreneurs of Southern California Mar. 3 at the Pacific Palms Resort in the City of Industry during the 2017-2018 Board Installation Gala.

More than 400 dignitaries and special guests attended including Congresswoman Judy Chu, Congressman Ed Royce, State Senator Josh Newman, ABC School Board Trustee Sophia Tse, ABC Adult School Principal Dr. PaoLing Guo and Cerritos Planning Commissioner Jennifer Hong.

The Federation congratulated Hu for being a successful businesswoman, of more than thirty years, who is dedicated to her family, community, and public service.

She is the embodiment of the American Dream. Hu earned her way from a housewife and owner of a local franchise business to owner of several successful businesses including one listed as among the "Top 100 Woman Owned Businesses in Southern California" by the Los Angeles Business Journal (1998 to present).

In 2005 she received the "2005 Outstanding 50 Asian Americans in Business Award" from the Asian American Business Development Center.

"Success is very possible," said Hu. "Hard work, sweat, and tears are common on the path toward financial success.



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Job creation is no stranger to Hu. As a successful businesswoman, she has more than 200 people working for her in several of her businesses. Over the last 30 years, she has created hundreds of jobs that sustain families and individuals.

"I'm pro-job creation," said Hu. She is also an experienced public servant who served for more than nine years as a Councilwoman (1992-2001) and for two years as Mayor for the City of Cerritos (1995 and 2000).

She believes that public service is a great honor and privilege entrusted to few by the people, and it should be carried out with integrity.

As an elected city official, Hu was a proactive policy maker by:

- Actively encouraging economic prosperity by reducing red tape and creating a business friendly environment;
- Increasing policing by putting more officers on the streets and implementing the volunteers on patrol (VOP) program, empowering residents in keeping streets safe;
- Advocating for the building of the Cerritos Sheriff's Sub Station; and
- Keeping education a priority by building relationships with schools and providing services for children to ensure academic success.

Education is Hu’s top priority. She believes that academic success begins at home. All three of her children have graduated from top colleges including

UCLA and UC Berkeley.

For more than fifteen years, Hu maintained five annual scholarships to encourage and assist students with their pursuit of higher education.

In 2017, the Whitney High School Foundation for Educational Excellence unveiled the Grace Hu Auditorium in honor of Hu’s generous support of the Whitney Foundation and Whitney High School.

Hu immigrated to the United States from Taiwan in 1970 where she graduated with a B.A. from the Catholic Fu-Jen University School of Law. She then attended business graduate school at San Francisco State University.

Business and public service comes second to family. Hu has been happily married for more than 40 years to her husband Bill, a Ph.D. in aerospace engineering. Her children are the center of her life.

"Being a mother is the most rewarding and wonderful thing life has to offer", says Hu.

The Global Federation of Chinese Business Women (GFCBW) provides Chinese American businesswomen with the resources and activities they need to create international relationships and further broaden their professional networks.

The GFCBW has been vital to the economic development of many local businesses, and its vision is to provide a network of enthusiastic business professionals committed to economic growth.

LA MIRADA LIBRARY CELEBRATES FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF GRAND REOPENING

The La Mirada Library is celebrating the first year anniversary of its Grand Reopening on Saturday, March 17 from 1 to 4 p.m. The anniversary celebration highlights the \$4.4 million renovation of the 45-year-old Library as a part of Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe’s “Operation Libraries” campaign.

The celebration starts at 1 p.m. and will begin with a live performance by the La Mirada High School Guitar Quartet. Those in attendance will be able to take part in a Mini Art Walk in the Plaza from 2 to 4 p.m. Talented local artists from the La Mirada Arts Colony and LMHS will

showcase their work, weather permitting. Teens in attendance will also be able to take part in an Art Activity where they will upcycle bottlecaps into one-of-a-kind magnets or bookmarks. Kindergarten through 6th grade students will be able to watch a Shocktacular show by Mad Science of North Orange County from 3 to 4 p.m., which will close out the event.

Children and teens in attendance will also receive a free book while supplies last. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of La Mirada Library. For additional information, contact the La Mirada Library at (562) 943-0277.

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CITY OF CERRITOS HEIGHTENS ACTIVE SHOOTER SAFETY EFFORTS AND TRAINING



Sergeant Mark Salles of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department displays the Cerritos Sheriff's Station's rifles, enhanced ballistic armor, and breaching tools which allow officers to swiftly engage an active shooter. Courtesy city of Cerritos.

In light of recent school shootings across the nation, the City of Cerritos has taken efforts to reinforce the safety measures and training that are in place to address the possibility of an active shooter in Cerritos.

Recently, Cerritos Sheriff's Station supervisors and deputies hosted active shooter training sessions at Whitney High School, Gahr High School, Haskell Junior High School, Tetzlaff Middle School, Quest Academy, and Valley Christian High School.

Similar training is scheduled to be presented at four additional Cerritos schools by the end of the month.

Cerritos deputies have also provided active shooter training to local businesses through the Cerritos Chamber of Commerce and various community service groups.

All Cerritos deputies have received active shooter response training and have immediate access to special weapons, enhanced ballistic armor, and breaching tools which allow them to swiftly engage an active shooter.

Cerritos Reserve Deputies, who donate 16 hours of time per month, will be patrolling exclusively near Cerritos schools for the remainder of the school year.

CERRITOS SENIORS MEET WITH CITY & ADULT SCHOOL TO DISCUSS WATER AEROBICS CLASSES

By Larry Caballero
Social Editor

Seniors met with Cerritos Recreation Services Superintendent Sherre Titus, Supervisor Samir Patel, ABC Adult School Assistant Principal Nancy Amaro and water aerobics instructor Todd Tabon at the Cabrillo Lane site Mar. 7 to discuss and resolve issues, and to understand recent actions taken by Cerritos over the use of an exercise tape by students when the adult school is closed.

Seniors have consistently argued that they should be able to exercise and use the tape in the pool during school breaks, holidays when the CPE pool is open, and during summer vacation. And they have been doing it for more than ten years without any problems.

Now the City is saying no more, and Tabon is saying no, and thus the meeting.

Senior Otis Graham said, "We don't understand why we can't use the tape anymore, and we have not been given a definitive answer. It seems that everyone is going around in circles trying to explain why not."

The City's argument explained by Titus is "an unsanctioned class with no authorized supervision is a liability. We have to protect our interests and the school's from the potential of multiple lawsuits."

Tabon was not opposed to the students using the tape in question. After all, it was his voice on the tape, and he had sold it to them in the first place. "I have no problem with it except someone is getting paid, and she's using my tape."

The seniors believe, that once they

purchased the tape, it became their personal property to use as they saw fit.

"I didn't want to get paid," said senior Paula Gamble. The City told me that I had to."

Titus explained that until a credentialed or authorized instructor could be found, Gamble was given the opportunity to teach the class for a limited time, and she couldn't do it without some compensation.

"In the City's eyes," said Titus, "it ultimately needs to be an authorized instructor."

Amara said an issue with offering the water aerobics class in the summer is an administrator has to be on duty, and she is on vacation during the time when the school is shut down.

Patel said that the City is trying to address that issue by providing additional programming after the summer school session ends and before school opens again in August.

"We have not stopped working on this issue," said Titus. "We know this program is important. We get it. We know the benefits it provides, and we are working on a solution that we all can live with even if it won't be perfect."

The bottom line though, according to Titus, is "we have to listen to our attorneys and take their advice."

Amara said the school had looked into other venues to offer the class, but the seniors prefer an indoor pool.

Seniors left the meeting thanking the City and school for their efforts, but Graham asked that in the future, "be crystal clear when you talk to us."



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LAKEWOOD FUN RUN RAISES THOUSANDS FOR LOCAL CHARITIES

By Tammye McDuff

The city of Lakewood held their annual Fun Run Saturday, March 3, 2018. Sheriff's deputies, recreational runners, families and kids gathered in front of the Lakewood Sheriff's Station to run the event's 5K/10K course for time, or do the 1K "Fun Run" or 5K walk.

Lakewood's tree-lined residential streets provided the backdrop; the runner friendly course was comfortable for all types' fitness fans and family members.

The Soroptimist International of Lakewood and Long Beach as well as the women and men of the Lakewood Sheriff's Station expressed their gratitude to the runners and volunteers who turned out for the 2018 Lakewood Run.

On the heels of a rainy Friday, 5K and 10K participants walked and ran on damp streets under a partly cloudy sky.

The only rain that fell was a light sprinkle during the Fun Run.

Despite the threat of rain, there were over 1,000 participants and, thanks to generous sponsors, gross revenue should be close to prior years.

Proceeds from the Run go to benefit Soroptimist's 'Live Your Dream' program.

This program gives those women who are the primary source of financial support for their families, access to resources that improve their education, skills and employment prospects.

The 'Dream It-Be It' program brings professional role models to young girls and career education to young women.

