

Three Paramount schools under threat of cancer causing toxins, officials say

By William Odis Martin
Contributor

PARAMOUNT – Concerned parents, teachers, and community leaders assembled on Tuesday night at the Paramount Community Center for a town hall meeting to voice their frustrations and hear the newest developments from the South Coast Air Quality Management District’s unprecedented investigation into air toxins.

Although there has been measurable progress since last October, when the investigation began, there are still three schools-- Lincoln Elementary, Wesley Gaines Elementary, and Mokler Elementary-- showing elevated risks due to high levels of Hexavalent Chromium, also known as Chromium 6.

SCAQMD announced that they filed a petition, also known as an Order of Abatement, against Carlton Forge Works in order to reduce the pungent odors that have become a nuisance to the community.

“Although Carlton Forge Works has made some changes to its operation, it continues to

these fits of hacking and coughing that go on for hours.”

Sandra claims that she suffers from many ailments that are a direct result to the industrious community in which she has spent the majority of her life. She thanked SCAQMD for its work in the city so far and applauded its determination in getting these gross polluters to cutback their odorous and sometime dangerous emissions.

Worried parents pointed out that the playgrounds at Lincoln Elementary School are constantly saturated with fine dust particles that contain heavy metals that are being absorbed and inhaled by their children as they play outside everyday.

Tania Robles, a lifelong Paramount resident, said many former teachers of hers have been diagnosed with cancer over the years.

“It saddens me very much that a significant amount of teachers I grew up with had to battle this horrible disease that they were exposed while at work. It is crucial for action to be taken in order to prevent cancer from entering the lives of teachers and students. It was once an idea of mine to send my future children to the elementary school I went to, but with this information, I will not put my children at risk,” said Robles.

A spokesman for the school district claimed that filtration systems have already been installed in the air conditioning units at the schools but admits that the air is only cleaned when the AC is running and that the children are unprotected from poor air quality when outside of the classrooms.

One mother approached the mic with a stern face and a list of hard-hitting, deliberate questions for the panel of air quality experts, but was soon reduced to tears once she got to her last question: “Will I be able to watch my children grow up?”

Acute exposure to Chromium 6 has not been found to be dangerous or to cause any type of ailments, though long term exposure to the heavy metal is extremely dangerous and could even lead to deadly cancers.

The agency claims it is going to continue to closely monitor the situation while remaining transparent in its enforcement of air quality standards throughout the city.

Don Knabe Golf Center in Norwalk eyeing soft-opening by end of month

NORWALK – The new and improved Don Knabe Golf Center and Junior Academy is nearly complete, with officials eyeing a potential soft-opening later this month.

An official with LA County said that a June 28th soft-opening is currently being targeted for the course, with a potential mid-to-late July grand opening.

Once completed, the center will offer a 9-hole par 3 golf course, a double deck driving range, a practice pitching green with a bunker, two practice putting greens, a club house, and a community room named after former Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District Superintendent Ginger Shattuck.

State-of-the-art lighting is also being installed, allowing golfers to use the facilities during the evening hours. Cost of the renovation comes to the tune of \$13 million, funded by a Prop A bond act.

The center was formerly known as the Norwalk Golf Center. It was renamed by the City of Norwalk in honor of former LA County Supervisor Don Knabe. More information on the center can be found on playknabegolf.com. – Alex Dominguez, staff writer



Norwalk Indoor Swap Meet slated to close on June 30

■ Vendors who lease space inside the swap meet say they aren’t surprised by the closure.

By Raul Samaniego
Contributor

NORWALK – The Norwalk Indoor Swap Meet, an icon in the south part of the city, is slated to close its doors at the end of the month, according to vendors at the location.

For 25 years, Chris Lam has owned and operated his business inside the swap meet, located at 11600 Alondra Blvd

“On June 3, I was handed a letter,” Lam said. “It said we had until the end of the month [to move out].”

All vendors received the same letter simply stating that the facility would be closing on Friday June 30.

No explanation was given for the sudden announcement, but vendors, like Lam, say they had their suspicions.

“Years ago, we had a feeling something was going on,” said Lam, who sells toys and sports equipment. “The first three days [after receiving the notice] I didn’t want to believe it.”

He has already started liquidating his business inventory, which even includes a fully operational bike shop.

Lam expects to take a loss, but he has the ability to return some of his stock directly to his vendors. He is also offering everything at or below his usual costs – including all of his bicycles.

At the front of the swap meet, a vendor, who only goes by “Sunshine,” said that everything at his own shop was at least 50% off the ticketed price.

