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NEW DISTRICT: The community vision for the Town Square District shows a reimagined shopping center surrounding a large public plaza, a mixed surface of grass and hardscape, trees, decorative landscaping, a stage, and water features. The commercial space includes a prime tenant and a mix of other retail stores, residential apartments, restaurants, and entertainment venues. Structured parking is provided at both the north and south ends of the project.

Asm. Cristina Garcia Used Taxpayer Funds to Send Out Campaign Mailer to 75,000 Homes

A Legislative Open Records Request by HMG-CN shows the mailer cost nearly \$25,000 and violated California's Political Reform Act.

“If it looks like a duck and walks like a duck, it is a duck.”

By Brian Hews

Former 47th Congressional District candidate and current Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia used the word BASTA! [Enough!] to make her climb up the political ladder.

Always calling herself a

“champion of the people,” her website splash page proclaims, “Restoring the people’s trust in government, say BASTA!, enough to government corruption.”

On another page, she touts her ethics, “Among her accomplishment are the landmark Political Conduct, Ethics and Public Trust Acts of 2014. These laws demand increased accountability and promoted transparency and trust in state and local government.”

Garcia’s political and personal life have not followed her proclamations on her website; her ethical lapses have been well documented by HMG-CN.

And in April of this year,

Garcia added to her voluminous list of ethical failures.

Hews Media Group-Community News has obtained a pamphlet mailed by Garcia in early April 2022 to thousands of district-area homes; a well-thought-out “2022 Legislative Priorities” pamphlet designed to hide the real purpose of the mailer and skirt the Fair Political Practices Commission rules on prohibited campaign mailings at taxpayer’s expense for an upcoming election.

A subsequent Legislative Open Records Act (LORA) request revealed that her mailer was sent via USPS to 75,840

[See GARCIA page 7]

Local Elections

Sarega Wins in La Mirada With 296 Votes, Commerce’s Leonard Mendoza is Out

By Brian Hews

Voter apathy hit the city of La Mirada with a vengeance, where it only took the acerbic Andrew Sarega to garner 296 votes to win a city council district.

Residents who came out and voted brushed off the many fallacies of Sarega and his obnoxious father, not paying attention to the fact that the younger Sarega had missed nearly a year and a half of city council meetings in the past few years, while also getting fined by the Fair Political Practices Commission for campaign donation violations.

Sarega, who has never served as mayor, will likely not get that opportunity given his behavior and absences.

In other election news, residents of Commerce are relieved that Leonard Mendoza lost, they were three council seats available; winners are Mireya Garcia, Kevin Lainez,

[See ELECTIONS page 12]

Amateur Hour Hits Cerritos Council Meeting

Attorney and Council Watched as Councilwoman Lynda Johnson Violated Political Reform Act

By Brian Hews

In the last election, Cerritos residents in favor of holding a majority on City Council overlooked an obvious conflict

and Community Center during a City Council meeting.

But that is exactly what happened during a budget meeting in May, with Mayor Vo and



COUNCILWOMAN LYNDIA JOHNSON seen on video recusing herself and leaving the city council meeting because of the conflict between her employment with the LA Sheriff’s and the Cerritos Sheriff’s Station. Johnson cannot provide input or ask questions when anything related to the Sheriff’s Station is discussed.

of interest between candidate Lynda Johnson and her employer, the Los Angeles Sheriff’s Department, and voted her into the City Council.

Cerritos funds a fully operational Sheriff’s station in the city; Johnson can’t have any input when discussions turn to the Cerritos Sheriff’s Station

the City Attorney watching, and worse, not acting, violating Government Code Section 1090 in the process.

If Johnson read the agenda before the meeting, she should’ve leaned forward into the microphone and recused

[See JOHNSON page 11]

Councilman Mendoza Has Ten Voters Registered at His 500 S.F. House in Commerce

By Brian Hews

Hews Media Group-Community News has obtained a document from a well-known political data source that shows Commerce Councilman Leonard Mendoza could be committing voter fraud and voter rigging.

The revelation comes on top of several other stories HMG-CN has exclusively reported: Mendoza was fired from his job at the city of Commerce after an investigation found “systematic” harassment and intimidation by Mendoza on his employees; using his truck to harass and intimidate a competitor running against him for council while his family was with him on the night of the Uvalde hearing, and violating the Commerce Municipal Code regarding the publishing of the City Seal on his campaign materials while calling himself mayor-when he was removed

Voters in Household
Madrigal, Carmen
Madrigal, Marlem
Madrigal, Jessica
Madrigal, Hector
Madrigal, Aileen
Madrigal, Jose
Madrigal, Jose
Madrigal, David
Madrigal, Hector
Mendoza, Leonard

List of voters registered at Mendoza's house from Political Data, a well known company.

in April.

The Commerce City Clerk has fired off two letters warning him of his violations and he has still not stopped.

Mendoza lives on the 2300

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The Artesia Historical Society is Back!

The Old #30 Firehouse in Artesia is one of the buildings you can tour.

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Soroptimists Live Your Dream Awards-

The service club completed its annual Live Your Dream Awards celebration by awarding a total of \$9,000.

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Pageant of the Masters Starts July 7-

The Pageant is celebrating its 90th anniversary, read about the history of the festival.

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The Artesia Historical Society is Back... Like It Never Left!

By Elaine Burdick,
Artesia Historical Society

After more than two years of inactivity due to covid 19 protocols, the docents of the Artesia Historical Society were thrilled to welcome a school tour back to the local museums.

As soon as the ABC Unified School Board of Education approved a return to off-campus field trips, Luther Burbank 3rd grade teacher Ranida Myers scheduled a visit for her class and the class of 3rd-grade teacher Patricia Minnehan.

On May 11, 2022, the forty-some students, along with their teachers and adult chaperones, walked to the Artesia Museums to enjoy a “step back in time.”

During their fun-filled morning, all students toured the 1929 house, taking time to view the Spanish architecture, vintage kitchen items, an antique wall telephone, an early ice box (with the brand name “Refrigerator”), a working typewriter, a telegraph key, and a vintage Singer treadle sewing machine.

One highlight of the house tour is the “hands-on” display, which allows the students to handle and take a close-up view of items such as wooden shoes, flat irons, and vintage roller skates.

A new addition to the artifacts is a collection of “Festa” gowns and crowns on loan from the local Portuguese community.

These items were used as part of the annual Festa do Divino Santo (Feast of

the Holy Spirit), which honors Queen Saint Isabella for offering her crown to the church in return for an end to a terrible famine in Portugal.

While still in the house, visitors gather in the parlor to create a craft. Each student is guided to create a fan-fold post card detailing a brief history of the greater Artesia-Cerritos area. Beginning with the local Native American peoples, a series of captioned pictures include the nearest mission, the 1875 founding of Artesia’s first school, a reference to the dairy business, and the Artesia Water Tower, among others.

In addition to their time at the House Museum, visitors are escorted just around the corner to Old Fire House 30. Inside the Old Fire House they may view a collection of fire prevention-related materials. In the truck bay, a favorite item is the 1941 restored Fire truck, complete with ladder and siren. Historical photos, collections, and military memorabilia are also on display. Other rooms house items of local interest. In the kitchen, the hand painted menu from the long-time local café “Hank’s” is popular. Students are always intrigued by the 1960’s prices. Memorabilia from the Artesia Dairyland Fair and parade, vintage farm implements, and items from the medical office of Dr. Pliny Fisk Haskell are among the items on view in the dormitory.

Outside the Old Fire House, school visitors are encouraged to participate in games typical of the 1929’s time period. As an introduction, docents will note that children of the past typically played outside (they did not have video games and/or television), and they often created their own games. Visitors may play horseshoes, drop the clothespin in the



OUTSIDE THE OLD FIRE HOUSE, school visitors are encouraged to participate in games typical of the 1929’s time period.

bottle, ring toss, or beanbag toss. Games area ALWAYS a favorite of the students!

The school tours are an integral part of the mission of the Artesia Historical Society, which includes the goals of preserving and sharing past elements of the local area with the current community. This tour was structure specifically to fulfill part of the State of California curriculum for social studies in the third grade, which requires that all third-grade students be instructed in local history.

The Artesia Historical Society is pleased to be able to provide all local schools with this opportunity.

All Society members are volunteers, and events such as school tours could not occur without school docents' commitment. At the May 11 tour those included Elaine Burdick, Pam Crawley, Bill Morey, Marian Rusting, and Ed

Ware. Volunteer docents are always welcome, and training is available. Interested parties may contact Ed Ware at 1-562-400-9581.

The Burbank Elementary tour was the last and only tour arranged for this school year. It was viewed as the culmination of the current school year, and also as preparation for a robust, active school tours program for the 2022-23 school year. At this time, the public is welcome to visit both museums free of charge on the second Saturday of each month from 1p.m. to 3 p.m.

