



Photo by Brian Hews

FIRE DESTROYS MALL IN ARTESIA

FIREFIGHTERS were summoned to South and Pioneer last Sunday to fight a structure fire at a strip mall. 60 firefighters were dispatched according to witnesses. The fire is under investigation. When HMG went out to take additional pictures three men were in the parking lot but "did not want to talk to the press."

Cerritos High Junior Shoots a Final Round 10-Under 62 to Win Tournament



JOSHUA KOO with his well-deserved trophy. "I was putting well today," his longest was a 38 footer.

The tournament was at Palm Desert Resort with the course playing over 6,500 yards.

BY BRIAN HEWS

Cerritos resident and Cerritos High junior Joshua Koo lit up the Toyota Tour Golf Cup at Palm Desert Resort and Country Club shooting a 10-under par 62 to win the tournament by six strokes at 13-under.

Koo made eight birdies, one eagle and no bogies, and sunk his longest putt of 38-feet.

This was not a walk in the park for Koo and others, the Palm Desert Resort course is over 6,500 yards and the tees were set up at maximum length, what is called "at the tips."

Koo told the LA Times, "I hadn't been hitting that well recently and was working on my putting," he said Tuesday by phone while taking a break from online classes. "That day everything clicked. Shots would go within 15 feet and I'd make the putt. It was a really fun round. I was struggling with mostly putting. It was a relief my putting was so good that day."

It looks like the family has an affinity for golfing, his sister Jasmine, a freshman, has won more golf tournaments than he has.

The Toyota Tour Cup is a

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Public Health Admonishes Cerritos Mayor Solanki and Barrows for Not Wearing Masks

The agency apparently read LCCN's opine calling out the officials and sent a letter to City Manager Art Gallucci.

BY BRIAN HEWS

The letter below is from Susan Blackwell, Assistant Director of the Office of Planning, Evaluation, and Development.

Hello Mr. Gallucci,

It recently came to the attention of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health that as reported some public officials attending an in-person Cerritos City Council meeting on March 1 were not adhering to the mandate to wear a mask indoors during a public City Council meeting as required by

the Los Angeles County Health Officer Order and the California Department of Public Health. In addition, all members present were not reportedly adhering to appropriate physical distancing.

As you know, this is a critical period in which some restrictions are being lifted in Los Angeles County as we progressed into the Red Tier under the State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy. To maintain our progress in reducing case transmission and to ensure we can progress further in the State tier system—and with the concerning emergence of potentially more contagious variants of COVID-19—physical distancing and wearing face masks becomes even more important for controlling disease transmission while vaccine is rolled out more broadly to all

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Pico Rivera Assessing Innovative Alternative Power Grid

BY BRIAN HEWS

Increased demands on the nation's electrical power systems and incidences of electricity shortages, power quality problems, rolling blackouts, and electricity price spikes have caused many utility customers to seek other sources of high-quality, reliable electricity.

Distributed Energy Resources (DER), small-scale power generation sources located close to where electricity is used (e.g., a home or business), provide an alternative to or an enhancement of the traditional electric power grid.

DER is a faster, less expensive option to the construction of large, central power plants and high-voltage transmission lines. They offer consumers the potential for lower cost, higher service reliability, high power quality, increased energy efficiency, and energy independence.

The use of renewable distributed energy generation technologies and "green power" such as wind, photovoltaic,

geothermal, biomass, or hydroelectric power can also provide a significant environmental benefit.

In May 2020, the Pico Rivera City Council approved an agreement with TerraVerde Energy, LLC for DER project management. In September 2020, TerraVerde completed a feasibility analysis for deploying DERs at City and El Rancho Unified School District (ERUSD) facilities, at no cost.

The effort is part of the city's PRIME program, Pico Rivera Innovative Municipal Energy, the City's locally run power provider. The City promotes power alternatives, resource conservation, and smart energy consumption. The City wants to create the most innovative, decentralized modern energy platform in the state.

They analyzed historic energy usage data at the facilities to determine the most suitable sites for the deployment of solar and battery storage systems to provide a financial benefit to the Pico Rivera Innovative Municipal Energy (PRIME) program.

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ABC Students Finally Back at School



ABC SUPERINTENDENT Dr. Mary Sieu (r) joined Principal Tuesday Stoffers at Tetzlaff Middle School to welcome students back to school this week.

The ABC Unified School District, after over a year of closure, returned some students to classrooms this week.

In March, the ABCUSD Board voted to reopen schools for elementary school, middle

school, and special cohorts of students at all grades this past Monday. All high school students will return on April 26, 2021.

The District gave families

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La Mirada Recognizes Birthday Milestone



BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The La Mirada City Council recognized resident, Rose Hamilton for her 91st milestone birthday at the city council meeting of April 13, 2021.

Hamilton brought her entourage with her to the city council meeting and she is most recognized as a long time volunteer for meals-on-wheels.

Born in Boston, Massachusetts on March 22, 1930, she moved to the newly incorporated City of La Mirada in 1960. Hamilton was self-employed as a Certified Public Accountant for her own firm. Over the years, she served as Treasurer

ROSE HAMILTON celebrated her 91st birthday this year, with her is La Mirada Mayor John Lewis.

for five non-profit organizations, and is currently the Treasurer for La Mirada Meals on Wheels and Kiwanis Club. She also played the violin with the La Mirada Symphony Orchestra for more than 40 years and served as a volunteer for the City’s Spring Beautification program.

Blessed with two children and two grandchildren, Hamilton currently resides in the Landmark community of La Mirada.

“I appreciate this recognition and the opportunity to serve the community through the non profits,” stated Hamilton. At 91 she is spry, walks without assistance and is happy to get up each morning, get dressed and begin a new day.

To participate in hte City of La Mirada's Birthday Recognition Program please contact the La Mirada Activity Center at (562) 902-3160.



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Hawaiian Gardens Offering Moderna/Pfizer Vaccine

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Residents are invited to make an appointment for the vaccination at a clinic to be held in Hawaiian Gardens on April 12-16 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The clinic is at the C. Robert Lee Activity Center, 21815 Pioneer Boulevard, Hawaiian Gardens

The clinic will use the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines, not the single-shot Johnson & Johnson vaccination.

Appointments are required. The vaccination is free. Insurance is not required, but bring your card if you do have insurance coverage. Photo identification is also required.

Visit www.hgcity.org/vaccine for all the details and to schedule an appointment.

Or: call 562-855-2000 Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Time slots:

Tuesday, April 13: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Tuesday, April 13: 12:30 to 5 p.m.
Wednesday, April 14: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Wednesday, April 14: 12:30 to 5 p.m.
Thursday, April 15: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Thursday, April 15: 12:30 to 5 p.m.
Friday, April 16: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Friday, April 16: 12:30 to 5 p.m

Comprehensive Public Review of the City of Cerritos City Charter on April 17 and 28



The community is invited to participate in a comprehensive public review of the City of Cerritos City Charter during study sessions set for 2 p.m. on **Saturday, April 17 and Wednesday, April 28** in the City Council Chambers.

Information regarding in-person and teleconference public participation at the meetings and the submission of written comments can be obtained from the Office of the City Clerk by calling (562) 916-1248 or emailing city_clerk@cerritos.us. Agendas for the meetings will be available at cerritos.us.

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

La Mirada Hosts Vaccination Clinic for Ages 18 and Older

STAFF REPORT

The City of La Mirada and the Los Angeles Department of Public Health will be offering free COVID-19 vaccinations to individuals ages 18 and older. The clinic will take place on Monday, April 19 through Tuesday, April 20 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the La Mirada Activity Center, located 13810 La Mirada Boulevard.

It is required to schedule an appointment at vaccine.fulgentgenetics.com and to bring a photo I.D. along with your confirmation number at the time of your appointment. You will be asked to provide a phone or email address during the booking process.

For more information regarding the COVID-19 vaccination process, please visit www.publichealth.lacounty.gov.

Pico Rivera Approves Vote of No Confidence in DA Gascón

BY BRIAN HEWS

Pico Rivera approved a 3-2 vote of no confidence in Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón's special directives at their regular meeting last Tuesday evening. The cities of Santa Clarita and Beverly Hills both previously approved votes of no confidence against Gascón last month. Now, La Mirada is considering doing the same.

Pico Rivera city councilman Andrew Lara, who says he has no confidence in Gascón's policies, said this vote cannot be painted as the doing of "White Republicans" like Santa Clarita or Beverly Hills. He says he is a Democrat, and he has

to put policy before party here.

A representative from Gascón's administration spoke live at the city council meeting and said that Gascón's policies are meant to "advance public safety, equity, victim's services, and strengthen police accountability."

L.A. County Sheriff Alex Villanueva also spoke and blasted Gascón's policies.

Lara said he was offended by comments from Gascón's representative that his directives are "the people's directives" because Gascón won the election.

Lara pointed out that the voters wanted to keep the death penalty and he said anyone who kills an officer deserves to die.

La Mirada Household Hazardous Waste Roundup

La Mirada residents may dispose of hazardous waste on Sat., May 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at La Mirada Regional Park.

A limit of 15 gallons or 125 pounds of hazardous waste per trip will be enforced.

Place household hazardous waste in a sturdy box to prevent spillage. Be prepared to leave containers and boxes at the site. Place like chemicals together and separate unlike chemicals. during transport. Remove all other items from trunk. Information, call (800) 238-0172 the city of La Mirada.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The La Mirada City Council went through its annual reorganization this past Tuesday, April 13, selecting Ed Eng as Mayor for the 2021 / 2022 term and first term Councilmember Anthony Otero selected to serve as Mayor pro tem. The Mayor and Mayor pro tem are selected by the city council each year to serve one-year terms.

Mayor Ed Eng was first elected to the City Council in 2015, served as Mayor in 2017, and was re-elected in 2020 representing the Third Council District. Eng has been a resident of La Mirada since 1990 and is currently the Executive Director of the Economy and Efficiency Commission, an independent advisory commission to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. He also founded Kairos Consulting Lab in 2020 to develop alternative business programs to assist universities in meeting 21st century corporate needs.

Mayor pro tem Anthony Otero was elected the City Council in 2020. This will be his first term as Mayor Pro Tem. He has been a La Mirada resident since 2007 and is currently a Police Lieutenant with the Los Angeles Police Department.

Eng complimented outgoing mayor John Lewis for his outstanding leadership during the 2020 year. Lewis was

LA MIRADA CITY COUNCIL

(l-r): Councilmember John Lewis, Mayor Pro Tem Anthony Otero, Mayor Ed Eng, and Councilmembers Steve De Ruse, and Andrew Sarega.

recognized with a Commendation from the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department for his dedication and support to the men and women of the LASD during the tumultuous year of 2020. Lewis received a Certificate of Recognition from Senator Bob Archuleta; a book of events for his term as mayor and a box of full of gift cards to local restaurants. Other councilmen congratulated Lewis on taking his service and duties as mayor to the next level with social media and thinking out of the box during for residents.

With a gathering of his thoughts and thanking his family for support, Eng became emotional when recognizing the support from his wife and son, “It always happens this way, I become overwhelmed by my gratitude for them. Kathy you make everyday twice as good and bring our lives twice as much happiness and joy. All I can say is that a rainbow has seven colors, but if it had eight you would be the eighth color of that rainbow.”

