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# NLMUSD Proceeds With Potential New Bond Worth \$375 Million

By Kristin Grafft

The Norwalk La Mirada Unified School District voted to continue with plans towards a potential November 2014 bond measure for \$375 million, at the January 6 meeting.

After surveying more than 500 likely voters in the NL-MUSD area, the district found that 64 percent would support a bond measure in the November

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# NEW ELECTRONIC SIGN FOR CERRITOS AUTO SQUARE APPROVED

By Randy Economy

Get ready for a new flashy, state of the art, digital sign to light up the Cerritos Auto Square thanks to a vote of the Cerritos City Council recently.

The five member body approved a proposal for a new, upgraded Cerritos Auto Square regional center "identification sign" that will be located adjacent to the 605 Freeway.

The new sign will have 911-square-foot electronic message boards on each side, featuring state-of-the-art video technology.

The freeway intersection of the 605 Freeway and the 91 Freeway is now one of the most used areas in Southern California. It is not known if the new sign will have any impact on traffic along the two freeways.

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# **Sheriff Baca Resigns Amid Controversy**



**Photo by Randy Economy** 

Los Angeles County Sheriff Lee Baca seen at a previous inspection of Deputies at the Cerritos Sheriff's Station. Baca announced that he is stepping down as Sheriff amid controversy on January 31.

By Randy Economy

Los Angeles County Sheriff Lee Baca dramatically ended his career on Tuesday morning by announcing that he has decided to step down from the position he has held for the past 15 years and where he spent 48 years working his way up the ladder.

Baca made his stunning announcement during an emotional press conference held in Monterey Park at LASD Headquarters flanked by several uniformed members of his department standing behind him.

Baca's decision to retire comes weeks after An-

dre Birotte Jr., the U.S. Attorney for California's Central District, announced charges against 18 current and former deputies assigned to the Los Angeles County jails in connection with a wide scope of illegal conduct including allegations of unjustified beating of inmates, unjustified detentions and a conspiracy to obstruct a federal investigation.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is the official policing agency for several municipalities here in Southeast Los Angeles County including Cerritos, Artesia, Commerce, La Mirada, Norwalk, Lakewood and Pico Rivera.

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# Downey Group Rolls | Assembly Together on Bikes | Garcia Le

By Tammye McDuff

The Downey Bicycle Coalition, DBC, is composed of



activity as part of the solution to transportation and health issues. The mission of the DBC is dedicated to creating a safe environment for bicycling in Downey

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# Assemblywoman Garcia Leaves Artesia Office

By Randy Economy

(Downey) – California State Assembly Member Cristina Garcia (D-Bell Gardens) will be packing up her office that has been located at the Artesia City Hall for the past year and moving into new digs in Downey.

The announcement about the move was given to Hews Media Group-Community Newspaper by Garcia's staff during the Christmas-New Year Holidays.

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# Norwalk Man Arrested on Child Cruelty Charges

By Randy Economy



Elder Matamoros

moros, a 23 year old Norwalk resident has been arrested and charged on felony child cruelty charges, officials with the Los Angeles County

Elder Mata-

Sheriff's Department announced on Tuesday afternoon.

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# Central Basin Director Apodaca Votes to Settle His Own Sexual Harassment Claim

He participated in a closed session meeting on Monday Jan. 6 with President Royal and Director Vasquez while other directors were absent.

By Brian Hews



Bob Apodaca

Hews Media Group-Community News has obtained an audio recording of Central Basin Municipal Water District's Special

Board Meeting on Monday that shows, despite a strong warning of conflict from CBMWD legal

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# La Mirada Sees Continued Progress in 2014

La Mirada City officials are looking forward to building on recent accomplishments in 2014 as the City continues to provide a safe community, improve its fiscal position, improve its aging infrastructure, attract new businesses, and maintain the community's high quality of life.

"2013 saw the City make considerable progress towards many of its strategic goals, such as ensuring a safe community, improving its infrastructure, and promoting a strong local economy," says City Manager Jeff Boynton. "We will continue on that course this year."

The City continues to recover from the Great Recession, state grabs of local tax dollars, and

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# **BACA**

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Baca said he will stop working at the end of January.

"I have been proud and honored to serve the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and the people of Los Angeles County for the past 48 years - which has made this decision the most difficult of my professional life," Baca told report-

"I am not going to seek re-election to a fifth term as Sheriff, and I will retire at the end of this month," he said with his face looking down at his prepared remarks.

Baca continued to tell reporters that "the reasons for doing so are many, and some are most personal and private, but the prevailing one is the negative perception this upcoming campaign has brought to the exemplary service provided by the men and women of the Sheriff's Department. They have conducted themselves with the utmost integrity and professionalism, resulting in yet another year of historic crime reductions not seen in nearly half-a-century."

Baca, was full of praise for the "institution" of the long historical law enforcement agency. "Your Sheriff's Department is the greatest law enforcement agency in the nation, and I want to thank the men and women of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for their hard work, dedication, and sacrifice exhibited daily."

Baca, who in the past has denounced "the politics of having to be an elected Sheriff," said he wanted to "directly talk to the people of Los Angeles County"

during his remarks by saying "I also extend a deep sense of gratitude for allowing me to serve for the past 48 years."

Baca said that he tried to "stick to core

values" during his entire tenure as the County's "top cop."

"As your elected Sheriff for the past 15 years, I have held fast to the Core Values of this great department. As a leader of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, I commit myself to perform my duties with respect for the dignity of all people, integrity to do right and fight wrongs, wisdom to apply common sense and fairness in all I do, and courage to stand against racism, sexism, anti-Semitism, homophobia, and bigotry in all its forms."

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors will be responsible for naming an Acting Sheriff to replace Baca whose term ends in 11 months. Several candidates have already lined up to run for Baca's job in the upcoming June California Primary election including former Under Sheriff Paul Tanaka, Retired Commander Bob Olmstead and LAPD Sergeant Lou Vince. Lakewood Vice Mayor Todd Rogers who serves under Baca as the Assistant Sheriff told HMG-CN that he will also be entering the campaign to replace his longtime friend and ally. Long Beach Police Chief Jim McDonnel who publicly said that he would not be a candidate for LA County Sheriff just a few weeks ago, is now reconsidering his decision and may enter the fray as early as next week.

Tanaka, through campaign spokesperson Kelsey Eiben quickly responded to the news about Baca's sudden decision.

"Sheriff Baca and I have had our differences regarding the leadership and management of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. He's voiced his opinions publicly as have I. I'll talk about that during my campaign, but I want to put politics aside for today and applaud him for his dedication to public service. This is a tough job and I want to thank Sheriff Baca for his decades of public service to Los Angeles County," Tanaka said.

Olmstead, who oversaw operations at the Men's Central Jail in Los Angeles before his retirement two years ago, said Baca, "can run from the job, but he can't hide from the culture of corruption. It's like cleaning up after a hurricane. The storm is gone, but the damage remains. It's time to clean house, implement major reforms and restore honesty and integrity to this department."

"As a former Commander in the Sheriff's Department, I went to the FBI about misconduct in the Department only after Sheriff Baca and his crony, former Undersheriff Paul Tanaka, refused to do anything about it," Olmstead told the media through a press statement.

"It's a new day in Los Angeles County - and I think it's a sunnier one with Lee Baca gone - but we've still got a lot of work to do to make sure that we replace Lee Baca with a transformational leader who can reform the department, not somebody who will continue the same corrupt practices under a different name," Olmstead said.

Challenger Lou Vince told HMG-CN that Baca's announcement was "long overdue."

"This morning Sheriff Baca held a press conference announcing his retirement at the end of his current term. I have had many disagreements with Sheriff Baca in the past in regards to his mismanagement of the Sheriff's Department, including the County Jails. However, it is time for Los Angeles County to move forward with new and untarnished leadership," Vince said.

"The next Sheriff of LA County must be a hands-on leader who is aware of all aspects of the operations of the department as well as the actions of his administrative staff and the deputies on the street and in the jails. He must possess strong leadership and management skills. He must be ready to work in conjunction with local and federal law enforcement organizations, other governmental agencies, and civic groups in establishing, promoting, and monitoring public safety for all residents of LA County. Most importantly, the new Sheriff must not be connected in any way to the current LASD administration to move beyond the corruption, scandal, brutality, and discrimination that pervades the present and past executive level personnel," Vince continued.

"I would be honored to provide my decades of law enforcement experience and leadership to the people of Los Angeles County to move their Sheriff's Department in the right direction, and I look forward to discussing my public safety vision with the voters this year," Vince stressed.



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# **Knabe Reacts To Baca's** Retirement, Departure

By Randy Economy

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Chairman Don Knabe issued the following statement after Sheriff Lee Baca announced that he would be stepping down and retiring as the top law enforcement official in the sprawling count on January 31.

Knabe, who is a former city councilman and mayor of Cerritos told Hews Media Group-Community Newspaper that, "Sheriff Baca has dedicated his life to public service, working his way up the department's ranks to serve as Sheriff for nearly 15 years."

"He has been steadfast in his commitment to the department and his focus on keeping the public safe has led to decreasing rates of violent crime in our County," Knabe said.

Knabe also stressed that "over the last few years, the department has been challenged by on-going scrutiny and investigations into the actions of a few, which has cast a cloud across the work of thousands of employees who risk their lives every day to protect our communities."

"Given these challenges, I think now is an appropriate time for the County to continue its implementation of the recommendations of the Citizens' Commission on Jail Violence, allow our new Inspector General to get underway and keep the momentum for reform moving forward," he concluded.

# **Lakewood Vice Mayor Todd Rogers Enters Race** to Replace Sheriff Baca

By Randy Economy



Todd Rogers

With the sudden resignation of Los Angeles County Sheriff Lee Baca being announced on Tuesday, current Assistant Sheriff Todd Rogers has told Hews Media Group-Community Newspaper in an interview that he will

"indeed be a candidate" to replace Baca in the upcoming June primary election. Rogers is also a longtime city council-

man and past mayor in Lakewood, and has built a strong following from several local and area elected officials throughout the sprawling county.

Rogers told HMG-CN that he first heard that Baca was retiring on Monday, and said that his first reaction to the news that he "was in total shock."

Rogers would not elaborate to comment if he and Baca have talked about his entry into the campaign, but Baca on Tuesday said in a press conference that he thinks Rogers should be considered to replace him in an interim basis as Acting Sheriff.

"My plan is to run for Sheriff and to be elected by the voters this June. I am 100% committed to this campaign to be the next Sheriff and to lead this amazing professional law enforcement organization," Rogers said.

Rogers said he will be "immediately" filing the legally required documents with the California Secretary of State and the Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters office in Norwalk to open a campaign

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# Hundreds Travel to the H.O.P.E. Food Bank at St. Irenaeus for Food and Gifts



Pictured at the H.O.P.E. Food Bank at St. Irenaeus Church in Cypress on Saturday, December 21, 2013, are at left, Earl and Marybeth Beck, Co-Chairs of the Toy Donation Drive at St. Irenaeus, with volunteers who helped wrap the gifts and were ready to distribute them to needy families and their children.

By Edna Ethington

The Food Bank at St. Irenaeus in Cypress called H.O.P.E. (Help Other People Every Day) is dedicated to serving families in need who reside within St. Irenaeus Parish boundaries, which include Cypress, La Palma, parts of Buena Park and Anaheim.

