

## HAWAIIAN GARDENS WILL INCORPORATE

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### County Board of Supervisors Approves Boundaries, City Will Incorporate in July

LCCN Staff Report

After a nineteenth-century property bubble crashed, Los Angeles began growing again, and by the turn of the century had reached 100,000 inhabitants.

The area that would become Hawaiian Gardens - then known as "The Delta" - remained largely a rural area with dairy and truck farms and some oil development.

Credit for naming this community belongs to an enterprising but unknown businessman who turned a Prohibition-era thatched-roof fruit stand near Carson Street and Norwalk Boulevard into a thriving refreshment stand.

Legend has it that the proprietor had a talent for moonshine, and farmers would trot over from their lima bean fields and dairy barns for spiked punch.

Travelers on the horse trail

often said the shack resembled a Hawaiian garden. The name stuck.

During the Great Depression, the area became a refuge for people to buy or build a home despite poor roads, frequent flooding, and limited access to electricity.

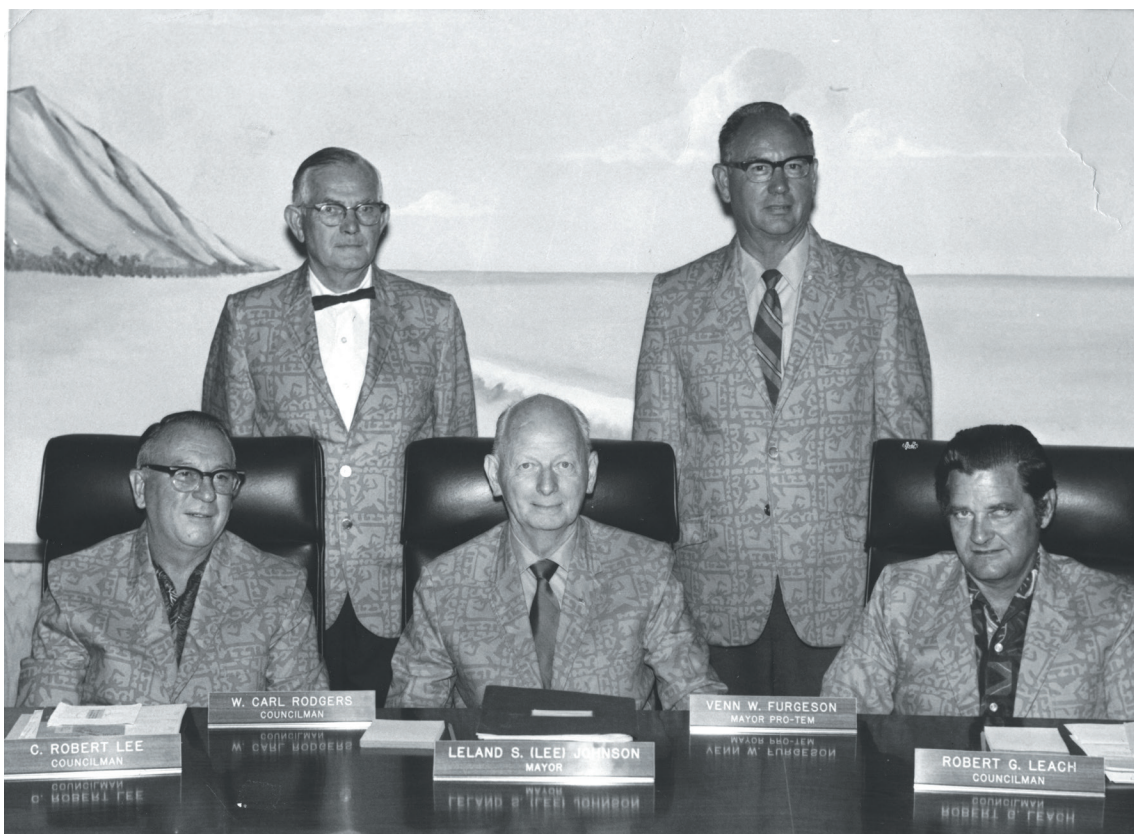
In the late 1920s, only Norwalk Blvd was a paved road.

For the next 35 years, except for Pioneer Boulevard, Norwalk Boulevard, and Carson Street, the little town would be all dirt roads.

On July 31, 1963 the L.A. Times reported that a notice of intention to circulate a petition to incorporate Hawaiian Gardens was filed with Board of Supervisors' Clerk Gordon Nesbit.

Lee Ware asked the county boundary commission to examine the proposed boundaries which were 214th St., Bloom-

{See **Incorporation** pg. 9}



A HAWAIIAN GARDENS City Council election was held April 9, 1968, at the time there were four voting precincts. 882 votes were cast, with the winning candidates shown above. From (l-r) Councilmen C. Robert Lee and W. Carl Rodgers; sitting is Mayor Leland "Lee" Johnson; Mayor pro tem Venn Furgeson, and Councilman Robert Leach. On July 31, 1963 the L.A. Times reported that a notice of intention to circulate a petition to incorporate Hawaiian Gardens was filed with Board of Supervisors' Clerk Gordon Nesbit. The proposed boundaries which were 214th St., Bloomfield, Decca, Artesia, and the "Norwalk storm drain."

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### Central Basin Directors Vote No for New GM, Rebuking Pres. Gualtieri and VP Garza

By Brian Hews

After placing Central Basin General Manager Alex Rojas on paid administrative leave a few weeks ago "pending an investigation into Rojas' role in the hiring of a company linked to a bribery scandal at his previous job," the Central Basin Board, consisting of President Michael Gualtieri, VP Juan Garza, who was appointed not elected, and Directors Leticia Vasquez-Wilson and Martha Camacho Rodriguez, placed an item on their March agenda to hire a new GM, paying an additional \$265,000 in salary and thousands in benefits.

LCCN exclusively reported on the hiring in late March, slamming the CB Board for saddling taxpayers with two GM salaries.

The new hire would have been Elaine Jeng, the current City Manager at Palos Verdes Estates.

The CB Board was hardly transparent in their hiring of Jeng, advertising the position for only one week and then inter-

viewing candidates in closed session, with each candidate given only twenty minutes to interview.

Thinking they had four votes, Gualtieri, Garza, Vasquez and Rodriguez handed Jeng a plum agreement that included 15 days vacation, sick leave, personal days and a \$400 monthly car allowance.

With the hiring, CB ratepayers would have been paying two salaries, one to Rojas and the other to Jeng which, according to the agenda, "is unbudgeted and will come from surplus funds."

But when the approval of the Jeng agreement came up for a vote, Gualtieri and Garza were rebuked by the remaining CB Directors including Vasquez and Rodriguez.

The group voted 4-3 to pass on hiring Jeng with Directors Vasquez and Rodriguez surprisingly voting with Directors Art Chacon and James Crawford. According to attendees, Director Garza was upset; Gualtieri later sent in his resignation. Stay tuned.

### 100-Year-Old Navy Veteran Honored by Pico Rivera

By Brian Hews

Pico Rivera resident Joe Hernandez Hilario was recently honored by the City Council on the occasion of his 100th birthday celebration. Vice Mayor John Garcia and Councilmember Gustavo Camacho presented Hilario with a proclamation from the city council during the birthday celebration at Pio Pico Rivera Women's Club.

Joe grew up in East Los Angeles after moving from Texas to California when he was very young, attending grammar school all the way to high school, graduating from Roosevelt High School in 1942, making him a proud Mighty Rough Rider alum.

Hilario entered the United States Navy in December 1942 and was discharged in December 1945. During his stint

{See **Hilario** pg. 5}



**JOE HERNANDEZ HILARIO** is a 55-year Pico Rivera resident, a Navy veteran, and the recipient of the World War II Victory Medal and the Asiatic Pacific 2 stars. Hilario entered the United States Navy in December 1942 and was discharged in December 1945. Hilario is seen here with (left) Pico Rivera Mayor Pro Tem John R. Garcia and Councilman Gustavo Camacho.





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First Hawaiian Gardens City Hall



THE FIRST CITY HALL was located at 12134 Tilbury St, on the corner of Tilbury and Horst where the Gardens Shopping Mall is now. The city moved to a new facility in 1979, the old city hall became the Hawaiian Gardens Library.

Hawaiian Gardens-L.A. County Library Opens



Hawaiian Gardens Library was founded in 1974 with a bookmobile. The next site for the library was at 12134 Tilbury Street (the former city hall); it served the community from 1979 until Dec. 1987. On January 19, 1988, the library was relocated to a 2,000 square foot building in the Hawaiian Gardens Town Center.

The official dedication was held on March 9, 1988. In 1989, the facility was expanded to 4,000 square feet. The Hawaiian Gardens Library moved to a new 5,585 square foot building that is shared with the City of Hawaiian Gardens Public Safety Center at 11940 Carson Street in December 2008.

Hawaiian Gardens-L.A. County Fire Station 34



THE NEWSPAPER CLIP below is from a May 2, 1971 Los Angeles Times newspaper urging residents to visit local fire stations in honor of National Fire Service Recognition Day on May 8, 1971. It is the earliest clip that can be found showing the city's station at 21207 S. Norwalk Blvd. The picture above looks to be around the early1980's; this publisher owned a 1979 GMC with same front end. ~Brian Hews

Public Invited to Visit County Fire Stations Beer Permits Denial Urged by Council

Southeast area residents will have a chance to visit their County Fire Department stations and personnel during open house programs Saturday, May 8.

"This is our observation of national Fire Service Recognition Day," County Fire Chief Richard H. Houts said.

The stations will be open to visitors from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. so they may see how firemen—who are on duty 24 hours a day—live in their "home away from home."

Other stations in the countywide open house activities include 34, 21207 S. Norwalk Blvd., Hawaiian Gardens; 49, 13820 S. La Mirada Blvd., La Mirada; 96, 10630 S. Mills Ave., 15, 11460 Santa Gertrudes Ave. and 17, 11901 E. Washington Blvd., all in Whittier.

In addition are 25, 9209 E. Slauson Ave., 103, 7300 S. Paramount Blvd.; 40, 4865 S. Durfee Ave., all in Pico Rivera; 31, 7521 E.