Redistricting Public Hearings for Bellflower

STAFF REPORT

The city of Bellflower is launching its redistricting process with the first of four public hearing scheduled to take place on Monday, April 26 at 7:00 p.m. at the start of the regular City Council meeting held via Zoom.

Every ten years local governments use new data from the Census to redraw their district lines. Members of the Bellflower community are invited to participate in the redistricting process.

To help share information about redistricting and eventually gather draft maps and collect public feedback the City of Bellflower has launched a dedicated redistricting website: drawbellflower.org

The new website include background information on redistricting, a tentative schedule of participation opportunities, frequently asked questions and resources for drafting maps and sharing feedback on previously drawn maps.

The city is currently awaiting finalized Census data from the State of California, which is project to be available late summer or early fall of this year, once data is available, the City will update the website to make mapping tools available.

As the redistricting process moves forward, the City will continue to update the website.

To sign up for updates and information visit the website or email redistricting@bellflower.org

Vaccination Clinic April 21 at the Cerritos Civic Center

The Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Community Advisory Council will host a free Community COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic on Wednesday, April 21 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Cerritos Civic Center (18125 Bloomfield Avenue). Vaccines are available to individuals age 16 or older regardless of insurance or citizenship. A supply of approximately 1,000 doses of vaccine will be administered.

Appointments can be made by registering at <https://bit.ly/CERRITOSCOVID>. Pre-registration is recommended, however, on-site registration will be available. The second dose of vaccine will be administered on Wednesday, May 12 and individuals will be registered for their second dose after receiving their first dose.

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La Mirada Resident Turns 100

STAFF REPORT

The City of La Mirada recognized resident Harley Whitten for celebrating hi 100th birthday milestone this past weekend.

Whitten was born in Alberta, Canada on April 9, 1921. He served five years in the Canadian Army, during World War II. In the 1960’s, he moved to La Mirada for a short time, before relocating to Rancho Dominguez. He returned to La Mirada in 2000, declaring “I’m glad to be back home in this well maintained community!”

Whitten worked for the Greyhound Transportation Company as a Lead Driver Instructor, for 32 years. Surrounded by his family of two daughters and three grandchildren, Whitten received gifts and well wishes from friends, family, Mickey Mouse and Elvis himself showed up.

The city of La Mirada LA County Fire Engine #49 rolled by the celebration with lights flashing and sirens blaring too.



CENTENARIAN and WW II veteran Harley Whitten with Mayor John Lewis recognizing Witten at an event in La Mirada. Photo courtesy the city of La Mirada.

Bragg Elementary Students Help Plant 50 Trees



The 5/6 grade Bragg ES Green Team, dedicated to improving the environment in their community, spent time planting 50 trees on April 10. Green Team members, joined by their families and teachers, participated in the I Dig Long Beach program to plant trees along sidewalks.

“Last school year, our students took on the task of reducing single-use water bottles at our school, and this year we plan to plant trees to help clean the air we breathe,” said Kerry Flores, the Bragg Elementary School teacher who oversees the Green Team. The Green Team has already made an impact on their school and the ABC Unified School District by helping students and staff transition to refillable water bottles, reducing the use of single-use water bottles by several thousand each year.

Calling All Undergrads

BY BRIAN HEWS

Are you interested in public history or museum education? Are you curious about California history? If so, apply for the Rancho Los Alamitos Getty Marrow Education & Programs Internship this summer!

You will gain hands-on experience planning and presenting educational programs, including tours, workshops, and lectures for families, adults, and school groups.

The paid internship is 40 hours/week for 10 weeks between June and August 2021. The deadline to apply is Monday, April 26, 2021. Go to <https://www.rancholosalamitos.com/> to apply.

Lakewood Moves Forward on District Voting, Jeff Wood is Mayor

BY BRIAN HEWS

The Lakewood City Council completed its reorganization at its April 13 meeting, selecting Jeff Wood to serve as Lakewood’s mayor for the coming year, and naming Steve Croft as vice mayor for the same time period.

In other news, prior to the council’s regular meeting, the council held a special meeting on Zoom about the city’s transition from at-large council seats to by-district seats.

Since its incorporation in 1954, Lakewood City Council Members have been elected through an “at-large” system, where voters of the entire city vote for and elect all five members of the council. In a by-district system, the city is divided into geographical sections or “districts” and

the voters who reside within those districts vote for and elect a single council member who must also reside within that district. In a by-district system voters do not vote for candidates outside of their district.

A by-district system traditionally has been used by larger cities in California, but there has been a recent surge of small to medium-sized cities and school districts converting to by-district elections pursuant to a state law, the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA). Over 250 cities and school districts across the state are now under a by-district system. Indeed, Lakewood’s decision to convert to by-district elections was prompted by a threat of litigation under the CVRA.

That said, the City of Lakewood is committed to making sure that all residents have an opportunity to participate in and

provide input to the process of converting to by-district elections in a manner consistent with the CVRA.

At last night’s special meeting, two professional demographers who will oversee the process asked residents for their thoughts on neighborhoods and other factors that should be taken into account in creating council district lines. About 35 residents and members of the public took part in the hearing, with many offering suggestions and asking questions.

Another meeting will be held on Zoom on April 27 at 5:30 p.m. to which all members of the public are invited. Get the link to the meeting and other information about the by-district conversion process at www.lakewoodcity.org/DistrictElections.

Bulky Item Pick Up in Pico Rivera

Now through May 8 based on the regular trash pick up days residents can enjoy a free large-item curbside pickup

Eligible items for curbside bulk item pick up include:

Furniture such as chairs, sofas, and mattresses

Appliances such as refrigerators, ranges, washers, dryers, water heaters, dishwashers, and similar plumbing and small appliances

E-waste such as computers, telephones, televisions, stereo equipment, and other electronic devices

Yard waste such as tree branches, scrap wood, or bundles up to 4 ft. long

Clothing

Other non-hazardous items

All items must be able to be moved by two-person crews or they will NOT be collected

NOT acceptable items include:

All hazardous wastes or materials such as oil, solvents or paints

Construction debris such as concrete, asphalt, lumber or drywall

Equipment or vehicles

Truck or automobile tires

All items must be placed at the curb no later than 6:00 a.m. on the scheduled day of collection.

If your Trash Pick Up Day is on:

Tuesday, Pick Up is on Sat., Apr.17

Wednesday, Pick Up is on Sat. Apr.24

Thursday, Pick Up is on Sat. May 1

Friday, Pick Up is on Sat. May 8

Cerritos Resident Talent Showcase

The annual Cerritos Resident Talent Showcase, featuring singing, dancing and musical performances and variety acts by Cerritos residents ages 4 and older, celebrates the City’s 65th anniversary.

The performances were pre-recorded and will be cablecast on Cerritos TV3 at 5 p.m. on Friday, April 23; noon and 6 p.m. on Saturday, April 24; noon and 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 25; 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 27; 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 28; 9 a.m. on Thursday, April 29; and 7 p.m. on Friday, April 30. The program can also be viewed on the Cerritos TV3 livestream at cerritos.us on the above dates and times, and will be posted on the City’s website and YouTube channel starting on Tuesday, April 27.

For more information, call Cerritos Park East at (562) 407-2611.

Whittier Contemplating Hero Pay for Workers

At their April 27 meeeting, the Whittier City Council will consider “hero pay,” that would require large drug and grocery stores to give its employees some kind of pay raise, usually \$4 to \$5 per hour.

Mayor Joe Vinatieri and Councilman Fernando Dutra asked City Manager Brian Saeki at their April 13 meeting to provide information on “hero pay” after Councilman Henry Bouchot read a letter

from a pharmacy worker in the city, who requested study of the issue. The subject is expected to be on the April 27 agenda.

“I think we should have this conversation, discuss the merits and see if it’s something we want to do,” Bouchot said.

Numerous cities, including West Hollywood, Montebello, Coachella, Pomona, Santa Ana, Irvine, Los Angeles, Long Beach, Santa Monica, and unincorporated areas in Los Angeles County have approved pay raises of either \$4 per hour or \$5 per hour of hazard pay on top of their regular wages to support frontline retail workers who bear a greater risk for exposure to the coronavirus.

Highly doubtful if Cerritos Mayor Solanki would consider hero pay, he owns a number of grocery stores.

La Palma Will Hold 4th of July Porch Parade

This new event hosted by the Community Activities & Beautification Committee will ask residents and business to decorate their porches, lawns, and storefronts for the holiday.

Residents can then parade through their neighborhoods to view the patriotic decorations.

This program is similar to the Holiday Home Decorating Contest held in December. The Committee will canvas the City to the visit the displays and vote for their favorites, along with soliciting votes from the community, in various categories. Certificates and yard signs will be awarded to winners in each category.

Taliza Coffee Company Opens in Norwalk



TALIZA COFFEE CO. owner and staff with Norwalk Mayor Jennifer Perez (center) and City Manager Jesus Gomez (far right) at the ribbon cutting.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Since 1996 Taliza Coffee Co. has been roasting coffee beans, producing signature coffee and tea all while aspiring to bring customers the best cup o’ joe.

Mayor Jennifer Perez called Taliza’s Coffee amazing, “The new location is clean, spacious with great food and coffee options and is the perfect place to stop by and pick up bagels and coffee for the office.” The new location has a very upbeat cute café vibe.

Their brunch/lunch menu offers a variety of sandwiches or wraps, soups, salads, noodles and pasta signature dishes. The iced coffee caramel macchiato is very tasty, the owners are

attentive and they even sell their own roasted coffee blend, running specials every month.

Taliza has its own roaster inside the store and offers a wide selection of coffee beans from all over the world. They offer amazing giant cookies, prepped parfaits for on-the-go and an assortment of goodies to satisfy any light hunger.

With a consistent five-star rating, customers recommend that if you are a true coffee lover, skip Starbucks and visit Taliza’s. Taliza’s has two locations, 13217 Rosecrans Avenue in Santa Fe Springs and 12200 Civic Center Drive in Norwalk.

Commerce Honors Rosewood Volunteers



THE VOLUNTEERS coordinated and servedover ninety meals to commerce seniors in the Rosewood Park Senior Apartments. Recognition to the following individual volunteers: Raul Elenes, Antonia Lupercio, Lilia Leon, Jess Argumedo, Sharon Rowe, Isabel Caldera, and Carmen Marquez. Business community contributors included: Aaron Cordovez, Jules Senske, Eva Scott, Spencer Sterling, Timothy C. Brown, Deanna McKague, Savannah Sullivan, Camila Miranda, Ann Arnow, Humberto Veloso and Filipe Torres.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The City of Commerce honored volunteers April 6, for coordinating and serving over ninety meals to commerce seniors in the Rosewood Park Senior Apartments.

The city commends all the residents, volunteers and business community for coming together for the elder community and providing much needed assistance to them during the CoVID-19 pandemic.

The City Council presented Certificates of Recognition to the following individual volunteers: Raul Elenes, Antonia Lupercio, Lilia Leon, Jess Argumedo, Sharon Rowe, Isabel Caldera, and Carmen Marquez. Business community contributors included: Aaron Cordovez, Jules Senske, Eva Scott, Spencer Sterling, Timothy C. Brown, Deanna McKague, Savannah Sullivan, Camila Miranda, Ann Arnow, Humberto Veloso and Filipe Torres. Special recognition goes to Bridge Publications for organizing and handling all the logistics and Tamayo’s Restaurant

and staff for making this an unforgettable occasion for the residents.

