



HELPING THE NEEDY

ASSISTANCE LEAGUE of Fullerton members (l-r) Weiling Louie, Helen Cohen, Susan Schilling, and Sue Sherard deliver 50 loaves of bread to Pathways of Hope, they did that for 5 days straight.

'Open the Economy'

In Bold Move, State to Loosen Reopening Tier Requirements

BY BRIAN HEWS

California will begin targeting 40% of all vaccine doses for people who live in the most vulnerable neighborhoods inoculating people most at risk from the coronavirus to get the state's economy open more quickly.

The doses will be spread out among 400 zip codes with about 8 million people eligible for shots, with most of the neighborhoods concentrated in L. A. County and the Central Valley. The areas are considered most vulnerable based on access to transportation, education level, household income and housing status.

The state's health department will target vaccines strategically to reduce transmission, protect the healthcare delivery system and save lives.

Once 2 million vaccine doses are given out in those neighborhoods, the state will make it easier for counties to move through reopening tiers that dictate business and school reopenings.

Right now, a county can move from the purple tier to the lower red tier based on having seven or fewer new COVID cases per 100,000 people per day over a period of several weeks. but that metric will change to 10 new cases or fewer. In the red tier, businesses such as restaurants and gyms can open for indoor



THE ICONIC Dal Rae restaurant in Pico Rivera.

services at limited capacity.

Schools that want to access new state funding must move into the red tier and provide in-person learning for students in kindergarten through grade 6 and at least one grade each in middle and high school.

About 1.6 million vaccine doses already have been given to people in those 400 zip codes, and the state is expected to finish next week.

Once the state gives out 4 million doses in those neighborhoods, it will revise the metrics for getting into the even less restrictive orange and yellow tiers.

The changes mark another round in California's vaccination and reopening plans. People

65 and over, farmworkers, educators and emergency service workers are also eligible for shots.

More counties have already moved into the red tier as hospitalizations and deaths drop. The state's average 2.2% test positivity rate over 7 days is a record low.

State officials are making it easier to move through tiers, saying the likelihood of widespread transmission will decrease as more people are vaccinated.

L.A. County could move into the tier with fewer restrictions as early as next week, though any actual lifting of constraints would not happen immediately.

Cerritos Will Renovate the Mullikin Building for Local Company

A ten year lease and \$7.5 million in repairs tabbed for the local eyesore.

BY BRIAN HEWS

The city owned property that sits at 12616 183rd St., the "Mullikin Building," has been an eyesore in the city for a few years.

Back in 2014, the Cerritos City Council, led by Mayor Carol Chen, current Councilman Bruce Barrows, and George Ray, voted to establish a museum at a cost of \$6.7 million, with \$3.64 million in funding coming from California and insurance proceeds.

City documents indicated at the time that the remaining \$3 million would be funded through the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund.

During that time, the city contracted with the Astor Museum to build out and create a car museum housing the Astor Collection of cars and memorabilia.

ABATEMENT

Artesia Battles Homeowner for Violation Fees

BY BRIAN HEWS

The city of Artesia is at its wits end when it comes to the property located at 18506 Clarkdale Ave.

According to title reports, the house has been owned by Chimanlal and Pushpaben Patel since 2014, purchasing the 806 square-foot home for \$410,000

Since 2015 the property has had numerous code enforcement cases for nuisance violations related to overgrown vegetation. Since 2018, nobody has lived there and the house looks very unkempt.

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The cars were moved to Moore Street in Cerritos, at the city's expense, while the Mullikin building was renovated using elaborate plans that included local company's sponsorship of several display rooms.

But Astor died in 2016, after which Cerritos taking possession of the one-of-a-kind collection and ceased construction on Mullikin.

Now finally after nearly five years, a company that is currently in Cerritos will consolidate operations and lease the building.

The company is called REVOLVE, a publicly traded company with over \$600 million in revenue and a \$36

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PICO RIVERA

Why Aren't More Cities Helping Seniors With COVID

Pico Rivera is giving free rides to seniors to get vaccine shots in Downey.

BY BRIAN HEWS

The City of Pico Rivera, in collaboration with Fiesta Taxi, is offering Pico Rivera residents age 65 years and older free transportation to the Los Angeles County COVID19 Vaccination site at the Los Angeles County Office of Education facility located in the City of Downey.

With vaccines available for residents who are 65 years of age and older, City Officials cited the importance of their senior residents to get vaccinated as soon as possible.

With the City's Dial-A-Ride program already in place, the program allowed for seniors to make transportation reservations for medical appointments within a six-mile radius of the City. City Officials decided to use the

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Microbots Target

Tiny guided robots can deliver drugs to tumor.
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Kelly Chen- All-American honors for 4 years.
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Angelino helps those with vision problems.
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SCIENCE

Fantastic Voyage: Microbots Can be Guided to Tumors

Guided by magnets,
the microbots
can penetrate
areas without damage.

BY BRIAN HEWS

A Culver City company is testing a pin-head sized craft that can be guided directly to a tumor and deliver cancer-killing chemicals; it's the stuff made of science fiction.

The novel invention would allow drugs to be administered only on their intended target site avoiding nefarious side effects such as hair loss or stomach bleeding.

Bionaut Labs, a remote-control medical microrobot start-up, is trying to be the first company achieve the feat.

Over the past decade, various artificial carriers have been integrated to develop unique microbots that can swim or crawl inside the body.

Experiments in test tubes, lab dishes or animals have shown, for example, that the bots can be steered by magnetic fields, light pulses or

THE MICROBOT
will have the capacity
to unload its drug
payload right on the tumor.

THE MICROBOT
sitting on top of a penny will
deliver drugs to targeted areas.

the chemical properties of their surroundings to deliver drugs to desired locations.

Such mobile bots could also manipulate cellular interactions or generate heat to induce other beneficial effects.

All microbot approaches have in common the idea of combining a mobile microbe — one that can crawl or swim — with a structure that can carry cargo such as drugs or do other jobs.

Researchers have engineered a library of artificial carriers made from different materials, with different sizes and shapes, that can hook up with the microorganisms without killing them.

Such diversity is necessary because no one type of microbot would be suitable for all purposes

Bionaut is capitalizing on new technology with a new treatment that uses the microscale robots to deliver drugs to locally to targeted disease areas to help patients suffering from severe brain disorders such as Parkinson's, Huntington's, Brainstem Glioma, and stroke.

The company is targeting spine or skull tumors first, and will test in clinical trials by 2023.

Most drug delivery today is injected into the bloodstream, which requires high doses and often causes side effects.

According to news reports, Bionaut is targeting brain stem gliomas, a type of cancer that affects children and young adults, as a first step.

