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~General John Kelly  
Trump’s Chief of Staff

LCCN Exclusive

La Mirada Council Candidate Ion Sarega’s Property in Default, Scheduled to Be Sold at Auction

By Brian Hews

La Mirada City Council Candidate Ion Sarega, whose son Andrew abruptly resigned his La Mirada City Council seat to run for Anaheim City Council, has not paid taxes on a property he owns in La Mirada for at least two years, forcing action from the L.A. County Board of Supervisors to authorize the L.A. County Assessor to spend public dollars and sell Sarega’s property at a public auction.

The notice published in the La Mirada Lamplighter on September 20, 27, and October 4, 2024, was the only property listed in the notice.

The eyesore property is located near the intersection of McComber and Stage Rd.

According to records, Sarega bought the property in 2019; the assessed value is \$232,000, with annual taxes of \$3,900.

According to the assessor’s order called the “Notice of Online Public Auction of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector’s Power to Sell,” Sarega owes \$8,163 which would indicate he is two years in default.

The property is also encumbered by a weed abatement charge that the buyer must pay.

The order read, “Whereas, on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, directed the County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector to sell certain tax-defaulted properties at the

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Metro Awarded \$231 Million for Southeast Gateway Line

By Brian Hews

Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn celebrated the announcement by Governor Newsom awarding a \$231 million grant to the Southeast Gateway Line project. The funding comes from the State Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program and the \$231 million grant to the Southeast Gateway Line is the largest single award in this cycle.

Hahn traveled to Sacramento in May with a delegation of leaders from Southeast LA and the Gateway Cities to advocate for this funding.

The Southeast Gateway Line is a new Metro light rail transit line that will stretch from Artesia through Cerritos, Bellflower, Paramount, Downey, South Gate, Cudahy, Bell, Huntington Park, Vernon, and unincor-

porated Florence-Firestone to Union Station which will provide fast, reliable transit service to communities that have long been underserved. Along the route, one-in-five residents are transit dependent and do not have their own car.

“This is exactly what we have been working toward and what this project needs,” said Supervisor Janice Hahn. “I appreciate Governor Newsom and his team for answering our call and recognizing the importance of the Southeast Gateway Line to the future of this region and I thank the entire Metro board for prioritizing this project.”

The area is currently home to over 600,000 jobs, which is projected to increase to over 700,000 jobs by 2042. The area also has a high projected population and employment

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HAHN GIVES \$2M FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW YMCA IN DOWNEY

LOS ANGELES COUNTY Supervisor Janice Hahn joined Downey officials and the board of the Kolar Family YMCA to break ground on a new state-of-the-art facility for the Downey community, four years after their 61-year-old building fell into disrepair and closed during the pandemic. The new facility is made possible in part by \$2 million in funding promised to the Kolar Family YMCA from Hahn.

Students Can Gain Valuable Experience in New Youth Volunteer Program

By Laurie Hanson

The Volunteer Collective based in Santa Monica recently launched a new youth program to involve students in the greater Los Angeles area with valuable life skills and experiences.

“We have no limits on student engagement,” said Executive Director Rebecca Tankersley. “We can accept students from elementary school, but we mainly serve 6th to 12th graders.”

“Students can join on the Volunteer Collective website where they will have access to age-appropriate, meaningful volunteer opportunities,” she said. “We have both in-person and remote opportunities.”

Information on the mission of the local nonprofits that students will serve, the population they work with, what kind of work they will be doing, and sign-up information can be found on the website.

After volunteer service hours are logged and completed, the Volunteer Collective

verifies and adds them to the students’ logs. Students will have a transcript with verified service hours which can be used for school community ser-

“The benefits of volunteering at this important stage of development are endless,” said Rebecca Tankersley, Executive Director of the Volunteer



**LIFE SKILLS:** Both middle and high school students in the greater Los Angeles area can gain valuable skills doing volunteer work with the Volunteer Collective’s new youth volunteer program.

vice requirements and awards earned. The Volunteer Collective is a certified issuer of the Presidential Volunteer Service Award given out annually to those who qualify.

Collective. Benefits include personal fulfillment, skills development, an expanded social network, improved mental and physical

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Tatiana Yokoyama Bui for School Board 2024 - FPPC# 1474131

**My name is Tatiana Yokoyama Bui,**

and I'm running for ABC Unified School District Board Member, Trustee Area No. 4, in my hometown City of Cerritos. I've lived in Cerritos since 1982, where I was raised by my parents Tom and Chit Yokoyama with my brother and sisters. I attended ABC elementary, middle and high schools just like my three siblings. I graduated from UC Riverside with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. After years of working in business, I graduated from Western State College of Law, and I work as a trial attorney.

I am married to Vince Bui, and we are the proud parents of our son and daughter (elementary school). Because my kids, nieces and nephews are currently ABC students, I am an active volunteer and PTA officer, however I feel a moral obligation to further serve the ABC community, especially the students. As a Board Member, I will work to provide the best education to our students, along with the extracurriculars, classes, sports and programs desired by our students and parents. I also will keep our schools safe.

In law school, I served as Student Bar Association President where I was primarily focused on ensuring a healthy school-life balance for all students. As a Senior Trial Attorney, the majority of my civil litigation work is advocating for individuals who are not familiar with the law to ensure they are effectively represented. I also interact daily with opposing parties in an ethical and respectful manner to efficiently resolve cases. At work, I serve as Public Service Ambassador to coordinate volunteer driven events to serve and uplift those in need and the surrounding community.

As an active parent volunteer, I serve in leadership roles which have provided me the opportunity to learn about the way our schools function with the district. I respectfully ask for your vote on or before November 5.



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## E. Coli Outbreak Affects Some Quarter Pounders



A MCDONALD'S QUARTER POUNDER hamburger is shown in New York on Wednesday. The company took the burger off its menu in 20% of U.S. stores over an E. coli outbreak, and one person in Colorado died. **Richard Drew AP.**

### Associated Press

McDonald's worked Wednesday to reassure customers that its U.S. restaurants are safe as federal investigators tried to pinpoint the cause of a deadly E. coli outbreak linked to the fast food giant's Quarter Pounder hamburgers.

McDonald's pulled Quarter Pounders from one-fifth of its U.S. stores Tuesday as a result of the outbreak, which the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said had sickened at least 49 people in 10 states. One person died and 10 were hospitalized, according to the CDC.

A preliminary investigation by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration suggested fresh slivered onions that are served raw on Quarter Pounder hamburgers were a likely source of the contamination. McDonald's also serves raw, slivered onions on one of its breakfast sandwiches, but that sandwich isn't available at the impacted stores. Other burgers, like the Big Mac, use diced, cooked onions.

McDonald's said it was searching for a new regional supplier for fresh onions. In the meantime, Quarter Pounders were removed from some state's menus

Colorado has had the most reported cases of any state so far, and it's where the one death involving an older adult occurred.

McDonald's said it has worked closely with federal food safety regulators since late last week, when it was alerted to the potential outbreak. The company said the

scope of the problem and the popularity of its products have complicated efforts to identify the contamination source.

McDonald's has more than 14,000 U.S. stores and serves 1 million Quarter Pounders every two weeks.