Proceeds also go to help local organizations such as Lakewood Meals on Wheels, SuCasa ~ Ending Domestic



Pictured (l-r) Lakewood Vice Mayor Steve Croft, Councilmembers Todd Rogers and Jeff Wood, Mayor Diane DuBois, Councilmember Ron Piazza, and Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon.

Violence, Long Beach Ronald McDonald House, Friends of Lakewood Sheriff's Station Fund, and 9-9-9 for Kids, a program benefitting foster children in L.A. County.

Major sponsors of the run included the City of Lakewood, Lakewood Center, Piazza Family Restaurants, and Kenny's Auto Service, Back to Life Chiropractic, CJ Concrete Construction, Assemblymember Anthony Rendon and TLD Law.

The Lakewood Run returns on Saturday, March 2, 2019.

Early registration will begin Fall of

2018 with a discount to participation fees.

Finisher medals were awarded to all participants for the 5k/10k.

Performance tech shirts and a highlight of the race are given to all participants.

To inquire about group rate entries or to get more event information, email info@lakewoodrun.com.

For participants and spectators, the day included a fitness expo and displays of public safety equipment.

CERRITOS COLLEGE EXAMINES SAFETY PROCEDURES

By Tammye McDuff

At the February 21st Board of Trustees meeting, Cerritos College took a hard look at their safety protocols. In light of the recent tragedy in Florida, Chief of Police Tom Galvan gave an update on active shooter possibilities on campus and how the police department is prepared to act.

"Anytime we do a presentation," said Galvan, "I like to point out how safe the campus actually is. We are prepared and emphasize education of students and staff as well as preventive measures."

Galvan goes on to stress that open lines of communication are absolutely essential.

The Department host Coffee with a Cop, where students can feel at ease to discuss current safety concerns. Active Shooter presentations are available to give to any class, student or staff at any time. Galvan said, "Basically we will absolutely show up and do a presentation" Each classroom has emergency information posters explaining various protocols. The information is minimal but officers will walk students through the steps.

The campus holds Annual Safety Walks with students discussing campus safety, lighting, and landscape. These walks are to point out safety features and open up lines of communication. Escorts with Officers are also available should anyone have fears or anxiety walking to and from parking facilities.

Participation in the Threat Assess-

ment And Regional Group Evaluation Team [TARGET] is a resource for emergency information. This program was created by a Special Agent with the FBI. It is a multi disciplinary approach for threat assessment on college campuses. TARGET includes local law enforcement, academic professionals, mental health professionals, and technology partners to develop the best practices in identifying and assessing a possible threat. The college hosted a TARGET meeting in 2017.

Campus officers participate in ongoing training as first responders working with the fire department and with local police agencies. "We look at all the best practices. Any opportunity to train we will take," says Galvan, "We participate in quarterly firearms' qualification, gun training on campus, practice with simulation weapons and technical movements."

In 2016, the campus hosted a multi agency active shooter drill with the Los Angeles County Sheriffs and Fire Departments. This drill incorporates dispatch response active shooter training. "Dispatch is a vital component of the response team," said Galvan. Officers will be attending eight hour training where they will meet other professionals to discuss best practices.

An incident can occur at any time or anyplace, they are unpredictable. Having a campus police department that is armed and ready to respond in an emergency is vital to safety and saving lives. In an effort to stay in contact with staff and students the college participates in NIXEL, social media and twitter. The school has an emergency page, electronic marquee and bulletin boards.

Galvan closes his presentation saying, "Your actions can make a difference for your safety and survival. Be aware and be prepared. There are three key things to remember in order to survive: Run, Hide, and Fight."

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ST. JOHN BOSCO HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC TEAM TAKES FIRST PLACE IN DECATHLON

Staff Report

With nearly 300 students competing from more than 20 schools in Los Angeles and Orange Counties, the Academic Decathlon featured some of the best and brightest in Southern California. In addition to finishing first place in its division, St. John Bosco High School finished with the 7th highest overall score. Junior Ethan Wadsworth led the Braves, winning 10 medals (nine of which were gold) and finishing with the fifth highest score out of the students who competed. Senior Regil Machete won six medals; and senior Jared Stillhard, junior Derek Wadsworth, sophomore Connor Roohan, and freshman Zachary Pao won five medals each.

Fifteen St. John Bosco High School students participated in the regional round of this national competition, which took place over the last two weekends. Decathlon teams are comprised of students from different grade-point aver-



In its inaugural year, St. John Bosco High School emerged victorious in the Southern California Private Schools Academic Decathlon, finishing first place overall in Division IV, first place in the Super Quiz, winning a total of 56 medals.

age levels who compete against other students in 11 areas: Art, Economics, Essay, Interview, Language & Literature, Math, Music, Social Science, Speech, Science and Super Quiz. All events, except for Math, relate to a central topic; this year’s United States Academic Decathlon theme was “Africa.”

“I am extremely proud of our stu-

dents for laying the foundation of academic competition excellence and paving the way for future Braves to show off their academic talents,” said Edgar Salmingo, Vice President of Academic Affairs, St. John Bosco High School. “To achieve first place in only their first year of competition is truly remarkable.”

CERRITOS HIGH TEEN NAMED SEMIFINALIST IN MUSIC CENTER SPOTLIGHT COMPETITION

By Tammye McDuff

The Music Center named 113 of Southern California’s most talented high school students as semifinalists in their 30th Annual Spotlight program last month.

This Spotlight is nationally applauded scholarship and arts training for teens. Celebrating their thirtieth year, the Spotlight has transformed the lives of over 45,000 students across Southern California since its launch in 1988.

The program provides opportunities for Southern California high school students to acquire the skills needed to pursue their dreams in the performing arts.

The Music Center named semifinalists in each of seven categories, including acting, ballet, non-classical dance, classical voice, non-classical voice, classical instrumental and jazz instrumental.

Cerritos resident Katelyn Hunter Robinson from Cerritos High School is competing in the Non-Classical Voice category.

Robinson is a well known figure at local events, performing the National Anthem for holiday celebrations and rendering her voice and tribute to Martin Luther King tributes.

“For three decades, The Music Center’s Spotlight program has been a cornerstone of The Music Center’s arts education initiatives. The program exemplifies our commitment to ensuring students of all levels have the opportunity to reach their fullest potential. Each year, we look forward to advancing the journey of these talented young people as they participate in the Spotlight program, where they explore their craft, refine their skills and discover their full potential,” said Rachel Moore, President and CEO of The Music Center, “No matter a student’s artistic

dream, we want to empower each one to thrive on and off the stage.”

“As a pathway to both artistic and personal growth, Spotlight encourages students to strive for their personal best,” said Jeri Gaile, Director of The Music Center’s Spotlight program, “Students who participate in Spotlight have access to personalized training and mentorship opportunities that instill self-confidence, elevate self-esteem and prepare them to excel in life, no matter their future pursuits.”

Approximately 1,450 participants auditioned for Spotlight this year, with students representing more than 300 schools, 200 cities and seven counties.

Semifinalists receive a rare opportunity to attend a special master class in their genre with highly regarded artists, who share their expertise on performance technique, training and professional life.

Students receive feedback on their performances, offering them a rich learning experience.

Each semifinalist will audition again before a new panel of judges, who will then select the top two finalist performers in each category for a total of 14 Grand Prize Finalists.

Judges will also name an Honorable Mention in each category. The Grand Prize Finalists will perform at The Music Center’s Walt Disney Concert Hall in the Spotlight Grand Finale Performance on June 5, 2018.

The Music Center’s Spotlight program awards more than \$100,000 in cash scholarships annually.

Both Grand Prize Finalists in each category receive \$5,000 scholarships, with one Honorable Mention in each category receiving \$1,000. Semifinalists each receive \$300.

The Music Center also celebrates five students in each category with the Merit Award, which acknowledges students who inspire the judges by their commitment and dedication to their art form. Spotlight Merit Award recipients each receive \$100.

Numerous Spotlight participants have gone on to successful professional careers. Twenty finalists are Presidential Scholars, and many more have joined or



Cerritos resident Katelyn Hunter Robinson from Cerritos High School is competing in the Non-Classical Voice category. Robinson is a well known figure at local events in and around Cerritos.

performed with professional companies including Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater, American Ballet Theatre, Metropolitan Opera, LA Opera, Boston Symphony Orchestra and the New York Philharmonic, among others. They include Misty Copeland, who made history in the dance world as the first African American principal dancer for American Ballet Theatre; Adam Lambert and Josh Groban, pop recording artists; Erin Mackey, star of Broadway’s Wicked, Sondheim on Sondheim, Anything Goes, Chaplin and Amazing Grace; Yao Guang Zhai, associate principal clarinet of the Toronto Symphony; Gerald Clayton, Grammy Award winning jazz recording artist; and many others.

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The meetings will be in downtown Los Angeles on March 12, the city of Artesia-March 13, Bell-March 17, and Downey-March 19.

The project's name originates from a portion of the proposed route south of the Metro Green Line on the I-105 that followed an old streetcar alignment known as the West Santa Ana Branch Corridor.

