



## HISTORIC TRAIL OPENS IN ARTESIA

**OPEN FOR BIKING-** from (l-r) former Artesia Mayor Tony Lima, Mayor Pro Tem Melissa Ramoso, Mayor Rene Trevino, Monica Manalo and Councilman Ali Sajjad Taj cut the ribbon to open the bike trail. **Story on page 4.**

## Sheriff's Vaccination Clinic in Artesia, Another Will Occur April 15



**RESIDENTS** line up at Artesia Park for a COVID vaccine, one of many pop-up vaccine clinics occurring all over the county.

The clinic was a collaboration between Supervisor Hahn and Sheriff Alex Villanueva.

**BY TAMMYE MCDUFF**

The City of Artesia and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Community Advisory Committee held their first of several COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics at Artesia Park, Monday, April 5, 2021.

The Committee's main focus is to bridge the gap between law enforcement and the communities they serve.

The Sheriff's Department is working with LA County Supervisors to assist anyone age 50 or older is eligible under State and County guidelines, which includes all those in Phase 1A and 1B, with obtaining the vaccine.

To date the Department has hosted almost a dozen clinics, with the largest being the clinic held in East Los Angeles with about 600 participants.

The Clinic held at Artesia Park, has also been scheduled for April 15, a coming press conference has been scheduled with LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn for later this month along with Sheriff Alex Villanueva to discuss this joint effort.

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## Cerritos Sheriff's Catalytic Converter Etching Event



**ETCHING** a number on a converter will help I.D. the vehicle and maybe lead to an arrest. Thieves sell the mineral contents for hundreds.

**BY TAMMYE MCDUFF**

Hall.

The Cerritos Sheriff Station and Cars Automotive & Muffler offered free catalytic converter theft deterrent etching Wednesday, April 7th at City

As vehicles drove up to the Community Center, their vehicles were checked to see how many converters they had. Sheriff's etched a number

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## Cerritos Offering Three Vaccine Opportunities to Residents

Another clinic in Hawaiian Gardens is offering shots to HG Cerritos, Artesia and Lakewood residents.

**BY BRIAN HEWS**

Cerritos will offer three free COVID vaccine clinics in Apr. for residents. Please bring your CA. I.D. or a valid I.D. with age and residency to your reserved in advance vaccination appointment.

The LADPH has allocated 50 doses of Pfizer on a first-come, first-served basis. The vaccine will be done in Downey. To make an appointment, call the City at 562-865-8101. Residents should inform staff if they have a need for transportation.

A vaccine clinic will be at the CCPA on Fri., Apr. 9 and Fri., Apr. 30 for 50+ residents. 500 doses of Pfizer will be given.

First dose: 8:30 a.m. to noon on Friday, Apr. 9. Second dose: 8:30 a.m. to noon on Fri., Apr. 30. Appointments can be made by registering at <https://www.ccapa.org>

## Cerritos Business Owners Arrested in Real Estate Scam

**BY BRIAN HEWS**

A brother-and-sister team who owned a business in Cerritos, were arrested this week on federal charges alleging they orchestrated a \$6 million real estate fraud scam in which they listed homes without the owners' consent and collected money from multiple would-be buyers for each of the not-for-sale homes.

Adolfo Schoneke, 43, of Torrance, and his sister, Bianca Gonzalez, a.k.a. Blanca Schoneke, 38, of Walnut, each pleaded not guilty this afternoon to nine charges contained

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[caprepmod.org/reg/0136011297](https://caprepmod.org/reg/0136011297). A link to make an appointment for the second dose on Apr. 30 will be provided when you receive the first dose. Bring a copy of your I.D. and med. insurance to the clinic.

LACDPH will provide a mobile vaccination unit at the Cerritos Senior Center on Mon., Apr. 19 for Cerritos residents age 18 or older, on a first-come, first-served basis.

There will be 150 doses of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine available to administer.

To make an appointment, call the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park at (562) 916-8550. The Cerritos Senior Center is located at 12340 South Street.

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## Artesia Buys Two Homes for Padelford Park Expansion

The city is waiting for eight other homeowners adjacent to the park to accept its offer.

**BY BRIAN HEWS**

In July of 2019, California State Senator Bob Archuleta secured \$5 million for the city of Artesia to improve A.J. Padelford Park and address its need for open space and parkland. The money was part of the \$214.8-billion budget, the largest in the state's history, signed by Governor Gavin Newsom.

Padelford Park was in desperate need of an expansion; the park size has not changed since its development in 1973 and provides 0.47 acres per 1,000 residents, which is significantly below the Los Angeles County average of 3.3 acres per 1,000 residents, officials said.

Archuleta told HMG-LCCN, "Once we begin the expansion of the park, the capacity to

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## Former Lakewood Mayor Wayne Piercy Passes at 89



**WAYNE PIERCY** at a City Council meeting. In his early 20s, he worked for Lakewood as the first park director at Mayfair Park.

Wayne E. Piercy who served on the Lakewood City Council for a total of 22 years, from 1972 to 1976, and then again from 1987 until he retired from the council in March 2005 - he served four terms as mayor- died on Thursday, April 1.

Piercy's accomplishments on the City Council included promoting recycling in the early 1990s, brokering a truce between Lakewood and Long Beach over the reuse of the Long Beach Naval Hospital (which bordered the two cities).

Piercy also supported the development of Boyar Park and Rynerson Park, in which Piercy led city negotiations with Southern California Edison Co.

The negotiations were for one of the first uses of a power line right-of-way for a park.

Piercy graduated from Long Beach Poly High School in 1949, earned

a bachelors degree from U.C. Santa Barbara (which he attended on a track scholarship) and earned a masters degree from California State University, Long Beach.

In his early 20s, he worked for Lakewood as the first park director at Mayfair Park.

Ultimately, he went into education as a career, and worked for many years for the Long Beach Unified School District.

He became a vice principal of Millikan High School and principal of Long Beach Poly High School.

In 1990 he received the California Educator Award for an outstanding career in education and school administration.

Piercy is survived by his wife Jere, and his children Robert, Cheryl, Judy and Rick, along with multiple grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his first wife Pat.

## Big Turnout for Kind Acts Factory Easter Egg Hunt



**WOO-HOO!** Lucky Easter egg hunters who found the special pink and green glass eggs that won beautiful Easter baskets filled with toys, snacks, movies, and treats.

**BY TAMMYE MCDUFF**

Bellflower-based Kind Acts Factory, along with Gabriel Vatkin Allstate Insurance Agency, helped Easter feel a bit more normal this year, as the organization hosted its first Easter Egg Hunt the morning of Saturday, April 3.

Over 1000 eggs filled with coins and candies were hidden along the new bike pathway alongside the former Bellflower Railway Station. Nine beautiful pink and green glass eggs were also concealed and a bit harder to find, but those that did locate the shiny eggs could choose from eight big beautiful Easter baskets filled with toys, snacks, movies, and all sorts of treats, one lucky winner received \$20 cash.

This was the first year that The Kind Acts Factory held the event and it was a smashing success with over 100 children from toddlers to tweens showing up to search for hidden treasures.

President and CEO of The Kind Acts Factory Carlos Lopez commented how pleased he was with the turnout, "Our Easter egg hunt was a great success! Thank you to everyone for coming out and supporting this fun event and donating goods for the baskets. We look forward to hosting more events like this to engage the community and bring back normal."

The event began right on time at 11:00am at the Bellflower Pacific Electric Depot Bike Path located at 16394 Bellflower Boulevard.

## La Mirada Chamber Resumes Breakfast Meetings

**BY TAMMYE MCDUFF**

The La Mirada Chamber held the first in-person meeting for 2021 this past Tuesday, April 6th at 8:00 AM; almost a year to the day since their last breakfast meeting.

The Chamber's monthly breakfast meet and greet were normally held at Polly's Pies Restaurant & Bakery in La Mirada located at the corner of Beach Boulevard and Rosecrans Avenue at 14840 Beach Blvd, La Mirada, CA 90638.

The Tuesday morning breakfasts became so popular that they began holding two meetings each month.

This past Tuesday, there were about a dozen or so members present.

Tables were arranged and spaced based on CDC safety guidelines and masks were mandatory.

The group converged in the back meeting room as before.

Members were updated on City Hall mandates and re-opening, while Pastor Jack Miranda invited those present to join the newly formed spiritual leadership group, and Ray Fernandez introduced the release of the new book La Mirada: A Brief History.

Polly's Pies offers three delicious breakfast choices of French Toast Combo, Early Riser Breakfast or the Perfect Pancake Breakfast, and since each meeting is held at 8:00 am all meals come with free coffee.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the La Mirada Chamber of Commerce or if you have not yet renewed your membership for 2021, please visit <https://www.lamiradachamber.com/join/>



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## ABC Ed. Foundation Diversity Art Contest Winners



**WINNERS:** Clockwise from top left is Fatimah Faheem, Cerritos High; Palak Sahu, Carmenita MS; Gina You, Cerritos ES.

The ABC Education Foundation is announced this week the winners of the First Annual Diversity Art Contest. The theme for this year's contest was "Celebrating Each Other: What Diversity means to you." The Foundation received over 150 entries from across the District. A team of judges, made up of parents from across the District, judged the submitted pieces of art "blindly," meaning they did not know who the artists were during judging. The judges selected overall winners by grade groupings – elementary, middle school, and high school.

The winners of the First Annual Diversity Art Contest are as follows:

- Gina You, Cerritos Elementary School
- Palak Sahu, Carmenita Middle School
- Fatimah Faheem, Cerritos High School

"All of the artwork submitted was impressive and spoke to what diversity really means to our students," said Joseph Porter, III, Chair of the ABC Education Foundation Board of Directors. "We are very pleased with the results of this year's contest, and we look forward to next year."

The winning artists will all receive a cash prize. The elementary and middle school winners will receive \$100 each, and the high school winner will receive \$300. All three pieces of art will be hung in the ABC Unified School District office.

## Downey's Mayor Hosts Live Q & A

Join in a Work4U Live! questions and answers town hall to review the Mayoral goals, Downey's Response to COVID-19, and the City's most recent achievements.

Mayor Claudia Frometa has been communicating with residents on a regular basis with weekly videos, news releases, and monthly Mayor's Corner to keep residents informed and engaged.

On Thursday, April 22, 2021, residents are invited to ask Frometa their own questions about all things Downey when she hosts a live Q & A session via Zoom. The live Downey@Work4U Q & A session will take place virtually on Thursday, April 22, 2021 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

To participate visit [www.zoom.us](http://www.zoom.us); click Join a Meeting and enter the Meeting ID: 942-7917-4632 and Passcode: 158746. To post a question during the Q & A, please call 562.299.6622 and operators will submit your question. Participants are asked to provide an email address when they call-in should there not be ample time to answer during the Q & A, and staff can reply via email after the session.

"It is important to keep our residents informed of the great things our City is doing to keep city services and programs running efficiently and our community safe," said Frometa, "I value our residents' input and look forward to answering their questions and concerns."

For questions or more information, please call the City Council office at 562-904-7274, or email at [council@downeyca.org](mailto:council@downeyca.org).