McDonald's is known for its stringent food safety guidelines and protocols, said Chris Gaulke, a professor of food and beverage management at Cornell University's Nolan School of Hotel Administration.

The company said Wednesday that the supplier regularly tested its onions for E. coli.

"Given the volume of food that they go through, how infrequently this happens to McDonald's is a testament to the effort that they take," Gaulke said.

Asked why it didn't close any stores, McDonald's said nothing in the government's investigation indicated there were issues with its food preparation practices.

In an interview on the "Today" show Wednesday, McDonald's U.S. President Joe Erlinger also said it's likely that whatever product was contaminated has already passed through the company's supply chain.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported the outbreak late Tuesday.

It said infections were reported between Sept. 27 and Oct. 11 in Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Oregon, Utah, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

But more infections will most certainly occur.

## Deported Veterans Mural Dedication In Hawaiian Gardens

Join Veterans, military families, local community leaders, dignitaries and community members at a ceremonial unveiling of a mural dedicated to deported veterans - painted by Artist Javier Salazar - which will occur on Sunday October 27 at 11AM – 12:30PM at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7243 located at 12064 Centralia St. Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716.

Even after faithfully serving this country, it is estimated that over 96,000 US veterans have been deported and denied basic benefits that are promised to all US veterans.

Javier Ortiz, VFW Post Commander said, "Veterans are willing to lay down

their lives for our country, so it is our duty to support our brothers and sisters that are vulnerable to deportation and those who have already been deported.

We take our motto seriously when we say, 'Leave No One Behind.'

Food will be served following the ceremony.

The actual mural installation will be the day before the unveiling on Saturday Oct. 26 starting at 1pm.

Attendees can witness the mural installation which will be erected at the VFW Post by VFW post members, other veterans, ABCUSD high school students and community members.

**For more information about  
deported veterans please visit  
[leavenoonebehindmuralproject.org/](https://leavenoonebehindmuralproject.org/)  
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# Thousands Attend Arturo Sanchez Halloween Parade in Norwalk



**PARADE PARTICIPANTS** riding horses at the 39th Annual Arturo Sanchez Halloween Parade in Norwalk on Oct. 12 along Norwalk Boulevard. Waite Middle School, John Glenn High School, Ross Middle School, Norwalk High School, Garey High School, Troy High School, Sussman Middle School, Los Alisos Middle School, and Downey High School Photo by Andrew Pilani.

By Andrew Pilani

The sound of instruments, Halloween-themed music, cheering and so much more could be heard down Norwalk Avenue as the city of Norwalk’s 39th Annual Halloween Parade brought thousands of people together on October 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Groups from across the community gathered together at the corner of Mapledale and Norwalk Boulevard – right next to Waite Middle School at 14320 Norwalk Blvd.

The parade line then continued down one and a half miles to Hermosillo Park

at 11959 162nd St.

Many different groups of people came together at the parade – an Elvis impersonator, mariachi players and folklorico dancers, equestrians, marching bands and cheer teams from schools across the community, military members, lowriders and more.

Schools such as Waite Middle School, John Glenn High School, Ross Middle School, Norwalk High School, Garey High School, Troy High School, Sussman Middle School, Los Alisos Middle School, and Downey High School were among the many schools that had been in the parade.

“I like performing as part of a group and I’ve been practicing ever since

school started,” Daghan Balli, a 16-year-old from the Troy High School marching band that played the French horn, said.

Jocelyn Spurlin, a parent volunteer whose 13-year-old daughter was a color guard for Ross Middle School, said, “I’m excited, this is her first year doing it with the school and so I’m excited for her performance and I hope she does really well.”

Spurlin added, “I’m just excited, I’ve heard about this parade over the years, and so I’m excited that my daughter’s participating in it and I get a chance to actually see it – so, I’m looking forward to it.”

Various local groups were also in attendance. Lowriders from both the Latinos Car Club and Just Memories Car Club drove down the road while showing off what their cars could do.

Other groups like the Kidz Talent Academy, Miniachis de Norwalk, Ballet Folklorico Eterna Juventud, the Dance Image Studio and others showed off their performances to the onlookers.

The city council was also out in force, heading the parade and being some of the first to begin the trek down Norwalk Boulevard.

“The parade was nice – it was a great way to see the community together. I’ve lived here for over 30 years, so, it’s good to see that it’s still alive and popping,” Chrislym Yim, a resident in the area who attended the parade, said.

Penn, a 59-year-old who grew up in Watts, California, also liked watching the lowriders.

Anaheim is also gearing up for the 100-year anniversary of its Fall Festival and Halloween Parade on Oct. 26 at the Center Street Promenade starting at 11 a.m.

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EXPERIENCE

American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Local 1520 endorsed **Zeel J. Ahir & Monica Manalo** for **Artesia City Council**.



Upon interviewing the candidates, **Artesia employees** found **Zeel and Monica** to be well-equipped to **serve** on the Council.



NEW PERSPECTIVE

VOTE FOR ZEEL **AHIR** & MONICA **MANALO** FOR **ARTESIA** CITY COUNCIL



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densities that are five times higher than LA County, with 44 percent of the population below the poverty line and 18 percent of households that do not own a car. The area has several Environmental Justice Communities populated by a majority-minority community with 65 percent minority residents, with Hispanic/Latino groups alone accounting for 51 percent.

“This is a tremendous day for Southeast LA and continues to demonstrate Metro’s and the State’s commitment to securing funds to construct the new rail line in this heavily transit-dependent area,” said Metro Board First Vice Chair Fernando Dutra. “I also think this shows how much the State cares about our disadvantaged communities and the residents who live and work here.”

The project will provide direct connection to the Metro C Line (Green), Metro A Line (Blue) and LA County’s broader regional transit network. Connecting this area to Metro’s rail network will provide alternatives to driving and improves accessibility to jobs and job-related opportunities, as well as to medical facilities, institutions of higher education, and other places of interest in Los Angeles County.

“Metro would like to thank Governor Newsom for his commitment to funding projects that will help California reach its climate goals and CalSTA Secretary Omishakin for his leadership on transportation and transit investments,” said Metro CEO Stephanie Wiggins. “For too long, Angelenos in southeast LA County have been disconnected from Metro’s rail system, but with these additional funds, we move closer to giving Southeast LA and Gateway City residents a world-class light rail line to serve this growing area of our County.”

Supervisor Hahn and Metro leaders will break ground next week on “Advance Utility Relocation” for the Southeast Gateway Line ahead of major construction for the project.

Advance Utility Relocation Ground-breaking Event Details:

Date: Wednesday, October 30, 2024  
Time: 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM  
Location: 18644 Alburtis Ave, Artesia, CA 90701

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online public auction.”

The subject property’s address for correspondence is a home located at 15335 San Bruno Dr. in La Mirada; according to Orange County Title online records, the owner of the house is Sarega’s son and former La Mirada Councilman, who recently resigned, Andrew Sarega.

The last part of the notice read, “The real property that is subject to this notice is situated in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and is described as follows: PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE OF SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THE POWER OF SALE AIN 8087-015-018 SAREGA, ION AND ANETA, \$8,163.00.”