The purpose of the scoping meetings is to receive input on the proposed alternatives, which is an important step in the preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR).

The potential light rail line would be built in two phases with the first phase running from Pioneer and 187th in Artesia to a new Green Line station that would be east of the 710 freeway. The second phase would continue north to Union Station.

ERT and its staff, led by Executive Director Michael Kodama, are working directly with the fourteen cities and communities along the WSAB Corridor using Metro's Transit Oriented Development

Strategic Implementation Plan (TOD) as a template.

According to the Center for Transit Oriented Development, TOD's are a type of community development that includes a mixture of housing, office, retail and/or other commercial development and amenities integrated into a walkable neighborhood and located within a half-mile of quality public transportation.

The TOD provides a land-use and economic development plan for the entire WSAB Corridor s that is based on a "shared vision."

Using the shared vision concept, Metro, with the assistance of the ERT, will support individual community planning efforts and provide resources for TOD implementation.

And out of TOD implementation, "transit oriented communities" (TOC) will be born.

In October 2015, Metro launched the TOC Demonstration Program, which showcased the comprehensive approach to facilitating development around stations.

TOC's represent an approach to development that focuses on compact, walkable and bikeable places in a community context, integrated with transit.

The development of TOC requires coordination with local, state and federal programs, combined with private sector investment in communities, what is termed P3-Private-Public Partnerships.

P3 is a collaboration between public agencies and private companies to deliver development, in this case, along the WASB Corridor.

It is a collaboration that brings private-sector expertise, ingenuity, and effort to building and managing the projects.

Each party shares its key skills and takes on the risks it is best able to man-

age, which leads to cost savings and faster completion times.

The skills and assets of each sector are shared, as are risks and potential rewards.

More important, P3 creates additional funding opportunities, adding new sources of private debt and equity that can be structured to be more flexible.

What P3's do not do is privatize public resources; the public retains ownership and oversight of all investments.

No jobs will be lost in the public sectors, any Metro P3 project must meet state and county workforce standards, and be governed by labor agreements.

Furthermore, projects and performance agreements are designed to maximize public benefit, public services are not minimized in favor of private sector profits.

Finally, P3's do not exclude small and local contractors. P3s can and do include SBE and DBE requirements.

Each of these policies and programs is closely integrated with other policy and planning efforts.

This would include Metro's long range transportation planning for the County of Los Angeles. The policies and programs set the foundation to leverage creative partnerships in support of building TOCs.

The Joint Development Program makes Metro-owned properties at or near Metro's bus and rail stations available for development occurring through a competitive bids.

The TOD Grant Program provides funding to cities seeking to adopt land use plans that remove barriers to TOD. The grant also funds the environmental processes required to adopt the plans.

The Toolkit for Transit Supportive Planning provides cities with the best practices and policies for sustainable and transit-supportive land uses.

The scoping meetings will take place in the following locations: Downtown Los Angeles, Monday, March 12 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Ni-shi Hongwanji Buddhist Temple 815 E. 1st St. Los Angeles, CA 90012; Artesia, Tuesday, March 13 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Albert O. Little Community Center 18750 Clarkdale Ave. Artesia, CA 90701. A live webcast will be available at 6:30 p.m. at [www.tinyurl.com/MetroWSAB](#).

The city of Bell, Saturday, March 17 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Bell Community Center, 6250 Pine Ave. Bell, CA 90201; Downey, Monday, March 19 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Barbara J. Riley Community & Senior Center 7810 Quill Dr. Downey, CA 90242.



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LA MIRADA'S ANNUAL SPRING BEAUTIFICATION

AWARD SEASON UNDERWAY

The City's annual Spring Beautification Program recognizes the efforts of the community in preserving the city of La Mirada beautiful. The City of La Mirada's Annual Spring Beautification award season is now underway. Volunteer judges will canvass La Mirada between March 26 and April 6, searching for properties that demonstrate exceptional landscaping, exterior maintenance, and overall beauty. Owners of selected properties will be honored at a special awards ceremony on Monday, June 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts.

To help residents beautify their properties, here are a few tips to keep in mind:

- Trash cans and waste items are to be stored out of public view.
- Landscaping should include adequate ground coverage throughout the front of the property.
- Perennials are among the most sustainable plants to include in a garden. These plants may die back and re-emerge the following year.

- Vehicles should be operable and parked properly.
- Repair chipped or peeling paint or plaster on property structures and fences.

Homeowners who recently remodeled the exterior of their home or made major improvements to their landscaping may also be eligible to be recognized by the City as one of La Mirada's most improved properties. Property owners are encouraged to submit an application to be recognized in the "Most Improved" category during the City's special awards ceremony in June.

Applications for the "Most Improved" category are being accepted through Friday, April 6. Applications are available at City Hall, Resources Center, and Activity Center. Applications must include a description of the work completed and "before" and "after" pictures.

For additional information on the Spring Beautification program, contact Community Services at (562) 943-7277 or visit the City's website.



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CERRITOS STATION DETECTIVES ARREST GRACE MISSION UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR FOR INDECENT EXPOSURE

Dong Hyun Huh, a Professor at Grace Mission University who teaches Anthropology in the City of Fullerton



was recently arrested by Cerritos Detectives this past March 6.

Cerritos Detectives arrested Huh who is now awaiting arraignment on two counts of indecent exposure. His bail was set for \$30,000. The suspect has posted bail and is out on bond.

On September 15, 2017, at approximately 4pm, a 34 year-old female victim was walking near Marquardt Avenue and Ashworth Street in the City of Cerritos, when she saw a white sport utility vehicle pull in front of her. The suspect called the victim to his vehicle and exposed his genitals to her. The victim

walked away from the suspect’s vehicle and notified law enforcement.

During their investigation, Cerritos Detectives determined a second similar incident occurred in the city of Artesia on the same day shortly after the Cerritos incident. The second incident occurred near the intersection of Gridley Road and Artesia Boulevard. The 19-year old female victim was called over to a sport utility vehicle and the driver had his genitals exposed while he masturbated. The victim was able to flee the scene and notified Lakewood Sheriff’s Station.

Cerritos Detectives are seeking the assistance from the public with any additional information or victims similar to these incidents.

Anyone having information regarding this crime is urged contact the Cerritos Sheriff Station, attention Detective Ryan Clinkingbeard, at (562) 860-0044.

DOWNEY RESIDENT KILLED IN HIT AND RUN

On Wednesday March 1, 2018, at approximately 11:17 p.m., a fatal hit and run traffic collision occurred on Lakewood Boulevard, south of the intersection at Stewart and Gray Road. Witnesses observed the pedestrian walking northbound on the west sidewalk of Lakewood Boulevard and then suddenly run east into the south bound lanes of traffic directly in front of several oncoming vehicles.

The pedestrian entered the roadway approximately 75 feet south of the marked crosswalk and was struck by a silver four door sedan that was traveling southbound on Lakewood Blvd. Witnesses stated that this vehicle had a defective passenger side headlamp prior to the collision. A second vehicle that was also traveling southbound on Lakewood Boulevard behind the silver sedan then ran over the pedestrian. The

second vehicle was described by witnesses as a black midsize SUV.

According to witness, both vehicles had traveled through the southbound intersection at Stewart & Gray Rd on a green traffic signal just prior to the collision. Both vehicles failed to stop at the scene of the collision and were last seen driving southbound on Lakewood Boulevard out of sight.

The pedestrian was treated at the scene of the collision by the Downey Fire Department where he succumbed to his injuries. The pedestrian was identified as a male 42-year-old Downey resident.

Anyone with additional information is encouraged to call the Downey Police Department at (562) 904-2308 or Investigator M. Flores at (562) 904-2339.

CRIME SUMMARIES

Bellflower

Over the past two weeks there have been (71) reported Part 1 crimes in the City of Bellflower, down from (72) incidents during the previous two weeks. The greatest number of incidents occurred on Mondays (16) and Thursdays (14). Breakdown of crimes: Aggravated Assault (6), Robbery (3), Grand Theft Auto (18), Theft from Motor Vehicle (16), Burglary (14, 8 Residential and 5 Commercial), Other thefts (14). There were (3) robberies during this time period:

- 1) 9000 block of Louise St. (2/23-Day): The victim planned to meet the suspect to sell him his property via a social media app. The victim showed the suspect the item and the suspect took it and ran off. The victim and a witness chased the suspect in their car and when they caught up to him they began to physically fight with one another. Deputies arrived and took the suspect into custody.
- 2) Somerset Blvd & Bellflower Blvd. (2/24-Morning): The victim was with two friends sitting in his car smoking marijuana when the suspects pulled up behind them. The suspects got out of their car and robbed the victim at gunpoint as the two friends took off running. The suspects returned to their vehicle and drove off out of view.
- 3) 17000 block of Clark Ave. (2/24-Evening): The victim was locking the door to the location when the suspects approached him from behind and punched him, knocking him to the ground. While on the ground the second suspect took the vic-

tim’s money from his pocket. The suspects ran off out of view.