On Saturday, December 21, 2013, hundreds of people gathered in front of St. Irenaeus Parish Hall to register themselves for the Christmas Gift and Food Distribution Day.

According to H.O.P.E.'S President, Mary Ellen Oves, approximately 265 families registered to receive food for their families and gifts for their children.

About 50 volunteers from H.O.P.E. St.

Irenaeus Parish, the La Palma Kiwanis, the Cypress Kiwanis, the La Palma Police Department, the Cypress Police Department, and the Explorers from Cypress Police Department all came prepared to help distribute the food and gifts. The Explorers helped to supervise the traffic of cars that filled the parking lot at St. Irenaeus.

An additional 50 or more students from Kennedy High School Red Cross in La Palma, Whitney High School in Cerritos, Oxford Academy, Cypress High School and St. Irenaeus School in Cypress, helped with the distribution of food and gifts.

The students also assisted families load their cars with the food and gifts that they received.

# **Annual Festival of Friendship Set for Los Cerritos Center**

By Randy Economy

The annual Cerritos Festival of Friendship is gearing up for another day long tribute to what organizers stress is its "rich tradition of celebrating ethnic and cultural diversity."

The annual Festival of Friendship will be held from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturday, February 1 throughout the world famous Los Cerritos Center.

The event is sponsored by the City of Cerritos and the Let Freedom Ring Committee, in conjunction with the Los Cerritos Center.

The Festival of Friendship will feature a variety of cultural entertainment on three stages. Entertainment will be presented by Amor de Mexico; Cerritos Chinese-American Senior Citizens Association; Chinese Yun Chi Dance Association of America; Da' Hawaii Seniors Club; Filipino Seniors of Cerritos; JC Culture Foundation; Liberty Park Tot Lot; Na Ipo Hula; Oriental Moo-Do School; Philippine Society of Southeast Los Angeles (PHILSELA); Puniwai Hula Halau; Susana Elena Classical Spanish & Flamenco Dance; Country Kickers; Chinese Culture Association of Southern California; Grace Auto Harp; Praise Dance; Danza Folklorico Puro Corazon; and Happy Seniors of Cerritos.

Special commemorative gifts will be distributed at each stage. For more information, call the City's Recreation Services Division at (562) 916-1254.

# LBS Financial Credit Union Employees Donate Hundreds of Toys, Supplies and Gift Cards to Local Families



From left to right: Jeffrey Napper, president & CEO, LBS Financial Credit Union, Ray Lovell, Cerritos Optimist Club/Needy Family Project, Kathy Lovell, Cerritos-Artesia Soroptimist Club/Needy Family Project and Heather Summers, senior vice president, marketing, LBS Financial Credit Union.

By Brian Hews

LBS Financial Credit Union employees donated hundreds of toys, gifts, clothing and gift cards to the children and parents served by the Needy Family Project in Cerritos and surrounding areas. The donations were collected during the Credit Union's annual holiday breakfast at The Grand in Long Beach on December 11, 2013 and presented to Ray and Kathy Lovell from the Cerritos Optimist Club and Soroptimist International of Artesia-Cerritos, representing the Needy Family Project.

Every year, LBS Financial hosts an employee holiday breakfast at an offsite location. The employee holiday breakfast committee selected the Needy Family Project for this year's employee gift donation hoping to make a positive difference in the lives of families in need within the Cerritos community during the holidays. In previous years, LBS Financial employees donated toys and gifts to the United States Marines' Toys for Tots Foundation, Miller Children's Hospital, Comprehensive Child Development in the Greater Long Beach area, Long Beach Day Nursery, Children Today and Project Shepherd.

Approximately 175 LBS Financial employees attended this year's breakfast and many brought more than one gift.

It's a great pleasure to be able to give back to the communities that we serve. The Cerritos Optimist and Soroptimist Clubs' Needy Family Project has been a worthy cause in the community for over 30 years and our employees were excited to join efforts with them this year to provide for families in need." said Jeffrey Napper, president and CEO of LBS Financial Credit Union. "This was the seventh year where our employees donated gifts for children and needy families to a local organization and it was so wonderful to see the generosity of our employees during the holidays."

Ray Lovell, from Cerritos Optimist Club/Needy Family Project says, "Your employees are most generous. I have tallied up the gift cards and we received 43 cards plus one check for a total of \$665. We had no idea that you would also be donating gift cards so this came as quite a surprise. For the number of years that Kathy and I have been chairing this program we have never had such fine toys. Thanks to LBS Financial Credit Union employees for your support."

# **Lakewood to Hold State of City Lunch**

By Rico Dizon

The City of Lakewood has recently announced the holding of the Annual State of the City Luncheon slated on Wednesday, Jan. 29 at the Weingart Ballroom, The Centre at Sycamore Plaza on 5000 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, from 12 noon until 1:30 p.m.

The upcoming luncheon event is sponsored by the City of Lakewood, the Rotary Club of Lakewood and the Greater Lakewood Chamber of Commerce.

Tickets to the luncheon event are now on sale on line. Deadline is Jan. 23. For more information please call Nanette Davis, tel. 562-866-9771 ext. 3123.

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# **NORWALK CITY COUNCIL** STRUGGLES WITH HOUSING ELEMENT

By Kristin Grafft

The city of Norwalk continues to struggle with the state-mandated housing element due to opposition within the council against high-density housing and



other requirements.

State housing laws require that every city adopt a plan "to ensure that housing for persons of all income levels is provided."

Senior Planner Jessica Serrano said the Department of Housing and Community Development completed its review of Norwalk's housing element draft in December.

According to Serrano, the HCD found the draft to be in compliance with State housing element laws, but "cannot find it to be in full compliance until the Housing Element is adopted and the City has enacted emergency shelter provisions."

The revised housing element was presented to the council at the January 7 meeting in the hopes of getting it approved and adopted by the February 12 deadline. However, not all council members were so receptive to the plan.

Councilman Leonard Shryock argued that redevelopment would be "totally contrary to what is in the best interest of the city." Saying that the redevelopments are very dense, vey crowded and lead to higher crime.

However, director of community development Kurt Anderson said that just because parts of the city would be rezoned for high-density housing it wouldn't necessarily mean it would be redeveloped for it. There is no legal penalty should they not actually develop that land.

Shryock was still not satisfied though, saying that the scope of the policies were unclear and "fundamentally different than the ones presented in October". He complained that they were being rushed to meet the deadline, leaving no "leeway to make adjustments."

In the end, the council voted 3-2 to move forward with the proposed housing element and it is now tentatively scheduled to be voted on at the next meeting.

# \$50K Reward Offered to Find Killer of Joseph Gatto

By Randy Economy

Los Angeles: A \$50,000 reward has been offered to find the person responsible for the murder of 78-year-old Joseph Gatto who was an iconic figure in the Silverlake area of Los Angeles for generations

bery Homicide Detectives are directly reaching out to the media and to members of the community for their assistance in

"Someone out there knows who did this and we need to seek the community's assistance in gaining any information that may lead to the identity of the per-



Photo by Randy Economy

Assemblyman Mike Gatto is joined by Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, Councilman Tom Labonge and Police Chief Charlie Beck at a press conference announcing a \$50,000 Reward to find this killer of his father Joseph Gatto.

and the father of a popular California state lawmaker.

Assemblyman Mike Gatto, who is the son of the slain victim, was joined by his two sisters and a nephew along with Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and LAPD Chief Charlie Beck at a press conference on Tuesday afternoon to announce the establishment of the reward.

Two months ago, on November 13, 2013, the body of Joseph Anthony Gatto was discovered in his Silver Lake home located in a quiet upscale enclave on the 2800 block of Bright Lane.

Beck told reporters the investigation has determined that Gatto died as the result of a single gunshot wound and that his death occurred approximately 24 hours before he was discovered by family members at his residence.

The Los Angeles Police Department released the sketch of a male white between 18 -25 years of age who was involved in a burglary from motor vehicle and the assault with a deadly weapon on the same date as Mr. Gatto's murder, in an area near Mr. Gatto's residence. Beck stressed at the press conference that Detectives would like to speak with him regarding any knowledge he might have about Joseph Gatto's death.

"We want to find this man and to talk to him directly," Beck said.

Beck and Garcetti stressed that Rob-

son or persons responsible for Mr. Gatto's death," Beck said,

Garcetti said, "I will not rest till we find the killer of Joseph Gatto, period."

Assemblyman Gatto was visible moved at the press conference announcing the reward.

"My father was loved and my family will never be whole again. This has been a nightmare and all we want is justice and to find the person who did this," Gatto

Councilman Tom Labonge, who represents Silverlake on the LA City Council said that "in the City of Angels there is a Devil out there who needs to be found and brought to justice."

Anyone with information about this incident should contact LAPD Robbery Homicide Detectives Barry Telis or Chris Gable at (213) 486-5910. During offhours, calls may be directed to a 24-hour, toll-free number at 1-877-LAPD-24-7 (527-3247). Anyone wishing to remain anonymous should call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (800-222-8477). Tipsters may also contact Crime Stoppers by texting to phone number 274637

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# CRIME SUMMARIES Dec. 30-Jan. 5

# **Cerritos**

There were 13 Part I felony crime investigations conducted by members of the Cerritos Sheriff's Station over the past week, which is a significant decline over the 2013 weekly average of about 23 per week.

Two cars were reported stolen and three were burglarized, three homes were burglarized, three commercial establishments were burglarized, and four grand thefts were reported.

The Sheriff's dispatch center also quieted down somewhat, with 225 calls for service during this period. The 2013 weekly average of calls for service was 293.

The reported robbery was actu-

ally a shoplifting incident at the Target store on South Street that escalated into a robbery when the loss prevention officers were assaulted by a male suspect who threatened them with a can of pepper spray.

The incident occurred on January 4 at about 3:30 p.m. and involved two females who were observed placing clothing items in a diaper bag.

They were detained as they attempted to leave the store without paying for the items and that's when their male accomplice entered the fray and threatened the officers.

The suspects fled the location in a vehicle, but information from the loss prevention officers and witnesses should soon lead to the suspects' arrests.

Three residential burglaries were reported during this period, with one resulting in the arrest of two gang members from Los Angeles.

On January 3 at about 11 a.m. the suspects knocked on the front door of a home on a quiet cul-de-sac near Artesia Boulevard and Bloomfield Avenue.

The resident did not answer the door and also did not respond in any way, likely giving the suspects the impression that no one was at home.

A few moments later the resident heard the suspects kicking her side garage door and then attempting to kick down the home's entrance door from the garage.

She immediately dialed 9-1-1 and retreated with her two young children into a closet in the rear of the home.

As is usually the case when someone calls about a burglary in progress, Cerritos patrol deputies quickly arrived, observed the suspects leaving the location in a vehicle, and made quick work of arresting the burglars.

This case serves as a strong reminder for Cerritos residents to consider making some type of noise or alert when a stranger knocks on the door.

Burglars usually do not want confrontation and will leave if they know someone is at home. Saying something such as "I'm busy at the moment," or better yet, "I'm on the phone right now," can alert potential burglars that the home is occupied.

Even slamming a door or turning up a radio or television may serve the intended purpose.

The other two residential burglaries occurred sometime during the afternoon hours of January 3 and 4. In one incident the suspect(s) used some type of prying instrument to open a rear sliding door, and in the other a side window was shattered.