If the property does not sell during the first online public auction, it will be listed for purchase at subsequent periodic auctions until sold.



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health, career advancement, developing empathy and compassion, teamwork, gaining social responsibility and civic engagement, according to Tankersley.

“Volunteering provides fulfillment by making a positive impact on others’ lives and contributing to the community,” she explained. “It offers skills development including communication, teamwork, leadership, and problem-solving, which are valuable in both personal and professional life.”

“It’s been linked to improved mental well-being, reduced stress levels, and even lower rates of depression,” added Tankersley. “Additionally, volunteering can promote physical health through increased activity while it provides a greater sense of purpose.”

“Volunteering exposes individuals to different perspectives and life experiences, fostering empathy and compassion towards others,” she said. “Understanding the challenges faced by those in need cultivates a deeper sense of empathy and a desire to help.”

Likewise, it instills a sense of social responsibility and civic engagement in individuals. By actively participating in volunteer activities, individuals learn about the importance of giving back to their communities and contributing to positive social change, according to Tankersley.

Student volunteers and others often learn teamwork involving working with diverse groups of people towards a common goal. This experience teaches effective communication, cooperation, and problem-solving in a group setting, she added.

While youth members may come to us to fulfill a community service requirement, most find a cause they are passionate about and continue volunteering and engaging more in their communities whether that is at school, church, or in their neighborhood, according to Tankersley.

“They also develop skills that can translate to their lives and futures,” she added. “We’re excited to activate more volunteers across Los Angeles, especially at this important stage in development


while students are figuring out who they are, and what is important to them.”

Many youth volunteers come equipped already with many skills and experiences that are invaluable to

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**Truck Impact and Road Ratings**


A 2021 road study, conducted by independent engineers, found **more than 50% of Santa Fe Springs roads to be in poor or fair condition**, requiring nearly \$100 million in repairs. This same study found that 18-wheeler trucks and commercial vehicles are major factors in the deterioration of local roads. The cost of fixing city roads will only get more expensive the longer we wait, and in the meantime, potholes and deteriorating roads cause flat tires and make it harder for City residents to comfortably drive around Santa Fe Springs.


**Creating Dedicated Funds for Santa Fe Springs Roads**


Every year, Los Angeles County collects millions of dollars in sales taxes in Santa Fe Springs to pay for road repairs and upgrades, however, only about four cents for every dollar is returned to our city. That is why the City has worked closely with the Chamber of Commerce and owners of local industrial and commercial businesses to develop a locally controlled funding plan to fix our roads without taxing local residents.


**Measure SFS**


To repair deteriorating roads, the City of Santa Fe Springs voted to place a parcel tax measure of 7¢ per square foot on commercial properties and 3½ ¢ per square foot on industrial properties and vacant lots.  
Measure SFS would provide approximately \$6,000,000 in annual funds that can be used by the City exclusively for road repair and maintenance projects. These projects will allow the City to:

 Fix deteriorating roads

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 Repair potholes and curbs


 Improve traffic flow


 Keep major industrial roads in good condition


**Measure SFS does not create any new taxes for either homeowners or renters.**


**Local Accountability and Transparency**

The proposed parcel tax would require accountability provisions, including:


 Creation of a citizens’ oversight committee


 Ensuring local tax dollars are used exclusively for road maintenance and repairs


 Annual financial audits

 The measure would expire after 25 years

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## ‘Open Mosque Day’ Inspires Tolerance in La Mirada and Other Cities



THE LA MIRADA MASJID on “Open Mosque Day,” on Oct. 20, 2024 in La Mirada.

### LCCN Staff Report

“Open Mosque Day 2024,” organized by the Islamic Shura Council of Southern California, was part of an annual regional gathering with participating mosques.

The event aimed to build bridges between communities, challenge stereotypes, and promote a deeper understanding of Islam.

The event, which took place at several mosques, including the La Mirada Masjid, brought together a diverse group of attendees from Christian, Jewish, Muslim, and other backgrounds.

At the La Mirada Masjid’s “Open Mosque Day,” leaders discussed the core pillars of Islam and invited visitors into the community.

Visitors were given the opportunity to learn about the core principles of

Islam and engage in discussions with community leaders.

Hussam Ayloush, executive director of the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR-LA), emphasized the importance of such initiatives in the current climate. “This past year has been extraordinarily challenging for American Muslims,”

Over the past year, including the start of the ongoing Israel-Hamas war, negative attitudes toward both Muslim and Jewish people have significantly increased, according to the latest report from the California Department of Justice, which looks at statewide hate crimes in 2023.

Ayloush said in a statement. “CAIR-LA has recorded the highest number of complaints of anti-Muslim, anti-Palestinian, and anti-Arab bias in its 30-year history.”

## Downey to Host Spooky Pop-Up Festival

This Halloween, Downey will host the Get Spooky Pop-Up, a fall-themed market and festival featuring fun and activities for the entire family.

The Downey Chamber of Commerce and the Downey Collective will present the event as a way for the community to enjoy the upcoming season of ghouls, ghosts, and trick-or-treating. The Downey Collective is an event organizing company that specializes in offering free pop-up events of various themes and interests.

The Get Spooky Pop-Up will be the second annual event hosted by the Downey Collective. It will feature a variety of food vendors offering a range of cuisine and flavors. There will also be a Halloween costume contest for the kids, as well as for any pet owners wishing to enter their dogs in a separate dog costume contest. There will also be a kids’ zone complete with games, activities, and arts and crafts for the little ones. Vendors interested in vendor space and booths can contact Downey Collective for more information.

Vendors participating in seasonal festivals like this often utilize such an occasion to connect with new potential customers. As such, bringing along a supply of business cards may help vendors in their endeavors.

The Halloween pop-up will take place on Saturday, October 26 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. It will be held at Stonewood Center, which is located at 251 Stonewood Street.

## Donate to Programs This Holiday Season

This holiday season, residents are invited to donate to local community programs, including Toys for Tots and the Salvation Army Angel Giving Tree Program.

The annual Toys for Tots program, sponsored by the United States Marine Corps with the City of Cerritos, provides gifts to local underprivileged children. New, unwrapped toys may be dropped off Monday, November 4, through Friday, December 13, in the Toys for Tots bins at Cerritos City Hall, Cerritos Library, Cerritos Senior Center at Pat Nixon Park, Liberty Park, Cerritos Park East, and Cerritos Sheriff’s Station.

The Salvation Army Angel Giving Tree Program helps brighten Christmas for needy children. To participate, pick up one or more tags at the Cerritos Senior Center between Monday, November 4, and Friday, December 6. Each tag will list the child’s age, gender, clothing size, and toy request. Submit your donation, along with the original tag, to the Cerritos Senior Center on or before Friday, December 13.

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# 605 LEAGUE FOOTBALL- Artesia’s defense does a number on young, struggling Glenn squad in blowout

By Loren Kopff • @LorenKopff on X

For a team that has scored at least 40 points in half its games this season, Artesia High was sluggish in the opening quarter at John Glenn High last Thursday. The Pioneers punted on their first drive of the game after running five plays for 21 yards, but a defensive stand led to their first score very late in the stanza.

