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Cerritos Councilman Chuong Vo Has Not Asked Appointee to Resign After He Lied on School Board Application

Sean Wang, who was appointed to Cerritos' Let Freedom Ring Committee by Vo, wrote on the application that he lived in Hawaiian Gardens in July of this year.

By Brian Hews

This past July, Dr. Chris Apodaca resigned from his ABCUSD District 7 position, citing family reasons and setting off the process of the ABC Board appointing an area resident to the vacant seat.

One of the requirements dic-

tated that the applicant must live in Hawaiian Gardens.

Several people applied including eventual appointee Francisco Noyola, former Hawaiian Gardens Mayor Mike Gomez, Luis Rodriguez, and a candidate named Sean Wang.

Documents obtained by Los Cerritos Community News, signed under penalty of perjury, show Wang indicated that he lived at 22401 Ibex Ave. a very unkempt tiny two-bedroom, one-bath home in Hawaiian Gardens; Wang also checked a box saying he was a resident of Hawaiian Gardens.

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NORWALK HIGH FOOTBALL TAKES ANNUAL MAYOR'S CUP

NORWALK MAYOR Ana Valencia and Norwalk High head coach Ruben Guerrero pose with the Mayor's Cup trophy with the team surrounding them as the Lancers defeated John Glenn High 44-8 last Friday to win its third straight meeting with its city rivals. PHOTO BY LOREN KOPFF.

Cerritos City Council Hires City Manager

Staff Report

The Cerritos City Council appointed Robert A. Lopez to the position of City Manager at the September 14, 2023 City Council meeting.

Commencing November 4, 2023, Lopez will replace retiring City Manager Art Gallucci, who has served as City Manager since 1991.

[See LOPEZ page 14]

California Bill to Allow Amsterdam-Style Pot Cafes Hits Newsom's Desk

The bill passed its final legislative hurdles passing with a 33 to 3 Senate vote a 66-9 Assembly vote.

Staff Report

Assemblymember Matt Haney's (D-San Francisco) bill AB 374 to allow local California governments to license Amsterdam-style cannabis cafes passed its final legislative hurdles passing out the California State Senate with a 33 to 3 vote and the Assembly with a final 66 to 9 vote. The bill has enjoyed broad bi-partisan support throughout the legislative process. While cannabis cafes in the Netherlands offer a social experience where coffee, food, and live music are enjoyed together with cannabis, these businesses are currently illegal under California law. Haney's AB 374 will allow struggling cannabis businesses to diversify away from the marijuana-only "dispensary" model and will bring much-needed tourist dollars into empty downtowns.

"Lots of people want to enjoy legal cannabis in the company of

others," said Haney. "And many people want to do that while sipping coffee, eating a scone, or listening to music. There's absolutely no good reason from an economic, health, or safety standpoint that the state should make that illegal. If an authorized cannabis retail store wants to also sell a cup of coffee and a sandwich, we should allow cities to make that possible and stop holding back these small businesses."

California is known worldwide as the birthplace of cannabis culture with its early adoption of medical cannabis and its expertise in cultivation, but Amsterdam competes with California for cannabis dollars and for the title of the world capital of cannabis. Over 700 cannabis cafes operate across the Netherlands, and over 1 billion dollars are spent in Dutch cannabis cafes every year.

California on the other hand, is still dealing with the unintended consequences of decades of a "medical marijuana-only" policy. California's "dispensaries" have replaced the social aspect of the Amsterdam cannabis scene with pharmacy-like businesses that only allow customers to order cannabis at a counter, purchase

[See POT CAFES page 14]

Pico Rivera Council Approves Smart Waste Collection Pilot Program at Smith Park

By Brian Hews

The Pico Rivera City Council, at its Tuesday meeting, approved an innovative Smart Waste Collection Pilot Program at Smith Park to be funded by Senate Bill 1383 Fee Funds, monies the city has collected from residential and commercial waste accounts since July 2021 for the specific purpose of improving waste diversion rates.

The council voted 5-0 to award the contract to Bigbelly, Inc. for the purchase of fifty smart waste bins for nearly \$287,000.

Bigbelly trash bins are a type of smart, solar-powered waste management system that aims to improve the efficiency and sustainability of waste collection in urban and public spaces.

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[See WASTE page 7]

Metro Accepting Applications From Teens For Youth Council Positions

By Brian Hews

Since October 2021, when Metro launched its GoPass program, the agency has had more than 23 million student boardings.

Now Metro wants to get their input.

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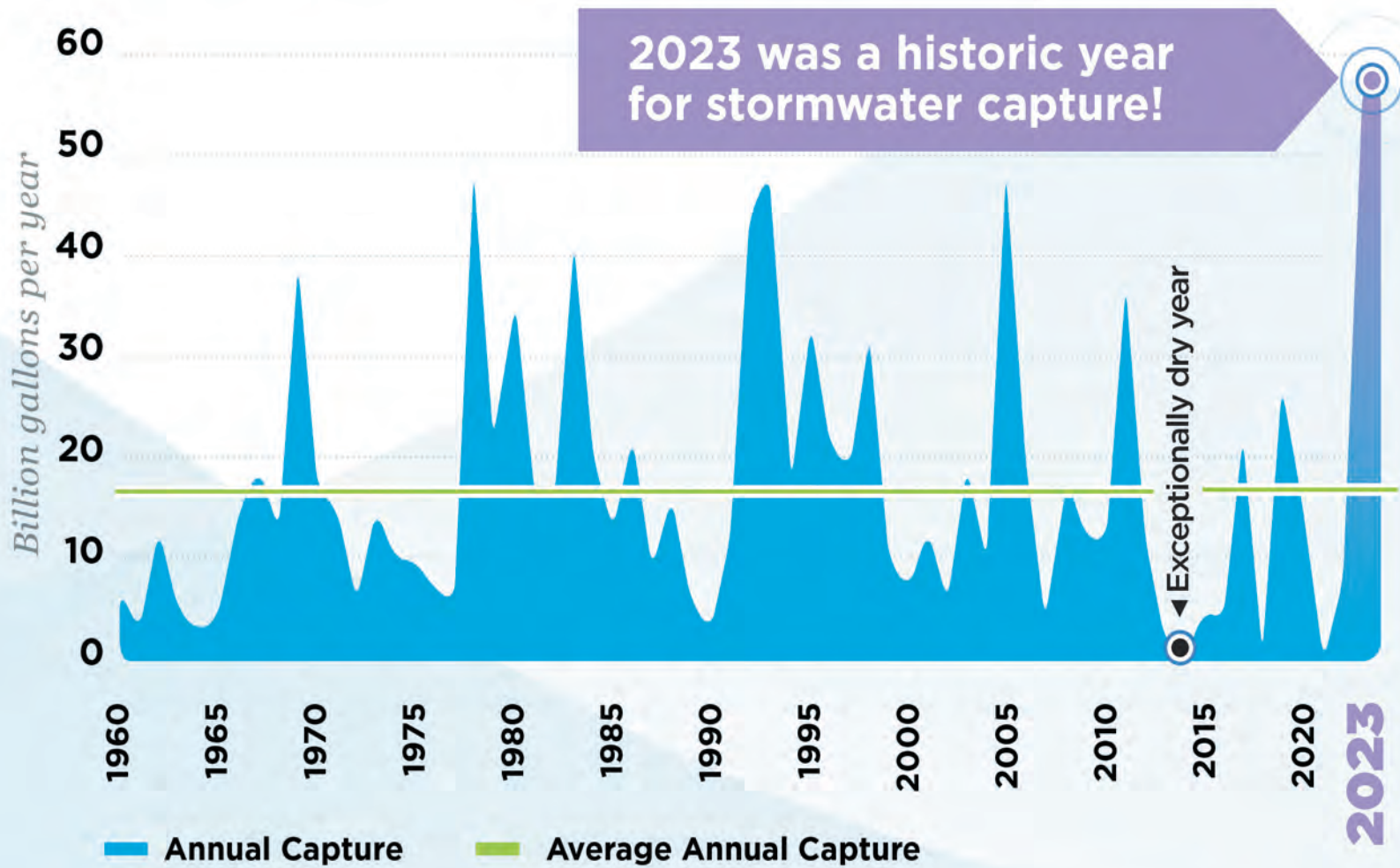
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La Mirada Employee and Community Members Saved Life



LA MIRADA MAYOR Steve De Ruse presenting the Community Spotlight Award to (l-r) Paul Castillo, Manny Peña, Tech Enciso, and Adam Quinones.

Staff Report

La Mirada's Community Spotlight Award recognizes exceptional members or organizations of the community who, through their actions, reflect positively on themselves and the city.

The La Mirada City Council recognized Community Services Supervisor Paul Castillo, L.A. County Sheriff's Deputy Daniel Garcia, and community members Tech Enciso, Manny Peña, and Adam Quinones and presented them with Community Spotlight Awards for actions they took to help a La Mirada resident.

On August 3, resident and Community Gymnasium member Crisanto De Leon suffered a cardiac emergency and collapsed to the floor. Castillo, Enciso, Peña, and Quinones rushed to aid Mr. De Leon while others called 911 for emergency assistance.

After assessing his condition, it was determined CPR was required. Rescue breaths were delivered to him and Castillo and Enciso took turns performing

chest compressions.

Peña stepped in to relieve Enciso in performing chest compressions while Quinones quickly retrieved the AED machine that was later used to deliver an electrical shock to help re-establish an effective heart rhythm.

Shortly afterwards, Deputy Garcia arrived and alternated with Castillo in performing chest compressions.

After multiple rounds of CPR, Mr. De Leon was slowly resuscitated and ultimately stabilized by paramedics.

If not for the quick actions of Community Services Supervisor Paul, Deputy Garcia, Enciso, Peña, and Quinones, Mr. De Leon's condition would have worsened, putting his life in jeopardy. Their immediate response, acting without hesitation, and putting their life saving skills into action made the difference.