Brain tumors are particularly difficult to treat, radiation affects a larger area and most drugs cannot

penetrate the blood-brain barrier; the Bionaut robot would get around that.

"The brain is uniquely designed to protect itself from external factors. This makes medical intervention extremely challenging. The Bionaut technology opens the door to precise treatment for a wide variety of severe brain disorders," said Santosh Kesari, M.D., Ph.D., Chair of the Department of Translational Neurosciences, Director of Neuro-Oncology at St. John's Cancer Institute, and a member of Bionaut Lab's Advisory Board.

A doctor introduces the Bionaut devices into the spinal column through a catheter. The devices are large enough to be visible on a live X-ray. Magnets positioned around the head and neck allow the doctor to guide the robot to the tumor.

Once in position, a signal tells the robot to unload its payload of drugs after which the doctor guides the devices back out of the body.

Another team experiments in the colons of both mice and pigs under anesthesia. Pig colons are particularly similar to human ones. They used ultrasound to test in real-time how well the microrobot moved around and even tested the microrobot's ability to carry and release a drug payload in a vial of saline. All these experiments proved very successful.

"We were able to get a nice, controlled release of the drug payload. This means that we could potentially steer the microrobot to a location in the body, leave it there, and then allow the drug to slowly come out. And because the microrobot has a polymer coating, the drug wouldn't fall off before reaching a target location," said one team member.

The Bionaut system allows surgeons to avoid cutting open the skull and, more importantly, enables doctors to use less damaging surgery through the brain, that would be impossible without a wireless instrument.





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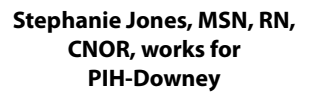
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La Mirada Resident is Senator Archuleta's Woman of the Year

In celebration of March as National Women's History Month, State Senator Bob Archuleta (D- Pico Rivera), named Stephanie Jones, MSN, RN, CNOR, as 32nd Senate District 2021 Woman of the Year.

“This year’s Woman of the Year, Stephanie Jones, in her capacity as Clinical Director of both the Surgery and Sterile Processing departments at PIH Health Hospital in Downey, has been an inspiration to staff, guiding them as, together, they face the day-to-day challenges of treating patients during this unparalleled public



Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, she has been instrumental in supporting the District 32 community, developing hospital protocol minimizing both patient and hospital staff exposure to COVID as much

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DR. MARY STAUFFER at 100 years of age you could often see Stauffer driving around town or taking classes at Downey Adult School.

Stauffer was instrumental in the Character Counts campaign, which is why Downey can boast of a 96% graduation rate, one of the highest in the United States. She was a founding member of GOOD Gangs Out of Downey, was a member of the Downey /Sister Cities

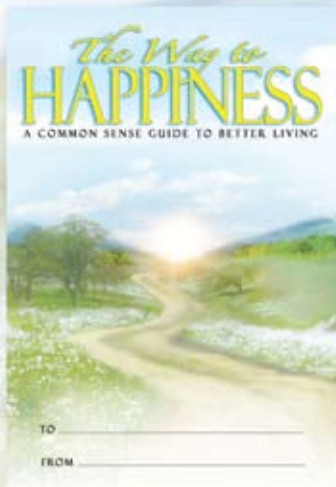
Stauffer dedicated her life for making the city of Downey a better place. “It doesn’t matter where you come from or what adversity you may have to face in life, your character can lead you to great things,” said former mayor and Councilman Fernando Vasquez, “Be steady, career focused and Dr. Stauffer lead the way in this thinking.”

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EDITORIAL: Program Shows the Best Route Out of Poverty is a Handout Not a Hand-Up

An experiment by the city of Stockton has opened the eyes of many, and, according to findings by the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Tennessee, should be extended to other cities, even the entire United States.

The experiment contradicts the inane argument by House and Senate Republicans concerning stimulus payments and minimum wage and makes a case for both to be implemented immediately.

Using donated funds, Stockton launched a demonstration program, sending payments of \$500 a month to 125 randomly selected residents with average incomes at the city median of \$46,000.

Basically it was a modified welfare program, a word that makes all conservatives cringe and who's favorite slogan is "the best route out of poverty is a hand up, not a handout."

The recipients were allowed to

spend the money however they saw fit, no drug tests, no interviews, no work requirements. They just got the money, no strings attached.

The old tired argument is "give people money, and they stop working. They become dependent on welfare. They never sort out the problems in their life."

The Stockton program proved those statements demonstrably false.

Researchers Stacia Martin-West of UT and Amy Castro Baker of the UP analyzed the data from the people who received \$500 a month and from individuals who did not, and the results were astounding.

The families receiving the \$500 a month tended to spend the money on home goods, food, gas, and other utilities. Less than 1 percent went to cigarettes and alcohol.

The cash also assisted in paying unexpected bills, and allowed families to pay down debts. Individuals getting the

cash were also better able to help their families and friends, which helps the entire community.

More importantly LCCN Republican readers, the study found that it did not stop them from working. In fact, some looked for a better job.

In the Stockton program, participants with a full-time job rose 12 percentage points, that's 14 people that looked for and got a new job because of the cash.

Finally, the money leads to happiness; the recipients were less anxious, happier and healthier than those in the control group.

Yes folks, the handout gave a hand-up.

The former mayor of Stockton, Michael Tubbs, who established the project said, "cash is a better way to cure some forms of depression and anxiety than Xanax. So many of the illnesses we see are a result of stress and anxiety,

directly attributed to income volatility and not having enough to cover your basic necessities. That's true in the public-health crisis we're in now."

So LCCN readers, welfare is good, that is what this study showed, and it is a strong case for minimum wage and stimulus payments and child allowances.

Less stress, fewer incidences of homelessness, fewer skipped meals, more work, more family stability; welcome to welfare.

Democrats are currently pushing for a \$300 monthly payment to low- and middle-income parents for each child younger than 6, and \$250 a month for children ages 6 to 18; it is part of President Joe Biden's \$1.9 trillion coronavirus-relief package.

The program is of course temporary, but even Mitt "let Detroit go bankrupt" Romney is for the child allowance.

The handout gave a hand-up.

Mayor Solanki and Barrows Fail to Wear Masks at Council Meeting

"He who has never learned to obey cannot be a good leader."
Aristotle

The Cerritos City Council conducted a special meeting to review possible City Charter changes this past March 1, any changes would have to be approved by Cerritos residents.

The changes have been proposed by City Councilman Bruce Barrows and an "advisory commission" who's members were unknown until the first review of the changes a few weeks ago.

At the meeting, as the introduction music and Cerritos scenery faded, a disturbing video picture emerged of the mayor, the mayor pro tem, and two council people, Barrows and Hu, at the dais.

It was disturbing because Mayor Solanki and Barrows were not wearing masks.