From there, Artesia found its groove, especially on the defensive side, intercepting quarterback Raymond Acosta four times and forcing a fumble in a 40-6 rout in the 605 League opener for both teams last Thursday.

“It happens sometimes in games,” said Artesia head coach Connor Crook of the slow start. “They had a gameplan and they came out and took away some of our run plays and did a good job with that. Those guys are good coaches, too. So, we had to adjust off that, and our adjustments, thankfully and fortunately, worked.”

Glenn (1-6, 0-1) forced the Pioneers to punt from their own 38-yard line and the Eagles had their best drive of the first half, running 10 plays and getting to the Artesia 41-yard line before punting. On the drive, Glenn converted on a fourth and 1 when Acosta picked up two yards, and junior running back Jonah Mason and sophomore running back Sam Reeves had gains of 10 and 13 yards respectively.

However, sophomore Alijah Hunter’s punt went into the endzone and on Artesia’s first play of the ensuing drive, sophomore quarterback Charlie Lopez got loose for an 80-yard T.D. run to kick start the offense.

“I think it was a great start,” said Glenn head coach Elijhaa Penny. “It was everything that we planned for. We practiced that throughout the week; we knew Artesia has an explosive offense and is an explosive team. So, our gameplan was to take the ball out of [Lopez’s] hands as long as we could, keep that defense on the field, get those guys tired and worn out and hopefully find some momentum off that.”

That momentum never happened as the Eagles were forced to punt again, but this time, Hunter’s punt from the Glenn 49-yard line took a bad bounce the opposite way, giving the Pioneers possession at midfield. Three plays later, Lopez connected with senior wide receiver Ahkil Sampson, making it 14-0 with 6:32 left in the half.

It would go from bad to worse for the hosts as Acosta was picked off by senior Oscar Canchola and the Pioneers parlayed that into a 5:12 drive that ended with Sampson running it in from six yards out. To add insult to injury, it was déjà vu for Acosta again-an incomplete pass followed by an interception. This time, it was sophomore safety Robert Garcia at the Glenn 19-yard line. After a personal foul penalty on the Eagles, Lopez made it 27-0 with a four-yard run with 33 seconds left in the half.

“Like I’ve been harping on all season, these guys are a young group of guys,” said Penny. “Once they learn how to finish games; finish drives, execute in a ballgame without penalties, I think we’ll be in a much better position. It was nothing they did to knock us off our game; it’s everything we did. We shot ourselves in the foot.”

The Pioneers had the ball for 10 and a half minutes in the half, ran 17 plays but racked up 217 yards with Lopez combining for 191 yards. Meanwhile, Glenn could muster only 66 yards, all on the ground before halftime.

Glenn would get the ball to begin the second half and on fourth down, Acosta was sacked by senior Julius Padilla for an 11-

yard loss. On the next play, junior running back Josue Flores scored. That would be the only time Artesia (7-1, 1-0) touched the ball in the third quarter as the Eagles held the ball for the remaining 8:55 of the stanza, then avoided the shutout three plays into the fourth quarter when Acosta hooked up with senior wide receiver Jacob Ramirez for an 11-yard score. But the Pioneers needed one play again to score the game’s last touchdown, a 61-yard reception from Sampson with 9:48 left in the contest.

“The clock started ticking and they were running the ball, and they had a couple of long drives,” said Crook. “When we got the ball back, we scored quickly. It’s a good thing most of the time [but] sometimes it can be a bad thing if you’re getting six plays on offense. But we were scoring on them, and it was in our favor, of course.”

“I know I talk about how young these guys are, but another thing that’s good about them being so youthful is that they have energy; they have juice, and they don’t quit,” said Penny. “So, they’re excited to play football no matter what position they’re in, whether it’s a blowout or it’s a tight game. They’re excited to play, and it shows.”

The next three drives combined would end in interceptions. First, it was Artesia sophomore defensive back Jayden Ruiz at the Glenn 36-yard line. Two plays later, Glenn senior linebacker A.J. Enriquez, then Artesia defensive back Eduardo Ordaz in the endzone, halting a six-play, 48-yard drive.

“They’ve been playing well,” said Crook of his defense. “We’ve been making some adjustments as far as personnel goes, and just trying to find the best spots for everybody. Those guys have been doing well. We moved Robert to safety, and he had a big pick tonight; almost took it back to the house. [Senior] DeAngelo [Tucker] playing D-end coming off the edge; he applies a lot of pressure. So, some of the adjustments we’ve been making have been working and I think we looked really good tonight.”

After not completing a pass in seven attempts in the first half, Acosta had eight completions for 66 yards in the second half. Reeves, one of the upcoming stars, led the rushing attack with 37 yards on 10 carries. Junior running back Okaro Lee added 29 yards on five carries, including a 19-yard gain in the third quarter as the Eagles will host defending CIF-SS Division 12 champion Cerritos High on Thursday.

Lopez completed four of six passes for 162 yards and added another 90 yards on five carries while six other ball carriers combined to rush 13 times for 41 yards. Sampson caught three passes for 153 yards as Artesia will entertain Pioneer High on Thursday.

“As coaches, we’re definitely not looking over Pioneer, and I don’t think our kids, either,” said Crook. “Our kids watched them on film, and we played well against them last year. But I think they noticed on film, too, that they got better. They did a good job of getting better this offseason and they’re going to be ready to go.

# GATEWAY LEAGUE FOOTBALL- Mayfair pulls away from La Mirada in second half as Matadores fall to longtime rivals again

By Loren Kopff

BELLFLOWER-The rivalry between former Suburban League combatants La Mirada High and Mayfair High has lasted roughly four decades. They even played each other in the 1998 CIF-Southern Section Division IX championship game, won by Mayfair 28-14 and the 2001 Division VI championship game, also won by Mayfair 22-9.

With La Mirada needing to snap a seven-game losing streak to the Monsoons and move to the upper half of the Gateway League standings, a one-possession game at the half turned into a runaway game in the second half as Mayfair, playing in its 65th homecoming game, defeated the Matadores 42-21 at Ron Yary Stadium on the Bellflower High campus. The Matadores dropped to 2-6 overall, 1-2 in league play while Mayfair remained tied for first place with Downey High. Those two will meet on the last night of the regular season with the league title on the line.

After a three and out to begin the game, Mayfair drove to the La Mirada four-yard line where Louis Johnson was stopped on fourth and one. On the previous play, Johnson had caught a pass from Jeremiah Calvin, but senior cornerback Max Rankin stopped him a yard short of the endzone. The Matadores turned that opportunity into the game’s first touchdown as junior running back Jordan Lauago’s one-yard run ended a 10-play drive that lasted 4:46. Three plays earlier senior Josh Gonzalez converted a third and five from the eight-yard line with a seven-yard gain.

“Oh, big time players,” said La Mirada head coach Lucas Mealy of the defense. “These guys, when they fly around, they make some big time plays, and we did a good job tackling. The third down was a big play as well to get us to that fourth down. Once again, when our defense flies around, we’re pretty damn good. Obviously, the points that we’ve given up...a lot of that is because we go for it on fourth down a lot and put [our offense] in tough situations. We’re going to continue to be aggressive and like I told the boys right now our playoffs start now.”