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ABCUSD Trustee Soo Yoo Rails on Public Education, Only One Board Member Speaks Out

Dear Editor,

I recently viewed ABCUSD's last School Board meeting online and was very deeply offended. I am a 46-year Cerritos resident, my 3 children all attended ABC schools from pre-school thru graduation, and I am a retired ABCUSD teacher of 39 years. I believe in public education. My eldest child is a public-school teacher and all of my grandchildren attend public school. I, too, attended public schools. When I heard Board Member Soo blasting public education, stating that teachers are indoctrinating students in regard to gender affirmation and so-called promiscuous sex education and also attacking parental rights, I could feel my blood pressure rising and my stomach aching. She added insult to injury when she began advocating for parents to opt for home or alternative schooling! Why is she a school board representative? How can she advocate for ABCUSD while tearing down the very institution of public education and accusing teachers of harming students? I am offended I am outraged!

I am also greatly offended that no other school board representative took a stand against Board Member Yoo's words except for Dr. Olga Rios. Their silence is chilling...chilling!

Ask any teacher and they will tell you that students are their priority. They need a school board that stands up for and protects public education, protects their teachers and all other educational workers so that our students will thrive, will be our nation's strong future nurses, firefighters, sanitation workers, social workers, retail workers, leaders and grocery and government workers. I am deeply concerned.

Roni Love

ABCUSD Trustee Soo Yoo Rails on Public Education

Dear Editor,

Thank you for giving front page coverage in your 9/8/23 edition to ABCUSD Trustee Soo Yoo's attack on Public Education and encouraging parents to try homeschooling. Kudos to her fellow Board Member Dr. Olga Rios, who grew up and was educated in ABC, for criticizing her and others' undermining of public education: "Advocating for kids to join a non-public school...that's not what we do up here Board Member Yoo. We stand behind the emblem of the Department of Education, we don't stand against it."

I would also like to commend ABC Federation of Teachers' President Ray Gaer for his incisive comments at the 9/5

Board Meeting: "It's really disturbing to hear the person who has the number one high school in California (Whitney HS) speak about how public schools are doing a disservice to students. It's a shame that somebody who's on a public education board is actually advocating for home-schooling, which would take away funding from the school district."

As a community member, parent and educator in ABCUSD since 1969, I could not agree more with Dr. Rios and Mr. Gaer. I would also encourage others who care about and treasure Public Education to attend Board Meetings, write to your newspaper and speak out against these unjustified attacks against it by Board Member Yoo and others.

Linda J. Hernández
Cerritos Resident

ABCUSD Trustee Soo Yoo Rails on Public Education

Dear Editor,

As a retired school board member in La Habra, I am shocked and disgusted by Trustee Soo Yoo's comments at the September 5th ABC School District Board meeting. Among other negative comments, she encouraged district parents to pursue home teaching as an option to sending their children to the ABC district schools if they are not satisfied

with district policies, basically removing their students from the district.

Firstly, this is an attack on public education, and would take much needed revenue away from the district she supposedly represents.

Secondly, comments like hers are an insult to the hardworking teachers, administrators, and classified staff at the district schools who are working diligently to educate their students.

Finally, as an elected trustee it is her JOB to work with other board members to address concerns of all stakeholders in the community.

Apparently Ms Yoo has a conflict of interest in that she owns a local tutoring business which would, no doubt, benefit from local students moving from schools to home teaching? Could this be the primary reason for her comments? Or is she simply ignorant of the role of a school board member- to provide leadership and support to the district in which she was elected?

Either way, I hope local voters take a close look at their elected representative and decide whether she deserves to continue representing them in this capacity?

Sharon H. Brown
Retired Board Member
La Habra City School District

Since When Is It Wrong To Demand Facebook And Twitter Remove Falsehoods?

By Erwin Chemerinsky

A decision last Friday by a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit puts in jeopardy one of the few tools that exist to deal with false speech on the internet.

The court ruled that the White House, the FBI, the surgeon general's office and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention cannot communicate with social media platforms to encourage them to remove false speech. Although it narrowed a federal district's broader injunction issued in July, the appeals court left in place a restriction of important speech by the federal government.

False speech over the internet and social media can do great harm, even causing the loss of life. One aspect of the case involved the federal government's concerns with false information being spread about COVID-19 and vaccines on social media. Federal officials rightly feared that false claims by anti-vaxxers would reduce vaccinations and put lives in jeopardy.

The lawsuit against the Biden administration was brought by Louisiana and Missouri along with a website owner and four people who opposed the government's COVID-19 policy, among other issues. A federal district judge in Louisiana issued an injunction against the White House and many federal agencies.

The 5th Circuit ruling reversed the injunction against several agencies, including the departments of State, Homeland Security, Health and Human Services and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. But it left much of the injunction in place for four agencies.

The court in its decision relied on a 1963 decision that involved the government threatening obscenity prosecutions against booksellers. Government coercion violates the 1st Amendment. But there is no evidence that the Biden administration threatened any social media company with prosecution or any enforcement action.

The court said Biden administration officials "threatened — both expressly and implicitly — to retaliate against inaction. Officials threw out the prospect

of legal reforms and enforcement actions while subtly insinuating it would be in the platforms' best interests to comply." But telling someone that the failure to act could lead to new laws and regulations is not coercion. Never did the government warn the social media companies that they were violating the law and would face punishment if they did not accede to requests to remove content.

The court said the administration violated the 1st Amendment by encouraging the platforms to engage in content-moderation of false speech. It concluded that the officials "significantly encouraged the platforms to moderate content by exercising active, meaningful control over those decisions."

There is nothing, however, in the opinion that shows the government exercised "control" over the content on social media. Encouraging platforms to remove false content does not violate the 1st Amendment.

The panel declared that "social-media platforms' content-moderation decisions must be theirs and theirs alone." That is certainly right, but it is ironic to read this reasoning since the same court last year upheld the constitutionality of a Texas law that prohibits internet and social media platforms from engaging in content moderation. There is no way to reconcile that decision with the 5th Circuit panel now proclaiming that social media companies get total say over the content on their platforms.

A petition for review of last year's case is now pending before the Supreme Court. Likewise, the Supreme Court will be asked to review Friday's ruling on an expedited basis; the 5th Circuit panel said its decision would not go into effect for 10 days to permit Supreme Court consideration.

The Supreme Court should take both of these cases and make clear that internet and social media companies have the right to decide on the content on their platforms. The Texas law prohibiting content moderation is thus unconstitutional. But it should be constitutional for the government to encourage removal of false speech from social platforms, so

long as no coercion occurs.

The challenge is to find ways to combat the spread of false information that can harm public safety without jeopardizing freedom of expression. The government identifying false speech and notify-

ing social media companies is a sensible way to address this problem.

Erwin Chemerinsky is the dean of the UC Berkeley School of Law. His latest book is "Worse Than Nothing: The Dangerous Fallacy of Originalism."

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Whittier Union Teachers Visit Poland, Auschwitz



HISTORY: from (l-r) MaryAnn Fajardo of Frontier High School, Gena Arriola-Salas of Pioneer High School and John Bellanti of Whittier High School participated in the Auschwitz Legacy Program, a one-week trip to Poland in July, as part of an education initiative created by the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial Foundation to keep the memories of victims alive.

Staff Report

Three Whittier Union history teachers received an up-close look at living history when they participated in the Auschwitz Legacy Program, a one-week trip to Poland in July that included tours of the infamous Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp and the Warsaw Ghetto, as well as access to archives of letters and personal items saved from Holocaust victims during World War II.

John Bellanti of Whittier High School, Gena Arriola-Salas of Pioneer High School and MaryAnn Fajardo of Frontier High School joined a group of 30 educators and Holocaust researchers from across the United States as part of an education initiative created by the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial Foundation to keep the memories of victims alive.

For Bellanti, Arriola-Salas and Fajardo – who all include WWII and the Holocaust in their lesson plans – the trip was extremely educational.

Each teacher discovered new information, such as the existence of the Ringelblum Archives, a collection of letters written by Jewish families in Warsaw that were hidden in milk cans and are now preserved at the Jewish Historical Institute in Warsaw. During the trip, the three teachers found themselves in areas and locales where Holocaust victims arrived, slept and washed up. At the Auschwitz Museum, seeing handprints on the walls and unused cannisters of Zyklon B provided images that the teachers said will stay with them forever.

The teachers toured the Warsaw Ghetto extensively, an area where more than 450,000 Polish Jews were held before many were taken to concentration camps.

The encampment was leveled by Nazis during the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising in 1943.

The tour group viewed the remaining segment of the iron wall and remnants of the ghetto, which is now mostly apartment complexes.

The group also spent a day in Krakow touring centuries-old synagogues that were spared destruction by the Nazis.

One possible outcome of the trip abroad is a joint effort by Whittier Union and the Foundation to arrange for a virtual tour of Auschwitz-Birkenau for Whittier Union's Advanced Placement European History or World Civilization students, which aims to give students a better perspective of the history contained within its walls.

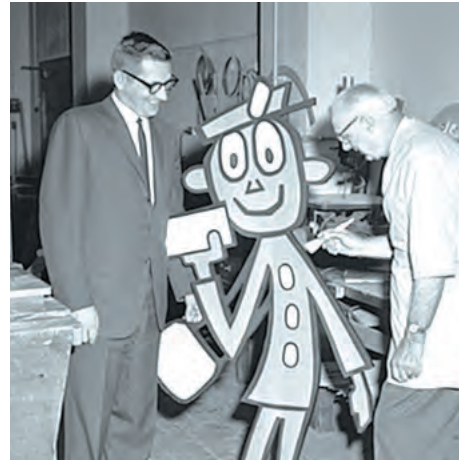
The trip also afforded Bellanti, Arriola-Salas and Fajardo the opportunity to meet with representatives of Holocaust museums in Los Angeles, Colorado and Michigan, which could lead to a series of professional development seminars with history teachers throughout the District.

"It is an honor to have three of our educators selected to travel with the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial Foundation and participate in this indispensable yet heartbreaking journey," Superintendent Dr. Monica Oviedo said.

"The true beneficiaries will be Whittier Union students, who will gain tremendous knowledge and a unique perspective about the Holocaust. It is more important than ever that the lessons learned from World War II are passed on to a new generation, so that no one will ever forget what happened in the ghettos and concentration camps of Europe."