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Cerritos

Armed Robbery
On April 1 at 8:41 a.m. victim was standing outside of his vehicle in the parking lot Galaxy Burgers when suspect approached him and produced a handgun. Suspect threatened victim and demanded his keys and money. Victim complied. suspect drove away in victim's vehicle. suspect was arrested.

Aggravated Assault
At the Home Depot center, suspect became upset when he attempted to make a purchase but his gift/credit card was declined. The victim, an employee, tried to calm the suspect down. Suspect demanded his money back and threatened the victim. Suspect then brandished a knife, lunged at the victim and attempted to stab him. Suspect fled and was arrested.

Residential Burglary
18500 blk. of Cortner Ave, between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., a burglar went through the bedroom window stole a laptop, ipod, and cash.

11000 blk. of Bradford Cir., suspects told victims they worked for the city of Cerritos and needed to check the water pressure in their house.

Grand Theft
Employees need to be aware that a rash of catalytic converter thefts have occurred at the ABCUSD administrative campus, four were sawed off and taken in the reporting period.

14100 blk. of Artesia, business, two catalytic converters stolen

14100 blk. of Vine, tailgate stolen.

12900 blk. of Glenda St, catalytic converter stolen

Grand Theft Auto
Stolen truck on the 12500 blk. of Vicente Pl., not recovered.

Car stolen at Los Cerritos Ctr., recovered.

Stolen truck on the 13300 blk. of South St. in front of a store was not recovered.

Vehicle Burglary
Car broken into at Don Obi-Wan Knabe Park at 19700 blk. of Bloomfield Ave, cash, credit cards stolen

Window smashed at the 13500 blk. of Village Dr, nothing to take.

A purse was stolen from a car at Gahr High School, the suspect was not done, breaking into another car on the lot and taking a backpack.

Credit cards were stolen from a car at Don Obi-Wan Knabe park; a window was shattered at Liberty Park, nothing was reported taken.



La Mirada

Notable Arrests
Two suspects were arrested for illegal speed contest violation near the intersection of Valley View Ave. and Imperial Hwy.

Three individuals were cited for illegal dumping near the intersection of Armsdale Ave. and Telegraph Rd.

Eleven suspects were arrested throughout La Mirada for various warrants and narcotics violations.

Residential Burglary
An attached garage was broken into on the 15000 block of Excelsior Dr. The exact loss is yet to be determined.

Vehicle Burglary
A late-night burglary was reported near the intersection of Santa Gertrudes Ave. and Stanbrook Dr.

Grand Theft
An afternoon theft of a tailgate was reported on the 14200 block of Firestone

Grand Theft Auto
A commercial trailer was reported stolen on the 14100 block of Rosecrans.

A sedan was reported stolen on the 14400 block of Ermita Ave.

A truck was reported stolen on the 12300 block of La Mirada Blvd.

Huntington Park Employee Arrested for ID Theft

The city of Huntington Park was the victim of a large-scale security breach in the Finance Department related to of electronic financial records. As a result, the Huntington Park Police Department (HPPD) initiated a criminal investigation which resulted in the April 8 arrest of a long-time city employee.

Teresa Garcia was booked into the Los Angeles County jail at 8:30 p.m. facing charges alleging her role in obtaining financial records, including employee's personal identification information, for an unknown use.

"As an elected official, I do not handle personnel matters, that is the role of the City Administrators. However, I can tell you that a serious data breach of confidential data, that includes employee's identity information, was performed by an employee in the City's finance department and was discovered by the city's police department, and the investigation and case was turned over to an independent agency, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department which resulted in the arrest of the employee," said Mayor Graciela Ortiz, "Finance staff was placed on temporary paid administrative leave to maximize the integrity of the on-going Sheriff investigation.

Ortiz was unable to comment on what was stolen due to the ongoing criminal investigation, but reiterated the security breach included employee's confidential information.

Teresa Garcia, has worked in the

city's Finance Department for over 10 years. She was booked on felony charges and cited out hours later, with a scheduled court appearance August 9 at Downey Municipal Court.

A source very close to the investigation said that Linda Guevara, who now goes by the name Linda Caraballo, might also be a person of interest.

Guevara is a disgruntled ex-councilmember of the City of Huntington Park who went to jail for not living in the city while serving on the city council.

Sources said that Caraballo may have been a recipient of the personal identity documents, that Garcia is accused of stealing from the City.

In 2002, Guevara was convicted on four felony counts for lying about her residency—claiming to live in Huntington Park when she really lived in Downey.

Guevara's conviction was the first time an elected official might be ousted from office by Dist. Atty. Steve Cooley's public integrity unit. Guevara was suspended from the city council, and was sentenced to 180 days in county jail, five years probation and a \$200 fine.

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The Sheriff's Department who is an independent agency from the city of Huntington Park is handling the ongoing investigation.

This story first appeared on 2UrbanGirls.com

La Mirada Recognizes 'Love a Tree' Contest Participants



MAYOR JOHN LEWIS (center) with a young La Mirada resident who won the contest. Lewis, along with Community Services staff, visited La Mirada homes to recognize participants

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The city of La Mirada recognized ‘Love a Tree’ poster contest participants last week with Certificates of Appreciation for their 41st Love A Tree poster contest in honor of National Arbor Day. The City’s annual poster contest was open to all La Mirada children from age five to 14.

La Mirada Mayor, John Lewis, along with Community Servictimes staff, visited homes to recognize participants Christopher Buscaino, Martha Buscaino, Elizabeth Samms, Samuel Hordista, Nicholas Velazquez, Isabella Carbone, Giancarlo Roio, Emma Ebiner and Lina Maldonado distributing certificates goodie

bags on Wednesday, March 24.

The ‘Love a Tree’ poster contest recognizes the importance of planting trees in the community. In the past as many as 1,100 children from La Mirada pre-school, elementary and middle schools have entered the poster contest. Winning posters are usually displayed at the Public Library, and winners recognized at City Council meetings.

The City of La Mirada has been recognized as Tree City USA for the 22nd year by meeting the four requirements. Tree City USA communities see the impact an urban forest has in a community first hand,” said Dan Lambe, president of the Arbor Day Foundation.

Redistricting Public Hearings for Bellflower

STAFF REPORT

Bellflower is launching its redistricting process with the first of four public hearing scheduled to take place on Monday, April 26 at 7:00 pm at the start of the regular City Council meeting held via Zoom.

Every ten years local governments use new data from the Census to redraw their district lines to reflect how local populations have changed.

Members of the Bellflower community are invited to participate in the redistricting process to help make sure district lines respect neighborhoods, history and geographical elements.

To help share information about redistricting and eventually gather draft maps and collect public feedback the City of Bellflower has launched a dedicated redistricting website: <https://drawbellflower.org>

The new website include background information on redistricting, a tentative schedule of participation opportunities, frequently asked questions and resources for drafting maps and sharing feedback on previously drawn maps.

The city is currently awaiting finalized Census data from California, which is projectd to be available late summer.

Once that comes in, the city will update the mapping tools available.

As the redistricting process moves forward, the City will continue to update the website to include additional details on future public hearings, mapping opportunities, new FAQs and opportunities.

To sign up for information about the redistricting process meetings, visit the website or email redistricting@bellflower.org

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Planes of Fame Air Museum in Chino Moves Forward During Pandemic

Their monthly "Flying Demonstrations" resumed as of April 3. "Flying Demo's" showcase one aircraft both on the ground and in actual flight.

BY LAURIE HANSON

THE B-17 "Flying Fortress," visitors to the Museum can visit and go inside the aircraft on weekends. Docents will explain the role that the B-17 played as a heavy bomber during World War II and the strategic bombing missions in Europe.

Soaring above present-day challenges, the Planes of Fame Air Museum in Chino moves forward while stepping back into history.

After facing tough times and decisions due to the pandemic, the historical air museum opens six of seven historical aircraft hangers to the public, its Boeing B-17 "Flying Fortress," and

plans to resume its annual airshow later this year.

The hangers are open new days and hours Thursdays to Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with the Boeing B-17 open Saturdays and Sundays. Their annual airshow has been rescheduled to October after cancellation last year due to the coronavirus. Another casualty is a smaller branch of the museum located near the Grand Canyon in Arizona that remains closed until further notice.

"Planes of Fame Air Museum is currently in its 64th year of operation," said Director of Education Programs and Museum Development Brian Finnegan. "We are considered one of the better aviation museums in the world, and this is reinforced through visitors who come from all corners of the globe to see our collection."

Annual attendance between the two museums and annual airshow is more than 150,000 people each year, according to Finnegan.

"We are unique in that we are a flying museum — restoring aircraft on-site



so that current and future generations may enjoy and understand the important role that these aircraft played in our history," he explained. "Part of our responsibility is to introduce and inspire younger visitors to the world and opportunities found in aviation."

For many younger museum visitors, the field of aviation is not well understood or is taken for granted. It is the museums' goal to bring greater awareness about the field and how it plays an active role in their lives with it being a possible future profession or leisure activity, said Finnegan.

The Planes of Fame Air Museum is on a 14-acre campus at Chino Airport in San Bernardino and is home to about 100 aircraft with many restored to flight, flying semi-regularly. The museum offers displays and exhibits, a research library, and a model room with several thousand scaled-down, extremely rare aircraft models and

unbuilt kits. There is also a theater and an Aviation Discovery Center where families can engage in hands-on learning.

The Grand Canyon museum in Arizona is made up of a diversified collection of about 40 aircraft from World War II vintage planes to many more modern home-built aircraft. Memorabilia from military, commercial, and general aviation are on display in several exhibits, but for now the museum remains closed indefinitely due to the pandemic.

"Covid-19 continues to impact our business," Finnegan said. "It devastated us through the loss of revenue."

"We lost our airshow (typically held in May) in 2020 and have had to reschedule it for 2021," he explained. "We lost attendance as we were closed for several months. We are still unable to host large gatherings such as our Living His-

tory Flying Day events, and we have not been able to rent out our facility to private events such as weddings, anniversaries, and other celebrations."

In fact, for many months the Planes of Fame Museum in Chino could only open as an "Outdoor Experience," which only allowed the public to view aircraft from outside looking in, while visiting at a discounted rate.

"Although many people visited, it was still less than what most of our visitors are accustomed to experiencing," Finnegan said.

As a result of COVID-19, precautions are in place where all visitors must wear facial coverings and maintain six-foot social distance from those outside their immediate household. Their B-17 is also sanitized after each group visit as well.

"At some point, when the COVID-19 pandemic reaches a point where we can

conduct interior presentations, we will return to our 'Living History Flying Days,'" he said.

"These events [are] typically on the first Saturday of each month [with] several also on mid-month Saturdays. [They] feature extensive presentations and discussions on important aviation-related historical events. Each [are] culminated

THE MUSEUM'S Mitsubishi A6M5 "Zero" (bottom) flies in formation with their F4U "Corsair" and P-38 "Lightning" (top). These aircraft fly regularly at the Museum at special Living History events and at the Museum's annual Airshow.

with a flight over the museum [by] a featured aircraft as well as nostalgic films in our theater."