The museums are located at 18644 Alburdis Avenue, Artesia, CA (House Museum) and 18611 Corby Avenue, Artesia, CA (Old Fire Station #30).



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Pico Rivera Will Start Summer Lunch Program June 13

By Brian Hews

At its last council meeting, the city of Pico Rivera voted to restart their Summer Food Service Program, which is funded by the United States Department of Agriculture.

The agreement is with Foodservice Outreach, Inc. D.B.A., Pacific Catering Company with the 2022 vended meal cost estimated to be \$76,000.

Foodservice Outreach is the current provider for the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank (over 75 sites), Boys and Girls Club of La Habra, and the cities of La Habra, Montebello, Placentia, and Alhambra.

For the past 13 years, the city has operated an SFSP successfully with Foodservice Outreach as the program's food service vendor.

The SFSP is an important program, providing free meals to children 18 and under throughout the summer months to ensure that they have access to healthy, nutritious food while school is not in session.

In 2021, nearly 60,000 meals were served through the SFSP. The

he SFSP will provide youth with free breakfast and lunch five days a week, Monday through Friday at four parks: Pico, Rio Hondo, Rivera, and Smith parks from 8:00-9:00 a.m. for breakfast, and from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. for lunch.

The program will begin on June 13, 2022, and run through August 5, 2022, the start of the school year.

The agreement requires the vendor to deliver meals directly to meal sites, provide a mixture of nutritious hot and cold meals at a set price, and to furnish the equipment necessary to maintain food temperatures at mandated levels per local and State guidelines.

New Parking Permit District for Bellflower

By Tammy McDuff

The Public Safety Commission, at their regular meeting held February 15, heard testimony and voted to establish a new permit parking district on Orchard Avenue between Flower Street and Laurel Street.

Each household in the newly established area would be required, if they parked on the street, to obtain a residential parking permit at an annual cost of \$50 per permit for each of the first two permits.

If the household requires more than two permits, the cost increases to \$100 for the third and \$200 for the fourth permit with a maximum of four permits per dwelling. If an annual permit is purchased after June 30, the permit holder will only pay half of the regular fee for the annual permit.

The City received a petition signed by six residents that requested the installation of this permit parking. The Safety committee heard the public testimony and voted to approve the permit parking. The committee did acknowledge that the interest in this permitted parking is below the minimum needed for approval. As stated in the staff re-

Cerritos' Yokoyama Holds First AAPI Leadership Awards



CERRITOS CITY COUNCILMAN Frank Yokoyama held the first annual Asian American and Pacific Islander Leadership Awards Tuesday evening, May 31 at London's Pub and Grill in Artesia. "We are here this evening to celebrate the AAPI leadership in our area, not only elected officials, but student leaders as well," said Yokoyama. "Asian American Pacific Islander month is celebrated in May for the contributions that these individuals have added to the history, culture and achievements of the United States." Those attending were (l-r) former Cerritos Mayor Mark Pulido, Conner Traut, Buena Park Council; Farrah N. Khan, Irvine Mayor; Yokoyama; Hay Chen; unnown; Jeff Prang, LA County Assessor; Victor Manalo, former Mayor of Artesia.

port "Thus, only the identified block on Orchard Avenue [100% approval by affected residents] was recommended by the Commission for Council approval."

Residents were concerned by the lack of available on-street parking and safety concerns of non-resident vehicles parking and loitering in the area. It was reported that on numerous occasions, Public Safety staff witnessed and con-

firmed the residents' concerns.

Permit parking means that vehicles parked on this section of Orchard Avenue would require a rearview mirror hanging permit issued by the city to be displayed in the vehicle, this would be a permit that could be switched among vehicles as necessary. Single-day guest permits would also be available to each household at no cost.

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**La Mirada Mayor's Message:
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Summer in La Mirada**



La Mirada Mayor
Ed Eng

Together again! After a two-year hiatus, I like to welcome you to a full summer of exciting events and activities the City has planned for our community.

Hurry! Grab your lawn chairs, put on your dancing shoes, and bring your appetite as our Concerts Under the Stars series begins on Thursday, June 16 at La Mirada Regional Park from 5 to 8:30 p.m. The concert series will feature nine bands of various genres including Latin, 80's hits, and many other tribute bands. Night Market vendors will be selling a variety of delicious foods beginning at 5 p.m. and live entertainment will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Yes, it is back! The moment you've been waiting for! The highly anticipated Independence Day Celebration event returns Sunday, July 3 at La Mirada Regional Park. Join us for live music from Dance Dance Evolution and The Kelley Boyz as we celebrate our nation's independence. Local service organizations will also be selling food and special

treats beginning at 4 p.m. The celebration will conclude with a patriotic program and a riveting fireworks show at 9 p.m.

Mark your calendar, this year's Stroll in the Park event will be held on Thursday, July 28 from 5 to 8:30 p.m. at Creek Park. Come choose from your favorite trio of bands, enjoy the beautiful scenery, and rekindle old friendships. The Night Market vendors will be selling food beginning at 5 p.m.

La Mirada continues to be one of the safest cities in California. Come meet our Public Safety Team and Sheriff partners as we celebrate National Night Out on Thursday, August 4 at La Mirada Regional Park. As crimes have skyrocketed across Los Angeles County, I am so proud of our City staff, law enforcement personnel, and residents working together to keep crimes consistently low in our community.

From music and fireworks to Splash!, Buccaneer Bay is now open daily! Experience the pirate themed water park through Friday, August 5 and weekends through Sunday, September 25. Enjoy the waterpark's six-lane mat-rider slide or grab an inner tube and relax in the lazy river. Don't forget to purchase a season pass and beat the heat at Buccaneer Bay all summer long!

The Swim-in Movies return this summer and will feature two Disney hits, "Cars" on Sunday, July 31 and "Encanto" on Sunday, August 28. Come share

a memorable cinematic experience on a large outdoor screen, as you chill in the heated 25-yard pool or relax on the pool deck. Admission is \$9.00 per person and concessions will be available during the movies.

Summer Day Camp alert! The popular Summer Day Camp program is back at Neff Park through August 5! Day Camp offers many fun activities including weekly excursions and trips to Splash! Also, take part in our drop-in program, Ready, Set, Summer!, at Frontier, Gardenhill and Windermere Parks Monday through Friday from 12 to 4 p.m. Our energetic recreation staff will be on-site to provide fun games, crafts and other activities throughout the summer.

Finally, in July, La Mirada and cities across the nation will be celebrating Parks and Recreation Month. A variety of special events and activities are planned in our community including a Family Game Night, "Picnic & Popsicles" at local parks, Splash! Family Friday Night, and a senior favorite "All that Dance."

Please visit our website at cityof-flamirada.org for more information on all of these wonderful events.

I am so Grateful for our incredible City and the amazing people in our community. On behalf of La Mirada, I wish you a safe, fun, and exciting summer.

Warmly,
Ed Eng, La Mirada Mayor



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Trucks on Bloomfield

Dear Editor:

I was recently alerted by a neighbor regarding a news article in the Community Newspaper which stated that council member Barrows is contemplating the idea of reinstating the truck route on Bloomfield Ave.

If you remember, the council voted to ban trucks based on a sound level study that was conducted and paid for by the city that showed noise levels exceeding state limits. It also showed a dramatic increase in the amount of trucks traveling on Bloomfield Ave.

This was before Mr. Barrows became a councilmember.

It seems that currently, the biggest complaint against the ban of trucks, is financial.

I've only seen sheriffs stationed on Bloomfield Ave a few times with a focus on cars. I've also seen a dramatic decrease in the amount of trucks traveling on Bloomfield cutting the need for

sheriffs to patrol Bloomfield

Obviously it would take a couple of years before the trucks become aware of the ban and the mapping companies providing GPS information

It's been two years since that time and it seems like Mr (Daryl) Evans was correct in his assessment, the truck traffic has slowed considerably therefore reducing the need for the sheriffs to patrol the street.

The article in the Community News also states that Mr Barrows case was based on false information assuming the expense to be five times more than the actual amount which was carefully corrected by Mr. Evans.

We truly hope that the Mayor and Council are not in favor of returning Bloomfield Ave to a truck route since they gave us support of the ban.

Over 2,000 residents are living along Bloomfield Ave and would be very appreciative if you would help support the keeping of the route.

Chris C.,
Cerritos

Dear Editor:

My name is Charles, a long time resident of Cerritos.

I have lived here in Sundance for 14 years. Every year it seems truck noises and vibrations coming from Bloomfield Avenue has gotten worse.

But to years ago, Bloomfield residents, with the help of Cerritos City Council, took action against these problems.

Please do not reinstate the truck route on Bloomfield Ave! I just don't think I could live here another year listening to truck noises and vibrations again.