USPS Zip Code System is 60 Years Old

The ZIP Code system turned 60 years old in August, when started, the program was meant to increase postal delivery



MR. ZIP, the code's mascot, helped in bringing the system to public attention.

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The full-court press paid off: By the end of the decade, the use of ZIP Codes had become established practice.

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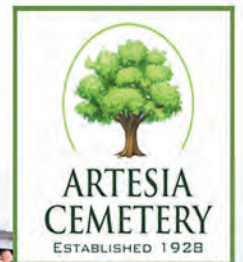
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Crime Summary

La Mirada

September 4-10, 2023

Notable Arrests

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

• Three suspects were arrested for carjacking.

• Two suspects were arrested for felony vandalism.

Robbery

• A robbery occurred on the 12300 block of La Mirada Blvd. Three suspects were arrested for the incident.

• An evening robbery was reported on the 14800 block of Telegraph Rd.

• An afternoon robbery occurred on the 15700 block of Valley View Ave.

Other Structure Burglary

• An ATM machine was stolen during an overnight burglary on the 15700 block of Imperial Hwy.

Grand Theft

• An attempt to steal a catalytic converter occurred on the 15500 block of Alicante Rd.

Grand Theft Auto

• A SUV was stolen on the 14900 block of La Mirada Blvd.

• A sedan was reported stolen on the 14800 block of Tacuba Dr.

• A sedan was stolen on the 14200 block of Firestone Blvd.

• A theft of a sedan occurred on the 12400 block of La Pomelo Dr.

• A late-night theft of a sedan occurred on the 12700 block of Corley Dr.

• A morning theft of a pickup truck occurred on the 14800 block of Fairvilla Dr.

• A van was reported stolen on the 11600 block of Arroyo Dr.

Baby Boy Surrendered at LA County Fire Station in Whittier

Staff Report

This week, Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn announced that a baby boy was safely surrendered at a Los Angeles County Fire Station in Whittier. The safe surrender occurred at 8:00 pm last night at Fire Station 28 on Greenleaf Avenue. The baby boy had been born earlier that same day and was transported safely to a local hospital.

“LA County’s Safe Surrender program has saved another life,” said Supervisor Janice Hahn. “I am thankful for this baby boy’s mother who chose to do the right thing, and for the LA County firefighters at Station 28 who were ready for the unexpected and got this baby to a hospital quickly and safely. And I am forever grateful to my predecessor Supervisor Don Knabe who championed this program and is responsible for hundreds of children growing up in safe, loving homes.”

LA County’s Safe Surrender Program was launched by Supervisor Hahn’s predecessor Supervisor Don Knabe in 2001. Parents or guardians may legally, safely, and anonymously, leave a baby three days old or younger with an employee at any Los Angeles County hospital or fire station, no questions asked. They will not face arrest or prosecution for child abandonment.

For more information about the program visit babysafela.org.

O.C. Power Authority Sponsors Korea Day Festival in Fullerton



MAYOR FRED JUNG, Orange County Power Authority Board Chair and OCPA External Affairs Manager Andrew Di Giovanna (center) welcomed representatives of Daroo to Fullerton on August 3. The OCPA presented a \$4,000 check to sponsor the first annual Korean Day Harmony & Respect Festival.

Staff Report

For the first time, Daroo Korean Performing Arts and Culture is bringing the "Korea Day Harmony & Respect" annual festival to Orange County.

The OCPA will be the title sponsor for the event that will be held in Fullerton on October 27-29, 2023 in the Fullerton Downtown Plaza.

Daroo Korean Performing Arts and Culture ("Daroo") was founded as a non-profit organization dedicated to spreading and promoting Korean traditional music and arts in the U.S.

The mission is to pass down the legacy and spirit of Korea to future generations.

generations.

The festival is more than just a cultural event; it is an immersive celebration that brings together artists, performers, vendors, and investors to unite and promote the richness of Korean heritage.

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Blue Shield Opens Offices Near L.B. Airport



BLUE SHIELD of California is putting down roots in the city of Long Beach. The new office location will support over 1,000 employees. With Blue Shield officials is (center) Long Beach Mayor Rex Richardson.

Staff Report

Blue Shield of California, along with Long Beach Mayor Rex Richardson, this week celebrated the opening of the nonprofit health plan's new state-of-the-art office complex at 3840 Kilroy Airport Way.

More than 1,000 Blue Shield employees will be working there.

The celebration included a ribbon-cutting ceremony with employees and local dignitaries.

"I'm thrilled to welcome Blue Shield of California to Long Beach and celebrate the opening of their new Long Beach office," said Mayor Richardson. "We are excited to have Blue Shield as neighbors, as friends, and as a thoughtful employer in our community."

As part of the commitment to Long Beach, Blue Shield employees are volunteering and giving.

In August, Blue Shield and Blue Shield of California Promise Health Plan employees volunteered at the Long Beach-based Foodbank of Southern California's mobile food pantry.

On October 13, dozens of Blue Shield employees will take part in a volunteer activity with the Conservation Corps of Long Beach, cleaning up and weeding the Wrigley Greenbelt.

Blue Shield employees are planning a food collection event in November, with the Foodbank of Southern California as a beneficiary. In addition, the company has provided a volunteer sponsorship program for ongoing employee involvement with the nonprofit.

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paction process can increase the bin's capacity several times compared to a regular trash bin.

The bins would be connected to the appropriate city department via wireless communication, which allows city waste collection personnel to monitor the bins in real-time using a web-based platform or a mobile app.

The monitoring will allow city employees to see which bins need emptying so they can prioritize routes, reducing the need for unnecessary collections and preventing overflows, making the waste collection process more cost-effective and environmentally friendly.

Bigbelly bins are made with triple, double, and single "stream systems." The triple bin system consists of waste, recyclables, and organics; the double bin includes waste and recyclables; and the single bin consists of solely recyclable bins.

The different bins will be strategically placed inside Smith Park. The triple bins will be placed near concession stands; the double bins will primarily replace single waste bins, and the single bins will replace the current bins found near the baseball field dugouts.

In its council report, Pico Rivera Staff found that implementing a smart waste collection program would drastically reduce the number of collections from fourteen to two per week, an 85% reduction in collections.

The collection reduction would save nearly 1,600 labor hours that would be reallocated toward other park maintenance activities, such as cleaning bathrooms, field maintenance, irrigation repair, and litter pick-up.

The labor savings are estimated to be \$160,000; with a reduction in other equipment and material costs, the city would save an additional \$23,000.

The Bigbelly bins will improve recycling rates from 17% to 60%. Additionally, it will reduce the annual plastic bag usage by nearly 30,000.

Finally, the program is expected to reduce annual waste to landfills by 69%, increase recycling rates by 112% and reduce vehicle mile traveled, known as VMT, by nearly 10,000 miles, removing 7.6 tons of harmful auto emissions from the environment.

Pico Rivera City Manager Steve Carmona told LCCN, "The City of Pico Rivera is taking a bold step towards sustainability with its smart waste collection pilot program at Smith Park. By implementing solar-powered trash compacting bins that not only comply with state recycling mandates but also offer a three-fold capacity increase, reduced collection frequency, and enhanced security against pests, we are making a resounding commitment to a greener future."

Carmona continued, "These innovations, coupled with solar panels for sustainable operation and fullness sensors for optimal waste collection, will not only reduce landfill waste but also drive operational efficiency, leading to significant cost savings. Pico Rivera is proud to be a dedicated steward in the region, showcasing our unwavering commitment to sustainable practices."



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Daffodils With a Difference

By Melinda Myers

There are so many reasons to love daffodils. These spring-blooming bulbs aren't fussy about where they are planted. They come back to bloom again year after year and are not bothered by deer, rabbits, or other garden pests. But there's also a whole world of beautiful daffodils beyond the classic yellow ones. Daffodils are available in unusual flower styles and unexpected colors that can bring a whole new look to spring gardens.

Get an early start on next year's daffodil season with Barrett Browning, a variety with pure white petals and brilliant red-orange trumpets. It is an excellent choice for naturalizing. Pink Charm also boasts white petals but has a large coral-pink trumpet with ruffled edges. It is considered one of the best pink daffodils and is known for its vigor and reliability.

Add eye-catching color with the dependable heirloom Red Devon's brilliant yellow petals and flashy orange cups. For a more subtle approach choose the pastel hues of British Gamble. Its white petals are a perfect backdrop for the ruffled peachy-pink trumpet on these enormous, 5" blossoms.

Change the shape of things with some split trumpet daffodils. Cassata is a strong grower with a ruffled lemon-yellow cup that lies almost flat against broad



LATE-BLOOMING: Delnashaugh double daffodil has showy layers of pure white petals coupled with apricot-pink ruffles. Photo courtesy of Longfield-Gardens.com



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white petals. Cum Laude boasts big, bright, extra frilly flowers with peachy accents. Lemon Beauty's flowers feature pure white petals, and its split trumpet resembles a bright yellow star.

Double daffodils add elegance to gardens and spring floral arrangements. They also stretch the season by blooming several weeks later than most other types. La Torch's upward-facing fragrant double flowers are a mix of yellow petals and bright orange ruffles. Delnashaugh is a late-blooming double with layers of pure white petals interspersed with apricot-pink ruffles. Lingerie's extra-large blooms have thickly ruffled centers of white and golden yellow petals.

Some daffodils produce a bouquet of blossoms on each stem. Pueblo grows just twelve inches tall, and its primrose yellow flowers gradually fade to creamy white. Beautiful Eyes has two to three flowers per stem, with white petals, bright orange cups and a gardenia-like fragrance.

Take it down in size by planting a few miniature daffodils. Tuck them into rock gardens, under shrubs, along paths, in containers, and mix them with other spring flowering bulbs and perennials. Tete a Tete has perky, bright yellow blossoms and grows just 7" tall. Tete Boucle is similar in size, but its double flowers display layers of yellow, gold, and green

petals.