Something to look forward to is their much-anticipated annual airshow, a two-day weekend event to be held on Oct. 30 to Oct. 31 at Chino Airport featuring up to 50 World War II era aircraft as well as aircraft from both the Korean and Vietnam Wars.

"There will be stunt flyers, military aircraft from today's Air Force, Navy, and Marines, and an assortment of vendors, fun, games, and other activities for patrons," Finnegan said. "We're still in the early planning stages of this annual event that will attract close to 50,000 people to the Chino Airport."

The museum also looks forward to their monthly "Flying Demonstrations," which resumed as of April 3. "Flying Demo's" showcase one aircraft both on the ground and in actual flight. A team of museum guides explains the history behind it, while costumed historical reenactors share their insights. Each month will feature a different aircraft in the same format.

"It begins with a brief presentation about the featured aircraft (conducted outside with people socially distanced)," he explained. "Then [this] is followed by the pilot entering the aircraft, going through his pre-flight check, starting the engine, and then taxiing away. The pilot will then take-off and fly over the museum, making several passes from multiple angles for approximately 20 minutes."

"Guests are invited to take photographs, ask questions, and learn more about the featured aircraft," Finnegan said.

More events will be forthcoming in the months ahead and are more likely to be on the first Saturday of the month, with several on mid-month Saturday. These public events are allowed for the museum to safely conduct during the COVID-19 pandemic, according to Finnegan.

With so much anticipated, Finnegan finds himself in a multi-faceted position responsible for all events, exhibits, displays, and guided tour experiences conducted by the museum. He is also responsible for the collection of artifacts, memorabilia, and other donated items that comprise the museum's inventory. He also provides marketing with the goal of driving revenue to help the museum fulfill its mission and is responsible for the several hundred volunteers who support their efforts in a variety of roles.

"I started at Planes of Fame in 2014 as a volunteer," he said. "I was originally a museum guide and later a tour guide, soon taking over the management of

these duties as a volunteer."

Though never directly involved with aviation, Finnegan brought with him an interest in history, particularly in military history, and was added to

the museum's staff in 2015. Likewise, the museum itself is steeped in both history and its history sheds light on how it acquired most of its collection of aircrafts.

"During World War II (1940 – 1944), the Chino Airport was known as the Cal-Aero Flight Academy," explained Finnegan. "It was a privately-owned training school contracted by the U.S. Army Air Force to train Army cadets into becoming pilots. Over 10,000 pilots received their training here."

"When the school was closed in 1944, the airfield was converted into a staging area for obsolete aircraft from the war," he said. "When the war ended in 1945, the government began to systematically destroy these thousands of aircraft (and others stored elsewhere)."

Finnegan went on to tell the story of one young man, Edward Maloney of Pomona, who was an aviation and military aircraft fan. "When he saw these aircraft being destroyed, he felt he needed to do something," he said. "That 'something' became a lifelong passion of saving aircraft for future generations to appreciate and learn from."

"Ed would seek out an aircraft, sometimes convincing the owner to donate it, other times purchasing it, but by 1957, he had ten aircraft in his possession," Finnegan continued. "Thus, the Planes of Fame Air Museum was born when he opened the door with those first ten aircraft."

Over the course of Ed's life, he rescued more than 250 aircraft before passing away in 2016. Most are in the museum's present-day collection, though some are in other museums throughout the world. Today, the Planes of Fame Air Museum still receives aircraft through private donations with this number steadily increasing.

The reasons for collecting the aircraft are primarily born out of the thought that it is best to experience them closeup, said Finnegan.

"We allow visitors extremely close contact with the aircraft in our collection – in many cases they can physically touch them and even enter a few," he said. "We have found that not only seeing them is valuable, but also getting the sense of smell from their fuel and oil, adds to the experience."

The Planes of Fame Air Museum offers educational field trips for elementary, intermediate, and high school students. Guided tours for the public are offered to both individuals and groups as well. Field trips are designed to incorporate and augment much of the curriculum taught under the National Science Standards and the Common Core Standards, according to Finnegan.

"Students learn about aviation, touch on the scientific principles of flight, understand the role of the pilot, technician, designer, and other related fields within aviation," he said. "[They] learn the parts of an airplane and what they do, understand the importance of navigation, weather, and communication during flight and so on."

"As for guided tours, they tend to focus on the history of aviation— from the earliest days including the Wright Brothers up to the jet and space ages of today," Finnegan said.

Seeing the old planes, touching their outer fuselage, and smelling their engine oil or fuel can be a powerful and memorable experience, one most are unlikely to ever forget.

"For many a visit to the museum is like a step back in time," he added.

For more information about the Planes of Fame Museum and how you can support it, please visit online at www.planesoffame.org

"The extensive collection of aircraft allows us to take [the] tours on a journey through time and helps them appreciate the achievements made in this important area as well as the sacrifices made by our veterans."

"Among the oldest aircraft in the museum's collection is a World War I fighter aircraft built in 1916," he said. "It flew with the United States Navy out of Dunkirk during the Great War, providing coastal patrol and U-boat searches. It was brought back to the United States at war's end (1918) and was rebuilt and assigned to the U.S. Navy Battleship 'Mississippi.'"

"It later was damaged and scrapped and was purchased by a unique individual named Charles Nungesser," Finnegan explained. "Nungesser had been an ace in the French Air Force during World War I. He used the aircraft as part of a traveling circus where he would put on mock aerial 'dog-fights' between planes for crowds across the country."

"He also appeared in a silent movie in the aircraft," he added. "This same aircraft later appeared in two World War I movie classics, 'Wings' (1927) and 'Hell's Angels' (1929). The museum acquired it in 1952."

Other popular aircraft the museum has in its possession includes the only remaining flying Boeing P-26 – a fighter from the 1930s, and the only remaining and flying Seversky P2A – another fighter from the 1930s, said Finnegan.

"Our Mitsubishi A6M5 'Zero' is the only authentic flying Japanese Zero remaining in the world," he added. "We have several other WWII veteran aircraft, a flying Soviet MiG-15, and several rare aircraft from other periods of aviation history." All these aircraft are all based at the Chino museum location. The Grand Canyon location has several WWII combat aircraft and several one-of-a-kind aircraft built by private individuals.

The Planes of Fame Air Museum is a 501.c.3 non-profit organization focused on education as its primary role. Its mission is to preserve aviation history, inspire an interest in aviation, educate the public, and honor aviation pioneers and veterans. It is funded through their admissions, special events (Airshow, WWII Hangar Dances, annual Taste of Flight Gala), donations, grants, memberships, and other related activities.

"Our membership program provides numerous ways for people to support the museum, from individual to family to higher levels of giving," Finnegan explained. "The best way to become involved is to visit us."

People can choose from a wide variety of ways to get involved such as the museum's outreach efforts including college level scholarships, annual student art contest or special programs for veterans. Volunteers are also welcomed to help maintain the museum, conduct tours, escort guests, work on restoration projects and more.

"We have found that there is an 'addictive' quality to the museum – getting involved stimulates interest which leads to engagement which turns into lifetime support," Finnegan said.

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P-38 LIGHTNING at the air show. The aircraft fly regularly at the Museum at special Living History events and at the Museum's annual Airshow.

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605 LEAGUE BOYS SOCCER

Artesia dominates pesky Whitney squad but scores only two goals

BY LOREN KOPFF
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The Artesia High boys soccer team has dominated the brief existence of the 605 League, going 19-0-1 heading into this season, outscoring its opponents by an astounding 103-13 margin. Tack on a 3-1 win against Cerritos High on Mar. 30 and it’s clear to see that the Pioneers are still the favorites to make it three for three in the new league.

Don’t tell that to Whitney High, which tied Artesia 2-2 last season and entered this past Tuesday’s game having knocked off Cerritos and John Glenn High, two playoff teams from last season, by a combined score of 7-1. Artesia head coach Octavio Marquez knew his team was in for a battle, and for the most part, it was. Despite peppering Whitney senior goalkeeper Salvador Ortiz for 22 shots, the Pioneers couldn’t generate much in the goal-scoring department, winning 2-0 to improve to 3-2 overall this season.

“I told our guys, knowing coming into the game because we tied them here last year,” Marquez said. “And it was close, just like today. They went up; we were lucky to get a late tying goal. We should have lost last

year. They have some scrappy players; they work hard and they play hard. You have to give them all the credit because their goalie kept them in the game, obviously. It could have been easily 6-0 or 7-0.”

“We didn’t even know if we were going to have a team,” said first-year Whitney head coach Juan Luis Arevalo. “Just in the beginning, it was hard. [Whitney administration] asked if I was willing to take over the boys [team] and myself and [assistant] coach Jorge [Flores] said we would take on that challenge.”

Whitney isn’t fielding a girls team this season, but a quartet of girls are playing with the boys, including sophomore midfielders Ella Centeno, Koa DeLeon and Dalia Luckhardt, all of whom started against the Pioneers. The fourth is freshman forward Kasmine Brar. Arevalo said he didn’t know that Cerritos and Glenn went to the playoffs last season and he thought those teams took the Wildcats for granted because of the four female players. Whitney has six sophomores and four freshmen as part of the 18-member team

“I guess [Artesia] got a little scouting report on what we do and they came in and gave us a challenge,” Arevalo said. “Again, we have a new team; they haven’t even played together for more than a month.

“It was little bit of convincing to the boys,” Arevalo continued about having the four girls on the team. “Once they saw them playing and they saw that they were up to par to them, it was like having a sister on the team for them. I tell them that we’re equal and think about it as your sister.



We have to protect them a little bit more. Their play speaks for themselves. It gives us hope of what’s coming next year on the girls’ side.”

Artesia took 10 shots on goal in the first half while the Wildcats got off only one shot. In the eighth minute, Artesia junior midfielder Jose Gudino saw his shot kicked away by Ortiz and 10 minutes later, a free kick from junior defender Miguel Rodriguez just outside the penalty box sailed high of the crossbar.

The Pioneers kept the pressure going as in the 28th minute, Ortiz deflected a shot to his right off the foot of senior midfielder Bryan Gudino and three minutes later, a point blank shot from sophomore defender Alejandro Robles was saved by Ortiz. Throughout the game, Artesia’s passing was nearly crisp as passing lanes would constantly be open. But as players would approach the penalty area, players would be out of position for a pass that could have led to a goal.

“That’s what we’ve been struggling with all year,” Marquez said. “That last third [of the field] is something we’ve been struggling with. We have five seniors, but for the most part, I start mostly sophomores and juniors. It’s just getting that understanding within the goal to be patient [and] find that passing lane. We try to force too many things, or we lose the ball because we try to dribble too much because we panic.”

The Pioneers would finally find the back of the net three minutes before halftime as Bryan Gudino muscled his way through the Whitney defense, avoiding what may have been a foul called on a Whitney player to deposit a goal through the left side of the net.

“He actually told me he miss-hit it,” Marquez said. “He didn’t mean to go to that corner; he meant to go to the opposite side. So, whatever, a goal is a goal, and you have to give [Gudino] credit. He kept with the play; he didn’t give up.”

In the 56th minute Ortiz, who ended with eight saves, blocked a shot from sophomore forward Ivan Navarro and on the rebound back to him, the follow-up shot went above the net. The second Artesia tally was by Navarro, whose shot trickled in at the left post.