Inside, other vendors have “Closing Sale” signs posted everywhere.

However, at least one vendor may be in denial about the finality of the announcement.

Y.A. Men’s Clothing owner Jose Arriata, while sitting in a chair, said “I haven’t started [preparing to leave].”

He has been a vendor for over 17 years and like many of the vendors doesn’t have any idea of what he will do if and when the doors close.

Another 17-year vendor, SK Embroidery and Printing, already has another location set up.

Co-owner Jenny Kim said that they have a store front located just around the corner.

“It’s right behind Tommy’s Burgers,” said Kim as she prepared for the move to the store front location.

With news of the inevitable closing, the Norwalk Indoor Swap Meet has begun seeing an influx of shoppers as well as people just visiting for memories sake.

Life-long Norwalk resident Susie Mangini on Wednesday brought her two sons to “look



Chris Lam received a letter at the beginning of June stating that the Norwalk Indoor Swap Meet will close on June 30. Photo | Raul Samaniego

around at the place I used to come to when I was younger.”

Norwalk officials acknowledge the swap meet closure, but have no knowledge of what the land owners have planned.

“While the owner has primary control over the site’s future, the City will be working with them to find a suitable development that benefits everyone,” according to a statement released by the city of Norwalk.

“We and our economic development consultant will be reviewing development proposals for this location.”

Norwalk Senior Planner Jessica Serrano also confirmed that she has not received any plans from the property owner.

“The Norwalk Planning Department has received no information on potential development plans,” she said

Meanwhile, many of the vendors have started putting their stock into boxes and are preparing for the inevitable.

Multiple inquiry calls to the phone number listed on the Norwalk Indoor Swap Meet website have not been returned.

Weekend at a Glance

Friday	91°	
Saturday	90°	
Sunday	86°	

THINGS TO DO



Memorial Benefit Concert Sunday - A Mi Hacienda, 12-8 pm

In honor of Norwalk’s Stephanie Elizarraraz, several bands will perform at a concert fundraiser. (\$25)



Michelada Rumble

Saturday - Santa Anita Park, 11 am

Competition for the best michelada. Plus lucha libre, car show, live music and horseracing.



Star Wars Day

Saturday - Orange County Zoo, 10 am

Star Wars characters, kids crafts, games, photo ops and more.



Father’s Day BBQ

Sunday - Aquarium of the Pacific, 11:30 am

Barbecue meals plus crafts for the kids. Tickets to the BBQ include admission to the aquarium.

FROM OUR FACEBOOK

Norwalk Indoor Swap Meet slated to close on June 30

Loretta Mobbeta: They need the space for more condos? (Sarcasm) The last thing we need is more people, more traffic, and more unaffordable housing. Hopefully they will use the space to benefit Norwalk residents. A new park? A dog park? An open workout park?

Laura Phillips: I thought it had closed a while back....only found out a few days ago it was still open! Guess not for long.

Mary Elizabeth: No surprise. We were there last weekend and it’s so empty.

Donna Robinson-Wills: I’m not surprised either. This place needs to be demolished and built up again. I’m routing for a Walmart grocery store.

Maze Gonzales: About time and Norwalk will build apartments.

Josh Forsythe: Times are changing and hopefully new development can come in and benefit the city.

Joshua Kurniawan: Dang, first it was the Compton swap meet, now this...the only one left is the Santa Fe Springs swap meet.

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Upcoming Events

NORWALK RELAY FOR LIFE: The Relay For Life of Norwalk is returning this summer on June 24 and 25 to help raise money and awareness for cancer prevention, early detection, treatment and patient support.



Cerritos College will host the annual community gathering on its utility field near Alondra Boulevard from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Teams of people will gather together and take turns walking and running around the track.

Relay For Life brings together millions of people nationwide to raise funds to help prevent cancer and diminish suffering from the disease.

For more information, call (562) 354-1468 or e-mail Nancy. Gutzmer@cancer.org.

MARY POPPINS: Musical Theatre West is bringing Mary Poppins to the Carpenter Performing Arts Center from July 7-23.

Based on the books by P.L. Travers and the classic Walt Disney film, Disney and Cameron Mackintosh's production features the original Sherman Brothers score, including the songs "A Spoonful of Sugar," "Jolly Holiday," "Let's Go Fly a Kite," "Step in Time," and "Chim Chim Cher-ee," as well as new musical additions, by George Stiles and Anthony Drewe.