Jet Fire is another outstanding miniature daffodil. It has bright orange trumpets and golden yellow swept-back petals and is a great small-scale naturalizer in the landscape. Minnow is an adorable little gem with pale-yellow petals and bright yellow trumpets. Sundisc's petite flowers have pale yellow petals and an almost flat, deep yellow trumpet. Miniature daffodils are a particularly good choice for perennials gardens, where they won't overwhelm neighboring plants.

For more on these and other unique daffodils, see Longfield Gardens Types of Daffodils to Know and Grow. With so many daffodil varieties to choose from, you are sure to find new ways to add spring beauty to your yard and gardens.

Melinda Myers has written more than 20 gardening books, including the recently released *Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition* and *Small Space Gardening*. She hosts *The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything"* DVD instant video series and the nationally syndicated *Melinda's Garden Moment TV & radio program*. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and was commissioned by Longfield Gardens for her expertise to write this article. Her website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

Seniors Invited to Health and Wellness Fair

The Cerritos Senior Center's annual Health and Wellness Fair will be held on Friday, October 6 at the Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park. The fair starts at 8:30 a.m. for Cerritos residents and 9 a.m. for non-residents. The event ends at noon.

The annual fair links seniors to resources that encourage a healthy, well-rounded approach to aging. Seniors age 50 years and older may participate in the screenings. A photo I.D. with current address is required to register and participate.

Vendors for the health fair are currently being sought. The non-refundable

vendor registration fee for a for-profit agency is \$100. For-profit agencies providing a free health screening for fair attendees will not be required to pay the fee. Non-profit agencies and local, county, state or federal agencies may register for free. Each vendor will receive an 8-foot space.

Prospective vendors can register through Friday, September 15 by contacting the Senior Center and requesting the vendor PDF application be emailed.

The Cerritos Senior Center
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Pleasant Holidays

BYO Blanket: Opera in the Park Comes to La Mirada



A PORTION of the set of Don Giovanni, designed by Es Devlin.

Staff Reports

Join LA Opera on Saturday, September 23 for Mozart's Don Giovanni, broadcast live in HD from the LA Opera stage to La Mirada Community Regional Park.

In Mozart's darkly funny drama Don Giovanni, a serial seducer is on the run from the women he's wronged, starring Grammy Award winners Lucas Meachem and Isabel Leonard, with set design from Es Devlin (known for her work with Beyonce, U2, and our very own 2022 Super Bowl).

The curtain rises at 6:00pm, but the fun begins pre-show with lawn games like ring toss and Connect 4, unique souvenirs from a balloon artist and caricaturist, and free popcorn for the first

500 attendees. Pack a picnic or sample goodies from Bittie Bitez, Colbert's Southern Gourmet, and Mike's Coffee Express and the Beer Garden. Don't forget to visit the LA Opera booth for your chance to win a gift basket and LA Opera merch!

To recap: a Mozart classic, a free night out, and fun for the whole family. La Mirada Community Regional Park is located at 13701 Adelfa Drive and has plenty of free parking available. RSVP at laopera.org/operainthepark to receive a special gift at the event.

LA Opera's Opera in the Park is made possible through the generous support of Los Angeles County and Supervisor Janice Hahn, with special appreciation to the City of La Mirada.

Drive-Thru Pet Clinic Hosted by the City of La Mirada

The City of La Mirada will be hosting a drive-thru Pet Vaccination Clinic in the parking lot of the La Mirada Community Gymnasium, located at 15105 Alicante Road.

The clinic will take place on Tuesday, September 19 from 5 to 8 p.m. by appointment only.

Additional clinics will be held on October 17, November 21, and December 19.

To make a reservation visit www.heart4pets.org/ and click on the "Clinic Services" tab.

Pet vaccination and micro chipping will be available at the following rates:

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- Microchips - \$35
- Deworming - \$15-35 (depending on weight)
- Nail Trim - \$20
- Flea and Tick Prevention - \$25-\$70 (depending on 1-mo or 3-mo)
- Pet licensing services will also be provided at the drive-thru site.
- No reservation is needed to renew or obtain new animal licenses.
- Pet licenses will be available at the following rates:
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- Senior Citizens-owned altered dog - \$7.50
- Unaltered Dog - \$60

Lakewood Chamber's 25th Annual Stampede Car Show



The Greater Lakewood Chamber of Commerce's Annual Summer Stampede Car Show is back for its 25th year on Sunday, Sept. 17 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Mayfair Park.

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WEEK THREE FOOTBALL

NORWALK'S M&M BOYS KEEP JOHN GLENN GROUNDED IN ANOTHER MAYOR'S CUP ROUT

By Loren Kopff
@LorenKopff on Twitter

Last season, Norwalk High senior Caleb Mitchell was part of a rushing attack grouped in with 'the others' as he saw David Herrera and Michael Mueller each rush for well over 1,000 yards and combine for over 40 touchdowns. Mitchell carried the ball 16 times, gained just under 100 yards and scored once.

Last season, junior running back Ezra Mueller was in the same situation, rushing for about 25 yards more than Mitchell while scoring twice. Now, with his brother and Herrera having graduated, it's his time and Mitchell's time to shine. And in the biggest game of the season, at least to those in the City of Norwalk, Mitchell and Mueller did not disappoint.

Mitchell rushed 15 times for 252 yards and scored four touchdowns and Mueller added another 154 yards on 14 touches with a score as the Lancers will keep the coveted Mayor's Cup on their campus for another year following a 44-8 win at John Glenn High last Friday. Norwalk improved to 2-1 and has scored over 40 points in all three games.

"They've just been working very, very hard," said Norwalk head coach Ruben Guerrero of his new star running backs. "They've done an amazing job at learning, not just the offense, but the intricacies of it. Where they could be successful... that learning curve has shortened and they're taking off. They're doing a lot of cool, fun things right now."

"It's kind of a big deal," said Mitchell of playing for the Mayor's Cup. "I love this sport; I love football and knowing we have a game like this where we have rivalries and have fun and play the sport, I think it's a big part of being a senior and showing up for my teammates."

Norwalk, which now owns a 40-17 series advantage with the 1965 and 1982 results unknown, got the ball to begin the play and drove 80 yards on six plays, ending with a Mitchell 24-yard touchdown run. It would be the first of six drives for the Lancers in the game, all resulting in touchdowns. After the Eagles were stopped on downs on their first drive, Mueller scored from 33 yards out and with a Mitchell two-point conversion run, it was 15-0 not even nine minutes into the contest.

Glenn's first opportunity to make some noise came on its second drive as junior wide receiver Jacob Ramirez hauled in a 27-yard pass from sophomore quarterback Luis Vergara as he was falling backwards towards the sideline. The play came on third and nine from Glenn's 28-yard line and was made possible after a potential fumble recovery from Norwalk senior lineman Jonathan Anguiano was reversed to an incomplete pass. But the Eagles ended that drive with a bad snap from center for a 15-yard loss, an incomplete pass, a false start penalty and a punt.

Norwalk's lone drive of the second quarter was the longest one of the game, lasting 15 plays and 8:16 as sophomore running back Diego Cerritos cashed in from a yard out. Add a two-point conversion run from senior running back Anthony Rodriguez, and the Lancers increased their lead to 23-0.

Adding insult to injury, Glenn was driving for a potential score before halftime as senior running back Tuiono Tuifua gained 28 yards on four straight plays, getting the ball to the Norwalk 42-yard line. But the half ended with Mueller



NORWALK MAYOR Ana Valencia and Norwalk High head coach Ruben Guerrero pose with the Mayor's Cup trophy with the team surrounding them as the Lancers defeated John Glenn High 44-8 last Friday to win its third straight meeting with its city rivals. PHOTO BY LOREN KOPFF.

sacking Vergara on consecutive plays for losses of 14 and eight yards respectively.

"Like I've been saying all season, it's just challenging with just a young team," said Glenn first-year head coach Elijah Penny. "And it showed against an experienced team; an experienced program.

Those are just things we just have to keep working on and keep cleaning up and understanding the importance of momentum swings and stuff like teaching a young team."

By halftime, it was clear Norwalk was going to win its third straight Mayor's Cup and 18th in the last 20 meetings. It had racked up 180 yards on 26 carries

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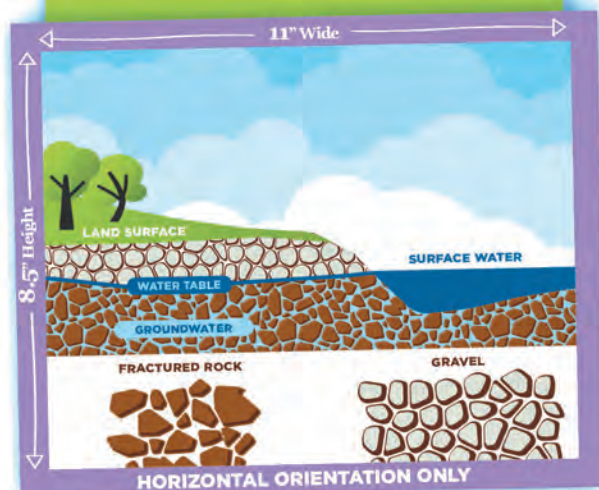
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GATEWAY LEAGUE GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

LA MIRADA, WITH TANDEM OF MERAZ AND OJEISEKHOB, OUTLASTS GAHR IN LEAGUE OPENER

By Loren Kopff
@LorenKopff on Twitter

One of the perks for any athletic team winning a Mid-Cities League title is that you are nearly certain to move to the more competitive Gateway League the following season. The La Mirada High girls volleyball team went 10-0 last season in the Mid-Cities League, the program's first league championship since 2014 and as a result, got bumped up for this season.

In the Gateway League opener this past Tuesday, the Matadores did not lose a beat in their new circuit, posting a 25-19, 25-27, 20-25, 25-21, 15-9 victory over an improved Gahr High squad. While it wasn't the prettiest of victories, it was enough to improve La Mirada's mark to 11-5 overall, 1-0 in league.