HAWAIIAN GARDENS —City Councilmen have filed protests with the Alcoholic Beverage Control board over two proposed on-sale beer licenses.

The city has asked the ABC unit to deny applications for the King of Hearts, 12537 Carson St., and the Lucky Boot, 21509 Norwalk Blvd.

City Administrator Jack Simpson said the King of Hearts denial request is based on a Sheriff's Department investigation,



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# The Moskowitz Family Gives Back to Hawaiian Gardens

## The Hawaiian Gardens Food Bank

By Brian Hews

The Hawaiian Gardens Food Bank, sponsored by The Irving I. Moskowitz Foundation, owners of the Bingo Club in Hawaiian Gardens, has been distributing food to the needy for decades.

During the pandemic, the bank stepped up its usual operation providing free food and fresh produce, and any other donations available, to low income families, unemployed, disabled, and the homeless in Hawaiian Gardens and surrounding communities.

Food Bank Manager Leticia Macias and Purchasing Agent Melisa Halloran became increasingly busy as the pandemic spread, serving nearly 2,000 families with food every month.

Families receive a bag of USDA goods such as rice, beans, pasta, canned vegetables, canned fruit, and other items and are limited to two visits per month, or every other week. The distribution is held outside the food bank with distributors practicing proper hygiene and social distancing.

But there is many other services the Food Bank provides to area residents and companies that many do not know about.

Not only do they provide necessary items to families, registered residents can also obtain a voucher for bread, milk or eggs, canned goods, and a large bag of fresh produce to use at a local grocery store.

“I don’t know what I would do if the food bank was not there,” said one resident who did not want to be identified, “it really helps me and my family, giving out food and other items every month to people like us.”

The Food Bank also provides healthy snacks and fresh fruit to several after school programs such as the Migrant Program and the Red Cross Club, while also holding a “Toys and Turkey’s” event for the holidays.

Knowing that low income families need other items, , the Food Bank partners with Macy’s and other stores to obtain clothing and essential items to distribute.

“To not have to spend money on clothing every month is a real help,” said the resident, “I can use the money elsewhere, like for my rent.”

In addition, the Food Bank, in collabo-

ration with the with ABC School District, holds citizenship classes for community members who are seeking U.S. Citizenship.

The program was first proposed by former ABCUSD Trustee Chris Apodaca, who represented Hawaiian Gardens, with the classes conducted at the ABC Adult School in Cerritos.

Management even partnered with the American Red Cross to distribute smoke alarms to the community.

Running the Food Bank is Manager Leticia Macias and Purchasing Agent Melisa Halloran, they are the face of the Food Bank and provide crucial experience in operating the organization.

Macias told HMG, “Funding for the Hawaiian Gardens Food Bank comes from the Irving I. Moskowitz Foundation. Because of their generous support, the community is able to feed over 2,000 families a month.”

The Food Bank is located at 22121 Norwalk Blvd in Hawaiian Gardens, the phone is (562) 860-9097.

Distribution hours are Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Thursdays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

## Irving Moskowitz Foundation Donates to Help Organizations

*The Foundation has donated over \$1.1 million to hurricane victims since 1998.*  
**\$100,000 to American Red Cross in Wake of Typhoon Haiyan**

In 2013, the Moskowitz Foundation presented a check in the amount of \$100,000 to the American Red Cross to

help support the relief effort in the wake of Typhoon Haiyan.

The check was presented to the Greater Long Beach Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Typhoon Haiyan killed more than 5,000 people and left millions without a place to live and caused billions of dollars in damages.

### \$100,000 to Hurricane Harvey Victims

In 2017, the Foundation donated \$100,000 to the Red Cross to assist Hurricane Harvey victims.

The Red Cross has over 21 shelters in Texas and over 30,000 hurricane victims were housed in those shelters. There were over 2,000 volunteers serving on the ground and 30 deployed from the Los Angeles County region.

“All the funds donated helps pay for air fare, supplies, blankets, ready to eat meals, cots, all sorts of supplies,” said a spokesperson for the Red Cross. “We know that this storms surging is worse than Hurricane Katrina, because of the extensive area and the number of people affected by its devastation.”

### \$60,000 to Autism Speaks

Over the years, the Foundation has presented over \$60,000 to Autism Speaks.

Autism Speaks is dedicated to increasing awareness of autism spectrum disorders, to funding research into the causes, prevention and treatments for

autism, and to advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families.

Autism Speaks was founded in February 2005 by Suzanne and Bob Wright, the grandparents of a child with autism. Bob Wright is Senior Advisor at Lee Equity Partners and served as vice chairman, General Electric, and chief executive officer of NBC for more than 20 years.



### \$1.5 million to construct Fedde Sports Complex

The Fedde Sports Complex and Moskowitz Stadium is a modern and premier outdoor recreational facility built to promote an active and healthy lifestyle for the community and local schools.

The Irving Moskowitz Foundation donated \$1.5 million.

The facility includes two baseball/softball diamonds, backstops, 1000-seat bleachers, playground, pedestrian walkways, drinking fountains, two football/soccer fields; restroom, and concession building.

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### Buddy Ebsen Grand Marshall of City Parade



**BEST KNOWN** for the Beverly Hillbillies, TV star Buddy Ebsen (center) was the Grand Marshal of the 1974 parade in Hawaiian Gardens.

### Actor Royal Dano Grand Marshall in 1984



**ACTOR** Royal Dano (inset) in the 1984 parade. In a career spanning 46 years, he was perhaps best known for playing cowboys, villains, and Abraham Lincoln. Dano also provided the voice of Lincoln for Walt Disney’s Great Moments with Mr. Lincoln attraction at the 1964 World’s Fair brought to Disneyland Anaheim in 1965.

#### City Gets Parks Grant From HUD

**HAWAIIAN GARDENS**  
A grant of \$53,154 for the construction of two neighborhood parks here has been received by the city from the federal

#### Housing and Urban Development department.

Funds will be used to develop **Pioneer Park**, **Pioneer Blvd.** at 223rd St., and for the purchase and development of **Clarkdale Park**, **Clarkdale Ave.** and 221st St.

**IN THE MID-70’S** Hawaiian Gardens received over \$53,000 in grant monies for the construction of Pioneer and Clarkdale Parks. In the early 70’s, the city had been negotiating with Long Beach Water for the land that is now Pioneer Park.

### Hilario from page 1

with the Navy, he achieved the rank of Coxswain and was primarily responsible for driving navel landing craft. He was awarded the World War II Victory Medal and the Asiatic Pacific 2 stars for his service.

Since making Pico Rivera his home in 1969, Joe has been an active and cherished community member. He has worked as a poll worker alongside his wife during election season and volunteered with the Meals on Wheels program. His involvement with the Pico Rivera VFW and various senior organizations reflects his commitment to serving others and making a positive difference in the lives of those around him. Additionally, Joe’s dedication to his faith as a St. Xavier Catholic Church lector underscores his strong sense of community and spirituality.

Beyond his service and community involvement, Joe’s passion for learning and craftsmanship is truly inspiring. His love for reading and woodworking speaks volumes about his curiosity, creativity, and lifelong pursuit of knowledge. He uses his woodworking skills to build cabinets for the VFW Post, rocking horses, spice racks, and door stoppers for friends and family.

Joe still lives in the Hilario family home and enjoys spending time with his five children, 11 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

“It is with great pleasure and admiration that I extend my heartfelt congratulations to Joe Hernandez Hilario on the momentous occasion of his 100th birthday,” said John Garcia, Pico Rivera Vice Mayor. “On behalf of the entire City Council and the residents of Pico Rivera, I commend Joe for his remarkable milestone and extraordinary contributions to our community.”

“Joe’s dedication and service to our country during his time in the United States Navy exemplify the highest ideals of patriotism and bravery. His commitment to duty and sacrifice has left an indelible mark on our nation’s history, and we are forever grateful for his service. We proudly salute Joe for his achievements and commend him for his unwavering devotion to our country.”

“As we celebrate Joe’s remarkable journey and mark this milestone occasion, let us reflect on the values of courage, resilience, and service that he embodies,” said Gustavo Camacho, Pico Rivera Councilmember. “Joe’s legacy will continue to inspire future generations to strive for excellence and make meaningful contributions to our community and country.”

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# Vietnam Veterans ‘Wall That Heals’ Exhibit Visited Hawaiian Gardens

It was a huge honor for the city; the 2023 exhibit visited only 32 cities in the United States.

By Brian Hews

A 75-percent replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington DC came to Hawaiian Gardens and Fedde Middle School March 23-26, 2023.

The Wall That Heals consisted of two components; The Wall replica and a mobile Education Center.

On Veterans Day 1996, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund (VVMF) unveiled the replica designed to travel to communities throughout the United States. Since its dedication, The Wall That Heals has been displayed at nearly 700 communities throughout the nation.

“Bringing The Wall home to communities throughout our country allows the souls enshrined on the Memorial to exist once more among family and friends in the peace and comfort of familiar surroundings,” the VVMF said in a statement.

The traveling exhibit provides thousands of veterans who have been unable to cope with the prospect of facing The Wall to find the strength and courage to do so within their own communities, thus allowing the healing process to begin.

The Wall That Heals exhibit was on the road for more than 13,000 miles and visited 26 communities from coast to



**VISITORS** listen to a Vietnam Veteran talk about the Vietnam Wall That Heals, a replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington DC that was on display in Hawaiian Gardens and Fedde Middle School from March 23-26. Since its dedication, The Wall That Heals has been displayed at nearly 700 communities throughout the nation. Photo courtesy Hawaiian Gardens.

coast during its 2021 season.

The Wall was escorted by more than 3,000 vehicles into those communities, seen by nearly 200,000 visitors. Guided tours of the exhibit were provided to more than 12,000 students.

At the Hawaiian Gardens regular City Council meeting December 13, 2023 resident Mike Laughlin stated “the Wall will arrive in March, we already cleared it with the ABCUSD School Board, and we will be putting it at Fedde. We approved the escort route and the Moskowitz Foundation gave us permission to meet up at the Bingo Club; we will tour around the city on the route approved by the committee.”

The three-quarter scale Wall replica is 375 feet in length and stands 7.5 feet high at its tallest point. With the replica at this size, visitors are able to experience The Wall rising above them as they

walk towards the apex, a key feature of the design of The Wall in D.C.