Tickets are now on sale on Musical Theatre West's website, at the MTW ticket office, or by calling (562) 856-1999, ext. 4. Tickets start at \$20.

LONG BEACH PLAY: "Crimes of the Heart," the Pulitzer Prize-winning comic drama about three Mississippi sisters betrayed by their passions, opens June 9 at International City Theatre in Long Beach.

The play runs Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m., June 9-25.

Tickets are \$47 on Thursdays and Fridays, and \$49 on Saturdays and Sundays, except for June 9 (opening night) for which tickets are \$55 and include a post show reception at Utopia Restaurant.

For reservations and information, call 562-436-4610.

ORIGAMI WORKSHOP: Adults are invited to join origami teacher Peggy Hasegawa on June 17 from 12-1 p.m. at Alondra Library as she demonstrates some simple folding techniques, and, depending on the students, possibly a challenging one as well.

The event is free. For additional information, please call (562) 868-7771 or visit the County Library website at colapublib.org.

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Business owner shoots and kills two would-be robbers at Downey store

■ **ATTEMPTED ROBBERY:** Two armed men who tried to rob a car stereo shop end up dead.

By Eric Pierce
Editor

DOWNEY – The owner of a Downey car stereo shop shot three armed men -- two of them fatally -- who attempted to rob the business Monday night, Downey Police said.

According to police, three men entered First Class Car Audio, located at 8856 Rosecrans Ave., at about 8:15 p.m. and attempted to rob the store owner.

Instead, the store owner shot all three suspects, two of whom died at the scene.

The third suspect escaped but sought treatment for his gunshot wounds at a local hospital, where he was being questioned by detectives.

Police said there was an

"exchange of gunfire" but didn't say if the store owner was hurt.

"All I heard was gunshots -- about nine or 10 gunshots," a witness told ABC-7.

CBS-2 reported that public records named Jorge Valencia as the owner of First Class Car Audio. He is also the registered owner of one of the cars that was towed from the scene.

In 2009, The Downey Patriot reported that Valencia was arrested in a raid at the business, where

guns, marijuana, and explosive devices were seized.

The identities of the deceased suspects have not been publicly released.

Anyone with additional information is asked to call Detective Carlos Bejines at (562) 904-2334.

Tips can be left anonymously by calling (800) 222-8477, online at lacrimestoppers.org or by using the "P3 Tips" mobile app.



Norwalk-La Mirada Unified picks Benton arts educator as 2017 'Teacher of the Year'

LA MIRADA – Benton Middle School art teacher Jennifer Hodge has been recognized as Norwalk-La Mirada Unified's 2016-17 Teacher of the Year for inspiring her students to adopt a lifelong appreciation of the arts and apply their creative, critical thinking skills in other subject areas.

"It's such a privilege to work alongside students as they gain the confidence and skills to communicate an important message and use art as a creative tool for self-expression," Hodge said.

"It's a pleasure to work in a district that allows student choice in selecting electives and pathways that inspire them."

Hodge started as a substitute teacher at Gardenhill Elementary School 16 years ago and transitioned into Benton's visual and performing arts magnet as an art teacher in 2010.

She immediately noticed Norwalk-La Mirada Unified's high value on teacher input and collaboration, and various professional development opportunities. Hodge also takes part in the annual Caring Beyond the Classroom event, when teachers provide school supplies to

students at the beginning of each year.

"It's an incredible honor to represent the hard-working and highly qualified teachers of Norwalk-La Mirada Unified," Hodge said.

"I look forward to spreading awareness about the great things our teachers do to help students be the best versions of themselves at school and at home."

Norwalk-La Mirada Unified recognizes outstanding teachers, staff and administrators at each school during its annual Stars Award Night April 6. District-level recognitions went to:

- Chris Moton, Student & Family Services: District Administrator of the Year

- Michael Gotto, Benton Middle School: School Site Administrator of the Year

- Darlene Reyes, Educational Services: Classified Manager/Confidential Employee of the Year

- Heather Yeager, Hutchinson Middle School: Classified Employee of the Year

"Jennifer is an example of the high-quality teachers we have throughout our schools who inspire our students to pursue their dreams," Superintendent Dr. Hasmik Danielian said.

"Congratulations to all of our teachers, staff and administrators who were recognized for their hard work."

Shared Stories: The Ties That Bind

After chronicling the courtship of her mother and father, Ligaya and Juan, Lisa Filler now shares her unusually early memories as a little girl in the Philippines after World War II. Shared Stories is a weekly column featuring articles by participants in a writing class at the Norwalk Senior Center. Bonnie Mansell is the instructor for this free class offered through the Cerritos College Adult Education Program. Curated by Carol Kearns.