“He had three or four chances earlier, so he was able to get ahead on it and it hit the post and went in,” Marquez said of Navarro. “I was happy for him. I thought he played a good game up there; he worked hard and pressured [the defense]. I was happy for him to get that one.”

“We’re lucky that we have a good goalie and usually having a good goalie is half the battle in soccer,” Arevalo said. “We live and die with our goalie and like I said, our team is young and we got outplayed and outthustled a little bit. I think 2-0 is a good score for us.”

Artesia will host Pioneer High today at Fedde Middle School before visiting Glenn on Tuesday while the Wildcats visit Pioneer on Tuesday.

2021 BASEBALL PREVIEW - Cerritos has something to prove while Gahr, Valley Christian looking to rebound

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The Cerritos High baseball team had it all going last season before the pandemic cut short what could have been one of the program’s best campaigns. Now, the Dons have a chip on their shoulders and are out to prove that they are still the team to beat in the 605 League. Gahr High figures to be one of the top teams in Division 2 while Valley Christian High is hoping not to duplicate the slow start it had last season. Artesia High has a new head coach and Whitney High will not field a team this season.

Note: At time of press, player information from La Mirada High had not been received.

RETURNING PLAYERS IN *ITALICS*

ARTESIA PIONEERS
1-5 overall last season
Head coach: Jose Serrano (first season)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 12-92
Last time made the playoffs: 2007
Key losses: Brandon Azzato, Patrick Garcia, Darrell Miller, Johnny Nunez
Projected lineup:
P-Frankie Medina (JR)/Richard Saad (SO)/Jaimie Saucedo (JR)/Reggie Steele (SO)/David Zavala (SR)/John Ceballos (FR)
C-Medina/Juan Munoz (JR)
1B-Francisco Sandoval (SO)/Steele
2B-Michael Loera (JR)/Munoz
3B-Saucedo/Zavala
SS-Medina/Saucedo/Loera
LF-Brandon Garcia (SO)/Daniel Guardado (FR)/Andrew Serrano (JR)
CF-Saad/Garcia/Guardado/Serrano
RF-Garcia/Guardado/Serrano

After 18 seasons, there is a changing of the guard in the Artesia baseball program as former player Jose Serrano replaces Michael Gaoghagan as the head coach. Gaoghagan had gone 134-

308-1 during his time with the Pioneers, reaching the quarterfinals in his first season (2003) and the playoffs three out of the next four seasons. After that, the Pioneers had one season of at least 10 victories. Serrano also spent some time on the varsity coaching staff under Gaoghagan.

“It was a roller coaster being coached and coaching with Gaoghagan for the past 18 years,” Serrano said. “We went from winning to losing throughout the years. To be honest, these past few months, it has been very difficult coaching, especially dealing with the pandemic and preparing for the season. It has been a goal and a dream of mine to take over the team for many years.”

Serrano, who graduated from California State University, Dominguez Hills in 2011 and led the Toros with a .440 batting average in 2010, added that as a former Pioneer, he gave his heart as a player and will do the same as a head coach. While he may not have been the biggest or strongest player, he said he played the hardest than anyone else and that you have to love the game and you have to play with passion.

“As a coach, I will make sure my players play their hearts out with passion,” Serrano said.

The Pioneers will have a dozen players on varsity and Serrano has tabbed junior Frankie Medina as the top returner with junior Juan Munoz as the top varsity newcomer. Serrano also said that as of now, he doesn’t have specific starters to each position as he plans to move everyone around. But one thing Serrano plans to have to a positive attitude.

“Covid has affected many of us in different ways, from losing our jobs to losing our loved ones,” he said. “I want to make sure our players focus on the remainder of the season with a positive attitude and the desire to play their heart out the rest of the [season]. I want them

to know that we came back to the field to win again for our school and for our families.”

CERRITOS DONS
5-3 overall last season
Head coach: Brooks Walling (third full season, eighth overall, 101-78)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 76-49
Last time missed the playoffs: 2017
Key losses: Jayden Baerg, Raul Garcia, Jacob Guzman, Nick Hill (SR), Alex Manibusan, Jonathan O’Neill, Joseph Quibrantar (SR), Evan Vasquez, Demetrius Vizcarra
Projected lineup:
P-Jude Alfaro (SR)/Evan Geppert (JR)/Owen Gott (JR)/Edgar Lorenzo (SR)/Matthew Rezendes (SR)/Maxwell Shea (SR)
C-Gott/Aaron DeLeon (SR)
1B-Rezendes/DeLeon
2B-Carter Chi (FR)/Ethan Vo (JR)/Cifuentes (SR)
3B-Lorenzo/Cifuentes/Vo
SS-Jared Pugrad (SR)/Chi
LF-Paul Kim (SO)
CF-Nick Toney (SR)/Pugrad
RF-Johann Gibbs (FR)/Vo

Cerritos christened the 605 League’s first season with a league title, winning all 10 games in the circuit. The Dons then won five of their eight games played last season and had it not been for the pandemic, would have been on target to win 20 games for the second consecutive season. Cerritos was loaded with seniors last season who didn’t get a chance to win another league title and possibly go deeper in the playoffs. Now, the Dons are playing this season with a vengeance and are off to a 5-1 start.

“It’s great to be back, obviously,” Walling said. “Having four practices and then having to scrap up for a real CIF event is a little tough, after graduating [15] guys with [senior] Nick Hill transferring to Fullerton. Other than that,

it’s definitely exciting to be back.” Walling has had to change his coaching staff a bit with Jose Serrano taking the Artesia job and Walling’s dad, Grant, moving to Arizona. But Martin Rodriguez is Walling’s right hand man among the five assistant coaches. Walling said he had big hopes for the 2020 team, but you can’t look back; you have to look forward and it’s about the 2021 class now in which Cerritos returns only half a dozen returners, including two transfers who didn’t play in any of the eight games. Still, the pitching is experienced enough with left-handed senior Maxwell Shea from the left side, who throws anywhere from 82-86 miles per hour, senior Edgar Lorenzo, who throws 82-84 mph. and junior Evan Geppert, who Walling said had a good junior varsity season and seems promising. Look for senior first baseman Matthew Rezendes and junior Owen Gott, the starting catcher, to get some time on the mound. Starting second baseman Carter Chi and starting right fielder Johann Gibbs are up and coming freshman who could be the faces of the programs in the next few years.

“As long as you can perform, you’re going to start,” Walling said. “I don’t care if you’re a freshman or a senior. [Chi and Gibbs] walked into camp and in four days, earned a [starting] job. They’re legit.”

The 605 League will be five instead of six this season as Whitney isn’t fielding a team and Cerritos figures to be the favorites again. Walling says he likes his chances to repeat the same success of 2019 and to build off what could have been from last season’s team.

“I have a super strong group coming back,” Walling said. “The pitching staff is going to throw strikes. We don’t have an overpowering guy, but you never know. Guys will step up and that’s what

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high school baseball is all about.”

GAHR GLADIATORS
3-6 overall last season
Head coach: Gerardo Perez (17th season, 295-162-2)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 77-53-1
Last time missed the playoffs: 1998
Key losses: Kevin Quiroz, Diego Salazar, Angel Zepeda
Projected lineup:
P-*Noah Andrunas (SO)/Christien Banda (JR)/Josh Delgado (SR)/Andrew Garcia (JR)/Ethan Kang (JR)/Noah Magallanes (FR)/Victor Morales (SO)/Steven Thompson (JR)/J’amore Ward (SR)*
C-*Jorge Renteria (SR)/Matt Kurata (SR)*
1B-*Brian Munoz (SR)*
2B-*Angel Cortez (SO)/Kyle Panganiban (SO)*
3B-*Kurata/Panganiban*
SS-*DJ Massey (SR)/Alex Hernandez (JR)*
LF-*Banda/Thompson/Beau Manuel (SR)/Alahni Salcedo (SO)/Michael Williams (SR)*
CF-*Kang/Massey*
RF-Andrew Kirchner (JR)

The more things change, the more they stay the same when it comes to the Gahr baseball program. Experienced or not, longtime head coach Gerardo Perez puts his team through one of the toughest battles early on, which gets them ready for the San Gabriel Valley League and then the playoffs. Last season was no different as the Gladiators were shutout in their first three games before winning three of their next four games. The season was halted before league was to have started, but Gahr still had 10 more non-league games on the slate, including a Mar. 25 tilt at Cerritos.

“I thought we started to come together right when Covid hit,” Perez said. “When you play the schedule that we do, you really learn how to deal with adversity right away in the season. And I thought we started to do a better job of being consistent, which is very important in handling...I believe we started five freshmen last year. I thought we were hitting our stride.”

The Gladiators, who are in Division 2 this season, are off to a 5-5 start with the first five games coming against Division 1 teams. This past Wednesday’s win against Lynwood was the 300th for Perez at Gahr. Through the first seven games, Gahr went 3-4 but Perez felt his team could have been 7-0 as it lost a one-run game to Santa Margarita High, a one-run, ten-inning affair to Cypress High and a one-run, eight-inning game to Corona Del Mar High.

“It’s a complement to our players who want to go out and they want an opportunity to face the better kids,” Perez said. “We kind of feel like you’re going to find out who you are and you’re better prepared for college.”

Sophomore Noah Andrunas, junior Christien Banda, a Long Beach State University commit, and freshman Noah Magallanes would be the starters prior to league play. Once senior J’amore Ward, another LBSU commit comes back, he would be one of the starters while Magallanes would be one of the relievers. Juniors Ethan Kang and Steven Thompson are slated to be on the back end of the pitching staff

“We have some depth, but we’re also young,” Perez said. “We’re really good this year; we’re pretty strong. In 2022, it should be close to similar to 2018 as far as strength across the board.”

Gahr is also very stacked behind the plethora of arms as the entire infield are returners, including senior third baseman and backup catcher Matt

Kurata, who will be going to California State University, Bakersfield, and senior shortstop DJ Massey, whom Perez says is ‘an electric defensive player’.

“He can really jump start our offense every time he gets on base,” Perez said. “He’s really improved greatly over the course of the past month. He’s going to find himself playing for a while.”

Perez added that freshman Jose Perez and sophomore Alahni Salcedo could find themselves as the top two designated hitters. Pertaining to the depth the Gladiators have this season, Perez said Gahr is deeper across the board but is still in the process of trying to develop some of the players and continued to say that Banda, Kirchner, Kurata and Munoz, who will be batting cleanup, will be spearheading the offensive attack.

“We’re not your typical Gahr team,” Perez said. “We can actually swing the bat with some authority. It’s very interesting. We’re a really good defensive team; we can generate some runs just by hitting. We just need to become a little more detailed with the pitching staff.”