Like the original Memorial, The Wall That Heals is erected in a chevron-shape, and visitors are able to do name rubbings of individual service members’ names on The Wall. The names are listed in order of date of casualty and alphabetically on each day. Beginning at the center/apex, the names start on the East Wall (right-hand side) working their way out to the end of that wing, picking up again at the far end of the West Wall (left-hand side) and working their way back into the center/apex. The first and last casualties are side by side at the apex of the Memorial.

The replica is constructed of Avonite, a synthetic granite, and its 144 individual panels are supported by an aluminum frame. Modern LED lighting from the top of The Wall provides readability of The Wall at night.

## La Mirada Foundation Scholarship Applications Due April 11

The La Mirada Community Foundation is accepting applications from high school seniors for its scholarship program. The deadline to submit the required documents to City Hall is Thursday, April 11.

Scholarship recipients are selected based on meeting academic requirements and demonstrating community involvement. An application is available on the La Mirada Community Foundation page at [cityoflamirada.org](http://cityoflamirada.org). For more information, call (562) 943-0131.

## Prayer Breakfast

Join the community for a morning of fellowship and prayer on Friday, April 19 at the 8th annual La Mirada Prayer Breakfast. The event will be held at 7 a.m. at the La Mirada Golf Course, located at 15501 Alicante Road.

This year’s keynote speaker is Chief of Research, Strategy and Evaluation at Homeboy Industries, Dr. Mikala Rah. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [lmmpb.org](http://lmmpb.org).

## Spring Book Sale Spectacular

Visit the Spring Book Sale to discover your next must read! The La Mirada Friends of the Library will host its Spring Book Sale on Saturday, April 27 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the La Mirada Activity Center. Members can enjoy early access on Friday, April 26 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. For those interested in joining the La Mirada Friends of the Library, a \$10 annual membership fee can be paid at that time. A wide selection of books will be available. For additional information, email [LaMiradaFOL@gmail.com](mailto:LaMiradaFOL@gmail.com).

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80'S: BLOOMFIELD SCHOOL RAZED FOR SHOPPING CENTER



IN 1985, the ABC Unified School District Board of Education approved the \$3-million sale of Bloomfield Elementary which was closed in June 1985 because of declining enrollment--to that city's Redevelopment Agency. Hawaiian Gardens razed Bloomfield, located on East Carson Street, and built a shopping center on the site.

Writer's Festival at Cerritos Library



THE CERRITOS LIBRARY congratulated the Friends of the Cerritos Library on a successful Writer's Festival held on Saturday, March 30. Several authors participated in a lively discussion and book reading. Pictured from (l-r) are Belinda Huijuan Tang, *A Map for the Missing*; Carolyn Huynh *The Fortunes of Jaded Women*; Friends President Shiva Bhatt; Alka Joshi *The Henna Artist*; Friends Vice President Eric Cardoso; Diane Marie Brown *Black Candle Women* and Zara Raheem *The Retreat*.

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Entertainment  
Lineup for 60th  
Anniversary  
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Miss Mexico 2023  
Melissa Flores to  
serve as 2nd Grand  
Marshal in parade.

The City of Hawaiian Gardens announced the entertainment lineup this weekend's 60th Anniversary Parade and Carnival, which will take place from April 4 to April 7, 2024. This four-day extravaganza promises to unite the community in celebration with a vibrant parade and an exciting carnival filled with music, food, and fun.

The Carnival will be held at Furgeson Elementary School, located at 22215 Elaine Ave, in Hawaiian Gardens Friday April 5 - 5 p.m. - 10 p.m.; Saturday April 6 - 1p.m. - 10 p.m.

and Sunday April 7, 1p.m. - 10 p.m.

Friday, April 5, will feature the electrifying beats of DJ Wrecks from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, leading into an unforgettable performance by Joey Quiñones from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

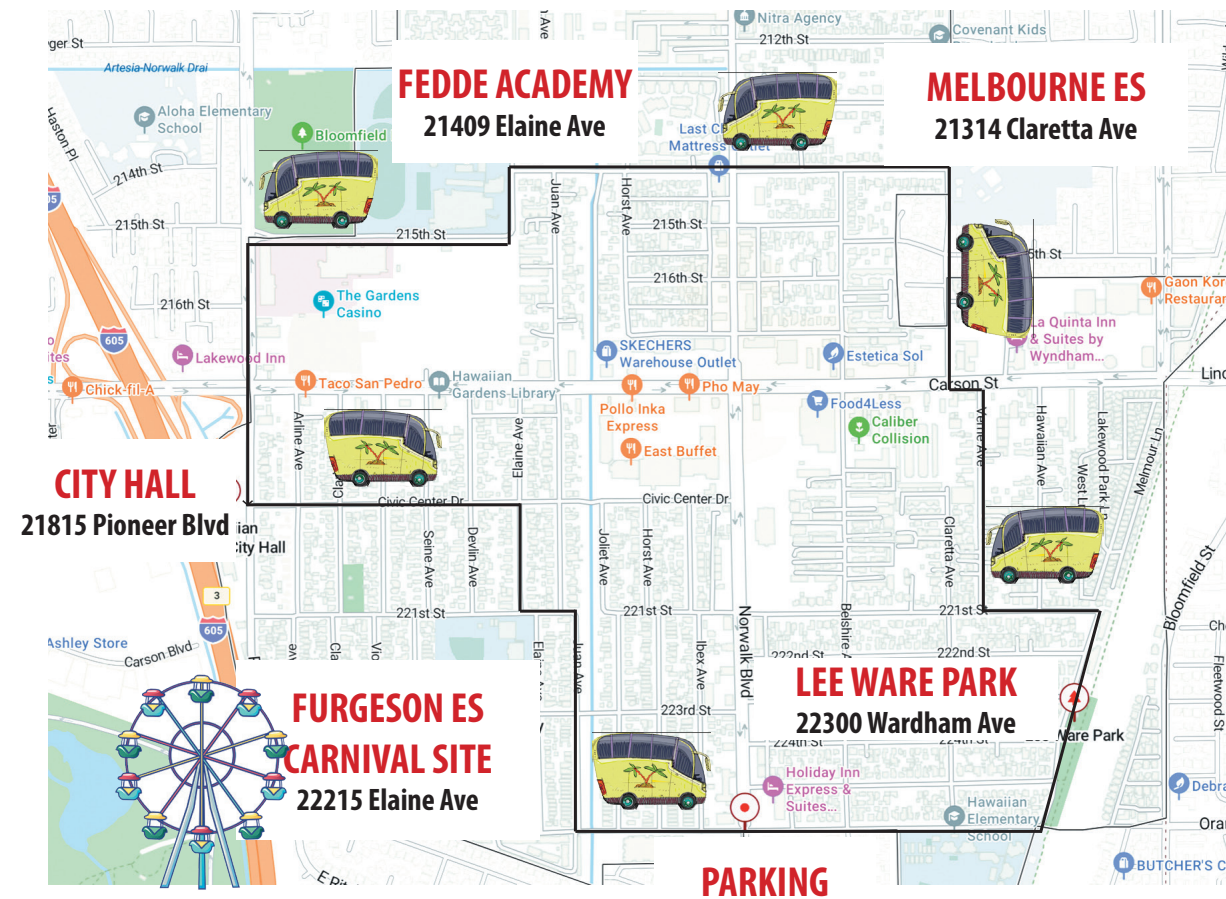
Saturday, April 6, promises nonstop en-

tertainment, with DJ Frank spinning from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The day will continue with sensational performances by Grupo Salvaje (1:30 pm—2:30 pm), Tentacion Oasis (3:30 pm—5:30 pm), and Alex Arellano (6:00 pm—7:30 pm). The dynamic rhythms of Gema Y Su Sonora De Fuego will culminate from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

On the final day, Sunday, April 7, the carnival will close with a flourish featuring Suave (1:00 pm - 3:00 pm), followed by the enchanting melodies of Mariachi Tradicion (3:30 pm - 5:00 pm), the energetic performance of Banda Las Angelinas (5:30 pm - 7:30 pm), and concluding with the vibrant sounds of Banda Azpericueta (8:00 pm - 10:00 pm).

The anniversary parade will commence on Saturday, April 6, at 11:00 am, bringing together residents, local businesses, and visitors for a day of celebration. Following the

Carnival Parking, Shuttle Bus Route and Stops  
Carnival is at Furgeson Elementary, 22215 Elaine Ave. in Hawaiian Gardens  
Friday April 5 - 5 p.m. - 10 p.m. • Saturday April 6 - 1p.m. - 10 p.m. • Sunday April 7, 1p.m. - 10 p.m.



**FREE SHUTTLE:** the shuttle will run between Furgeson Elementary (Carnival Site); 226th and Norwalk Parking Area; Lee Ware Park; Melbourne Elementary; Fedde Academy and Hawaiian Gardens City Hall. The shuttle will be at each stop every 15-20 minutes. The shuttle will run on April 6th & 7th from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Participants must sign the City Waiver form on the shuttle.

parade, the carnival will continue at Furgeson Elementary School, 22215 Elaine Ave, Hawaiian Gardens, from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm on April 4th and 5th and from 1:00 pm to 10:00 pm on April 6th and 7th.

We are honored to announce that Miss Mexico 2023, Melissa Flores, has graciously accepted the invitation to serve as the 2nd Grand Marshal of the upcoming parade. Hailing from Venustiano Carranza Michoacan, which holds a special bond as the Sister City of Hawaiian Gardens,

Ms. Flores brings a wealth of cultural pride and ambassadorial grace to this prestigious role.

As an ambassador of Mexican heritage and the enduring friendship between Venustiano Carranza Michoacan and Hawaiian Gardens, Ms. Flores embodies the spirit of unity, diversity, and celebration the parade seeks to promote. Her presence as Grand Marshal promises to elevate the event to new heights, inspiring community members and spectators with her charisma, poise, and dedication to fostering cross-cultural connections.

"We are excited to present this diverse lineup of entertainment for our 60th Anniversary Parade and Carnival," said Mayor Victor Farfan. "This event is a testament to the vibrant spirit and rich cultural heritage of our community, and we invite everyone to join us for a weekend of celebration and fun."