La Mirada

Notable Arrests

Ten suspects were arrested throughout La Mirada for various warrants and narcotic violations.

Residential Burglary

Several credit cards were reported stolen during a daytime burglary on the 12300 block of Bristol Dr.

Other Structure Burglary

An early morning window smash burglary was reported on the 14800 block of Telegraph Rd. The exact loss is yet to be determined.

Vehicle Burglary

A daytime window smash burglary was reported on the 13300 block of Beach Blvd. The exact loss is yet to be reported.

Grand Theft

Several personal items were reported stolen from two unlocked vehicles on the 14700 block of Excelsior Dr.

A package was stolen from a residence on the 13100 block of San Felipe St.

Grand Theft Vehicle

A sedan was reported stolen on the 14800 block of Telegraph Rd.

A SUV was reported stolen on the 14400 block of San Ardo Dr. The vehicle has since been recovered by Norwalk Sheriff’s.

A sedan was reported stolen on the 15900 block of Imperial Hwy.

A stolen sedan was recovered on the 14700 block of Beach Blvd. The vehicle was reported stolen out Fullerton PD’s area.

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Armenta stood up from the meeting and reportedly said, “if that is the way you want it, then we will do something else.”

Days later, Armenta ordered Bobadilla to attend meeting at a City park that Greg Salcido unexpectedly showed up at.

Bobadilla was reportedly told that three councilmembers - Armenta, Salcido, and Brett Tecero - would vote to terminate him and gave him until the close of business Wednesday to resign. If Bobadilla did not resign an emergency meeting would be called to announce his formal termination.

Bobadilla did not resign yesterday, now there is an emergency meeting occurring at 5 p.m. today at City Hall.

Bobadilla was hired in Pico Rivera in June 2014, leaving a similar position in Huntington Park, and was recently rewarded a five-year contract extension in June 2017.

At the time of that vote, Salcido and Tercero voted against the extension while Armenta supported the contract.

Camacho and Councilman Bob Archuleta also supported the contract that paid Bobadilla \$228,000 annually.

Long-time Pico Rivera resident John Abiltre told HMG-CN, “the very fact that David Armenta teamed up with a new voting majority that now included Salcido is an ultimate display in hypocrisy. How could Armenta proclaim to the voters and residents of Pico Rivera that Salcido is unfit to serve another minute as a City Councilman and then go running to him to further promote his corrupt activities?”

Another long-time Pico Rivera

resident and Salcido recall proponent Andre Martinez stated, “the mere fact that Salcido would have the opportunity to participate in a vote that is so unfair and detrimental to the community of Pico Rivera is a disgrace. He knows his days are numbered and that the recall will be an overwhelming success yet here he is having the last laugh at our City’s expense.”

If terminated, Bobadilla’s 18 month resignation settlement will include pay and benefits totaling over \$375,000.

Martinez said, “that is a gross misuse of public funds and something the voters of Pico Rivera should hold Armenta, Salcido and Tercero accountable for.”

Armenta is up for reelection in November this year and if qualified, Salcido’s recall election could take place at the same time. Tercero faces reelection in November 2020 if voters don’t seek a recall before that time.



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League First Team, 4th Place CIF State Championship, and the SoCal Professional Golf Association Tour Champion. Dongs 2017 season has been her best thus far, averaging a score of 35 for nine holes. She shot a 69 in the CIF finals.

Dong has plans to attend Texas Tech University. “With her enthusiasm and love for the game I have no doubt that once she completes her academic career, Anna could become a professional golfer,” added Armstrong.

Dong headlined a Hall of Fame inductee class of more than 60 Performers of the Year, Distinguished Honorees and Special Achievement Awardees.

'City of STEM' Celebrated Throughout LA County



Ben Dickow, City of STEM organizer and Director of the Columbia Memorial Space Center in Downey, talks about the upcoming STEM Festival. "We will bring STEM activities to a variety of audiences, opening access to STEM throughout the entire county." STEM will launch April 2018.

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By Tammye McDuff

The Columbia Memorial Space Center, along with participating partners, announced that the City of STEM, Los Angeles largest science festival, is set for launch April 2018.

The month-long, community-focused celebration of science, technology, engineering, and math [STEM] is composed of numerous events for all ages taking place throughout Los Angeles County from dozens of partner organizations.

“As an educator, I am excited to see how we have embraced the STEM platform,” said Downey Mayor Sean Ashton, “Our goal is to inspire the next generation of creative thinkers and bring the wonder and excitement of STEM education to residents of all ages. We are thrilled to host City of STEM at our very own Columbia Memorial Space Center and thank our various partners for joining us in bringing the world of STEM to aspiring youth in our communities.”

Participating partners for the 2018 City of STEM include the City of Los Angeles, Northrop Grumman, The Los Angeles County Alliance for Boys & Girls Clubs, BioCom, and Amgen.

Als joining the lineup is The Los Angeles Public Library, YMCA, SpaceX, Aerojet-Rocketdyne, The Planetary Society, The Sierra Club, Two Bit Circus, The Natural History Museum, The Aquarium of the Pacific, Virgin Orbit, JPL, Impossible Science and Financial Partners Credit Union.

“City of STEM is a platform to unite the diversity of Greater Los Angeles, rallying the public around science and drawing attention to the region’s continued national importance in STEM research from aerospace to biotech. We will bring STEM activities to a variety of audiences, opening access to STEM throughout the entire county,” said Ben Dickow, City of STEM organizer, and President of the Columbia Memorial Space Center.

Unique events throughout the month

April will appeal to all ages. April’s activities include the world’s only kids-themed event connected to the international Yuri’s Night celebration, science hikes led by the LA Sierra Club, family nature-themed days at the Natural History Museum and LA Zoo, a gala for retired Southern California aerospace workers, and an adults-only biotech evening at an LA pub hosted by BioCom.

Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti added “Los Angeles is an innovation incubator — a place where the world comes to develop new ideas and pioneer groundbreaking technologies, City of STEM is an opportunity for L.A. to showcase a science, technology, and engineering ecosystem that is creating new opportunities every day and putting L.A. at the center of a global movement to envision tomorrow and build it today.”

The month-long series of events will culminate in a City of STEM celebration on Saturday, April 28th at the Columbia Memorial Space Center in Downey, CA.

This large-scale event will feature dozens of STEM partner booths, indoor and outdoor activities, music, food trucks, and special guest Jason Latimer of Impossible Science and the Discovery Channel show “SciJinks.”

The City of STEM Science Festival has been recognized as a member by the Science Festival Alliance, the national organization dedicated to connecting and promoting unique STEM events.

City of STEM is part of the Science Festival Accelerator, a program of the Science Festival Alliance, funded by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation.

Organizations that would like to participate in the City of STEM Science Festival should visit www.cityofstem.org.

The website will have an updated list of partners and event calendar.

LA MIRADA TO HOST
FRAUD PREVENTION WORKSHOP

The La Mirada Public Safety Team will host a free Elder Fraud Prevention Workshop on Thursday, March 15 at 11 a.m. in the La Mirada Activity Center. At this workshop, residents can learn how to protect and prevent seniors from becoming victims of elder fraud. Sergeant Dana McCants, a 33-year veteran of the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department

will be presenting the workshop.

Pre-registration is not required. Seating will be available on a first come, first serve basis. The La Mirada Activity Center is located at 13810 La Mirada Boulevard.

For additional information, contact the La Mirada Community Sheriff’s Station at (562) 902-2960.

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Every year the Transit Dept. recognizes drivers who have gone above and beyond their standards of service. One driver, Tony Brander, has served for over 34 years. From (l-r) Tony Brander, Yvonne King, Noreena Martinez, Kindria McLemore, Carla Reeves, Michael Washington, and Chris Wilson.

By Tammye McDuff

The Norwalk Transit is committed to offering safe and reliable transportation to the community. The City’s Coach Operators are instrumental in achieving this mission, by getting hundreds of residents to work, school or other destinations in a professional and friendly manner. Every year the Transit Department recognizes those drivers who have gone above and beyond their standards of service. Jim Parker, Director of Transportation, explains this annual recognition saying, “In an effort to promote the highest


degree of safety we choose a Coach Operator of the year.” This criterion is based on their attendance record; received no complaints from the public or involved in any preventable accidents. “Although this criterion seems basic in nature,” says Parker, “Coach operators have a pretty tough job, transporting over 5,000 people every day.” Distinguished Coach Operators of 2017 are longest serving operator of 34 years, Tony Brander; Kindria McLemore, Honoree; Carla Reeves, Honoree; and Michael Washington, Honoree. Three first time honorees were Yvonne King, Noreena Martinez and Chris Wilson.

