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Speaker Kevin McCarthy declines Ukrainian leader Zelensky's request to speak inside the House Chamber yesterday.



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PLAY 60: The Los Angeles Rams partnered with L.A. Care Health Plan to host a PLAY 60 Field Day and an educational resource session for more than 400 kindergarten through fifth grade students at Nuffer Elementary STEAM Academy this past week. The PLAY 60 Field Day included football drills and exercises led by Rams youth engagement coaches. Photo courtesy Los Angeles Rams.

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.

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,

[See **MANAGER** page 12]

Tesla Chargers to Electrify Hawaiian Gardens

By Brian Hews

Hawaiian Gardens is working with Tesla, the pioneering electric vehicle manufacturer, to install 32 of its cutting-edge Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (EVCS) at The Gardens



32 CHARGING STATIONS at the Gardens Casino and 12 at the Hawaiian Gardens Town Center will be fully installed in a few days.

Casino.

The city is also working to install an additional 12 EVCS at the Hawaiian Gardens Town Center, located at 12100 E. Carson Street.

The projected completion

date is in a few days.

Until very recently, the plugs were designed to work only with Teslas. As of late March however, the company has begun installing its so-called "Magic Dock" adapters at various Supercharger sites

across the country, allowing some chargers to work with any EV that has a CCS plug — basically any modern one.

This now gives owners of EVs made by Volvo, Mercedes,

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LCCN EXCLUSIVE

Bell Gardens Mayor and Three Councilmembers Served Recall Papers

Amid fierce opposition, the group passed an ordinance to allow cannabis dispensaries in the city.

By Brian Hews

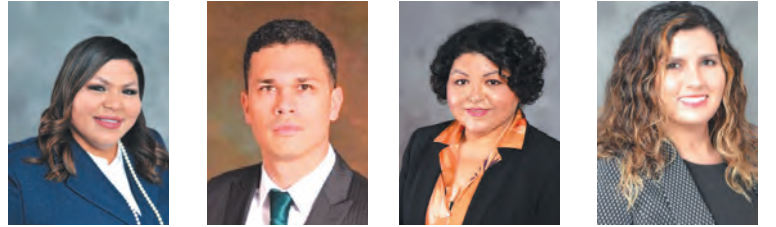
Bell Gardens Mayor Francis De Leon Sanchez and Councilmembers Marco Barcena, Gabriela Gomez and Maria Pulido were served with intent to recall papers during last Monday night's Bell Gardens City Council meeting from a group

Mayor Pro Tem Jorgel Chavez was not served with recall papers.

The recall was initiated by over 200 Bell Gardens residents who are angry that the city council passed an ordinance to allow cannabis dispensaries in the city.

In June of this year, the Bell Gardens City Council began discussing whether the city should allow cannabis. The city went through the standard reading and public comment and recently passed the ordinance.

"They're going to destroy us



RECALL: from (l-r), Mayor Francis De Leon Sanchez and Councilmember Marco Barcena, Gabriela Gomez, and Maria Pulido.

of community residents who claim that the elected officials "have placed personal interest above the interest of the community and having enriched yourself, and your acquaintances, through the approval of various projects."

with this. They're going to destroy the children we have here" said resident Nabor Rios.

The Notice of Intent to Recall starts a complicated process that must comply with Califor-

[See **RECALL** page 12]

Metro Approves 91 West Freeway Widening From Shoemaker to Alondra

By Brian Hews

At yesterday's meeting, the Metro Board approved \$65 million for construction management services for two Metro/Caltrans 91 Freeway widening projects, awarding the contract to Arcadis U.S. Inc.

The construction is fully funded by Measure R sales tax and state Trade Corridor Enhancement Program funds, though both Measures R and M revenue will pay for construction management.

The 91 Freeway expansion project includes widening the westbound 91 in Artesia and Cerritos, adding one additional lane

for nearly four miles between Shoemaker Avenue and the 605 Freeway exit at Alondra Boulevard.

The widening will create a three-lane exit from westbound SR-91 to I-605: a one-lane I-605 southbound connector and a two-lane I605 northbound connector.

The construction will also change Norwalk and Pioneer Boulevard onramps by increasing merging distances and eliminating problematic onramp features.

The contract with Arcadis is for a base term of seven years plus two one-year options; after Board

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POTUS Creates New Deal-Style American Climate Corps

The program will employ more than 20,000 young adults who will build trails, plant trees, help install solar panels and do other work to boost conservation.

Staff Report

After being thwarted by Congress, President Joe Biden will use his executive authority to create a New Deal-style American Climate Corps that will serve as a major green jobs training program.

In an announcement Wednesday, the White House said the program will employ more than 20,000 young adults who will build trails, plant trees, help install solar panels and do other work to boost conservation and help prevent catastrophic wildfires.

The climate corps had been proposed in early versions of the sweeping climate law approved last year but was jettisoned amid strong opposition from Republicans and concerns about cost.

Democrats and environmental advocacy groups never gave up on the plan and pushed Biden in recent weeks to issue an executive order authorizing what the White House now is calling the American Climate Corps.

“After years of demonstrating and fighting for a Climate Corps, we turned a generational rallying cry into a real jobs program that will put a new generation to work stopping the climate crisis,” said Varshini Prakash, of the Sunrise Movement, an environmental group that led the push for a climate corps.

With the new corps “and the historic climate investments won by our broader

movement, the path towards a Green New Deal is beginning to become visible,” Prakash said, referring to a comprehensive jobs-and-climate plan supported by many activists and some Democrats but ridiculed by the Republicans as a socialist nightmare that would raise taxes and hamper the economy.

The Sunrise Movement and other climate activists, including many young adults, were outraged this spring after Biden approved the huge Willow oil-drilling project in Alaska. Opponents say the project and others approved by Biden put his climate legacy at risk and are a breach of his 2020 campaign promise to stop new oil drilling on federal lands.

Those concerns were put aside, for now, as environmental activists hailed the new jobs program, which is modeled after the Civilian Conservation Corps, created in the 1930s by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, a Democrat.

“Young people nationwide are excited to see the launch of the American Climate Corps, enhancing career pathways in clean energy, conservation and climate resilience,” said Cristina Tzintzún Ramirez, president of NextGen America.

That promotes education, registration and mobilization for voters age 18 to 35.

“Young people are fighting for climate justice every day in their community, and now they have even more opportunity to continue this fight in their careers,” Ramirez said.

More than 50 Democratic lawmakers, including Massachusetts Sen. Ed Markey and New York Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, had also encouraged Biden to create a climate corps, saying in a letter on Monday that “the climate crisis demands a whole-of-government response at an unprecedented scale.”



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Cerritos Residents Take Gold in Dragon Boat Races



MANY MEDALS: Participating in the International Drag Boat Championship in Thailand, were, from l-r, Russell Matthew Lingad who won seven gold medals; Maria Margarhette Lingad, who collected five silver medals; and Alexa Marielle Lingad who won eight gold medals and three silver medals. Courtesy city of Cerritos.

The Cerritos City Council recently recognized three Team USA champs of the 16th World Dragon Boat Race.

This year's championship event, which took place in August in Thailand, drew teams from all over the world, including the United States, India, Iran, Canada, China, Philippines and Australia. Dragon Boat teams from the United States placed third overall, taking home 24 Gold medals, 39 Silver medals and 19 Bronze medals.

Each member participated in different age categories, racing in the 200, 500, 1000 and 2000 meter events. The following competitors were honored: Alexa Marielle Lingad, who won eight gold medals and three silver medals;

Russell Matthew Lingad, who got seven gold medals; and Maria Margarhette Lingad, who collected five silver medals.