## Cerritos developing plans to reopen facilities

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The City of Cerritos is preparing to reopen City facilities in compliance with the LAPDH Officer Order and all applicable health and safety protocols.

City staff members are developing detailed plans to safely reopen the Cerritos Library and the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park, as well as the Cerritos Park East, Heritage Park and Liberty Park community centers.

The City's Recreation Services Division is also working on plans to restart the youth soccer league and the summer basketball program.

The planning process involves staff training and adapting facilities and services to reduce the spread of COVID-

Once the reopening plans are completed and implemented, the City will announce the dates that each facility will reopen to the public.

The City encourages everyone to protect themselves and their families from COVID-19 by following all guidelines from public health officials. The LADPH recommends: wash your hands often, wear a cloth face covering around others, avoid touching your face and avoid sharing food, drinks, toys and sports equipment.

LADPH guidelines also include: avoid or clean surfaces that are touched by others, increase ventilation by going outside or opening windows, keep interactions with others short and give yourself space from others.



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<sup>6</sup>USA River Cruises Offer: Valid on all American Cruise Lines itineraries.

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BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Whitney High School junior Zirong "Michael" Li, along with Whitney High School seniors Lalita Sabat and Briana Lay wanted to bring the profession of medicine to more students who were interested in furthering their knowledge and enhancing their understanding of a complicated subject.

Thus, they started World of Medicine a 501c3 nonprofit dedicated to providing health education to students. "Ever since I was little, I was fascinated about the complexity of our human body and how it works as a whole," stated Michael.

Whitney is very focused on math tutoring, coding classes and chess lessons; the resources around me for people interested in health and biology are scarce. Even with the limited amount of human anatomy classes, they are still inaccessible due to their hefty price points and the classes not being tailored for a younger audience."

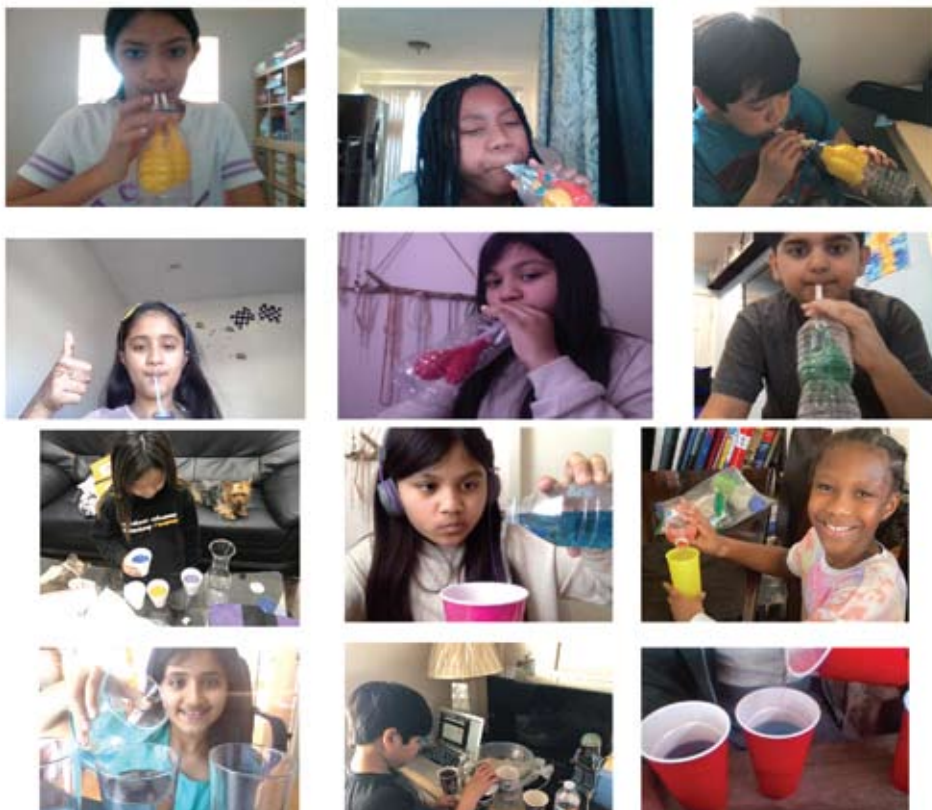
Through the WOM, Michael wanted to create something that not only was appropriate and accessible for elementary students, but aligned with his academic interest in the human anatomy.

Michael told HMG-CN that within the Cerritos area there were no classes available for young students in elementary school, primarily fourth, fifth and sixth grades.

WOM is considered an extracurricular enrichment program. One of the classes discusses the respiratory system.

"We make models of each of the body's systems that we explore. This one activity consists of a water bottle, two balloons and two straws that mimic the lungs. It is very simple, yet demonstrates how the lungs actually work and the students enjoy the interactive process."

## Whitney Student's Medicine Enrichment Class for Kids



STUDENTS participate in the artificial lung activity (top) and the circulatory system blood cup activity (below).

WOM supplies all the materials needed at the beginning of the each class.

Currently the class cost is \$25.00 per student which covers all the supplies necessary.

"However in the future we are working toward removing the cost completely, to make it more accessible to everyone."

The team is pursuing different ways of requesting donations such as GoFundMe or participating in local store fundraisers.

With his sights on attending Johns Hopkins University and going into the field of health and human biology as a medical doctor, Michael said that he is considering

ophthalmology or cardiology.

During this school year, WOM was able to reach over 60 students spanning the fourth grade elementary schools in the ABC Unified School District: Wittmann, Stowers, Cerritos, and Nixon Elementary.

The spring 2021 classes are ongoing, and his team is currently in the process of planning the summer 2021 curriculum.

If you would like to know more about World of Medicine or considering a donation you may reach Michael at limichael975@gmail.com or check out their Instagram page at wom.social

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## Historic Bike Trail Opens in Artesia

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Artesia celebrated the grand opening of the Historical District Recreational Trail that extends from 183rd Street to 187th.

The City is still working on improving the District irrigation system and landscaping with a variety of native plants.

The trail was the result of more than four years of diligent work by the City Council/Staff to develop the plans

Metro approved in October of 2017 that year, the City wasted no time breaking ground on the project.

The Historical District Recreational Trails is part of City's transportation oriented development in the downtown area. The trail system will be developed in the Metro right of way and will provide

additional alternative transportation access from Artesia Park, the South Street bike lane, and shopping and dining amenities. The trails will also beautify this corridor with native plantings and lighting.

Eventually the trails will provide a connection to the new commuter transit train Metro is developing in the same right of way.

The line will terminate in downtown Artesia at Pioneer Boulevard, connecting Artesia to Union Station. The project has the potential to carry over 70,000 riders per day, many of whom will end up in Artesia patronizing our restaurants and businesses – a wonderful growth opportunity for the community. These trails represent significant progress toward the City Council's larger vision of a walkable, livable community.

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One of the substances in our water that our customers may hear about in our community, as well as nationwide, is per- and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS) chemicals. PFAS has been used in many products, such as stain-resistant coatings on carpet, clothing and furniture; paper food packaging; firefighting foam and non-stick coatings on cookware. These substances may then enter groundwater supplies through the use of firefighting foam, landfills, wastewater treatment plant discharge and industrial sites.

We are pursuing legal action against several companies that manufactured the PFAS that is found in our groundwater supply. This action will protect our ratepayers and ensure that these companies compensate our City for past, present and future costs for testing, treating and removing PFAS.

To ensure that our water is ready for our customers and complies with state guidelines and the EPA's PFAS Health Advisory, we test it thousands of times per year. We proactively monitor for PFAS and other naturally occurring and man-made substances in our water. Only water that meets state and federal drinking water standards and regulations is served to our customers.

We protect our water at its source and work with state experts and scientists to immediately address any pollutants. Thanks to ongoing water testing, the City's Annual Water Quality reports show our water meets some of the most stringent water quality standards in the nation.

The City of Downey is located within

the Central Basin Municipal Water District's 227 square mile service area and its Board President Art Chacon has recently released a statement saying that Central Basin values the City of Downey as a customer and believes that our City is in full compliance with the established drinking water quality standards.

Communicating regularly with our residents on important City matters is a top priority to us. We invite you to visit our website, [www.downeyca.org/WQReport](http://www.downeyca.org/WQReport), to learn more about our commitment to delivering reliable-high quality water to our customers and to view our annual Water Quality Report that contains detailed information on our water sources and ongoing treatment and monitoring our water supply goes through. We also welcome you to contact us at 562-904-7110 to speak to one of our knowledgeable team members to learn about our water supply.

Our dedicated team at the City of Downey looks forward to continuing to provide our residents with reliable water they can trust.

## Norwalk Developing a Bicycle Master Plan

Helping make biking safer & more accessible.

The City of Norwalk is developing a Bicycle Master Plan, called Bike Norwalk, as a framework

for future investment in bicycle infrastructure. Bike Norwalk will outline goals, policies, physical improvements, educational programs and implementation strategies to make biking within and around the City safe and improve bicycle connections to key destinations.

Community input is instrumental to developing this plan. Input provided will help shape the types of

improvements that Bike Norwalk will include, as well as identify key areas where the community would like to see bike infrastructure.

Please join our virtual community workshop on Thursday, April 15, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. To register for the virtual workshop, please visit: [tinyurl.com/](http://tinyurl.com/)

NorwalkBike2

Residents can also share their bicycling needs and concerns via an online survey and interactive map at [tinyurl.com/NorwalkBike](http://tinyurl.com/NorwalkBike)

For more information, please contact Monica Rodriguez at (562) 929-5744 or [mrodriguez@norwalkca.gov](mailto:mrodriguez@norwalkca.gov)

## Bellflower High Students Gather Donations to Help Su Casa



MEMBERS of the Bellflower High School Interact Club, led by club president Melanie Gonzales, show off the results of the club's hygiene item drive to benefit the residents of the shelters at Su Casa – Ending Domestic Violence. To donate go to [sucasadv.org](http://sucasadv.org).

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# La Mirada Hosts Drive Thru Easter Pop-Up



THE EASTER BUNNY and city staff greet La Mirada residents on Easter Sunday.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

The City of La Mirada has provided children and families of the city, a positive outlook during the past twelve months by hosting drive-thru events for every holiday.

This past Saturday, City Council hand out over 1200 goodie bags, Community Services added activity bags along with

coloring books and crayons to every child that came through. Of course, Mr. E. Bunny was front and center waving to every car and wishing the children a very Happy Easter.

The event featured various drive-thru stations allowing participants to drive up in a safe and socially distanced manner. At the stations, children received a craft kit, goodie bag filled with Easter trinkets, Easter eggs and candy.

Spectacular balloon tunnels and bunny signs were created by Balloon Bosses of La Mirada. Safety measures, including social distancing and wearing masks were observed.

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# Cerritos College Will Open at 50% Capacity in Fall

BY DANIEL SUAREZ JR.

Superintendent did not consult with the unions on the decision.

Cerritos College President and Superintendent Dr. Jose Fierro announced in an email to staff and faculty that the college will remain online for summer sessions before transitioning to in-person learning in the fall 2021 semester.

“The college will offer 50% of all class offerings for each department in a hybrid format,” Fierro said, “As we return to campus, the district will continue to comply with mandates and guidelines from the state and local health officials.”