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social media sites such as Nixle and Nextdoor which allows sending and receiving of alerts as well as monitoring situations, and informing residents of updates. Crime Watch Bellflower now has 12,014 members; Bellflower Community Awareness & Crime Prevention Tips has over 4,000 active members and Positively Bellflower boasts 5,515 members. This has resulted in a 2.3% decrease in crime rates since 2017. Citizen interaction has increased due to National Night Out, Citizens Academy and Shop-With-a-Cop events.

The Public Works Department recently completed The Mayne Events Centers and Fire Museum. The Mayne is at the hub of ‘Bellflower’s Resurgence, Revitalization, and Redevelopment program. Public Works will also complete the storm-water-capture project at Caruthers Park. The 13 million dollar project will treat the water and use for irrigation. Other projects include the resurfacing of the City Hall parking lot; acquisition of Lakewood Blvd from the State of California; landscaping improvements and the construction of a new parking structure in Downtown Bellflower.

The Department of Parks and Recreation received National Designation as Playful City USA for the third consecutive year. The Department reveal a new community program for middle and high school students, call LEAD to help teens get work experience and life skills. Community Programs provided 11,750 hours of supervised and programmed park facilities and 1,500 hours of recreation at park facilities for Recreation Therapy

and Special Olympics

Economic Development received kudos from City Council for attracting new eateries, Crystal Inn Suites & Spas, and their continued efforts in creating a business-friendly environment. BellKo Korean BBQ in the midst of patio improvements and Fantasy Cakes will get new signage. The Department will be hosting a series of free business events for National Small Business Week beginning on April 30, 2018.

Planning and Building Services has been working on new housing projects and issued 336 business licenses in 2017; received 38 self certification applications and issued 37; issued 1,120 construction permits and amended the Bellflower Municipal Code to Approve Medical Cannabis Business Permits. New developments in progress include 30 unit Corte Bella Project; 24 unit Garden House Project; 32 residential units and 3,600sf of commercial space City Ventures Project; 56 room Hotel; MotoUntd store relocation and the expansion of George Chevrolet.

The next General Municipal Election is on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, for City Council Districts 1, 3, and 5. The last day to register to vote for this election is October 22, 2018. Polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. If you would like more information about this election or to check which City Council District you live in, contact the City Clerk’s Office at (562) 804 - 1424, extension 2271, or via email at cclerk@bellflower.org.

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in Los Angeles Superior Court.

Martinez was City Manager at the time, Duarte and Alderete were employees.

Santillan-Beas’ harassment was part of a much larger set of allegations against then-Councilmembers Louis Byrd and Fernando Pedroza, and Assistant City Manager Autra Adams that went on for over two years.

Adams was arrested in 2008 as an accessory to robbery and possessing a stolen handgun.

Byrd and Pedroza were convicted in 2012 of misappropriating public funds by illegally boosting their salaries. Byrd was sentenced to five years in prison, Pedroza to four years.

Harassment Started in 2006

Alderete was hired in 2006 and “quickly experienced sexual harassment from councilmembers Louis Byrd and Fernando Pedroza.”

Alderete said that she told [City Manager] Martinez of the harassment who subsequently told then-City Council Member and current Central Basin Municipal Water District Director Leticia Vasquez.

Vasquez, as she ignored CB Bob Apodaca’s sexual harassment as reported by HMG-CN, apparently ignored Alderete’s pleas and did nothing about the harassment.

Alderete stated, “the unwelcome comments and actions continued.” Alderete finally filed a formal complaint with Martinez who reported the incidents to the council.

Months later, Martinez was placed on administrative leave.

Santillan-Beas Deposition Was Sealed

According to documents, Santillan-Beas was deposed by Alderete’s attorney,

Bradley Gage, sometime in 2008.

During the deposition, City attorneys objected to questions, but the judge overruled and allowed Gage to continue his line of questioning.

Santillan-Beas’ answers to the questions evidently caused severe angst among the City attorneys because the attorneys later filed an ex parte motion for the deposition to be sealed saying, “[the questions] were an invasion of the Mayor’s privacy and unduly prejudicial to the Mayor.”

Gage agreed to the seal, but Santillan-Beas’ answers were included in the deposition.

Only a few months later, the lawsuit was settled by the City Council, with a motion made by then-Mayor pro tem and current City Councilwoman Aide Castro to settle.

Councilmember Mark Flores seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

According to the documents, Aldrete was paid \$56,500, the documents noting that the City “is not admitting any liability.”

Sources are telling HMG-CN that Martinez and Duarte were paid similar amounts, with the lawsuit costing the City more that \$150,000.

When contacted by HMG-CN, Santillan-Beas would not confirm nor deny she showed her breasts to Alderete.

Santillan-Beas told HMG-CN, “What the people of Lynwood are worried about is the recent sexual harassment complaint against Councilmember Edwin Hernandez that is currently being investigated by an independent counsel. The city will have that report very soon. What the people of Lynwood aren’t worried about is something that was alleged over 11 years ago that comes up every time someone wants to change the subject or deflect the attention of what is currently happening.”

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NEWS AND NOTES FROM PRESS ROW

TRIO OF CERRITOS GIRLS WRESTLERS SHINE AT STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Loren Kopff
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In just its second season of fielding a girls squad, the Cerritos High girls wrestling team sent three of its own to the California Interscholastic Federation State Championships in Visalia on Feb. 23 and 24. Out of 258 schools across the state, Cerritos finished in 19th.

Senior Desiree Estrada, wrestling in the 126-lb. class, finished in second place at the state championships. She capped off her season with a 29-3 mark and placed third in the CIF Masters Meet.

Freshman Nile Jernigan, at 131 lbs., was a top 12 state finalist and finished her season at 25-5 which also included a fifth place finish at the Masters Meet while junior Chimira Cooper, at 160 lbs., was 24-7 in 2017-2018, came in seventh at the Masters Meet and was also a top 12 finalist at the state championships.

“Three wrestlers came to the event and all three remained for the second day of the state championship,” said Cerritos head coach Bryan Jernigan. “We don’t have a huge program at CHS, but we were able to make do with what we have. These wrestlers exemplify the Cerritos Way.”

BASEBALL

Five area teams will wrap up competition in the prestigious Newport Elks Tournament that signifies the beginning of the high school baseball season. Artesia High has dropped its first four games, including a 26-2 thumping to the hands of Buena Park High this past Wednesday in the Orange County Division. The

Pioneers will host Western High today before entertaining Calvary Chapel Downey High on Tuesday.

Elsewhere in the O.C. Division, Valley Christian High won its first game of the tournament after getting past Godinez High 7-4 this past Wednesday. The Crusaders (3-3) will visit Westminster High today and travel to St. Anthony High on Thursday.

In the Costa Mesa Division, Cerritos is off to a good start, defeating Kennedy High 5-3 this past Wednesday to improve to 5-1 on the season with three of those victories coming in the tournament. The Dons will host Schurr High today before going to Garden grove High on Tuesday.

John Glenn High began the season sweeping a doubleheader against Oxford Academy, then lost the first two games of the tournament before pummeling Laguna Beach 11-0 this past Tuesday and Los Amigos High 12-2 this past Wednesday. The Eagles will visit Troy High today.

In the Frank Lerner Division, Gahr High went 1-2 in the tournament and hosted Palm Desert High on Mar. 8. The Gladiators (2-2) will be home to JSerra High today before hosting Harvard-Westlake High on Monday.

Norwalk High is off to a 3-1 start after a 15-3 win at San Gabriel High this past Wednesday. The Lancers will visit Whittier High on Monday before being idle until Mar. 24.



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SOFTBALL

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1-2. The Lady Lancers hosted Esperanza High on Mar. 8 before taking the next 12 days off.

Valley Christian outlasted Marlborough High 17-12 back last Thursday for its first win of the season. The Lady Crusaders will visit Samuelli Academy on Thursday.

Whitney High fell to Santiago High 15-4 in its season-opener this past Tuesday and will face Culver City today in pool play action of the 15th Annual St. Monica Catholic Softball Classic. The Lady Wildcats will then face Archer School for Girls on Saturday before hosting Cabrillo High on Tuesday.