Pro tem Vo, Hu, City Manager Art Gallucci, City Clerk Vida Barone, and the City's attorney all wore masks.

The CDC currently recommends holding off on meetings and "zoom" when possible, but if you must meet, keep the number of people to a minimum, ensure good ventilation in the room, space six feet apart, and wear a mask.

Dr. Fauci said that until cases are less than 10,000 per day in the United States, wear a mask. Right now cases are 60,000 per day.

From experience, the chairs behind the dais are not six feet apart; poor pro tem Vo, in between Solanki and the gabby Barrows for over an hour discussing the charter.

Gallucci, at the table below the



dais, is barely six feet from the equally talkative Solanki, who asked a litany of questions to feed Barrow's ego.

LCCN has been told off the record by several employees that people were/are getting COVID inside Cerritos City Hall.

Yet two of the city's leaders are on camera in a meeting not wearing masks, and there are others just off the dais in a closed room handling the television and video equipment.

Even if Barrows and Solanki were vaccinated, they can still contract the B-117 variant and be asymptomatic, spreading, and possibly hospitalizing, people around them. That variant is deadlier and more transmissible.

It was the height of hypocrisy by two leaders of Cerritos and the other three should censure them for their callous disregard for others.

Look at what percentage of residence voted against your sales tax. This increase could cost seniors \$600 a year. Sorry, cut back on some of your perks.

Nepotism: where did this objection come up? Nobody complained when Councilman Yokoyama's sister was appointed by Pulido or when Mayor Solanki's son was appointed. Is there something we need really need to be concerned about how about our health and safety?

Residency: where did this idea that a person living in Cerritos for only 30 days would have the knowledge of what is happening, what is needed and furthermore who to contact to get out of this info. I could never support this

person if they became a candidate.

Lastly no change to term limits, asking a person to serve three terms is nearly a generation, that's very selfish.

*Gail Grossman
Cerritos*

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HMG reserves the right to edit for grammar and length.

Comprehensive Public Review of the City of Cerritos City Charter on March 22, 2021, 2:00 p.m.



The community is invited to participate in a comprehensive public review of the City of Cerritos City Charter during a study session set for 2:00 p.m. on **Monday, March 22, 2021.**

The agenda and meeting participation information will be posted on the City's website (cerritos.us) by Friday, March 19, 2021.

For more information, call the Office of the City Clerk at (562) 916-1248.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Re: Changes to City Charter

After trying to read over 85 pages, which is a lot of wasted paper, I am very unhappy with some of Councilman Barrows suggestions, was he the only one who made suggestions, shouldn't all members be included in all in the discussions. Are there minutes so

residents can find out what was said by other members? Was Mr. Barrows elected chair person?

My main concern are the four items mentioned in the charter review some of these ideas do not appeal to me.

Tax liability property tax, do you really expect residents to approve this?

Catherine Grant Wieder

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El Rancho Verde Park To Get Major Facelift

STAFF REPORT

In fall 2020, La Palma received a significant grant for the replacement of playground equipment at El Rancho Verde Park the 5.2 acre park located on the border of La Palma and Cerritos just off of Moody Ave.

The project includes demolition and removal of the current equipment, all park benches, and surfacing; installation and new electrical grounding of new GameTime equipment and park benches; and replacement of rubberized surfacing at each play area.

Currently there is only partial rubberized surfacing at the 5-12 year area, which is not a standard of current playground best practices.

Additionally full rubberized surfacing will reduce the required sand maintenance at the playground and is more accessible for those with disabilities.

The current playground equipment and surfacing was installed in 2006 and is in significant decline (paint wear, early onset of rust/corrosion, etc.) and does not meet the latest ADA standards.

Life expectancy of playground equipment is approximately 15 years.

Starting March 3, the playground will be closed for construction and is anticipated to reopen mid-April 2021.

Assistance League of Fullerton Fighting Food Insecurity



50 LOAVES IN 50 DAYS: Assistance League members Susan Schilling, Sue Sherard, Helen Cohen and Wei-ling Louie celebrate another successful food delivery with James Kennedy, Services Navigator for Pathways of Hope.

The mission of one of the many Assistance League of Fullerton’s programs is the long -standing philanthropic program called “Operation New Start.”

ONS provides clothing and domestic items to adults and dependent children who are homeless and/or fleeing domestic abuse. This is done via referrals from The Women’s Transitional Living Center and Pathways of Hope in Fullerton.

In 2019-20, ONS provided over 900 clients of WTLC & Pathways with clothing and merchandise valued at \$26,000; now they are tackling food insecurity.

Members of the ALF began collecting and donating non-perishable food items to Pathways’ on a monthly basis. But then a call came for bread, which must be delivered and used quickly.

ALF members accepted the challenge and committed to 50 loaves for 5 days during the week of February 22. Every morning members gather and drive to Northgate Market of La Habra, then deliver loaves of bread to the Pathways food distribution center.

Not coincidentally, the Pathways of Hope food distribution center serves an average of 50 clients per day since the pandemic began. James Kennedy, Service Navigator at Pathways, expressed sincere appreciation to Assistance League members for the outpouring of support.

Another need is fresh tortillas. Come March, members are stepping up to deliver 50 packages of tortillas per day for another 5 day period.

Assistance League Fullerton’s efforts are part of a nationwide “Call to Action” week, Feb. 22-26, by Assistance League chapters across the country to raise awareness of needs in their communities.

ALF serves of Fullerton, Brea, Buena Park, La Habra, Placentia and Yorba Linda. Visit [assistanceleague.org/fullerton/](#) for more information.

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Publishing House Provides Books to the Community



BRIDGE STAFF visited shops, clinics, restaurants, manufacturing plants, police and fire stations in Commerce to provide thousands of Stay Well booklets to employees. They are seen here at the Smart and Final in Commerce.

STAFF REPORT

Now more than ever, prevention is vital, according to Bridge Publications, the Commerce-based all-digital in-house printing facility for author L. Ron Hubbard’s non-fiction works.

“This community is our home,” says Camila Gonzalez, Bridge’s Director of Public Relations. “That’s why we reach out to empower our neighbors with information on how to stay well.”

Gonzalez is referring to a series of simple illustrated How to Stay Well booklets translated in 21 languages and published in Commerce by the Church of Scientology Dissemination and Distribution Center. In all, the Center printed and shipped more than 7 million copies for volunteer distribution to neighborhoods around the world.

Bridge staff visited shops, clinics, restaurants, manufacturing plants, police and fire stations in Commerce and

East LA to provide thousands of these Stay Well booklets to employees and customers.

“The information was easy to understand and very relevant to the most vulnerable members of our community on how to stay safe during these difficult times,” said Commerce Councilman Hugo Argumedo, who brought copies of the booklets to local senior centers.