One burglary netted the suspect(s) \$700 in cash and in the other the suspect(s) apparently took no property.

There were three incidents that fall under the "commercial burglary" category this past week. Two actually involved the breaking in of a business, one a restaurant on South Street and the other was a finance company office on 183rd Street.

About \$1,600 in cash was taken from the restaurant and about \$27,000 in cash, checks and money orders was stolen from the finance office.

The third burglary involved a suspect walked into a bank on Artesia Boulevard and attempted to pass a forged check. In the bank case the suspect was arrested.

We began 2014 on a positive note in

the BFMV (burglary from motor vehicle) category as there were none reported this past week. In 2013 the weekly average was about six.

Four grand thefts were reported, one of which was a type of real estate scheme the victim lost a

where the victim considerable amount of money.

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This incident involved a resident who was conned into investing in the purchase and remodeling of a home that the suspect didn't own.

Over time the victim discovered the fraud, but by then he had given the suspect about \$40,000 in cash in addition to the purchase of \$35,000 in construction materials.

The suspect, of course, is now long gone, although detectives have some leads that may result in her apprehension in the future

The other thefts involved a ring that somehow went missing from the victim's home, various items stolen from an unlocked car at the Los Cerritos Center (if a vehicle is unlocked it is a theft and not a burglary from vehicle), and two necklaces and a gift card stolen from a store at the Center

In the final crime category, there were two vehicle thefts last week, which is a considerable decline over the 4.3 weekly average in 2013. An older model Toyota Camry was stolen from a residence on Mapes Avenue, and a 2002 Chevy Tahoe was taken from the Town Center.

# La Mirada

# **Residential Burglary**

A burglary to a vacant home was reported on the 13800 block of Mansa Dr. A water heater, copper tubing, and tools were stolen from the residence.

# **Other Structure Burglary**

A burglary occurred on the 14800 block of Telegraph Rd. Copper pipe was stolen from the location which is currently under construction. An attempted burglary to a storage building was reported on the 16000 block of Alicante Rd.

# **Grand Theft**

A grand theft was reported on the 17100 block of Valley View Ave. A large quantity of glass was taken in the incident.

# **Grand Theft Vehicle**

A stolen vehicle was recovered near Imperial Hwy. and Santa Gertrudes Ave. A suspect was taken into custody in connection with the incident.

The suspect was arrested for possession of methamphetamine and narcotic paraphernalia, and was additionally charged with four felony burglary warrants and one misdemeanor narcotics warrant.

# Friends of the 1st CEB-Cerritos and Cerritos Residents Continue to Support Troops with Care Packages

By Ellen Joo

Fighting soldiers of the 1st Combat Engineers Battalion located in Afghanistan will be thrilled to hear the Friends of the 1st Combat Engineers Battalion in the city of Cerritos are once again creating care packages on Wednesday, January 15 at 7 p.m. at Cerritos Park East.

Tim Sloat, a former Marine, founded the Adoption Marine
Corps battalions and because of the success of the program, it spread to
Cerritos as the Friends of the 1st CEB.

The Friends of the 1st Combat Engi-

neers Battalion is a non-profit, volunteer organization that is dedicated to supporting strong marines who keep our country safe.

Cerritos took up the 1st CEB in 2007 to show the continuing support and love to those who protect our homeland.

Volunteers for the Friends of the 1st Combat Engineers
Battalion of Cerritos will make care packages for our soldiers in Camp Pendleton in Afghanistan that provide personal care items and goodies.

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# Public Hearing on Bus Service February 13

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# New Rancho-to-Rail Wheelchair Shuttle

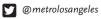
Access Services offers a free shuttle for Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center patients, visitors and staff traveling between Metro's Willowbrook Station and the center. The shuttle departs every hour, 7am to 4pm. More at 1.800.827.0829.

# The New Metro Store is Now Open

Shop an array of cool merchandise for transit fans at the Metro online store. From cute toddler t-shirts to the classic logo mug, there's something for the whole family. Check it out at *metro.net/metrostore*.







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# 2014 CAMPAIGN Q & A: Irella Perez, Candidate for California State Senate

Photos and Article by Tammye McDuff

California State Senate candidate Irella Perez has a lot on her plate this year, as she ramps up her campaign that is now less than six months away.

Hews Media Group was invited into the home of Senate hopeful Irella Perez this past December to learn more about her, why she is running for office, her passions, and the importance of civic engagement.

Perez and her four children live in a quaint home in Whittier.

Perez is an elementary school Principal; acts as the City's Culture and Arts Commissioner; a professor and school trustee for the Whittier Unified School District.

Perez ardently believes "In the American dream and I believe America can have the best schools in the world once again. But that's going to take less politics and more attention to people." Perez is running for the State Senate, focusing on the restructuring of basic values and performance in the public and private school systems.

Hews Media Group [HMG]: Tell me who Irella Perez is?

Irella Perez [IP]: I was born in Nicaragua, and came to America when I was

15. I did not speak a word of the English language. My parents came to America because we wanted to change the course of our lives. We were living in danger, the family was split due to military involve-

fornians through better education.

*HMG:* Not knowing the language, how did you learn? What schools did you attend?

**IP:** When we first arrived I went to



Irella Perez with her family in her Whittier home.

ment and for survival reasons and in order to keep the family together, we made the move to this country. I am the youngest of four children. My sister is in the medical field; I have one brother who is a Principal and another brother who is an algebra teacher. I see myself as caretaker of people. My mission is to transform the life of Cali-

Chatsworth High School in Los Angeles. After graduation I enrolled in Pasadena City College, then transferred to Cal State Long Beach for my MBA, later going on to USC for my doctorate in early childhood education.

*HMG:* How do you see yourself transforming the life of Californians?

*IP*: Through education. This will increase the middle class. It can expand the mind and create new inventors.

*HMG:* What made you decide to move from education into the political field?

*IP:* I believe in the power of education. I honestly believe this can change many things. We spend far more money on prisons, while we double the price of a college education. As a Principal I strive to create a safe environment, making sure our budget invests in the children and in parent's education as well. We need to develop young minds in mathematics and science. If my ideas can improve the schools district locally, then we can do the same in Sacramento. I believe in investing in the human potential.

*HMG:* In light of so much money being cut all across the board in school districts state wide, how will you restructure the budget for these programs?

*IP:* It all comes down to priorities. We need to understand that by investing in people we can lower mental health issues and reduce crime. I am not ready to reveal the course of my agenda at the moment; however I will disclose the course of my campaign this month and I think people will be able to focus and support these ideas, It impacts all families, regardless of their level of education; income or political party they align with.

*HMG:* Are you running as a Republican or Democrat?

*IP:* I am a Democrat. I am going to listen to the people, they make the candidate. I want to hear from labor groups, from city councils and from the everyday man and woman. I want to represent all people as best as I can. I am just a regular Mom trying to make things better for my family and those families that I represent. I am a Latina-Chinese American woman.

*HMG:* Being of a crossed heritage and from another country, where do you stand on immigration?

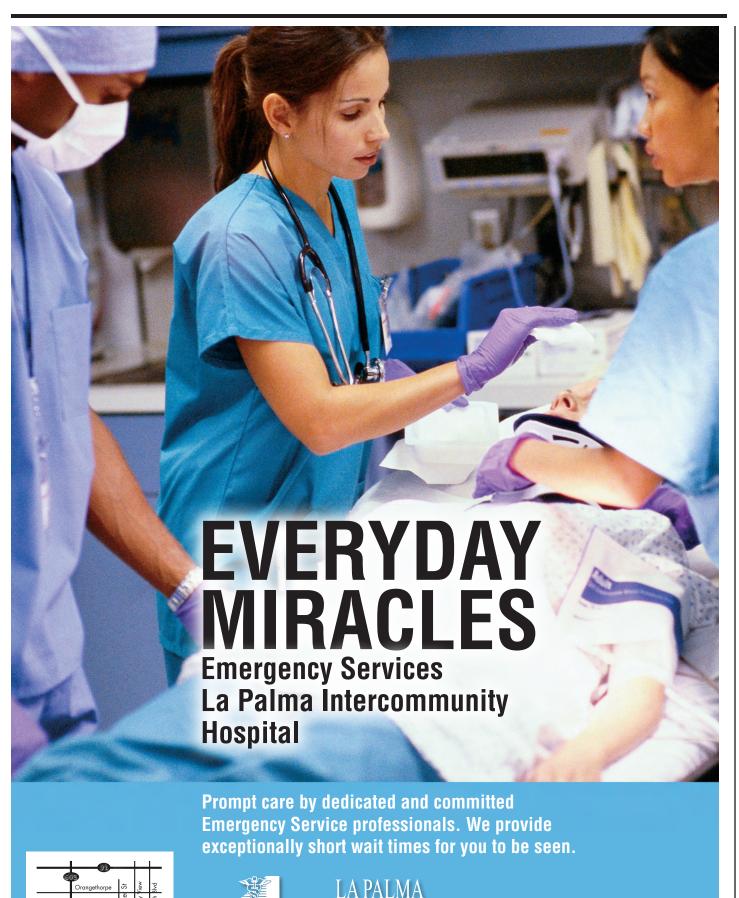
IP: I think it is a very complicated issue. There needs to be much discussion on the topic. I can't say that all undocumented immigrants should leave, because if I say that, what happens to their children who were born here in the States? This merits discussion. I can't tell you that I believe we should give them free health care and welfare when we can't take care of those who were born here. I don't necessarily want to spend my tax dollars in a haphazard way. When we make decisions for California, it should be in the best interest of all the people.

*HMG:* What are your top issues that you will be focusing on in your campaign?

IP: As I stated, my mission is to help to transform the lives of Californians through education. Some would say I am running a one issue campaign, and I'm okay with that. I believe in the power of education. It transformed the life of a poor girl from Nicaragua. My life and my expertise and my passion have led me to this point. Next would be the safety of the people. I think we need to deal with national security, with gun control and reducing crime as a major issue. And of course, job security. We need to give the big companies more incentive to stay here in California as opposed to moving out of state to avoid high taxes.

*HMG:* How will you manage being a single Mother, a job, the multiple boards and projects you chair and now running for Senate?

*IP:* Never underestimate the power of a woman! When I see a good opportunity, I go for it. When I move up, I want to move people forward with me. I am highly energetic. My children are my priority and I want to put my best foot forward for them, to be a role model for them.



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## **NLMUSD**

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2014 election for classroom repairs and improved instructional facilities.

One of the key goals of the bond will be to provide physical education opportunities and upgrade athletic facilities that, "allow students to focus, stay out of trouble, and perform well in school."

The money could also go towards repairing and updating classrooms, removing asbestos and lead paint, and upgrading school security and fire safety.

"As a District, it is important for the education and futures of our students to create a robust 21st century learning environment," said Board President Margarita Rios. "In the next few months, we will continue to reach out to the Norwalk and La Mirada communities to gather information about specific needs within our schools, as well as provide information and answer questions about what a bond measure would mean for our community."

However, following the initial presentation made to the board on December 20, many members raised concerns regarding the ballot language, litigation and transparency with the public.

One of the main concerns brought up was over the wording regarding "athletic facilities". Daryl Adams was dissatisfied with the 'generic-ness' of the phrasing and wanted to be clear that their intentions, among other things, would be to build new athletic fields and a stadium.