Under the International Dragon Boat Federation, dragon boat competitions have developed into a high-performance, competitive sport, with many associations producing national teams of elite dragon boat paddlers. There is no other paddle sport in which 22 people work together as one unit. Dragon boat has spread to all continents, with nearly 50 million participants in China; 300,000 in the United Kingdom and Europe (including the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Russia); and 90,000 participants in Canada and America.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: RECALL SOO YOO

Re: Soo Yoo Rails on Public Education

Dear Editor:

First and foremost, I thank Los Cerritos Community News for highlighting news within the ABC (USD) that is pressing and of concern.

As a former recipient of the California Classroom Excellence Award (CATE), now retired from ABC (USD), I am deeply concerned how school board member, Soo Yoo, disparages the very school district she is commissioned to serve.

By casting doubt on schools and educators in the lag toward improving test scores, essentially she is gunning to damage a school district that once beamed with stellar leadership, award-winning schools and programs, and rising test scores.

She finds fault with a dip in math test scores, which she well knows is not particular to ABC (USD), but is a widespread state and national problem due to a historic pandemic.

In fact, test scores fell internationally, even within the highest performing countries; such as Sweden and Finland, due to the disruptive pandemic.

As was my own experience, educators care about test scores; however more importantly, educators teach to inspire and to uplift students and their community; to forge a pathway toward upward mobility and to promote upstanding citizenship.

Unfortunately, we have a school board member bent on gunning this school district.

Soo Yoo makes it difficult to work in the public school system these days where ABC (USD) seeks to thrive and remain a leader in the greater school community, both state-wide and nationally. Soo Yoo aims to stake her claim by targeting our schools and local jurisdictions alike.

However, voters acted prudently by not seating her in the 67th State Assembly District. Now local government seats that have historically been non-partisan are being leveraged by partisan politicians like Soo Yoo. This is damaging the system and ultimately dangerous to teaching and to learning.

Board members, educators, students, administrators and the community at large, be resolved to hold Soo Yoo accountable for her attempt to derail and damage a school district that has historically been a leader.

Our collective silence and inaction ultimately hurts our students. This we know. Perhaps it is time to consider a RECALL.

*Retired ABC (USD) Educator
Sandra Nevarez*

Dear Editor:

As a long-time teacher and administrator in the ABC School District, I am shocked to learn that a member of the board unjustly criticized, in public, and for personal reasons, the fine efforts and accomplishments of the teachers, teacher's union, administrators, classified staff and board members of the ABCUSD.

When an individual is elected by the people/tax payers to serve on a school board, that individual should know that he/she will be part of a team working for the betterment of every child in the district.

Everyone on that team should applaud teachers, administrators, teacher's union and classified staff who are working diligently to educate their students.

As an administrator of a neighboring school district, it is and was my experience that the ABC School District always exhibited excellent ways of meeting the needs of every student.

In closing, I would like to applaud Dr. Olga Rios, Board Member, and Mr. Gaer, President ABCFT, for reminding Ms. Soo Yoo, what an elected board member should be, and that is, advocating public

education.

*Mrs. Corine Madrid
Retired Principal, SWS*

Dear Editor:

We, The ABC Federation of Teacher-Retirees Chapter, support public education, teachers/nurses, our other fellow employees, students, the community, and The Board of Education.

President Brad Beach clarified in the September 19 board meeting that, although we all have the right to Freedom of Speech by The Constitution of The United States, we also have a responsibility to support ABCUSD and its community.

Area 2 Board Member Soo Yoo's statement that encourages parents to pull their students out of public school and consider home or alternative schooling if they don't like what's going on in their district, is clearly a slap in the face to the community that elected her. Furthermore, it is evident that her personal agenda and heart are not in defending and advocating for our great district. We must object strongly to this attack, not only on our school district and it's hard working professionals, but Public Education in general!

In Unity,

*Silvia Rodriguez, President
ABCFT-Retirees Chapter*

Dear Editor:

For the life of me I cannot fathom why any school board member would encourage parents to enroll their children in independent study. These stop-gap programs are designed to help students who are sick, or at risk of dropping out of school. They cannot possibly replace the full time classroom experience when students only have the opportunity to work with their instructor one hour per week and that one instructor facilitates instruction for every required high school course. There is no opportunity for any interaction with peers in these programs. I suspect that board member Soo Yoo has something else going on. Perhaps it serves her own personal political ambition to run for the State Assembly again and she is throwing red meat to her right-wing extremist base at the expense of ABC's students and teachers. As an elected member of the ABCUSD board, once again, she has really let us down-BIG TIME!

Pat Alviso

ABCUSD teacher, Retired

Re: Bill Pulls Revenue From Newspapers

Dear Editor:

California AB 562 (authored by Assemblymember Juan Carrillo, AD-39) passed 78 - 0 a couple months ago to the dismay of readers who are dependent on weekly community newspapers for their local news. This bill will permit self-storage facilities to advertise lien sales and auctions in non-adjudicated websites instead of long standing adjudicated community newspapers which have published these public notices of lien/auction sales for decades.

AB 562 is threatening the legal revenues of community newspapers and will directly contribute to the epidemic of "news deserts" which are jeopardizing our society's democratic foundations by contributing to misinformation and voter apathy. It is estimated that since the year 2005, every week two local newspapers are closing in the U.S. and are forced to lay off reporters. "News deserts" are communities that lack a reliable, trustworthy source of journalism that report on local government news, local business practices and community events.

Here in the Cerritos areas, local residents rely on Los Cerritos Community News (LCCN) for news on corrupt local

Continued in next column

Some Older Adults Hit With \$300+ Charge for R.S.V. Vaccine

Walgreens wanted to charge LCCN Publisher Hews \$350.

Staff Report

Most older adults like to get flu shots every year, some this year are getting the new R.S.V. vaccine and experiencing sticker shock. Most private insurers are not covering the R.S.V.

When the F.D.A. approved two R.S.V. vaccines earlier this year for adults aged 60 and up, they were heralded as a potentially lifesaving breakthrough. Every year, between 6,000 and 10,000 people in the U.S. over the age of 65 die from R.S.V., and 60,000 to 160,000 are hospitalized. The vaccines are both over 80 percent effective at preventing lower respiratory symptoms associated with an R.S.V. infection.

But some insurance plans aren't covering the cost, forcing people to pay hundreds of dollars.

Several common vaccines, including those for the flu and Covid-19, are included under Medicare Part B, which provides medical coverage. However, the R.S.V. vaccines, as well as a few others, including the vaccine for shingles, are covered under Medicare Part D, which pays for prescription drugs. As a result, Medicare enrollees **without** a Part D plan may have to pay for the R.S.V. vaccine out of pocket depending on their non-Medicare prescription drug coverage.

A spokeswoman for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services confirmed that the R.S.V. vaccines should be available free of charge to people with Medicare Part D.

According to a Medicare fact sheet, even if a vaccine isn't included on your Part D plan's list, the plan must still pay

for it if your doctor prescribes it. And per the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022, patients with Medicare drug plans no longer have to pay any out-of-pocket expenses for federally recommended adult vaccines. If you're charged a fee, your Part D plan should reimburse you.

For people with private insurance, the situation is less clear. According to the Affordable Care Act, private health insurers must cover the cost of preventive care, including vaccines recommended by the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

However, the committee's recommendations for the R.S.V. vaccine put the final decision in the hands of individuals in consultation with their doctors.

The official guidance says that anyone aged 60+ "may receive a single dose of R.S.V. vaccine, using shared clinical decision-making."

However, private health insurers have sometimes used this language as a loophole to get out of paying for vaccines, claiming that shared clinical decision-making doesn't qualify as an official CDC committee recommendation.

Another rationale is that the R.S.V. vaccine is not yet included on the C.D.C.'s annual vaccine schedule for adults, which may not be updated until early 2024. A spokeswoman for Blue Cross Blue Shield wrote that, until R.S.V. "appears on the immunization schedule, it is up to each plan to decide if they want to cover."