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2018 BASEBALL PREVIEW

SUBURBAN LEAGUE TO BE PITCHING DOMINANT WHILE GAHR HOPES TO DO BETTER IN TOP DIVISION

By Loren Kopff
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The key to winning the Suburban League this season will be pitching. Whoever has the best, and that’s still up for debate, has the best chance of claiming a league title. Most of the league has all, or virtually every one of their pitchers coming back from last season. And with five teams battling for four automatic spots, expect a lot of close, low scoring games. Gahr High has enough talent coming back to prove that it still belongs in Division 1 while Valley Christian High hopes to rebound from a disappointing season.Returning players in *italics*

ARTESIA PIONEERS

4-20 overall last season, 1-11 in the Suburban League, tied for sixth place
Head coach: Michael Gaoghagan
(16th season, 131-257-1)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 30-97

Last time made the playoffs: 2007

Key losses: Max Anderson, Bobby Aragon (SR, transfer to Cerritos), Oscar Barragan, Mark Chavez (SR), Alex Covarrubias, David Licea, Francisco Moreno (SR), David Vasquez (SR)
Projected lineup:
P-Adam Hollenback (FR)/*Brian Soto (JR)*/Josue Catzin (SR)/Jonathan Juarez (JR)/*Patrick Garcia (FR)*/Juan Rodriguez (FR)/Alex Soriano (FR)
C-*Oscar Esparza (JR)*/*Allen Castro (SR)*/*Eric Lopez (JR)*
1B-Soriano/Hollenback
2B-Pablo Vega (FR)
3B-*Garcia*
SS-*Soto*
LF-Darrell Miller (SO)
CF-Catzin
RF-*Lopez*/Isaiah Cardenas (SR)

To say that the 2018 season will be another long one for the Pioneers and longtime head coach Michael Gaoghagan would be an understatement. Artesia could be headed for its 10th straight losing season and ninth with single digit victories during that time. Artesia returns five players from last season’s squad and two of them are seniors.

“Our starters graduated,” Gaoghagan said. “Our current pitching staff has very little varsity experience. Seven of the players are freshmen and sophomores.”

After Hollenback, who will definitely be one of the team’s starters, the rest of the pitching staff is undecided as to who will be the second, third, etc. in line. Senior catcher Allen Castro, who is currently injured, and junior catcher Oscar Esparza, have improved the most since last season and need to be counted on for leadership to the freshmen and sophomores.

Artesia was blanked in seven league games in 2017, including the final four, and scored more than five runs five times, winning four of them. Gaoghagan says his team is young and developing and the only direction to go is up. An 11th straight year of missing the postseason is very possible, but the growth of the young guys should make them California Interscholastic Federation-Southern Section playoff contenders in 2019.

CERRITOS DONS

18-13 overall last season, 6-6 in the Suburban League, fifth place
Head coach: Scott Parsonage
(fifth season, 57-56)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 62-68

Last time made the playoffs: 2016

Key losses: Jonathan Estrada, Trevor McInerney, Brett Wells
Projected lineup:
P-*Evan Vasquez (SO)*/*Dee Vizcarra (SO)*/*Matthew Pinal (JR)*/Robert Aragon (SR)/

Kaleb Ferrer (SR)/Jacob Guzman (SO)/*Eugene Luevano (SR)*/Rene Moran (JR)
C-*Jonathan O’Neill (SO)*/Ethan Hanabusa (SO)
1B-*Bernie DeLeon (JR)*
2B-*Pinal/Alex Manibusan (SO)*
3B-*Vasquez/Pinal*
SS-Nick Hill (FR)
LF-*Matthew Aguinaga (JR)*
CF-*Raul Garcia (SO)*
RF-*Xavier Medina (SO)*/*Vizcarra/Pinal/Manibusan*

The up and coming Dons started six freshmen last season and came within a game of advancing to the playoffs for a second straight season. But identical 3-2 home losses to John Glenn High and La Mirada High thwarted any postseason opportunities. Still, head coach Scott Parsonage says the program is going in the right direction and the Dons are still a solid team.

“I think we had a good win total,” Parsonage said. “We played some quality teams. I think we just dropped a game against Bellflower that I thought we should have had, which ended up being the outcome [of missing the playoffs]. Then we lost that close one against Glenn and that kind of knocked us out after taking one from Mayfair.”

The Dons have won at least 14 games three straight seasons and could reach, and exceed, that total this season. The pitching staff is solid with sophomore sensations Evan Vasquez (6-5, eight complete games in 2017) and Dee Vizcarra (4-3) leading the way. Senior Robert Aragon, a transfer from Artesia High, and Rene Moran, a transfer from Gahr, must sit out the first 30 days of the season. Senior Eugene Luevano and junior Matthew Pinal give the Dons added experience on the mound.

“I was impressed; I really was impressed by how they handled themselves and just getting thrown in with the wolves and having some success,” Parsonage said of his two sophomore hurlers. “Evan’s breaking ball has gotten tighter with more velocity. He’s developing on the mound and as a player physically. Dee is just a strong dude. He’s just still raw and he can throw ball hard. We just have to work on the secondary pitches and get a little more command of the pitches to be a little more successful, I think.”

For Cerritos to be successful, the offense has to pick up a lot. With the exception of their two games against Norwalk High, the Dons scored 21 runs in 12 of their last 14 games. Junior first baseman Bernie DeLeon hit .364 in 12 Suburban League games last season and will be one of the offensive threats, along with junior left fielder Matthew Aguinaga and Vasquez.

“Their minds are not quite as open as I wish to instruction,” Parsonage said. “And until they open their minds a little more to instruction and the wisdom to my coaches and myself, I think we’re going to take a few lumps until they mature a little bit and realize that they don’t know everything.”

GAHR GLADIATORS

15-15 overall last season, 8-2 in the San Gabriel Valley League, 1st place, lost to Foothill 5-1 in the Division 1 second round playoffs
Head coach: Gerardo Perez (14th season, 257-131-2)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 104-51-1

Last time missed the playoffs: 1998

Key losses: Joel Casillas, Josh Haley, William Roberson, Je’Von Ward
Projected lineup:
P-*Darius Garcia (SR)*/*Julian Sotelo (SR)*/Jason Dressel (JR)/Joel Martinez (JR)

C-*Edward Morales (JR)*
1B-*Mike Stephens (JR)*
2B-*Tyrese Turner (JR)*
3B-*J.J. Cruz (JR)*
SS-*Michael Perez (SR)*
LF-*Xavier Estrada (JR)*/*Andrew Householder (JR)*
CF-*Brandon Shiota (SR)*
RF-Matthew Polk (RF)

Gahr’s move to Division 1 last season was as predictable as head coach Gerardo Perez stated prior to its season opener against Tesoro High. The Gladiators played stiff competition, again, and after winning their first two games, proceeded to lose eight straight before reeling off six straight victories. Gahr failed to win 20 games for the first time since 2012, but took home the San Gabriel Valley League title for the fourth straight season and sixth in the last seven.

“I think it was definitely a different set of circumstances, outcomes and challenges than years past,” Perez said. “The level of difficulty creates a mentally tougher player that was better prepared for the next level like never before.

“We have always been process-oriented with the emphasis on growth, player development and the journey-together,” he continued. “The winning takes care of itself.”

The Gladiators return experience in every position except right field where freshman Matthew Polk (verballed to University of California, Los Angeles), whose speed and athleticism should fit in with the spacious right field at Tom Bergeron Field, will be the primary starter. The rest of the primary starters had at least 24 at-bats last season, highlighted by senior shortstop Michael Perez, another UCLA signee who batted .406, scored 16 runs and drove in 15. Junior third baseman and future California State University, Fullerton standout J.J. Cruz (.307, 16 RBI) gives Gahr as solid of a left side of the infield around.

On the mound, seniors Darius Garcia (verballed to University of California, Irvine) and Julian Sotelo (verballed to Fresno State University) combined to go 4-4 last season but the program has had a history of producing top quality hurlers. Gerardo Perez says one of the greatest surprises was the development from junior catcher and Long Beach State University signee Edward Morales.

“Team-wise, we became an exceptional defensive team with the development of J.J. Cruz and [junior] Ty Turner alongside Mike [Perez],” he said.

Gahr’s record last season was the worst the program had seen since 2008 when it had its only losing record in over 20 seasons, but still advanced to the postseason. The plethora of experience the Gladiators have this season is good enough to win another league title, a deeper run in the playoffs and possibly a trip to the finals for the first time for the first time since 1994.

“[We are] determined and motivated to make a better run than a year ago but Division 1 is different,” Gerardo Perez said. “I think we have had to adapt and become better individual coaches as a result. And like every year, I humbly expect to play our best baseball at year’s end and make a run.”

JOHN GLENN EAGLES

16-12 overall last season, 7-5 in the Suburban League, tied for third place, lost to Alhambra 5-3 in the Division 4 first round.
Head coach: Jack Brooks
(seventh season, 88-74)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 77-60

Last time missed the playoffs: 2016

Key losses: Bobby Acosta, Sergio

Sandoval
Projected lineup:
P-*Humberto Chiquito (SR)*/*Jose Llamas (SR)*/*Joseph Angulo (JR)*/*Joseph Figueroa (JR)*
C-*Alexis Martinez (JR)*/*Jacob Broz (SR)*
1B-*Alex Alcaraz (SR)*/*Sergio Burgos (SR)*
2B-*Figueroa/Alcaraz*
3B-*Angulo/Chiquito/Raphael De Avila (SR)*
SS-*Angulo/Chiquito*
LF-Julian Marrujo (JR)/Jalen Ringwood (FR)/*Llamas*
CF-*Damone Hale (JR)*
RF-*Gerardo Vargas (JR)*/*Llamas/Marrujo/Ringwood*

Glenn’s problem last season was not its pitching, nor was it its defense. The Eagles, despite finishing in a tie for third place, had a hard time in the offensive department, batting .292 when the season had ended with only four home runs by four different players. This season, the Eagles are still stocked with the same four pitchers as last season. Head coach Jack Brooks says the team needs to improve offensively while pitching and defense should remain the strengths.