La Mirada was five of 12 on third

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down plays and two of five on fourth down plays. But on the first play of the second quarter, Johnson tied the game with a 35-yard run and from that point on, the Matadores had a hard time getting to Mayfair’s red zone. They were stopped on downs at the Mayfair 47-yard line, and the hosts would go up 14-7 with 2:25 left in the half on a 10-yard run from Calvin. Then on the last play of the half, senior Julian Bracamontes missed a 41-yard field goal.

“I wanted to show the kids the confidence that I have in them,” said Mealy of going for it on fourth down on the first possession. “Although we didn’t get it, and the defense went out there, I think it proved to the kids that I have faith in them, and it proved to me that we could do that because they went down the field and we got a fourth down stop. I would do it all over again.”

La Mirada had 132 yards of offense in the first half while the Monsoons had 35 more yards in nine fewer plays.

“They came back out and scored a big touchdown to start the second half and we went three and out,” said Mealy. “We didn’t move the chains and put our defense in adverse situation. Ultimately, our offense has to sustain drives. We can’t wait until things get out of hand to start sustaining drives.

“I think in the first half, we played physically up front,” he continued. “But when you get down 21 or 28 points, you get a little pass happy and unfortunately, that’s kind of where we ended up.”

Another three and out early in the second half led to Mayfair’s fourth touchdown, a nine-yard run on a reverse from Chaz Gilbreath with 2:02 left in the third quarter. The Matadores responded as junior quarterback Santino Garcia, who was five of nine for 49 yards in the first half, connected with junior wide receiver Aaron Castro for a 16-yard play on first down, followed by a 19-yard run from senior running back Madden Carino. Then two plays into the fourth quarter, Carino scored on an 11-yard run. After that, La Mirada had three more possessions in which they were driving, but eventually stopped on downs, an interception and finally an 11-yard touchdown pass from Garcia to Lauago.

Following the possession in which the Matadores were stopped, Calvin tossed a 32-yard touchdown pass to Max Mitchell in which he eluded a potential tackler near the 40-yard line, which would have gone for a loss. When the Matadores got the ball back, they drove to the five-yard line before Miles Mitchell picked off Garcia at the two-yard line

and went 98 yards the other way for a 42-14 lead with 2:33 left in the game. The pass appeared to be tipped off the hands of Carino around the five-yard line.

“I could come up with excuses but at the end of the day, we have to tackle,” said Mealy. “At the beginning of the year, we did some things where we were playing very high and we got better. But for me, the tackling...we showed some bright spots tonight. I’m going to talk to my team and let them know, when we get 11 hands to the ball, we’re pretty good. But when we try to leave people one on one tackling, we struggle. Once again, I could come up with every excuse in the world. I’m not going to do that; we have to tackle better. But I think we have to rally to the ball and that’s the key component to us finding success.”

Garcia finished the game completing 14 of 27 passes for 140 yards while Gonzalez led the rushing department with 65 yards on 14 carries. Carino and Lauago combined for 86 more yards on 14 carries while on defense, senior safety Drew Cobos picked up seven tackles.

During Mayfair’s eight-game winning streak in this series, this was the second straight and third time La Mirada has scored 21 points. It has not scored more than 21 points over the Monsoons since a 63-13 win on Nov. 4, 2016. That marked the third straight win over the Monsoons in which the combined score



**LA MIRADA HIGH** senior cornerback Max Rankin (third from left) and senior safety Drew Cobos celebrate after an incomplete pass intended for Mayfair High’s Chaz Gilbreath in last Friday night’s football game. Mayfair defeated La Mirada 42-21, the eighth straight win for the Monsoons in the series.

was 150-20 and was part of a stretch in which the Matadores won seven of eight games over Mayfair.

“I know more [about the rivalry] than most people give me credit for,” said Mealy. “I know how important it is to not just these kids, but to the school, to the community, to the city, and we did everything we could to try to prepare. It’s on me that we weren’t more prepared enough to win.

‘But we know Mayfair has a great

program,” he continued. “Coach [Derek] Bedell has been there, I think, nine years and he’s got the thing rolling coming off a CIF championship and a state playoff berth. We have to continue to do everything we can to get to that level.”

La Mirada’s path for a potential playoff berth is simple; win the last two games of the regular season beginning with Friday’s home encounter with winless Bellflower.





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**NEWS AND NOTES FROM PRESS ROW**

**Artesia girls flag football team makes history with first playoff victory**

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Girls flag football was introduced to the CIF-Southern Section last fall and while a handful of schools participated, it was more of a trial run with no postseason. This season, there were 196 Southern Section schools that fielded a team with 144 advancing to the first ever CIF-SS divisional playoffs.

One of those teams is Artesia High, which defeated Montclair High 31-6 in a Division 5 first round game this past Tuesday. The Pioneers are 11-5 and will visit Bishop Montgomery High on Saturday.

“This season has been so much fun,” said Artesia head coach Joe Veach. “Most of these girls didn’t know what a first down was when we first got started; they didn’t know about extra points. So we literally started from scratch. To see where we are right now as a team compared to the first game they ever played...it’s a completely different team.”

Artesia, the 605 League champions, wasted little time getting the first points of the game as sophomore running back Yuliana Ortiz darted 53 yards on the second play of the game. After going three and out on its next possession, the Pioneers went up 12-0 when sophomore quarterback Adela Saucedo tossed an eight-yard touchdown pass to senior Kaleyse Foster. The drive was set up when sophomore defensive back Jershie Muth picked off Navey Lopez at the Artesia 15-yard line.

The score remained 12-0 until 18.5 seconds remained in the first half when Saucedo connected with senior wide receiver LaNiya Clark for a 20-yard score. The lone breakdown of Artesia’s defense in the game came on the third play of the second half when Lopez found Aysia Rosas for a 42-yard touchdown play. Artesia has shutout four opponents and allowed less than 10 points seven other times, including the Montclair game.

“I think our defense is really strong,” said Veach. “We play good defense; we have really good athletes that are put into places to make plays, and we try to get our best seven athletes on the field the whole game. So, I think our defense is probably our strong suit, but we’ve really started to score some points.”

Following the touchdown by the Cavaliers, Saucedo was back at it, this time finding senior Natalia Gomez for a short five-yard touchdown pass. Then four plays later, senior linebacker Melissa Ornelas had an interception at the 32-yard line, which led to the final score of the game, a three-yard pass from Saucedo to senior wide receiver Alea Medina. For added measure, junior defensive back Stefani Antonio had the third interception by the defense.

Saucedo was 10 of 15 for 88 yards with Foster catching four of those for 25 yards while Ortiz gained 76 yards on six carries and senior Keiasja Carbins another 48 yards on three carries.

“Yuli Ortiz at running back is...with the ball in her hand, we don’t have anyone better with the ball in her hand,” said Veach. “Yuli is so elusive and she’s so short; low to the ground, she moves her hips and changes her directions. Once she got into open space, I was on the sideline saying, ‘they’re not going to catch her’.”