Your help with this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Charles J.
Cerritos Resident since 2008

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LIVE YOUR DREAM AWARDS: From lower left row: Dr. Shin Liu, Cerritos College Board Vice President; Brittnee Edwards, third place; Alondra Salgado-Quinn, first place; Janet Del Real, third place; and Asma Daa, second place. From upper left row: Diana Needham, mentor chair; Gabrielle Babcock, Club President; Chancy Leang, third place; Kimberly De Anda, third place; Lola Rizkalla, Co-Chair; Sharlene Takahashi, Co-Chair and Dr. Jose Fierro, Cerritos College President and Superintendent.

**By Diana Needham,
Former Cerritos Mayor**

Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos completed its annual Live Your Dream Awards celebration for 2022 by awarding a total of \$9,000 to eight winners, all students at Cerritos College.

The first-place winner, Alondra Salgado-Quigg, received a cash award of \$1,500, and also received ten hours of career mentoring from two professionals in the field of her desired future career as a social worker. The second-place winner, Asma Daa, also received a cash award of \$1,500. Six third-place winners each received a cash award of \$1,000: Brittnee Edwards, Chancy Leang, Janet Del Real, Kimberly De Anda, Marisol Uribe, and Ruby Anne Bulig Gamez. An awards event lunch was held at Cerritos Park East with over 50 attendees.

All of the 2022 award winners are single mothers with aspirations of finishing their college degrees and entering into professions to better their lives and of their children's lives. The Live Your Dream Awards go to women who are heads of households, low income, in college or vocational education, with a career goal, and who have had life challenges.

Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos' Live Your Dream Awards Committee consists of Co-Chairs: Gayle Reidy, Lola Rizkallah, Gabrielle Babcock, and Sharlene Takahashi plus Diana Needham, Mentor Chair.

"We are very proud of all the award

winners and the successful track they are on for college degrees and successful careers", said Gayle Reidy, Live Your Dream Awards Co-Chair. "Our Club's awards will be a boost to each winner in achieving their goals", said Lola Rizkallah, Live Your Dream Awards Co-Chair.

"We thank the Soroptimist Club for honoring eight of our Cerritos College students with these wonderful awards", said Dr. Jose Ferro, Cerritos College President and Superintendent. "This program is very dear to my heart and makes me proud to be a Soroptimist", said Dr. Shin Liu, Cerritos College Board of Trustees Vice President and former Board President.

The Live Your Dream Awards is one of two Soroptimist International's signature programs held each year by Soroptimist Clubs, Districts, Regions and Federations around the world. As a participant with official status in the United Nations, Soroptimists sit on many important UN committees having to do with improving conditions for women and girls. The United Nations has recognized the Live Your Dream Awards as an important worldwide program.

To learn about becoming a Soroptimist member, contact President-Elect, Norma Williamson via email: nwilliamson@gmail.com. We welcome new members. Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos celebrated its 49th year of founding and a successful past year with over \$20,000 in giving through its Soroptimist programs and donations to many local organizations/charities.

New England Journal of Medicine: Overweight Lost 35 to 52 Pounds on Newly Approved Diabetes Drug

A weekly dose of a medication recently approved by the FDA to treat type 2 diabetes may help adults without diabetes lose weight as well, a new study found.

Tirzepatide, which is sold under the brand name Mounjaro, was studied in people without diabetes in three dosages: 5, 10 and 15 milligrams.

Participants with obesity or who were overweight and took the 5-milligram dose lost an average of 35 pounds; 10-milligram lost 49 pounds; 15-milligram lost an average of 52 pounds.

"Almost 40% of individuals lost a quarter of their body weight," said coauthor Dr. Ania Jastreboff, codirector of the Yale Center for Weight Management in a briefing for the media.

"The weight loss that they got in this study was even greater than what had been seen in the previous studies of people with diabetes," Gabbay, who was not involved with the study, said.

"The middle range of weight loss for people in this new study was 49 pounds -- 49 pounds is a lot," he said. "It's the range of weight loss that we typically think only possible through surgery."

All in all, people without diabetes lost an average of 15% to 20.9% of their starting body weight over the course of the 72-week double-blinded, randomized clinical trial, which was published in The New England Journal of Medicine. Participants who got a placebo lost between 2.4% and 3.1% of their body weight, on average.

In comparison, studies on people with diabetes who used tirzepatide found they

lost an average of 15% of their starting body weight, Gabbay said.

"This is a not uncommon observation," he said. "The impact of previous weight loss medications are less effective in people with diabetes, and we honestly don't know exactly why."

However, the impact of tirzepatide on people with diabetes is still "profound," Gabbay said, "providing much more than other tools that we've had."

Self-injected dose

For the new study, weekly injections of tirzepatide were tested in more than 2,500 people without diabetes who had a body mass index (BMI) over 30 or who were over 27 BMI and had at least one weight-related health condition such as high blood pressure, high cholesterol or cardiovascular disease. A measure of a person's height-to-weight ratio, a BMI of 25 or higher is considered overweight in adults.

People in the study also received counseling sessions to help them stay on a healthy diet with a daily 500-calorie deficit, as well as at least 150 minutes of physical activity each week. While that certainly helped, it does not explain the magnitude of the weight loss seen in the study, Gabbay said.

The most common side effects reported were nausea, diarrhea and constipation. Between 2.6% and 7.1% of the participants discontinued treatment due to adverse events.

Mounjaro carries a boxed warning about thyroid tumors and should not be used by people with a family history of certain thyroid conditions.

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The City of Norwalk would like to thank Public Safety Officers Ruelas and Castaneda for their great actions in saving an individual's life last week.

While patrolling the area near Firestone Blvd. and Orr and Day Rd., Officer Ruelas was flagged down by a resident regarding an unresponsive individual laying on the floor.

Officer Ruelas quickly jumped into action to aid the individual by turning the person to the side to prevent any possible choking.

Meanwhile, dispatcher Cynthia Perez quickly provided the exact location of the area to request further support. Officer Castaneda arrived at the scene before paramedics and assisted Officer Ruelas.

Fire Station #20 arrived on the scene and were able to take over the situation. The individual was transported to Norwalk Community Hospital and is doing well thanks to the Officers' fast thinking and quick actions.

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First Detection:
West Nile Found in Dead Crows in Sepulveda/North Hills

Staff Report

Santa Fe Springs, CA – The Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District (GLACVCD/District) has confirmed the first detection of West Nile virus (WNV) activity in Los Angeles County.

The virus was detected in three dead American crows collected in the neighborhood of North Hills (91343) on May 26.

This confirmation serves as the District's first detection of West Nile virus activity.

Mosquito samples have not tested positive for the virus within the surrounding community, nor in Los Angeles County.

The dead bird surveillance program serves as an early warning detection tool that helps identify when the virus is actively being transmitted within the bird population.

The three dead birds were collected, shipped, and tested at the UC Davis Arbovirus Research and Training Laboratory which provides testing for multiple vector control agencies. "American crows can fly up to 40 miles each day from overnight roosting sites, so while there has not yet

been virus activity detected in mosquito populations in Los Angeles County, this confirmation serves as an alert that mosquitoes may soon become infected and residents should take precautions," said Director of Scientific-Technical Services Steve Vetrone.

One in five persons infected with the virus will exhibit symptoms. Symptoms can include fever, headache, body aches, nausea, or skin rash. These symptoms can last for several days to months. One in 150 people infected with the virus will require hospitalization. Severe symptoms include high fever, muscle weakness, neck stiffness, coma, paralysis, and possibly death. If residents feel they are experiencing symptoms, it is strongly recommended to consult their primary care physician. Residents can help by: eliminate standing water in clogged rain gutters, rain barrels, discarded tires, buckets, watering troughs or anything that holds water for more than a week.

For more information, residents can contact the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District at 562-944-9656, online at www.GLAmosquito.org, or on social media: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram.

Lakewood Summer Concerts in the Park Starts Next Week

Staff Report

Lakewood's Summer Concerts in the Park Series kicks off June 16 with Amanda Castro Band (Modern Jazz/Big Band) and continues for a total of eight Thursday evenings, with music running from 6:30 to 8 p.m. under the trees at Del Valle Park.

Residents can enjoy a diverse lineup

of musical acts, including country, rock, modern jazz, Motown/R&B and more... and new this year, a Beach Boys tribute band.

Each week will bring a different mix of food vendors, so pack your picnic blanket and dine with your friends and neighbors while listening to great sounds. Please remember that dogs, alcohol and BBQs are not allowed at Lakewood parks.

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homes, at a cost to taxpayers of \$20,840, and cost nearly \$4,000 to print; \$25,000 authorized and paid for by Speaker Anthony Rendon’s office.

Records obtained via a LORA show the Assembly spent nearly \$25,000 for Garcia’s mailer.