The assistant supervisor of Trident Care health laboratory noted the booklets are vital as she had run into many who don’t see the need to take preventative measures. “There are even nurses who didn’t understand how or when to isolate themselves or their patients,” she said.

“People are doing things that don’t help and make the current scene worse,” said Robert Taylor, Commerce Industrial Council Chamber of Commerce Executive Director. “These booklets give them the knowledge of how to keep themselves and others safe.” To

get the information out even further, Taylor emailed all Commerce Chamber members letting them know of Bridge’s offer to provide them free booklets.

Stay Well booklets, signage, and more than a dozen brief videos are available to read, watch and download from the Prevention Resource Center at Scientology.org/staywell.

For more information, contact Camila Gonzalez at 323 888 6200 or cgonzalez@bridgepub.com.

Reset your clocks on March 14

Daylight saving time begins on Sunday, March 14. When setting your clocks forward one hour, replace the batteries in your smoke alarms and check the units to make sure they are functioning properly.

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Join La Palma-Cerritos AAUW’s March Virtual Zoom Meeting

BY EDNA ETHINGTON

The public is invited to attend the General Meeting of the La Palma-Cerritos Branch of the American Association of University Women



Guest
Miryam
Fernandez

(AAUW) on Thursday, March 18, 2021. It will be a Virtual Zoom meeting in the evening with a Waiting Room opening at 6:30 p.m.

A presentation at 7:00 p.m. by guest speaker Miryam Fernandez will focus on her story as “An Immigrant’s Success Story of the American Dream.” Miryam was born in Peru and came to the United States at the age of five. She will be telling about her experiences living in the United States, serving in the U.S. Air Force, and succeeding in her educational goals in her teaching career.

A brief business meeting will follow her presentation.

Persons interested in joining the La Palma-Cerritos Branch’s virtual zoom meeting on March 18, 2021, can contact Co-Program VP Karen Cox at 562-519-0596 to receive the Link for the virtual meeting.

A meeting I.D. and Passcode will be required to participate in the meeting.

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COMMUNITY SPORTS

Cerritos' Chen closing in as one of Duke University's all-time top women's tennis players



Chen could also become the third player in Duke's history to earn All-American honors in all four years.

BY LOREN KOPFF
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The City of Cerritos is no stranger in producing top collegiate tennis players and one of its own will be concluding a successful career with one of the nation's top women's programs. But the path of Kelly Chen's success isn't your normal 'was a star in high school' story because she never attended a high school in the city, nor any other city for that matter.

While her oldest sister Tiffany, and middle sister Beverly, attended Cerritos High, the youngest sibling did all her high schooling at home in front of a computer through Laurel Springs Academy, an accredited online private school.

"My family put me into online schooling just because I was able to travel more that way," Chen said. "I didn't go to Cerritos High, but I did go to Tetzlaff Middle School for a bit. At the time, my goal was to play professional tennis."

At first, Chen said it wasn't a hard decision to choose Laurel Springs Academy but once she was done with

high school, Chen admitted there was a little part of her that wished she had attended Cerritos High just to 'have that experience'. The classes she took online were no different than the one she would have taken at Cerritos High.

"I feel like it's a bit unfortunate for me that I didn't get that high school experience that everybody talks about and stuff," Chen said. "I think I was a bit bummed out, for sure, not to do all those activities that my sisters always talk about. But [in] the tennis aspect, I made a lot of great connections and friends. So, it kind of made up for it in the end."

A normal high school day for Chen would have her play tennis for about three to four hours plus fitness before doing her schoolwork. After that, she would sometimes go to a tutor at several place. She added that she wouldn't have time to have 'fun'.

Chen began her athletic ambitions playing golf for five years before jumping to tennis and has been doing that for 11 years. She credits her oldest sibling as the one person who motivated her to play the sport. Both older siblings played golf at Cerritos High, but not tennis. Tiffany later decided to quit golf and play tennis outside of high school and that's what motivated the current Duke star to play tennis.

Chen didn't attend any of the high schools in Cerritos because she began playing in International Tennis Federation (ITF) tournaments and in local tournaments, which began around 2013 or 2014, according to the tennis star.

"I was really motivated by my sisters and the coaches I had when I was young," Chen said. "My main goal



was to play professional tennis. So, one of the ways to get up there was to play in those ITF tournaments and eventually those pro circuit tournaments."

She said she had always idolized Belgian star Kim Clijsters, who was the first player she saw when she went to watch a professional match at La Costa or other Southern California venues. Years later, Chen would look up to several American players, especially Serena and Venus Williams.

Originally, Chen had looked at Duke, Stanford University, University of California, Berkley, UCLA and University of North Carolina. She was contacted by a coach at Duke during her junior year of high school. Despite numerous exchanges of messages, Chen did not commit to Duke until the beginning of her senior year, and she chose the Atlantic Coast Conference institution because, as she put it, 'was far away from home'.

"But ultimately when I took a visit down here, I really liked how the team and everybody

here at Duke...it just felt like a family," Chen said. "And the environment, it felt like a very comfortable place for me to stay. I also knew some of the girls beforehand, as we played junior tennis together. So, I kind of grew up together with these people."

Another reason why Chen chose Duke might have something to do with its head coach of 25 years, Jamie Ashworth. Prior to this season, Ashworth had gone 533-131 with the Blue Devils, including 204-40 in the ACC and though last Saturday, Duke was sporting a 7-1 record.

As successful as the Duke women's tennis program has been during Ashworth's tenure in Durham, N.C., Chen admitted she didn't know as much about it. In fact, she recalls Ashworth had some of his players contact her occasionally prior to committing to Duke. The only thing she knew was that Duke was one of the nation's top schools for tennis.

"Jamie has really created these top college players and...I wanted to be a part of that team;

CERRITOS' KELLY CHEN takes on Virginia Commonwealth University players at the Sheffield Indoor Tennis Center in Durham. Reagan Lunn / Duke Athletics.

that legacy that Jamie has created here," Chen said.

Chen, who is majoring in psychology, was an immediate force as a freshman, going 25-1 in dual singles action and racking up 40 wins as a singles player, which was tops on the team. She also won all 14 of her ACC matches, the only player to do that. Pairing up with Samantha Harris, Chen went 25-9 in doubles action, the second best record on the team and among her honors in her first year, she became the 12th Duke women's tennis athlete to win the ACC Freshman of the Year award. Chen was also an Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) All-American selection, where she ended the season ranked 28th in singles play.

"I think as a freshman, there's not much pressure coming in," Chen said. "I think I was seen as an underdog in a way as to all the freshmen that come into college. I think I was just very relaxed. I had nothing to lose, but I think also, with the reassurance I get from the staff here, it has made it 100 times more better for me on the court, as well as off the court. Credit to them for my success."