Legal bond counsel David Casnocha was invited to the January 6 meeting in an attempt to dissuade those concerns and more fully explain the process and options the board has, should they choose to proceed.

Casnocha explained that the initial 75-word statement has many legal requirements that must be met, leaving 'only so many words' for elaborating on specific projects and intentions.

"The 75 words should frame the picture," he said. It is intended to be the "broad guidelines for what the district can spend the money on. 'Exhibit B' and the project list will cover all the other details."

The action taken at this weeks meeting means the board will continue its communication with the community regarding the needs and priorities of the district's schools. These communications will then lead to a 'wish list' that will eventually become a part of the proposed bond language and 'exhibit B'.

Action taken at this meeting did not decide on any final numbers, costs or project details.

# SIGN

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The new freestanding sign will be the same height (70 feet tall) as the existing Cerritos Auto Square sign. City planners claim that the sign's base will be "enhanced with silver-colored Alucabond panels."

The new sign was proposed by YESCO Signs, LLC on behalf of the Cerritos Auto Square Dealers Association and property owner Bargain Rent-A-Car to maintain the Cerritos Auto Square's position on the leading edge of advertising technology. As required by the Cerritos Municipal Code, the applicant submitted a line-of-sight and glare study for the sign.

City officials also stress that the sign "will remain visible from the 605 Freeway, Los Cerritos Center and arterial streets."

In a media statement issued by the City of Cerritos Public Information Office

on December 27, the new sign "will not be visible from the residential neighborhoods to the south and will remain slightly visible from the residential neighborhoods to the west."

The cost for the new sign is \$927,761 and upon completion of the sign, the City will provide the Cerritos Auto Square Dealer's Association with funds equaling the cost of the sign.

City officials stress that the dealer's association will reimburse the City for 50 percent of the sign's cost (\$463,880.50), plus 3 percent interest, through loan payments made over a 60-month term.

"The Cerritos Auto Square Dealer's Association will be responsible for all costs associated with the ongoing maintenance and operation of the sign. According to the terms of the agreement, the City will be allowed to program the sign's content for six minutes of each hour to display public artwork as well as promotions for City-sponsored events," a city press statement claimed.

To pay for the sign's cost, the City will use \$276,950 from the Art in Public Places Fund, in combination with a loan from the General Fund to the Art in Public Places Fund of approximately \$650,811. The 50 percent total cost reimbursement from the dealer's association will be deposited into the General Fund. Any funds derived from the future Art in Public Places contributions from Auto Square projects will be used to fully reimburse any remaining outstanding balance of the General Fund loan to the Art in Public Places Fund.

The new sign is expected to be installed in the spring of 2014.

# **BIKES**

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by promoting a healthy, more sustainable lifestyle within our community. The DBC is a local chapter of the Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition

In his first term as Mayor, Councilman Mario Guerra initiated a one year green task force. In 2009, Lars Clutterham was appointed to the Green Task Force which was approved by the Downey City Council. The commission was to examine the myriad environmental concerns that are pertinent to the City of Downey, including the relationship between the City's transportation practice and the broader community.

In order to facilitate a better understating of sustainability Clutterham rebuilt a 1939 Schwinn that he had received from his Father and activated riding his bicycle for short commutes within the city. He began to realize the correlation between cycling and advocating a greener Downey along with personal health improvements.

With Guerra's 2nd re-election term and his Healthy Downey Partnership, the DBC saw an opportunity for cooperation with the City. The organization helped initiate the Walk to School and Bike to School days and introduced the first Annual Turkey Trot Bicycle ride this past November.

Bike to School day attracted the participation of hundreds of students, their parents, and staff of the Downey Unified School District in the support of the growing Healthy Downey Initiative, a community collaborative that focuses on health and nutrition. The International Walk to School Day was launched in 1997 and has expanded globally. These events raise awareness about the need for safe, walkable communities. The first annual Thanksgiving Turkey Trot Bike Ride was a leisurely 8-mile roll through the streets of Downey, beginning at Apollo Park. The ride was sponsored by the



A member of the Downey Bicycle Coalition participates in recent community parade.

city of Downey, in conjunction with the Downey Bicycle Coalition and Healthy Downey partners. Healthy Downey partners are focused on working with our residents toward a more active and healthy lifestyle.

Clutterham now cycles to work in Culver City each day, he maintains "Bicycling has some real tangible benefits, studies show, with bicycling in particular, that if a child rides a bike to school, that little bit of exercise gives them more focus." Clutterham also adds that with his father's declining health issues stemming from Parkinson's disease, the senior Clutterham has been able to recover some of the balance issues and motor functions. He also boasts to ride more than 325 miles within a two week time period and insists that his mental and physical energy, has improved greatly.

For more information on the Downey Bicycle Coalition contact them at downeybike@gmail.com.



# Partial Southbound 605 Freeway Closure City of Whittier—January 10-13

# What:

Two-lane closure of the southbound 605 freeway, three lanes will remain open

# When:

Friday, January 10, 2014 starting at 10pm, through 5am Monday, January 13, 2014

# Where:

City of Whittier: Southbound 605 freeway between Washington Bl and Whittier Bl

# What To Expect:

- >Motorists in the area may experience significant travel delays during this period and are advised to allow extra time to complete their trips.
- >To help ensure safety, please exercise caution by observing the reduced speed limit signs and watch for highway workers in the construction area.

Metro realizes the travel difficulties motorists may encounter due to construction activities during this period. We apologize for this inconvenience and appreciate your understanding and cooperation.





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# It may have been a slightly shorter year and there were fewer shows to see than some years I have covered the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts but after twenty years on the Los Cerritos Community News beat I just naturally get more out of less.

Maybe that has something to do with the wisdom of age, maybe it just means I go to bed earlier. There was a baker's dozen of big winners at the big hall in 2013 and the theater itself continues to be the great and glittering jewel that is the standard by which other theaters should be judged.

A great deal of the high quality of the Cerritos experience comes directly from the always and forever positive staff that stays on and on...like me.

Without too much blubbering I bid adieu to the wonderful publicist Lori Levine-Yonan who was a friend that allowed me great privileges and opened doors to incredibly enriching evenings at my favorite theater.

She has been replaced by the excellent Kim Bui who I hope to thank repeatedly for another twenty years.

My admiration and appreciation goes out to Director Diane Cheney and Performance Manager Michael Wolf for bringing in such marvelous entertainments during rather trying times for all theaters.

Even when the big hall has some empty seats the hearts and minds of the audiences are filled with a knowledge that coming to the Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts is one of the great joys in life.

I know it is much harder than it looks because it always looks terrific from my side of the footlights.

Seeing full houses this year reminds me that Cerritos is the luckiest city in the southland to have had the ability to build and maintain this great house of wonders.

My own personal heroes remain those who I get to see each visit: the best box office ever, lead by Nate Chavez and Cristopher Laroco but every single other member of that staff who never seem to have a bad day, or at least never show it to me.

Old friends keeping the ship sailing smoothly are house manager non-pareil Alan Strickland and the man who solves all problems with aplomb-Tony Erdelji.

There is also the quietest and most competent security staff overseen by Vince Roldan who makes sure the theater

# The Ellsies are Back!

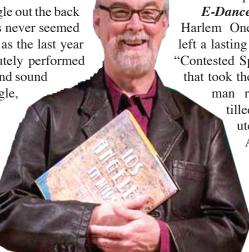
By Glen Creason

is always a place for fun and families.

I must also single out the back stage staff that has never seemed as valuable to me as the last year where they absolutely performed miracles in sight and sound without one single, solitary screw-up.

I really wish

I really wish
I could say the
same about
myself. These
men would be
Tom Hamilton, Jeffrey Thielke,
James King,



three great dancers and one guitarist at the top of his art.

*E-Dance:* Dance Theater of Harlem One of several shows that left a lasting impression, especially "Contested Space" by Donald Byrd that took the million angles of human relationships and dis-

tilled them into thirty minutes of luminous dance. And that was just part of a trinity of inspired works presented on this night at Cerritos.

*E-World:* Juan DeMarcos Afro-Cuban All-Stars This

# Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts

Roger Girard, Jack Hayback and John Palmer who did everything from illuminating Luna to sharing play-lists to putting together a frozen pond for "Broadway on Ice." A sincere "bravo!" from an appreciative reviewer to these pros behind the scenes.

Without further ado here are my Ellsies for 2013:

*E-theater:* early on "Pride and Prejudice" took a commanding lead and never relinquished it. 200 years young and still teaching lessons this great literature was brought to vivid life by an amazing production by LA Theater Works.

*E-Irish Dance:* this one was a horserace with three fine shows competing. Women of Ireland with the fiery Kelly McDonnell and a fine supporting cast warmed the boards as did the twin lovelies Doireann Carney and Nicola Kennedy of Rhythm of the Dance who provided an embarrassment of Celtic riches.

*E-Spanish Dance:* the Paco Pena Flamenco Vivo show that was so good in so many ways that I really needed Spanish to describe it adequately. In English it was

was a family affair, a large, extremely talented Cuban family that functioned as one beautiful conduit of the beautiful music of Cuba. Senor DeMarcos showing little ego and gigantic talent stood at the center and showed the full house how wonderful this kind of Jazz can be when in the hands of the masters.

*E-Classical:* Miro quartet These four young gents did not shy away from challenges on this evening, going all Beethoven and all-in to deep and delightful music in four parts as one. The encore of the "cavatina," a piece NASA sent into space to represent human creativity at its highest form.

*E-Comedy:* The Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain: While this was by far the biggest laughs I had in the Center during 2013 this orchestra could probably play a Mahler symphony and do it justice. Instead, they play amazing, harmonious, brilliant, eclectic selections from almost every genre of recorded sound in eight parts all as one. They are also masters of physical comedy. Does that make sense? Neither does the show but it was great

fun.

*E-R&B:* Memphis Music The city in Tennessee that is often overlooked in music discussions may be Memphis but on this night they proved their illustrious bloodline with delicious rhythm and blues music lead by Booker T. Jones who demonstrated beautifully that sometimes we do get better with age.

*E-Ice:* "Broadway on Ice" While this might seem like a novelty show it certainly was not and had an unreal number of champion athlete/artists on the stage/ice during a really fantastic show. The singing was Broadway beautiful and the skating was magnificent.

*E-Christmas:* Dave Koz always puts on a lively and engaging Christmas show once called Smooth Jazz but not so quietly evolved. This year once again Jonathon Butler provided one of those magical moments on Center drive in an inspired and rousing "O Holy Night" that got everyone on their feet filled with cheer.

*E-Rock:* Chris Isaak I don't think I have ever seen an artist so completely capture the crowd and own the stage like this master of rocking guitar and brilliantly inventive patter. Isaak brought a superb band and kept the tone at perfection in one of the Center's best ever concerts.

*E-Lifetime Achievement Award*: Colors of Christmas Peabo Bryson seems never to age and his show seems to be evergreen. The cast has changed over the years but the quality never goes down and the holiday spirits are always high.

*E-Best Performance:* Savion Glover Sole Sanctuary This is cheating a little since the performance was the entire show with some superb assistance by Marshall Davis Jr. in a stream of consciousness 90 minutes of mesmerizing, unforgettable dance. Glover is a very special artist and this was a show for the ages.