The president’s email also announced that all “regular” employees will be required to return to campus “at a minimum of 50%” starting August 2.

Offices will be open to the public Monday through Thursday for at least eight hours a day.

Fierro then said that by the end of April, the college will work with department chairs to determine which courses will remain online and which will begin in person instruction to meet the 50% threshold.

Lynn Wang, president of the Cerritos College Faculty Federation, said the union was not involved in the decision making and questioned whether faculty would have the right to refuse teaching on campus if they choose to do so.

“This is the first CCFE has seen any plan to return to campus for fall 2021,” Wang said, “We, like you, were under

the impression that returning to campus in fall 2021 would be voluntary. This was the message that Dr. Fierro himself shared when asked by constituents.”

Wang’s email also encouraged employees to reach out to the administration and the Board of Trustees with their questions.

According to Fierro, the college will make some accommodations in preparation for this transition, including a walkthrough of campus facilities, which will determine where new sanitizing stations, trash cans and plexiglass barriers will be installed.

Under the condition of anonymity, one tenured professor shared their thoughts on Fierro’s email, “I will have to trust whatever guidelines the scientists and LA County says. I was hoping for a hybrid class style. The question is what about class sizes? 50, 60, or 20 students? What about faculty who have family members at home who may be vulnerable? Maybe [returning to campus] should be voluntary.”

ASCC Senator and Vice President Cerys Rotondo said that a gradual opening of campus combined with increasing rates of vaccinations in the county could yield many benefits.

“I believe having a partial open will help accommodate students who learn better in person and will even allow students to continue their education if they took a break due to the online transition,” Rotondo said.

“Having a partial open rather than full open gives students options. I know we don’t know what the parameters of 50% open will look like yet, but I hope Cerritos continues to listen to science and apply other countries’ successful and safe reopenings to our campus.”

# La Mirada’s Spring Beautification Program

STAFF REPORT

The City of La Mirada’s annual Spring Beautification program is around the corner and the City invites property owners to participate. The program recognizes the efforts of homeowners, property managers, schools, and businesses who enhance the beauty of the community through the upkeep of their properties.

Judging begins Monday, April 19 and runs through Friday, April 30. Volunteer judges will canvass neighborhoods to select properties that demonstrate exceptional landscaping, exterior maintenance, and remarkable appearance overall.

Homeowners who recently completed exterior property improvements are encouraged to apply to be recognized in the “Most Improved” category. Nominations for “Most Improved” are being accepted through April 30.

The application for the Spring Beautification “Most Improved” category is available at City Hall and online at cityoflamirada.org.

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

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# Vaccine Clinic at Lakewood's Whispering Pines



**SUPERVISOR HAHN** (center) with (l-r) Councilmembers Steve Croft, Vicki Stuckey, Mayor Todd Rogers and Councilman Ariel Pe.

**BY TAMMYE MCDUFF**

LA County Supervisor Janice Hahn visited a mobile vaccine clinic at the Whispering Fountains Senior Living Community in Lakewood on Wednesday, March 31.

110 residents, medical staff and some family members were able to get the vaccination through the LADPH.

This mobile vaccine clinic is one of many events occurring across Hahn's Fourth District and across the county. Supervisor Hahn has been advocating for more mobile vaccine clinics in senior living communities and communities with low vaccination rates in order to reach

people where they are.

The event was held in the Whispering Fountain Community room with five registration tables, two vaccine sites and then to an observation area for 15 minutes. Common side effects of this vaccine would be any type of anaphylactic response; pain, redness or swelling on the arm or tiredness, headache, & muscle pain.

The first person in line was Whispering Fountains resident and Korean veteran Jack Orre and his daughter / care giver Linda. Orre has been a resident of the facility for 18 years, "I'm glad we got the Johnson shot, we only have to do this once. I'm feeling fine and it didn't hurt a bit!"

# Property Tax Relief Available from the Assessor's Office

**BY JEFF PRANG, LAC ASSESSOR**

The COVID-19 pandemic and its resulting economic downturn have disrupted normal operations for the businesses we rely on for over a year.

California assessors are required by law to appraise both land and buildings, otherwise known as "real property."

However, they also value what is known as Business Personal Property (BPP), which includes furniture, equipment and machinery.

During a year of normal operations, these assessments are fair and accurate, but this past year was far from normal. Beginning in March of 2020, many business owners were unable to use their equipment and machinery due to Covid-19-related state and local health orders which negatively impacted their business operations.

Some business were not affected while others suffered significant losses.

As a result, I directed Los Angeles County Assessor staff to proactively reduce BPP assessments for impacted businesses to reflect the hardships these businesses are facing.

Approximately 47,000 qualifying business owners will see the reduction on their business personal property bills, a considerable number of those being small business owners.

Business owners that did not receive a proactive reduction they may file an assessment appeal.

My office is legally required to assess

the value of business personal property valued in excess of \$5,000 as of January 1.

However, businesses with business personal property valued at \$100,000 or more must file a Business Property Statement each year by April 1. This is required by state law.

Similarly, when the market value of real property falls below the assessed of the property value (also known as the Proposition 13 value) - a Decline in Value has occurred and you may be entitled to temporary property tax relief.

Our initial analysis suggests that 7,000 commercial and industrial parcels may qualify for a Decline in Value property tax reduction.

Many qualifying property owners will receive a letter from the Assessor requesting additional information to help us make a value determination.

However, these owners will still receive their regular, unadjusted property tax bill. Once we have completed our review, those properties with reduced assessments will be issued a corrected bill.

Property owners who do not qualify for a proactive review can still file a Decline-in-Value application with our office or file an assessment appeal.

Needless to say this past year has proven to be very difficult for our small-business community but there is good news across the board as more and more people receive their vaccinations and the numbers of infected people decrease.

We still need to be vigilant and wear our masks and keep our distance, but perhaps there are days ahead where we can put this darkness behind us.

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## Mural for Artesia's London Pub Features Tommy Lasorda

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Many tributes were commissioned of the famed Lakers' great Kobe Bryant in January 2020. Sebastian Velazquez aka 'Vela' unveiled his finished mural of Gianna and Kobe Bryant featuring Nipsey Hussle Monday evening February 2020 at the London Pub & Grill in Artesia. Over 200 fans gathered on the small side street of Fallon Avenue to pay tribute to one of the best known basketball legends of all time.

Vela has since added a second mural featuring Los Angeles Dodgers World Series Championship win and his latest is of American professional baseball pitcher and manager Tommy Lasorda.

"He has had such a huge impact not only on the dodgers, but LA in general," stated Vela, "the earlier generations really connect with Lasorda, where the younger generation relates more to the heroes of LA, Kobe Bryant and Nipsey Hussle."

Vela receives a lot of enthusiasm over his murals, not too long ago, while doing the outline of Lasorda, the mailman stopped to chat about the time he met Lasorda and recalled how nice of man he was.

The management staff of London Pub, decided to add this tribute to Lasorda. Vela noted that the Mayor of Artesia and a few County Judges came by to pay their respects to the tribute.

The likeness of all of his subjects is uncanny, even down to the embroidered look of Lasorda's cap. Vela wouldn't



**SEBASTIAN VELAZQUEZ** aka 'Vela' puts the finishing touches on his second mural featuring Los Angeles Dodgers World Series Championship win and his latest is of American professional baseball pitcher and manager Tommy Lasorda.

give away any trade secrets but he did comment that his paints come from Europe and he uses several different caps for the cans, to achieve certain looks.

Vela has been creating professional murals more than half his life. He comes from an artistic family, in Argentina, and he decided to take painting to a larger than life canvas. The Santa Fe native, who moved to Las Cruces three years ago, states on his website that he "began creating artwork the moment I could lift a pencil. As a child, I began working with acrylics and while a teenager, advanced to large scale mural work" — now his favorite form of expression.

He did hint to the addition of a fourth

mural on the inside of the Pub. Apparently the menu is going to be upgraded and an entire London scene will grace the interior.

His artwork can be found throughout the United States showcasing his work in galleries, municipal buildings, and countless businesses and homes. He balances his love of art with his participation in community projects, teaching artwork to children and teenagers, and involvement with activism focused on social change. Through his art, Sebastian hopes to continue to beautify the world and touch many lives in doing so. See his works at [www.fineartvela.com](http://www.fineartvela.com)

## Ketchup Shortage Hits Restaurant Industry

BY BRIAN HEWS

The pandemic has caused shortages in pet food, pasta, cereal, toilet paper, paper towels, and more.

Now the pandemic supply chain problems are reaching into America's favorite condiment: Ketchup packets.

Restaurants have had to rely heavily on takeout orders to survive, which amped up demand for the now prized packets

Kraft Heinz Co. is ketchup's king, with a research firm saying Heinz holds nearly 70% of the U.S. retail market for the condiment. But the more than 150-year-old brand wasn't prepared for the pandemic.

Ketchup sold in the U.S. is typically made in large domestic factories with tomatoes often grown in the Central Valley of California. Heinz uses varieties of tomatoes it creates as a hybrid of certain types to get the flavor and texture it wants.

Kraft Heinz couldn't keep up with orders for its sachets—the industry term for ketchup packets.

The ketchup conundrum strikes at a cornerstone of American diets. The tomato spread is the most-consumed table sauce at U.S. restaurants.

In the meantime they are saying use cups and put the condiment in there for now; the shortage is only in packets.

There is good news: Kraft Heinz's is preaching patience; the company plans to open two new manufacturing lines in April, and more after that, increasing production by about 25% for a total of more than 12 billion packets a year.

The company said it also launched a new product last fall - the no-touch dispenser.



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### Cerritos' Kape Republik Recognized by City Council



COUNCILMAN FRANK YOKOYAMA and owner Karla Puriscicacion celebrating the bakery's fifth anniversary.

BY TAMMYE MCDUFF

Kape Republik is a Filipino American Coffee Shoppe and bakery located in the heart of Cerritos at 17206 Norwalk Blvd., next to Seafood City.

Since opening its doors in April of 2016, it has become a household name known for their Ube Crinkles and the very best Baked Truon.

Recently, Councilman Frank Yokoyama awarded Kape Republik with a Certificate of Recognition honoring their fifth anniversary. An anniversary celebration was held in honor of the occasion on Saturday, April 3, 2021.

A few of their house specialties include

home of the first ever Baked Turon. Reminiscent of the popular Filipino fried Truon, the baked version is a puff pastry roll filled with plantains, jackfruit and a secret classic cream filling, "It makes the best 'merienda' or afternoon snack," remarked Yokoyama.

The Buko Pandan, a coconut pandan crinkle is a great snack too.

Don't forget to add a specialty drink to your order like a Purple Rain shake, Melon Iced Tea or the Taro Mikey-Ato.

The Shoppe caters home dessert tables, private parties, weddings and special events. You can reach them at 562.865.5000. They are open M-F from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Sat-Sun 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

### The Gardens Casino and Other Cardrooms Open Indoors

The move to Orange Tier helps Hawaiian Gardens breath a little easier.

STAFF REPORT

COVID-19 case rates, hospitalizations, and deaths continue to fall, but community spread still remains moderate.