"I knew it was going to be hard," said La Mirada head coach Kimberly Mahan. "Obviously, we're in a tougher league. I knew Gahr's defense is good; they pick up balls and they don't give up. They have a lot of heart and I think that's where we, at the beginning, started off strong and then we kind of went down because I think the girls thought, 'okay, we have this'. [Gahr] wanted it more than us."

Gahr was up 3-0 in the fifth set as senior setter Cassandra Zoellers served an ace, followed by kills from sophomore middle blocker Jessalyn Ecevedo and junior opposite hitter Kyla Jones. La Mirada responded with four straight points, including an ace from junior defensive specialist Angelyna Conde, her seventh of the match. There would be two more lead changes moments later, but the Matadores would take the lead for good at 8-7 on senior defensive specialist Emilie Galvan's first kill. The match ended with senior outside hitter Alyssa Meraz serving the final five points.

"Serve receive; we didn't trust our teammates," said Gahr head coach Charity Dennis. "We just gave up on serve receive and it made a difference. It was hesitations. There wasn't a lot of movement. In practice yesterday, we were moving well, then we felt a lot of pressure today for some reason. There was a failure to move, failure to get our angles, failure to stay disciplined and low on serve receive and it ended up making a difference."

"I think it was our serving," said Mahan. "We must have had a lot of serves at the end where they weren't really passing. It was hard for setter to get the second ball. They have a great libero, so their libero tipped a lot of our balls."

The theme of the match would be serve receive for both teams, allowing for the momentum swings which made it possible for it to go five sets. Through the first rotation of the opening set, there were eight ties and three lead changes. That would change to begin the second rotation as La Mirada junior middle blocker Natalie Ojeisekhoba was beginning her big day with a kill to tie the set at 11-11. That paved the way for Conde to serve five straight points, the first two coming off Meraz kills and a pair of aces from Conde.

The margin increased to seven points at 21-14 as the Gladiators were unable to put together more than two

straight points at any time in the set, which ended on an ace from senior outside hitter Natalie Peter, the seventh by the Matadores to that point.

"I know we had five missed serves in the first set, so that kills us," said Mahan. "Angelyna Conde has a strong serve, so I think we do well in that rotation, and she does a good job on defense. We still won, but like I said, our energy went down, and we weren't as excited as them."

La Mirada jumped out to a 7-1 lead in the second set and had a six-point advantage four other times before Gahr began to rally during the second rotation. After La Mirada junior outside hitter Geraldine Aiono's kill put her team up 20-17, a serving error gave Gahr possession, and junior defensive specialist Layla Garcia served five straight points.

The Matadores had two opportunities to go up two sets, but Gahr responded both times, got the serve back following a kill from senior outside hitter Leilani Choe, who then had an ace and received a Jones kill for the match equalizer.

It was all Gahr in the third set, which never trailed, building leads of 12-6, 17-9 and 20-11. But in the fourth set, there were seven ties and seven lead changes all within the first rotation. The last of those lead changes came by virtue of Aiono's fourth kill and made it 9-8. The lead grew to 16-11 after Conde's fifth ace and Ojeisekhoba ended La Mirada's scoring with three kills amongst its last four points. She would have 17 kills and two blocks while Meraz led everyone with 23 kills.

"Natalie is amazing," said Mahan. "She usually goes up and pounds that ball. It was harder to run the middles and that's where we struggled, because I have two string middles and it starts with the pass. So, Alyssa does do a lot. She had shoulder surgery in March, so she's coming back from that."

"It was just a failure to make changes in that fourth set," said Dennis. "We started strong, and we were playing together as a team, and then they went on a run. Their energy went up; La Mirada's energy went up. They were playing tough, and we started to shut down."

Conde, along with senior defensive specialist Margaret Norton had 20 digs and junior setter Kiersten Mahan, who had 41 sets, pitched in with 15 digs.

"Every single game we play, we're up always five or six points and we let [the opponent] back," said Kimberly

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LEAGUE ACTION BEGINS FOR GIRLS VOLLEYBALL AS REGULAR SEASON HEADS INTO SECOND HALF

By Loren Kopff
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Last week was the beginning of league play for the area girls volleyball teams and so far, there haven't been any surprises as far as what we can expect by the time the second week of October comes around.

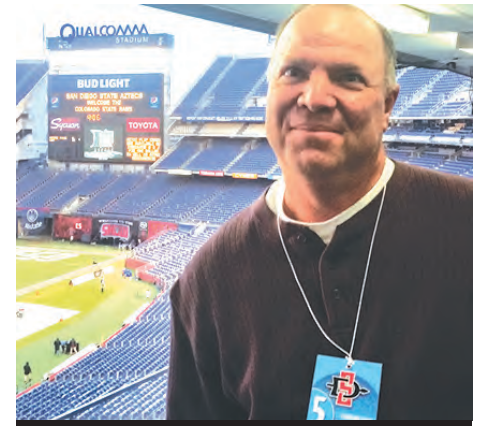
Artesia High knocked off John Glenn High 25-12, 25-16, 22-25, 25-15 last Friday before the Pioneers were swept by Cerritos High this past Tuesday. Artesia (5-5, 1-1) will go to Whitney High on Friday and host Pioneer High on Tuesday.

Cerritos, in typical fashion, swept its first two league opponents to improve to 6-1 on the season as the Dons went to Pioneer High on Sept. 14 ahead of their appearance in the Bellflower/Gahr Tournament on Friday and Saturday. Cerritos will then travel to Glenn on Tuesday.

Glenn's loss to Artesia, followed by a 25-16, 25-13, 25-19 to Whitney this past Tuesday drops the Eagles to 3-5, 0-2 as they will go to Oxford Academy on Friday before facing Cerritos.

Norwalk High improved to 13-7 overall and won its Mid-Cities League opener this past Tuesday, sweeping Bellflower High 25-13, 26-24, 25-20. The Lancers hosted Mayfair High on Sept. 14 in a battle of the top two teams in the league and will go to Firebaugh High and Dominguez High on Tuesday and Thursday respectively.

Valley Christian High went 1-4 last Friday and Saturday in the Whittier Tournament to fall to 8-8, then swept St. Anthony High 25-13, 25-16, 25-20 this



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past Tuesday. The Defenders hosted Village Christian High on Sept. 14 and will participate in the Bellflower/Gahr Tournament before travelling to Maranatha High on Tuesday.

Whitney began 605 League action with sweeps over Pioneer and Glenn, improving to 4-8 as the Wildcats will go to Oxford Academy on Tuesday.

FOOTBALL

West Torrance High (0-3) @ Cerritos (1-2)-Cerritos had last week off and is looking to get back into the win column after falling to Portola High 14-0 on Aug. 31. The Dons have been operating with a pair of quarterbacks as senior Julian Morales has completed 14 passes in 26 attempts for 121 yards and a pair of touchdowns while sophomore Justin Sagun is 12 of 26 for 83 yards and a touchdown. Junior wide receiver Ruben Castro has been the recipient of 10 of those passes

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WONDERWORD

By DAVID QUELLET

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

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with Mueller gaining 120 yards while the defense was holding the Eagles (2-2) to 25 yards.

“We challenged them this week,” said Guerrero. “Since our first game, that got away from us, we’ve been challenging the defense and they’ve been answering. They answered last week, and they answered tonight. They’re getting better week in and week out. Every practice they’re getting better and it’s starting to show, and we’re starting to become a more complete team again. That’s what’s fun and awesome to see.”

The third quarter wasn’t much better for Glenn as it went three and out to begin the second half and following a Mitchell 74-yard score on Norwalk’s third play of the ensuing drive, two more consecutive bad snaps ended Glenn’s next drive. Mueller would recover a fumble on the second of those bad snaps and the turnover led to a 54-yard touchdown run from Mitchell.

Then, on the second play of the final stanza, Mitchell picked off Vergara, leading to his last score of the night, a 64-yard run as the running clock was put into play to begin the quarter. Mitchell also added three more tackles to his defensive performance, as did Mueller along with his two sacks and fumble recovery.

“Ezra had been really kind of shining and Caleb was like, ‘when is it going to happen’,” said Guerrero. “He’s been very patient, and a spark happened, and he just took off tonight.”

“We made some adjustments,” he continued. “[Glenn was] pretty stout. I have to give my hats off to Glenn and the defense because they were pretty stout there for a second. We had to change a couple of things up and when we did, he was able to spring forward for big runs.”

“I was just thinking that I’m next [and] I have to step up,” said Mitchell. “Not only for myself, but for my teammates and I have to show up and show out.”

Glenn wasn’t going down without a fight as it got the ball at its 15-yard line and on four straight running plays, got to the Norwalk 30-yard line. The big play was a 45-yard run from Tuifua. Following a Norwalk penalty Vergara would avoid his team being shutout as he threw a touchdown pass to senior wide receiver Nathan Serrano.

“I did not mind [getting shutout],” said Penny. “I did not mind at all. I just saw the kids still competing hard; still playing hard against a tough program. It’s a program that’s been established and a program that’s been good. I was excited just to watch them compete. But the touchdown did feel good because our young quarterback continues to step up and play hard. That’s all I could ask for as a coach.”

Norwalk senior quarterback Rylee Sosa nor junior signal caller Nicolas Berrera did not attempt a pass and besides the big nights from Mitchell and Mueller, junior fullback Papo Lieataua had 15 yards on four carries while Cerritos gained five yards on three touches. Cerritos also had three tackles.

For Glenn, Vergara was six of 10 for 86 yards while freshman quarterback Sameul Reeves completed his only two passes for 20 yards. Tuifua carried the ball a dozen times, gaining 80 yards while sophomore Terry Henderson added 17 yards on five carries. He also had four and a half tackles while freshman linebacker Andre Romo had three and a half tackles and senior Oracio Macias three

“Watching him on film, he was someone we really noticed,” said Guerrero of Tuifua. “And yes, definite, definite improvement from that squad. They’re do-

ing a good job and getting the guys going and later on in the year, I see good things happening for them. But [Tuifua] is a good little runner and we did notice him on film this week.”