JOHN GLENN EAGLES
1-4 overall last season
Head coach: Gabriel Guzman (second season, 1-4)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 64-49
Last time missed the playoffs: 2016
Key losses: Andrew Arballo, Ryan Baker, Alejandro Rizo
Projected lineup:
P-*Jacob Hernandez (SR)/Carlos Valdez (SR)/Adrian Zamora (SR)/Joseph Chavez (SO)*
C-*Zoey Williams (SR)/Marcos Orizaba (FR)*
1B-*Valdez/Isaac Hernandez (JR)/Jacob Hernandez*
2B-*Francisco Rodriguez (FR)/Andrew Guerra (SO)*
3B-*Zamora/Anthony Carmona (FR)*
SS-*Chavez/Orizaba*
LF-*Guerra/Anthony Lira (SR)/Manuel Sigala (SO)*
CF-*Andres Cortez (FR)/Ivan Vera (FR)*
RF-*Alex Renteria (SO)/Gabriel Salcido (SO)*

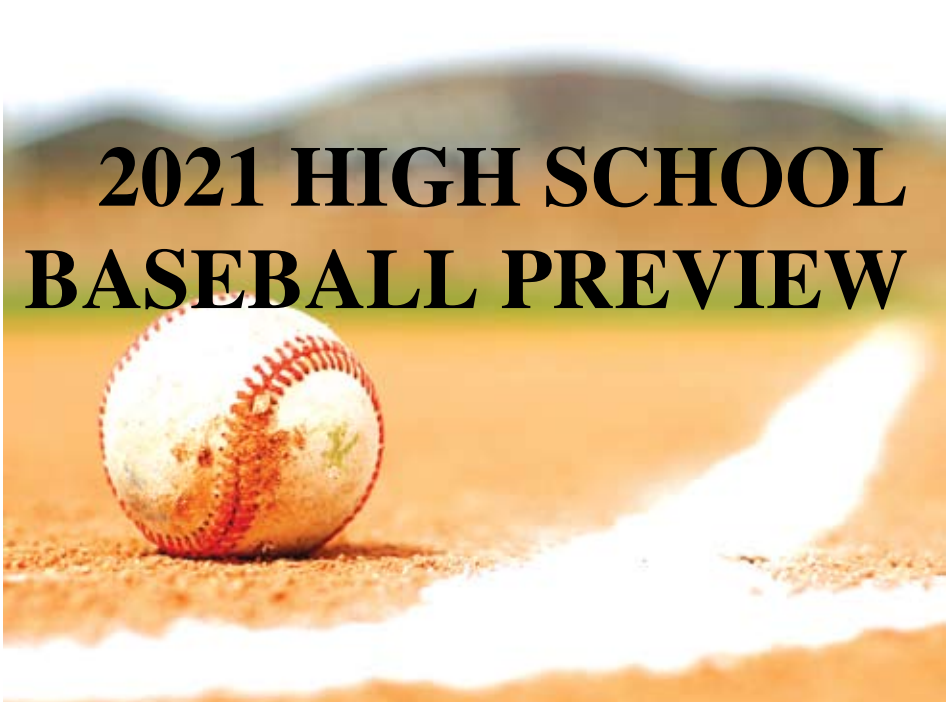
John Glenn High head coach Gabriel Guzman didn’t get an opportunity to see his team much last season before it was abruptly shut down. The Eagles played in only five games for their new coach, who had replaced former head coach Jack Brooks. Guzman, who had been Glenn’s junior varsity coach, was hoping to continue the playoff tradition that saw the program play beyond the regular season five times from 2014-2019.

“In the first five games from last season, I’ve learned that the game is way more intense compared to junior varsity, from the very first inning to the end,” Guzman said. “My boys last season learned to leave it all out on the field and play every bit of it as it was their last game.”

Guzman said the long offseason was definitely too long and although his players made adjustments and improvements, it doesn’t compare to working together as a team. Of the adjustments made during the offseason, the biggest adjustments the Eagles made were in the pitching department.

Senior pitcher Jacob Hernandez is tabbed as Glenn’s number one hurler with senior Adrian Zamora as a middle reliever and senior Carlos Valdez as the closer while senior Zoey Williams, formerly of Artesia, comes over from the softball team to become one of the catchers.

“The outlook for the 2021 season should be fun,” Guzman said. “I’m very pleased with my team this season. All



players are on the same level as a team and ready to compete this year.”

LA MIRADA MATADORES
6-2 overall last season
Head coach: Jimmy Zurn (seventh season, 122-42-1)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 105-27
Key losses: Jimmy Blumberg, Eugene Jeon, Jared Jones, Dominic Martinez, Emilio Morales, Memo Pacheco, Jacob Sharp, Matt Wilson
NORWALK LANCERS
4-4 overall last season
Head coach: William Wenrick (seventh season, 40-80)
Team’s record previous five seasons: 34-66
Last time made the playoffs: 2013
Key losses: Thomas Aneste, Joseph Casillas, Kevin Gomez, Aaron Lopez, Osvaldo Sosa
Projected lineup:
P-*Adam Aneste (SR)/Caden Barnhill (SO)/Christian Johnson (SR)/Kaleb Nakano (SO)*

C-*Angel Rosales (JR)*
1B-TBD
2B-TBD
3B-TBD
SS-TBD
LF-*Randy Martinez (SO)*
CF-TBD
RF-TBD

Head coach William Wenrick has coached Norwalk High longer than any of its previous coaches since the 1998 season but has yet to advance to the postseason during that time. After a slow start to last season, the Lancers went on a brief three-game winning streak and Wenrick says everyone was feeling ‘pretty good about ourselves’ and the players were buying in on what they were trying to accomplish.

This season will be tougher for the Lancers as they will play all their games on the road and practice at a middle school little league field while their new digs are still under construction. Wenrick, who admitted the program is ‘really behind’, just determined his varsity and junior varsity teams this past Monday and although most of the positions aren’t settled yet, he did say that sophomore left-handed pitcher Kaleb Nakano, a varsity rookie, will get significant innings and that junior Angel Rosales, another newcomer to varsity, solidifies the catching position.

“As most coaches, [we’re] just happy that we are on the field again,” Wenrick said. “With our current situation, we’re looking to get stronger, be competitive, and improve throughout the season and into the summer.”

VALLEY CHRISTIAN DEFENDERS
4-7 overall last season
Head coach: Matt Dahlenburg (third season, 16-17)
Team’s record previous five seasons:

56-59
Last time made the playoffs: 2017
Key losses: Colby Barnes, Andrew Diaz, Brayden Garner, Ryan Lasiter, Cayden Plooster
Projected lineup:
P-*Colin Abrahams (SR)/Jared McDaniel (SR)/Austin Horio (SR)/Carson Slager (JR)/Austin Wilkinson (JR)/Ryan Zamarippa (JR)*
C-*Matt Bean (JR)/Jacob Smith (SO)*
1B-*Slager/Smith/Jesse Perez (JR)*
2B-*Ben Carter (JR)/Nolan Lynott (SO)/Evan Sawai (SO)/Perez*
3B-*Slager/Carter/Smith*
SS-*Horio/Carter*
LF-*Armand Rizo (JR)/Dylan Barnes (JR)/Bo Adkins (SR)*
CF-*Zamarippa/Adkins/Barnes/Wilkinson*
RF-*Connor Gerdes (SR)/Abrahams/McDaniel*Adkins

Despite the slow start to the short season, V.C. head coach Matt Dahlenburg was looking forward to a better second season, considering the experience he had from his first season. The Defenders, who lost three games by one run and another by two runs, still return a lot from that 11-game season of 2020 and are primed to challenge for one of the top three spots in the Olympic League.

“I was definitely thinking we’re getting to age now where we can compete with the juniors and seniors that everybody is throwing out there [in the Olympic League] because we’re going to be that [team].” Dahlenburg said. “The outlook is really good.”

Dahlenburg said he doesn’t have a true number one pitcher, but seniors Colin Abrahams and Jared McDaniel and junior Austin Wilkinson figure to be starting pitchers. Senior Austin Horio and junior Ryan Zamarippa are two other pitchers who figure to make an impact, especially in relief.

“If our guys, like Zamarippa and Horio and Wilkinson are locked in, I think we have a chance to beat Maranatha,” Dahlenburg said. “If we [play defense] really well and don’t give up any runs, we have a real good chance of winning. That’s how we take it.”

All but three players are either seniors or juniors, thus making it easier for Dahlenburg to get the program back to the playoffs for the first time since 2017. Maranatha High won the league in 2018 and 2019 with Village Christian claiming the title the previous four seasons before that.

“For me, I’ve had these juniors out here pretty much...they’ve been with me pretty much since they were freshmen,” Dahlenburg said. “We’re just getting up to the point where they can get the experience and now everything is starting to click.”

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residents. We want to avoid having an increase or surge of cases locally as seen in some parts of Europe and elsewhere internationally and even here in the United States where cases and hospitalizations due to COVID-19 are again rising in numerous states and cities.

COVID transmission is more likely to occur when people are not wearing face masks. As such, they are required as part of the Health Officer Orders as well as in the protocols which guide office-based worksites to keep employees safe in the workplace. Although people who are fully vaccinated can be indoors without a mask in certain circumstances, this does not apply to people in a public forum.

All government functions are considered essential and should be performed in compliance with the Social (Physical) Distancing Protocol listed in the Health Officer Order, including keeping at least six feet apart from others while doing business. These protocols are intended to keep employees safe. Although many of the activities of the city staff are essential infrastructure, we urge you to consider which activities are truly essential and can only be done in the workplace as opposed to a telework arrangement.

As we have throughout the pandemic, Public Health recommends that meetings, including city council meetings, should be held virtually to limit contact between non-household members.

As we enter the second year of the COVID-19 pandemic, we urge all residents to continue to adhere to the Health Officer Orders which are developed for the health and safety of everyone in the County of Los Angeles. We urge city leadership as well to set a strong example by promoting adherence to the Health Officer Order.

Susan Blackwell
Los Angeles County
Department of Public Health

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collaboration between Toyota USA and the PGA Southern California Junior Tour. he SCPGA Junior Tour is a three-tiered program featuring the Toyota Tour Cup, the Players Tour and the Junior Development Tour.

The Junior Tour boasts countless alumni including Tiger Woods, Lizette Salas, Rickie Fowler, Danielle Kang, Collin Morikawa, Matthew Wolff, Patrick Cantlay, Angel Yin, Xander Schauffele, Haley Moore, and many more.

Membership for the Toyota Tour Cup is invitation only, which can be attained by Qualifying School, Players Tour Series Points or local qualifiers. All Toyota Tour Cup events are nationally ranked by Junior Golf Scoreboard, as well as recognized by AJGA Performance Based Entry stars.

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the option of sending students back for in-person instruction or remain in the Virtual Academy.

The in-person program is called a Simultaneous Hybrid Model.

In this model, students are split into two cohorts, A and B, with Cohort A coming to school on Monday and Tuesday and Cohort B coming to school on Thursday and Friday.

Teachers will teach synchronously to both cohorts, meaning students in the classroom and online receive the same lessons from their teachers at the same time. Wednesdays will remain as an asynchronous day with students working on assignments at home.

“We know that in-person learning is what’s best for students,” said ABCUSD Superintendent Dr. Mary Sieu. “The synchronous hybrid model allows for the least amount of disruption for student learning, providing a higher level of engagement, and a strong student-to-teacher link.”

School are modelled after CDC guidelines; mask-wearing and physical distancing, and hand washing are strongly enforced. Classrooms are reorganized so that students and teachers have physical distance, and plexiglass barriers sit on student desks. Students are only allowed to interact with their cohorts at recess and lunchtime.

Students go through an online screening at home before leaving for school and another screening when they arrive at school. Students who are not feeling well must stay home from school. Schools will follow public health protocols if a student should become ill at school.