The only other area team to advance to the postseason was Gahr High, which nipped North Torrance High 26-25 this past Tuesday in Division 4 action. The Gladiators went 13-5 in the regular season and finished in a three-way tie for third place in the Gateway League with Bellflower High and Mayfair High, all with 5-3 records. They will host

second seeded Fullerton High on Saturday. Gahr is one of two area schools that fielded a girls flag football team last season, going 1-6-1 with the lone win at La Mirada High.

**GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**

The CIF-SS first round playoffs began this past Wednesday with Valley Christian High travelling to Thousand Oaks High in Division 2 action. Four other area schools began their quest for a divisional championship on Oct. 24, beginning with a pair of 605 League city rivals competing in Division 5. Cerritos High (18-11, 8-2) was the second place team and drew a road contest at Faith Baptist High, the second place representative out of the Heritage League.

Whitney High, which is having a season to remember, enters the playoffs at 22-7 and won all 10 605 League matches. Under the old format, it was automatic that a league champion hosted a first round match. But this season, the Wildcats will be at La Salle High, the second place representative from the Camino Real League.

John Glenn High, which finished the regular season with a winning record for the first time since 2009, went 12-11 overall and grabbed an at-large berth despite a 2-8, fifth place finish in the 605 League. In addition, the Eagles nabbed the second seed in the division as they hosted Santiago High, which tied for second place in the Grove League.

Glenn has not hosted a girls volleyball match since Nov. 9, 1999, when that team defeated Burroughs High in five sets before getting swept by Fullerton High on the road two days later. In 1998, Glenn was swept at home in the first round by Redondo High.

Norwalk High, which went 16-14 overall, 4-4 in the Gateway League and finished in third place, hosted Desert Christian High, the third place representative from the Heritage League, in Division 6 action.

**FOOTBALL**

**605 LEAGUE (games played on Oct. 24)**

**Pioneer High (4-4, 0-1) @ Artesia (7-1, 1-0)**-Artesia is flying high after crushing Glenn 40-6 last Thursday and is having one of its best seasons in program history. The offense is explosive, scoring at least three touchdowns in seven of the eight contests and at least 40 points in four games.

Senior quarterback Charlie Lopez is dangerous with his arm (713 yards, seven touchdowns) and his legs (811 yards, 14 touchdowns). The 21 combined touchdowns from Lopez account for 70 percent of the offensive scores. Senior Julius Padilla, with nearly 200 yards rushing and 107 yards receiving with three combined touchdowns and senior Ahkil Sampson (18 receptions, 368 yards, three touchdowns) are other threats on offense. Those three account for 86 percent of the offense.

Artesia has won six of the last eight meetings dating back to 2015, including last season’s 37-19 contest, and since the 605 League was formed, Pioneer has finished in second place once, which came two seasons ago. But Artesia head coach Connor Crook isn’t taking the Titans lightly.

“Pioneer is going to be tough,” he said. “We watched them when they played Rowland, and they have some dudes as far as their skill players go. [Jose Rojas] is a good player; [Ramon Juarez] has been their coach for years now, so he does a good job. They’re going to well-prepared, and so will we. I think it will be a good game.”

Pioneer, on a two-game losing streak, took one on the chin last week, losing to Cerritos 70-14, though it rallied from a 28-0 first quarter deficit to make it 28-14 late in the first half. Before that, the Titans had won four of five games and in those four victories, they have outscored their opponents 208-20. But in the four losses, the combined score has been 191-66.

Entering the Cerritos game, quarterback Amiri Resendiz had thrown for 939 yards and eight touchdowns while Adrian Lopez was leading the rushing attack with 507 yards and five touchdowns.

An Artesia win will set up a first place

battle with Cerritos on Oct. 31 with the winner claiming the league title and the loser settling for second place.

**Prediction: Artesia 41, Pioneer 21**

**Cerritos (6-2, 1-0) @ Glenn (1-6, 0-1)**-Very little went wrong for Cerritos in the blowout over Pioneer last Thursday as junior Justin Sagun was 17 of 23 for 222 yards and four touchdowns while the Dons gained 255 yards on the ground and senior defensive end Josh Teshome had a defensive touchdown.

After a brief two-game losing streak in the middle of the season, Cerritos is peaking at the right time and enters the contest on a three-game winning streak, scoring 133 points while yielding 45 points.

If there is one thing Glenn will get from this game, and the 2024 season, is that the young players will be gaining tons of playing experience for next season and beyond. The Eagles suited up eight juniors, five sophomores, five seniors and three freshmen against Artesia.

“Those coaches are doing a very, very good job with those kids over there,” said Glenn head coach Elijaa Penny of Cerritos. “They have them executing at a high level of football over there, and I think that’s pretty good for [Cerritos head coach Demel Franklin] and the city and the school. But our kids are going to be the same kids; challenge them very well. We just have to put it together for four quarters.”

Despite the record, the points scored and given up, the lack of players on the team and the combined eight freshmen and sophomores, Penny said he’s been impressed with some of the younger players taking big leaps since the beginning of the season. He cited sophomore running back Sam Reeves, sophomore offensive lineman and linebacker Andre Romo and freshman center and defensive end Jayden Chaverin as players to keep an eye on for the next two seasons.

The Eagles have allowed over 30 points in four straight games and the offense has scored 50 points all season, no more than 12 in any game.

**Prediction: Cerritos 63, Glenn 7**

**GATEWAY LEAGUE**

**Bellflower (0-8, 0-3) @ La Mirada (2-6, 1-2)**-For the eighth straight time, La Mirada lost to longtime rival Mayfair 42-21 last Friday. The Matadores took a 7-0 lead into the second quarter and was down by a possession at the half before the Monsoons scored two more touchdowns in the third quarter to pull away. Junior quarterback Santino Garcia passed for 140 yards and a touchdown and has over 1,000 yards for the season.

The Matadores have not faced Bellflower since 2021 when they were members of the former Suburban League and have won 10 straight games over the Buccaneers.

Bellflower has been shutout in four straight games, including 52-0 to Warren High last Friday., and seven times this season. In fact, the Bucs have scored only 18 points all season, six each in the other three games.

A win would keep La Mirada alive for third place and an automatic berth in the playoffs as it ends the regular season at home against third place Warren on Nov. 1

“We look at last year when we played Norwalk,” said La Mirada head coach Lucas Mealy. “We were down 13-0 in a blink of an eye. Obviously, Norwalk and Bellflower are two different teams, but Bellflower [won the Mid-Cities League] over Norwalk. To me, you have to play the game on Friday night. You have to go out there and perform for 48 minutes. We’re going to have a good week of practice, come out and do everything to win the game, and then we’ll focus on the week after that when we get to it.”

**Prediction: La Mirada 35, Bellflower 7**

**MID-CITIES LEAGUE**

**Firebaugh High (5-3, 0-3) @ Gahr (4-4, 2-1)**-As expected, the Gladiators crushed Compton Early College 56-6 last Friday to stay within a game of Norwalk

and Paramount High for first place. The defense recorded five and half sacks as Gahr has had a roller coaster of a season, losing the first two games, then winning the next two before alternating losses and wins the past four weeks. This will be Gahr’s homecoming game, and the Gladiators have won both meetings with the Falcons by a combined score of 90-8.