“That’s the beautiful thing about this whole game, this whole season and beyond this,” said Penny. “The younger kids are getting experience and man, once these guys get into it with their bodies and add on a couple of pounds and muscle and we have our offseason program going...I’m these kid’s biggest cheerleader. I’m just going to be so excited once I see the full development of our kids and just watch them grow.”

In fact, with Penny now in charge of the Glenn program, and because he played for Norwalk, he is using the double wing as part of his offense, but obviously not as much as the Lancers.

“It was kind of surprising to see them at the beginning of the year run to that,” said Guerrero. “But when they went to it, it’s very familiar, obviously, because we run it and they run it. But we came to the realization that you know, that’s what Coach Penny knows and that’s what he went with. We felt comfortable because we had success against it defensively last year. We kind of used what we knew from then until now and it helped us out tonight.”

Norwalk will go on the road to face Linfield Christian High on Friday, hoping to continue its solid offensive barrage that has produced 148 points and just over 1,000 yards, all but 72 coming on the ground. Linfield Christian lost to Tahquitz High 28-10 last Friday and has split its first four games. In their two wins, the Lions have scored 94 points but in the two setbacks, they have managed 27 points.

Quarterback Thomas Paschal has passed for 450 yards and five touchdowns but has thrown three interceptions. Micah Little leads the rushing attack with 313 yards on 27 carries with four touchdowns, and as a team, Linfield Christian is averaging almost eight and a half yards per carry.

“We had a common opponent last year in Rio Hondo Prep and we saw that was a tight game,” said Guerrero. “So, we know it’s going to be a tight game [on Friday]; pretty evenly matched, and we’re going to have to go and reassess where we’re at. We’ll go see them on film tomorrow and we’ll try to draw up a plan that will help us be successful next week. But by no means are we looking past them. This game tonight is number three on a list of 10, and that’s what the kids and I came in with this week. We’re past number three and now we’re looking at number four on that list of 10. We’re going to go through those 10 and see where we’re at, at the end of the year.”

For Glenn, it will travel to Mark Keppel High on Friday, hoping to keep the Aztecs winless as they play their fifth game of the season. Mark Keppel was blanked by Azusa High 39-0 last Friday and has scored just 22 points in four games while yielding 164 points.

Prior to last Friday’s game, the Aztecs were averaging just over 100 yards a game on offense and have turned the ball over at least nine times.

“We’ll definitely look at it as a game to get our guys back on track, get back rolling and then get back into things that we do,” said Penny. “Mark Keppel has kind of been struggling a bit lately, but our guys...we can’t go in there with that kind of mindset like we’re going to beat them. I tell my guys every week, we’re 0-0. It’s fresh; it’s a restart.”

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for 111 yards and two touchdowns while junior Dikshanta Adhikari has also caught 11 passes for 48 yards. On the ground, junior Josiah Ungos has gained 116 yards on 27 carries with a score while Adhikari has added 80 yards on 24 carries and the only other rushing touchdown. This is also Cerritos’ homecoming game.

West Torrance has lost all three games this season including a narrow 10-3 affair to Peninsula High last Friday. Quarterback Eli Brandt completed 19 of 41 passes for 129 yards in that game while the ground game was limited to 30 yards on a dozen carries. After scoring 29 points in their season opener against St. Anthony High, the Warriors have scored a dozen in the last two outings.

Prediction: Cerritos 31, West Torrance 14

Gahr High (2-1) @ Santa Ana Valley High (1-3)-For the second straight week, Gahr’s offense put up numbers worthy of a win but unlike the 43-7 win against Ocean View High on Sept. 1, the Gladiators couldn’t come through at Garden Grove High last Friday. Every time Gahr scored, the Argonauts answered as there were seven straight lead changes in the second half after the Gladiators led 27-21 at halftime. In the end, Gahr fell 49-47 in the final minute. Gahr had either a six or seven-point lead five times before failing to hold a five and four-point advantage late in the third and fourth quarters respectively. Heading into that contest, senior running back Kalen Montgomery already had 433 yards and five touchdowns.

After scoring just a touchdown in its first three games combines, Santa Ana Valley busted out last Friday to destroy Godinez High 41-6. Entering that game, quarterbacks Noe Hernandez and Bruce Sanchez had combined to throw for 237 yards while the Falcons had rushed for 280 yards while the defense has given up 150 points already.

Prediction: Gahr 42, Santa Ana Valley 13.

John Glenn (2-2) @ Mark Keppel High (0-4)-See Norwalk High/Glenn game story.

Prediction: Glenn 35, Mark Keppel 7

La Mirada High (0-4) @ Baldwin Park High (1-3)-La Mirada’s defense was a better last Friday against Long Beach Jordan High but the result was still the same as the Matadores fell 28-18, marking the first time since 2018 the program has lost the first four games to begin a season. La Mirada would start that campaign 0-7 and finish the regular season with two wins. La Mirada’s defense was burned by one of the top quarterbacks in the state, Jarret Nielsen, who completed 34 passes for 320 yards and a pair of touchdowns. He also gained 261 yards and scored twice. The Matadores scored before halftime for the first time this season but have yielded 95 points in the first half.

If there is a time to end the losing skid, it would be on Friday as Baldwin Park has lost two straight games, including a 35-14 setback to Schurr High last time out. The Braves have given up at least 33 points in all four games while La Mirada’s offense is getting better, averaging 17 points in the last three games. Quarterback Jake Garcia had thrown for 618 yards and 10 touchdowns before the Schurr contest and the Braves had gained almost 600 yards on the ground.

Prediction: La Mirada 28, Baldwin Park 14

Norwalk (2-1) @ Linfield Christian High (2-2)-See Norwalk/Glenn game story.

Prediction: Norwalk 35, Linfield Christian 28

Sierra Vista High (1-3) @ Valley

Christian (0-4)-It’s rare to see a Valley Christian football team begin any season with four straight losses, but that’s where the Defenders are. V.C. was shutout for the second straight week, losing to Chino High 33-0 last Friday. It’s the first time since 2011 that V.C. has lost its first four games. Since then, the program had gone through four seasons of 1-3 starts and four more splitting the first four games. The Defenders have been outscored 158-26 so far, but as their non-league schedules comes to an end on Friday, the matchup with Sierra Vista seems favorable. This will also be V.C.’s homecoming game.

The Dons were overmatched by Heritage Christian High 40-8 last Friday and lost to Nogales High 27-8 the previous week. Sierra Vista will keep the ball on the ground as it ran for 880 yards and scored 10 touchdowns before last Friday’s game while a pair of quarterbacks combined for one completion in six attempts for 30 yards and two interceptions.

Prediction: V.C. 28, Sierra Vista 14

**Last week’s predictions: 4-1
Season to date: 19-4**

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Mahan. “And it is our serve receive [and] our passing. These girls don’t know to stay low [and] pass. They want to pop up; their shoulders are high and it’s hard to teach.”

Gahr was paced by Jones (16 kills, five aces), Choe (12 kills, four aces) and senior outside hitter Isabela Torres (seven kills, one ace). Zoellers and junior setter Minerva Rodriguez each had four aces as the Gladiators (9-5, 0-1) are proving that last season’s 10-14 record was a fluke. They also had their worst league record (1-7) in over two and a half decades.

“Kyla is coming off an injury, so today, she played really aggressively,” said Dennis. “We’re still trying to get her back to full health. But at the same time, she’s a leader. She’s a young leader on the team.”

“No excuses for [losing to] La Mirada, but they are ready to fight and they’re ready to win,” she later said. “Last year was a very difficult season and we’re ready to turn it around this year.”

Gahr will face Maywood Center for Enriched Studies, Sonora High and Peninsula High on Friday in pool play action of the Gahr/Bellflower Tournament, which concludes on Saturday. The Gladiators will then host Warren High on Tuesday before travelling to Paramount High on Thursday.

“We’re going to turn it around,” chuckled Dennis. “This won’t happen again.”

The Matadores will host Downey High (11-7, 1-0) on Tuesday before going to Warren on Thursday.

“I think we’re going to see a lot of tough competition,” said Mahan. “It’s going to be exciting, but we have to be on our ‘A’ game. We cannot let up and we have to make sure we’re passing strong and [making good decisions]. That’s where we struggled today. Our volleyball IQ...we’re still learning.”



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Yet a check of Cerritos' city website shows Wang is on the city's Let Freedom Ring Committee, appointed by Cerritos Councilman Chuong Vo; Wang also proudly proclaims he lives in Cerritos and is on the LFR Committee.

To be on any committee in Cerritos, a person must be a Cerritos resident, yet Wang lied on his ABCUSD application twice under penalty of perjury, indicating he was from Hawaiian Gardens.

Seven weeks after it was revealed Wang lied on his ABCUSD application, an August 29 public records request to the Cerritos City Clerk has revealed that Wang has not resigned, indicating that Councilman Vo, a Torrance Police officer, has not asked Wang to resign even though Wang committed perjury by lying on his ABCUSD application.

In addition, an examination of the attendance by Wang and other LFR Commissioners shows a pattern of chronic absenteeism except for two committee members, Monica Ballentine and Candy Yee.

Two members have missed the last five meetings; Wang, appointed in May of this year, missed the previous meeting in August.

Emails to Cerritos City Councilman Chong Vo asking if he knew of Wang's application went unreturned; Vo would not answer if he would ask Wang to resign from the LFR Committee.

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Teens ages 14 to 17 from across Los Angeles County can now apply for Metro's 2024 Youth Council, a one-year commitment during which they will share their ideas and views about Metro and how to improve the transportation system for all riders.

The group will be composed of young people from communities throughout the county that Metro serves, including the San Gabriel Valley, San Fernando Valley, Gateway Cities, Central L.A., Westside Cities, South Bay, Arroyo/Verdugo, Las Virgenes/Malibu and North L.A. County.

Students can gain valuable real-world experience and training, such as civic engagement, leadership development and networking opportunities. that can be used in their future careers, according to Metro.

Members can also become part of the Youth Council Cabinet, which is composed of the chair, vice chair, secretary, communications officer and special events coordinator — providing additional leadership opportunities.

Members can also attend and participate in Metro events, activities and connect with others from across the county.