Garcia’s mailer clearly violated three of the four criteria for a prohibited mass mailing at public expense under Fair Political Practices Commission Section 18901.

If the item is tangible, like a pamphlet, and is sent to a residence, 18901 violation. If public funds are used, violation. If more than 200 were mailed, violation.

But it could turn out that hitting .750 isn’t good enough for the FPPC.

Section 2 of 18901 states, “The item [pamphlet] sent either: (A) Expressly advocates the election or defeat of a clearly identified candidate or the qualification, passage, or defeat of a clearly identified measure (B) When taken as a whole and in context, unambiguously urges a particular result in an election.

Holding Government Accountable?

Garcia’s mailer was 12 tall x 10.5 wide folded; on one side of the front was the Assembly Seal, her name, and a USPS stamp, “US POSTAGE PAID STATE OF CALIF. ASSEMBLY,” all violations.

On the middle-left was much larger font proclaiming, “2002 Legislative Priorities Inside.”

On the inside, a letter from Garcia states, “Dear friends, excited to share some legislative priorities for the 2022 legislative year. Browse below to read about bills in the legislature expected to impact the district positively. These bills deal with helping

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Stamp on mailer clearly shows who paid. Republicans mad?

women and children, improving public health and the environment, and holding the government accountable to you.”

The mailer listed seven bills under Legislative Priorities 2022 with a brief description for each, ending with “For more information visit ASMDC.ORG/GX.

But a closer inspection of each bill on the website leginfo.legislature.ca.gov shows that Garcia either co-sponsored or introduced every bill.

AB 2320; AB 1778; AB 2214; AB 351; AB 2124; AB 1857. You can find these at loscerritosnews.net

In the letter, Garcia did not instruct recipients to go to leginfo.legislature.ca.gov to easily look up the bill, instead referencing the ASMDC.ORG/GX address.

Navigating to ASMDC.ORG/GX redirects a user to Garcia’s main Assembly 58 website.

Magic Words

Subsections of Section (2) state, “The determination of whether a communication ‘expressly advocates’ is relatively straightforward and is based on whether it contains so-called magic words of advocacy such as: Vote For; Elect; Support; Cast

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LORA request shows the 75K+ mailers costing nearly \$21,000



Your Ballot; Vote Against; Defeat; Reject; or Sign Petitions For.

Ironic how a government agency is trying to shorten the wording of a violation.

Garcia’s own words in the mailer, “expected to impact the district positively,” and, “these bills deal with helping women and children, improving public health and the environment, and holding the government accountable to you,” could certainly be shortened to the FPPC Speak words of Vote For, Support, and Cast Your Ballot.

Unambiguously

Under 18901, an item unambiguously urges a particular result in an election if it meets either of the following criteria:

(1) It is clearly campaign material or campaign activity such as... other mass media advertising. (2) When considering the style, tenor, and timing of the communication, it can be reasonably

characterized as campaign material and is not a fair presentation of facts serving only an informational purpose.

“Not a fair presentation of facts... serving only an informational purpose.”

Bills on mailer informational?

Another subsection states that factors to be considered include whether the item was a mailing sent at public expense that features, or includes the name, office, photograph, or other reference to, an elected officer affiliated with the agency which produces or sends the mailing.

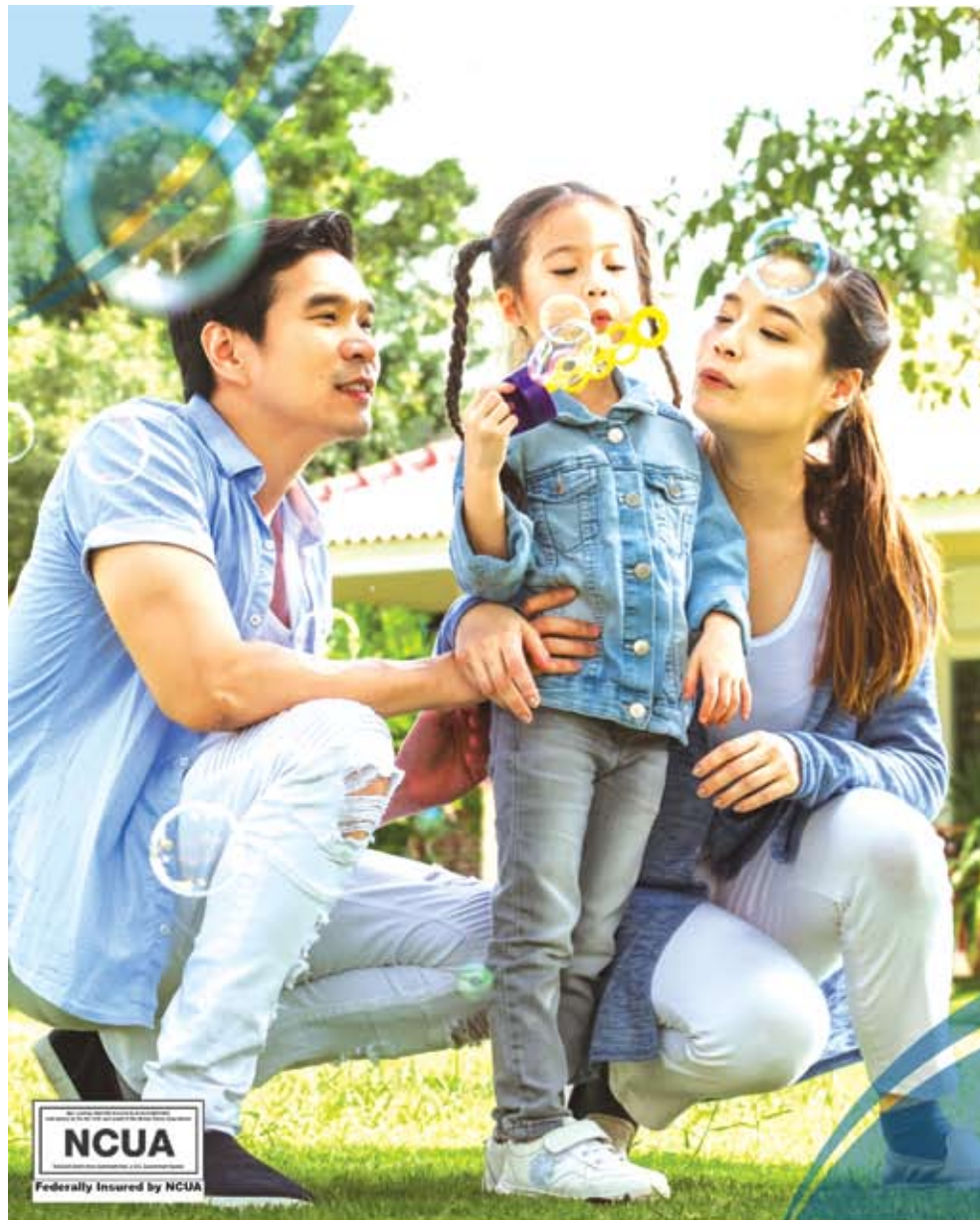
The Assembly Seal, Garcia’s name and address identifying her as the Assemblywoman, and the PAID STATE OF CALIF. ASSEMBLY, can be found on the front of the mailer.

That inclusion also places the Assembly and the office that sent out the mailer in violation of Sections 18901 and 89001.

Walks like a duck... editor@cerritosnews.net

Assemblymember Cristina Garcia - March 2022 Mailer

WO#	Member	AD#	Date Completed	Description	Pieces Mailed	Postage
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Laguna Beach's Pageant of the Masters Celebrates 90th Anniversary

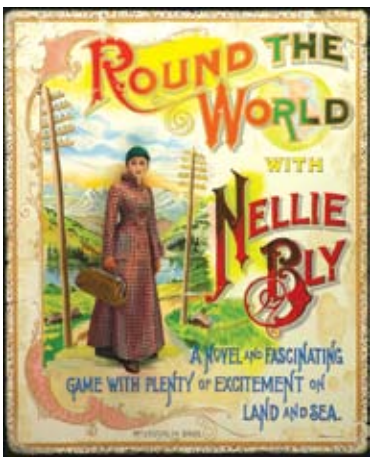
Enjoy art that comes to life under the stars in the Pageant's outdoor amphitheater.

BY BRIAN HEWS



Join the Festival of Arts in celebrating 90 years of art. Set in a beautiful open-air gallery, this highly acclaimed juried fine art show features the work of over 100 award-winning Orange County artists.

From paintings, glass, ceramics, photography and more, the Festival showcases a variety



of mediums and artwork styles for avid collectors and festival-goers to browse and purchase directly from the artists. In addition to the artwork on display, visitors can enjoy art demonstrations, live music performances on select days, opportunities to meet the artists and more.