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**QUEEN AND HER COURT:** Circa Hawaiian Gardens 1971, note the Domenico's Pizza sign. Domenico's brought pizza to California.

**Incorporation** from page 1

field, Decca, Artesia, and the "Norwalk storm drain." At the time the area had 625 registered voters.

The city would end up at a half a square mile with 3,300; in 1964, Hawaiian Gardens became the 75th city in Los Angeles County.

After incorporation, the paving of roads began immediately.

By 1966, all streets south of Carson between Pioneer and Norwalk were paved.

By 1968, all streets were paved, and the three major thoroughfares of Norwalk, Pioneer, and Carson were widened to current traffic standards.

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*Janice Hahn*

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# The Gardens Casino Completed \$90 Million Renovation and Major Expansion

From April 2016  
By Brian Hews

The Gardens Casino announced the soft opening of its new \$90 million facility in April 2016.

The project, which began in March 2014 and was fully completed later in 2016, spotlighted The Gardens Casino’s dedication to providing its guests an elevated gaming and dining experience.

Included in the new, state-of-the-art venue were the addition of more than 220 new flat-screen televisions, new game tables, enhanced amenities, a new events center, and “an upscale bar and lounge with handcrafted cocktails, locally sourced wine and over 24 California craft beers on

tap.”

A premium casual restaurant with seating for more than 100 guests was also completed.

The key component of the new casino was the construction of a 200,000-square-foot venue housing up to 100 new card tables, which brought The Gardens Casino’s total capacity to more than 300 tables.

The two-story building also features special amenities, including a 12,365 square foot meeting and events space where The Gardens Casino will host a variety of public and private events.

“Our business keeps growing, so this expansion was designed specifically for our guests so that we can provide the



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premier gaming and dining experience in Southern California,” said Ron Sarabi, general manager of The Gardens Casino. “The new casino provides our guests with a truly elevated experience, including more space, state-of-the-art card tables and amenities, two designated VIP areas, and a diverse restaurant and bar all within our new building.”

Led by Food and Beverage Director Will Bolger, The Gardens Casino’s premium casual restaurant

features a variety of cross-cultural fusion foods that integrate California’s robust selection of seasonal, fresh, and sustainable ingredients.

The menu has a variety of cuisines, ranging from Vietnamese and Thai to American, Mexican, and Italian.

Before the opening of the new casino, The Gardens Casino welcomed 5,000 to 7,000 guests each day for gaming and dining experiences.

The \$90 million renovation is expected to increase guest capacity by up to 50 percent.

Additionally, The Gardens Casino plans to add 400 new jobs to its current workforce of more than 1,800, making it the largest employer in Hawaiian Gardens and the surrounding area.

“With the opening of our new building, we hope to provide even more jobs and financial

support to our local citizens, charities, and community organizations,” Sarabi said.

“With a population of approximately 15,000 residents, The Gardens Casino is pleased to sustain the majority of the city of Hawaiian Gardens’ annual budget. Showing our support both physically and fiscally to our local community is extremely important to The Gardens Casino and we value our strong working relationship with Hawaiian Gardens.”

The Gardens Casino is committed to being a responsible corporate and community citizen and supports several local organizations, including the ABC Unified School District, Hawaiian Gardens events and youth sports.

*For more information on The Gardens Casino, visit [thegardenscasino.com](http://thegardenscasino.com).*



**The renovation** included an upscale bar and lounge with handcrafted cocktails, locally sourced wine and over 24 California craft beers on tap.

## FEATURE: PAIR OF LONGTIME SAN DIEGO PADRES FANS KEEPING FAN BASE STRONG ON SOCIAL MEDIA

By Loren Kopff  
@LorenKopff on X

Every college and professional team has at least one of them and it’s interesting to think how they would function had it not been for social media. They are called fan bases, a collection of the most die-hard fans of a specific team from all over the world.

Before Facebook came onto the social media scene in February, 2004 and Twitter (now X) in March, 2006, fans would have had to rely on flip phones in the mid-1990s or group gatherings at the games if they wanted to interact with each other and speak how they felt about their favorite teams, or their most disliked rival.

While group gatherings still happen, as in the case of the middle of the fourth inning scenes at Petco Park, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and other social media platforms have made that easier these days, especially for two out of several dozen who belong to the San Diego Padres Twitter fandom.



**GO PADRES!:** Erica @midgetbubz (left) and Laura @padresfangirl, seen here last month at the Peoria Sports Complex for a San Diego Padres spring training game, have become two of the most popular young and funny fans that are part of the Padres Twitter fandom.

they moved to San Diego for Laura’s grandfather’s job, they switched from the orange and black of the Giants to the brown and gold of the Padres.

“Nobody chooses to be a Padres or a Buffalo Bills fan,” said Laura. “You’re just born into the pain.”

Erica hails from the East County area of San Diego and her father grew up in the north suburbs of Chicago until

“I grew up there,” said Laura. “Some of my first memories were at Qualcomm; the Murph, when I was a kid. I loved it, but I don’t think most people knew who the Padres were on an actual scale or cared. To me, they were life. I have pictures running the bases [after selected games] and everything and loved it. I was fortunate enough to grow up with the [Trevor] Hoffman’s, the Tony Gwynn’s, the [Ken] Caminiti’s. So that’s where I got my love of baseball from.”

It’s hard to believe that Erica and Laura have been friends for only three years, even though they’ve been lifelong fans of the Padres. They never met when the Padres were playing in their old digs and in fact, this season is the 20th anniversary of Petco Park. They did not join Twitter until 2020 during the Covid outbreak when they were bored and looking for something to do.

“It’s funny because we knew each other, but we didn’t become close until [podcasters] Dave [Palet] and Jeff [Dotseth] were like, ‘hey, let’s get you on our podcast’,” said Erica. “And then Jeff said, ‘hey, this girl is really funny’. I asked, ‘are you sure’?”

Dotseth and Palet are longtime former radio personalities who, like most in their profession, have lost their radio jobs in the San Diego market. They most recently worked for the defunct XX 1090 before starting up their own podcast in January of 2017, which has become a popular fixture in America’s Finest City.

One day, members of one of the

{See **Padres** pg. 12}



NEWS AND NOTES FROM PRESS ROW

LA MIRADA'S CALVO SHAKES OFF FIRST INNING TO THROW COMPLETE GAME SHUTOUT FOR HIS FIFTH STRAIGHT WIN

By Loren Kopff  
@LorenKopff on X

SANTA ANA-The first pitch that La Mirada High senior Walker Calvo threw against Rancho Bernardo High in the bottom of the first inning this past Tuesday in the 12th Annual Boras Baseball Classic went for a single in which Nathan Bembenek deposited into the right field gap. The 6'3" righty then served up a two-out single to Josh Hartman.

After that, Calvo was in cruise mode until the sixth inning, retiring 13 of the next 14 batters he faced before finishing with a complete game, four-hit shutout as the Matadores blanked the Broncos 4-0. Calvo improved to 5-1, lowered his earned run average to 1.29 and leads the team with 31 strikeouts.

"We're spoiled a little bit because he kind of turns in those performances a lot," said La Mirada head coach Jimmy Zurn. "Obviously, he has the ability to make big pitches when needed. He's our ace for a reason and that was a spot-light game for us; a big game to get this tournament going. Just an outstanding performance."

"It's kind of a mindset thing; I always have a warrior mentality in a sense, and I was like, 'okay cool, not bad, two runners on'," said Calvo. "I got out of that and from that point on, I learned from that... and I just thought I would be more aggressive."

Brady Strachan popped up to Calvo to end the inning and in the next inning, Calvo walked Hudson Bradvica with one out. After that, the Broncos would be stymied until Bembenek tripled to the left field corner to begin the sixth. Two straight strikeouts and a flyout to left field would end that threat. Then with one out in the seventh, Matthew Zacarias singled and was forced out at second as Bradvica reached on a fielder's choice. But Owen Glick would be the recipient of Calvo's fourth strikeout to end the game.

"Honestly, today was just a good day," said Calvo. "I wasn't feeling too hot at the beginning of it. I thought I was going to be around 85 [pitches], which I probably was. But it ended up being pretty good. My approach when I got on the mound was my fastball wasn't going to be super intimidating today. We started off with the heavy changeup, then we kind of motioned over to more of a heavy slider, which turned into more of a slurve towards the end of the game."

It also didn't hurt that Calvo got some outstanding defense behind him. With one out in the fifth, Glick sent a line drive to freshman second baseman Bear Calvo that was snared out of thin air. Three pitches later, Hugo Gonzalez hit a bullet to junior third baseman Maverek Russell whose long throw to sophomore first baseman Jacob Oropeza barely got Gonzalez. Calvo finished the game having thrown 95 pitches but threw a first-pitch strike to half of the 26 batters he faced.

"With him having the ability to throw any pitch he wants at any count, that comes...even at a 1-0 count, he can go changeup or slider," said Zurn. "Obviously, first pitch strikes are great; we chart it. We like it to be a little bit better, but obviously he gave us the performance we need to get this thing going."

Offensively, the Matadores got just six hits, two each from senior designated hitter Sebastian DeAvila and junior right fielder Kevin Jeon and one each from junior shortstop Aiden Aguayo and junior center fielder Travis Friend. But it was La Mirada's ability to go small and get some help from Rancho Bernardo's defense.

Freshman second baseman Bear Calvo reached on an error to lead off the top of the second inning, was sacrificed by Oropeza and scored on a double from DeAvila. In the next inning with two outs and Jeon on second, Friend reached on an error which allowed Jeon to make it 2-0.

Then in the fourth inning, DeAvila singled to the left field gap and sophomore catcher Justin Torres was safe on an error off an attempted sacrifice bunt. Senior left fielder Tyler Primanto was safe on a fielder's choice to load the bases and a pair of sacrifice flyouts from Russell and Aguayo would complete the scoring.

"Sure, we always love a big blast or a double in the gap," said Zurn. "But we're going to have to play that [small ball] game. We practice it a lot, and it's nice to see the kids execute what we practice. It's just the ability; we can run really, really well and the ability to make teams have to hurry, you saw what happens when you put pressure on them."