Other private insurers are already covering the cost. The Medicare Advantage plan through United Healthcare is covering the shot.

Given the varying policies among health insurers, it's worth calling to check if your plan covers the cost of the vaccine before you make an appointment to get the shot.

government practices, local events and news of civic groups, school issues and more. If LCCN should be forced to close down for lack of revenue, the Los Angeles Times, Long Beach Press Telegram and the Orange County Register will for sure not be interested in the local news of our non-profit organizations, city council and school board issues.

As a retired public school teacher, I remember the time when local news reporters used to be a standard presence at city council meetings and school board meetings. These journalists are now absent from these meetings and no longer represent the public's right to know; residents become more and more mis-informed of the actions taken by their locally elected officials before they get promoted to high-

er levels of government.

I urge all readers to call upon their local elected officials to support Los Angeles County local community newspapers with tax credits as well as supporting small businesses so that they can advertise in these local papers. Elected officials need to author legislation along the lines of the Community News and Small Business Support Act sponsored by Claudia Tenney, a Republican from New York, and Suzan DelBene, a Democrat from Washington state on July 21, 2023, which would create advertising tax credits and payroll tax credits for five years. Local news is important to healthy, thriving communities!

*Norma Williamson
Cerritos*



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State-of-the-Art Media Center Opens at Cerritos High



ABCUSD Superintendent Dr. Gina Zietlow, holding scissors, with Board Vice President Mrs. Sophia Tse and Clerk Mr. Ernie Nishii cut the ribbon to open the media center. The Center gives students meeting space and technology to collaborate, study, and work on group projects. There's even a snack bar.

From ABCUSD

Measure BB, the facilities improvement bond passed by voters in 2018, continues to have a positive impact on ABC Unified School District schools. District and community leaders celebrated the opening of the Cerritos High School Media Center on Tuesday, September 12, 2023, before the school's Back-to-School Night event. Representatives from elected officials' offices joined Board of Education Vice President Mrs. Sophia Tse and Clerk Mr. Ernie Nishii, Superintendent Dr. Gina Zietlow, Principal Mr. Patrick Walker, and his staff as they cut the ribbon, officially opening the new state-of-the-art facility.

"I am so impressed with the media center, and I know it will have an impact on our students," said Principal Mr. Walker. "It's easy to look at this center as just a shiny new addition to the school, but it's so much more than that. This will be a place where students will gather, working together on learning."

The Media Center features movable seating that can be configured for studying, meeting rooms for collaboration and group activities, a college and career center, and upgraded computers for research

and homework. Library Media Technicians will be available during the school day, and a snack bar will help students stay fueled as they continue their studies. The Media Center will be open one hour before and after school each day.

"Measure BB is doing so much for our students, from enhanced safety features to keep our campuses safe to new spaces like this one where students can learn and grow," said Superintendent Dr. Gina Zietlow. "All of our comprehensive high schools have new media centers, which serve as the hub of each school's campus. I'd like to thank the ABC Unified community for supporting our schools."

Since its initial funding in 2019, Measure BB has impacted every grade level across ABCUSD. Elementary schools have new playground equipment and surfaces, water bottle filling stations, and security enhancements. Both Artesia and Whitney High Schools have modernized classrooms with new technology, media centers, and other campus facilities, including a new athletic field at Artesia High and a new science building at Whitney High. Improvements continue at both Cerritos and Gahr High Schools, and work has started at middle schools.

Cerritos Library to Host Interactive Maquette Display

The display will be at the Skyline Room on Saturday, October 7 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Staff Report

To celebrate October Arts Month, Cerritos Library will showcase an interactive exhibition of City-owned sculpture maquettes from the Artwork in Public Places collection. Guests will be able to touch and examine the maquettes.

Maquettes are smaller representations of the pieces of monumental artwork installed throughout the City.

Maquettes are often used by the artists to physically visualize details and proportions and test forms and ideas before producing the full-scale models.

Approximately 10 to 15 maquettes will be showcased.

The display will be in the Skyline Room on Saturday, October 7 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Everyone is invited to this one-day event. Volunteers will provide information about the artwork.

Visually impaired guests will be able to experience the works of art through hearing detailed descriptions and touching the pieces.

The Cerritos Library, located at 18025 Bloomfield Avenue in Cerritos, is open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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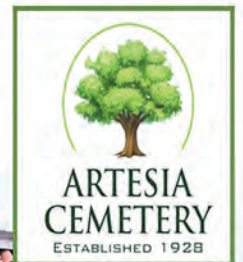
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La Mirada Holds Successful Health Fair



SENIOR-BASED FAIR: From health screenings to information on public transportation, each booth offered various freebies and in-depth information on health and wellness services. Photo by Stepheny Gehrig.

By Stepheny Gehrig

La Mirada's Activity Center was host to over 50 booths for the Community Health Information and Safety Fair on Sep. 13 from 9 a.m. to noon.

From health screenings to information on public transportation, each booth offered various freebies and in-depth information on health and wellness services.

The health screenings offered included blood pressure screening through the Biola "Ask a Nurse" program, periodontal screening through Bright Dental of La Mirada, oral cancer screening by New Age Dental, stroke screenings by both PIH Health Whittier and Providence St. Jude Medical Center and a blood pressure and blood sugar testing by SoCal Post Acute Care.

Mental wellness and housing information were available and offered resources, guides and websites where anyone can research and reach out for guidance or help. Some booths like the Independence at Home, Interfaith Food Center and

Southeast Area Social Services Funding Authority provided information on where to receive aid in regards to housing or food insecurities at free or low costs for seniors.

Rio Hondo Community College had a booth at the fair that gave out handbooks on classes available for adults and seniors, ranging from free classes like teaching English as a second language to physical health classes like chair yoga. They also offered paid courses, including real estate courses to begin a career.

Along with the health advice, the City of La Mirada promoted activities like Splash! as they offered Splash! passes allowing free entrance for a day to different pools. They also announced activities like their upcoming Halooweenfeest, held on Oct. 31 from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The fair was well organized and utilized the indoor and outdoor spaces of the Activity Center. Freebies were generous, from tote bags to bags of pet food.

The city plans to hold another fair in the future.

Hillshire Brands Recalls Smoked Sausage Due to Possible 'Foreign Matter' Contamination

Staff Report

Hillshire Farm has recalled thousands of pounds of smoked sausage over concerns that the product might contain "extraneous materials," specifically bone fragments.

On Sept. 2, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) announced that Hillshire Farm, a St. Joseph, Missouri-based company, would be recalling about 15,876 pounds of blended meat and poultry smoked sausage products potentially contaminated with bone fragments produced on June 14, 2023.

Hillshire Farm Smoked Sausage Made With Pork, Turkey, Beef. Tyson

The product that is subject to the recall is a 14-ounce cryovac package labeled "Hillshire Farm Smoked Sausage Made With Pork, Turkey, Beef," shipped to retail stores in seven states: California, Maryland, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

Packages that could be affected have lot codes "in the form of an establishment number, line number and time of production in hours:minutes:seconds," reading "EST. 756A 20 19:00:00 through 21:59:59 and EST. 756A 21 19:00:00 through 21:59:59." These products will also have a use-by date of Nov. 11, 2023 printed on the front of the package.

A sample label with the necessary codes to confirm if a product is part of the recall. Tyson

Hillshire notified FSIS that it had gotten consumer complaints regarding



bone fragments in the affected product, and the FSIS also received a consumer complaint regarding the issue.

To date, there has been one reported "oral injury" associated with consuming the affected products, and no illness or hospitalizations, according to FSIS, but anyone concerned about an injury or illness should contact a healthcare provider.

Anyone who has purchased one of the recalled sausages is encouraged to either discard it or return it to the point of purchase for a refund. Any Hillshire Farms customers who have questions related to the recall can contact the company at 1-855-382-3101.