E-Best Show of the Year: Mandy Patinkin This was a great coup for the Center to get this great artist out to Cerritos for such a concert with his huge commitments to television and films. It was a greater accomplishment for Maestro Patinkin to take this time to demonstrate the power and true glory of the human voice. When the concert was over it was evident that he sang because he loves music and great songs which he chose with the skill of a master.

# **GARCIA**

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Garcia is up for reelection in the 58th Assembly District in June, 2014 California Primary Election. Downey is considered to have the largest voter base in her current district.

The new offices will be located at 8255 Firestone Boulevard, Suite 203, Downey, just adjacent to Porto's Bakery & Café.

"I'm very excited to be in Downey, with new space that will accommodate my staff and constituents," Garcia said.

Garcia also thanked city officials in Artesia in her statement to the media.

"The City of Artesia has been a great partner during my first year in office and I would like to thank them for graciously embracing me and my team."

"This experience allowed local and state government to work together in one location, to better understand and serve our constituents," she concluded."

Garcia also pointed out that the public is invited to an open house for the new Downey District Office on Thursday, February 6th, from 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM.

Guests will be able to meet Assembly member Garcia and her staff, tour the new office and find out more about constituent and legislative services that are offered to the community.

For more information or to RSVP for the open house, please contact Dennise Silva at Dennise.Silva@asm.ca.gov or call (562) 861-5803.

The 58th Assembly District includes the cities of Montebello, Pico Rivera, Commerce, Bell Gardens, Downey, Norwalk, Bellflower, Cerritos and Artesia.

# **CRUELTY**

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Homicide detectives responded to Miller's Children's Hospital in Long Beach to investigate the circumstances surrounding a male two year-old who is in extremely critical condition.

Detectives determined that Norwalk

Station Deputies responded along with paramedics to a "Baby Not Breathing" call at 12:50 p.m. this past Sunday, January 5, 2014 in the 11400 block of Maza Street

"When they arrived, the victim was unresponsive and subsequently transported to a local hospital," a Sheriff's spokesperson confirmed to Hews Media Group-Community Newspapers.

Further investigation resulted in the arrest of Matamoros who is reportedly the boyfriend of the babysitter.

Sheriff officials are claiming that earlier in the day, the victim had been left by his mother to be cared for by a resident at the location. "It is believed the suspect assaulted the victim by using blunt force trauma," a statement to members of the media stressed.

Matamoros is currently charged with "Cruelty to a Child Likely to Produce Great Bodily Injury or Death" and is being held in lieu of \$100,000 bail.

Anyone with information about this incident is encouraged to contact the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department's Homicide Bureau at (323) 890-5500. If you prefer to provide information anonymously, you may call "Crime Stoppers" by dialing (800) 222-TIPS (8477), or texting the letters TIPLA plus your tip to CRIMES (274637), or by using the website http://lacrimestoppers.org.



# **LA MIRADA**

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the loss of redevelopment in recent years. City officials are encouraged by recent economic signs in which sales, property, and transient occupancy (hotel users) tax revenues grew over the last year. The FY 2013-14 budget, adopted last June, held a slight surplus and the City maintains modest reserve levels.

Though encouraged by improvements to the economy, the City remains committed to its prudent fiscal management practices and conservative approach to revenue forecasting. Basic services continue to be delivered with a lean workforce of some 65 full-time employees, about a 33 percent decrease from five years ago. Hourly City employees were reduced by a similar amount over this time. The City continues to make extensive use of contracted services to achieve cost efficiencies while meeting the community's needs.

Public safety remains the City's top priority. Cooperative efforts between the City and Sheriff's Department, and community participation through programs such as Neighborhood Watch, Community Emergency Response Team, and Business and HAM Watch lead to a safe community. Crime in La Mirada remains near its lowest point in 20 years according to statistics from the FBI and Sheriff's Department. Proactive efforts targeting suspected criminals by Sheriff's Deputies and continued community support of crime-prevention programs and City-wide disaster readiness activities keep La Mirada among the safest cities in the region.

Investments in local infrastructure will continue this year as the City begins the first phase of Measure I improvements, which will address some of La Mirada's nearly \$67 million in needed infrastructure repairs. Improvements will include neighborhood street rehabilitation and slurry seal, curb and gutter repairs, installation of ADA curb access ramps, removal and replacement of slotted cross gutters, and storm drain pipe repairs.

The Measure I Citizens' Oversight Board, which is monitoring the use of

Measure I funds and reviewing program performance, has met several times. The five-member Citizens' Oversight Board is expected to issue a report on the use of Measure I funds later this year.

The City will also begin the final phase of Foster Park Neighborhood Improvements, complete additional sidewalk improvements along Santa Gertrudes Avenue between Rosecrans Avenue and Alicante Road, and partner with Los Angeles County to install street medians along La Mirada Boulevard and Imperial Highway. Additionally, the City has received a grant from Metro to conduct a noise study in residential neighborhoods along Stage Road near the BNSF Railway tracks. The study, which is expected to last four months, begins later this month.

The Valley View Grade Separation Project is on track to be completed by the end of the year. The \$65 million grade separation project, a joint effort between La Mirada, Santa Fe Springs, Caltrans, and BNSF Railway, will enhance traffic safety, assist local economic activity, and reduce vehicle delays and idling along busy Valley View Avenue, which carries some 40,000 vehicles daily.

Progress continues on La Mirada's newest housing development, The Orchards. The 41-home development broke ground last August and is expected to be substantially completed by the end of this year. Four model homes are nearly complete and offer a preview of what will be an attractive addition to the community's

supply of quality housing.

Caltrans is scheduled to begin construction on La Mirada's segment of the I-5 Freeway later this year. The state agency is widening the freeway, adding one carpool lane and one mixed-flow lane in each direction, and making interchange modifications at Valley View Avenue and Artesia Boulevard, along with other improvements. The City recently completed improvements to Alondra Boulevard, Stage Road, Trojan Way, and Firestone Boulevard in advance of the freeway widening, which is expected to increase traffic along these streets during construction.

Also, the I-5 Specific Plan will be adopted this year, which will create a vision for the Freeway Commercial Zone between Valley View and Knott Avenues, and set forth design guidelines for future economic development along the freeway corridor.

Following renovations to the Crossroads Shopping Center last year, which helped to attract new businesses like Walmart Neighborhood Market and Walgreens Pharmacy to the City, two shopping centers at the corners of Valley View and Rosecrans Avenues are undergoing renovations. Improvements to the Roseview Shopping Center, located on the southeast corner near Mr. V's Restaurant, are nearing completion with new signage and parking lot landscaping to be added. Improvements to the commercial center across the street near Pep Boys Auto Parts began in December. These privatelyfunded improvements will enhance shopping opportunities within La Mirada and help to attract new businesses to the City.

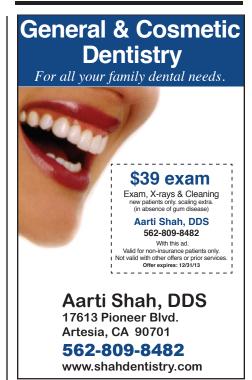
The Community Services Department continues to ensure residents have access to a wide-range of recreation and leisure activities to suit all ages and skill levels. Building off a successful summer at Splash! in 2013, City staff is preparing to

reopen Buccaneer Bay in May and continue to serve as a premiere location for birthday parties and other celebrations. Splash! also offers first-class swimming opportunities and classes for community members year-round.

In addition to Splash!, the Department is busy planning and preparing for popular community events such as the upcoming Father-Daughter Dance, Easter Egg Hunt, Mother-Daughter Tea, Independence Celebration, Summer Concert Series, Salute to Veterans, and Chili Holiday Event.

An update to the Community Services Master Plan, which will guide recreation programming and services for the next several years, is nearing completion. Several public workshops and an online survey were conducted to gather feedback towards this effort.

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# John Glenn boys hold off Norwalk in Suburban League opener

By Loren Kopff

The John Glenn boys basketball team did something this past Wednesday night that it had done only twice in at least the previous 17 seasons. The Eagles opened up Suburban League action with a victory, and in dramatic fashion against their biggest rival of all-time.

Glenn nipped city rival Norwalk 48-47 for a rare league-opening victory. Other than edging Norwalk by three points in the 2012 league opener, the last time it had defeated the Lancers, Glenn



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had never opened the league with a victory in at least 17 seasons, until senior Alex Vidana's desperation three-pointer fell short with two seconds left, preserving Glenn's most emotional win of the

"Wow, this was monumental," said Glenn head coach Wesley Phillips. "Our guys really wanted it. We haven't had a good past month or so with our [preseason]

tournaments but they wanted this. It was a toss-up."

The Eagles (7-8 overall, 1-0 in league) trailed 41-34, their largest deficit of the game, with 4:02 left in the game before they made their comeback. Following two free throws each from junior Daniel Morales and senior Suni Bedi, senior Erich Webb scored on consecutive offensive rebounds to put his team in front 42-41 with 1:50 remaining. It was the first time Glenn had led since late in the first half.

Norwalk would take a 47-45 lead with 41 seconds left on a three-pointer from sophomore David Suarez. But Glenn senior Ardale Encabo returned the favor 12 seconds later for a gamewinning three-pointer.

"They were panicking and I just told them to relax," Phillips said of the second half. "We had a lot of game left."

Both teams played a tight, tentative first half that featured five ties, five lead changes and only four fouls called, all on Glenn. In fact, the two combatants combined for just 10 points in the second quarter. When the first half had concluded with the score tied 18-18, Glenn was eight of 22 from the field while the Lancers attempted two more shots from

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the field.

**SUBURBAN LEAGUE** 

**BASKETBALL** 

"We were both tight and it was first game [in league] jitters," Phillips said. "That's what our guys said at halftime." Norwalk (6-10, 0-1) seemed to have

> the momentum in the third quarter as senior Da-

vid Suarez hit a three-pointer just 13 seconds in and a perimeter shot from sophomore Keno Valdenor

nearly midway through the stanza put Norwalk up 30-22. But the Eagles made the first of their two second half rallies towards the end of the third quarter and early in the fourth, outscoring Norwalk 9-1 in a span of 2:36.

Bedi, who scored nine points in the first quarter, led everyone with 17 points and has reached double figures in six straight games while Encabo added 10 points.

"We expect [Suni] to lead because he's our best shooter," Phillips said. "He's big for us. When things are going well for him, they're going well for us."

Glenn, which has had more success against Norwalk over the past 17 seasons than any other league opponent with nine victories, including six at home, visits Cerritos tonight before hosting league favorite Mayfair on Monday and going to La Mirada on Wednesday. The seven wins thus far for the Eagles are the most since winning 10 games in the 2006-2007

"It can and it will catapult us into better things," Phillips said of the win. "Our guys really want it this year. Most of them are seniors and they really want it."

Norwalk was paced by Suarez, who scored a career-high 14 points, and senior Rashaad Penny, who added 10 points and grabbed 10 rebounds. Norwalk hosts Mayfair tonight, Bellflower on Monday and Cerritos on Wednesday.

Preceding the game, the Norwalk girls evened their record for the first time this season with a 41-28 victory. The Lady Lancers, who lost their first four games of the season, won their third straight game and sixth in the past eight games to improve to 6-6 overall, 1-0 in league.