"I think [in my] freshman year, I just wanted to have fun on court," she later said. "I wasn't really expecting much from myself. It's a new environment for me. There's definitely a lot of things I had to get used to as a freshman."

The next year, Chen began the season ranked 12th by the ITA before going 35-9 overall as a singles player, again tops on the team, and teamed with Meible Chi in doubles to go 16-5 overall. The Blue Devils went 27-4 overall for the second straight season and advanced to the NCAA semifinals for the second straight season. Chen once again was an ITA All-American and was on the Second Team All-ACC.

In the COVID-19-shortened season, Chen was ranked fifth by the ITA before going 21-6 in singles play, and for the third straight season, received ITA All-America accolades. She posted a 6-1 mark as the No. 1 singles player and teamed with Chloe Beck to become Duke's No. 1 doubles duo. There, Chen went 14-8 overall and 8-4 in dual matches. As a team, the Blue Devils went 11-2 with a Mar. 1 match against William and Mary being the last time Duke would play that season.

Chen began hitting a few months later and while she says having a few months off was nice, at the same time, it was tough not being active in tennis for a few months. Because the gyms were also shut down, Chen began to run around her neighborhood and set up a mini-home gym in North Carolina.

"I made the most out of it during the pandemic," Chen said.

Chen was also active in the fall as she competed in the ITA Fall Nationals and the ITA Regional Championships on her way to becoming another ITA All-American. Chen has also qualified for the NCAA Singles Championships her first two seasons and is on her way to a third trip this season.

Among her records during her first three years at Duke, Chen is tied for

first with Kaitlyn McCarthy (2017) in posting a 14-0 record in ACC action for a season, most wins in a season in ACC action and third in school history for wins as a freshman in singles play. Chen could also become the third player in Duke's history to earn All-American honors in all four years. Amanda Johnson (2001-2004) and Vanessa Webb (1996-1999) are the only other four-year All-Americans.

"I'm honored to get those awards from the ACC and the NCAA organization," Chen said. "But it just kind of shows the hard work that I've put in in my game as well as the Duke women's staff that's been helping me to achieve these awards."

This season, Chen is currently 6-3 in singles play and 9-2 in doubles action with Georgia Drummy as her partner. Chen has also teamed with Beck once in a 3-2 loss to North Carolina State University on Jan. 16.

"There's a lot of responsibility as a senior on the team just to keep everybody motivated and kind of in check," Chen said. "So far, we've been doing pretty good [as a team] except that rare loss to Georgia Tech at the end of January. But other than that, our team has been looking good. Overall, we are capable of winning the ACC Tournament and the NCAA [Tournament]."

When Chen graduates from Duke, she says she would like to play a little bit in pro circuit and if it doesn't work out, Chen's next ambition would be to get into the sports business

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NEWS AND NOTES FROM PRESS ROW

Area coaches, athletic directors
frantically putting schedules together

By Loren Kopff
@LorenKopff on Twitter

Now that high school athletics have resumed, the task of putting together any type of schedule for all the sports has been an ongoing feat for coaches and athletic directors. While that is going on, the remainder of the fall season and the upcoming spring season, in which some of the sports have already started their 2021 seasons, just got one step easier as the latest case rate numbers were released Tuesday.

Last week, Los Angeles County, Orange County and San Luis Obispo County were the only counties within the CIF-Southern Section that could resume its return to play activities. Now, all eight counties that house a CIF-SS school are good to go as their numbers are below the threshold of 14 cases per 100,000 people. Los Angeles County dropped from 12.3 to 7.2 while Orange County fell from 11.9 to 7.6.

Most likely, girls volleyball and boys and girls water polo for the area schools will not happen as those sports have an end date of Mar. 20 and it would have been tough to rush even a four or five-game league schedule with a start date of Feb. 23. Plus, there is still uncertainty with indoor sports, plus the topic of testing for water polo athletes.

But, the other two fall sports, cross country and football, have until Mar. 27 and Apr. 17 respectively to get events in. The 605 League tentatively has their cross country and football schedules set. On Mar. 13, the league will conduct a time trial cross country meet on the Cerritos High campus with each of the six member schools running separately. Artesia High will go

at 8:00, followed by Cerritos at 8:50, John Glenn High at 9:50. Oxford Academy at 10:30, Pioneer High at 11:20 and Whitney High at 12:10. The same schedule will be used the following Saturday while on Mar. 27, the league will go in reverse order.

Football will most likely go with a league schedule with games being played on Mar. 26, Apr. 1 and Apr. 16. However, schools may wish to add anywhere from one to three non-league games if they choose.

Gahr High athletic director and head football coach Greg Marshall indicated earlier in the week that the Gladiators will probably play only three games, all against San Gabriel Valley League opponents, while some of the other SGVL teams will play as many as five games. It appears that Valley Christian High won't play any football games as no schedules have been posted on its athletic website, nor on MaxPreps.com.

With a lot of focus now centering on the spring sports, it's important to know the dates of the first contest schools can have an event. Girls tennis began its season on Feb. 22 and V.C. has already played three matches, falling to Calvary Chapel Costa Mesa 10-8 on Feb. 24, defeating Ontario Christian High 15-3 the next day and losing to Rosary High 11-7 this past Monday.

The dates of the first contests for the other spring sports are as follows: boys and girls soccer (last Saturday), boys tennis (this past Monday), badminton (Saturday), boys and girls basketball (Mar. 12), boys and girls swimming and boys volleyball (Mar. 13), baseball and softball (Mar. 19) and boys and girls golf and boys and girls track and field (Mar. 20).

Expanded Outdoor
Dining in
Santa Monica

STAFF REPORT

Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. (DTSM), in collaboration with the City of Santa Monica, have announced expanded outdoor dining along the world-famous Third Street Promenade.

The dining expansion allows restaurants on and around the Promenade to create new "satellite" locations along the iconic public street, making prime outdoor dining locations available to restaurants.

Restaurants currently utilizing the expanded Promenade outdoor dining space include The Britannia Pub, Lanea, and The Misfit, with The Independence, and West 4th & Jane expected soon. Existing Promenade restaurants offering outdoor dining include 1212, Casa Martin, Cabo Cantina, Silverlake Ramen, Johnny Rockets, Barney's Beanery and the freshly opened Cult. For a full list of the many restaurants and eateries found along the Third Street Promenade and within the Downtown Santa Monica area visit downtownsm.com.

DTSM remains committed to ensuring the health and safety of the community, visitors, and staff. Face coverings are required when visiting the Third Street Promenade and all guests are encouraged to practice physical distancing.

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as possible. Her 35 years of experience as a nurse and as a leader have been vital during this challenging time.