This was the seventh time the Matadores have whitewashed an opponent and in 16 games, the pitching staff has yielded 58 hits. This was the ninth straight game in which La Mirada pitchers have allowed less than five hits.

"I think I've said it from day one, we've always, always have taken pride in our pitching and defense," said Zurn. "We've given up 27 runs in 16 games. We're giving up less than two runs a game and when you pitch and you play defense the way we can, you're going to have a shot in every game. You're going to have a chance."

La Mirada, ranked eighth in the CIF-Southern Section Division 1 poll, would lose to Mater Dei High 3-2 in 11 innings late this past Wednesday night and squared off against Maranatha High on Apr. 4. The game with Mater Dei ended around 9:45 p.m. and featured a combined 15 hits and nine errors. The Monarchs tied the game in the bottom of the seventh inning and again in the bottom of the 10th inning. The final game of the Boras Classic is Friday, then the Matadores will begin a home and home series with Norwalk High on Tuesday on the road with the second game on Thursday at La Mirada's home away from home, John Glenn High.

In other baseball action, Artesia High (6-7 overall, 2-2 in the 605 League, begins a home and home series with Oxford Academy on Tuesday while Cerritos High, which boasts an overall record of 13-3 and 4-0 in the 605 League, defeated San Marino High 14-6 last Friday. The Dons, ranked 10th in Division 4, host Sage Hill High on Friday, then go to Whitney High on Tuesday in the front end of a home and home series against the last place Wildcats. In between, Cerritos will also visit Costa Mesa High on Wednesday.

Gahr High remained undefeated in the Gateway League with a 3-1 win at Warren High last Wednesday. The Gladiators (10-5, 5-0) defeated Covina High 7-3 this past Tuesday in the first round of the National Classic, then rallied for a 4-3 victory over Santa Margarita High this past Wednesday. After two more games in the tournament, Gahr heads back into league action on Tuesday with a home

and home series at Downey High with the second game on Thursday at Gahr.

Surprising John Glenn (9-6, 2-2) will have a dozen scheduled games until Apr. 25 and will host Pioneer High on Tuesday before going to South Gate High on Thursday while Norwalk has not played since Mar. 26 when the Lancers blanked Maywood CES 3-0, improving to 3-10 overall.

The Lancers head into their weekly series with La Mirada winless in six league contests.

Valley Christian High slammed Heritage Christian High 22-9 this past Tuesday to improve to 7-7 overall and 3-2 in the Olympic League. The teams will play each other Friday and Saturday at V.C. before the Defenders visit Village Christian High on Tuesday.

SOFTBALL

With three weeks left in the regular season, here's a look at where the eight area teams stand as all but one are in great shape to make the playoffs with four vying for their respective league championship.

Artesia (8-7-1, 3-2 in the 605 League, third place)-Tuesday @ Whitney, Apr. 12 vs. Pioneer, Apr. 16 @ Oxford Academy, Apr. 19 @ Glenn, Apr. 24 vs. Whitney.

Cerritos (10-1, 5-0 in the 605 League, first place)-Monday @ Western High, Tuesday @ Pioneer, Apr. 12 vs. Glenn, Apr. 16 @ Whitney, Apr. 19 @ Oxford Academy, Apr. 23 vs. Pioneer, Apr. 25 @

St. Joseph High.

Gahr (10-9, 2-1 in the Gateway League, second place)-Tuesday vs. Warren, Apr. 16 vs. Mayfair High, Apr. 18 @ La Mirada, Apr. 23 vs. Downey, Apr. 25 @ Warren. The Gladiators could also make up two games of the Michelle Carew Classic that were rained out last Saturday.

Glenn (2-9, 0-4 in the 605 League, sixth place)-Tuesday @ Oxford Academy, Thursday vs. Whitney, Apr. 12 @ Cerritos, Apr. 16 @ Pioneer, Apr. 19 vs. Artesia, Apr. 23 vs. Oxford Academy.

La Mirada (15-4-2, 4-0 in the Gateway League, first place)-Thursday @ Downey, Apr. 16 @ Warren, Apr. 18 vs. Gahr, Apr. 23 @ Mayfair, Apr. 27 vs. Norco High.

Norwalk (13-6, 3-1 in the Mid-Cities League, second place)-Tuesday vs. Dominguez High, Thursday @ Lynwood High, Apr. 16 vs. Firebaugh High, Apr. 18 vs. Paramount High, Apr. 23 @ Bellflower High, Apr. 25 @ Dominguez.

Valley Christian (11-3, 3-0 in the Olympic League, tied for first place)-Tuesday @ Whittier Christian High, Thursday @ Maranatha High, Apr. 18 @ Village Christian, Apr. 19 vs. St. Joseph High, Apr. 22 vs. Heritage Christian, Apr. 24 vs. Whittier Christian.

Whitney (8-5, 1-3 in the 605 League, fifth place)-Tuesday vs. Artesia, Thursday @ Glenn, Apr. 12 vs. Oxford Academy, Apr. 15 @ Buena Park High, Apr. 16 vs. Cerritos, Apr. 18 @ Pioneer, Apr. 22 vs. Long Beach Cabrillo High, Apr. 23 @ Artesia.



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605 LEAGUE SOFTBALL

CERRITOS IN COMPLETE COMMAND OF LEAGUE AGAIN AS DONS DISMANTLE ARTESIA WITH BIG INNING

By Loren Kopff  
@LorenKopff on X

This was not how the script was to be written for the Artesia High softball team coming into this season. The Pioneers were primed to contend for a 605 League title and knock off mighty Cerritos High, which has owned the league since its inception.

Earlier in the season, Cerritos head coach Todd Denhart was unsure if his team would even make the playoffs. But now, he has his Dons all alone in first place, two games in front of third place Artesia, whom they thrashed 13-3 last Thursday to complete the weekly home and home series. Pioneer High sits in second place with a 2-1 league mark. But with five more league games remaining in the season, Denhart isn't celebrating anything yet.

"Let's not get ahead of ourselves, Pioneer has a good squad," said Denhart. "But we don't practice like we play. These kids on gameday...they come out to play. But it's not always that way in practice."

The 10-run loss left Artesia head coach Ed Blanck baffled, confused and somewhat speechless as just two days prior, the Pioneers had lost to Cerritos 5-1. But in that game, Cerritos senior pitcher Kylee Manibusan threw 148 pitches, walked eight and gave up three hits, including a seventh-inning homerun to junior center fielder Alea Medina. It also didn't help that Artesia stranded 17 runners on base. Blanck attributed the 13-3 loss to his defense, which made a half a dozen errors with seven of the runs being unearned.

"Todd's a real smart coach," he said. "[His batters] couldn't hit [senior pitcher] Maya [Torres], so they went small ball. I've been preparing the girls for that, but they really didn't react to it today."

After Medina got things going in the bottom of the first inning with a double to the left field gap, she would score on a one-out groundout from senior pitcher Melissa Mendoza. After that, it would be all Cerritos. In the top of the second, Manibusan took the first pitch she saw and sent it to the left field fence

for a double. She would move to third on a sacrifice from senior right fielder Presley Hendrix.

Two pitches later, junior left fielder Anaya Granflor reached on a fielder's choice as Manibusan tied the game. Granflor would be sacrificed to second by junior second baseman Lana Javier and scored on a base hit from sophomore pitcher Ava Ceron, who eventually came home on an error to make it 3-1. After the Dons (10-1, 5-0) added a tally in the third, they blew the game wide open in the fourth by sending a dozen batters up to bat.

With one out, junior shortstop Michelle Meza and senior third baseman Toafaolii Pua had singles before Manibusan doubled in Pua to make it 6-1. After Torres walked Hendrix, who had sacrificed her second hitter the previous inning, Granflor doubled to the left field gap plated Manibusan and Hendrix.

Torres then walked Javier, singling the end of her time in the circle and Ceron would greet Mendoza with a base hit to load the bases. Two batters later, a base hit from junior catcher Alianna Calderon allowed Javier and Ceron to come home, making it 11-1.

"I have no clue," said Denhart of the fourth inning explosion. "Going into the week, I was nervous. I didn't think we could get two from them. I thought if we split with them, it would be a great week. But we ended up taking two. I know they had an error or two in the inning that helped us out. But again, good teams capitalize on that."

The Pioneers (8-7-1, 3-2) kept the game from ending early because of the mercy rule when Torres led off the bottom of the fourth with a home



run over the left center fence. Five pitches later, junior second baseman Kaleyse Foster, a transfer from Lakewood High who was playing in just her third game, also homered to the same spot as Torres. After that, Artesia would collect two more hits, both coming in the fifth inning, and stranded a runner at second base with one out in the seventh.

"They came [into the week] confident but to this game right here, and I let them know, we could do it," said Blanck. "But as far as all the seniors talking [about beating Cerritos], they were pumping each other up, and they wanted to come, and I'm really surprised of the score."

"The last few years, we would sit back and wait for somebody to drive the ball in the gap or drive the ball over the fence," said Denhart. "We've had some girls who can just...hey, if you get on base, it's an automatic double because it doesn't matter who's catching. We don't have that this year. Presley is a great example. Tuesday, she laid down a couple of bunts and today, she laid down a couple of bunts. Then she gets a base hit to the left in her last at-bat. It's a different team and we have to go about things a little different now."

Cerritos collected 14 hits with Manibusan getting three of them while Ceron, Granflor, Hendrix, Meza and Pua all pitching in with two hits. Granflor also drove in four runs while Calderon and Ceron had a pair of RBI.

Although Ceron, who was also making her first league start of the season, allowed nine hits, she did not walk anyone in picking up her fourth win of the season.

"She's pitched before, so it's not like this is foreign to her," said Denhart.

"The same thing with Kylee. But she just goes out there and she can hit a spot, and that's a good hitting team and they want to swing the bat; they want to hit the ball hard. I think she does a good job of [throwing off the timing], mixing the ball in and out. She's done a good job."

Senior shortstop Irma Gonzalez, Medina and Mendoza combined to go six of 11, but this is now eight straight losses to Cerritos and 48 out of the last 50 meetings since 1999. The only two wins in this stretch came on Mar. 24, 2016 (10-5) and Apr. 9, 2019 (4-3), which begs the question if this has become a mental thing with Artesia softball.