Norwalk owned a 13-4 advantage after the first quarter on the strength of junior J'Nae Harrison's seven points and four more from junior Jackie Aldana. But Glenn went on an 11-2 run over the first three minutes of the second quarter before the visitors ran away. Norwalk reeled off the final eight points of the half, then scored the first 10 points of the third quarter to lead 33-15. The Lady Eagles (3-12, 0-1) were held scoreless for nearly 11 minutes during that Norwalk scoring spree. Harrison led Norwalk with

13 points, five rebounds and five steals while Aldana added 10 points, six boards and three steals. Glenn was led by senior Myra Gomez, who came off the bench to score 16 points, grab eight rebounds, block four shots and pick up three steals. No other Glenn player had more than four points.

# Movchan sparks Cerritos in third quarter as Lady Dons nip North Torrance

By Loren Kopff

With little time to relish her team's third place finish in the Gahr Girls Varsity Winter Classic, Cerritos girls basketball head coach Arial Adams had one more task ahead before jumping into Suburban League action. That task was finding a way to avenge last season's 26-point playoff loss to North Torrance.

The Lady Dons trailed by as many as 14 points early in the second quarter before junior Alyssa Movchan dominated the third quarter and guided her team to a 59-57 home victory over the Saxons last Friday evening. North Torrance had also knocked off Cerritos by 20 points in a nonleague game last December. So, Adams reminded her team of that every five minutes during practice in the few days leading up to the rematch.

"We practiced all week," Movchan said. "We came in here on New Year's Eve and on New Year's Day to prepare for what we knew we had to do. It paid off."

North Torrance, coached by former Cerritos star Lauren Kamiyama, scored the first nine points of the game and owned a 21-10 lead after the first quarter as six different players scored. The Lady Dons (9-3) were four of 15 shooting from the field, turned the ball over nine times and grabbed six defensive rebounds in the opening quarter.

With nearly five minutes left in the first half, Adams called a timeout with the Saxons owning a 24-12 lead and whatever she said seemed to work as Cerritos chipped away little by little at its deficit. Junior Taylor Hirata nailed her second three-pointer of the half to make it an 11-point game. Later in the half, Movchan fed a pass to senior Stacey Suzuki who drained an outside shot. Then Movchan took a pass from sophomore Tatiana Fominyam and hit a trifecta at the buzzer to leave the hosts trailing 32-28 at the half.

"That's not surprising," Adams said of the first half. "We're a second half team, so I wasn't surprised that we came out like that. I think it was just a matter of getting used to the game and getting used to





their pressure. We're not used to playing against teams like [North Torrance]. Most teams zone us. Most teams don't press us.

"I was cool, calm and collected out here but you better understand that I went [into the locker room] and I let them have it," Adams added of her halftime speech. "I definitely had to be the fire starter because they weren't Cerritos basketball. I told them to be aggressive, attack the basket and look inside."

Movchan, who sat out most of the second quarter due to picking up a pair of first quarter fouls, came out strong in the third quarter. After she scored to make it a 38-34 contest, she assisted on a three-pointer from freshman Cailey Vitug as Cerritos trailed by a point.

Halfway through the stanza, Movchan hit consecutive long distance shots to give the Lady Dons their first lead at 45-43, which they never relinquished. Hirata would add another three-pointer and Vitug sank a pair of free throws as Cerritos reeled off 11 straight points in a three-minute span late in the third quarter.

"We just worked hard and we all motivated each other," Movchan said. "We knew that we were better than them and we knew that if we tried hard, then we'll win."

Movchan ended the third quarter with only her second two-point field goal, then began the fourth quarter with a pair of free throws as Cerritos had its largest lead at that point, 54-46. Cerritos would lead 59-52 but was held scoreless in the final 2:10. Movchan had a chance to seal the game but missed on a long three-pointer with 10.9 seconds remaining. However, after a North Torrance timeout, a potential gametying shot from Kylie Oshiro bounced off the rim.

Movchan, the team's leading scorer who has reached double figures eight times, led Cerritos with 18 points including four of seven from three-point land. She also had three rebounds, two assists and two steals.

"Honestly, she was just upset," Adams said of Movchan's third quarter performance. "She saw the score; she doesn't need to be coached. She said, 'look, I'm taking the ball in my own hands and we're going to go with that'. I gave her free liberty to shoot the ball. They were leaving her open, so might as well shoot it."

"[It was] our heart," Movchan said of the second half rally. "Some teams have it. Sometimes we don't have it at all. The third quarter is actually our worst time; we come out and we're lazy."

Cerritos also received a fine performance from senior Lauren Rhea, making her first start since the middle of December. Rhea quietly scored a career-high 10 points on five of nine shooting from the field and grabbed 10 rebounds.

"Once we realized that we needed to go inside, and I told her to look for it, she got a little fire started," Adams said. "She's always had that in her. We had a height advantage a little bit today, which is something that never happens. So, I think that helped with her confidence. She was all over the court."

Hirata would also add 11 points, marking the first time this season that Cerritos had three players score in double figures in the same game. Cerritos also won nine preseason games for the first time since the 2004-2005 season but is off to its best start since going 11-3 to begin the 2002-2003 campaign. The Lady Dons open up league action tonight against John Glenn, then host Artesia on Monday before visiting defending league champion Norwalk on Wednesday.



NEWS AND Notes from Press row

# Valley Christian girls soccer snaps scoreless streak, edges Marlborough

By Loren Kopff

While the Valley Christian girls soccer team had one of its better December's, and now early January's, in a few years, the 2013-2014 squad had also recently gone through an unusual scoreless slump. Head coach Kim Looney has had to shuffle her lineup around several times thus far and the latest move paid off this past Tuesday evening against Marlborough.

Just 10 minutes into the contest, senior forward Janae Megorden snapped her team's scoreless streak that lasted over 275 minutes with the game's first goal and the Lady Crusaders held on for a 2-1 victory.

V.C. had not scored since the first half of a 2-0 victory over Don Lugo on Dec. 26 in a second round game of the Ontario Christian Tournament. Since then, V.C. was blanked by Crean Lutheran 3-0 and Ontario Christian 1-0 in the tournament, then played Crean Lutheran to a scoreless tie last Saturday.

"We have struggled, just offensively, this season to score," Looney said. "I have a lot of workhorses but I don't really have anybody who has the nose for the goal. They'll work for the ball but I don't have a finisher.

"It's finally nice to break through," Looney added. "I'm glad that it was Janae that did it. Janae's had just a great season; probably her best season in four years. She deserved that goal."

Megorden's goal was her sixth of the season, tops on a team that has now found the back of the net 22 times in 16 games. The Lady Crusaders had a chance to add to their lead shortly before halftime but came up empty on both occasions. In the 37th minute, a shot from senior forward Grayce DeGroot was blocked by the Mustangs goalkeeper and Megorden's rebound attempt went over the net. Two minutes later, Megorden fed a nifty pass to sophomore forward Chloe Garris but her shot at a wide open net was a bit too soft.

V.C., though, would get that important second goal in the 65th minute when freshman forward Taylor Brown received a throw-in from DeGroot at the far end of the penalty box and notched her first tally of the season. Marlborough's lone goal came in the 73rd minute.

"Taylor has played in the goal for me for [the past] 15 games," Looney said. "I have five kids who are injured. She's a skilled player on the field and she's even a better goalkeeper. Because I've just been riddled with injuries right now, Taylor was the option to put up front."

V.C. improved to 9-5-2 and visited La Serna on Jan. 9. The team opens up Olympic League action on Tuesday with a home game against Village Christian. The nine wins are the most outside of league or playoffs since going 10-7-1 during the 2008-2009 season. V.C. had failed to win more than seven nonleague or playoff games combined in each of the past four seasons

"We posted some early wins and I credit that, honestly, to my core group of seniors," Looney said. "They came in with this work ethic that the rest of my team has been trying to catch up to. And because of that, we posted some good wins early. We have an opportunity to do well this season. Their goals for this league season are 8-0 and no goals against them."

In other girls soccer action, Artesia won all four of its games in the Division II bracket of the San Pedro Lady Pirate Cup. Last Thursday, the Pioneers slammed Collin's Family and Archer School for Girls by identical 8-0 scores. In the first game, senior midfielders Tiffany Castillo and Stephanie Flores scored a pair of goals while Castillo posted four more tallies in the second game while senior midfielder Icseel Ortiz added two goals.

The next day, Artesia (8-3-2) blanked Long Beach Jordan 2-0 as Castillo scored both goals, then edged Paramount 2-1 on tallies from freshman defender Gaby Pi-

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nales and Ortiz. The Pioneers, who fell to Bellflower 3-1 in the Suburban League opener this past Wednesday, will visit league favorite La Mirada this evening before hosting Cerritos on Monday.

Norwalk ended its nonleague slate this past Monday with a 3-2 home loss to Whittier. The Lady Lancers (5-4-2) scored in the 15th and 16th minutes courtesy of freshman midfielder Breanna Sandoval and freshman forward Jazmin Gomez. However, the Cardinals scored all of their goals in the second half, the game-winner coming in the 78th minute. Norwalk, which also slammed John Glenn 11-0 this past Wednesday, hosts Mayfair today, Bellflower on Monday and Cerritos on Wednesday.

Cerritos enters league action with a 2-5-1 mark and hosts John Glenn today. The Lady Eagles (3-6-1) will entertain Mayfair on Monday and visit La Mirada on Wednesday. Gahr (1-1-3) visits Warren on Tuesday to begin San Gabriel Valley League action while Whitney (1-4-2) travels to Brethren Christian today and is home to Sage Hill and Crean Lutheran Tuesday and Thursday respectively.

All of the boys soccer teams will play the same opponents as the girls but at the opposite sites.

## **BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL**

Artesia has been one of the area's pleasant surprises, winning 12 of its first 14 games after easily defeating Downey Calvary Chapel 44-18 last Friday, then opening league action with a 55-38 win over Bellflower this past Wednesday. The Pioneers already have three more wins than all of last season and need to win one more game to assure themselves of a regu-

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lar season winning campaign for the first time since the 2006-2007 season. Artesia visits La Mirada tonight and Cerritos on Monday night.

Cerritos kicks off its league slate tonight against Glenn before visiting Norwalk on Wednesday. Gahr (7-8) travels to Inglewood tonight before hosting Warren on Wednesday for its San Gabriel Valley League opener. Valley Christian (8-7) makes a road trip to Ontario Christian on Saturday before travelling to Village Christian on Tuesday for its Olympic League opener. Whitney (5-8, 1-0) won its Academy League opener, a 64-34 triumph over Downey Calvary Chapel, this past Tuesday. The Wildcats host Brethren Christian tonight before visiting Sage Hill on Tuesday and Crean Lutheran on Thurs-

All of the girls basketball teams will play before their respective boys' teams for the upcoming week with the exception of Whitney. The Lady Wildcats (12-2, 1-0 in the Academy League) will host Notre Dame Academy tonight.

## LA MIRADA

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The La Mirada Theatre for the Performing Arts, fresh off a spectacular year in 2013 that saw the Theatre take home three Ovation Awards, including one for Best Season, continues with another terrific lineup of Broadway-style productions. This season features back-to-back runs of two of the most celebrated musicals of alltime in Cats (Apr. 18 - May 11) and Les Misérables (May 30 – Jun. 22), the return of the unique and intimate Onstage series with Floyd Collins (Mar. 27 - Apr. 13), and a remarkable mix of special events. The Theatre kicks off 2014 on Jan. 24 with the Tony Award-winning play God of Carnage, which runs through February.