COVID-19 continues to pose a high risk to communities, as witnessed by the entire province of Ontario going into lockdown this week, and requires all people and businesses to take precautions and modify operations and activities to reduce the risk of spread.

Los Angeles County entered the "Orange Tier" of the State's Blueprint for a Safer Economy last week, lifting some restrictions, which is great news for cities with Cardrooms, some of whom, like Hawaiian Gardens, get 70% of the city's revenue from the Cardrooms.

The DPH recommends that

Cardrooms "proceed with caution and adhere to the requirements in the protocol to reduce the potential spread of COVID-19 within their business operations."

Cardrooms can now allow 25% occupancy, based on applicable building or fire code.

Each individual or separate indoor room inside a Cardroom where the gaming activities are provided to the public is open at 25% maximum occupancy.

These establishments may also continue outdoor gaming operations with modifications.

Keith Sharp, general counsel for the Gardens Casino told HMG-CN, "The Casino is excited to welcome our patrons back to indoor gaming. We are pleased to be calling back additional staff and providing much needed added revenue to our City. Many thanks to our elected officials including the City of Hawaiian Gardens and LA County Board of Supervisors for their support and leadership."

### City of La Mirada Hosts Vaccination Clinic

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 50 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.

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## SOFTBALL - Gahr Has Enough in Its Pitching to Hold on Late Against La Mirada

BY LOREN KOPFF  
@LORENKOPFF ON TWITTER

The Gahr High softball program, one of the best in Southern California, the state and highly ranked in the nation by MaxPreps.com, has a knack for playing in the close games. The 2020 team played in only six games and won all of them by one run and lost this season's opener to La Mirada High on Mar. 30 by one run after the Lady Matadores rallied for nine runs in the bottom of the seventh inning.

But last Thursday, Gahr made sure to not to squander a seven-run lead, even though it was getting precarious in the top of the seventh. The Lady Gladiators were able to hold onto this lead and escaped with an 8-6 home win that leveled their record to 1-1.

"Let me tell you, we are so comfortable now playing tight games," said Gahr head coach Rey Sanchez. "I think that helps us down the stretch, but it doesn't help my blood pressure. We make things interesting and that's not our game plan going in. But it is our game plan to make plays under pressure."

In Gahr's first game of the season, it had leads of 2-0 and 12-4 before La Mirada stole the show by winning 13-12. In the rematch two days later, the Lady Gladiators scored eight unanswered runs after the Lady Matadores scored first, then watched the visitors score three times in the top of the fifth and two more in the final inning. La Mirada also had runners at the

corners before Gahr senior pitcher Ashley Benavides, who had entered the game a batter earlier, struck out junior left fielder Layla Monteon to end the game and thwart another comeback attempt.

Both teams combined for 20 hits in the contest, five fewer than two days ago. But the one difference between the two games, according to La Mirada head coach Brent Tuttle, was the pitching. Gahr senior Valerie Alvarez, who did not pitch in first meeting, worked into the seventh, got eight ground ball outs and was aided by a pair of double plays.

"The pitching was a lot slower than we're used to," said La Mirada head coach Brent Tuttle. "So, it's a timing issue. You're popping stuff up and once we get that timing down... today we just didn't do it fully. You could see there were a lot of pop-ups [and] weak groundballs that were just over in front of the front foot. That's our weakness; we can't hit slow pitching."

"Both teams swing the bat; we're really good about swinging the bat," Sanchez said. "La Mirada is a great offensive team. There's no doubt; they're a great team. I think we were able to do a good job of throwing quality strikes late in the game. The difference was Ashley came in and threw more quality strikes late for us, and she didn't do that in game one."

After a sacrifice fly from junior center

fielder Grace Archuleta plated senior designated player Lauren Hutchings to give La Mirada a 1-0 lead in the top of the second, the hosts tied the game in their half of the frame when freshman third baseman Marley Cortez doubled to the right field gap and came home on a base hit from sophomore left fielder Hailey Sanchez.

In the next inning, UCLA-bound senior shortstop Taylor Stephens singled with one out, stole second and came home on a single from Alvarez. Following

a groundout, junior first baseman Amanda

Ta'amu hit a line drive to junior right fielder Peyton Powers who appeared to have made a diving catch. But the ball trickled out of her glove, allowing Alvarez came home for a 3-1 lead.

Gahr added to its lead in the next inning, scoring five times while sending eight batters to the plate. Hailey Sanchez smacked a two-run home run just to the right of dead center to begin the scoring in the inning and Stephens later added a run-scoring hit, her third of the game, to make it 7-1.

Through the first four innings, Alvarez had allowed four hits and walked three as La Mirada had stranded five runners on base. But double plays in the first and fourth ended any scoring opportunities.



## 2021 SOFTBALL PREVIEW : Cerritos, Gahr, La Mirada Remain Area Teams to Beat

BY LOREN KOPFF  
@LORENKOPFF ON TWITTER

The more things change, the more they stay the same. That seems to be the theme for the Cerritos High, Gahr High and La Mirada High softball teams as all three are expected to win their respective leagues and remain among the elitist in their respective CIF-Southern Section divisions. Norwalk High hopes to sneak into the playoffs with an inexperienced team while Valley Christian High and Whitney High are undergoing rebuilding seasons.

Note: At time of press, player information from Artesia High and John Glenn High had not been received.

### Returning players in italics. ARTESIA LADY PIONEERS

5-3 overall last season  
Head coach: Dayna Coleman (eighth season, 60-67)

Team's record previous season: 47-39  
Last time missed the playoffs: 2018  
Key losses: Charlene Fregoso, Valerie Joaquin, Leilani Pati, Camryn Thompson

### CERRITOS LADY DONS

1-6 overall last season  
Head coach: Todd Denhart (first season)  
Team's record previous five seasons: 63-46-1  
Last time missed the playoffs: 2008  
Key loss: Essence Gibbs

Projected lineup:  
P-Erin Gibbs (JR)/Kylee Manibusan (FR)  
C-Fa (Toafaolii) Pua (FR)/Natalya Mendiola (JR)/Leiloni Pina (SR)  
1B-Samiya Jones (SR)/Elana Figueroa (JR)/Makayla Sur (JR)

2B-Katelyn Caneda (JR)/Catherine Quibrantar (SO)  
3B-Sur/Raquel Aragon (SR)/Azalea Herrera (SR)/Pina

SS-Jadyn Nielsen (JR)/Caneda  
LF-Quibrantar/Alexa Diaz (SR)/Presley Hendrix (FR)/Manibusan/Mia Rafael (FR)  
CF-Lauren Lejano (SR)/Hendrix/Manibusan/Rafael  
RF-Camille Lara (SO)/Hendrix/Manibusan/Rafael

When the Lady Dons were making their appearances in the CIF-SS Division championship games in the late 1990s,

winning it in 1999, Kim Denhart was the head coach while her husband, Todd, was the assistant. Now, the latter replaces Kim Ensey as the team's new head coach and not much has changed as Cerritos strives to advance far in the playoffs.

"My role, back then...it's kind of the same as it is now," Denhart said. "Obviously, Kim was in charge and she made all the decisions. But the day to day stuff... guess what, I cleaned up the field back then. Guess what, I'm cleaning up the field now. Honestly, I'm way older and I'm a better softball coach. I've spent time with a couple of different people over the last 20 plus years and I've learned some different things from different techniques."

The team has won its first three games this season and junior pitcher Erin Gibbs has posted three shutouts.

She is just one component of a well-experienced team that has scored 28 runs and collected 30 hits. Almost everyone returns from the 2020 team that struggled through its seven games, partly because players were put in different positions than the ones they're more accustomed to. That's not the case for this season.

The infield is as solid as ever, especially in the middle with star juniors Katelyn Caneda and Jadyn Nielsen, who play second base and shortstop respectively, with senior first baseman Samiya Jones and junior third baseman Makayla Sur anchoring the corners.

"She's got great hands and great feet and she can punish a mistake from the pitcher," Denhart said of Jones. "I'm in awe when I sit here and watch her take [batting practice]. She's a wonderful kid.

"The energy [Caneda] brings here every day is just contagious. I know she's only a junior; she's an upperclassman. But it seems like she's been here for seven years, and she just carries herself with confidence. And she can flat out hit."

Senior Lauren Lejano patrols center field while experience lies in left field with the platoon of senior Alexa Diaz and sophomore Catherine Quibrantar and in right field with sophomore Camille Lara. Freshman Fa (Toafaolii) Pua will be thrown

into the fire behind the plate. But if she gets in trouble, junior Natalya Mendiola or senior Leiloni Pina will provide that backup experience.

"Honestly, I don't have anything to do with it," Denhart said. "My job is to put these kids in a position to succeed. All goes to them. I didn't do anything. I didn't field a single ground ball, I didn't throw a single pitch and I didn't have a single at-bat."

The 605 League figures to be a one-team race with Artesia posing the only threat. But the Lady Dons will always have a target on their backs until another team can knock them off the top perch.

"I don't know where it stems from, but when we were in the Suburban League, I don't know if we were really well-liked for whatever reason," Denhart said. "It was good to see [Norwalk on Mar. 30]. That's a good coaching staff and they put a good product out there.

"I don't know anything about anyone," he continued. "I know [Artesia head coach] Dayna [Coleman] puts a good product out there. She's a good coach. I know [Artesia]

"Honestly, I don't think there's any difference between all three of them," Tuttle said of Gahr's pitching. "When you consider high school pitching, they're below on speed average. We had faced [Alvarez] before. It was two years ago when she pitched for Bellflower in our league. Again, it's just a timing issue and our next few games, and that's what scares me, we're going to see girls who are throwing in their 60s now."

La Mirada senior second baseman Dominique Ford led off the top of the fifth with a home run to left field and that was followed by a double to center from senior shortstop Alexa Sams. One out later, senior catcher Alyssa Campbell cranked a two-run shot over the left field fence and just like that, it was 8-4.

After Alvarez had the game's only perfect inning in the sixth, La Mirada went to work again in the seventh, beginning with a walk to Ford. One out later, Alvarez hit senior first baseman Savannah Adams and Campbell would reach on a fielder's choice, allowing Ford to get to third. A single from senior third baseman Josie Dipillo would mark the end of the day for Alvarez and after an error allowed Hutchings to reach first, Benavides ended the game with her strikeout of Monteon.

Ford, Monteon and Sams all had a pair of hits and Campbell drove in two runs for the Lady Matadores (4-2) while Stephens went three for four and scored twice. But Cortez, batting seventh in the lineup, went

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is coached well and like most schools, it depends on who walks in your front door."