Cleaning and disinfection of school campuses will meet or exceed public health guidelines. The District has invested in upgraded cleaning and disinfecting equipment, and trained staff will ensure that campuses are clean and safe.

“It takes a great deal of time and effort to reopen our schools safely,” said Board of Education President Sophia Tse. “Staff has been working around the clock to maximize both safety and instruction. I’m very proud of all of our teachers and staff members who have put in great effort to make this happen.”

The ABCUSD community can learn more about the District’s reopening plans by visiting ABCUSD.us and clicking on the Safely Reopening Schools tab.

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TerraVerde assessed all 79 City electricity accounts for viability based on electricity usage, only seven sites were identified as being viable for solar.

TerraVerde also assessed 16 ERUSD sites for the financial viability of installing storage, only two schools with existing solar panels were identified as having a positive fiscal outlook for the installation of battery storage: Rivera Elementary and North Park Academy.


El Rancho High School is the only ERUSD facility without existing solar panels. The council was told that if ERUSD deployed Solar + Storage at the high school would save \$1,507,259 over 25 years.

In other news the City Council took action using the recently Cares Act funds allocating \$200,000 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief to the Small Business Grant Program; allocated \$100,000 for the Emergency Senior Meal Program; and reallocated \$49,474 to the Senior Center ADA Parking Lot Improvements.

The Business Grant Program includes a one-time \$10,000 grant to eligible businesses to help create jobs, retain jobs and offer quality services to the residents of Pico Rivera.

Grant funds may be used for overhead expenses, rent, utilities, business services such as web site development to increase capacity and necessary equipment to continue business operations. Businesses are not expected to pay back grants.

Some of the criteria for qualifying for the grant discussed include the following: business must be physically located within City limits; business has a current business license, in good standing in the City; business employs approximately 20 or less employees; business has been operational at least six (6) months; business must possess or register for a DUNS number; business must submit all required documents including application and back-up income documentation. Check the city’s website for additional criteria.



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: 9 letters

Financial Help Coming for Covered CA Members

BY BRIAN HEWS

The American Rescue Plan provides more than \$3 Billion for Californians to lower their monthly cost of health insurance. These additional dollars may reduce a Covered California enrollee’s monthly health insurance cost by nearly half.

By the end of April, members will receive a notice from CC detailing the financial help.

The amount of financial help households will receive is based on household income, where they live and family size on file with Covered California.

This new financial help will begin in May, but it may take a few billing cycles before this additional financial help is accurately reflected on member's monthly bill – depending on their health insurance company. This additional financial help on member's monthly bill will also include financial help for the months they are insured in 2021 prior to May and will last until the end of 2022.

What do members have to do to get this additional savings? Nothing.

Since CC has your income on file, they will calculate member's new financial help automatically. Watch for the notice from CC either in the mail or as an email with instructions to check the online account.

Vaccine Open to Everyone 16 and Older

(APRIL 15, 2021) ~ Eligibility for COVID-19 vaccinations expanded to everyone aged 16 and over in LA County and the rest of California today. Los Angeles County waited until Thursday -- the date officially set by the state for the expansion.

According to county Public Health Director Barbara Ferrer, there are an estimated 5 million people in the newly eligible group aged 16-49 in Los Angeles County.

The expansion means getting an appointment for a vaccination could get tougher as those millions of newly eligible people try to get shots.

All 58 California counties are officially out of the most restrictive purple tier of the state's economic-reopening blueprint.

And by midnight, the state is expected to reach the threshold of 50% of the state's eligible population receiving at least one dose of vaccine. Vaccination efforts will not be deterred by this week's halt in the use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine due to a half-dozen cases of potentially dangerous blood clots -- from among nearly 7 million people who have received the vaccine. The J&J shots represent only about 4% of the state's weekly supply.

“We are looking forward to getting more vaccines in more arms for one fundamental reason -- it saves lives,” Gov. Gavin Newsom said. “These vaccines are safe. These vaccines are effective. These vaccines will get our kids safely back in person in school.”

As of Wednesday, a total of nearly 5.4 million vaccine doses have been administered in the county, including more than 1.9 million people who have received second doses and are fully

vaccinated.

Ferrer noted that teens aged 16 and 17, while eligible for the shots, can only receive the Pfizer vaccine, since it's the only one approved for use in people that young. She again urged residents to continue taking infection-control precautions such as wearing masks and physical distancing. Newsom drove that point home Thursday morning.

“Let's not let down our guard,” he said. “Let's not take these masks off. We still have work to do. The biggest mistake in this country that's being perpetuated are people that are just giving up and not requiring these face coverings, and just assuming that mission -- somehow -- is accomplished. It's not. This disease will come roaring back. Ask the governor of Michigan. Ask folks around the rest of the world, the rest of the globe. Large economies shutting back down. Places like Italy, France. Challenges in Germany.”

The county reported an additional 57 COVID-19 deaths on Wednesday, and Long Beach added one, bringing the cumulative county death toll during the pandemic to 23,554.

Another 411 cases were also reported by the county, while Long Beach health officials added 38 more, pushing the overall pandemic total in the county to 1,227,002.

According to state figures, the number of people hospitalized in Los Angeles County due to COVID was at 512 as of Thursday, down slightly from 518 on Wednesday. There were 123 people in intensive care, the same number as Wednesday.

NOTICE INVITING BIDS TRAFFIC SIGNAL UPGRADES CITYWIDE FEDERAL PROJECT NO. HSIPL-5351 (037) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO. 21348

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Pico Rivera, California (“City”) invites sealed Bids for the Traffic Signal Upgrades Citywide, Federal Project No. HSIPL-5351 (037), Capital Improvement Project No. 21348 (Project). The City will receive such Bids at the City Clerk’s office, City Hall, 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California 90660 up to **2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 20, 2021**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

All Bids must be made on the form furnished by the City. Each Bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to the City Clerk with the Project name and identification number typed or clearly printed on the lower left corner of the envelope. The sealed bids shall be clearly marked as **SEALED BIDS**. Bids must remain valid and shall not be subject to withdrawal for 90 calendar days after the Bid opening date.

SCOPE OF WORK. The Project includes, without limitation, furnishing all necessary labor, materials, equipment and other incidental and appurtenant Work necessary to satisfactorily complete the Project, as more specifically described in the Contract Documents. This Work will be performed in strict conformance with the Contract Documents, permits from regulatory agencies with jurisdiction, and applicable regulations. The general items of work include removal and construction of traffic signal poles, foundations, equipment, conduit, pull boxes, and other traffic signal related equipment; removal and construction of new curb, gutter, sidewalks, curb ramps, traffic signage, traffic striping and pavement markings, and all appurtenant work items not mentioned that are required by the plans and specifications. The quantity of Work to be performed and materials to be furnished are approximations only, being given as a basis for the comparison of Bids. Actual quantities of Work to be performed may vary at the discretion of the City Engineer. Time for completion of the Work is **one hundred sixty (160) total Working Days** from the date specified in the Notice to Proceed and shall be inclusive of the procurement time to furnish and install all materials associated with this project.

OBTAINING BID DOCUMENTS. Bidders may obtain free copies of the Plans, Specifications, and other Contract Documents online by visiting <http://www.pico-rivera.org/rfps/>. Hard copies of the Contract Documents are not available at this time.

LICENSES. Each Bidder shall possess a valid Class “A” Contractor’s license or “C10” specialty license issued by the California State Contractors License Board necessary for the performance of all Work to be performed at the time of the Bid submission, unless this Project has any federal funding, in which case the successful Bidder must possess such a license at the time of Contract award. The successful Contractor must also possess a current City business license.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE) GOAL. In accordance with 49 CFR Part 26.45, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Caltrans regulations, a DBE Goal of 11% has been established for this project.

MATERIALS SUBSTITUTIONS AND OTHER QUESTIONS. Bidders are required to post their questions or equivalent material or substitution request of construction materials to the City Project Manager online by visiting <http://www.pico-rivera.org/rfps/>. Materials substitutions or questions are acceptable until **4:00 pm on or before Wednesday, May 05, 2021**. Any questions or equivalent material or substitution request of construction materials submitted after **May 05, 2021** will not be answered. Questions and answers and/or any responses to material substitution request will be issued by **May 12, 2021** as an addendum. Any addenda and/or supplemental information, as applicable will be posted online and available at <http://www.pico-rivera.org/rfps/>. It is the Bidder's responsibility to check online for any addenda that are released. Any changes or corrections to the original Bid Documents or any other information that will affect the completion of the award will be disseminated and posted on the City’s website. **Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of all addenda documentation (if any) with the submitted bid proposal.**

CITY PROJECT MANAGER CONTACT INFORMATION:
Name: Kenner Guerrero, Project Manager
Contact Number: 562-801-4351
E-mail: kguerrero@pico-rivera.org

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 543 6001 EAST WASHINGTON BOULEVARD

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Commerce will conduct a public hearing on a request from Family Health Care Centers of Greater Los Angeles (FHCCGLA) for a Conditional Use Permit to allow for the operation of an outpatient medical office at an existing two-story building, located at 6001 E Washington Blvd, Commerce, CA 90040. No emergency or overnight services are proposed as part of this use. Pursuant to Chapter 19.11 of the Commerce Municipal Code, a Conditional Use Permit is required for the operation of a medical office within the C/M-1 zone.

SAID PUBLIC HEARING MEETING: A virtual meeting will be held via Teleconference during a Planning Commission hearing on Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., at which time proponents and opponents of CUP will be heard. Instructions for Teleconference access are provided below:

Call in phone number: (669) 900-9128
Meeting ID: 936 8760 5928
Password: 838914

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19. On March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 (superseding the Brown Act-related provisions of Executive Order N-25-20 issued on March 12, 2020), which allows a local legislative body to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body.

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, please be advised that members of the Commerce City Planning Commission will participate in meetings virtually and telephonically. Further, in the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing, and restricting gatherings of over ten (10) people, due to the health risks associated with COVID-19 pursuant to Federal, State and County orders, directives and/or guidelines, this meeting is closed to the public and will instead be streamed live, accessible at www.ci.commerce.ca.us. Members of the public may participate by calling in to the number provided herein.

Per Government Code Section 65009, if you challenge the above-listed item in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public scoping meeting and during the comment period described in this notice in written correspondence delivered to the city office, at, or prior to, the public hearing.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION
Jose D. Jimenez

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINIS-TER ESTATE OF:
PAUL G. WARREN AKA PAUL GRAYSON WARREN
CASE NO. 21STPB03228
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contin-gent creditors, and persons who may other-wise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of PAUL G. WARREN AKA PAUL GRAYSON WARREN.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MARGARET SUE RODRIGUEZ in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MARGARET SUE RODRIGUEZ be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to admin-ister the estate under the Independent Ad-ministration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court ap-proval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representa-tive will be required to give notice to inter-ested 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: 05/07/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 4 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGE-LES, CA 90012
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the peti-tion, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objec-tions 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 per-sonal 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 knowl-edgeable 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 as-sets or of any petition or account as provid-ed in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for Petitioner
PAUL JAY FUKUSHIMA - SBN 065868
LAW OFFICES OF PAUL JAY FUKUSHIMA
12749 NORWALK BLVD., SUITE 111
NORWALK CA 90650
4/16, 4/23, 4/30/21
CNS-3458873#
LA MIRADA LAMPLIGHTER

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
YONG PENG LAO AKA YONGPENG LAO AKA VICTOR LAO
CASE NO. 21STPB03235
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of YONG PENG LAO AKA YONGPENG LAO AKA VICTOR LAO.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by GRACE XIAO LAO in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that GRACE XIAO LAO 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 in this court as follows: 05/13/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 79 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the per-sonal 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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CITY OF COMMERCE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
COMMERCIAL CANNABIS PERMIT APPLICATION
AMENDED AND RESTATED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT REPLACING
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 715

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Commerce will hold a public hearing to consider review of an Amended and Restated Development Agreement to replace Development Agreement No. 715 [Commercial Cannabis Permit (CCP)] for Commercial Cannabis Activities on April 28, 2021 as required by California Government Code §§65090 and 65867.