# **APODACA**

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counsel, President James Roybal, Directors Leticia Vasquez and Bob Apodaca orchestrating a legal session to settle a sexual harassment and battery claim against Apodaca.

The claim, filed by Sigrid Lopez, seeks \$1 million in damages.

HMG-CN first published the claim filed against Apodaca by Lopez in November 2013 that detailed shocking examples of abuse including Apodaca's claims of "tag teaming" women at District-paid educational conferences.

With CBMWD Directors Phil Hawkins and Art Chacon absent, Roybal, Vasquez, and Apodaca seized the op-

portunity as a quorum and forged a quiet settlement to Apodaca's latest incident of alleged sexual inappropriateness.

The three voted to refer the case to CBMWD GM Tony Perez for a decision on whether to send to the Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA) for outside settlement or keep the case in-house. Keeping the case in-house would cause major problems for Apodaca.

An internal investigation of the case, initiated by CBMWD management, began in May 2013 and sources close to the District claim that over 17 witnesses have provided testimony, including all current Directors, two former Directors, numerous current and former staffers and consultants, as well as the longtime girlfriend of Apodaca.

Sources tell HMG-CN that the investigation has cost CBMWD over \$30,000, not including considerable and ongoing attorney fees.

In the recording, Richard Padilla sternly advised Apodaca during open session prior to adjournment to closed session, and during closed session, that he should not participate during legal discussions in the matter of Lopez v. CBMWD/Bob Apodaca.

Padilla said legal discussions would constitute conflicts for at least two members. He stated, "it may behoove Director Apodaca to recuse himself."

As he continued, President Roybal silenced Padilla by repeatedly interrupting him during open session, insisting they discuss these issues in closed session, which they did.

In the audio Padilla reported that, "legal counsel and the General Manager provided an update on the claim and the referring of this matter to JPIA. The direction from the Board was unanimous of those present in the closed session proceeding to delegate the claim to the ACWA. Our legal staff will work with Mr. Perez to verify this can be done."

HMG-CN contacted Director Art Chacon who had an opportunity to listen to the audio recording and felt that Padilla went "above and beyond" to warn the three about potential conflicts.

Chacon said Padilla went so far as to spell the conflict out by saying "I cannot direct either of you not to be in closed session, however, my admonishing here does not inoculate you from any potential violations you might receive, so I just want to be very clear-you're on your own."

Chacon was outraged that Director Apodaca participated in any discussion or vote pertaining to his own legal case.

Chacon was also very concerned that Roybal and Vasquez ignored legal advice and allowed Apodaca to discuss and vote on the claim.

Chacon added that he would have preferred CBMWD to handle the matter from within. He said that if our insurance keeps paying for Apodaca's perversions, then in essence our premiums are akin to paying Apodaca's dues in some "perverts club." "Apodaca knows that the ACWA will find an amount to settle out of court while making the victim sign a confidentiality agreement ensuring her silence, people's water bills are paying for this guy's fun and games," he said.

HMG contacted Director Hawkins who also felt that Apodaca's participation in the closed session was inappropriate and illegal. "Those three could have held off meeting to discuss these issues until the full Board was available," he said. "The action they took was to make the handling of a serious matter, the sexual assault of another person, a routine administrative issue to pass off to ACWA, it's outrageous," added Hawkins.

Scott Collins, a 14-year Norwalk Planning Commissioner who has announced that he intends to challenge Apodaca in the November election, says, "he agrees that CBMWD should keep the lawsuit in house and force Apodaca to face his demons. This is why there needs to be a change of leadership at CBMWD."

When made aware HMG-CN knew of the vote, Director Vasquez first said, "there was no vote on that matter, there was no quorum." Her statement, in direct conflict with the statement on audio by Padilla that said, "the direction from the Board was unanimous of those present in the closed session."

Vasquez was then told HMG-CN possessed the audio tape and she repeated that "there was no quorum on the issue therefore no decision was made, but it would be great to see and hear them for accuracy; please forward them to me."

Three hours after Vasquez was made aware of the story, HMG-CN received an email from CBMWD scheduling, "a special legal matters meeting on the Apodaca case" for next Monday Jan. 13.

Calls and texts into Roybal and Apodaca went unanswered.

## **ROGERS**

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committee.

"This is going to take a tremendous amount of work, and my campaign starts today," Rogers told HMG-CN.

Rogers said he will be hiring a full time professional campaign consultant and a fundraiser team to help oversee his election effort.

Rogers has been a hugely popular elected city councilman in the City of Lakewood for the past decade where he currently serves as Vice Mayor.

Rogers was elected to the city council in March 2001 and re-elected in 2005. In March 2009 and March 2013, running unopposed, he was returned to office for additional four-year terms. He served terms as Lakewood's mayor in 2004-2005 and 2009-2010.

Rogers holds the rank of Assistant Sheriff in the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. He joined the department in 1985 and has had a variety of patrol, custody, and training assignments, including at the Carson, Pico Rivera and Lomita Stations, Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Bureau and Regional Community Policing Institute.

Rogers also touts his experience as Captain of the Carson Station for six years. In addition to being one of Baca's current top two assistants, he served as an Area Commander within the Department's Field Operations Region II Headquarters

# **Cerritos Okays Water Well Improvement**

From HMG-News Services

The Cerritos City Council recently authorized City staff to execute an agreement with Waukesha Pearce Industries, Inc. (WPI) in the amount of \$117,109 to overhaul the C-1 water well Waukesha engine.

According to city spokesperson Annie Hylton, WPI is the only authorized Waukesha repair contractor in California.

The Waukesha engine allows the C-1 water well to supply approximately 1,600 gallons per minute of water directly into the City's water distribution system. The engine overhaul is expected to take several months.



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### CITY OF NORWALK

## NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS FIRESTONE BOULEVARD BRIDGE OVER SAN GABRIEL RIVER REPLACEMENT FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. BHLS-5347 (029)

### CITY PROJECT NO. 7147

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Norwalk will accept bids for this project until the hour of eleven o'clock A.M. on February 12, 2014. Bids are to be submitted to City Clerk's Office Room 10, City Hall, Norwalk, California. Bids will be opened in the City Clerk's Office Room 10 unless otherwise posted.

Plans, specifications, bid forms, bonds and contracts may be obtained at the office of the City Engineer, Room 12, City Hall. Plans and specifications will be issued to prospective bidders over the counter for a \$125.00 charge. For plans and specifications that are required to be

mailed the charge will be \$150.00. Checks are to be made payable to the City of Norwalk.

It shall be mandatory upon the contractor to whom the contract is awarded, and upon all sub-contractors under him, to pay not less than the general prevailing rates of per diem wages to all workmen employed in the execution of this contract in accordance with the provisions of Section 1770 to 1780 of the Labor Code. Said general prevailing rate of per diem wages and classification, if applicable, to said contract and work was adopted by the City Council of the City of Norwalk and is on file in the office of the City Clerk. Attention is directed to the provisions in Section 1777.5 (Chapter 1411, Statutes of 1968) and 1777.6 of the Labor Code concerning the employment of apprentices by the contractor or any sub-contractor under him. The Contractor will be required to submit weekly payrolls to the City of Norwalk to verify the above requirements. No payments shall be made until the above requirements are met. In performance of the terms of this Contract, the Contractor shall not engage in nor permit such sub-contractors as he may employ from engaging in discrimination in employment of persons because of the race, color, national origin or ancestry, or religion of such person. Violation of this provision may result in the imposition of penalties referred to in Labor Code Section 1735.

Bidders are advised that, as required by federal law, the City of Norwalk is implementing Disadvantaged Business Enterprise. Sectio "Proposal Requirements and Conditions," under subsection titled "Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE)" and Section 5, "General, under subsection titled "Performance of Subcontractors" of these special provisions cover the DBE requirements

The City Council of the City of Norwalk reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and/or waive any informality on a bid. No bidder

withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening thereof.

BY ORDER OF THE NORWALK CITY COUNCIL of the City of Norwalk, California this 7th day of January 2014.

/s/Theresa Devoy
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF NORWALK

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE CITY OF ARTESIA PLANNING COMMISSION ON THE FOLLOWING ITEM(S) AT THE TIME AND LOCATION DESIGNATED:

> ARTESIA PLANNING COMMISSION 6:30 P.M., TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2014

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 18747 CLARKDALE AVENUE, ARTESIA, CA 90701

ITEM(S) TO BE CONSIDERED:

## CASE NO. 2014-01: GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT (2014-2021 HOUSING ELEMENT)

DESCRIPTION:

Case No. 2014-01: GPA is a city-initiated proposal to adopt the revised Housing Element of the Artesia General Plan updating the current Housing Element in accordance with state mandated requirements for the 2014-2021 housing element cycle and consideration of an Addendum to the Environmental Impact Report of the Artesia General Plan regarding potential environmental impacts. The Housing Element sets forth the City's strategy to preserve and enhance the community's residential character, expand housing opportunities for all economic segments, and provide guidance and direction for local government decision-making in all matters related to housing.

AVAILABILITY:

The 2014-2021 Artesia Housing Element and accompanying environmental documentation may be reviewed at the Planning Department counter, Artesia City Hall, 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, CA, Monday through Thursday, 7:30 am – 5:00 pm and every other Friday from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. Additionally, all documentation is available on the City's website at www.cityofartesia.us, Government, Departments, Planning and Zoning.

PLANNER: Okina Dor (odor@cityofartesia.us); (562) 865-6262

As a result of this public hearing and comments, the proposed project may be either accepted as presented, modified, or denied.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS MAY SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS PRIOR TO THE HEARING, OR MAY APPEAR IN PERSON TO BE HEARD IN SUPPORT, OR IN OPPOSITION TO THE FOREGOING AT THE TIME OF THE HEARING, UP TO THE CLOSE OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING. ALL PERSONS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

FURTHER DETAILS ON THIS MATTER ARE AVAILABLE AT THE ARTESIA PLANNING DEPART-MENT, 18747 CLARKDALE AVENUE, ARTESIA, CA 90701 OR TELEPHONE (562) 865-6262.

Community Development Director

January 10, 2014

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No.: 9551-1139 TSG Order No.: 130188089-CA-MAI A.P.N.: 8064-046-098 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(c)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(c)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 04/01/2008. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED TRUST DATED 04/01/2008. 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. 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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 Cherry & Carson RV Storage at 4160 Cherry Ave Long Beach, CA 90807 will sell by competitive bidding by Climer's Auctions (Bond # S915-1221), on or after January 28, 2014 @ 11:00 A.M., property belonging to those listed below. Auction is to be held at the above address. Property to be sold as follows: household goods, furniture, personal items, clothing, electronics, tools, auto parts and miscellaneous boxes, belonging to the following.

NAME Okustino Hafoka Robert Lewis Joan Reiner C57 B31

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## ABC UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ABC Unified School District will receive up to but not later than 11:00 AM on the 24th day of January 2014 sealed bids for:

Bid # ABC - 1428 Engineered Woodchips

All bids shall be made and presented on a form furnished by the District. Bids submitted conform to the terms and conditions stated on said form. Bids shall be received in the office of the Purchasing Department at 16700 Norwalk Blvd., Cerritos, CA., 90703 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time and place.