FSIS encourages anyone who has purchased the recalled sausage to either throw it away or return it to the place from which they purchased it.

Additionally, Tyson Foods, Hillshire Brands' parent company, said in a news release that consumers who have purchased the affected item should cut the UPC and date code from the packaging, discard the product and call or text 1-855-382-3101. This number can also be used for customers with questions about the recall.

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UCLA Library Receives \$4.2 Million Political Cartoon Collection Spanning Centuries

From Michael and Susan Kahn Political Cartoon Collection, UCLA Library Special Collections



A world-class collection of political cartoons and caricatures created between 1690 and 2022 has been donated to UCLA Library by Michael and Susan Kahn.

The Michael and Susan Kahn Political Cartoon Collection encompasses more than one million political cartoons and caricatures, from 11,000 drawings, prints, ephemera, bound and unbound periodicals, books and research, in 30 languages and from 59 countries. The collection is valued at \$4.2 million.

“As a form of political discourse, cartoons not only convey an extraordinary

CHROMOLITHOGRAPH of President Ulysses S. Grant sitting in a rocking chair smoking a cigar published in the British magazine *Vanity Fair* (1868-1928).

HAND-COLORED LITHOGRAPHIC cover illustration of the internationally famous French stage and film actor Sarah Bernhardt by Andre Gill. She toured the world several times with her performances and was on her farewell tour of the United States in 1906.



amount of information, but they can also cause historical events,” Michael Kahn said. “My hope for the collection is that it will benefit generations of scholars and researchers across disciplines as well as members of the general public.”

Kahn, who earned his bachelor’s degree in political science from UCLA in 1970, co-authored the book “Puck: What Fools These Mortals Be,” which was published in 2014.

The couple also gave \$370,000 to the Library to organize, describe and comprehensively catalog the collection, and is donating an additional \$250,000 to establish a 10-year interdisciplinary education initiative for the study of graphic arts as political speech, bringing the total value of their gift to nearly \$5 million. The gift to fund the initiative was made in honor of Ginny Steel, the Norman and Armena Powell University Librarian, who is retiring in December.

“The Kahns’ foresight to fund an education initiative to activate the gift of their extraordinary collection of political cartoons is truly remarkable, and I am deeply touched

that they chose to honor my work with this gift,” Steel said. “At a time when political misinformation in the form of memes is proliferating online, this collection will help students develop critical thinking skills, and information and media literacy.”



TOKYO PUCK (Tōkyō paku) was a Japanese illustrated magazine founded in 1905 by editor and chief cartoonist Kitazawa Rakuten, during the Meiji period. Rakuten was known as a pioneer of caricature, cartooning and manga in modern Japan.



online learning management system.

One of the Kahn collection’s particular strengths is its caricatures of American presidential candidates from the elections of 1828 to 2020, with an emphasis on the period between 1840 and 1908. One gem is the first known caricature of Abraham Lincoln in print, which was published in the journal *Momus* less than a week after Lincoln was nominated as the Republican candidate for president on May 18, 1860.

The collection also features work from nearly 200 unique American newspapers and magazine titles, including early American political cartoon journals like *Scraps* (circa 1837–1849), *Yankee Notions* (1852–1864), *The Light* (1889–1891) and *Puck* (1876–1918). *Puck*, an influential satire magazine, was one of Kahn’s early inspirations; he began collecting political cartoons 40 years ago after UCLA professor D.B. Hardeman pointed out that a cartoon by Bernhard Gillam that appeared in *Puck* helped swing the 1884 presidential election for Grover Cleveland.

Numerous top political cartoon artists are represented in the collection; among them is Rollin Kirby, who received a 1929

ROLLIN KIRBY'S TAMMANY original pen and ink drawing on paper. Kirby received the 1929 Pulitzer Prize for this political cartoon satirizing New York’s infamous Tammany Hall long-time political machine.

Pulitzer Prize for an illustration satirizing New York’s infamous Tammany Hall political machine, the original of which is in the collection.

Researchers will also have access to extensive or entire runs of numerous 19th and early 20th century American periodicals, including *Harper’s Weekly* (1857–1888), the Civil War era of *Vanity Fair* (1860–1863), *Life* (1883–1936), *Saturday Globe* (1898–1907) and *Cartoons* magazine (1912–1921).

Also included are international publications, such as extensive runs of the British journals *Punch* (circa 1841–1940), *Judy* (1867–1894) and *Vanity Fair* (1868–1914), as well as the German magazine *Simplicissimus* (1896–1967), the French journal *La Caricature* (1830–1831), and *The Delhi Sketchbook* (1855), published in India, and *El Ahuizote: Semanario Político de Caricaturas* (1911 to 1913), a weekly political satire magazine published in Mexico City



UNCORKING OLD SHERRY by James Gillray, 1818. William Pitt is shown standing in the House of Commons assuming the posture of a waiter uncorking a wine bottle.

during the Mexican Revolution.

While the collection’s focus is primarily political, there is also a wealth of materials depicting figures from business and industry, the performing arts — including a cartoon of the French actor Sarah Bernhardt — and literature. The materials, stewarded by UCLA Library Special Collections, will be available to students, researchers and instructors beginning during the 2024–25 academic year. Learn more about the collection at the UCLA Library website.



PUCK “Waiting for the Good Times to Blow Over” by Louis Dalrymple, 1895. A female figure holds a cornucopia with the words “Prosperity 1895” and coins and bills flying out of the top, as she gestures toward an industrial scene lit by a ray of light from above.

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As the subject matter for academic courses, cartoons can challenge students to decode complex meanings at the intersection of visual and verbal languages. The materials invite scholars to draw insights from multiple academic disciplines, including political science, history, art history, communications and information studies.

“Cartoons provide access for students to the attitudes of reading publics in times past, offering nuanced expressions of ideology and sentiment in hybrids of image and text,” said Christopher Gilman, the Library’s digital curriculum program coordinator.

Gilman will collaborate with UCLA fac-

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approval of the recommended action, staff will complete the process to award and execute the contract.

Metro estimates that adding this 4-mile long westbound lane will cost \$162.4 million - about \$40 million per lane-mile.

For the second project, Metro and Caltrans plan to add an eastbound lane on the 91 Freeway for just under one mile from Atlantic Avenue to Cherry Avenue in north Long Beach.

The added lane is an “auxiliary” lane - a car lane that extends from an onramp to the next off-ramp.

Metro and Caltrans’ eastbound 91 widening was approved in 2021 and does not take out any homes but expands the freeway into an existing tree-lined right-of-way owned by Caltrans.

Metro and Caltrans are breaking up many of its L.A. County freeway widening projects into dozens of less than one-mile-long auxiliary lane segments on the 91, 405, and 605 freeways, as that type of widening is exempt from full environmental review and environmental mitigation.

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WEEK FOUR FOOTBALL

CERRITOS DEFENSE PUTS CLAMPS DOWN ON WEST TORRANCE FOR RARE HOMECOMING VICTORY

By Loren Kopff
@LorenKopff on Twitter

Homecoming games at the high school or college level are supposed to be festive events where you hope the home team comes away with a victory. For the Cerritos High football team, there haven't been too many happy days when this time comes around.

The Dons entered their game with West Torrance High last Friday unsuccessful in their last seven homecoming games, 10 of their last 11, and 15 of their last 18. In fact, since 1998, Cerritos had walked away with a homecoming victory half a dozen times. But powered by a solid defensive performance, especially in the first half, Cerritos came away with a 27-21 win over the Warriors, improving to 2-2 on the season.

"Oh, it's huge," said Cerritos first-year head coach Demel Franklin of ending the homecoming game skid. "I've been here, and we lost 'a few' and it wasn't even close. It's hard to get our students motivated to think that things have changed, but it has changed. The energy is completely different, the crowd is huge. I was just figuring if we can get through the first four or five games by week six at home, we're really going to get our stride, I believe."