Project Description: Development Agreement No. 715 allows for Manufacturing and Distribution of commercial cannabis products at 6445 Bandini Blvd., Commerce, CA 90040. The proposed amended and restated Development Agreement would include the following primary modifications: 1) Change in location where Commercial Cannabis is allowed, 2) Change of Ownership, 3) Change in Name of Business, and 4) Addition of Cultivation License. A copy of the proposed amended and restated Development Agreement with all proposed amendments will be available on the City’s website and with the City Clerk’s Office. The following is the address for the proposed new location:

Proposed Site Location: 2700 Yates Ave., Commerce, CA 90040

Environmental Determination: The proposed project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines Section 15301. The proposed project does not include any new construction beyond interior or exterior alterations involving such things as interior partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances, in accordance with CEQA Section 15301(a).

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMERCE PLANNING COMMISSION

SAID PUBLIC HEARING MEETING: A virtual meeting will be held via Teleconference during a Regular Planning Commission hearing on Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., at which time proponents and opponents of the Amended and Restated Development Agreement to replace Development Agreement No. 715 will be heard. Instructions for Teleconference access are provided below:

Call in phone number: (669) 900-9128
Meeting ID: 936 8760 5928
Password: 838914

On March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in California as a result of the threat of COVID-19. On March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 (superseding the Brown Act-related provisions of Executive Order N-25-20 issued on March 12, 2020), which allows a local legislative body to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body.

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20, please be advised that members of the Commerce City Planning Commission will participate in meetings telephonically and/or via the internet. Further, in the interest of maintaining appropriate social distancing, and restricting gatherings of over ten (10) people, due to the health risks associated with COVID-19 pursuant to Federal, State and County orders, directives and/or guidelines, this meeting will be telephonically accessible to the public. Members of the public may participate by calling in to the number provided herein.

Per Government Code Section 65009, if you challenge this amendment in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission at, or prior to, the hearing.

City Manager
Edgar Cisneros

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CITY OF COMMERCE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
COMMERCIAL CANNABIS PERMIT APPLICATION
AMENDED AND RESTATED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT REPLACING
DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT NO. 718

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Commerce will hold a public hearing to consider review of an Amended and Restated Development Agreement to replace Development Agreement No. 718 [Commercial Cannabis Permit (CCP)] for Commercial Cannabis Activities on April 28, 2021 as required by California Government Code §§65090 and 65867.

Project Description: Development Agreement No. 718 allows for Manufacturing, Cultivation, Distribution, and Non-storefront Retail Delivery of commercial cannabis products at 4220 E. Washington Blvd., Commerce, CA 90040. The proposed amended and restated Development Agreement would include the following primary modifications: 1) Change in Location, and 2) Change of Ownership. A copy of the proposed amended and restated Development Agreement with all proposed amendments will be available on the City’s website and with the City Clerk’s Office. The following is the address for the proposed new location:

Proposed Site Location: 2827 Supply Ave., Commerce, CA 90040

Environmental Determination: The proposed project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines Section 15301. The proposed project does not include any new construction beyond interior or exterior alterations involving such things as interior partitions, plumbing, and electrical conveyances, in accordance with CEQA Section 15301(a).

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMERCE PLANNING COMMISSION

SAID PUBLIC HEARING MEETING: A virtual meeting will be held via Teleconference during a Regular Planning Commission hearing on Wednesday, April 28, 2021 at 6:30 p.m., at which time proponents and opponents of the Amended and Restated Development Agreement to replace Development Agreement No. 718 will be heard. Instructions for Teleconference access are provided below:

Call in phone number: (669) 900-9128
Meeting ID: 936 8760 5928
Password: 838914

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SUMMONS
(CITACION JUDICIAL)

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS:
(AVISO AL DEMANDADO):
ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE MATTER OF THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN PENSION OBLIGATIONS OWED BY THE CITY OF COMMERCE TO THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNDER THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT LAW AND ALL PROCEEDINGS LEADING THERETO, INCLUDING THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION THAT AUTHORIZES ISSUANCE OF PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS, THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A TRUST AGREEMENT AND PURCHASE CONTRACT, AND THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:
(LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):
CITY OF COMMERCE
Case No. 21STCV02639
Hon. Judge William F. Fahey
Dept. 69
Complaint filed: January 22, 2021
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond by May 3, 2021. Read the information below.
¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde antes de Mayo 3, 2021, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.
ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE VALIDATION OF: all proceedings of the City of Commerce and the City Council of the City of Commerce relating to: (i) the adoption of the Resolution; (ii) the issuance by the City of its City of Commerce 2021 Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds (the “Bonds”); (iii) the approval of a Trust Agreement in connection with the Bonds; (iv) the approval of a Purchase Contract; (v) the authorization to issue, from time to time, additional bonds of the City for the purpose of refunding the City’s obligations related to the California Public Employees’ Retirement System (the “Additional Bonds”); and (vi) any other related contracts or agreements approved by the Resolution or contemplated by the City Council of the City in connection with the issuance of the Bonds and Additional Bonds have until **May 3, 2021** to appear and file a written answer to the complaint at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose your rights, default will be entered against you upon application by the plaintiff, and the plaintiff may apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint. Contesting the legality or validity of this matter will **not** subject you to punitive action, such as wage garnishment or seizure of your real or personal property.
You may seek the advice of an attorney in any matter connected with the complaint or this summons. Such an attorney should be consulted promptly so that your pleading may be filed or entered within the time required by this summons. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.
The City of Commerce has brought this action for the purpose of obtaining a judgment validating, among other things, the issuance of bonds of the City for the purpose of (A) refinancing the obligations of the City, evidenced by the City’s written agreement (the “PERS Contract”) with the California Public Employees’ Retirement System (the “Retirement System”), to pay certain outstanding obligations owed to the Retirement System, and (B) the authorization to issue, from time to time, the Additional Bonds of the City for the purpose of refunding the obligations of the City related to PERS and/or to refund outstanding Bonds.
(EN ESPAÑOL)
PARA TODAS LAS PERSONAS INTERESADAS EN LA VALIDACIÓN DE: todos los procedimientos de la Ciudad de Commerce y el Concejo Municipal de la Ciudad de Commerce relacionados con: (i) la adopción de la Resolución; (ii) la emisión de la Ciudad de su Ciudad de Commerce de las Obligaciones por Pensiones de Reembolso de Bonos (los “Bonos”); (iii) la aprobación de un Contrato de Fideicomiso en relación con los Bonos; (iv) la aprobación de un Contrato de Compra; (v) la autorización para emitir, de vez en cuando, bonos adicionales de la Ciudad con el propósito de reembolsar las obligaciones de la Ciudad relacionadas con PERS (los “Bonos Adicionales”); y (vi) cualquier otro contrato o acuerdo relacionado aprobado por la Resolución o contemplado por el Concejo Municipal de la Ciudad en relación con la emisión de los Bonos y Bonos Adicionales tienen hasta **Mayo 3, 2021** para comparecer y presentar una respuesta escrita con esta Corte y entregar/servir una copia al demandante. Una carta o llamada telefónica no te protegerá. Su respuesta por escrito debe estar en la forma legal adecuada si desea que la Corte escuche su caso. Puede haber una forma de la Corte que puede usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estas formas judiciales y más información en el Centro de ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), también en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o la Corte más cercano. Si no puede pagar la tarifa de presentación, pídale la Corte una Forma de exención de tarifa. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder sus derechos, el demandante entrará en incumplimiento contra usted cuando lo solicite el demandante, y el demandante puede solicitar la Corte el alivio que se solicita en la demanda. Impugnado de la legalidad o la validez de este asunto **no** lo someterá a acciones punitivas, como el embargo de salario o la confiscación de su propiedad real o personal.
Puede solicitar el consejo de un abogado en cualquier asunto relacionado con la demanda o la citación. Dicho abogado debe ser consultado con prontitud para que su declaración pueda ser presentada o presentada dentro del tiempo requerido por esta citación. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de referencia de abogados. Si no puede pagar un abogado, puede ser elegible para recibir servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede localizar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de Servicios Legales de California (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), o contactando a la Asociación de Abogados del Condado. NOTA: La Corte tiene un derecho de retención legal para los honorarios exentos y los costos de cualquier acuerdo de resolución o arbitraje de \$10,000 o más en un caso civil. El gravamen de la corte debe ser pagado antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.
La Ciudad de Commerce ha presentado esta acción con el propósito de obtener una validación de juicio, entre otras cosas, la emisión de bonos de la Ciudad con el propósito de (A) refinanciar las obligaciones de la Ciudad, evidenciadas por el acuerdo escrito de la Ciudad (el “Contrato de PERS”) con el Sistema de Retiro de los Empleados Públicos de California (el “Sistema de Retiro”), para pagar ciertas obligaciones pendientes con el Sistema de Retiro y (B) la autorización para emitir, ocasionalmente, los Bonos Adicionales de la Ciudad con el fin de reembolsar las obligaciones de la Ciudad relacionadas con el PERS y/o para reembolsar los Bonos pendientes.

CASE INFORMATION
(INFORMACIÓN DE CASO)

1. The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y direccion de la corte es):

Superior Court of the State of California
County of Los Angeles
111 N. Hill Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

2. The Court Department is (La corte y el departamento es): Department 69, the Honorable Judge William F. Fahey presiding


3. The case number is (el número de caso): 21STCV02639

4. The name, address and telephone number of plaintiff’s attorney is: (El nombre, la direccion y el numero de teléfono del abogado del demandante, es):
Brian P. Forbath
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Newport Beach, California 92660
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DATE (Fecha): 03/16/2021
Shant R. Carter Executive Officer / Clerk of Court
Clerk of the Court (Secretario)

J. TANG Deputy (Delegado)

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NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: You are served
1 ☐ by publication pursuant to court order
2 ☐ by mail pursuant to court order

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS
NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2021055184

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: JAMBA JUICE 103489, 9851 S. ALAMEDA ST., SUITE E, LOS ANGELES, CA., 90002; 315 N PUENTE ST, SUITE H, BREA CA., 92821 Registered Owner: LA JUICE COMPANY LLC, 315 N PUENTE ST, SUITE H, BREA CA., 92821. 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/ LA JUICE COMPANY LLC. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 3/4/21. 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 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2/21



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Certified Collection Centers Near You

Commerce Lube
2432 S. Indiana St., Commerce, CA 90023

International Repair
4246 E. Washington Blvd., Commerce, CA 90023

AutoZone
11560 Telegraph Rd., Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670



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