Additionally, each year Metro's Youth Council hosts a Youth Summit event for others who may be interested in joining and to discuss important topics affecting them. This year's summit is slated for Sept. 23, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in downtown L.A. at Union Station.

The theme for this year's summit will be traveling sustainability, and the council as well as guests will discuss how to explore L.A.'s best destinations while lowering their carbon footprint.

As part of the summit, the council and attendees will begin creating a digital Youth Destination Guide that includes places they'd like to visit and how to get there using transit.

When complete, the guide will help other youth navigate Metro's transit system and help the agency better service youth riders.

At the end of a student's term on the council, each member receives a certificate of participation and a stipend.

More information about Metro's Youth Council can be found at metro.net/youthcouncil.

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nothing else, and then leave.

"California's small cannabis businesses are struggling," said Haney. "Issues like over-saturation, high taxes, and the thriving black market are hurting cannabis businesses who follow the rules and pay taxes." In 2020, California's legal cannabis sales reached \$4 billion, while the state's illicit market sales were projected to have exceeded \$8 billion.

While consuming cannabis on-site at cannabis retailers is technically legal in California, selling non-cannabis-infused products is not. AB 374 is simple because it allows cannabis retailers to diversify their business by selling non-cannabis-infused foods and selling tickets to live performances.

"To be clear, we're not saying that coffee shops should be allowed to sell cannabis," said Assemblymember Matt Haney. "We're saying that cannabis shops should be allowed to sell coffee. It shouldn't be illegal for an existing cannabis business to move away from only selling marijuana and instead have the opportunity to grow, and create jobs by offering coffee or live jazz.

Cannabis cafes will only be allowed to open in cities and counties that pass legislation to allow them. If the Governor signs AB 374, the bill will come into effect on January first of 2024. Local governments will then have the opportunity to create a permitting process and regulations for local cannabis cafes. West Hollywood has already passed legislation creating a licensing system, and a similar bill is currently working its way through the San Francisco legislative process.

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Lopez stated, "I am honored to have been appointed the new City Manager for the City of Cerritos. I look forward to working collaboratively with the City Council, City employees and the community on the continuing growth and success of Cerritos."

Lopez began working for the City of Cerritos in 2002 and held various Planning roles prior to being promoted to Advance Planning/Redevelopment Manager in 2005 and Current Planning Manager in 2009. Lopez was appointed Director of Community Development in 2020, and oversaw and administered the City's land planning, development, land use, business license, GIS, public transportation, and building and safety programs. In 2022 he was appointed Director of Public Works/Water & Power and was responsible for administering and implementing the City's Capital Improvement Program, providing maintenance to City facilities, parks and streets, and managing the Water & Power utilities. He is a member of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) and holds a professional certification by the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP).

Lopez received his bachelor of science degree in civil engineering with a minor in urban studies from Stanford University, and his master of public administration and master of planning degrees from the University of Southern California. Lopez is a lifelong Cerritos resident and was a valedictorian of his graduating class at Whitney High School. He and his wife and their five sons are happy to call Cerritos their home.

Gallucci announced his pending retirement from the City of Cerritos in December 2022

Puzzle solution: COLLECTION

CITY OF CERRITOS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA. NOTICE TO BIDDERS OF THE C-5 WELL PUMPING SERVICES AND PILOT STUDY, PROJECT NO. 17197, BID NO. 1523-23. 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: C-5 WELL PUMPING SERVICES AND PILOT STUDY, PROJECT NO. 17197, BID NO. 1523-23.** **Project Description:** The work or improvement to be performed generally consists of providing all labor, materials, tools, and equipment necessary to complete the project per plans, specifications, and contract documents. The work will be performed by a qualified well maintenance contractor for well-pumping services and pilot study of the C-5 well located at 20101 Cabrillo Lane. **Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting: Wednesday, October 4, 2023, 10:00 a.m., 20101 Cabrillo Lane, Cerritos, CA 90703. Bid Opening Date: Wednesday, November 15, 2023, 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: **"C-5 WELL PUMPING SERVICES AND PILOT STUDY, PROJECT NO. 17197, BID NO. 1523-23."** 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 submitted 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 can be obtained by contacting Cerritos Engineering Division at (562) 916-1219. The cost of the bid documents is \$10.00 (\$15.00 if mailing is requested), **only** if a printed copy of plans and specifications 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 current City Business License (applies to contractor and all subcontractors), 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. 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,"** and/or **"C-57."** 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 <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. 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. Any requests for information regarding opened bids shall be directed to the Office of the City Clerk via a formal Public Records Act request. The City has determined that opened bids are confidential and therefore the negotiations process outweighs the public interest in prematurely disclosing such records. (Gov. Code § 6255). 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/2022/03/4.22-Russia-Ukraine-Executive-Order.pdf>. All contractors shall comply with economic sanctions imposed in response to Russia's actions 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. A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the project location on Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., at which representatives of the City will be present to discuss the project. This is a mandatory meeting and failure to attend will disqualify any prospective bidder. The Engineer will transmit to all prospective bidders of record such addenda as the Engineer considers necessary in response to questions arising at the pre-bid meeting. By order of the City of Cerritos.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (UCC 6105)
Escrow No. BU-3097-YL
Notice is hereby given that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name and business address of the Seller is:
(1) The name of the Seller: PUREST ACADEMY FOR KIDS, INC., A CALIFORNIA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION
(2) Name of the Business being sold: PUREST ACADEMY FOR KIDS
(3) Business address(es) of the Seller(s) is: 12235 CENTRALIA STREET, LAKEWOOD, CA 90715
(4) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: 11639 CEDARVALE STREET, NORWALK, CA 90650
(5) All other business names and addresses used by the Seller within the past (3) years, as stated by the Seller is: 11354 MICHELLE STREET, CERRITOS, CA 90703
(6) The name of the Buyer is: IN MOM'S ARMS, A NEVADA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION (7) The address of the Buyer is: 4067 HARDWICK STREET, UNIT 335, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712
(8) General description of the assets of PUREST ACADEMY FOR KIDS to be sold is described as: FURNITURE, FIXTURE, AND EQUIPMENT located at: 12235 CENTRALIA STREET, LAKEWOOD, CA 90715
(9) The Bulk Sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: SECURED TRUST ESCROW, INC., C/O BELL SANTIAGO, ESCROW OFFICER, 21111 VICTOR ST, TORRANCE, CA 90503, TEL: (310) 318-3300; EMAIL: INFO@SECUREDTRUSTESCROW.COM;
Escrow No. BU-3097-YL
(10) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is OCTOBER 3, 2023
(11) The last day for filing claims by any creditor shall be OCTOBER 2, 2023, which is the business day before the anticipated sale date specified above.
(12) This Bulk Sale is not subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.
DATE: 9/8/23
BUYER: IN MOM'S ARMS, A NEVADA NON-PROFIT CORPORATION
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
MARIA DEL CARMEN ROBLEDO NIEMELA AKA MARIA ROBLEDO NIEMELA AKA MARIA CARMEN NIEMELA AKA MARIA C. NIEMELA AKA CARMEN NIEMELA
CASE NO. 23STPB09889
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of MARIA DEL CARMEN ROBLEDO NIEMELA AKA MARIA ROBLEDO NIEMELA AKA MARIA CARMEN NIEMELA AKA MARIA C. NIEMELA AKA CARMEN NIEMELA.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DAWAYNE R. NIEMELA in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DAWAYNE R. NIEMELA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 10/13/23 at 8:30AM in Dept. 9 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.
Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR

Notice of Divided Publication

NOTICE OF DIVIDED PUBLICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX-DEFAULT LIST (DELINQUENT LIST)

Made pursuant to Section 3371, Revenue and Taxation Code

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The County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector, State of California, certifies that:

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I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on August 11, 2023.

Elizabeth B. Ginsberg

Elizabeth Buenrostro Ginsberg
Chief Deputy Treasurer and Tax Collector
County of Los Angeles
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: SHELLY VARNER
CASE NO. 23STPB10041

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of SHELLY VARNER. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DEANA SABO in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DEANA SABO be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 10/17/23 at 8:30AM in Dept. 29 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.

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TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
SHARONE BABU DHARAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows: SHARONE BABU DHARAN TO SHARONE THOTTIL. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant a petition without a hearing. Court date 10/9/2023, at the SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK CA 90650. A HEARING will be held October 9, 2023 at 9:30 am, Dept C Room: 312. Published at Los Cerritos Community Newspaper 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29/23. Case number 23NWCP00304

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
THRISHA JOHN THOTTIL filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows: THRISHA JOHN THOTTIL TO TRISHA JOHN THOTTIL. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant a petition without a hearing. Court date 10/9/2023, at the SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK CA 90650. A HEARING will be held October 9, 2023 at 9:30 am, Dept C Room: 312. Published at Los Cerritos Community Newspaper 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29/23. Case number 23NWCP00303

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
SUPRINA BABU DHARAN filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows: SUPRINA BABU DHARAN TO SUPRINA TRISHA LONGINO. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant a petition without a hearing. Court date 10/9/2023, at the SUPERIOR COURT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES 12720 NORWALK BLVD., NORWALK CA 90650. A HEARING will be held October 9, 2023 at 9:30 am, Dept C Room: 312. Published at Los Cerritos Community Newspaper 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29/23. Case number 23NWCP00305

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ASSASSOR'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBERING SYSTEM EXPLANATION

The Assessor's Identification Number, when used to describe property in this list, refers to the Assessor's map book, the map page, the block on the map (if applicable), and the individual parcel on the map page or in the block. The Assessor's maps and further explanation of the parcel numbering system are available at the Office of the Assessor.

The following property tax defaulted on July 1, 2021, for the taxes, assessments, and other charges for the Tax Year 2020-21:

LISTED BELOW ARE PROPERTIES THAT DEFAULTED IN 2021 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER CHARGES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021. AMOUNT OF DELINQUENCY AS OF THIS PUBLICATION IS LISTED BELOW.