“We have the majority of our key players back and we had some really tough games in league play where [the outcome] could have swayed either way,” Brooks said. “We played everybody pretty tough. We had a tough first round CIF game where we just didn’t play our best; we faced a pretty good arm. But we’ve got some good players back and I’m looking forward to seeing what this season brings.”

Senior pitcher Humberto Chiquito and junior pitcher Joseph Angulo remain the top two aces on the mound and combined to go 13-7 last season with eight complete games. Both had earned run averages of less than 1.25 and combined to start 22 games. Senior Jose Llamas and junior Joseph Figueroa are the other two hurlers, and each had 24 strikeouts last season.

Senior Alex Alcaraz moves from second base to first while the only newcomer to get a starting spot is junior left fielder Julian Marrujo. Angulo and Chiquito were the only hitters to bat over .300 last season. The last seven games of 2017, in which the Eagles went 3-4, were decided by three runs or less and Glenn played in nine one-run games and four two-run affairs.

“We have to execute more, we have to hit with runners in scoring position and we have to hit at quality pitching,” Brooks said. “If we’re going to win the league... we’re going to have to be able to score some runs against quality arms.”

Glenn will be playing its home games at Rio Hondo College while construction on a new field is under way. Brooks said it’s going to be an adjustment but will never make any excuses for that. Still, Glenn is one of five teams that have a legitimate shot of one of the four automatic playoff berths from the Suburban League. If Glenn can hit, maybe it can win a league crown.

“The parity in the league is great, with obviously La Mirada being what they are and having the pitching that they have coming back,” Brooks said. “But Mayfair is a dogfight, Bellflower is a dogfight, Cerritos is a dogfight and obviously, I’ll put my club up against anybody’s club. We’re going to stand up and fight, I’ll tell you that. And, if you do not show up against Artesia and Norwalk, you’re going to get bit. If you lose one of those games, it’s going to be really tough for you to make the playoffs.”

BASEBALL

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NORWALK LANCERS
9-13 overall last season, 1-11 in the Suburban League, tied for sixth place
Head coach: Bill Wenrick
(fourth season, 22-44)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 41-75
Last time made the playoffs: 2013
Key losses: Caleb Baca, Julian Galvez, Manuel Martinez, Jacob Medina
Projected lineup:
P-Adrian Perez (SR)/Mark Gil (SR)/Anthony Gonzalez (SR)/Isaiah Villa (SR)/
Juan Salazar (SR)/David Urzua (SR)
C-Andrew Arriola (JR)
1B-Alex Varela (SR)/Gonzalez/Salazar
2B-Perez/Isaac Aguilar (SR)
3B-Villa/Gil
SS-Kevin Ramirez (SR)
LF-Urzua/Michael Serna (SR)
CF-Lalo Sosa (SR)
RF-Richard Lozano (SR)/Serna

The one problem that plagued Norwalk High two seasons ago came back to haunt the team last season-the big inning. Although the Lancers got out to a respectable 5-2 start last season, they couldn’t keep up with the powers of the Suburban League. In addition, head coach Bill Wenrick saw his squad yield at least four runs in an inning 17 times. While Norwalk will have 12 seniors out of 14 players in 2017, Wenrick says the seniors need to play like seniors and the team needs to be more confident.

“Our league is really tough; Glenn is tough, Mayfair and La Mirada are always tough,” he said. “We just didn’t step it up. We always have a problem with big innings. We just couldn’t stay away from giving the other team a big inning, and our hitting wasn’t where it should be to win those types of games.”

Just like the teams Wenrick mentioned, the Lancers too are

experienced in pitching with seniors Mark Gil and Adrian Perez as the top two when it came time for league play. Seniors Isaiah Villa and David Urzua will be used as spot starters while senior Juan Salazar is expected to chew up lots of innings.

Wenrick says he feels more comfortable with the pitching staff but the team doesn’t have that lockdown ace. Senior Anthony Gonzalez has improved the most since last season and is keeping the ball down and hitting his spots.

Offensively, Wenrick says Gil is hitting the ball better while Perez is possibly the best defensive player. Senior Kevin Ramirez might be the league’s most underrated shortstop while the outfield should be solid with seniors Richard Lozano, Michael Serna and Lalo Sosa patrolling that area. But once again, the concern will be getting out of the innings with three outs.

“Just the same thing that’s been going on for the last four years with this group,” Wenrick said. “They have to believe in themselves; they have to know that they can do it. They have to know that they can be able to play with these guys and when things don’t go our way, they have to keep good body language; have the fight and the spirit to know that we’re in every game.

“It’s going to be a tall order for us; it definitely is,” he added as far as a trip to the playoffs. “I have no illusions of going into the season. I’ve had this group since they were freshmen. Are they capable of doing it, a 5-7 or 6-6 [league record]? Sure. They just have to be able to do it.”

VALLEY CHRISTIAN CRUSADERS
14-14 overall last season, 4-8 in the Olympic League, tied for third place, lost to Segerstrom 14-3 in the Division 4 first round playoffs
Head coach: Roger Penticoff
(second season, 14-14)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 70-66
Last time missed the playoffs: 2016
Key losses: Christian Bosse, Kyle Bowie,

Travis French, Lucas Koenig, Zach Krossschell, R.J. Van Kampen, Brent VanMeeteren
Projected lineup:
P-Brett Garcia (SR)/Danye Nichols (JR)/Wyatt Keller (JR)/Ben Allen (FR)
C-Ryan Lasiter (SO)/James Stirton (JR)
1B-Keller
2B-Stirton/Brett Evenhouse (JR)
3B-Pete Tagle (JR)
SS-Hank Brown (SR)
LF-Allen
CF-Nichols/Cooper Bennett (SO)
RF-Ryan Bloom/Jared McDaniel (FR)

Last season was not what Roger Penticoff expected, especially with the number of seniors he inherited when he took over as Valley Christian’s ninth head coach in 20 seasons. While it was good enough to get to the playoffs, he said the pitching was decent, but the team wasn’t making the plays. This season, the Crusaders will have three seniors, two of which are starters, which means the future looks good, but it has to start this season.

“We were, as a group, disappointed because we were senior heavy,” Penticoff said. “With the talent we had, I think that they came in thinking that it would be easier than what it was. But, it is what it is and that’s past. Now, we’re trying to go.”

One of those seniors is pitching ace Brett Garcia, who went 8-4 last season with an ERA of less than 2.50. He’s also the team’s leading returning hitter as he batted .518 with 43 hits, 30 RBI and 11 doubles. Juniors Wyatt Keller and Danye Nichols return as pitchers to complement Garcia, but each appeared in one game last season.

“Brett Garcia back is obviously a big plus,” Penticoff said. “But after that, it’s a lot of untested j.v. players because we’re very young this year.”

The Crusaders return seven players and not all of them got a lot of at-bats outside of Garcia and junior catcher and second baseman James Stirton. Penticoff says it’s a concern, but it’s also an opportunity.

“It’s a big opportunity for these young

kids to step up and earn that spot,” he added. “But it’s also a big opportunity for the guys who are on the j.v. team right now to move into a spot if these guys don’t step up.”

Penticoff said he doesn’t expect to win a league title but expects to make the playoffs. What would make this season awesome in his eyes would be if the Crusaders were to win a game or two in the playoffs.

“Absolutely we’re thinking about the future,” Penticoff said. “That’s why I have some of these freshmen up. I’ll bring other freshmen up during tournament time because realistically speaking, this year we’re strictly playing for third place and hopefully get into the playoffs. Again, we’re going to go out there and play our best. But then next year, with the returners we’re going to have, these guys will have a year of varsity under them, which I think will help.”