### GAHR LADY GLADIATORS

6-0 overall last season  
Head coach: Rey Sanchez (third season, 28-6)  
Team's record previous five seasons: 102-19-2  
Last time missed the playoffs: 2013

Key losses: Sydni Jones, Malia Luna, Johanna Rodriguez

Projected lineup:  
P-Ashley Benavides (SR)/Valerie Alvarez (SR)/Marley Cortez (FR)  
C-Alvarez/Grace Rivera (SR)/Breanna Lucero (JR)

1B-Amanda Ta'amu (JR)/Maya Cisneros (SR)/Rivera

2B-Mika Huskey (JR)/Rio Mendez (FR)

3B-Hayley Olivas (SO)/Cortez

SS-Taylor Stephens (SR)/Huskey/Mendez/Olivas

LF-Hailey Sanchez (SO)/Sophia Magcale (SO)

CF-Kristalyn Romulo (SR)/Natalia Hill (FR)/Hailey Sanchez

RF-Skylar Sanchez (RF)/Hill/Hailey Sanchez

Gahr was on its way to another strong season when the pandemic hit in 2020. The Lady Gladiators had won all six of their games by one run. This season, the team has split a pair of games against La Mirada, winning by two runs and losing by one run. Like its city rivals, Gahr is experienced, having lost three players from the 2020 team, and remains the cream of the crop in the San Gabriel Valley League.

"The girls had always been really close, and they did a good job of even bringing the freshmen in," Rey Sanchez said of last season. "So, the chemistry was really good, especially our last game just the way we won our last game.

"I think the girls had a really good feel for one another and the game just because we were winning a bunch of one-run games," he continued. "Anything could happen when you start getting into league play and playing that league competition. Everybody ups their game just a little bit. But, yeah, we felt good."

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Rey Sanchez said he wanted to schedule tough, which includes participation in the Michelle Carew Classic and Torrance National Tournament. But those two, which always gives Gahr a chance to see tough teams, were cancelled. Still this season, the Lady Gladiators will face Los Alamitos High, Orange Lutheran High and South Torrance High, to name a few. He added that Gahr is not going to run away from anyone.

If there is one area of concern, it lies in the pitching department, according to Rey Sanchez. While Valerie Alvarez, who will be going to California Baptist University, and Ashley Benavides may be seniors, look out for freshman Marley Cortez for the future. Every starting position player is returning from last season's team with senior shortstop and UCLA-bound Taylor Stephens and senior center fielder Kristalyn Romulo, who will be attending Oregon State University in the fall, among the top hitters.

"There's no replacing Taylor," Rey Sanchez said. "You're just hoping that kids follow in her footsteps. She's special; she's athletically as gifted as anybody. The girl can run, the girl can hit for power, can play defense and is a natural leader. She just goes about it at 100 percent in everything she does. She leads verbally and she leads through example. UCLA is getting a gem. There's no doubt about it."

Third base will be young with sophomore Hayley Olivas and Cortez, whom Rey Sanchez says is a power hitter. The experience of Gahr bodes well in the tough Division 1 where coaches, including Rey Sanchez, will always say 'you have to bring your best game every game in the playoffs and there's a different level once you get to the playoffs that everybody has to raise their game'. He continued by saying that staying healthy and getting stronger in the circle are the two keys.

"We are senior-heavy this year, so I'm pleased with the direction of the leadership from our seniors and a few juniors," Rey Sanchez said. "As far as experience... we're definitely not

young. Aside from losing your Sydney's and your JoJo's and Malia's from last year, I think we did a nice job of replacing the talent we lost. I'm pretty pleased with our position player depth for sure."

Not including last season, Gahr has won at least 20 games five straight seasons and since 2014, has advanced to the Division 1 finals once, the semifinals twice and the quarterfinals once. The program has also seen the 2007 and 2008 teams get to the quarterfinals and the Lady Gladiators have won the San Gabriel Valley League the past six seasons.

"I don't know if it's a secret sauce," Rey Sanchez said. "Gahr is a very unique school; it's a great school. A lot of people don't realize that we're super strong academically. But at the same time, we're an athletic school. I think as far as Gahr softball is concerned...I think [former Gahr coaches] Shawn and Joey [Quarles] did a great job with the talent that was here. We had some talented players and that has continued. And it's continued to be a place where people realize that in the last five to eight years, there is something special about Gahr. It's been a nice run; it really has, and I'm hoping that it continues."

**JOHN GLENN LADY EAGLES**

0-4 overall last season

Head coach: Larry Leal (third season, 3-17)

Team's record previous five seasons: 21-64

Last time made the playoffs: 1990

Key loss: Miranda Chaidez

**LA MIRADA LADY MATADORES**

8-6 overall last season

Head coach: Brent Tuttle (sixth season, 96-45-2)

Team's record previous five seasons: 96-45-2

Key losses: Astrid Arevalo, Leilani Melendez

Projected lineup:

P-Halyne Gonzalez (SR)/Aleya Urbina (JR)

C-Alyssa Campbell (SR)/Rebecca Eckart (FR)

1B-Savannah Adams (SR)/Natalie Craig (SO)

2B-Dominique Ford (SR)/Layla Monteon (JR)

3B-Josie Dipillo (SR)/Craig

SS-Lauren Hutchings (SR)/Alexa Sams (SR)

LF-Monteon

CF-Grace Archuleta (JR)/Marissa Leon (JR)

RF-Brynn Fukumoto (JR)/Peyton Powers (JR)

Another team with virtually every payer coming back from the previous season is La Mirada. Don't look too much into the team's 8-6 record from 2020 as head coach Brent Tuttle always puts together a tough non-league slate because outside of Mayfair High, the Suburban League isn't that strong.

"Last year's team is pretty much the same team," Tuttle said. "We lost our catcher [Leilani Melendez] to [the University of] Utah. But other than that, we have pretty much everybody returning. So, our whole infield are all seniors; they're all returners. We were expecting to make a deep run [in the playoffs], but in Division 1 softball here in Southern California, which is the best in the country, you can be out in the first round and still have a really good team."

Tuttle said senior first baseman Savannah Adams is probably one of the best pure hitters in the state and that junior Janis Espinosa, who is also a courtesy runner, might be that true utility player and can be a backup at any position. The Lady Matadores have 21 on their roster, but seven are seniors and La Mirada is primed to make a deep run in the Division 1 playoffs for several years if it can't get the job done this season. If anything, it will be battle tested and is already off to a 4-2 start. Upcoming non-league games include Brea Olinda High, Chino Hills High, Cypress High and Millikan High.

"I see it as a good opportunity to play good teams and that's why we schedule them because our league, for what we have, our league is not as strong as we would like it to be going into playoffs," Tuttle said. "If I lose to a Gahr or we lose to a Chino Hills, at least we can experience that atmosphere."

**NORWALK LADY LANCERS**

6-3 overall last season

Head coach: David Gonzalez (fourth season, 21-26)

Team's record previous five seasons: 43-53

Last time made the playoffs: 2018

Key losses: Destanie Cervantes, Brianna Nunez, Angelina Perez, Estefania Perez (SR)

Projected lineup:

P-Jailyn Banda (FR)/Kendall Nakamo (FR)/Leilani Juan (SO)

C-Sasha Gonzalez (SO)/Juan

1B-Itzel Hernandez (FR)/Brianna Perez (JR)

2B-Juan/Kamryn Velazquez (JR)

3B-Cerise Cervantes (SO)

SS-Nakamo

LF-Arianna Ortiz (SR)

CF-Brianna Gutierrez (JR)

RF-Hernandez

It's been a while since Norwalk had consecutive seasons of not advancing to the playoffs. That could happen this season unless the future of the Lady Lancers program can play like they've been around for three or four years. No one will ever know how good Norwalk could have been by its fast start from last season. But with one senior on the team this season, head coach David Gonzalez knows it's going to be hard for Norwalk, but he is staying upbeat and positive. And to think that the last time it went to the playoffs, it advanced to the quarterfinals.

"We have such a young group," Gonzalez said. "It's exciting to see because we have a freshmen class in that has a good amount of athletes in it. So, once they grow, mature a little bit [and] have an understanding of how to use them a little bit better, it's going to be very impressive."

"We have quite a few girls because we had to combine the j.v. and varsity teams," Gonzalez continued. "We're not very deep in terms of varsity-level talent. So, we're trying to find where girls can fit right now. But it doesn't look like we're going to have a lot of flexibility in terms of girls off the bench."

The freshmen tandem of pitchers Jailyn Banda and Kendall Nakamo may get tested early in their high school careers. But Gonzalez is happy to have them for four years and expects better things from them in the future.

The Lady Landers are off to a 1-3 start and have allowed 30 runs while scoring one run in all three setbacks. Norwalk begins its Suburban League schedule at Mayfair High and ends with La Mirada. In between, Gonzalez is hoping for at least a 3-1 record against Bellflower High and Firebaugh High, which would clinch at least third place and a spot in the playoffs.

"I absolutely believe we can," Gonzalez said. "We're only going to get better. We've had some real flashes; some real impressive pieces of games. It's just going to be about us being able to figure out how to get those altogether for a complete game. But I think we will. We're only going to get better from this point. We're still going to continue to practice hard. Every game we're going to learn a little bit more and I absolutely feel we can get one of those top three spots."

**VALLEY CHRISTIAN****LADY DEFENDERS**

3-5 overall last season

Head coach: Nichole McGahey (sixth season, 29-62-1)

Team's record previous five seasons: 29-62-1

Last time made the playoffs: 2018

Key losses: Caitlyn Azevedo, Gemma Bulthuis, Angelina Pool, Kate Van Kampen

Projected lineup:

P-Chelsea Azevedo (JR)/Kylie Allison (SR)/Bella Bulthuis (FR)/Brynn VanderWal (FR)

C-Quinn Livesay (SR)

1B-Bulthuis

2B-Allison/Madison Morgan (JR)

3B-Azevedo/Jillian Beck (JR)

SS-Brenna Brown (SR)/Allison

LF-Keiara Harvey (JR)/Kennyyetta Coulter (SR)/Lylah Jarvis (FR)/Izzy Ramirez (JR)

CF-Morgan

RF-Gladdi Nagao (JR)/Annika DeBie (FR)

V.C. didn't have a good start to last season and the same is happening this season as the Lady Defenders have lost their first six games while being outscored 87-3. Head coach Nichole McGahey said last season looked as if it was going to be a good one as she was confident in 2020 graduate Caitlyn Azevedo in the circle and Colgate University-bound senior catcher Quinn Livesay.

Now, only Livesay and junior pitcher and third baseman Chelsea Azevedo are

the longest tenured players on a team that McGahey says is rebuilding. But she feels confident that once V.C. gets to Olympic League play, it will play well with the intensity of a veteran team.

"We have been fortunate to have both Chelsea and Quinn on varsity learning from great leaders who were there before," McGahey said. "We have also been blessed with some of the new players this year, who bring a lot of knowledge and experience with them. Our seniors have already shown great leadership."

Of the new players on varsity, McGahey says to keep an eye on senior shortstop Brenna Brown, who is a 'great player with a fantastic work ethic'. She added that Brown is not afraid to get dirty and has stepped up as a leader in the infield and already has one home run this season and looks to repeat that.

Junior Jillian Beck, who can play in the outfield and at third base, will split time between softball and girls soccer. In a non-pandemic season, soccer would be played in the winter months before the softball season begins.