Ninety years ago, the United States and the world were suffering from the tight finances, scarce resources, and emotional turmoil of the Great Depression. Even so, artists arriving in Laguna Beach were inspired by the coastline, the rambling hills, the vibrant and ever-changing ocean, and the freedom to follow their dreams. And in 1932,

a group of those artists banded together to find a way to raise spirits and, they hoped, sell some of their art.

Elaborating on newspaper editor Sumner Crosby's idea for an "Intellectual Carnival," local artist John Hinchman presented plans for a weeklong "Festival of the Arts." The Laguna Beach Art Association and City Council supported Hinchman's idea.

That summer, while around two dozen artists hung their paintings on fences, trees, and buildings along Laguna's main street, hoping to lure tourists to the first Festival of Arts, other artists opened their home-studios to the public. Music, colorful signs and banners, parades and entertainment added to the celebratory ambiance of the event, which turned Laguna Beach into one enormous art gallery. Many artists happily arranged their easels and chairs and painted throughout the festival. And, yes, some even sold their paintings. It was an auspicious start to the Laguna Beach Festival of Arts.

Opening day was on August 13, 1932 and Flower Market by Virginia Woolley, was one of the first paintings sold. It is now in the Festival of Arts' permanent collection and was featured as the 1999 Festival of Arts poster.

Today, the Festival of Arts Permanent Collection, expanded annually through purchases made from the exhibiting artists' work, contains more than 1,000 pieces of fine art: paintings, sculpture, ceramics, glass, even furniture and jewelry – a collection as eclectic as the festival

itself. In the collection's trust is the Lorna Mills Collection; upon her death, bank president Mills entrusted her entire collection of paintings to the Festival of Arts.

The Festival's Collection is housed at foaNORTH and occasionally loaned to local institutions like the Laguna Art Museum and Laguna Beach City Hall and others.

In 1933, the artists staged a publicity stunt (the first of many) to draw attention to the exhibit. A parade of local volunteers costumed as characters in famous works of art – Whistler's Mother, Mona Lisa and Atlas, among others – marched downtown along the Coast Highway to the location of the 2nd Festival of Arts, where they later appeared, one at a time, inside a tiny, booth-like set, holding their poses as tableaux vivants -- "living pictures." Together, the parade and show were entitled "The Spirit of the Masters Pageant."

The show was so brief that the audience didn't even sit down to enjoy the spectacle; they merely took a break from viewing the artists' displays to peek at the "living pictures." Local vaudevillian Lolita Perine, and businessmen Howard Sheridan and Roy Ropp all had a hand in that first, inauspicious presentation. This effort brought volunteers and artists together; the sense of spirit and community prevailed, and organizers felt the Festival was worth trying again the next year.

In 1935, Roy Ropp took charge of the "living pictures" and transformed their presentation, with help from his wife Marie, into a full production with

DANCING GIRLS AT CAIRO:

Can you tell who is real and who is a painting?

music, narration and painted backdrops. Ropp also rechristened the performance, "The Pageant of the Masters."



The Festival of Arts and Pageant of the Masters were transient at first, moving around Laguna from one location to another between 1933 and 1940. In 1941, the City of Laguna Beach agreed to purchase the present six-acre Festival site from the Irvine Company with funds including monies "gifted" to the city by the Festival of Arts.

The Festival of Arts Fine Art Show is one of the longest-running art exhibitions in the state; it has exhibited artworks by hundreds of Southern California artists every year since 1932, except during World War II and the COVID-19 pandemic, when the Festival and Pageant were dark.

From its humble beginnings, the Festival of Arts has grown into a world-famous cultural institution, awarding hundreds of thousands of dollars in college scholarships and grants to art and cultural organizations. And yet the mission of the event remains the same: to promote, produce and sponsor events and activities that encourage the appreciation, study and performance of the arts. The juried fine art exhibition

is one means of fulfilling its mission – providing local artists with a venue where they can display and sell their art. Media include, but are not limited to, paintings, mixed-media, sculpture, pastels, drawings, serigraphs, photographs, ceramics, jewelry, fiber arts, etched and stained glass,

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pose in front of the festival entrance.

hand-crafted furniture, and even scrimshaw.

"The Festival of Arts is truly fortunate to count among its exhibitors some of the most talented artists in Orange County," says Festival of Arts president David Perry. "It's not only our mission but our privilege to provide them with a forum in which to share their creativity with hundreds of thousands of visitors each summer. And since their works are available for purchase, patrons have the opportunity to bring home amazing, original pieces to be enjoyed for a lifetime."

The spirit of the founders remains strong after 90 years, summed up by: "Excellence in art, entertainment and community support since 1932."

And John Hinchman's goal is realized year after year.

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Suburban Valley Conference-San Gabriel Valley League and Suburban League Merge to Form New Conference

By Loren Kopff
@LorenKopff on Twitter

When the school year begins in August, there will be a slightly fresh look for the athletic programs of Gahr, La Mirada and Norwalk high schools, plus eight other schools. The six-member San Gabriel Valley League and the five schools of the Suburban League will merge to form the new Suburban Valley Conference.

The conference will be divided into two leagues believed to be called the Gateway League and Mid-Cities League. However, no confirmation on the name of the two leagues has been determined as of early June. In fact, when the master conference schedule was released, the 11 schools were placed in their respective leagues on a sport by sport basis based on CIF-Southern Section power rankings from the 2021-2022 school year and were placed in either the Upper League or Lower League. After the 2022-2023 school year, Norwalk co-athletic director David Snyder says ‘everything will be taken into account’ as to which leagues the 11 schools will be placed, again on a sport-by-sport basis.

Talks of the merger have been going on for the past two and a half to three years, according to Snyder, and stemmed from the departure of Artesia, Cerritos and John Glenn high schools when those

schools formed the 605 League at the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year. That left the Suburban League initially with four schools-Bellflower, La Mirada, Mayfair and Norwalk high schools. Later, Firebaugh High would join in some sports.

He said that the athletic directors of Bellflower and Mayfair began to contact the athletic directors of the SGVL before the pandemic shutdown in the spring of 2020 to discuss a possibility of a merger.

“My principal went to the first principal’s meeting, and it was during Covid; we met over at Warren High School,” said Snyder. “The principals were introduced to the idea of the conference and that’s when [Norwalk principal] Dr. [David] Olea had told me we were going to go another way.”

Snyder said he and former Norwalk principal Mike Garcia, who preceded Olea, had gone to the 605 League to discuss admittance because he thought Norwalk was invited into that league, which would make it a seven-member unit along with Oxford Academy, Pioneer High and Whitney High. However, the 605 League changed its mind and last year, a vote was taken via zoom through the Foothill Area, which is made up of seven CIF-SS leagues.

To avoid going directly into the SGVL, Snyder said Norwalk put a measure up that would have landed the school into the 605 League. However, the league was, as Snyder put it, ‘very effective’ into blocking the proposal, claiming that Norwalk was going to dominate the 605 League.

A vote was taken just like the one that was taken when the 605 League was formed and was put forth by California

High athletic director Armando Padilla. Once Norwalk was denied admittance to the 605 League, the vote for the two leagues to merge was passed almost unanimously. The two votes took place within minutes of each other.

“Everybody voted against us going into the 605 League, including our own schools and the San Gabriel Valley [League] schools,” said Snyder. “There are still a lot of hard feelings over that.”

Once the 605 League was formed, the SGVL and Suburban League began discussing a possible merger in the future. But in Norwalk’s case, according to Snyder, talks of merging the two leagues were discussed before talks of possibly joining the 605 League. He added that he just wants his kids to have a fair opportunity.

For Gahr to get somewhat out of the SGVL for football purposes is a blessing for co-athletic director and head football coach Greg Marshall. Since he arrived on the campus over two decades ago, he was wanted to leave the SGVL and join the Suburban League, citing his program can’t put up the numbers of the other SGVL teams. In fact, the football program went to freelance status from 2002-2005. Marshall took over the program in 2003.

“I feel like we’ve got a shot, because it’s not like a normal year for Gahr,” said Marshall. “We have ineligible players [and] we have kids that move. We can compete in the SGVL versus top teams like Downey and Warren...in normal years. We can compete in the SGVL if everything goes perfect, like when we have the top passer in the state or stuff like that.”

Since coming back to the SGVL from

freelance status, the program has had five winning league seasons, going to the playoffs four times and losing a tiebreaker on a coin flip the other season.

When the football season begins, the Upper League will consist of Dominguez High, Downey, La Mirada, Mayfair, Paramount High and Warren while the Lower League will field Bellflower, Firebaugh, Gahr, Lynwood High and Norwalk. Each year, teams could flip-flop leagues or stay where they are. For girls volleyball in the fall, the Upper League will have Downey, Gahr, Mayfair, Paramount and Warren, which have all been consistently dominant in their respective leagues. When the boys basketball season begins, Gahr will be in the Lower League, but that could be short-lived considering that the Gladiators have been historically a dominant program with very few sub-par seasons. Then when the 2023 spring season arrives, Gahr and La Mirada baseball will be new league rivals and play three times, scheduled for Mar. 28 at La Mirada, Mar. 30 at Gahr and Apr. 28 at La Mirada. Those two schools will also be in the Upper League for boys cross country and softball and will be Lower League rivals in girls basketball, boys soccer and wrestling.