"Childhood Island Adventures, 1951-52" by Lisa Filler

My earliest memories were when I was 2 years old in the Philippines. My father got a job as a mining engineer assigned to the different islands in Visaya and Mindanao. The whole family, Nanay (Mommy), Tatay (Daddy), Kuya Jubert (eldest brother) Jose (sibling) and I were going with Tatay as he was assigned to work in the different islands in the Philippines.

On Cebu Island, we lived in a house on the mountain where we had to walk through a narrow wooden bridge that shook as we walked through. Nanay was so scared because deep below the bridge was a river.

Our house was a typical nipa house (made of bamboo) located in the middle of the mountain. The living area was elevated about three feet from the ground. We used the space below the living area as our playground.

The living area was divided into two rooms. The big room served as living room at day and bedroom at night. We shared one big mat on the floor when we slept at night. I was always at Nanay's side.

As we lay down we watched the lizards on the ceiling and named each one. I'm usually the little lizard, Tatay was the biggest, then Nanay, and so on. We knew it was time to sleep when we heard the sound of the big lizard (tuko).

The small room served as the kitchen and dining room. The kitchen did not have good lighting. Our stove was made of three big stones using dry wood for fire.

There was a time when Nanay was about to put a cooking pot on top of a sleeping snake curled up next to the stove. She kept quiet so she would not wake up the snake, then ran to the neighbor for help. The local neighbors knew how to handle the situation.

Our toilet and bathroom were separated from the house. We had to bring a pail of water when we went to the toilet or bathroom. At night we used a portable container to pee.

In front of the house was a corn plantation while in back of the house was a path going up the mountain where our maid lived.

One of our neighbors was the Evidente family. Agnes was my playmate, Rene was Jose's playmate. Kuya Jubert was going to school. We played like miners using Tatay's miner helmet crawling under the chairs.

There was a time that Agnes and I tried to follow Jose and Rene to the river at the bottom of the mountain. As we walked in the shallow water, we were carried by the current. Luckily, Jose and Rene were able to pick us up when we reached their location.

When we could not catch-up with Jose and Rene, Agnes and I would explore the mountain on our own. One day on our way going up the mountain we saw a big body of a snake crossing our pathway. It was black with a yellow design.

We did not see the head and tail because there were tall weeds on each side of the pathway. We ran to the house of our maid. We did not tell our parents about these adventures but our maid knew.

When we moved to another island, in Zamboanga, our house was next to the sea shore. In front of the house was the road, while behind the house was the actual sea shore. The toilet, located over the deep sea water, was connected to the house by a narrow wooden bridge.

On good days we and neighbors would wade on the shore. There was a time we heard a loud cry because a neighbor was stung by jellyfish.

There was a street with lots of monkeys. One day a small monkey kept on following us, so we took the monkey home and kept it as our pet and named her Cheetah.

After a year we had to go back to Manila. When we were on the boat to Manila, we encountered a typhoon. My parents were holding us kids, while Kuya Jubert held Cheetah as the boat was tossed up and down by the waves. Everybody was vomiting. That was the scariest experience my parents ever had.

As for me, this simple life close to nature with lots of fun and adventure was my happy childhood memories.

New carwash coming to Norwalk Costco

NORWALK - Plans to add a carwash to the existing gas station at the Norwalk Costco were approved May 24, according to city officials.

The automatic carwash will be operated in conjunction with the existing warehouse and gas station, and will be available only to Costco members.

The proposed improvements include an approximately 3,675 square foot carwash building, four pay stations with an approximately 1,460 square foot canopy overhead, an attendant kiosk, and 42 new parking stalls among other features.

Plans also call for an underground system to remove oils and solids from waste water before it reaches the cities storm drains, including four 2,000-gallon waste water reclaim underground storage tanks, one 2,000-gallon oil /sand separator, and one 24,000-gallon underground detention vault.

Proposed hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; consistent with the operation of the warehouse. – Alex Dominguez, staff writer





MENDOZA: Board of Supervisors does poor job reflecting Los Angeles County’s vast communities of color

By State Sen. Tony Mendoza

Senate Constitutional Amendment 12 is about the future of California. The laws governing the way counties are structured were written in the 1850s and were left alone after passage. To put that into context, Los Angeles County was home to five thousand people at that time. Today, the same county is home to over 10 million people and has a larger population than 42 individual states! Imagine a state like North Carolina with a five person governing committee without a governor or legislature.