**WHITNEY LADY WILDCATS**

1-5 overall last season

Head coach: Burt Ogata (second season, 1-5)

Team's record previous five seasons: 38-52

Last time missed the playoffs: 2018

Key losses: Kimberly Rossello, Susana Toscano

Projected lineup:

P-Bianca Contreras (SO)

C-Mariana Botello (FR)

1B-Camille Boraz (FR)

2B-Andrea Victoria (FR)

3B-Kristen Sutton (FR)

SS-Mia Sun (SR)

LF-Lois Kim (SR)

CF-Grace Gutierrez (SR)

RF-Rebecca Jay-Simbol (JR)

Another team that is in rebuilding mode will be Whitney, which will be the last area school to begin its season. That is scheduled to be on Wednesday at Montebello High. Last season, the Lady Wildcats had five sophomores, three juniors, two seniors and one freshman. Of those 11 players, five return this season as Whitney will have six freshmen of its 11-member squad.

"They have all matured to learn because the previous coach didn't teach them anything," said head coach Burt Ogata of this season's returners. "There are no tryouts at Whitney. They just sign up through the athletic director."

Freshmen Luisa Tuipulotu and Ryleigh Shorts round out the team and both can play in the outfield. Ogata says he doesn't predict how many wins or losses Whitney will have this season with such a young team. But he did say that the Lady Wildcats will surprise some schools.

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three for three and scored twice and Hailey Sanchez, batting right behind Cortez, went two for two and drove in three runs.

"When you get production, and that happened in the first game too, from the bottom of the lineup, you're going to be okay," Sanchez said. "Because there are a lot of teams at the high school level that don't have that depth down deep [in the lineup]. They're a solid four or five but then you've got some outs in there. I feel pretty confident about our lineup."

The two-game series with La Mirada most likely was a prelude to what to expect in the near future. First, the two schools are in Division 1 and could meet in the CIF-Southern Section playoffs in early June. Also, there have been recent speculations that Gahr and La Mirada would be in the same league and would form some type of 'super conference'. That could happen as early as the 2021-2022 school year.

"That could be a possibility," Rey Sanchez said. "I don't want to speculate;

there's been talks about putting teams together. And they're local; they're close. It's going to be a competitive game for years to come with them. It's never going to be easy. We're going to battle them; they're going to battle us. That I know."

"We don't think of anyone as a rival, but I think it's just going to make us stronger," Tuttle said. "Do I agree with the power conference? Probably not because you're going to leave some good teams out of the playoffs. I understand the whole equity thing and all that, but you could have a fourth place La Mirada or a fourth place Downey team next year out of the playoffs because we're in the top side of the power conference and they only allow three playoff teams."

Gahr, will visit Millikan High on Saturday and Kennedy High on Tuesday before hosting La Habra High and Los Alamitos High on Wednesday and Thursday respectively while La Mirada, which also fell to Esperanza High 3-0 this past Tuesday, hosts Chino Hills High on Tuesday and Cypress High on Thursday.

**CERRITOS** from page 1

in an indictment unsealed after their arrests. The indictment charges Schoneke and Gonzalez with one count of conspiracy, seven counts of wire fraud, and one count of aggravated identity theft.

According to the indictment, Schoneke and Gonzalez, with the help of co-conspirators, operated real estate and escrow companies based in Cerritos, La Palma and Long Beach under a variety of names, including MCR and West Coast.

The indictment alleges Schoneke and Gonzalez found properties that they would list for sale – even though many, in fact, were not for sale, and they did not have authority to list them for sale – and they then marketed the properties as short sales providing opportunities for purchases at below-market prices.

Using other people’s broker’s licenses, Schoneke and Gonzalez allegedly listed the properties on real estate websites such as the Multiple Listing Service (MLS). In some cases, the indictment alleges, the homes were marketed through open houses that co-conspirators were able to host after tricking homeowners into allowing their homes to be used.

As part of the alleged scheme, the co-conspirators accepted multiple offers for each of the not-for-sale properties, hiding this fact from the victims and instead leading each of the victims to believe that his or her offer was the only one accepted. The co-conspirators allegedly were able to string along the victims – sometimes for years – by telling them closings were being delayed because lenders needed to approve the purported short sales.

The indictment also alleges that Schoneke and Gonzalez directed office workers to open bank accounts in the

office workers’ names. Those accounts were used to receive down payments on the homes and other payments from victims who were convinced to transfer the full “purchase price” to these bank accounts after receiving forged short sale approval letters.

Schoneke and Gonzalez also allegedly directed the office workers to withdraw large amounts of cash from these accounts and give it to them – a procedure that allowed Schoneke and Gonzalez to take possession of the fraud proceeds while hiding their involvement in the scheme.

Investigators estimate that several hundred victims collectively lost more than \$6 million during the scheme.

If convicted of all charges, Schoneke and Gonzalez each would face a statutory maximum sentence of 162 years in federal prison.

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onto the CAT while Cars Automotive was offering discounts on CAT Cages, which is a metal wrap that goes onto each converter and is then attached to the vehicle.

Cars Automotive builds custom made security for all types of vehicles. Their cages are made of solid metal rebar welded to the vehicle. They have installed more than 500 systems on Toyota Prius, Honda Elements, Honda Accord, Toyota Tacoma’s, Ford and Isuzu Trucks. The full installment takes about two hours.

In February of this year, HMG-CN published an article concerning the rise in thefts of converters.

Here in Los Angeles County, police are reporting a surge in cases.

In some areas, thefts have jumped

more than eightfold, from 50 in 2019 to 420 last year, with the trend gaining speed near the end of the year into early 2021.

Thieves target the hybrid Prius because its gasoline engine is used less so the converter tends to retain more of the metals.

Some states have started to require scrap yards and other recyclers to clamp down, here California requires businesses to take a photo of the seller, and keep the picture for two years.

Of course there is different rules between states which makes deterrence difficult.

Online ads abound of scrap yards willing to pay quick cash for catalytic converters. One site advertised payouts of up to \$500 for certain foreign models.

Many buyers accept old converters by mail, of course with free shipping. And YouTube tutorials are available for robbers.

Here in the area, the weekly crime reports always have several catalytic converter thefts.

The sheriff’s recently wrote in their crime summary, " Catalytic converters continue to be in issue throughout the County. Sheriff Deputies are reminding residents to take precaution when leaving their vehicles unattended. The precious metals in the catalytic converters is what makes these items such a hot commodity. Please review some of the tips below to help secure your vehicle. If you have any questions, contact the La Mirada Community Sheriff’s Station at (562) 902-2960."

Some might want to act now, the cost to replace a stolen converter can cost upwards of \$2,000

This event was offered at no cost to Cerritos residents and business. Attendees had to present an ID and vehicle registration at the event.

**ARTESIA** from page 1

host healthier physical activities, such as baseball and soccer, would increase, which is our ultimate goal. This project will improve park safety and create more recreational opportunities for local at-risk youth and families.”

HMG-LCCN was told that Taj and Artesia City Manager Bill Rawlings worked hard behind the scenes with Archuleta to secure the massive funding

Taj told HMG-LCCN, “Now that the funding is secured, we can begin the project by reviewing and finalizing the preliminary designs and plans for the expansion. This is great news for the community as Senator Archuleta has been instrumental in pushing for the funding.”

The project took a major step forward when the Artesia City Council, at its March meeting, approved the purchase of two homes adjacent to the park for a total of \$885,000.

In May 2020, the City contracted with OPC, a professional acquisition firm, to assist in the acquisition process and provide expertise. The company obtained appraisal reports for each property to be acquired.

As a public entity, the City cannot pay more than the appraised value of the property. The City contracted with an appraisal company to perform the valuations.

After the completion of the appraisals, the City then contracted with a third-party certified general appraiser to review the completed appraisals.

Once the City received confirmation that the appraisals were acceptable, the appraisals were shared with each of the homeowners who expressed their satisfaction two homeowners have signed documents to sell.

One home at 11918 169th Street was valued at \$435,000 and the homeowner signed the agreement on January 7, 2021 and provided the Grant Deed.

On February 1, 2021, the homeowners at 11926 169th Street signed the purchase and sale agreement for a total of \$460,000.

The City noted that the value reflects property acquisition cost only and does not include costs associated with relocation.

As a public entity, the City will be required to provide relocation assistance under Government Code 7260-7277.

**VACCINE** from page 1

Hawaiian Gardens is also holding a clinic open to 18+ people who work or live in Cerritos, Artesia, Lakewood, and HG. Residents are invited to make an appointment for the single shot Johnson & Johnson vaccination at the clinic to be held April 12-16 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Appointments are required. The vaccination is free. Photo I.D. is also required. The clinic will be at the C. Robert Lee Activity Center, 21815 Pioneer Boulevard in Hawaiian Gardens

Schedule your appointment online at bit.ly/COVIDHG or call 562-855-2000 Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**WONDERWORD**

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.

**Beavers**

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**Solution: 8 letters**



THE OUTSIDE dining area at Cha Cha Chá commands terrific views of Los Angeles.

# Mexico City Comes to a Lush New Arts District Rooftop



Photo by Wonho Frank Lee

There are traditional starters like aguachile and ceviche, but also chicharos de sierra with fresh peas, serrano aioli, and crispy potato.



Chicharos de sierra

**L**a Cha Cha Chá finally opened its mostly outdoor rooftop space in the Arts District on Friday, March 19, after a nearly two year build out.

The DTLA restaurant is the sister spot of Terraza Cha Cha Chá in Mexico City, with a similar mid-century modern, Acapulco and Palm Springs-inspired space. There's differences between the two, notably a familiar LA chef who not only introduced longstanding family recipes to the menu, but is trying to install a fair workplace from its opening.

Mexico City-born, LA-raised chef Alejandro Guzman's kitchen is a spacious and peaceful space with wide windows that overlook Third Street. The bright yellow floor is a cheery addition to the typically uninspired kitchen. Guzman and chef de cuisine Francisco Moran's intention is to make sure staff are treated well. Guzman says the two bonded over building a better work environment for the 16 back of house employees.

The team will prepare and cook Guzman's dishes where his childhood recipes and LA upbringing meets his experience at Sqirl, Eggslut, and as sous chef at Gary Menes' Le Comptoir.

There are traditional starters like aguachile and ceviche, but also chicharos de sierra with fresh peas, serrano aioli, and crispy potato — a revamped family recipe. Cha Cha Chá sports a tacos and tostada menu, but also mains like a hearty pipian mole over cabbage and rice, grilled fish, charcoal roasted chicken, and a pork shoulder confit carnitas with braised beans and pico de gallo.

It's been a long road for the Grupo Palmares in Los Angeles. In mid 2019, the restaurant group announced plans for a summer 2020 opening. That date was pushed to October, only one month before on-site dining was banned throughout LA County. Architect Lena Kohl

incorporated the Downtown skyline into the design, as well as 150 plants that outline the hand-tiled patio. There's plenty of room for social distancing between tables, as well as a more cordoned off private area on the rooftop.

Cha Cha Chá appears ready for socially distanced outdoor dining, but it's really waiting for the end of the pandemic for broader opening hours and more safe capacity.

Until then, operations will be limited to Tuesday through Saturday from 5:30 to 10:30 p.m. and Sunday from 2:30 until 9 p.m. Reservations available on OpenTable.

LA Cha Cha Chá is located at 812 E. 3rd St. in Los Angeles.