West Torrance had the ball for only 6:05 in the first half, ran 16 plays and gained 41 yards. All three possessions in the second quarter ended in interceptions, the first two from junior cornerback Marnell Smith and the third one, which came with eight seconds remaining in the half, was by senior cornerback Toby Ozoagu.

After a scoreless opening quarter,



CERRITOS HIGH junior cornerback Ruben Castro celebrates his 45-yard interception return for a touchdown early in the third quarter of last Friday night's homecoming victory over West Torrance High. The pick six made the score 21-7 at the time and the Dons held on for a 27-21 victory. **Photo by Roxy Ligorria.**

Cerritos was looking to put the first points of the game on the board. However, senior Moises Mendoza missed a 28-yard field goal, ending a long 18-play drive that took 9:24 off the clock. But three plays later, Smith had the first of his interceptions and that turned into a four-yard touchdown pass from sophomore quarterback Justin Sagun to junior wide receiver Ruben Castro less than a minute later.

It was another short three-play drive by the Warriors and again, the Dons parlayed that into their second touchdown. This time, Cerritos used close to three minutes to end an 11-play, 61-yard drive that culminated with a one-yard score from senior running back Josh Park with 56 seconds left in the half.



CERRITOS HIGH senior running back Josh Park (middle) muscled his way through the West Torrance defense in last Friday night's 27-21 homecoming victory. It was one of 10 carries for Park, who gained 36 yards as part of Cerritos's dominating ground game that racked up nearly 300 yards. **Photo by Roxy Ligorria.**

Cerritos leading 14-0 at the half was a far cry from its previous game on Aug. 31 against Portola High. In that game, it was scoreless at the half before the Bulldogs scored a touchdown in the third and fourth quarters to blank the Dons 14-0. In four games this season, Cerritos has outscored their opponents 34-21

in the first half.

"That sat on our minds," said Franklin. "There is no way we should have lost that game. Defensively, we played great and over the week, what we did was we ran our kids even more to make sure we were in shape. [West Torrance] was a little bit tired and we started going tempo and I have 11 more guys ready to come in. That bye week did us wonders and I hope we can stay on this wave and keep rolling."

Despite the two touchdowns in the first half, the Dons had piled up 215 yards on 41 plays, but the third quarter would be a different story. After West Torrance punted on its first possession, it got the ball back when Ian Kilkenney recovered a fumble, leading to a 20-yard

scoring pass from Eli Brandt to Justin Jaimes with 9:44 left in the quarter. But the Dons extended their lead back to 14 points when Castro returned a Brandt interception 45 yards four minutes into the stanza.

After the Warriors were denied following a 13-play drive, they crept back into the contest when Tyler Black returned an interception 78 yards for a touchdown a play after junior Josiah Ungos gained 60 yards on his first carry of the second half. But as was the case with the end of the first quarter heading into the second quarter, Cerritos chewed up nearly six minutes on its next drive.

Castro's 27-yard return on the ensuing kickoff put the ball at its 35-yard line and 11 plays later, junior Dikshanta Adhikari hauled in a scoring pass from senior quarterback Julian Morales for the eventual game winner. It was the second completion in three attempts for Morales, while Sagun was eight of 16 for 77 yards with one interception.

"They told me before the game, 'coach, when you keep rotating us, we can't get into a rhythm'," said Franklin. "I said, 'okay, that's fine. Stop throwing interceptions and I'll stop rotating you'. By rotating the guys, it keeps the number two ready because he knows when [the starter messes] up, [the backup is] coming in. So now, you have competition."

The Dons were looking to ice the game and were running more time off the clock. But on third and 10 from the West Torrance 40-yard line, a fumble gave the Warriors life with 1:38 left in the game. That's when Brandt tossed a 60-yard touchdown pass to Reef Sherman, making it 27-21. However, Cerritos recovered the onside kick to hold onto the win.

Ungos led the rushing attack with 98 yards on 10 carries while Adhikari added 72 yards on 18 rushes. Sagun (four carries, 71 yards) and Park (nine carries, 36) would also help the Dons gain nearly 300 yards on 45 carries.

"Me and Josiah had a great talk after the last game," said Franklin. "To see

him run down the field and get that long run...man, that kid works hard. And he's the biggest back we have, and he doesn't like that I keep feeding the little guys. so, he told me, 'coach, I'm ready'. So, I'm glad he got to contribute greatly for us."

Castro caught half a dozen passes for 45 yards and on defense, sophomore Tyler Ky led the way with six tackles while Smith added three and a half tackles on top of his three interceptions and senior linebacker Gabe Gaudi and sophomore linebacker Jacob Hoosac each had three tackles.

"Our defense has been holding us down all year long," said Franklin. "Finally, the offense can contribute. But the defense motivates us, and it puts some wind under our wings and then we get to come out and run the ball. I thought our O-line played great tonight and we were able to control the clock, and that's what helped our defense stay fresh.

"He had a tough game the last time we were out here," he later said of Smith. "He actually got benched. So, we were on him and physically, we challenged him. We challenged him mentally and he stepped up. That's what these kids have been waiting for and that ignited our team, because they know how bad he played [two weeks ago]. When we made some plays, we were rolling."

After playing three of their first four games at home, the Dons will take to the road to face a tough Westminster High squad that is coming off a tough 27-14 loss to Esperanza High. The Lions dropped to 3-2, but all three victories have been shutouts as they scored a total of 108 points during that streak which have come in between their two losses. Westminster lost its season opener to Brea Olinda High 28-26.

The Lions are a balanced team as quarterback Benny Burns has completed 44 of 95 passes for 761 yards and 11 touchdowns. Three other players have gone three of nine for 112 yards and a touchdown. The leading target is Ja-

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605 LEAGUE GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

CERRITOS GIRLS VOLLEYBALL CONTINUES TO ROLL THROUGH THE 605 LEAGUE, SWEEPS JOHN GLENN

By Loren Kopff
@LorenKopff on Twitter

The streak began on Oct. 24, 2018, the last match of the regular season, and the Cerritos High girls volleyball team had to rally to win the final three sets to knock off former Suburban League rival La Mirada High in five. Since then, the Dons have won the first 44 605 League matches, including a 25-10, 25-9, 25-12 over John Glenn High this past Tuesday.

That is now 45 consecutive league victories and an equally impressive 135-5 record in sets played. On top of that, Cerritos has swept Glenn 15 straight times, 30 out of the last 31 matches and has not lost to the Eagles since Oct. 30, 2002.

But it hasn't been easy the past few seasons as the Dons have had to overcome injuries to key players. Last season, Cerritos was without the services of then-senior outside hitter Jordyn Hollins (torn ACL) for the entire season and senior middle blocker Isabella Dantzler (right tibia) who missed the first few weeks. Cerritos rebounded to go 17-8. This season, another four players are currently sidelined, but it hasn't deterred the team from improving to 12-3 overall and 4-0 in league play.

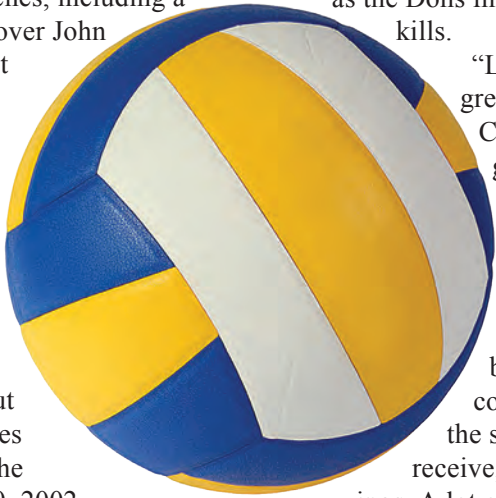
"I think the way we practice, we practice to train depth," said Cerritos head coach David Cuthbert. "We try to get everyone involved. I've felt pretty good about our bench play [which has] been coming in and doing its job. We've talked about having that next person up mentality and we try to take opportunities to keep non-starters involved so they're ready when we need them."