"I want to say no, but yes, and sometimes I can see the reaction," said Blanck. "Sometimes as soon as they see Cerritos across [the front of the uniform], they get intimidated. I think we are the better ball club. But like I said, Todd is a good coach, and he utilizes what he has."

The Dons will make up a previously scheduled game at Western High on Monday, then travel to Pioneer High the next day while Artesia visits Whitney High on Tuesday.

"Both pitchers need to rest," said Denhart. "We don't have anything scheduled...we have tomorrow off, then Easter break. We've got nothing scheduled. I told them take until Wednesday off and then pick up your glove and bat."

"I'm going to be practicing the defense and get their mindset on not trying to hit the ball over the fence all the time," said Blanck. "I stress to them there's a time to try to hit it over the fence and then there's a time to hit line drives."

"Now my focus is on [making the playoffs]," he continued. "In my practices, I'll be preparing them for CIF. And I'm not giving the other teams any doubt at all because a lot of teams are improving in our league right now. Second and third place go [to the playoffs]. So, I want to focus on that."

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group chats Erica was in suggested that she should infiltrate Dotseth's and Palet's fantasy football league because she was considered as one of the unsuspecting characters. After being ignored by them, Erica called them out on it. Then a few months later, they invited her on their show, but needed someone else. That's where Dotseth sent Erica one of her best friends today, Laura. Ironically, Palet is a Dodgers fan and originally, Laura wasn't too sure about going on podcast.

"I had Dave blocked," said Laura. "I used to get [into] fights with Dave a lot on Twitter; I did not like him at all. So when [Erica] said you're going to have to come and he's going to be there, I was nervous about it. I was terrified the first five minutes of the episode. He's completely different in person."

"He said this girl is really funny; she has all these hilarious puns," recalled Erica. "I said, 'I don't know about her, but okay, I'll send her this weird message'."

At the request of her sister, Erica

recalls not getting onto Facebook until 2009, which was towards the end of her Valhalla High School days but didn't really post much. She got onto Twitter a few years later while she was bored helping her father at work.

"But it was never really used for sports," recalls Erica. "I used it as my diary, which I still do to this day."

Erica remembers she and her father would see the Padres every week because she would get free tickets from her elementary school, which got them from nearby Sycuan Casino. Erica would always win the free tickets because she had to be bribed to take her medication.

Laura's mother and grandmother were season ticket holders and recalls that there were years where you couldn't give away Padres tickets for free. Laura remembers her first Padres game was probably in 1997.

"If you couldn't go one night, nobody would even take them because they were so awful," said Laura.

Back in the earlier days of Padres Twitter, and to this day, there would what was, and still is, a Fourth Inning

meetup behind home plate where group photos would take place. That's where Laura really started to meet a lot of people and build connections there. Erica and Laura joked about how they probably met each other there but didn't know it. Although, they remember meeting at Dave's garage for one of the podcasts, it was at that recording that they met for the first time in person.

Laura's first experience with Padres Twitter came when one of her best friends since middle school was telling her that her humor 'matches up pretty well'. At that time, many knew the Padres weren't the most popular of teams, but the fans were still having a blast tweeting about anything relating to them.

"I didn't even have a Twitter account," she recalled. "He would send me the tweets sometimes of when we would lose and just say the funniest things of like how we would burn our own team and make fun of ourselves. So I had just gotten just bored enough during Covid...I made an account and just started following and post really

stupid stuff. It was like what Erica said, whatever comes to your mind. I started making connections and meeting other people through it."

"My first experience with Padres Twitter was actually through [Los Angeles] Dodgers Twitter," said Erica. "What had happened was during Covid, I made a Halloween costume making fun of us for losing to the Dodgers as badly as we did in the National League Division Series. I thought it was hilarious, but then all these Dodgers fans kept coming into my mention. That's how Padres Twitter kind of came about."

The more Erica would tell the Dodgers fans on Twitter, who she thought were annoying, to leave her alone, the more Padres fans would show up on her timeline. That's when she found out that there were more fans than her.

Laura recalls that the Dodgers fans would go after her hard but as funny as it sounds, she's now friends with some of those fans. As she kindly put it, 'social media is weird'.



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As an avid baseball fan, Erica even submitted a lengthy piece to the blog ‘9 Inning Know It All’ last February titled, ‘What Baseball Means to Me’. She stated that she’s in the works of another article. The creator of the blog reached out to Erica and asked her if she would be interested in writing something for the blog. At first, she was hesitant because she was too busy. But, the English major, who loves to write, finally decided to write the piece for fun.

“It blew up more than I thought it would,” said Erica. “It was a lot of fun to write.”

“For me, I think it’s interesting [that] a lot of people, and I’m sure Erica gets this a lot too, will say, ‘I thought you were going to be so different when I met you in person’,” said Laura. “Erica has a certain personality that comes through on social media where...I don’t know if people see her for having the heart that she does and the sense of life that she does just being how well-spoken she can be. I think they just see it more like, oh, there’s this young, blonde girl online who makes funny comments and whatever, and doesn’t really see the depth beyond that. So, I think for her to be able to show herself in a different way was really good.”

Unfortunately, there is a dark to social media where people can turn a positive into a negative. While it’s not uncommon for people to bash another team, or in this case, Padres fans talking

trash about the Dodgers and vice versa, the line is severely crossed when extremely hurtful things can be said about person’s character and his/her life or family. Erica and Laura have seen that a lot on Twitter.

“I think there are two types of trolls,” said Laura. “Those who go after your opinion and those who go after your character. The banter and trolling with opinion is entertaining. When it’s an opinion, it can be fun to challenge. When it’s the personal or character side, that’s where it’s hard. I can’t honestly say I’m the best at figuring out how to navigate it. I am better, for sure, but it can be hard to separate.

“That’s where the friendships like Erica and family keep me centered when it’s been hard,” she continued. “You have to be good at grounding yourself and have confidence in who you are. Most people assume, make judgements, and think they know who you are based on minimal interaction or them reading a few sentences and interpreting what you’re saying through their own lens. I would say there have been a lot of really, really, really beautiful things that have come out of Twitter.”

Erica recently graduated with her Master’s and just started her doctorate, which she proudly posted on Twitter. She laughed when she confirmed that she’ll be Dr. Erica regardless of what people on Twitter say.

“But I’ve met a lot of wonderful, beautiful people on Twitter, and I’ve also had the experience of having the opposite of that,” said Erica. “But I ignore a

lot of it. I recently had to address it because there were some people who were pretending to be my friend. There was just no way around it, but those people know that they are no longer in my life, and they are no longer a priority for me.”

It’s not uncommon for Erica and Laura to put out dozens of tweets every day, not just during the baseball season, but throughout the year. Whether its describing the road trips they are taking to Peoria, AZ for Spring Training, or their times at Sofi Stadium for a Buffalo Bills-Los Angeles Chargers game, or even their work travels on the airplane, they have become among the most popular young women who are a part of Padres Twitter.

If you’re wondering if they go to all 82 home games at Petco Park, they don’t. Laura has a 20-game package because of her work, in which she travels a lot. But with that, you also get discounts on additional tickets. She’s also able to trade or buy with others who are part of the Padre Faithful. When it’s all said and done, Laura goes to more than half the home games, and some at Chase Field in downtown Phoenix when the Friars play the Arizona Diamondbacks.

To really know Erica and Laura, you have had to have known them for as long as they’ve known each other. What you see on social media doesn’t tell the true story about their friendship. Laura, who constantly changes her Twitter handle, claims that despite what others may say, or joke about, she and Erica are not judgmental towards each other based off some of the stuff they post.

“We’ll call each other out, which is something that is very rare in a friendship,” said Laura. “She’ll call me out, which she did last night about something and said, ‘I probably shouldn’t have done that, but I still love you anyway’. We can be really honest, and it’s a safe place where it’s like that person will still have your back.”

It’s hard to tell where Erica would be without her friendship with Laura. They laughed at each other when she said Laura is ‘kind of a pain in the ass’ and Laura responded with a, ‘that’s the nicest thing you’ve ever said to me’. But all joking aside, Erica commented that Laura is an amazing support system and feels she would be alone without her.

“Overall, about Twitter and the experience on it, it’s such a unique thing to have that close of a connection to the players and the organization and what’s going on,” said Laura. “Granted, Twitter hasn’t been around for that long, and I’ve only been a part of it for three years, which some people say you’ve only been a fan for three years. For me, I can’t even imagine being in the shoes of a player or having to be a sports organization where we are because you used to have that buffer and that separation. And now, fans have that direct access to tagging you and things and saying whatever they want.”

“I think that is very interesting,” said Erica. “You have this access to them that was never available before social media, and I don’t always think it’s right that we have that access to them because they’re their own private person, too.”

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 24-01  
6046 E. Washington Boulevard

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Commerce will conduct a public hearing on a request from Fenix Entrepreneur, Inc. for a Conditional Use Permit “CUP” to allow an Instructional Tasting License (Type 86) for the tasting of beer, wine and/or distilled spirits at an existing off-sale licensed establishment located at 6046 E. Washington Blvd., Commerce, CA 90040, within the City’s C/M1 (Commercial Manufacturing) Zoning District. Pursuant to Chapter 19.31, Division 3 of the Commerce Municipal Code (CMC), a Conditional Use Permit is required for any business involved in the sales of alcoholic beverages and shall meet the location requirements contained Division 3, Chapter 19.

Said public hearing will be held before the Planning Commission of the City of Commerce in the Public Safety Conference Room, 2535 Commerce Way, Commerce, CA, 90040, on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m., at which time proponents and opponents of the proposed Conditional Use Permit will be heard.

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

THE PLANNING COMMISSION  
Louis E. Morales

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 24-02  
5921 Sheila Street

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the City of Commerce will conduct a public hearing on a request from Mascorro Leather Inc. for a Conditional Use Permit “CUP” to allow an establishment primarily engaged in manufacturing personal leather goods at an existing industrial facility located at 5921 Sheila Street, Commerce, CA 90040 in the City’s C/M1 (Commercial Manufacturing) Zoning District that is within 300 feet of a Medium Multiple Residential (R3) Zone. Pursuant to Chapter 19.11, of the Commerce Municipal Code (CMC), a CUP is required for any manufacturing activities involving leather and leather products (except for leather tanning and finishing) within the C/M-1 Zone that is located three hundred feet or less from the nearest residential district.