Beyond Los Angeles County, however, the concern for how counties are structured is a state-wide issue. In 1850, the California Constitutional Committee created 18 counties in the new state of California. In the years since then, the general shape, guidelines and format of a Board of Supervisors has been unchanged. Our state is very different today and will continue to change in the coming years. The demographics, economy, and scale of everyday life in California have changed dramatically since 1850. A form of government that worked for cattle ranchers pre-Civil War cannot adequately address counties larger than most states.

It has become clear that effective, accessible, and accountable government is nearly impossible when a single County Supervisor serves over two million constituents. Los Angeles County is the first to rise above five million, but others will as well in the coming years. It is simply foolish to ignore the future in order to preserve a system of government that is over 150 years old.

Senate Constitutional Amendment 12 is a simple plan to ensure better, fairer representation with clear lines of executive authority. This Amendment brings Los Angeles County closer to our common system of government. It would add two seats to a Board of Supervisors, an elected County Executive, and better utilize employees and county resources. County government should be local, accessible, accountable, and personal.

This Amendment will ensure Supervisors serve no more than two congressional districts worth of constituents. Supervisors will be accessible and closer to the people they serve while having a stronger connection to voters. If the law has determined that representatives who vote on a broad range of national issues should serve a fraction of the number California Supervisors do, a change must be made.

Accountability has been a problem for Los Angeles County. We have seen scandals in the Jails, in the foster care

system, and with the County Assessor’s office. Currently, the Board of Supervisors is in control of the budget, administrative duties, and ensuring County organizations remain accountable. In 2016, the LA County Grand Jury made it clear that, at minimum, the Board of Supervisors needs two more seats and an empowered executive position to manage the county.

Senate Constitutional Amendment 12 is a bipartisan effort to ensure that large counties can accommodate and adequately address the needs of their constituents. An administrator who has the dual responsibilities of drawing up an effective budget and professionalizing management would facilitate healthy, organized growth in counties. Additional seats on a Board of Supervisors means we would see vibrant tapestry of our community reflected in local government.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has done little to encourage diversity and representation of minority communities in County government. Of the 33 department heads in the county, none are Latino.

There are no Latino Chiefs of Staff for the Board of Supervisors. In a county that is over 40 percent Latino, that’s unacceptable and a reflection of the limited number of opportunities in county government. While 20% of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors is Latino, there are no Asian-Americans on the Board.

This bill is about the future of California and finding a way to avoid the growing pains Los Angeles has encountered from happening again. We are a state that is growing and our policies should develop alongside. To preserve the power, prestige, and finances of a few at the expense of California’s future, the choice is simple.

Our children, our people, and our state are too valuable to let political preservation derail the long-term potential of the Golden State. Our shared future is too important to set aside for the benefit of a single Board in a single county.

Senator Tony Mendoza, a Los Angeles native and former elementary school teacher in East Los Angeles, represents the 32nd Senate District encompassing portions of Los Angeles and Orange Counties.

Sanchez sides with Comey

WASHINGTON, D.C. – House Democratic Caucus Vice Chair Linda Sánchez (D-CA) released the following statement last week on former FBI Director James Comey’s testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence:

“What James Comey made absolutely clear in his testimony was that President Donald Trump knew exactly what he was doing as he attempted to influence the FBI Director to drop the investigation into Michael Flynn. Suggestions of the president’s ignorance are simply disingenuous. He is the President of the United States, not an apprentice. There is no other explanation as to why Donald Trump kicked others, including the Attorney General and the White House Chief of Staff, out of the room to speak one-on-one with the FBI Director.

“The testimony James Comey gave points directly to a concerted effort by Donald Trump to covertly influence an ongoing federal investigation. The country needs to know all the facts developed by credible, non-political investigations. Now it is up to the congressional investigations and the investigation lead by Robert Muller to follow the facts no matter where they lead.”

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FOR THE RECORD: Last week’s commentary “It’s all garbage” was written by contributor Raul Samaniego. We apologize for the production error.

Response to Kathy Griffin

Dear Editor:

After reading the opinion of Bianca Martinez in the Norwalk Patriot on June 9, 2017, I find it very unnerving that we have young people in this country that think Kathy Griffin’s portrayal of President Trump is neither immoral nor repulsive.

It is obvious this young lady, Bianca Martinez, has a large bias and dislike for our president or anyone associated with him. Her venomous bigotry and hateful prejudices leap from her opinion piece. Yes, we in this country have freedoms that are unavailable to others throughout the world. Yes, not only our forefathers but our armed forces today are continuing to fight for these freedoms, but with those freedoms come a responsibility.