On the injured list are senior defensive specialists Ami Garcia and Nicole Garcia, both with knee issues, senior outside hitter McKinzie Nicholson (torn left ACL) and junior middle blocker Sophia Toney with an ankle injury. Cuthbert said he is hopeful on a couple of them returning before the end of the season, but the team is practicing as if none will return. Ami Garcia and Toney would have the best chances of possibly returning by the time the CIF-Southern Section playoffs begin.

Against the Eagles, Cerritos was off and running as senior setter Chloe Cruz served three straight points before Glenn got on the board. Then junior defensive specialist Gaby Colombo reeled off eight in a row, including three aces. That would be stopped when Glenn senior libero Heaven Lee had her first kill, then served three straight points. But moments later, Cerritos senior setter Charysse Dela Pena put together four straight points to make the score 20-6.

In the second set, it was Dela Pena's serving that propelled the visitors to an early 10-4 lead as she had four straight aces. At the end of the first rotation, senior libero Jasmine Kaster served four straight points, three of which were aces.

Cerritos gained leads of 5-2, 7-3 and 12-4 in the third set and never looked back. And after getting three kills in the first set, senior opposite hitter Leila Tolentino was all over the court in the next two sets. She finished with a match-high 14 kills while senior outside hitter Ava DeLeon-Ortega chipped in with five kills. They were two of 10 players with at least one kill as the Dons finished with 41 kills.



"Leila is all around great for us," said Cuthbert. "The game was under control at the end and she's still laying out, left hand to the ground to try to keep the ball alive. She contributes to us on the service line, serve receive, defense, blockings. A lot of the stuff she does doesn't even show up in the stat book. But when she plays, she's fantastic."

Cerritos is coming off a solid performance in the Bellflower-Valley Christian Tournament in which it went 2-1 in pool play action last Friday, lost to Mary Star of the Sea High in the first playoff game last Saturday before sweeping CAMS and Chatsworth High to finish in seventh place in the Gold Division. The Dons will host Whitney High on Friday in a battle for first place. Whitney fell to Oxford Academy this past Tuesday to fall a game behind Cerritos. It will be just the second of six home matches of the season. The team will then return to the Chadwick Tournament on Saturday before hosting Oxford Academy on Tuesday.

"I would have liked to have an extra weekend in between both [tournaments]," said Cuthbert. "It's important for us to try and schedule some tournaments later in the year. So, that's why we changed our tournaments this year. We moved to some later ones because we want to make sure that we're staying sharp going into the end of league season."

"We're excited to play in front of our fans at our place," he later said. "It's always a big game when we play Whitney, regardless of the standings. They're our cross-town rival, the kids will know each other, [and] it's always a good game. Everyone is going to be up for it."

Glenn, which fell to 4-7, 0-4, was

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NEWS AND NOTES FROM PRESS ROW

GAHR GIRLS FLAG FOOTBALL WINS THE BATTLE OF WINLESS GATEWAY LEAGUE TEAMS

By Loren Kopff
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With every new high school sport comes a lot of lessons learned and with the CIF-Southern Section introducing girls flag football as an official sport this season, everyone involved is still in learning mode. La Mirada High was hosting Gahr High this past Wednesday at Benton Middle School with the winner walking away with its first victory of the season.

Behind a solid passing performance from senior quarterback Lorin Lewis, the Gladiators put together a 19-6 victory for their first win after three losses to begin the season. Gahr had been shutout by Warren High 45-0, lost to Mayfair High 30-6 and fell to Bellflower High 19-12 before the meeting with La Mirada.

"It's good for the girls," said Gahr head coach Quincy Dickens. "They just play, and they're just trying to learn and grasp the game. They do get better every week, so I guess to finally see their work pay off is good for them."

Gahr opened the scoring when Lewis tossed a five-yard touchdown pass to senior Aalyah Browes-Nunn. But the Matadores, who have lost to Anaheim High 25-20 and Warren 31-0, took a 7-6 lead towards the end of the first half when junior Layla Barnhart hauled in a 38-yard pass from sophomore Cynthia Wright.

After both teams combined to go three and out on the first three possessions of the second half, Browes-Nunn picked off Wright, leading to a 28-yard scoring strike from Lewis to senior Alyssa



By Loren Kopff
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Claxton. On La Mirada's second play of the ensuing drive, Claxton's interception would lead to a three-yard touchdown pass from Lewis to freshman Brianna Ramirez.

Lewis was 22 of 42 for 211 yards with Claxton catching eight of those passes for 79 yards while Browes-Nunn caught five passes for 41 yards and freshman Camarra Brown-Stanton adding four receptions, all in the second half, for 49 yards. Most of Lewis' work came in the second half when she threw for 156 yards.

"When [Lorin] first came out, we had her just toss the ball," said Dickens. "Lorin just has a zip. Quarterback is probably the hardest position in football, and she really embraces it. She sees how important it is. She's there every day, she wants to get better at it and works on her technique. She's a true leader, so she's a big help to this team."

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WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

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

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Wright completed eight passes for 114 yards but was picked off four times as the Matadores are scheduled to visit Mayfair on Monday while Gahr's next game is scheduled Oct. 4 when it goes to Warren.

FOOTBALL

Los Amigos High (2-2) @ Artesia High (3-1)-The Pioneers are off to the program's best start since the 2018 team won four of its first five games, advanced to the CIF-Southern Section Division 12 finals and finished 10-4. The next season, Artesia wound up 4-7, but since then, has won a combined three games. Last time out, the Pioneers got past Ocean View High 20-17 and after blowing out their first two opponents, have played two straight games that were one-possession affairs. The heart and soul of the offense lies with the running game, especially junior quarterback Charlie Lopez who leads the Pioneers in rushing with 749 yards on 50 carries and nine touchdowns. Sophomore Josue Flores is next with 435 yards on 64 touches with six touchdowns. Lopez has also completed eight passes for 119 yards and a pair of scores.

Defensively, senior safety Joshua Campbell and senior cornerback Pablo Cruz each have three interceptions.

The Lobos were dominated by Viewpoint High 49-14 last Thursday and have alternated their wins and losses thus far. Both victories have been identical 28-27 contests while the other loss was to University High of Irvine, 21-7. Heading into the Viewpoint game, Los Amigos had 773 yards on offense. As a side note, Viewpoint will be Artesia's next opponent.

Prediction: Artesia 42, Los Amigos 20.

Cerritos High (2-2) @ Westminster High (3-2)-See West Torrance High/Cerritos game story.

Prediction: Westminster 35, Cerritos 14

Crean Lutheran High (3-1) @ Gahr (3-1)-Offense has not been a problem for Gahr this season as the Gladiators posted a 48-12 win over Santa Ana Valley High last Thursday for their third straight game of scoring at least 43 points. The Gladiators have matched last season's win total and one more win will give the program the most victories since 2017 when that team went 8-4.

Crean Lutheran knocked off Northwood High 28-7 last Friday and have scored 50 points in its last two games after putting up 40 and 43 points respectively to begin the season. Quarterback Jeremiah Finaly has completed 72 percent of his passes for 822 yards and eight touchdowns. Four players have each caught 10 of his 77 passes and all but two touchdowns while on the ground, Justin Dominguez has rushed for 406 yards on 60 carries, finding the endzone four times.