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE**  
(UCC Sec. 6105)  
Escrow No. 9930-JH  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: JB & S CAFÉ LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, 18170 PIONEER BLVD., ARTESIA, CA 90701  
Doing Business as: YLCA - ARTESIA, AKA YOGURTLAND  
All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: NONE  
The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: NC DULCE INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, 18170 PIONEER BLVD., ARTESIA, CA 90701  
The assets to be sold are described in general as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, AND EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL, COVE-NANT NOT TO COMPETE, LEASE AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENT and are located at: 18170 PIONEER BLVD., ARTESIA, CA 90701  
The bulk sale is intended to be consum-mated at the office of: DETAIL ESCROW, INC, 13737 ARTESIA BLVD. #105 CER-RITOS, CA 90703 and the anticipated sale date is APRIL 30, 2021  
The bulk sale is subject to California Uni-form Commercial Code Section 6106.2.  
[If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided.] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: DETAIL ESCROW, INC, 13737 ARTESIA BLVD #105 , CERRITOS, CA 90703 and the last day for filing claims shall be APRIL 29, 2021, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.  
Dated: JANUARY 22, 2021  
BUYER: NC DULCE INC., A CALIFOR-NIA CORPORATION  
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**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No.: 2019-04817 A.P.N.: 8037-057-014** NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFOR-MATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED [PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE 2923.3(a), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO ABOVE IS NOT ATTACHED TO THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.] YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 3/27/2018. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLA-NATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PRO-CEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.A PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2424(b), (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States), will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pur-suant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: YOUNG JOONG KO Duly Appointed Trustee: Entra Default Solu-tions, LLC 1355 Willow Way, Suite 115, Concord, California 94520 Phone: (925)272-4993 Deed of Trust Recorded 3/30/2018 as Instrument No. 20180308194 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, to be sold.Date of Sale: 4/30/2021 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charg-es: \$833,506.78, Street Address or other common designation of real property: 13805 FRANCISCO DRIVE LA MIRADA, CA 90638 A.P.N.: 8037-057-014 The under-signed Trustee disclaims any liabil-ity for any incorrec-tness of the street address or other common designa-tion, if any, shown above. We are attempting to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.**NOTICE TO PO-TENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this prop-erty lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the prop-erty itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automati-cally entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by con-tacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the prop-erty.**NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWN-ER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn wheth-er your sale date has been post-poned, and, if applicable, the re-scheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-683-2468 option 1 or visit this Internet Web site www.servicelinkASAP.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2019-04817. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not im-mediate-ly be reflected in the tele-phone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.**NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 800-683-2468 option 1, or visit this internet website www.servicelinkASAP.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2019-04817 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Sec-ond, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligi-ble tenant buyer" or "eligible bid-der," you should consider contact-ing an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclu-sive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 4/1/2021 Entra Default Solutions, LLC Marisa Vidrine, Foreclosure Specialist A-4730828 04/09/2021, 04/16/2021, 04/23/2021

File Number 2020165669  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: HONEE CHILD LA 6618 BEQUETTE AVE. PICO RIVERA, CA., 90660.  
Registered Owner: APPERSON, INC. 17315 STUDEBAKER RD. SUITE 209, CERRITOS, CA., 90703. THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS A CORPORATION. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 8/2020. 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/ KELLY DOHERTY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 9/24/20. In accordance with Subdivi-sion (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 office 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 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, 10/30/20.

**CITY OF PICO RIVERA PLANNING COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED REVOCATION  
OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 623.1**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing will be held before the City of Pico Rivera Planning Commission during a regular scheduled meeting to consider revoking a Type 47 Alcohol License (On-sale beer & Wine – Eating Place) that was approved under Conditional Use Permit No. 623.1 on October 5, 2020. The Type 47 Alcohol License was approved by the Planning Commission for a proposed Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant that was to be constructed at 8800 Washington Boulevard, Pico Rivera, CA 90660 (Assessor Identification No. 6369-006-044) in the Specific Plan 400 (SP-400) zoned district. Buffalo Wild Wings has since decided not to open a restaurant at this location for reasons that have not been disclosed to the City of Pico Rivera. If the proposed Resolution is approved, Conditional Use Permit No. 623.1 will be revoked along with all rights and privileges contained therein.

**WHEN:** Monday, April 19, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.  
**WHERE:** City Hall Council Chambers (Closed to the public)  
6615 Passons Boulevard  
Pico Rivera, CA 90660  
**MAIL:** P.O. Box 1016 **TELEPHONE:** (562) 801-4332

The adoption of this Resolution is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 15301, *Existing Facility and because this Resolution has no potential for resulting in a physical change to the environment directly or indirectly and is also exempt from CEQA pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2) and 15060(c)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines.* Accordingly, a Notice of Exemption has been prepared by staff indicating the reasons for exemption from the provisions of CEQA.

Certain provisions of the Brown Act are temporarily waived pursuant to Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-25-20 and N-2920. In the interest of public health and safety, City Hall facilities are temporarily closed to the public until further notice. Planning Commission Meetings can be viewed live on CTV-3 and by visiting the City’s website at [www.pico-rivera.org](http://www.pico-rivera.org). From the City’s main webpage, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on CTV-3 live stream. To submit a public comment pertaining to this hearing, an email may be sent to the City Clerk’s Office at [publiccomments@pico-rivera.org](mailto:publiccomments@pico-rivera.org) prior to 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Please provide your full name and reference the following subject matter: **“Public hearing to revoke Conditional Use Permit No. 623.1.”**

**PERSONS INTERESTED IN THIS MATTER** may correspond with the City Clerk’s Office by using the email address provided above. If you challenge the consideration of adoption of the proposed application in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or correspondence email that was sent to the City Clerk’s Office prior to the public hearing.

Michael L. Garcia  
Community and Economic Development Director  
**Hrg:** April 19, 2021, 6:00 p.m.  
Resolution to revoke Conditional Use Permit No. 623.1

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In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the City of Pico Rivera is committed to providing reasonable accommodations for a person with a disability. Please contact Anna Jerome at (562) 801-4389 if special program accommodations are necessary and/or if program information is needed in an alternative format. Special requests must be made in a reasonable amount of time in order that accommodations can be arranged.

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**CITY OF CERRITOS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, NOTICE TO BIDDERS OF THE  
CONSTRUCTION OF TREE IMPROVEMENTS, IN RESIDENTIAL STREETS  
PROJECT NO. 14088, BID NO. 1424-21**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cerritos, County of Los Angeles, State of California, hereby invites sealed bids for the following project: **Project Identification: CONSTRUCTION OF TREE IMPROVEMENTS IN RESIDENTIAL STREETS, PROJECT NO. 14088, BID NO. 1424-21. Project Description:** The work or improvement to be performed generally consists of parkway tree removal; stump grinding; removal of all roots; and replacement of trees required for the construction of concrete improvements, that are to be completed under a separate contract. **Bids must be received on or before: 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 27, 2021. Place of bid receipt:** Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Cerritos, California 90703. Bids must be marked: **“CONSTRUCTION OF TREE IMPROVEMENTS IN RESIDENTIAL STREETS, PROJECT NO. 14088, BID NO. 1424-21”**. All bids shall be made on the form furnished by the City and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Cerritos, City Hall. **Obtaining Contract Documents:** A set of Contract Documents, including the plans and specifications, may be purchased at the Engineering Division of the City of Cerritos for \$10.00 (\$15.00 if mailing is requested). There will be no refund for return of the Contract Documents. Return of such documents is not required. Each bid shall be accompanied by bid security referred to in the Contract Documents and by a list of proposed subcontractors. Evidence of insurance, a performance bond, and a labor and materials bond as specified in the Contract Documents will be required prior to execution of the contract. In accordance with Public Contract Code section 22300, the bidder who is awarded the contract may substitute securities for retention moneys withheld by a public agency to ensure performance under the contract. The procedure and requirements for substituting said securities is set forth in Public Contract Code section 22300, which is incorporated by this reference as set forth herein. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or portions thereof, or to waive any informality or irregularity in a bid to the extent allowed by law. No bid will be accepted from a contractor who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 9, Division III of the California Business and Professions Code. The contractor must possess a license of the following classification at the time the contract is awarded (and must maintain this license classification through completion of the project): **“A” or “C-27.”** The bidder's attention is also directed to Section 7028.15 of the Business and Professions Code for further reference. Only a contractor or subcontractor who currently is registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations (“DIR”) to bid on public works contracts in California, pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5, shall be permitted to submit or be listed on a bid. No bid shall be accepted, nor any contract or subcontract entered into, without proof of the contractor or subcontractor’s current registration to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1770, et seq., of the California Labor Code, the DIR has determined the general prevailing rate of wages and employer payments for health and welfare, vacations, pensions and similar purposes applicable to the work to be done. These rates shall be the minimum rates for this project. Copies of the prevailing wage rates are on file at City Hall, located at 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, California, 90703, and shall be available to any interested party upon request. In addition, rates may be obtained by visiting [www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/pwd/](http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/pwd/), calling the DIR, Division of Labor Statistics and Research’s Prevailing Wage Unit at (415) 703-4774, faxing the Prevailing Wage Unit at (415) 703-4771, or writing to: DIR, Division of Labor Statistics and Research, Prevailing Wage Unit, P.O. Box 420603, San Francisco, CA, 94142. The contractor to whom the contract is awarded, and the subcontractors under him, must not pay less than these rates for this area to all workers employed in the execution of the contract. The bidder’s attention is further directed to Section 9204 of the Public Contract Code regarding the claims resolution process for all public works projects. Any dispute or claim against the City under a public works project shall be processed in accordance with Section 9204 of the Public Contract Code and any other applicable law. By order of the City of Cerritos, Dated/posted/published: April 9, 2021

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**NOTICE INVITING BIDS  
ROSEMEAD BOULEVARD ROAD REHABILITATION  
Project number: 50041**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of Pico Rivera, California (“City”) invites sealed Bids for the Rosemead Boulevard Road Rehabilitation, Capital Improvement Project No. 21278 (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 **Wednesday, May 19, 2121**, 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 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 **sixty (60) 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 either of (a) a valid Class “A” Contractor’s license (b) a valid Class “B” Contractor’s license and combination of Class “C7”, “C8”, “C10”, “C12”, “C31”, “C32” and “C45” as applicable (c) a valid Class “B” Contractor’s license held by the prime and combination of Class “C8”, “C10”, “C12”, “C31”, “C32” and “C45” specialty licenses held by subcontractors as applicable (d) Any of the above stated “C” licenses held by the prime and combination of the remaining state “C” specialty licenses held by the subcontractors as applicable 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.