ALLOR, DAVID W SITUS 19625 FRANK AVE CERRITOS CA 90703-6472 7049-020-029 \$727.53
BARRIOS, JAMES AND HURTADO, ANA M SITUS 10720 ASHWORTH CIR CERRITOS CA 90703-2648 7034-022-004/S2019-010/S2020-010 \$460.14
BOSWELL, CHERYL J SITUS 11851 JEFFERSON ST 101 CERRITOS CA 90703-7690 7055-024-020 \$4,154.84
DOSHI, TEJAS AND PINKAL SITUS 13102 ROSE ST CERRITOS CA 90703-8624 7027-005-012 \$6,889.21
ELLIS, PATRICK A AND ELLIS, PAUL J SITUS 18811 DANIELLE AVE CERRITOS CA 90703-6006 7024-014-046 \$10,797.16
GALINDO, JOSEPH AND SUSAN SITUS 13516 CARNABY ST CERRITOS CA 90703-8906 7023-006-034 \$8,168.80
HOY, SANDY D TR SANDY HOY FAMILY TRUST SITUS 17102 STARK AVE CERRITOS CA 90703-1820 7025-003-001 \$7,828.12
KUKREJA, VASHUDEV L TR VASHUDEV L KUKREJA TRUST SITUS 20050 FILMORE AVE 204 CERRITOS CA 90703-7689 7055-024-019 \$4,241.06
KUO, LING C TR LING C KUO TRUST SITUS 17812 GRIDLEY RD ARTESIA CA 90701-3944 7035-008-031 \$37,340.16
LEE, YOON KYUNG ET AL LEE, MYUNG G SITUS 19008 JEFFREY AVE CERRITOS CA 90703-7330 7044-025-036/S2019-010/S2020-010 \$5,384.91
MEDINA, PETER AND DOLORES SITUS 18130 GRAYLAND AVE ARTESIA CA 90701-4218 7033-027-019 \$2,896.70
NAMBA, NANCY SITUS 11215 CAROLYN PL CERRITOS CA 90703-5562 7034-006-043 \$35,913.22
NOSTRAND, JOHN R CO TR NOSTRAND FAMILY TRUST SITUS 13316 ARCTIC CIR SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670-5543 7005-008-081 \$22,009.61
PATEL, PRAVIN SITUS 17718 PIONEER BLVD ARTESIA CA 90701-4011 7033-007-004 \$10,098.42
SITUS 17720 PIONEER BLVD ARTESIA CA 90701-4011 7033-007-007 \$11,853.92
PATEL, PRAVIN L SITUS 17702 PIONEER BLVD ARTESIA CA 90701-4011 7033-007-003 \$29,319.60
SITUS 17624 PIONEER BLVD ARTESIA CA 90701-4009 7033-007-020 \$19,173.48
PATEL, PRAVIN L CO TR SHANTABEN PATEL FAMILY TRUST SITUS 17820 GRIDLEY RD ARTESIA CA 90701-3944 7035-008-032 \$17,949.36
REALTY SPECIALTIES INC SITUS 18601 ARLINE AVE ARTESIA CA 90701-5810 7040-020-030 \$140,663.01
ROSE, RICHARD H AND REBECCA A SITUS 20002 CLARETTA AVE CERRITOS CA 90703-7851 7056-006-008 \$3,248.85
STEEL, JOHN A TR JOHN A STEEL TRUST SITUS 17338 YVETTE AVE CERRITOS CA 90703-1242 7012-027-031 \$1,233.08
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LISTED BELOW ARE PROPERTIES THAT DEFAULTED IN 2021 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER CHARGES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021. AMOUNT OF DELINQUENCY AS OF THIS PUBLICATION IS LISTED BELOW.

ADUJO, VIRGINIA V TR V V ANDUJO TRUST SITUS 12429 BREEZEWOOD DR WHITTIER CA 90604-3826 8035-018-001 \$32,932.04
BENITIZ, MARIO A SITUS 11935 BURGESS AVE WHITTIER CA 90604-3005 8031-030-049 \$1,661.13
BIOLA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION 8041-009-028 \$12,679.94
BUTTS, TERRY AND BUUTS, EDGAR L SITUS 14261 TEDFORD DR WHITTIER CA 90604-2722 8031-023-029 \$3,526.51
BUTTS, TERRY L SITUS 12028 VALLEY VIEW AVE WHITTIER CA 90604-2731 8031-023-017 \$3,463.10
SITUS 12022 VALLEY VIEW AVE WHITTIER CA 90604-2731 8031-023-018 \$4,442.32
SITUS 12012 VALLEY VIEW AVE WHITTIER CA 90604-2731 8031-023-019 \$2,022.03
CHATTLE, CASEY P AND CHATTLE, LEONARD J SITUS 13460 MARLETTE DR LA MIRADA CA 90638-2813 8042-028-011/S2020-010 \$9,195.60
DIAZ, ALEXANDER L SITUS 15034 ELMBROOK DR LA MIRADA CA 90638-4701 8088-005-006/S2019-010/S2020-010 \$637.00
GALVAN, DEBORAH L SITUS 15436 LA MIRADA BLVD UNIT 110 LA MIRADA CA 90638-5032 8064-045-187 \$7,926.34
GONZALEZ, ERNESTO A AND ANA D SITUS 14809 TACUBA DR LA MIRADA CA 90638-2224 8041-017-008/S2019-010 \$1,534.03
GONZALEZ, PATRICIA ET AL FELIX, CANDELARIO B SITUS 13896 SARANAC DR WHITTIER CA 90604-2656 8031-009-027/S2019-010 \$2,440.65
HONG, JONG HYUN AND EUN AE SITUS 16307 ALPINE PL LA MIRADA CA 90638-6529 8037-022-064 \$18,276.84
LC BORDIE INV LLC SITUS 15224 OCASO AVE NO H210 LA MIRADA CA 90638-5020 8064-045-219 \$8,227.11
LEE, PETER SITUS 14031 LEFFINGWELL RD UNIT 403 WHITTIER CA 90604-4212 8031-003-061 \$9,863.91
LLAMAS, JESUS V SITUS 14314 TEDFORD DR WHITTIER CA 90604-2936 8031-028-012/S2019-010 \$1,315.09
LOPEZ, EVELYN SITUS 15410 LA MIRADA BLVD UNIT 102 LA MIRADA CA 90638-5034 8064-045-168/S2020-010 \$901.25
OLMOS, JUAN AND FRANCES SITUS 14355 TEDFORD DR WHITTIER CA 90604-2938 8031-026-015 \$2,560.62
QUIRANTE, JOEL SITUS 14759 STANTON AVE LA MIRADA CA 90638-4941 8064-007-036/S2019-010 \$2,554.01
RIOS, EVANGELINA SITUS 15358 SAN BRUNO DR LA MIRADA CA 90638-5727 7001-003-022 \$15,096.82
ROGERS, DENNIS TR LEONA D SAAF TRUST SITUS 14642 RICHVALE DR LA MIRADA CA 90638-1032 8033-017-032 \$5,175.05
ROUSH, BARBARA S SITUS 15544 ASHGROVE DR LA MIRADA CA 90638-4854 8064-021-006/S2020-010 \$5,855.74
SANTOS, EDUARDO G SITUS 15044 BARNWALL ST LA MIRADA CA 90638-5321 8088-020-004/S2018-010 \$4,968.41
THR CALIFORNIA LP SITUS 15603 RICHVALE DR WHITTIER CA 90604-3409 8040-021-013/S2017-005/S2017-007/S2018-020 \$9,646.11
SITUS 14384 SAN FELICIANO DR LA MIRADA CA 90638-4337 8061-029-005 \$652.87
WISNER, DORA N TR DORA N WISNER TRUST SITUS 14074 LA BARCA DR LA MIRADA CA 90638-3816 8062-006-027 \$24.14
ZANDONA, ANTHONY AND ZANDONA, IRENE SITUS 15426 LA FORTUNA DR LA MIRADA CA 90638-4810 8064-025-003 \$1,642.84
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ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE CALLING FOR BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ABC Unified School District will receive up to but not later than **2:00 PM** on the **2nd day of October 2023** Bids for:

ABC Bid # 1628 Concrete Paving

All bids shall be made and presented on a form furnished by the District. Bids submitted shall conform to the terms and conditions stated on said form. Bids shall be received in the office of the Purchasing Department at 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos, CA 90703 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time and place. Bidders may obtain drawings and specifications by written request to esthela.perez@abcusd.us. All public works are subject to prevailing wage payments. License Class B or C8 will be required.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMIN-ISTER ESTATE OF LORETTA CHAVEZ
Case No. 23STPB09171

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of LORETTA CHAVEZ. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Brandon Nathaniel Chavez in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Brandon Nathaniel Chavez be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on Sept. 27, 2023 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 29 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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

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

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

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

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (UCC 6105)
Escrow No. BU-3186-YL

Notice is hereby given that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name and business address of the Seller is:

(1) The name of the Seller: AATIGMA LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
(2) Name of the Business being sold: HUMBLEBRAGS EATERY
(3) Business address(es) of the Seller(s) is: 3225 EAST CARSON STREET, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712
(4) The location in California of the chief executive office of the Seller is: 139 PEARL, LAGUNA NIGUEL, CA 92677
(5) All other business names and addresses used by the Seller within the past (3) years, as stated by the Seller is: NONE
(6) The name of the Buyer is: THAI HOUSE STREET EATS LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (7) The address of the Buyer is: 3205 E. CARSON STREET, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712
(8) General description of the assets of HUMBLEBRAGS EATERY to be sold is described as: FURNITURE, FIXTURE, AND EQUIPMENT located at: 3225 EAST CARSON STREET, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712
(9) The Bulk Sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: SECURED TRUST ESCROW, INC., C/O BELL SANTIAGO, ESCROW OFFICER, 21111 VICTOR ST, TORRANCE, CA 90503, TEL: (310) 318-3300; EMAIL: INFO@SECUREDTRUSTESCROW.COM; Escrow No. BU-3186-YL
(10) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is OCTOBER 3, 2023
(11) The last day for filing claims by any creditor shall be OCTOBER 2, 2023, which is the business day before the anticipated sale date specified above.
(12) This Bulk Sale is not subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

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