Prediction: Crean Lutheran 38, Gahr 21

John Glenn High (3-2) @ Glendale High (5-0)-This game was played on Sept. 21 and after getting blown out by Norwalk High two weeks ago, the Eagles took their frustrations out on a bad Mark Keppel High squad, 64-8, last Friday. Mark Keppel has given up 105 points to both Artesia and Glenn this season. Junior running back Tuiono Tuifua scored on a 29-yard interception return, a 50-yard touchdown reception from sophomore quarterback Luis Vergara and a 50-yard touchdown run. Glenn has matched its win total from two seasons ago but will face a big test against the Nitros, who have yielded an average of 11 points per game.

Glendale eased past Verbum Dei Jesuit High 35-8 last Thursday for its fourth straight double-digit win. Quarterback Jonathan Wells has passed for 871 yards and seven touchdowns while the Nitros have rushed for 820 yards and 11 touchdowns. Alfred Intriago leads in rushing with 435 yards on 79 carries and five touchdowns. Protecting Vergara will be crucial as Glendale has sacked opposing signal callers 18 times from 10 players, led by Alexander Shirvastian's four sacks.

Prediction: Glendale 28, Glenn 24

Locke High (0-4) @ Norwalk (2-2)-The Lancers came up short against Linfield Christian High last Friday, falling 22-20. Norwalk led 14-0 early in the second quarter and were still up by two at the half before seeing the Lions score 10 points in the third quarter. Junior running back Papo Lieataua scored from a yard out with seven minutes remaining in the game, but the two-point conversion failed and a missed field goal ended the game. Norwalk has two blowout wins by 61 and 36 points, but in the two losses, the margins have been seven and two points. This will also be Norwalk's homecoming game.

This has the makings of another blowout win as the Saints, who were blasted by Hawthorne High 54-0 last Friday, have scored only 20 points this season. Locke hails from the Metro League of the CIF-Los Angeles City Section and the five teams in that league have a combined mark of 5-18.

Prediction: Norwalk 54, Locke 7
Last week's predictions: 5-1
Season to date: 24-5

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Artesia swept Pioneer High this past Tuesday to improve to 6-6 overall and 2-2 in the 605 League. The Pioneers will host Oxford Academy on Friday and Glenn on Tuesday while Gahr was swept by Warren 25-22, 25-15, 25-22 this past Tuesday, falling to 14-8, 1-2 in the Gateway League. The Gladiators traveled to Paramount High on Sept. 21 and will be home to La Mirada on Thursday.

La Mirada continued to have a stellar season, defeating Downey High 25-20, 20-25, 25-23, 25-21 this past Tuesday, moving to 12-5, 2-0 in the Gateway League. The Matadores went to Warren on Sept. 21 and will participate in the Kennedy Tournament on Saturday before entertaining Paramount on Tuesday.

Also having a solid season is Norwalk, which improved to 15-8 overall, 2-1 in the Mid-Cities League following a 25-14, 25-18, 25-21 win at Firebaugh High this past Tuesday. The Lancers went to Dominguez High on Sept. 21 and will travel to United Christian Academy on Friday as well as Santa Fe High on Monday before hosting Lynwood High and Bellflower on Tuesday and Thursday respectively.

Valley Christian High swept Maranatha High this past Tuesday, improving to 10-8 overall and 1-1 in the Olympic League. The Defenders will host Heritage Christian High on Monday before going to Whittier Christian High the next day.

Whitney High dropped a four-set affair at Oxford Academy this past Tuesday to move to 7-12, 3-1. The Wildcats are now in a second place tie with their former Academy League rivals, and a game ahead of Artesia, which sits in fourth place. Whitney goes to Cerritos on Friday and hosts Pioneer on Tuesday.

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led by sophomore outside hitter Valeria Mejia (11 kills, one block). The Eagles will host Pioneer High on Friday before going to Artesia High on Tuesday.

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son Guzman (14 receptions, 281 yards, three touchdowns), but a dozen other players have caught at least one pass for at least 15 yards. On the ground, Jesus Ortega leads the way with 268 yards on 37 carries and a pair of touchdowns while Ezekiel Cedillo isn't far behind with 231 yards on 31 carries and two touchdowns.

On defense, the Lions are averaging nearly 100 tackles a game with Evangelino Salud leading the way with 55. He also has five sacks and Cedillo four

sacks as part of the 20 from nine different players.

The one common opponent for Cerritos and Westminster is Santa Ana Valley High, which fell to Gahr High 48-12 last Friday. Cerritos faces Gahr on Oct. 6.

"I have some film on them and I'm not going to lie, they have some players who can run with us," said Franklin. "They're going to hit [and] it's going to be an extremely challenging game, and we have to make sure to cut our mistakes down. Because if we do what we did tonight, I don't know if that's going to be good enough to beat them."

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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

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Ford, BMW, and scores of others access to many Supercharger stations, making long-distance travel easier than ever.

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ing Stations to Hawaiian Gardens," said Mayor Maria Teresa Del Rio. "We are excited to accelerate the world's transition to sustainable energy, and expanding the charging infrastructure is a crucial step in achieving that. By partnering with local landmarks like The Gardens Casino and the Hawaiian Gardens Town Center, we are helping provide electric car owners with a seamless charging experience and contribute to the growth of the electric vehicle ecosystem."

"As Hawaiian Gardens works towards its renewable energy goals and reducing carbon emissions, introducing Tesla Charging Stations is a significant stride towards a cleaner, more sustainable transportation future. The incorporation of these charging stations serves the immediate community and acts as a beacon of progress, inspiring other businesses to follow suit in bolstering electric vehicle infrastructure," concluded Teresa Del Rio.

RECALL from page 1

nia law; if a notice of intention is deficient, the proponents must prepare a new notice of intention, including collecting signatures.

One Notice must be filed for each elected official to be recalled and contain the elected official's name, a 200-word or less statement outlining the reasons for the recall, and the names and addresses of each proponent of the recall. For a city the size of Bell Gardens, the Notice required 30 signatures, which the proponents successfully collected.

The proponents then need to collect 25% of the registered voters in the city, approximately 3,200, and submit for verification. If the signatures are approved, a recall election will be scheduled.

"You have placed personal interest above the interest of the community and have enriched yourself and your acquaintances through the approval of various projects brought forth to the council pertaining to real estate, developments, and Public Safety," the proponents wrote in the Notice.

"You have failed to keep campaign promises to protect Bell Gardens from the proliferation of cannabis business and the health and safety concerns such

businesses will bring to the community. You have also failed to carry out the duties and responsibilities set forth by the office you entered into. More importantly, you have ignored the quality of life issues brought forth to you by the community. You have taken advantage of taxpayer money by irresponsibly traveling and attending junkets that further your own personal goals and interest and not the welfare of the residence."

"More than 200 people spoke with them, but the council didn't listen because their economic needs matter more," resident Jennifer Rodriguez said. "They've shown us that they've sold out to the marijuana industry."

Bell Gardens Mayor Francis de León and City Manager Michael O'Kelly stated, "The city has not received applications for marijuana vending at this time. The City Council considered and approved a process to sell cannabis products to increase revenue for community programs that will directly benefit the residents of Bell Gardens."

City Council representatives pointed out that cities with similar ordinances have received annual tax revenues of up to \$3 million. Additionally, they said the ordinances help decrease illegal cannabis operations.

Subject: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report and Scoping Meeting
Project Title: Washington and Rosemead Boulevards Transit-Oriented Development Specific Plan

The City of Pico Rivera (City), as lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), will prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Washington and Rosemead Boulevards Transit-Oriented Development Specific Plan (Project).

Project Location

The Project area is generally bounded by Washington Boulevard to the north, the BNSF Railway to the South, Rosemead Boulevard to the east and Crider Avenue to the west.

Cortese List Notice: Pursuant to Public Resources Code 21092.6(a), the Project site is not included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5

Project Description

The Project is the Washington and Rosemead Boulevards Transit-Oriented Development Specific Plan (Specific Plan). The Specific Plan encompasses approximately 327 acres, with the primary goal of promoting the future revitalization and reuse the Specific Plan area into a vibrant, multi-modal, mixed use, commercial, residential and open space attraction in the City of Pico Rivera.