"I am truly honored to be selected as 32nd Senate District Woman of the Year," Jones said. "As an RN, I have always been passionate about caring for our community. The COVID-19 pandemic presented unprecedented challenges and it has been a privilege to be part of a team leading efforts to help create innovative ways of providing excellent patient care."

In the past year, Jones has served as the Operations Section Chief on the PIH Health Downey Hospital Command Center team. In this role, she developed processes for personal protective equipment use, enhanced patient care protocols, collaborated with nursing leaders to open additional COVID-19 units, served on the proning team (process relieving pressure on the lungs) in the Intensive Care Unit, and provided emotional support to staff and patients alike.

Her all-hands-on-deck approach to the pandemic guided employees as they shifted to new roles of patient care to meet the growing staffing needs.

Jones, whose two sisters are nurses at PIH Health, has shown compassion, with a heightened awareness, for the emotional well-being of patients and team members, and has worked with key stakeholders to provide solutions to staffing, equipment and space challenges. "We are delighted that Stephanie was named 32nd Senate District Woman of the Year. Her dedication to our community is unwavering and she is an exemplary nurse modeling dedication and compassionate care. She has been a leader at PIH Health Downey Hospital for the past 20 years and has been a key player in our efforts to manage the pandemic," PIH Health President and Chief Executive Officer James R. West said.



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The Vander Lans Treatment Facility purifies 8 million gallons of water per day for use in coastal injection wells. Water from the facility prevents seawater intrusion and provides supplemental groundwater replenishment.



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Johnson, Curator, National Museum of American History and Ashley Rose Young, Ph.D., Historian, National Museum of American History.

Cerritos Lights Sculpture Garden in memory of COVID Deaths

The City is lighting the Cerritos Sculpture Garden with blue lights in honor of each Cerritos resident who has died from COVID-19. The memorial lights will be illuminated daily from sunset to sunrise. Additional lights will be added as needed. Members of the community are invited to visit the sculpture garden to remember and honor those we have lost due to the pandemic.

Water Shut Off Near 178 St. and Alburtis Ave. on March 10

Golden State Water Company’s (GSWC) Capital Program Management (CPM) group in coordination with GSWC Operations has a scheduled shutdown on the 175th AMR Project at the following location for the tying in of the new water main at 178th Street and Alburtis Ave:

This scheduled shutdown is from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Wednesday March 10, 2021.

It is expected that the water will be restored by 4:00 PM on 3/10/2021.

Central Basin East Water Distribution Operations will distribute notification of service interruption to affected consumers..

If you have any questions or concerns about the construction activities for this project, please call the Golden State

Water Company Customer Service Center at (800) 999-4033.

Artesia's Slogan Contest

The City of Artesia is seeking feedback from the community on a new City motto that is under consideration. The current City motto is "Service Builds Tomorrow's Progress". The proposed new motto being considered is "Artesia: Where Everyone is Welcome". We would like to hear from members of the Artesia community if they like this proposed motto, or if they have suggested changes or other options that the City should consider. Please fill out the survey at tinyurl.com/ArtesiaMotto to submit your feedback.

All responses will remain completely anonymous, unless you consent to have your name connected to your response in public documents. If you have any questions about the process, please email askartesia@cityofartesia.us.

Drive-in Movies at Lakewood Center

Lakewood is offering drive-in movies again. Movies will begin at 8 p.m. with car staging beginning at 7 p.m.

The fee for residents is \$10 per car and non-residents will be charged \$15 per car. Pre-registration is required and is open to 100 cars.

Saturday, March 20 - The Croods: A New Age - PG
Class #19856
Registration opens 3/13 for residents, 3/15 for non-residents, and ends at noon on 3/19.

Saturday, April 10 - Trolls World Tour PG
Class #19858
Registration opens 4/3 for residents, 4/5 for non-residents, and ends at noon on 4/9.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF EDITH K. JOHNSON
Case No. 21STPB01654

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of EDITH K. JOHNSON

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Althea M. Withers in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Althea M. Withers be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 12, 2021 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 11 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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REVOLVE from page 1

million profit in 2019. Working out of three buildings in Cerritos, the company employs 1000 people.

REVOLVE will lease the building for ten years with three options to extend for an additional five years for each option. The company will pay \$48,000 a month in rent with a 3% increase every three years.

Construction and repairs on the building, awarded to PCN3, Inc., will begin sometime this month and is expected to take one year when REVOLVE will take possession of the building.

The city will spend \$7.5 million improving the building using \$1.6 million in insurance proceeds already received, with an expected \$3.6 million in additional proceeds to come later. The city claimed that it netted \$1.1 million from the Astor cars sales for a total of \$6.3 million to fund \$7.5 million in repairs and \$400,000 in architectural fees.

Anticipated revenue from the building is nearly \$6 million in years one through ten, so the city will “recoup” the shortfall by the end of year two.

With the number of people REVOLVE employs - 1,000 - parking, ingress, and egress had to be considered.

Cerritos went next door and talked to El Dorado Community Church and subsequently entered into a parking agreement.

Currently, the Mullikin-REVOLVE building has 130 total parking stalls while the church has 69. Cerritos and the church agreed to 25 years with the church allowing access to 49 parking stalls.

Per the agreement, the city will improve the existing landscape, parking lot, sprinkler systems, exterior lighting,

clean up problem trees and provide a reclaimed water stub for the church.

There are huge benefits to keeping REVOLVE in the city, the most important being the company is consistently in the top 25 in sales tax generation for the city.

REVOLVE is also active in the community donating over \$260,000 in PPE equipment, donating money to voter participation efforts, partnering with local schools for career advancement and awareness opportunities, and donating money to various local charities.

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current service and create a dedicated program for seniors who wanted to receive the COVID-19 vaccine but had transportation issues.

“COVID-19 vaccinations are incredibly important right now for those that are eligible and to those that will become eligible in the near future,” said City Manager Steve Carmona. “This program will allow for our most vulnerable population to receive the COVID-19 vaccine in a timely manner without having to worry about transportation.”

Mayor Raul Elias would like to thank Councilmember Andrew C. Lara for his leadership on the Health Ad Hoc Committee and the City Council and City Staff's support for implementing this plan. Eligible residents who have made an appointment at the Downey location are able to book transportation at least 24 hours in advance by calling 866.908.7289 and using account number 12616.

ARTESIA from page 1

According to the staff report, several notice of violations have been issued with the Patel's failing to respond to any of them.

When that is the case, municipalities can apply for an abatement warrant, which the city was successful in doing. The city, who has paid to clean up the place, also served the owner with three abatement cost recovery invoices and is currently preparing the fourth invoice.

The owners continued to be unresponsive and have not paid the invoices.