**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 Monday, May 03, 2021**. Any questions or equivalent material or substitution request of construction materials submitted after **May 03, 2021** will not be answered. Questions and answers and/or any responses to material substitution request will be issued by **May 11, 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 Consultant’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: Gene Edwards, Project Manager  
Contact Number: 562-801-4225  
E-mail: [gedwards@pico-rivera.org](mailto:gedwards@pico-rivera.org)

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Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cerritos, County of Los Angeles, State of California, hereby invites sealed bids for the following project: **Project Identification: CONSTRUCTION OF CONCRETE IMPROVEMENTS IN RESIDENTIAL STREETS, PROJECT NO. 14088, BID NO. 1423-21. Project Description:** The work or improvement to be performed generally consists of removal and replacement of deficient concrete curbs and gutters, sidewalk panels, driveway aprons, wheelchair access ramps, and other items identified in the bid schedule. **Bids must be received on or before: 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 27, 2021. Place of bid receipt:** Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Cerritos, California 90703 Bids must be marked: **“CONSTRUCTION OF CONCRETE IMPROVEMENTS IN RESIDENTIAL STREETS, PROJECT NO. 14088, BID NO. 1423-21”** All bids shall be made on the form furnished by the City and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Cerritos, City Hall. **Obtaining Contract Documents:** A set of Contract Documents, including the plans and specifications, may be purchased at the Engineering Division of the City of Cerritos for \$10.00 (\$15.00 if mailing is requested). There will be no refund for return of the Contract Documents. Return of such documents is not required. Each bid shall be accompanied by bid security referred to in the Contract Documents and by a list of proposed subcontractors. Evidence of insurance, a performance bond, and a labor and materials bond as specified in the Contract Documents will be required prior to execution of the contract. In accordance with Public Contract Code section 22300, the bidder who is awarded the contract may substitute securities for retention moneys withheld by a public agency to ensure performance under the contract. The procedure and requirements for substituting said securities is set forth in Public Contract Code section 22300, which is incorporated by this reference as set forth herein. The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or portions thereof, or to waive any informality or irregularity in a bid to the extent allowed by law. No bid will be accepted from a contractor who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 9, Division III of the California Business and Professions Code. The contractor must possess a license of the following classification at the time the contract is awarded (and must maintain this license classification through completion of the project): **“A” or “C-8.”** The bidder's attention is also directed to Section 7028.15 of the Business and Professions Code for further reference. Only a contractor or subcontractor who currently is registered with the California Department of Industrial Relations (“DIR”) to bid on public works contracts in California, pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5, shall be permitted to submit or be listed on a bid. **No bid shall be accepted, nor any contract or subcontract entered into, without proof of the contractor or subcontractor’s current registration to perform public work pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5.** Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1770, et seq., of the California Labor Code, the DIR has determined the general prevailing rate of wages and employer payments for health and welfare, vacations, pensions and similar purposes applicable to the work to be done. These rates shall be the minimum rates for this project. Copies of the prevailing wage rates are on file at City Hall, located at 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, California, 90703, and shall be available to any interested party upon request. In addition, rates may be obtained by visiting [www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/pwd/](http://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/pwd/), calling the DIR, Division of Labor Statistics and Research’s Prevailing Wage Unit at (415) 703-4774, faxing the Prevailing Wage Unit at (415) 703-4771, or writing to: DIR, Division of Labor Statistics and Research, Prevailing Wage Unit, P.O. Box 420603, San Francisco, CA, 94142. The contractor to whom the contract is awarded, and the subcontractors under him, must not pay less than these rates for this area to all workers employed in the execution of the contract. The bidder’s attention is further directed to Section 9204 of the Public Contract Code regarding the claims resolution process for all public works projects. Any dispute or claim against the City under a public works project shall be processed in accordance with Section 9204 of the Public Contract Code and any other applicable law. By order of the City of Cerritos. Dated/posted/published: April 9, 2021

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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File Number 202056567  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: SOCAL ARMORY 111 East 220th St. Suite C, Carson Ca 90745 Registered Owner: FV Ventures LLC, 111 East 220th St. Suite C, Carson Ca 90745. 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: 10/2020. 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/ Joseph Vicente. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 3/8/2021. 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 3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9/21.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**

File Number 2021047378  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: MANE THEORY, 18300 Gridley Rd. Suite 227, Artesia Ca 90701; 12415 Imperial Hwy Unit 61, Norwalk Ca 90650 Registered Owner: MOYA ANN AGUSTIN CRUZ, 12415 Imperial Hwy Unit 61, Norwalk Ca 90650 . THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS A INDIVIDUAL. 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/ MOYA ANN AGUSTIN CRUZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 2/23/21. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26/21

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File Number 2021055184  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS:JANMBA 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

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE 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 inter-ested 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 Es-tates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtain-ing court approval. Before taking certain very im-portant 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 objec-tions or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative ap-pointed 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 sec-tion 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 pro-vided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner JOHN B. JAKLE, ESQ. - SBN 049540 JAKLE & ALEXANDER, LLP 1250 6TH STREET, SUITE 300 SANTA MONICA CA 90401 BSC 219735 4/16, 4/23, 4/30/21 CNS-3458934# LOS CERRITOS COMMUNITY NEWS

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINIS-TER ESTATE OF: FREDERIK KOUTTJIE CASE NO. 20STPB06093**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contin-gent creditors, and persons who may other-wise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of FREDERIK KOUTTJIE. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CHRISTIAN KOUTTJIE in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGE-LES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CHRISTIAN KOUTTJIE 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 with limited authority. (This authority will allow the per-sonal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, how-ever, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consent-ed to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objec-tion 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: 04/23/21 at 8:30AM in Dept. 9 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 personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney 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 JILL BROUSARD - SBN 183024 THE BROUSARD LAW FIRM 3711 LONG BEACH BLVD., SUITE 719 LONG BEACH CA 90807 BSC 219602 3/26, 4/2, 4/9/21 CNS-3451954# LA MIRADA LAMPLIGHTER

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: ANDREW ST. ANN JR. CASE NO. 20STPB03144**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the lost WILL or estate, or both of ANDREW ST. ANN JR. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JILL DENISE MOSQUEDA in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JILL DENISE MOSQUEDA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's lost WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The lost WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act with limited authority. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 04/19/21 at 9:30AM in Dept. 2D located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012 IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for Petitioner DAVID S. CHON - SBN 238274, THE LEGACY LAWYERS, PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION 10221 SLATER AVENUE, SUITE 106 FOUNTAIN VALLEY CA 92708 BSC 219660 4/2, 4/9, 4/16/21 CNS-3454957# LOS CERRITOS COMMUNITY NEWS

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605 LEAGUE FOOTBALL

# Cerritos rebounds from slow start to dominate Artesia in final three quarters

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Unlike the previous week when the Cerritos High football team wasn't tested that much from John Glenn High in the season opener for both teams, the Dons were in a battle in the first quarter against Artesia High last Friday night. Two turnovers in the first 12 minutes gave Artesia a 6-0 lead in its first game of the short season.

After that, it was all Cerritos as it scored the next 30 points of the game to earn a 24-point victory and a 2-0 start. It's the first time since Oct. 22, 2010 that Cerritos had defeated Artesia and the first time since that same season that the Dons have won two league games. Should Cerritos knock off Pioneer High on Apr. 8, the Dons will have three league victories for the first time since 2003.

"We started a little slow; give credit to Artesia," said Cerritos first-year head coach Brad Carter. "They were a pretty tough team. They had some really good athletes, but we had a lot of confidence that we were going to start hitting on all cylinders and that's kind of what happened."

However, all is not happy within the 605 League when it comes to football. There was some criticism coming from Glenn last week in Cerritos' 56-0 rout

about the lack of practice time Glenn had and Cerritos didn't have. That will be Glenn's only football game at the varsity level this season. Artesia also echoed similar sentiments to how much practice time Cerritos has had.

"This is a result of us practicing for two weeks and them practicing since September," said Artesia head coach Don Olmstead. "I've talked to the [ABC Unified School] district about it, it's not right and that's what it looks like. They practiced; they've been running all year and we haven't. We've been following the guidelines given to us.

"I think that's a lot of it; our kids conditioned for two weeks," he continued. "That's why in [high school] football, we practice in the summer and in the fall just because it's a lot of time and we have to get the kids ready. I just don't feel like our kids were fully prepared and we just didn't have the time to put in."

Cerritos took the opening kickoff and was driving deep into Artesia territory until junior quarterback David Sagun was picked off by senior safety Devin Yoakum at the 26-yard line. On the fifth play of the

**ARTESIA HIGH** sophomore linebacker Joshua Peck (#11) drags Cerritos High junior Mateo Martinez in last Friday night's game. The game was the first of two for Artesia this season.

Artesia High junior quarterback K'Len Williams (left) fakes a handoff to senior running back Jelani Hopkins in last Friday night's 605 League contest against host Cerritos High. Williams rushed for 55 yards on 16 carries and also threw for 37 yards in a 30-6 loss. Hopkins would pick up 54 yards on 15 carries..

ensuing possession, Yoakum scampered 41 yards around the left side on a reverse for Artesia's lone tally.

The Pioneers would have the ball for a little over 10 minutes in the first half and had second quarter possessions end in three punts and halftime. Meanwhile, the Dons shook off the sluggish start to score 17 points in the second quarter. On the third play of the stanza, Sagun tossed a 20-yard scoring pass to junior wide receiver Mateo Martinez.

Cerritos would also score on a 25-yard field goal by junior Jonathan Martinez with 2:30 left in the half and a Sagun 17-yard run with 35 seconds remaining. Sagun would connect on six of 10 passing in the first half for 87 yards and run four times for 41 yards before the break.

"He's really improving with the throwing," Carter said. "We've always known he's quick and he's smart; he controls the game. But we're trying to get him some easy throws and he's really proven to us that he can take it to the next level passing as well."

Artesia's lone possession of the third quarter, which lasted for 5:03, ended in a fumble and the Pioneers would also have a drive of over five and a half minutes in the fourth quarter end on downs. Artesia junior quarterback K'Len Williams completed four passes for 37 yards and rushed 16 times for 55 yards while senior running back Jelani Hopkins added 54 yards on 15 carries. Those two were most of the offense for Artesia, which had its Mar. 25

game against Pioneer postponed. "I think it's a huge factor," Olmstead said of not playing Pioneer. "I think that's it. That's why we have seven non-league games [in a full season] and we can schedule those accordingly whether we have experience or not. Of our 11 starters on offense, we had four kids with varsity experience here. So, there's going to be some growing pains and we don't really have the time to get through those growing pains. It's kind of a 'show up and go' type deal.

"I thought K'Len played great," Olmstead later added. "He's getting better every day. He made some tough plays, he made some rough plays and he made some good plays. But he's a competitor and we'll keep rolling with him and he's got another year. Jelani played better than I anticipated. I thought him and [senior running back] Corey [McKinley] would kind of rotate and he kind of took the bull by the horns and ran pretty well."

Defensively, the Pioneers were flustered throughout the game with the running of Cerritos senior Andrew Ramos (20 carries, 107 yards) and Sagun (six carries, 75 yards). The previous week, the Dons racked up 240 yards on the ground with junior Connor DeFrain gaining 92 of them on just five touches.

"He's really had a great camp," Carter said of Ramos. "We've had two really good backs; Conner could go tonight, so Ramos stepped up and he's really quick, he's hard to find and he played a great, great game."

"Defensively, we can't simulate it in practice," Olmstead said of Cerritos' rushing style. "That's why I usually don't play double wing teams in preseason because it's hard to prepare for that, and we don't see it anymore in our league. As the game went on, we played better defensively."

Artesia's next and last game of the season will be on Apr. 16 against Pioneer.



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