Said public hearing will be held before the Planning Commission of the City of Commerce in the Public Safety Conference Room, 2535 Commerce Way, Commerce, CA, 90040, on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m., at which time proponents and opponents of the proposed Conditional Use Permit will be heard.

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

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CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1137: APPROVING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS AMENDING THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE BY MODIFYING CHAPTER 150 (BUILDING REGULATIONS) BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2023 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING CODE (TITLE 26), ELECTRICAL CODE (TITLE 27), PLUMBING CODE (TITLE 28), MECHANICAL CODE (TITLE 29), RESIDENTIAL CODE (TITLE 30), EXISTING BUILDING CODE (TITLE 33), WITH CERTAIN AMENDMENTS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS THERETO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Santa Fe Springs will hold a Public Hearing to consider the following:

**PROJECT:** SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1137: APPROVING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS AMENDING THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE BY MODIFYING CHAPTER 150 (BUILDING REGULATIONS) BY ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2023 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING CODE (TITLE 26), ELECTRICAL CODE (TITLE 27), PLUMBING CODE (TITLE 28), MECHANICAL CODE (TITLE 29), RESIDENTIAL CODE (TITLE 30), EXISTING BUILDING CODE (TITLE 33), WITH CERTAIN AMENDMENTS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS THERETO.

**PROJECT SITE:** Citywide, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

**APPLICANT:** City of Santa Fe Springs

**THE HEARING** will be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

**CEQA STATUS:** Adoption of this Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the ordinance may have a significant effect on the environment pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). The adoption of the proposed ordinance is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The adoption of the proposed Ordinance does not have such potential, and therefore is not a project subject to CEQA.

**ALL INTERESTED PERSONS** are invited to attend the Public Hearing before the City Council and express their opinion on the subject item(s) listed above. It should be noted that if you challenge the aforementioned item(s) in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the office of the City Council at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** may be submitted in writing to the City Clerk at [cityclerk@santafesprings.org](mailto:cityclerk@santafesprings.org). Please submit your written comments by 12:00 p.m. on the day of the City Council Meeting. You may also contact the City Clerk's Office at (562) 868-0511.

**FURTHER INFORMATION** on the above-described projects and environmental document may be obtained at the City of Santa Fe Springs Planning Department, 11710 Telegraph Road, California or by contacting James Enriquez, Director of Public Works, at (562) 868-0511, Extension 7611, or e-mail at [jamesenriquez@santafesprings.org](mailto:jamesenriquez@santafesprings.org).

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NOTICE OF SALE OF ABANDONED PROPERTY  
Notice is given pursuant to sections 21700-21713 of the Business and Professions Code, Section 2328 of the Commercial Code, Section 535 of the Penal Code. 1812.607, that Cherry Carson RV Storage Inc. at 4160 Cherry Ave., Long Beach, CA 90807 intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a Lien imposed on said property. The undersigned will be sold at public auction conducted on [www.storageetreasures.com](http://www.storageetreasures.com) (bond #63747122) ending on or after Tuesday, April 16th, 2024, at 9:00AM.

NAME	UNIT #
MICHAEL D PARKER	119
MICHAEL D PARKER	118

This notice is given in accordance with the provisions of Section 21700 et seq. of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California. Storage Treasures' Principal Auctioneer and Auctioneer on Record: Auctioneer License Numbers for Christopher Paul Rosa-California 3112562

Sales subject to prior cancellation in the event of settlement between Owner and obligated party.  
**Publication Dates: 03/29/24 AND 04/05/24**

Published at LCCN 3/29 and 4/5/24



CITY OF CERRITOS CITY'S FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS REPORT SUMMARY AND STATISTICS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023		
Fiscal Year: 2023		
SUMMARY		
	Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds
Revenues	\$ 102,547,247	\$ 19,882,774
Expenditures/Expenses	87,902,496	25,537,934
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 14,644,751	
Income (Loss) Before Capital Contributions, Transfers, and Special and Extraordinary Items		\$ (5,655,160)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(3,172,390)	-
Capital Contributions		16,088
Proprietary Fund Transfers In (Out)	-	3,172,390
Special and Extraordinary Items		
Change in Fund Balance / Net Position	\$ 11,472,361	\$ (2,466,682)
Fund Balance/Net Position (Deficit), Beginning of Fiscal Year	\$ 226,558,548	\$ (12,989,198)
Adjustments (Specify)	-	
Specify Governmental Fund Adjustments		
None		
Specify Proprietary Fund Adjustments		
Restatement		
Total:		\$ -
Fund Balance/Net Position (Deficit), End of Fiscal Year	238,030,909	(15,455,880)

Statistics		
Current Transient Occupancy Tax Rate		12%
Effective Date of Current Transient Occupancy Tax Rate		3/5/15
Current Utility User Tax Rate		-
Appropriations Limit	\$	234,112,448
Total Annual Appropriations Subject to the Limit	\$	70,668,368

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SUMMONS  
(CITACION JUDICIAL)  
CASE NUMBER (Número del Caso):  
23NWCV00767  
NOTICE TO DEFENDANT(S) (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):  
Sang Kuk Sung, Paul Sung as individuals.  
YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTÁ DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): Jeffrey Gardiner  
NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.  
You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.  
There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.  
¡AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación.  
Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia.  
Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVISO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso.  
The name and address of the court is (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): Superior Court of CA, Los Angeles, Norwalk Courthouse, 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA, 90650  
The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Matthew L. Bremont Esq. (CA BAR #311957) SWEET JAMES, LLP 4220 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 200 Newport Beach, CA 92660 Tel. (949) 644-1000 DATE (Fecha): 07/17/2023  
Sherri R. Carter Executive Officer/Clerk of Court, Clerk (Secretario), by V. Owens, Deputy (Adjunto)  
(SEAL)  
NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED: You are served as an individual defendant.  
LA MIRADA LAMPLIGHTE NEWSPAPER -

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:  
GLORIA JEAN MORSE, AKA GLORIA J. MORSE, AKA GLORIA MORSE  
CASE NO.24STPB02929  
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To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of GLORIA JEAN MORSE, AKA GLORIA J. MORSE, AKA GLORIA MORSE. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DOUGLAS SWENSON in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.  
THE PETITION requests that DOUGLAS SWENSON be appointed as ADMINISTRATOR 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: 4/19/24 at 8:30AM Dept. 99 in Stanley Mosk Courthouse 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.  
Law Offices of Leah Larkin, A Professional Legal Corporation 873 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223  
951.845.5930  
Leah@inlandlaw.com  
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CITY OF BELLFLOWER  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
REGARDING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CASE NO. CU 24-03

TAKE NOTICE that the Bellflower Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 15, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 16600 Civic Center Drive, Bellflower, CA 90706 to consider a Conditional Use Permit (“CUP”) to allow accessory on-site alcohol sales for a previously approved and soon-to-be constructed restaurant located within the Design for Development for the South Bellflower Commercial Area (“DFD”) at property located at 17640 Bellflower Boulevard.

Pursuant to the authority and criteria of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) an environmental assessment was conducted for this project. This Project was determined to be Categorical Exempt. CEQA Guidelines §§ 15301 (Existing Facilities) exempts activities that involve negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. This activity would allow a previously approved and soon-to-be constructed restaurant, which was deemed Categorical Exempt as a Class 32 (CEQA Guidelines §§ 15332 / In-fill Development Projects), to sell alcohol on-site. The proposed activity of on-site alcohol sales does not involve any construction. Accordingly, this activity involves a negligible expansion of the existing use and no further review is required. Furthermore, it can be seen with certainty that no special circumstances exist that would create a reasonable possibility that the proposed project will have a significant adverse effect on the environment.

The City of Bellflower invites members of the public to review and comment on this item. Copies of the staff report and supporting documents regarding this matter may be inspected by the public on the City’s website at www.bellflower.org, or by appointment in the Planning Division’s Office at Bellflower City Hall, 16600 Civic Center Drive, Bellflower, California, telephone number (562) 804-1424, extension 2011. All written comments concerning this may be submitted to Eliana Muñoz at 16600 Civic Center Drive, Bellflower, CA 90706; or by email at emunoz@bellflower.org.

If you wish to challenge this item in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City at or before the Public Hearing.

ELIZABETH C. OBA  
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND BUILDING SERVICES

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NOTICE OF NUISANCE ABATEMENT LIEN TO THE OWNER OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 15751 BLAINE AVENUE, BELLFLOWER, CALIFORNIA 90706, ACCESSOR PARCEL NUMBER 6271-031-015.  
In 2019, the City of Bellflower (“City”) initiated an enforcement action regarding abatement of public nuisances at 15751 Blaine Ave., Bellflower CA 90706, (“Property”). On or about June 21, 2019; September 16, 2019; October 31, 2019; February 19, 2020; March 11, 2021, the City mailed notice of abatement requirements regarding the Property to the registered owner of the Property, Brian Womack (“Property Owner”), regarding the need to bring the Property into compliance with the Bellflower Municipal Code (“BMC”). Without any response from the Property Owner, the City abated the Property and concluded the abatement on or about August 26, 2021. The Property was not maintained thereafter. On or about February 9, 2022; July 7, 2022; August 23, 2022; September 14, 2022; November 1, 2022; June 27, 2023; July 17, 2023, the City mailed notices demanding the Property be brought back into compliance. With no response from the Property Owner, the City obtained another abatement warrant and completed a second abatement of the Property on or around September 9, 2023.  
On January 23, 2024, and pursuant to BMC §§ 1.12.060 and 8.36.190, the City mailed to the Property Owner a statement of the City’s abatement costs demanding payment in full and providing notice of a City Council meeting on February 12, 2024, whereby a resolution for approval of a special assessment and lien (“Special Assessment”) to collect the City’s abatement costs would be heard.  
On February 12, 2024, Bellflower City Council adopted Resolution 24-10, which authorized the imposition of the Special Assessment. The City Council declared the amount of the abatement to be EIGHTY-SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO DOLLARS AND THIRTY-NINE CENTS (\$87,992.39) – an amount that may be subject to interest until paid in full. This sum reflects the City’s costs related to its abatement efforts regarding the Property. The City intends to record this assessment with the County of Los Angeles Recorder’s Office and submit a claim to the County Assessor for collection purposes unless payment in full is remitted to the City immediately.