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF CONCHITA F. SAN JUAN
Case No. 18STPB00848

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of CONCHITA F. SAN JUAN

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

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Kenneth F. San Juan 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 on March 29, 2018 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 99 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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

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

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

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

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING/PROPOSED ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **Cerritos City Council** will conduct a public hearing at a regular meeting on **Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.** on the following matter:

Recommendation by the Cerritos Planning Commission, on a vote of 5-0, to approve the following:

Review and consideration to waive full reading of and adopt A RESOLUTION OF THE CERRITOS CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE CERRITOS GENERAL PLAN LAND USE MAP BY CHANGING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION OF APPROXIMATELY ±1.98 ACRES OF LAND, LOCATED AT 12616 183RD STREET (APN 7030-002-902), FROM PUBLIC AND QUASI PUBLIC TO OFFICE PROFESSIONAL COMMERCIAL, HEREIN REFERENCED AS GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT 2017-1.*

Review and consideration to waive full reading of and introduce AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS AMENDING THE CERRITOS DEVELOPMENT MAP BY CHANGING THE ZONE CLASSIFICATION OF APPROXIMATELY ±1.98 ACRES OF LAND, LOCATED AT 12616 183RD STREET (APN 7030-002-902), FROM OPEN SPACE (OS) TO COMMERCIAL OFFICE PROFESSIONAL (COP), HEREIN REFERENCED AS DEVELOPMENT MAP AMENDMENT 2017-2.*

City Attorney Summary: In 2001, the former Cerritos Redevelopment Agency purchased the subject property located at 12616 183rd Street, Cerritos, California, 90703, to expand the City's cultural and educational resources by developing a City-operated museum. At the time of acquisition, the property had a General Plan land use designation of Office Professional Commercial and zoning designation of Commercial Office Professional (COP). The City Council then changed the land use designation to Public and Quasi Public and the zoning designation to Open Space (OS), to facilitate the development of the museum. Due to redevelopment dissolution and budget constraints, in June 2017, the City Council directed staff to pursue the opportunity to lease the two-story building located on the property, as an additional source of revenue for the City. Accordingly, General Plan Amendment 2017-1 proposes to change the land use designation back to its original designation of Office Professional Commercial, and Development Map Amendment 2017-2 proposes to change the zoning designation back to its original designation of Commercial Office Professional (COP).

***Pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), this project is categorically exempt from CEQA Review.**

This public hearing will be conducted in the Council Chambers of the Cerritos City Hall, Cerritos Civic Center, Bloomfield Avenue and 183rd Street in Cerritos, California 90703. The meeting will also air live on Cerritos TV3 and will be streamed over the City of Cerritos website at **www.cerritos.us**. A copy of the related staff report will be available for download from the website by 6:00 p.m. on the Friday prior to the public hearing. In addition, full text of the proposed ordinance can be obtained at the City Clerk's Office, located at 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703.

If you challenge the above mentioned item and related actions 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 **Cerritos City Council** at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Any person interested in this matter may contact the Department of Community Development at (562) 916-1201 for additional information and/or appear at the hearing in person or by agent and be heard.

Dated: March 9, 2018

/s/ Vida Barone, City Clerk

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Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:

10753 Artesia Blvd. Cerritos Ca. 90703, 03/21/2018 2:30PM

Trejo Eduardo household items, Fired Up Records and Entertainment Household Goods, Baldwin Altina household items, Pua Esperanza household goods, Casiano Tomas household goods, Embedded Systems Consulting LLC misc. papers, Maria Jarvis fride, sofa, tv, one bedroom, Cynthia Tran household items furniture mattress, Dawn Hamilton house hold items, appliances, furntiure, Drushan Williams Household items, Robert Beazie Household items, Allison Vann House furniture and clothes washer dryer, Connie Celestine clothes, Aaron Gilden Lighting Equipment, Angela Norris household items Elizabeth Perez Household items, Gregory Foreman household items, Chimen Huilar Storing Queen bed,

Box Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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Elisa Sandoval- queen bed, twin bed, fridge, boxes entertainment center, Barbara Gordon- boxes, Nechoelle Dairy- bed, dresser, clothes, boxes, Darnell Givens- awards, electronic equipment, boxes, Steven Flowers- 1-bedroom set, boxes

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ABC Bid # 1506 Fluid Applied Roof System

All bids shall be made and presented on a form furnished by the District. Bids submitted shall conform to the terms and conditions stated on said form. Bids shall be received in the office of the **Purchasing Department at 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos, CA 90703** and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time and place. Bidders may obtain bid documents at the mandatory jobwalk on March 19, 2018 2:00 PM sharp at the Purchasing Department 16700 Norwalk Blvd, Cerritos. All public works are subject to prevailing wage payments, Valid License valid Class C-39 Contractor's License and DIR Registration will be required.

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NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ABC Unified School District will receive up to but not later than **2:00 PM** on the **13th day of April 2018** sealed bids for:

Bid # ABC–1504 – USDA Food and Distribution

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CITY OF CERRITOS
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

PURCHASE OF NEW MOTOR CONTROL SYSTEM FOR THE CERRITOS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

BID NO. 1335-18

Sealed bids will be received at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Cerritos, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Bloomfield Avenue at 183rd Street, Cerritos, California, 90703, until **11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 27, 2018**, for the Purchase of New Motor Control System for the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts.

Bids will be publicly opened at Cerritos City Hall at **11:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 27, 2018**. Bids must be made on the form provided for this purpose, addressed to the City Clerk, City of Cerritos, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Bloomfield Avenue at 183rd Street, Cerritos, California, 90703, marked “**Bid for the Purchase of New Motor Control System for the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts, Bid No. 1335-18**”. Two (2) copies of the entire proposal must be delivered in a sealed envelope or package. One copy shall be marked as “Original” and must contain an original signature.

No bid will be accepted unless it is made on a proposal form furnished by the City and has the bid number and project name clearly identified on the outside label.

The City of Cerritos reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or portions of any and all bids or waive the informality in a bid not affected by law.

Bid specifications are available online at www.cerritos.us/BUSINESSES/bid_and_contract_opportunities/bid_listings.php

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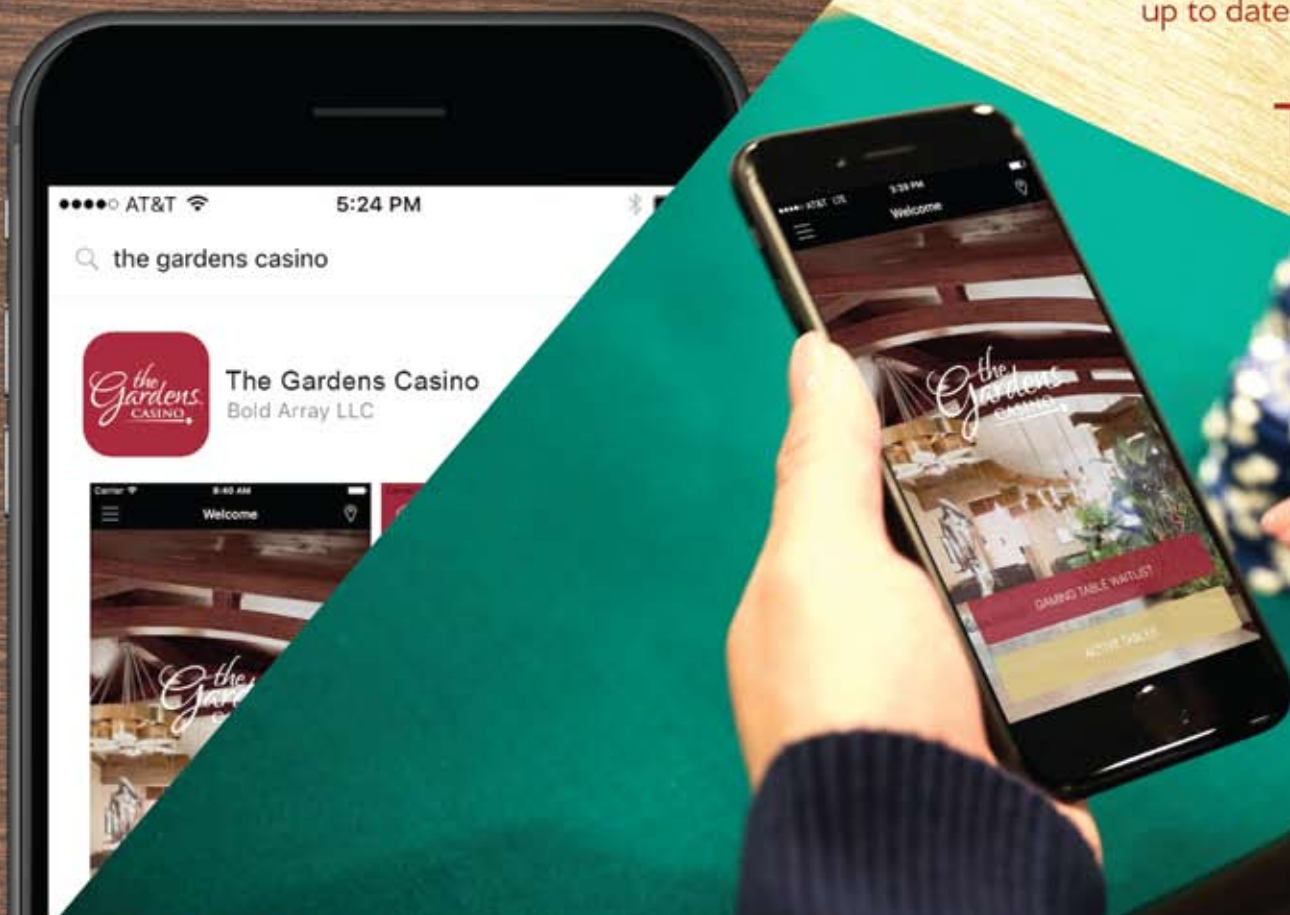


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