A responsibility to exercise them in an accountable and reasonable manner. There are those that make the claim it’s my First Amendment right and reasonable to call someone a “ni**er” or a wetback or wear a flour sack on my head while burning a cross on someone’s lawn. THEY ARE WRONG!

With all of our freedoms, there must be common sense and accountability and Kathy Griffin used no common sense and is being held accountable.

Joyce Medrano
Norwalk

Lack of Asian options at farmers market

Dear Editor:

Through your newspaper, I would like to request your help in asking the farmers who used to sell Chinese/Vietnamese/Filipino vegetables in the Downey Farmers Market to come back.

What we have now for sale are duplications of goods and are available in nearby groceries. We are paging Vietnamese farmers selling their products such as Chinese eggplants, bitter melons, water spinach (kangkong); sweet potato tops (kamote), mini Chinese apples and other Chinese-Filipino vegetables and fruits. We Asians are minorities here in Downey and we patronize the Farmers Market more so when we have some of our native products available.

To the management of the Downey Farmers Market and the Downey Council, please help entice and facilitate the coming back of the farmers that sell Vietnamese / Filipino vegetables and fruits. We loved what they used to sell and we ask them to please come back. Thank you.

Elena P. Salcepuedes
Downey

South Downey redevelopment

Dear Editor:

As a Downey resident for 45 years, I look forward to the development of South Downey. However, I do have some concerns that city officials don’t always look at the big picture. An example would be the right turn lanes and islands at Imperial and Bellflower. Why was this construction not started and completed prior to the increase in traffic from the Promenade?

Let’s look at the Rancho Los Amigos project. Gardendale, from Lakewood to Garfield, was finally repaved. However, it went from a two lanes to one. With traffic already terrible on Firestone and Imperial, why would we turn the only other east/west road on the south side into a one lane highway? Yes, I am aware a bicycle lane was added that has little use while Gardendale is getting worse. Cars constantly race around at the intersections to pass on the right.

The article states ‘Imperial Highway is poised to become a new grand thoroughfare in Downey.’ What are the projections for traffic volume when these projects are completed? Access to the Rancho complex is limited. North bound traffic on Paramount must make a U-turn to get in, Imperial traffic has Old River School and Rives, or you can go over the bridge. No access from Gardendale.

Please, before you build on the site make sure all traffic issues are resolved before the project is completed. Start with returning Gardendale to two lanes! If at all possible, please publish traffic projections and traffic flow charts. Let everyone be part of this project!

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MONDAYS

1st, 6:00 p.m. - Public Safety meetings - Council Chambers

TUESDAYS

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Farmers Market - Excelsior High School

12:00 p.m. - Rotary - Doubletree Hotel

1st & 3rd 6:00 p.m. - Toastmasters Meetings - Registrar Recorder/County Clerks Office

2nd & 4th, - Toastmasters Meetings - Norwalk Library

1st & 3rd, 6:00 p.m. - City Council - Council Chambers

3rd, 5:45 p.m. - Housing Authority - Council Chambers

WEDNESDAYS

10:30 a.m. - Woman's Club - Masonic Lodge

1st, 12:30 p.m. - Soroptimist International - Soroptimist Village

1st & 3rd, 7:00 p.m. - Lions Club - Bruce's Restaurant

2nd & 4th, 1:30 p.m. - Alondra Senior Citizens - Social Services Center

2nd & 4th, 7:30 p.m. - Planning Commission - Council Chambers

4th, 11:30 a.m. - Coordinating Council - Arts & Sports Complex

THURSDAYS

1:00 p.m. - Adult color club "Color Us Happy" - Norwalk Library

7:00 p.m. - Boy Scouts Troop 924 - Norwalk United Methodist Church

2nd, 7:30 p.m. - Golden Trowel -Norwalk Masonic Lodge

3rd, 8:00 p.m. - American Legion Post No. 359 - 11986 Front St.

SATURDAYS

2nd, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - Pancake Breakfast - First Christian Church of Norwalk

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On This Day...


June 16, 1884: At Coney Island, in Brooklyn, NY, the first roller coaster in America opened.

1952: "Anne Frank: Diary of a Young Girl" was published in the United States.

1975: John Lennon sued the U.S. government; he charged that officials tried to deny his immigration through selective prosecution.