THE PROPERTY OWNER IS HEREBY ON NOTICE that the property may be sold after three years by the tax collector for unpaid delinquent assessments. The tax collector’s power of sale shall not be affected by the failure of the property owner to receive notice. The assessment may be collected at the same time and in the same manner as ordinary municipal taxes are collected and shall be subject to the same penalties and the same procedure and sale in case of delinquency as provided for ordinary municipal taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection and enforcement of municipal taxes shall be applicable to the special assessment. However, if any real property to which the cost of abatement relates has been transferred or conveyed to a bona fide purchaser for value, or if a lien of a bona fide encumbrance for value has been created and attaches thereon, prior to the date on which the first installment of the taxes would become delinquent, then the cost of abatement shall not result in a lien against the real property but instead shall be transferred to the unsecured roll for collection. The real property mentioned above, and upon which the special assessment will be levied, is that certain parcel of land lying and being in the City of Bellflower, County of Los Angeles, State of California, and commonly known as 15751 Blaine Avenue, more particularly described by APN 6271-031-015, with the legal description of:  
LOTS 35 AND 38 OF THE RENDALIA TRACT, IN THE CITY OF BELLFLOWER, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 9, PAGE 141 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. EXCEPT THE NORTH 100 FEET OF LOT 35. ALSO EXCEPT THE SOUTH 118 FEET OF LOT 35.  
3/15, 3/22, 3/29, 4/5/24  
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
File Number 2024062376  
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: JOYZQUAD 17808 VIERRA AVE., CERRITOS CA., 90703, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. REGISTERED OWNER: JOY ESPLETA CAVARLEZ, 17808 VIERRA AVE., CERRITOS CA., 90703 THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AS A INDIVIDUAL. The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 3/24. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). /S/ JOY ESPLETA CAVARLEZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 3/21/24. In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the of notice of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LCCN 3/29, 4/5, 4/12, 4/19/24



CITY OF PICO RIVERA PLANNING COMMISSION  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE APPROVAL OF CONDITIONAL USE  
PERMIT NO. 758 AND VESTING TENTATIVE TRACT MAP 84271

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a public hearing will be held before the City of Pico Rivera Planning Commission to consider the approval of the following: Conditional Use Permit No. 758 and Vesting Tentative Tract Map 84271, a request by Brandywine Homes to develop a 95-unit townhome development on a 4.04 acre lot located at 6540 Rosemead Boulevard (Assessor Property Number 6378-017-004). The project features three-story attached townhomes in clusters of five to nine units, ranging in size from two and four bedrooms (1,366-2,038 square feet). The project includes a total of 190 vehicular parking spaces within attached two-car enclosed garages and 24 unenclosed guest parking spaces. Access to the project site will be located on the west portion of the site from Rosemead Boulevard street frontage via a two-way driveway and gated controlled entry.

**WHEN:** Monday, April 15, 2024

**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 qualifies for a Class 32 Categorical Exemption (In-Fill Development Projects) in accordance with the requirements of Section 15332 of the State CEQA Guidelines.

**PERSONS INTERESTED IN THIS MATTER** wishing to comment may do so in the following ways:

- (1) Email public comments to [aneli.gonzalez@pico-rivera.org](mailto:aneli.gonzalez@pico-rivera.org) prior to 4:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting;
- (2) 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/private-projects/> . Please contact Aneli Gonzalez, Assistant Planner at 562-801-4307 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.

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In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the City of Pico Rivera is committed to providing reasonable accommodations for a person with a disability. Please contact Cynthia Ayala 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.



Project Location  
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CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS ADOPTING A  
FEE SCHEDULE FOR BUILDING AND SAFETY PLAN CHECK AND PERMIT FEES

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City Council of the City of Santa Fe Springs will hold a Public Hearing to consider the following:

**PROJECT:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS ADOPTING A FEE SCHEDULE FOR BUILDING AND SAFETY PLAN CHECK AND PERMIT FEES

**PROJECT SITE:** Citywide, Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670

**APPLICANT:** City of Santa Fe Springs

**THE HEARING** will be held on Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

**CEQA STATUS:** Adoption of this resolution is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the ordinance may have a significant effect on the environment pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). The adoption of the proposed ordinance is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. The adoption of the proposed Ordinance does not have such potential, and therefore is not a project subject to CEQA.

**ALL INTERESTED PERSONS** are invited to attend the Public Hearing before the City Council and express their opinion on the subject item(s) listed above. It should be noted that if you challenge the aforementioned item(s) in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the office of the City Council at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** may be submitted in writing to the City Clerk at [cityclerk@santafesprings.org](mailto:cityclerk@santafesprings.org). Please submit your written comments by 12:00 p.m. on the day of the City Council Meeting. You may also contact the City Clerk's Office at (562) 868-0511.

**FURTHER INFORMATION** on the above-described projects and environmental document may be obtained at the City of Santa Fe Springs Planning Department, 11710 Telegraph Road, California or by contacting James Enriquez, Director of Public Works, at (562) 868-0511, Extension 7611, or e-mail at [jamesenriquez@santafesprings.org](mailto:jamesenriquez@santafesprings.org).

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COMISIÓN DE PLANIFICACIÓN DE LA CIUDAD DE PICO RIVERA AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA PARA CONSIDERAR LA APROBACIÓN DEL PERMISO DE USO CONDICIONAL NÚM. 758, Y MAPA DEL TRACTO TENTATIVO 84271

**POR LA PRESENTE SE NOTIFICA** que se llevará a cabo una audiencia pública ante la Comisión de Planificación de la Ciudad de Pico Rivera para considerar la aprobación de lo siguiente: Permiso de Uso Condicional No. 758 y Mapa Tentativo del Tracto 84271 , una solicitud de Brandywine Homes para desarrollar casas adosadas de 95 unidades en un lote de 4.04 acres ubicado en 6540 Rosemead Boulevard (Tasador Numero de Propiedad 6378-017-004). El proyecto cuenta con casas adosadas de tres pisos en grupos de cinco a nueve unidades, que varían en tamaño de dos y cuarto habitaciones (1,366-2,038 pies cuadrados). El proyecto incluye un total de 190 espacios de estacionamiento para vehículos dentro de garajes adjuntos cerrados para dos autos y veinticuatro espacios de estacionamiento no cerrados para invitados. El acceso al sitio del proyecto se ubicará en la parte oeste del sitio desde Rosemead Boulevard a través de un camino de entrada de dos vías y una entrada controlada.

**CUÁNDO:** Lunes, 15 de Abril de 2024

**HORA:** 6:00 P.M.

**DÓNDE:** Cámara del Consejo (Pico Rivera City Hall)  
6615 Passon Boulevard  
Pico Rivera, CA 90660

Este proyecto ha sido evaluado de acuerdo con la autoridad y los criterios contenidos en la Ley de Calidad Ambiental de California (CEQA, Código de Recursos Públicos, Secciones 21000 y siguientes), las Pautas de la CEQA del Estado (Código de Regulaciones de California, Título 14, Secciones 15000 y siguientes), y la normativa ambiental de la Ciudad. Tras la revisión, el proyecto califica para una Exención Categórica de Clase 32 (Proyectos de Desarrollo de Relleno) de acuerdo con los requisitos de la Sección 15332 de las Directrices Estatales de CEQA.

**LAS PERSONAS INTERESADAS EN ESTE ASUNTO** que deseen comentar pueden hacerlo de las siguientes maneras:

- (1) Enviar comentarios públicos por correo electrónico a [aneli.gonzalez@pico-rivera.org](mailto:aneli.gonzalez@pico-rivera.org) antes de las 4:00 p. m. el día de la reunión;
- (2) Asistir personalmente a la Audiencia Pública

Las copias de todo el material relevante, incluyendo las especificaciones del proyecto, están disponibles para el público para su revisión en el Departamento de Desarrollo Económico y Comunitario en el Ayuntamiento, 6615 Passons Boulevard, Pico Rivera, California. Se puede encontrar información adicional en el sitio web de la Ciudad en <https://www.pico-rivera.org/private-projects/>. Comuníquese con Aneli González, Planificadora asistente al 562-801-4307 si tiene preguntas adicionales.

Si impugna la consideración o adopción de las solicitudes propuestas en el tribunal, es posible que se limite a plantear solo aquellas cuestiones que usted u otra persona hayan planteado en la audiencia pública descrita en este aviso, o la correspondencia escrita entregada al Secretario Municipal de la Ciudad de Pico Rivera en o antes de la audiencia pública.

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De conformidad con la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades de 1990, la Ciudad de Pico Rivera se compromete a proporcionar adaptaciones razonables para una persona con discapacidad. Comuníquese con Cynthia Ayala al (562) 801-4389 si se necesitan adaptaciones especiales del programa y/o si se necesita información del programa en un formato alternativo. Las solicitudes especiales deben hacerse en un período de tiempo razonable para que se puedan organizar las adaptaciones.



Localización del Proyecto  
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NOTICE OF SALE OF ABANDONED PROPERTY

Notice is given pursuant to sections 21700-21713 of the Business and Professions Code, Section 2328 of the Commercial Code, Section 535 of the Penal Code. 1812.607, that Norwalk Self Storage at 11564 E. Firestone Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a Lien imposed on said property. The undersigned will be sold at public auction conducted on [www.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) (bond #63747122) ending on or after Tuesday, April 16th, 2024, at 9:00AM.

SEVILLA, UNISIA TRUDY B433  
LOPEZ, JOSE LUIS B500

This notice is given in accordance with the provisions of Section 21700 et seq. of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California. Storage Treasures’ Principal Auctioneer and Auctioneer on Record: Auctioneer License Numbers for Christopher Paul Rosa California #3112562  
Sales subject to prior cancellation in the event of settlement between Owner and obligated party.  
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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.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) ending on Tuesday, April 9, 2024 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 #  
Craig Burkhead H57

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 29th day of March 2024 and 5th day of April 2024.  
Self Storage Management Company  
Bond #: WLI1254152

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