“Gahr and La Mirada are probably the two best baseball schools in our old [leagues],” said Snyder. “So, they are in the upper [league] and I don’t see that ever changing.”

While Marshall likes the new conference, he said one problem comes from the CIF-SS because when the SGVL was around, you would get points, or rewarded for playing upper division schools and the other five SGVL schools are upper di-

[See LEAGUE page 11]

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.

Being Accurate

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E	C	I	L	U	E	W	A	A	S	A	Y	E	R	G
M	I	S	T	A	R	A	A	L	C	W	P	R	D	C
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Calm, Careful, Certainty, Clearcut, Concrete, Correct, Data, Detailed, Direct, Exact, Factual, Faultless, Flawless, Grammar, Guide, Invoice, Kids, Logical, Luck, Map, Mathematics, Measurements, Names, News, Part, Perfect, Physics, Records, Report, Result, Right, Seek, Sharp, Skills, Solid, Spell, Statistics, Target, Test, Time, Trust, Type, Values, Veracity.

Solution: 8 letters

19 DEAD KIDS NOT ENOUGH FOR HOUSE REPUBLICANS

The House passed a bill on Thursday to nationalize red flag laws, which seek to keep guns away from individuals deemed a threat to themselves and others.

The legislation, dubbed the Federal Extreme Risk Protection Order, passed in a 224-202 vote. WHAT?

Five Republicans — Reps. Fred Upton (Mich.), Adam Kinzinger (Ill.), Anthony Gonzalez (Ohio), Brian Fitzpatrick (Pa.) and Chris Jacobs (N.Y.) — bucked the GOP in voting for the measure, and Democratic Rep. Jared Golden (Maine) broke from the party in opposing the bill.

Passage of the measure came one day after the House cleared a sweeping gun package that, among other provisions, called for raising the minimum age to purchase a semi-automatic weapon from 18 to 21 and banning civilian use of high-capacity magazine.

Both pieces of legislation were brought up in response to last month’s mass shootings in Buffalo, N.Y., and Uvalde, Texas.

The red flag bill — introduced by Rep. Lucy McBath (D-Ga.), whose son died by gun violence in 2012 — would authorize family members and law enforcement officers to petition U.S. district courts to issue federal extreme protection orders that would temporarily prohibit individuals from purchasing or possessing firearms.

McBath on Thursday pointed to her son Jordan’s death when pushing for the red flag bill. “We cannot be the only nation in the world where our children are torn apart on Tuesday and their deaths are gone from the news cycle by Wednesday,” McBath said on the House floor.

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vision schools. As a result, when the end of the year arrives, Gahr is rated higher than what it really is.

For Gahr boys basketball, up until the past several seasons, it has been in the higher CIF-SS divisions. For the first season of the Suburban Valley Conference, the Gladiators will be in the Lower League with Bellflower, Firebaugh, Lynwood, Norwalk and Warren.

“We’re going to be playing four schools that are below [Division] 3, I think,” said Marshall. “So, our division record for playoffs will drop. That’s the issue.”

The Norwalk programs that would benefit from the merger, according to Snyder, are football, baseball, boys and girls basketball and almost every other sport. However, he admitted one of the programs that may not benefit from the merger immediately will be boys soccer, which has been one of the elite programs in the Suburban League for at least the past 25 years. Now, the Lancers will be grouped in with the predominant powers from the SGVL-Downey, Lynwood, Paramount and Warren, schools that have enrollments of over 2,000. Since the 1998-1999 season, the Lancers boys soccer program has finished in the top three of the league 17 times, winning the league nine times. However, the program has defeated their new league rivals in the past, which should make for a competitive run for the top spot.

“A lot of Norwalk people; coaches [and] administrators, were against this merger,” said Snyder. “I’ve been for this merger from the very beginning because I saw it as a means to further certain programs that have been stuck playing Mayfair and La Mirada, specifically football, baseball and to a lesser extent, softball and our girls soccer team.

“So now, those teams have an opportunity to make the playoffs,” he continued. “And that’s going to help the teams gain momentum. People are going to see they’re making the playoffs, and then we’re going to get more girls that want to join [athletics], more boys that want to join [athletics].”

It’s slightly different at Gahr where most of the programs had been middle of the road programs, as Marshall says. The Gladiators were never at the bottom in their athletics. They would finish anywhere from second through fourth or fifth with a few league champions here and there. With that said, boys and girls basketball and boys and girls soccer would benefit from the merger, according to Marshall. That means the Gladiators would have a stronger chance of making the playoffs next season as opposed to if the merger never took place.

“This is the beauty of the conference; La Mirada wanted to go up because that’s who they are,” said Marshall. “Gahr baseball will never...even when we have the worst year, we will probably be okay with being in the bottom group.

Snyder wanted to add that with the merger coming in August, Norwalk had an unprecedented year as far as playoff appearances and he is looking forward to seeing the same in the upcoming years.

“I’m kind of excited about it and I’m excited for the kids,” he said. “Norwalk has all these beautiful facilities and we got to host a [softball playoff game]. I’m excited to see the kids’ faces and we have a lot of kids, parents and teachers showing up to our home playoff games. I look forward to seeing all that.”

	Upper League	Lower League
Fall sports 2002		
Football	Dominguez Downey La Mirada Mayfair Paramount Warren	Bellflower Firebaugh Gahr Lynwood Norwalk
Girls Volleyball	Downey Gahr Mayfair Paramount Warren	Bellflower Dominguez Firebaugh La Mirada Lynwood Norwalk
Girls Tennis	Bellflower Downey Gahr Norwalk Warren	Dominguez Firebaugh La Mirada Lynwood Mayfair Paramount
Boys cross country	Downey Gahr La Mirada Mayfair Warren	Bellflower Dominguez Firebaugh Lynwood Norwalk Paramount
Girls cross country	Downey Gahr Norwalk Paramount Warren	Bellflower Dominguez Firebaugh La Mirada Lynwood Mayfair
Boys water polo:	Downey, Gahr, La Mirada, Paramount and Warren	
Girls golf:	Bellflower, Downey, Gahr, La Mirada, Mayfair and Warren	
Winter sports 2022-2033		
Boys basketball	Upper League Dominguez Downey La Mirada Mayfair Paramount	Lower League Bellflower Firebaugh Gahr Lynwood Norwalk Warren
Girls basketball	Downey Lynwood Mayfair Paramount Warren	Bellflower Dominguez Firebaugh Gahr La Mirada Norwalk
Boys soccer	Downey Lynwood Norwalk Paramount Warren	Bellflower Dominguez Firebaugh Gahr La Mirada Mayfair
Girls soccer	Downey La Mirada Mayfair Paramount Warren	Bellflower Dominguez Firebaugh Gahr Lynwood Norwalk
Wrestling	Downey Mayfair Paramount Warren	Bellflower Dominguez Gahr La Mirada Norwalk
Girls water polo:	Cerritos, Downey, Gahr, La Mirada, Paramount, St. Joseph’s and Warren	
Spring sports 2023		
Baseball	Upper League Bellflower Downey Gahr La Mirada Warren	Lower League Dominguez Firebaugh Lynwood Mayfair Norwalk Paramount
Softball	Downey Gahr La Mirada Mayfair Warren	Bellflower Dominguez Firebaugh Lynwood Norwalk Paramount
Boys volleyball	Bellflower Downey Gahr Paramount Warren	Dominguez Firebaugh La Mirada Lynwood Mayfair Norwalk
Boys tennis	Downey Gahr Mayfair Norwalk Warren	Bellflower Dominguez Firebaugh La Mirada Lynwood Paramount
Boys golf:	Bellflower, Downey, Firebaugh, Gahr, La Mirada, Mayfair and Warren	

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herself when the item came up for discussion.

Questions into Johnson were not answered.

Johnson knew better too; her campaign materials bragged about her 20 years as a paralegal with the District Attorney and her years exposed to business and networking; she likely saw a recusal or two working as Supervisor Hahn's representative.

If Mayor Vo read the budget and did not see Johnson recuse herself, he should’ve leaned forward and told Johnson to recuse herself.

Questions into Vo were not answered.

And if the City Attorney did not see Johnson recuse or Vo asking her to recuse, he should’ve leaned forward and said, “Councilwoman, you need to recuse yourself.”