If that is the case, Artesia has the right to set up a special assessment through the Los Angeles County Controller's Office to

WRD GENERAL MANAGER
RETIRES AFTER 30 YEARS

After a career spanning nearly 30 years with the Water Replenishment District (WRD), General Manager Robb Whitaker has announced his retirement. Hired as Water Resources Engineer in 1991, Whitaker became District Engineer in 2000 and Assistant General Manager in 2001. He was appointed General Manager by the Board in 2003 and is the longest-serving General Manager in WRD’s 61-year history.

During Whitaker’s tenure, the district completed its Water Independence Now (WIN) Initiative, a 15-year effort to implement a suite of programs and projects to make WRD completely independent of imported water for groundwater replenishment. Once one of the largest users of imported water in Southern California, WRD now meets its

seek reimbursement for the cost related to abatement actions and did so placing the assessment on the 2020 property tax roll.

That got the attention of the owners, whose son in law finally called the city in December 2020 inquiring about the special assessment.

Following that conversation, the owners apparently hired a local landscaper and cleaned the house up, staff check periodically to ensure the house is kept clean.

As of the City Council meeting, at the property owner owes \$14,000 for the special assessment, \$6,000 in citations, and \$7,200 for abatement costs.

The owner’s son-in-law said he would give the owner the invoices.

replenishment needs with a more reliable, sustainable and affordable local supply.

“Virtually every legacy project or program completed by WRD was conceived, developed, or implemented by Robb Whitaker,” Board President John Allen said. “His accomplishments in the past 30 years have laid the foundation upon which WRD will build for the next 30. WRD as an agency has been fortunate to have him. The people of the region and the state are lasting beneficiaries of his service.”

The district’s Safe Drinking Water and Disadvantaged Communities Programs were also developed during Mr. Whitaker’s time as general manager. These programs have helped several small water systems access vital funding and technical assistance to allow them to remediate contaminated water in underserved communities.


“Robb Whitaker understood that access to clean and safe water shouldn’t depend on your zip code,” said Assembly member Anthony Rendon. “When we wanted to make sure people served by water systems in my district had clean water, I turned to Robb Whitaker and WRD. We worked together to make sure those systems had access to treatment programs.”

Director Rob Katherman said, “Robb also led the successful effort to create a legal framework for the storage of groundwater, an accomplishment that enables what Robb coined the WIN 4 ALL initiative, a suite of programs and projects to eliminate the need for imported water in the region by 2040. Thanks to Robb, that vision is well underway.

“Robb’s expertise as an engineer is complemented by an even temperament, an ability to communicate effectively, and the skill to manage complex projects from beginning to end. He has assembled an exceptionally talented staff of professionals that mirror those qualities and has provided a template to ensure that WRD is well-positioned going forward.”

In July of 2020, Whitaker received the prestigious Excellence in Water Leadership award from the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA). This award recognizes those who have made a remarkable and visible contribution to the enhancement, protection or development of water resources in California. In announcing the award, ACWA President Steve LaMar said, “Robb has demonstrated remarkable leadership throughout his career, but especially with regard to the Water Independence Now Initiative. He is a visionary leader who has continually demonstrated excellence in professionalism and collaborative engagement.”

In a letter to the Board this past September, Whitaker said he would stay on until March of 2021 to ensure as seamless a transition as possible.



By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: First, read the list of words, then look at the puzzle. The words are found in all directions - vertically, horizontally, diagonally, backward. Circle each letter of a word found and strike it off the list. The letters are often used more than once so do not cross them out. It is best to find the big words first. When you find all the words listed in the clues you'll have a number of letters left over that spell out the WONDERWORD. To see the answer use the link below the puzzle.

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Solution: 7 letters

Cerritos Online Permit Portal Coming Soon

The City of Cerritos will introduce a new online permit portal this year that will be available through the City’s website. The portal will offer:

- Automated building permit, business license and planning application and approval processes
- Automated Engineering encroachment permit applications
- Online Code Enforcement service requests and case tracking
- Real time applications status
- Streamlined approvals and inspections
- Simple public portal navigation

More information will be included in the April issue of “The Cerritos News.”

Rep. Sánchez' 2021 Congressional Art Contest

Rep. Linda Sánchez is inviting high school students from the 38th Congressional District to participate in the 2021 Congressional Art Competition. This is a unique opportunity for students to recognize the importance of the arts in education and showcase their work.

First Place winner will receive a \$500 scholarship and artwork displayed in the U.S. Capitol for one year. Artwork must be finished and submitted online platform by Monday, April 19 2021, before 5:00 p.m.

Children’s Village at Miller Children’s & Women’s Hospital Long Beach Sees First Patients

STAFF REPORT

The brand-new Cherese Mari Lulhere Children’s Village located on the campus of MemorialCare Miller Children’s & Women’s Hospital Long Beach opened its doors for patients last week. The 80,000-sq. ft., four-story building houses a variety of medical and supportive care services, making the health care experience more efficient for thousands of children and their families across the region.

The Children’s Village is the only building of its kind in Los Angeles and Orange Counties with a one-stop-shop approach to outpatient specialty care for kids. In one kid-friendly location, families have access to a pharmacy, laboratory, imaging services, rehabilitation gyms, family resource center, education center and more.

Brothers Joziah, 2, and Aaron, 19, were among the first patients to be seen in the new building by their specialty physician, Dr. Jacqueline Casillas, pediatric hematologist/oncologist and medical director of the Jonathan Jaques Children’s Cancer Institute at Miller’s. The brothers share the same rare genetic disorder called X-linked lymphoproliferative (XLP) disease that causes the immune system to overreact to infections.

This disease is characterized by a life-long vulnerability to Epstein-Barr virus (EBV), a common type of virus that usually does not cause symptoms other than a brief infection, but people with XLP can have severe reactions to EBV infections that



BROTHERS JOZIAH & AARON were among the first patients to be seen by their specialty physician, Dr. Jacqueline Casillas, pediatric hematologist/oncologist and medical director of the Jonathan Jaques Children’s Cancer Institute at Miller’s.

can lead to death due to development of bone marrow failure and development of malignant lymphoma.

“Because of the type of condition my sons have, we have to visit the doctor and the lab often,” says Desiree Nagao, mother of Joziah and Aaron. “We have been going to Miller’s for 18 years and it’s been most of the same staff that entire time. Knowing that my kids are in the same caring hands, but just in a new, more convenient place that meets all of our needs is so nice.”

Many children like Aaron and Joziah have complex health conditions or may have more than one health issue, requires families to travel to various specialty medical offices. Now, all the specialty care and services they need are centralized in the Children’s Village.

“Many illnesses affect kids differently than adults, which is why children need health care designed for their unique needs, said Graham Tse, M.D., chief medical officer at Miller’s “With the Children’s Village we have created that and established a new benchmark for children’s health care.”