2008: California began issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

BIRTHDAYS: German soccer coach Jurgen Klopp (50); World Golf Hall of Famer Phil Mickelson (47); Actor John Cho (45); British fashion designer Luella Bartley (43); Comedian Adam Ray (35); TV actress Missy Peregrym (35); NHL player Rick Nash (33); "Saturday Night Live" cast member Abby Elliott (30); Model and YouTube star Dannie Riel (29); Our Last Night frontman Trevor Wentworth (24); and U.S. Olympic diver Steele Johnson (21).



Abby Elliott

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TIME FOR A CHANGE: Ten of them, to be precise

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MARIE Tussaud (55 Across) opened her first permanent wax-figure exhibition in London in 1835. Published about 78 BC, the *Natural History* encyclopedia of PLINY the Elder (61 Across) became a model of all encyclopedias to be published thereafter. DANNY Boyle (93 Across) directed the 2008 film *Slumdog Millionaire*, which won eight of the 10 Academy Awards for which it was nominated.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2017146622
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BARRIOS BROTHERS COMMUNICATIONS, 15316 GRAYSTONE AVE, NORWALK CA 90650, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): A/ #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) PETER BARRIOS, 15316 GRAYSTONE AVE, NORWALK CA 90650
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 06/2017
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ PETER BARRIOS, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 6, 2017
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2017149435
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) THOMPSON & ASSOCIATES, 12211 FRONT STREET, NORWALK CA 90650, LA COUNTY
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): A/ #ON: N/A
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) LIA CHUNG, 26654 BEECHER LANE, STEVENSON RANCH CA 91381
State of Incorporation: N/A
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: an Individual
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 06/2017
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ MIA CHUNG, OWNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 9, 2017
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File Number 2017110608
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BLUE BAY CAFE, 17806 S. PIONEER BLVD, #103A, ARTESIA CA 91701, LA COUNTY, 15851 FIELEDBROOK ST, ROWLAND HEIGHTS CA 91748
Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): A/ #ON: 201711010655
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) M & H EATERY, LLC, 15851 FIELEDBROOK ST, ROWLAND HEIGHTS CA 91748
State of Incorporation: CA
THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Limited Liability Company
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 05/2016
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/ M & H EATERY, LLC, MANAGER, YULIUN HSU
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MAY 1, 2017
Notice - In accordance with Subdivision (a) of Section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in Subdivision (b) of Section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to Section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the affidavit of identity form.
The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
2017146543
FILE NO: 2016297451 DATE FILED: DECEMBER 8, 2016
NAME OF BUSINESS(ES): THOMPSON BOOKKEEPING, THOMPSON AND ASSOCIATES
STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE: 12211 FRONT ST., NORWALK, CA 90650
REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) KARLA ELAINE BUTLER, 625 S. BIRCHLEAF DR., ANAHEIM CA 92804
If Corporation or LLC – Print State of Incorporation/Organization: N/A
Business was conducted by: an Individual
I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on JUNE 6, 2017

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GOVERNMENT

CITY OF NORWALK NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TEXT AMENDMENT NO. 317 – NON-MEDICAL MARIJUANA NOTICE OF GENERAL RULE EXEMPTION
Date: Wednesday, June 28, 2017
Time: 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard
Place: City Council Chambers, Norwalk City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650
Project Description: For the Planning Commission to consider amending the Norwalk Municipal Code (NMC) to prohibit commercial non-medical marijuana activity and outdoor non-medical marijuana cultivation on private residences in all zones.
Environmental Review Information: Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and the CEQA Guidelines of the City of Norwalk, this project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.) pursuant to the general rule in Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines (Chapter 3, of Title 14, of the California Code of Regulations) that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment.
Public Comment: Interested persons who wish to attend the meeting and be heard regarding this matter: Copies of the agenda report for the above-described project will be available for public review at the Community Development Department, Planning Division, Norwalk City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk. Written comments may be submitted to the Community Development Department prior to the time set for the hearing. Address written comments: Attention: Community Development Department at the address noted above. Written comments and requests for electronic copies of the agenda report may also be submitted via email to: bchow@norwalkca.gov. If you challenge the proposed project, you may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered prior to the public hearing.
More Information: Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Beth Chow, Senior Planner at (562) 929-5953 or bchow@norwalkca.gov.
Accessibility: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in a City meeting or other services offered by this City, please contact the Community Development Department at (562) 929-5744. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting or time when services are needed will assist the City staff in assuring that reasonable accommodations can be made to provide accessibility to the meeting or service. Assisted hearing devices will be available at this hearing without prior notification.