With all the legal firepower and the experience of 24-year politician Bruce Barrows and businessman Naresh Solanki, Johnson was allowed to ask questions for ten minutes before Mayor Vo interrupted and called a "ten-minute recess" that lasted nearly 30 minutes.

When the City Council and City Attorney emerged, everyone took their seat and the City Attorney spoke first saying, “as you know Ms. Johnson works for the Sheriff’s Station she must recuse herself.”

Mayor Vo asked Johnson to leave the room; Johnson moved her chair, walked around the dias, and left the council chambers, but the damage had been done.

The Political Reform Act and Fair Political Practices Commission Government Code Section Section 1090 “prohibits a councilperson from participating in making government contracts in which the official or employee within the agency has a financial interest.”

“Making” a contract includes final approval of the agreement, as well as involvement in preliminary discussion, planning, negotiation, and solicitation of bids.

An official can have a “financial interest” in a contract in a variety of ways and it is not limited by the amount of the interest or how closely connected the official’s interest is to the contract.

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Section 1090 of the Political Reform Act

Government Code Section 1090 prohibits an officer, employee, or agency from participating in making government contracts in which the official or employee within the agency has a financial interest.

Section 1090 applies to virtually all state and local officers, employees, and multimember bodies, whether elected or appointed, at both the state and local level.

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A broad range of agreements are considered a contract under Section 1090.

Generally, there is a contract when an offer is made and accepted and there is something of value bargained for and exchanged by each party.

This includes written contracts, purchase of goods or services, employment agreements, leases, development agreements, etc.

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Several exceptions to Section 1090’s general prohibition also exist and, when applicable, officials may be considered to have no financial interest or a “remote” financial interest, so that a contract, or the official’s participation in the contracting process, is not prohibited under Section 1090.

Violations of Section 1090 can result in the voiding of contracts, criminal, civil, and administrative penalties, as well as a ban on holding public office.

The FPPC issues advice letters and opinions to persons subject to Section 1090 and enforces the provisions of Section 1090 through administrative and civil actions. More information about the advice letter process is available at the FPPC’s Formal Advice webpage. To file a complaint alleging a violation of Section 1090, go to the FPPC’s File a Complaint webpage.



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and incumbent Ivan Altamirano. In Lakewood, Todd Rogers, Steve Croft and Cassandra Chase are ahead in preliminary results for three seats in the city's first-ever by-district council election. More ballots remain to be counted. Todd Rogers will win but Croft is only ahead of Laura Sanchez-Ramirez by 208 votes; and Chase is ahead of Veronica Lucio by 24 votes.

Updates are expected at least every Tuesday and Friday at 4 p.m. until the County finalizes the vote count, which is expected by July 1. Residents in newly created Districts 1, 2 and 5 are electing council members based on the June 7, 2022 election. In 2024, voters in Districts 3 and 4 will elect new council members. Maps of the districts and additional information about the new district election system is available at lakewoodcity.org/

Health Corner
Bladder Botox for Overactive Bladder

Karyn Eilber, MD

Bladder Botox is the same Botox used cosmetically—it's a botulinum toxin that is used to "relax" the bladder muscle much like it relaxes (paralyzes) facial muscles for wrinkles. Bladder Botox can be used to treat an overactive bladder. When people have this health condition, their bladder muscle is involuntarily contracting/spasming so they can get uncontrollable urges to urinate and even have incontinence. Bladder Botox can be life-changing. Although many people can control their overactive bladder with behavioral changes such as avoiding excessive fluid intake or excessive caffeine, some people need overactive bladder medication. And despite these measures, many people seek out treatments

such as bladder Botox. There are even treatments similar to acupuncture or a "bladder pacemaker" to control the nerves in the bladder. Though bladder Botox can be very beneficial at treating an overactive bladder, the main risk of bladder Botox is that it works too well and someone can temporarily have difficulty urinating or even inability to urinate, but fortunately, this occurs in a very small percentage of people and it also doesn't occur suddenly as Botox effects have a gradual onset. The other consideration is that Botox is not permanent and usually requires treatment every five to six months. Karyn Eilber, MD, is a board-certified urologist with sub-specialty board certification in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery and has over 20 years of experience taking care of women's most intimate needs. She is an Associate Professor of Urology and Obstetrics & Gynecology at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and is the Associate Program Director for the Cedars-Sinai Urology Residency Training Program.

districtelections. Linda Sánchez won her congressional seat by a large margin; Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia is in a runoff with R-John Briscoe for the 42nd congressional district. State Senator Bob Archuleta (D-Pico Rivera) will be in a runoff with R-Mitch Clemmons, the vote was 21,058 to 19,758 for Clemmons. Speaker Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood) won handily with over 60% of the vote; ABCUSD President Soo Yoo will be serving two masters; one as a school board member and the other as a candidate for 67th Assembly. Yoo will be in a runoff with Sharon Quirk-Silva, the seat is in OC and LA counties; Silva and Yoo received 14,000 and 12,000 votes in the OC; 2,600 and 2,300 in LA, respectively.

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block of Hepworth, a 500 s.f., one bedroom, one bath house in Commerce; he lives with his wife and two children. Yet according to the data, nine other people are registered, and live, at the house, all with the last name Madrigal, who, according to sources, is Mendoza's wife's family. The penalties for conspiracy to commit voter fraud can be quite heavy, Compton's Isaac Galvan and his four friends were charged by the Los Angeles County District Attorney and face heavy penalties and possible jail time. Emails to Mendoza were responded with. "I am going to sue you, filing a class-action lawsuit."

Catalytic Converter Etching Event in Artesia

By Tammye McDuff

Catalytic converter theft is one of the fastest rising crimes in California. The City of Artesia is partnering with the LA County Sheriff's Department to offer a free Catalytic Converter Etching Event for Artesia residents. The event will be held at Artesia Park located at 18750 Clarkdale Avenue on Friday June 17 and will be held from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. HMG-CN has attended several of these events and the etching is highly recommended.

As vehicles drive through the parking area, vehicles will be checked to see if there has ever been a stolen converter installed. Sheriff's will then etch a number onto the catalytic converter. Some law enforcement departments are suggesting that vehicles install a CAT cage.

This is not required by law, but it does help to divert any thief from trying to remove the catalytic converter. The cage is metal wrap that goes onto each converter and is then attached to the vehicle.

Cars Automotive & Muffler specializes in installing Custom Catalytic Cages, building custom made security with quality for all types of vehicles. Their custom made rebar 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. Since 1978 Cars Automotive & Muffler has served the ongoing needs of drivers throughout the South Bay. They have ASE-Certified technicians that know how to handle catalytic converter replacements on a wide range of vehicles.

This event is offered at no cost to Artesia residents and business. Attendees must present an ID and vehicle registration at the event. For more information and to make a reservation contact Artesia City Hall at 562-865-6262 to pre-register your vehicle.

Cerritos Water Quality Report Available

Staff Report

The City's Annual Consumer Confidence (Water Quality) Report is available on the City's website at cerritos.us/ccr2021.pdf. The report indicates that Cerritos water meets all primary state and federal standards. State and federal laws require printed or electronic distribution of the water-quality information to everyone served by the City's water utility. The report describes the City's stringent water tests, which are conducted more frequently than required by the State Health Department. The Consumer Confidence Report provides detailed test results and explains the City's water supply, which flows to customers through a system of wells, reservoirs, mains and pipes. For more information, call the Water Division at (562) 407-2674.

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Cerritos Honors 1st CEB Marine



MERITORIOUS MARINE: Cpl. Aaron Hawkins with his wife Cheyenne.

Cerritos honored Meritorious Marine, Corporal Aaron J. Hawkins, from Camp Pendleton this past Saturday. Cerritos "Adopted" the Marines and Sailors of the 1st Combat Engineer Battalion in 2007, hosting Meritorious Marines every month.

Corporal Aaron Hawkins and his wife Cheyenne spent the weekend in Cerritos with lodging and meals compliments of 1st CEB sponsors.

Aaron J. Hawkins was born on 25 December 1995 at Camp Lejeune, NC. After attending Arizona State University for 3 years, he was recruited into the Marine Corps in September of 2018. After completing recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, he was meritoriously promoted to Private First Class.

Corporal Hawkins has participated in multiple platoon, company, battalion, and Division-level exercises. During the

summer of 2021, Corporal Hawkins was selected to participate in a division-wide training exercise, assigned as part of the aggressor forces opposing the Marines who were completing mountain training in Bridgeport, CA. Over the course of the two-month training exercise, Corporal Hawkins hiked over 100 miles, leading his squad in mock attacks against the Marines in training.

As part of his normal duties with the Communications Platoon, Corporal Hawkins has been the responsible Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) in charge of Tools, Publications, and Calibrations. Part of his duties includes the repair and/or disposal of broken equipment and the procurement of replacement items, ordering high-value equipment on a regular basis.