Every member of the Children’s Village care team is specially trained to care for kids and teens and address their unique health care needs, including its roster of physicians that are expertly trained in more than 30 pediatric specialties, such as orthopedics, pulmonology and oncology.

Families can learn more about the Children’s Village by taking a virtual tour or by visiting millerchildrens.org/Village.

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The Civic Center parking lot will feature drive-thru stations that will allow participants to pull-up in a safe and socially distanced manner. At the stations, all children will receive a craft kit, a goodie bag filled with Easter trinkets, and a bag with Easter eggs and candy to enjoy at home! The Easter Bunny will also be present to greet all those who attend.

For additional information, call the Community Services Department at (562) 943-7277.

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CITY OF ARTESIA
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Planning Commission of the City of Artesia will hold the Regular Planning Commission Meeting by teleconference, only, at **6:30 p.m.** on **Tuesday March 16, 2021** to conduct a Public Hearing to consider the following item:

Case No. 2021-01
11815 Artesia Blvd

Variance
Design Review

Architectural Design and Signs, Inc.
1160 Railroad Street, Corona, CA 92882

A request for approval of an application for a Variance from the requirements of Artesia Municipal Code Section 9-2.1202(a)(3)(D) to exceed the maximum text height permitted for a wall sign and a Design Review application to allow one Major Wall Sign and four proposed wall signs on the building exterior of the existing Stater Bros. grocery store located at 11815 Artesia Boulevard within the Commercial Planned Development (CPD) Zone, and making a determination of a Class 1, Categorical Exemption from (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.
Resolution No. 2021-01P

Case No. 2020-14
17720 Pioneer Boulevard

(Conditional Use Permit)

Pravin Patel
1032 E 7th Street, Long Beach, CA 90813

A request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow the operation of a banquet hall in an existing commercial building located at 17720 Pioneer Boulevard in the Commercial General (C-G) Zone and making a determination of a Class 1, Categorical Exemption from (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.
Resolution No. 2021-02P

SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND EMAIL SUBMITTALS - Pursuant to California State Governor’s Executive Order N-29-20 and given the current health concerns, members of the public will not be able to attend the meeting but can access meetings live over the internet at <https://artesia.12milesout.com/livevideo>. In addition, you may submit comments electronically for Planning Commission consideration by sending them to planning@cityofartesia.us any time before the item is heard.

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 Planning Commission at or prior to the public hearing.

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Fiona Graham
Planning Manager

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MARK E. DARNELL aka MARK EDWARD DARNELL
Case No. 21STPB01501

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MARK E. DARNELL aka MARK EDWARD DARNELL

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Constance M. Darnell in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Constance M. Darnell be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on April 19, 2021 at 8:30AM in Dept. No. 9 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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

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

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

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

Attorney for petitioner:
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CATHERINE GRANT WIEDER
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LONG BEACH CA 90803
CN975956 DARNELL Mar 5,12,19, 2021

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ELIE G. MALOUF aka ELIE GEORGE MALOUF aka ELIE MALOUF
Case No. 21STPB00149

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of ELIE G. MALOUF aka ELIE GEORGE MALOUF aka ELIE MALOUF

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Samar Toska Malouf in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Samar Toska Malouf 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 30, 2021 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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

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

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

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

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CN975816 MALOUF Mar 5,12,19, 2021

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2021028070

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: VIZEX GROUP, 315 W. MONTECITO AVE. UNIT B, SIERRA MADRE, CA., 91024. Registered Owner: VICTOR DOMINGUEZ, 315 W. MONTECITO AVE. UNIT B, SIERRA MADRE, CA., 91024. THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS AN INDIVIDUAL. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 1/2021. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ VICTOR DOMINGUEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 1/2/21. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26/21

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2021024254

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: 7DAYS MARKET, 15703 AMAR RD., LA PUENTE, CA., 91744. Registered Owner: HND INVESTMENTS LLC, 411 N. CHAPEL AVE. #1, ALHAMBRA, CA., 91801. THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ MANUEL ALVAREZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 1/29/21 In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19/21.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2021040483

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: SPARTAN TOWING, 226 W. RIGGIN ST, MONTERREY PARK, CA., 91754. Registered Owner: CHRISTOPHER BANUELOS, 226 W. RIGGIN ST, MONTERREY PARK, CA., 91754. THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS A INDIVIDUAL. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 2/20/21. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ CHRISTOPHER BANUELOS. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 2/19/21. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19/21

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE AND OF INTENTION TO TRANSFER ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE
(UCC Sec. 6101 et seq. and B & P 24073 et seq.)
Escrow No. 10012-AK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale of assets and a transfer of alcoholic beverage license is about to be made. The name(s) and business address of the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) are: HYO J RIM, 12122 CENTRALIA RD. HAWAIIAN GARDENS, CA 90716

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All other business names(s) and ad-dress(es) used by the seller(s)/licensee(s) within the past three years, as stated by the Seller(s)/Licensee(s), is/are: NONE

The name(s) and business address of the Buyer(s)/Applicant(s) is/are: DDS KHAL-SA, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 12122 CENTRALIA RD. HAWAIIAN GARDENS, CA 90716

The assets being sold are generally described as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE, AND ABC LICENSE and is/are located at: 12122 CENTRALIA RD., HAWAIIAN GARDENS, CA 90716

The type of license to be transferred is/are: 21-OFF-SALE GENERAL LI-CENSE #163675 now issued for the premises located at: SAME

The bulk sale and transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is/are intended to be consummated at the office of: DETAIL ESCROW, INC, 13737 ARTESIA BLVD. #105 CERRITOS, CA 90703 and the anticipated sale date is APRIL 5, 2021

The Bulk sale subject to California Uni-form Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

The purchase price of consideration in connection with the sale of the business and transfer of the license, is the sum of \$200,000.00, including inventory estimated at \$80,000.00, which consists of the following: DESCRIPTION, AMOUNT: CASH \$200,000.00; TOTAL \$200,000.00

It has been agreed between the Sell-er(s)/Licensee(s) and the intended Buy-er(s)/Transferee(s), as required by Sec. 24073 of the Business and Professions code, that the consideration for transfer of the business and license is to be paid only after the transfer has been approved by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

Dated: FEBRUARY 23, 2021

HYO J RIM, Seller(s)/Licensee(s)

DDS KHALSA, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, Buyer(s)/Applicant(s)

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
GREGORY THOMAS FISHER AKA GREGORY T. FISHER
CASE NO. 21STPB01499

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of GREGORY THOMAS FISHER AKA GREGORY T. FISHER.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by BRUCE HITCHMAN AND LEE ANN HITCHMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that BRUCE HITCHMAN AND LEE ANN HITCHMAN be appointed as Special Administrator with general powers to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 03/22/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 44 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.

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