Bids and specifications may be obtained from the Purchasing Department at the above address on January 10, 2014 or later.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The following person is doing business as INDEPENDENT TV, 12124 CARMENITA, WHITTIER, CA 90605, TIM CORDELL. The following business is conducted as a individual. The registrant began to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein.

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TSG No.: 4162018 TS No.: 20099070812329 FHA/VA/PMI No.: APN: 7005-016-022 Property Address: 13603 RANCHILL DRIVE CERRITOS, CA 90703-0000 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 01/12/2006. 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. On 01/23/2014 at 10:00 A.M., First American Trustee Servicing Solutions, LLC, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 01/23/2006, as Instrument No. 06 0153716, in book, page,, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of California. Executed by: AGUSTIN GUZMAN and AURORA GUZMAN, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIERS CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APM# 7005-016-022 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 13603 RANCHILL DRIVE, CERRITOS, CA 90703-0000 he undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, who herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, the total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$715,033.19. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust a trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$715,033.19. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and payable, and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. 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, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existing 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 2924.go 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 (916)939-0772 or visit this Internet Web hitr.//search.nationwideposting.com





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lent condition. \$100.00.

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## CITY OF ARTESIA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Planning Commission of the City of Artesia will hold a Regular Planning Commission Meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Artesia City Hall, 18747 Clarkdale Avenue, Artesia, California at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday January 21, 2014, to conduct a Public Hearing to consider the following item(s):

Case No. 2014-02

Conditional Use Permit Modification and Design Review 17100 Pioneer Boulevard

Jesse Gilholm (T-Moble West LLC), 867 E. Front Street #A, Ventura, CA 93001
A request to modify an existing conditional use permit on an existing mount and install a new 2'-0" diameter dish to an existing wireless telecommunication facility located at 17100 Pioneer Boulevard in the Commercial Planned Development (C-P-D) Zone.

Resolution No. 2014-02P

If you challenge any of these proposals 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 of Artesia Planning Commission at, or prior to, the public hearing.

All interested persons are invited to attend this hearing and express their opinion on the matters listed above.

PUBLISHED: December 6, 2013

Okina Dor, Planning Director

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 667 OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA MIRADA ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL, MECHANICAL, PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL, AND GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE, INCORPORATING PORTIONS OF THE 2013 CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS CODE, TOGETHER WITH APPENDICES, AMENDMENTS, DELETIONS AND PENALTIES, AND AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE LA MIRADA MUNICIPAL CODE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on February 11, 2014, at 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California, the City Council of the City of La Mirada will consider adopting Ordinance No. 667 entitled "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of La Mirada Adopting by Reference, the Los Angeles County Building Code, Electrical Code, Plumbing Code, Mechanical Code, Residential Code, and Green Building Standards Code, Incorporating Portions of the 2013 California Building Standards Code (Parts 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5 and 11), Together with Certain Amendments, Additions and Deletions, Including Fees and Penalties, and Amending Title 17 of the La Mirada Municipal Code."

A summary of that Ordinance is as follows:

## Summary of Ordinance No. 667

In accordance with the requirements of State law, and in order to maintain appropriate construction standards, it is now necessary to adopt by reference and incorporate within the City Code, the 2013 Los Angeles County Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, Residential, and Green Building Standards Code, each of which adopt and amend corresponding portions of the 2013 California Building Standards Code. Said Codes will be set forth in Title 17 of the La Mirada Municipal Code.

The California Building Standards Code, together with certain amendments, deletions, exceptions, and qualifications, generally deals with all aspects of building construction, specification of building materials, plumbing design, water supply and drainage systems, approved construction and plumbing techniques, engineering formulas to be utilized during building design, electrical design and construction, and special requirements dealing with fire and seismic safety, in residential, commercial and industrial structures and facilities; establishment of mandatory and voluntary standards for energy and water efficiency, as well as standards to achieve greater sustainability of structures and systems; and construction requirements necessary to conserve energy and promote energy efficiency in new buildings and structures. As required by State law, the Ordinance also contains detailed findings based on local climatic, topographical and/or geological conditions, supporting all amendments to building standards.

In addition to adopting the various Codes set forth above, this Ordinance adopts penalties as to each of the Codes adopted.

A certified copy of the entirety of the text of Ordinance No. 667, together with the Codes to be adopted thereby, is available in the office of the City Clerk, City of La Mirada, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California, and is open for public inspection at that location.

Dated: January 10, 2014

\_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_ Anne Haraksin, City Clerk

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## CITY OF LA MIRADA NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Planning Commission of the City of La Mirada will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, January 23, 2014**, at **6:30 p.m.** in City Hall, Conference Room 1 located at 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California to consider the following:

GENERAL PLAN HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE: THE CITY OF LA MIRADA PLANNING COMMISSION WILL CONSIDER A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE CITY COUNCIL THE ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT 2013-21 HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE, SUBJECT TO MINOR MODIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

At the hearing, the Planning Commission will consider the Draft 2013-21 Housing Element Update, staff's report and recommendation as well as all testimony and public input prior to making a final decision. The documents being considered are available for review at the City's Community Development Department office located at City Hall, 13700 La Mirada Boulevard, La Mirada, California. The Draft 2013-21 Housing Element Update is also available for review on the City's web site: <a href="www.cityoflamirada.org">www.cityoflamirada.org</a>. You may contact the Community Development Department at (562) 943-0131 should you have any questions concerning the above action.

If you wish to be heard concerning the item identified in this Notice, you may appear in person at the public hearing or you may submit your comments in writing to the City prior to or at the public hearing. Mailed comments should be addressed to the City Clerk, City of La Mirada P.O. Box 828, La Mirada, California, 90637-0828.

Please notify the City Clerk at (562) 943-0131, extension 2302, at least four days prior to this hearing should you require a disability-related accommodation (e.g. sign language interpreter).

IF YOU CHALLENGE ANY OF THE FOREGOING ACTIONS IN COURT, YOU MAY BE LIMITED TO RAISING ONLY THOSE ISSUES YOU OR SOMEONE ELSE RAISED AT THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR FINAL ACTION DESCRIBED IN THIS NOTICE, OR IN WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DELIVERED TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION AT OR PRIOR TO THE PUBLIC HEARING.

Gabriel Bautista

City Planner

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Title Order No.: 5802942 Trustee Sale No.: 71876 Loan No.: H399016122 APN: 7027-023-091 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 7/7/2007. 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 PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 1/31/2014 at 1:00 PM. California TD Specialists as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 7/17/2007 as Instrument No. 20071686653 in book NA, page N/A of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: Bernard Cervero and Myra Cervero, as Trustor Your Capital Source, Inc., a California Corporation, as Beneficiary WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (pagable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by eash, a cashier's ecker drawn by a state or rederal redit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). At In the main dining room of the Pomona Masonic Temple, located at 395 South Thomas Street, Pomona, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California describing the land therein: Lot 4, of Tract No. 27154, in the City of Cerritos, county of Los Angeles, State of California, as per map recorded in Book 809, Page(s) 62 to 64 inclusive of Maps, in the Office of the County Recorder of said County, Except therefrom all minerals, gas, oil, petroleum, anphtha and other hydrocarbon substances, in and under said land hying below a depth of 500 monty of Los Angeles, State of California, as per map recorded in Book 809, Page(s) 62 to 64 inclusive of Maps, in the Office of the County Recorder of s

the telephone information or on the internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale." (RSVP# 304317) (01/10/14, 01/17/14, 01/24/14)

Title Order No. 1201290 Trustee Sale No. 2012-2099 Reference No. 00086-0-072-3 APN No. 7010-006-012 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER A NOTICE OF A NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT AND CLAIM OF LIEN YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT AND CLAIM OF LIEN YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT DATED 6/16/2012. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY IN AY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU. YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that on 1/31/2014 at 9:00 AM, S.B. S. LIEN SERVICES As the duly appointed Trustee under a pursuant to Notice of Delinquent Assessment, recorded on 6/21/2012 as Document No. 2012/09/2938 Book Page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, The original owner. TUAN BUIL The purported new owner. TUAN BUIL WILL SELL AT PUBLIC ACTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a State or National bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal assessment in the state of National bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or ackeck drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings bank specified in section 2002 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state.) Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766. All right, title and interest under Notice of Delinquent Assessment in the property situated in said Courts, some fully described on the above reference assessment lien. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 16515 REDWOOD DRIVE, CERRITOS, CA 90703

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No.: 9985-7608
TSG Order No.: 8354861 A.P.N.: 8037-022-072
NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923-3(c)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923-3(c)(2)) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 0926/2005. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO THE OP TO THE TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BY DATED AT A PUBLIC SHALE. IF IN URED A MEXPLANAMINO TO THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING ACARNS YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT. ALWYER. NES Default Services, LLC, as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded 10/06/2005 as Document No.: 05-2412599, of Official Records in the office of the Records of Official Records in the office of the Records of Official Records in the office of the Records of Official Records in the office of the Records of No. Surgeold (10/14) and the office of the Records of Official Records in the office of the Records of Official Records in the office of the Records of Official Records in the office of the Surgeold (10/14) and the Office of the Control of Official Records in the office of the Surgeold (10/14) and the Official Records of Offi

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT The following person is doing business as HESED CUSTOMS SERVICE, 3620 DEL AMO BL., #304, TORRANCE, CA., 90503, DAVID W. KWAK. The following business is conducted as a INDIVIDIAL. The registrant began to transact business under the fictitious business name(s) listed herein on 4/13/2009. /8/DAVID W. KWAK.

The statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on 12/23/13 NOTICE: This fictitious name statement expire five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new fictitious statement must be filed before that time. 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 1440det seq. Business and Profession Code), Published at

LCCN on 1/3, 1/10, 1/17, 1/24/14

NOTICE OF TRUSTIEFS SALE Trustee's Sale No. 05-FWA-123707 APN# 8082-015-028 ATTENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY IS APPLICABLE TO THE NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR ONLY NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATE OF TRUST DATE OF THE PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR ONLY NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SEID AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU AND THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU. YOU AND THE YOU AND THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU. YOU AND THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU. YOU AND THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU. YOU AND THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU. YOU AND THE YOU AND THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND THE YO

Trustee Sale No.: 20080134011294 Title Order No.: 3206-136099 FHA/NA/PMI No.: NOTICE OF TRUSTES SALE YOU ARE IN DIEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST. DATED 10/28/2004 UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NDEX WEST, LL.C., as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 11/19/2004 as Instrument No. 04 3007948 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA. EXECUTED BY: TRACEY L. SAUNDERS, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIERS CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 01/16/2014 TIME OF SALE: 10/100 AM PLACE OF SALE: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLA

# NOTICE OF APLICATION FOR CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

Filing date Oct 22, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

The Name of the Applicant is: **REGAL ENTERTAINMENT, INC.** 

mation: (714) 730-2727 or http://www.rtrustee.com A-4434794 12/27/2013, 01/03/2014, 01/10/2014

The applicant listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at 6763 Carson St., Lakewood, Ca. 90713.

Type of license applied for: 48-On-Sale General Public Premises Published at Los Cerritos Community News 1/10/14



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