Firebaugh, once a laughingstock when the school first fielded a football team in 2008, has set a school record for most wins in a season and will assure itself of the program’s first non-losing season. In 2010, the Falcons went 4-5 and three other times, they went 3-7.

Firebaugh fell to Norwalk 49-12 last Friday as the defense allowed 367 rushing yards. It was the third straight loss in which the Falcons have allowed 146 points. But during the five-game winning streak, they have given up 50 points with a shutout against Torres High.

**Prediction: Gahr 31, Firebaugh 14**

**GAME OF THE WEEK**

**Paramount (7-1, 3-0) @ Norwalk (7-1, 3-0)**-Both teams have all but locked a playoff berth, but the winner will have the inside track to the league title. In Norwalk’s win over Firebaugh, senior running back Ezra Meuller rushed for 186 yards on nine carries and scored five touchdowns while junior running backs Diego Cerritos added 106 yards on four carries and 73 yards on five touches, respectively, with a touchdown each. Cerritos also had a pair of sacks.

For the season, Meuller has gained 1,569 yards and scored 24 times while Cerritos has picked up 1,012 yards and 15 touchdowns. As a team, the Lancers have 3,280 yards on the ground.

Paramount is on a four-game winning streak following a 36-0 loss at Carson High on Sept. 13. In that stretch, the Pirates scored 168 points while yielding 24. They beat Lynwood High last Friday 32-3 as Tyler Goodman rushed for 251 yards on 20 carries and scored three touchdowns while Zechariah Moreno completed three passes for 36 yards. Goodman, who has scored a dozen touchdowns, needs 69 yards to reach the 1,000-yard mark. Dae’Jon Massey is another offensive threat with 568 yards on the ground with half a dozen touchdowns.

This is the fourth meeting between the schools in at least 25 years. The last time they met was on Nov. 14, 2014 in the first round of the Southeast Division playoffs. Paramount took that game 18-14. Before that, Norwalk won 33-8 in 2009 and Paramount was victorious, 27-6, in 2008.

**Prediction: Norwalk 38, Paramount 28**

**IRONWOOD LEAGUE**

**Heritage Christian High (4-4, 0-3)**

**@ Valley Christian (6-2, 1-2)**-After an unprecedented six-game winning streak to begin the season, Valley Christian has lost two straight, including a 16-14 decision to Village Christian High last Friday. The game was scoreless in the first half and after the Defenders took a 7-3 lead in the fourth quarter, the Crusaders scored 13 unanswered points. Senior quarterback Austin Abrahams completed 20 of 29 passes for 194 yards and a touchdown while gaining 33 yards on the ground and scored the other touchdown.

The Defenders scored over 25 points in five of the first six games, but in the past two weeks, they have been outscored 58-14.

Heritage Christian is on a three-game losing streak after a 35-0 defeat to Aquinas High last Friday. Two of the four losses by the Warriors have been by one possession while in the four wins, they have scored 155 points and given up single digits each time, including a shutout. V.C. has won 12 of the last 15 meetings, including last season’s 22-21 contest.

**Prediction: Valley Christian 35, Heritage Christian 21**

**Last week’s predictions: 5-1**

**Season to date: 38-12**

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nonprofits besides a desire to volunteer and are able to make a difference in their communities. However, they have great difficulty finding organizations that will accept volunteers under 18 or are completely lost on where to go, explained Tankersley.

“We’re very excited to empower students to take action and get involved,” she said. “We are looking to get in front of parents and teens across Los Angeles county in a variety of ways including through schools, community groups, college counselors, etc.”

Parents are encouraged to attend volunteer opportunities with their child as an excellent family bonding experience. They are encouraged to support their child’s volunteer work and allow them to find the opportunities. When children are entering hours themselves, it is a great learning opportunity and helps teach them responsibility and exploration, according to Tankersley.

The Volunteer Collective was formed in late 2019 to early 2020 by Richard Foos and Rick Stoff. Its mission is to provide Angelenos with a user-friendly path to volunteer for carefully vetted, impactful nonprofits that help children, unhoused neighbors, and people struggling economically.

“We’ve helped thousands of people volunteer their time and passion, and in exchange, they’ve felt the emotional reward of helping those who need it most,” explained Tankersley. “The Volunteer Collective envisions a world where we all volunteer to help our neighbors in need.”

“Ultimately, the student volunteer program is just an avenue to achieve our

mission,” she said. As Executive Director, Tankersley oversees the whole organization including the student program.

“Volunteering can lead to personal insights, helping individuals understand their strengths, weaknesses, and passions,” said Tankersley. “Working in community service can cultivate gratitude for one’s own circumstances and highlight the importance of giving back.”

“Volunteering enriches lives by promoting personal development and a sense of purpose, benefiting both the individual and the community,” she added. “Having youth volunteers in communities brings significant benefits to both the volunteers and the recipients of their efforts.”

“Youth volunteers often bring energy and enthusiasm, which can inspire those they serve and create a positive environment,” Tankersley added. “Whether through tutoring, community clean-ups, or event organization, youth volunteers provide vital help that enhances the quality of life for recipients.”

“Young volunteers can serve as role models for their peers, showing that making a difference is possible and encouraging others to get involved,” she said. “This is especially [true] in a time when our youth have witnessed a lot of pain over the last few years. Many feel helpless and like they cannot make a difference, yet they can.”

For more information, students interested in volunteering can visit online at [www.volunteer-collective.org/student-volunteer-program](http://www.volunteer-collective.org/student-volunteer-program).

Two weekly Zoom information sessions will be held on Tuesday, Oct 29, and Monday, Nov 4, at 6:30 p.m. Additional dates can be found online at [www.volunteer-collective.org/student-volunteer-program](http://www.volunteer-collective.org/student-volunteer-program).

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE TS No. CA-24-992407-CL Order No.: 3134454 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/9/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier’s check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. 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Trustor(s): OLGA URIARTE AND OSCAR URIARTE, MARRIED TO EACH OTHER Recorded: 4/11/2007 as Instrument No. 20070867685 and modified as per Modification Agreement recorded 10/8/2015 as Instrument No. 20151245084 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California; Date of Sale: 11/14/2024 at 9:00:00 AM Place of Sale: At the Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, in the Vineyard Ballroom Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$753,348.13 The purported property address is: 14806 FACETA DRIVE, LA MIRADA, CA 90638 Assessor’s Parcel No.: 8064-001-020 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder’s office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 1-800-280-2832 for information regarding the trustee’s sale or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-24-992407-CL. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the internet website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an “eligible tenant buyer,” you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an “eligible bidder,” you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 1-800-280-2832, or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-24-992407-CL to find the date on which the trustee’s sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee’s sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee’s sale. If you think you may qualify as an “eligible tenant buyer” or “eligible bidder,” you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OWNER-OCCUPANT: Any prospective owner-occupant as defined in Section 2924m of the California Civil Code who is the last and highest bidder at the trustee’s sale shall provide the required affidavit or declaration of eligibility to the auctioneer at the trustee’s sale or shall have it delivered to QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION by 5 p.m. on the next business day following the trustee’s sale at the address set forth in the below signature block. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser’s sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary’s Agent, or the Beneficiary’s Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right’s against the real property only. Date: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 1-800-280-2832 Or Login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com> Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION . TS No.: CA-24-992407-CL IDSPub #0224614 10/11/2024 10/18/2024 10/25/2024