Public Scoping

An EIR will be prepared to fully evaluate the potential impacts of the proposed Project. The EIR will evaluate all identified issues from the 2019 CEQA Initial Study Checklist. Public Scoping Meeting to solicit environmentally related public comments on the scope and content of the EIR for the Project will be held:

October 25, 2023, at 5:00 P.M.
Pico Rivera City Council Chambers
6615 Passons Blvd. Pico Rivera, CA 90660

Project comments are welcome in person at the scoping meeting, in writing to the address above, via email at communitydevelopment@pico-rivera.org or phone (562) 801-4332 by 5:00 PM on October 25, 2023.

Upon request and in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, any person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation to participate in a meeting should direct such request to (562) 801-4389 at least 72-hours before the meeting.



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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.

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO)
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADOPTION AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-946 AMENDING SECTIONS VARIOUS OF THE ARTESIA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE CITY MANAGER, CITY CLERK, AND CITY TREASURER

Notice is hereby given that on September 11, 2023, the City Council of the City of Artesia adopted Ordinance No. 23-946 making certain amendments to the Artesia Municipal Code related to the powers and duties of the City Manager, City Clerk, and City Treasurer.

- Revisions to Subsections (b), (c), and (d), of Section 2-4.205, authorizing the City Manager to supervise, appoint, promote, discipline and manage all officers, employees and departments with the exception of the City Attorney;
Revisions to Subsections (f), and (g), in Section 2-4.305 authorizing the City Manager to request the City Clerk's attendance at any other advisory body of the City.

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council by the following vote: Ayes: Ramoso, Trevino, Taj, Lima, Manalo; Noes: None; Absent: None; Abstain: None. Please note that the above is a simply a summary of the Ordinance. A copy of the full text of the Ordinance is posted in the City Clerk's office at 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, California 90701. Date: September 22, 2023 Jennifer Alderete, Acting City Clerk

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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.

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS
THRISIA JOHN THOTTIL filed a petition with this court for a decree changing name as follows: THRISIA 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.

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.

**CITY OF PICO RIVERA PLANNING COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF CONDITIONAL
USE PERMIT NO. 755**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing will be held before the City of Pico Rivera Planning Commission to consider the approval of Conditional Use Permit No. 755 to rehabilitate and operate a self-service car wash located at 4614 Rosemead Boulevard, Pico Rivera, CA 90660 (Assessor Identification No. 6374-001-007) in the Multi-Family (R-M) zoned district as shown in Attachment "A."

WHEN: Monday, October 02, 2023
TIME: 6:00 P.M.
WHERE: City Hall Council Chambers
6615 Passons Boulevard
Pico Rivera, CA 90660

This project has been assessed in accordance with the authority and criteria contained in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.), the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 15000 et seq.), and the environmental regulations of the City. Upon review, the project is Categorically Exempt from CEQA under Section 15301 Class 1 (Existing Facilities). This section pertains to existing facilities that involve negligible or no expansion beyond what currently exists at the time of environmental determination.

PERSONS INTERESTED IN THIS MATTER wishing to observe the meeting may do so in the following ways:

- (1) Turn your TV to Channel 3;
- (2) City's website at <https://bit.ly/picorivera-ctv3live>
- (3) Email public comments to aneli.gonzalez@pico-rivera.org prior to 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting;
- (4) Attend the Public Hearing in person

Copies of all relevant material including project specifications are available to the public for review in the Community & Economic Development Department at City Hall, 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California. Additional information may be found at the City's website at <https://www.pico-rivera.org/index.php/current-projects/>. Please contact Eba Soleimani, Planning Technician at 562-801-4321 for additional questions.

If you challenge the consideration or adoption of the proposed applications in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or written correspondence delivered to the City of Pico Rivera City Clerk at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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

Attachment "A"



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CITY OF CERRITOS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA. NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES, RFP NO. 1526-23. Project Identification: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES, RFP NO. 1526-23. Project Description: The City of Cerritos is requesting proposals from qualified civil engineering consultants interested in providing professional municipal engineering services to provide support and expertise in the application of civil engineering principles. This work is to be performed on an on-call, flexible service basis. **Proposals must be received on or before: 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 18, 2023. Place of proposal receipt:** Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Cerritos, California 90703. Proposals must be marked: **"PROPOSAL – ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES, RFP NO. 1526-23- DO NOT OPEN."** The not-to-exceed fee proposal shall be placed in a separate sealed envelope and submitted as part of the consultant's submittal package. Request for Proposal details are available by contacting the City of Cerritos, Engineering Division at (562) 916-1219. The City's final selection criteria will be based on, but not limited to, the following analysis: Completeness of proposal; Firm's and key project team members' record in accomplishing work assignments for similar projects; The resources and fee required for performing the requested services. The City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, or portions thereof, or to waive any informality or irregularity in a proposal to the extent allowed by law. By order of the City of Cerritos.

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CITY OF CERRITOS, STATE OF CALIFORNIA. NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES, RFP NO. 1525-23. Project Identification: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES, RFP NO. 1525-23. Project Description: The City of Cerritos is requesting proposals from qualified traffic engineering consultants interested in providing professional engineering services to provide support and expertise in the application of traffic engineering principles and practices to provide and enhance the safety and efficient movement of pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicular traffic of people and goods within the City. This work is to be performed on an on-call, flexible service basis. **Proposals must be received on or before: 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 18, 2023. Place of proposal receipt:** Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 18125 Bloomfield Avenue, First Floor, Cerritos, California 90703. Proposals must be marked: **"PROPOSAL – ANNUAL CONTRACT FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES, RFP NO. 1525-23- DO NOT OPEN."** The not-to-exceed fee proposal shall be placed in a **separate sealed envelope** and submitted as part of the consultant's submittal package. Request for Proposal details are available by contacting the City of Cerritos, Engineering Division at (562) 916-1219. The City's final selection criteria will be based on, but not limited to, the following analysis: Completeness of proposal; Firm's and key project team members' record in accomplishing work assignments for similar projects; The resources and fee required for performing the requested services. The City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, or portions thereof, or to waive any informality or irregularity in a proposal to the extent allowed by law. By order of the City of Cerritos.

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Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at location indicated: 17701 Ibbetson Ave. Bellflower, Ca 90706 on October 10, 2023 at 12:30 p.m.

Laura Ashley- Household items

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property pursuant to Sections 21700–21716 of the CA Business and Professions Code, Section 2328 of CA Commercial Code, Sections 1812.600 –1812.609, Section 1988 of CA Civil Code and Section 535 of the CA Penal Code.

The undersigned will be sold at public auction conducted on www.storagetreasures.com ending on Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 10:00am. The personal property including: general household goods, electronics, tools, personal effects, and or miscellaneous items are stored at: Cerritos Self Storage, 16515 Valley View Ave., Cerritos, County of Los Angeles, State of California by the following:

Name	Unit #
John Benton	M053

Purchases must be made in CASH ONLY and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

Dated this 22nd day of September 2023 and 29th day of September 2023.
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:

LAURENCE JOSEPH NANTAIS
CASE NO. 23STPB09983

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of LAURENCE JOSEPH NANTAIS.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JENNIFER JEAN FAULKNER in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 10/24/23 at 8:30AM in Dept. 11 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

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

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

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

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

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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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**Public Hearing
Instructional Materials Compliance**

A Public Hearing will be held at the ABC Unified School District Office on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. as part of the School Board meeting. The location of the Public Hearing is in the Boardroom at 16700 Norwalk Boulevard, Cerritos, California. The Public Hearing is held in compliance with State guidelines to determine the adequacy of instructional materials in the District.

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