Under Corporal Hawkins' leadership, he and his fellow maintenance Marines prepared for and achieved a high score in a recent Field Supply and Maintenance Office inspection, scoring 98.7 out of 100, the highest score earned by any communication section out of the entirety of 1st Marine Division. Due to his outstanding performance in preparing for the inspection, maintaining the battalion's communications equipment, and disposing of non-repairable units, he was awarded a Naval Achievement Medal in July of 2021.

Corporal Aaron Hawkins has proven himself and has distinguished himself through his high standards, work ethic, and performance, in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service

Cerritos' Rosewood Park Improvements Approved

The Cerritos City Council has awarded a \$330,700 contract to Cinbad Industry, Inc. to perform playground improvements at Rosewood Park.

The Chatsworth-based company will remove existing playground equipment and install new rubberized surfacing along with new playground equipment. Existing sand surface material and a concrete walkway will be removed and the drinking fountain will be replaced.

The work, which will be partly funded by Community Development Block Grant funds, is expected to be completed in June.

Legal and Illegal Fireworks Prohibited in Cerritos

As Independence Day approaches, residents are reminded that fireworks – including the "safe and sane" varieties sold in neighboring cities – are not allowed in Cerritos.

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 A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JUDY CHAVEZ AKA MARTHA JUDITH CHAVEZ in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
 THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JUDY CHAVEZ AKA MARTHA JUDITH CHAVEZ be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
 THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
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 A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 06/21/22 at 8:30AM in Dept. 29 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
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 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.
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 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of MARTIN PAUL FARLEY.
 A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by PAUL MARTIN FARLEY in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
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**CITY OF CERRITOS
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 NOTICE TO BIDDERS OF THE
 GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION – CIVIC CENTER
 PROJECT NO. 17199, BID NO. 1449-22**

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: GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION – CIVIC CENTER PROJECT NO. 17199, BID NO. 1449-22. Project Description:** The work or improvement to be performed generally consists of diverting groundwater extracted from the Civic Center parking structure (18025 Bloomfield Avenue) and discharging it to the 18” vitrified clay pipe (VCP) sewer main that runs north-south on Bloomfield Avenue. This project includes, but is not limited to, construction of a wet well, two (2) lift stations, several manholes, and new sewer lines. This project also includes dewatering of the subterranean orchestra pit at the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts (18000 Park Plaza Drive) by discharging collected groundwater to the existing local sewer line via the construction of a four-inch (4”) sewer pipe and flow meter. **Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting: Friday, June 24, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.** City Hall 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703. **The City will not review bids from contractors who do not attend the pre-bid meeting. Bids will be opened: Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. Place of bid receipt:** The bid submission must be received in the Office of the City Clerk, First Floor, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, CA 90703. Bids must be marked: **“GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION – CIVIC CENTER, PROJECT NO. 17199, BID NO. 1449-22.”** It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that the bid is received in the appropriate location by the deadline. Bids not received in the Office of the City Clerk by the deadline provided will not be considered. 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 plans and specifications may be purchased by contacting Cerritos Engineering Division at (562) 916-1219. The cost of the bid documents is \$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 a bid security referred to in the Contract Documents and by a list of proposed subcontractors. Evidence of insurance, a Performance Bond, a Labor and Material Payment Bond, and Warranty 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 money withheld by a public agency to ensure performance under the contract. The procedure and requirements for substituting said securities are 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.”** 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 proposes 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 <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 pay not 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. On March 4, 2022, Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-6-22 (EO) regarding sanctions in response to Russian aggression in Ukraine. The EO is located at <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/3.4.22-Russia-Ukraine-Executive-Order.pdf>. All contractors shall comply with economic sanctions imposed in response to Russia’s action’s in Ukraine, per this order and other federal executive orders identified by the U.S. Department of Treasury. Failure to comply with these orders shall result in the termination of contract. By order of the City of Cerritos.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **Cerritos City Council** will conduct a public hearing at a meeting on **Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.** on the following matter:
REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO WAIVE FULL READING OF AND ADOPT A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS AND THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CERRITOS REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL COMBINED FINANCIAL PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO MEET THE EXPENDITURES SET FORTH THEREIN, AND APPROVING THE PAY SCHEDULES FOR PERSONNEL EXPENSES AS SET FORTH IN THE EMPLOYEE CLASSIFICATION TABLES AND CLASSIFICATION STEPS.
REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO WAIVE FULL READING OF AND ADOPT A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CERRITOS AND THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CERRITOS REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL INVESTMENT POLICY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023
 This public hearing will be conducted in-person in the Cerritos City Council Chamber, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, Cerritos, California, 90703. To protect public health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic and in compliance with the current State Department of Public Health and Los Angeles County Health Officer Orders and City of Cerritos COVID-19 Safety Plan, the City Council Chamber will be open to the public. As authorized by State of California Executive Orders N-25-20, N-29-20, and N-08-21, and subsequently by Assembly Bill 361 (Chapter 165, Statutes of 2021) and City Council Resolution No. 2022-10 adopted pursuant thereto, this meeting may also be conducted via teleconference, if necessary. Public observation and participation in this meeting will be facilitated through the methods described below. Public comments can be provided during the meeting or via email to City_Clerk@cerritos.us or by hard copy to the Office of the City Clerk no later than 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting. Please identify the agenda item number in the subject line of the email or hard copy document. All written correspondence received by the 3:00 p.m. deadline will be distributed to the legislative body prior to the meeting. During the meeting, your name and summary comments will be read into the record. The document will be retained with the public record of the meeting. The meeting will air live on Cerritos TV3 and will be streamed over the City of Cerritos website. A copy of the related agenda report will be available for download from the website on the Friday prior to the public hearing. If you challenge the above mentioned item and related actions in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence emailed to the Office of the City Clerk prior to the public hearing. Any person interested in this matter may contact the Office of the City Clerk at (562) 916-1248 for additional information and/or appear at the hearing in person or by agent and be heard.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF:
 NANCY HACKERT PODRAZA AKA NANCY HACKERT
 CASE NO. 22STPB02417
 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be inter-ested in the WILL or estate, or both of NANCY HACKERT PODRAZA AKA NANCY HACKERT.
 A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JEF-FREY CHARLES HACKERT in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
 THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that KATH-ERINE MARION MIRKOVICH be appointed as per-sonal representative to adminis-ter 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: 07/08/22 at 8:30AM in Dept. 29 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGE-LES, 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
 JOSEPH N. MIRKOVICH, ESQ. - SBN 46544,
 RUSSELL, MIRKOVICH & MORROW
 ONE WORLD TRADE CENTER, SUITE 1660
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
 (Division 6 of the Commercial Code)
 Escrow No. 36031-KR
 (1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described
 (2) The name and business addresses of the seller are: GAURI CORP, 1100 WASHINGTON BLVD., UNIT D, MON-TEBELLO, CA 90640
 (3) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: 31045 HAWKSMOOR DRIVE, RANCHO PALOS VERDES, CA 90275
 (4) The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: SHAH SUBS INC., 11957 CRESSON STREET, NORWALK, CA 90650
 (5) The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL AND FRAN-CHISE RIGHTS of that certain business located at: 1100 WASH-INGTON BLVD., UNIT D, MONTEBEL-LO, CA 90640
 (6) The business name used by the seller(s) at said location is: SUBWAY #37245
 (7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is JUNE 29, 2022 at the office of: AD-VANTAGE ONE ESCROW, 19671 BEACH BLVD STE 103 HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92648, Escrow No. 36031-KR, Escrow Officer: KIT RHOADS
 (8) Claims may be filed with Same as "7" above
 (9) The last date for filing claims is: JUNE 28, 2022.
 (10) This Bulk Sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.
 (11) As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE.
 Dated: MAY 13, 2022
 SELLER: GAURI CORP, A CALIFOR-NIA CORPORATION
 BUYER: SHAH SUBS INC., A CALI-FORNIA CORPORATION
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**CITY OF LA MIRADA
 PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 28, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., the City of La Mirada will conduct a public hearing to consider the following:

Adoption of the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget

LOCATION OF HEARING:
 La Mirada City Hall
 City Council Chambers
 13700 La Mirada Boulevard
 La Mirada, California 90638

INVITATION TO BE HEARD:
 All interested persons will be given an opportunity to comment on this item at the public hearing. In addition, written comments may be submitted to the Agency prior to the hearing, mailed to 13700 La Mirada Blvd., La Mirada, California 90638, Attention: City Clerk. Please reference hearing title and date of hearing in any correspondence.

If you wish to challenge the above in court, the challenge will be limited only to those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk at, or prior to, the public hearing described in this notice.

The agenda report for this item will be available at 5 p.m. on June 23, and a copy may be obtained. For further information, contact the City Clerk’s Office at (562) 943-0131.

Anne Haraksin, City Clerk

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