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF MILA CUKAR, aka MILICA KAZIMIRA STIPICEVICH CASE NO. 24STPB11265**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of **MILA CUKAR, aka MILICA KAZIMIRA STIPICEVICH**

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DANIEL CUKAR in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DANIEL CUKAR be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on **NOVEMBER 15, 2024 at 8:30 A.M.** in Dept.: “29” located at: 111 N. Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012, Stanley Mosk Courthouse

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 formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE AND OF INTENTION TO TRANSFER ALCO-HOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE(S) (UCC Sec. 6105 et seq. and B & P 24073 et seq.) Escrow No. 24-2161-DK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale of assets and a transfer of alcoholic bever-age license(s) is about to be made. The name(s) and business address(es) of the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) are: YOSHIHARU CERRITOS, 11533 SOUTH STREET, CER-RITOS, CA 90703

Doing Business as: YOSHIHARU RAMEEN

All other business names(s) and ad-dress(es) used by the Seller(s)/Licensee(s) within the past three years, as stated by the Seller(s)/Licensee(s), is/are: NONE

The name(s) and address of the Buy-er(s)/Applicant(s) is/are: CAFFEINE ADDICT, 9731 BOLSA AVE., WESTMINSTER, CA 92683

The assets being sold are generally de-scribed as: FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, GOODWILL, LEASE-HOLD IMPROVEMENTS, LEASEHOLD INTERESTS, ALL TRANSFERABLE PER-MITS AND LICENSES, AND ALL INVENTO-RY OF STOCK IN TRADE and is/are located at: 11533 SOUTH STREET, CERRITOS, CA 90703

The type of license(s) and license no(s) to be transferred is/are: Type: 41-ON-SALE BEER & WINE-EATING PLACE LICENSE #: 41-636310, And are now issued for the prem-ises located at: SAME

The bulk sale and transfer of alcoholic bev-erage license(s) is/are intended to be con-summated at the office of: ACE ESCROW INC, 6871 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 and the anticipated sale/transfer date is NOVEMBER 8, 2024

The purchase price or consideration in con-nection with the sale of the business and transfer of the license, is the sum of \$350,000.00, including inventory estimated at \$0.00, which consists of the following: DESCRIPTION, AMOUNT: CASH \$70,000.00; CHECK \$280,000.00; ALLOCA-TION-SUB TOTAL \$350,000.00; ALLOCA-TION TOTAL \$350,000.00

It has been agreed between the Sell-er(s)/Licensee(s) and the intended Buy-er(s)/Applicant(s), as required by Sec. 24073 of the Business and Professions code, that the consideration for transfer of the business and license is to be paid only after the trans-fer has been approved by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

Dated: 9/16/2024

YOSHIHARU CERRITOS, Sell-er(s)/Licensee(s)

CAFFEINE ADDICT, Buyer(s)/Applicant(s)

ORD-2871912 LOS CERRITOS COMMUNITY NEWS 10/18/24

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, November 12th, 2024, at 9:00AM.

NAME	UNIT #
Tania Ivett Atilano Cruz	A300
Luis Magallanes & Sandra Eva Romano	B719
Samantha Zaragoza	B203

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 SALE OF ABANDONED PROPERTY

Notice is given that 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 Mission Hills Self Storage 15241 Rinaldi St., Mission Hills, CA 91345 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 November 12th, 2024, at 9:00AM.

NAME	UNIT
Adan Acosta	G137
Elizabeth Barrios	F137
Lucio Miranda Jimenez	C201
Kenneth Schweit	F120

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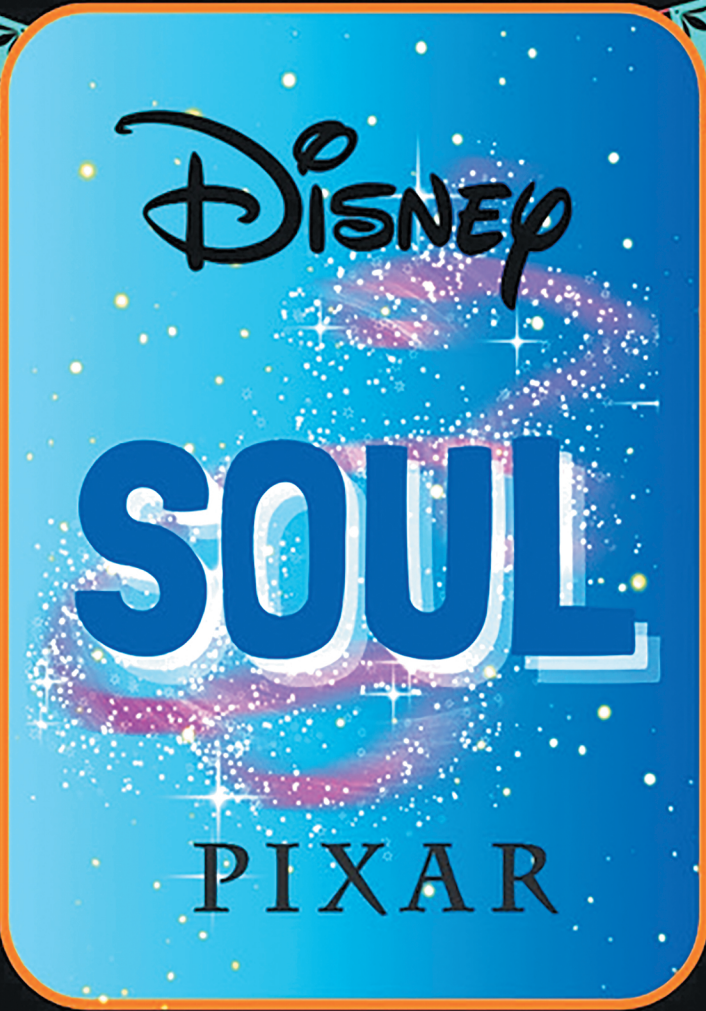
# MOVIE NIGHT

**Kids Art Activity**

**Costume Contest  
(12 & Under)**

**Bring Lawn Chair**

**Food By  
Mr. Rosewood**



**Saturday  
November 2  
2024**

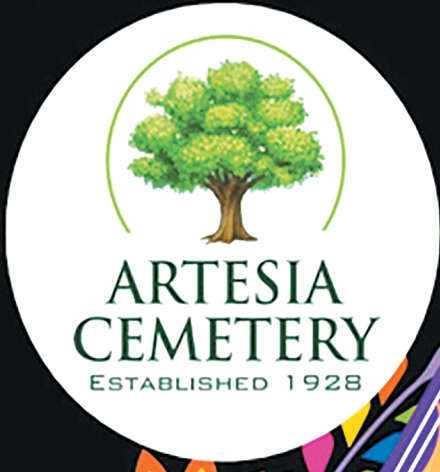
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**Program @ 6pm  
Movie Starts @  
6:30pm**



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