Dated this 16th day of June, 2017
Kurt H. Anderson
Director of Community Development
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PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF IRENE LARA GONZALES aka IRENE L. GONZALES aka IRENE L. GONZALES
Case No. 17STPB04685
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of IRENE LARA GONZALES aka IRENE L. GONZALES aka IRENE LARA GONZALES
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Ernestine Gonzales in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Ernestine Gonzales be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on June 26, 2017 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 11 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ALFRED T. GUTIERREZ
Case No. 17STPB04991
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of ALFRED T. GUTIERREZ
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Margaret L. Sanchez in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Margaret L. Sanchez be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on July 7, 2017 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 99 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF STEVEN CHONG
Case No. 17STPB04722
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of STEVEN CHONG
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Myong Suk Noh in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Myong Suk Noh be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have

waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on June 29, 2017 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 99 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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LOS ANGELES CA 90010
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF PILAR JARAMILLO
Case No. 17STPB04755
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of PILAR JARAMILLO
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Raymond Armijo in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Raymond Armijo be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on June 29, 2017 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 99 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Petitioner:
Margaret L. Sanchez
MARGARET L. SANCHEZ
14618 WHEATSTONE AVE
NORWALK CA 90650
CN938851 GUTIERREZ
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JEWELL ANN GORDON
Case No. 17STPB05107
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JEWELL ANN GORDON
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Robert L. Cohen in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Robert L. Cohen be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A HEARING on the petition will be held on July 12, 2017 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 79 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.
YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
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Birkey chosen for vacant college board spot

By Jenny Gonzalez and David Jenkins

NORWALK – JLL Vice President James Cody Birkey stated, “Lets build our community college together,” in his opening speech during the interview held by the Board of Trustees to fill the vacant spot left by former trustee John Paul Drayer.

On Wednesday, the board interviewed four applicants, Lorraine Neal, James Cody Birkey, Judy Roldan, and Gloria Willingham, in 20 minute segments. The interview process was set for a three minute opening statement by the applicant, the questions asked by the board members, and a two minute closing statement.

The board members asked four questions — where the applicants answered in regards to the interviewee’s added value to the board, understanding the board’s primary responsibility, the challenges the students face and the interviewee’s solutions, and finally, what the interviewee will do to improve the lack of effective community engagement.

The board members rated each applicant in two separate sections — the letter of interest and the interview — and decided to choose

the applicant with the most points combined, Birkey, with a total of 167 points. The two second place candidates, Neal and Willingham, received a total of 155 points; and the fourth place candidate Roldan received 146 points.

After the meeting, Birkey said, “I tried to express the core element and put a lot of thought to what I wanted to say; but at the same time

want to “serve the students.”

Birkey is set to take the Oath of Office at the next board meeting on June 21.

Student Trustee Raul Avalos was also sworn in at this meeting. He did not grade the board member applicants, but did present the fourth question on behalf of Trustee Salazar about community engagement.

Avalos stated, “I believe the board made the right decision when picking the new candidate that will be filling in the position,” because Birkey “seems highly [qualified]” and is involved within the community.

He also said he was both excited and nervous because it was his first day. During the interview, he said he “felt comfortable” because he also “conducts interviews when hiring new employees” for the company he works for.

“The only difference was that I did not volunteer in the grading of the candidates but I was very comfortable with the decision of the board members.”

This story was originally published in TalonMarks, the student-ran newspaper at Cerritos College. To read the original version, visit www.talonmarks.com/news/2017/06/10/new-board-member-birkey-chosen-for-vacant-spot-student-trustee-avalos-sworn-in.



Board of Trustee applicant James Cody Birkey was interviewed by the Board of Trustees to fill John Paul Drayer’s vacant seat. Birky was rated by the board and received a total of 167 points, whereas the second and third place applicants received a total of 155 points. Photo | David Jenkins

the hardest part [is] being able to build [a] consensus around key issues as we move forward is going to be one of those pieces of hard work head of us.

“There’s an enormous amount of potential and opportunity here and to not see that would be remiss.”

He said he was excited to see how the other applicants performed and it is encouraging to see the “amazing” people in the district that

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NORWALK – Deputy Mark Claahsen celebrated 30 years of service with the LA County Sheriff’s Department this week. Pictured above is La Mirada Mayor Ed Eng and Captain Jim Tatreau who recognized Claahsen for his service at the Norwalk Station and in La Mirada for the last 28 years.

Only 16, Downey’s Samantha Tafolla owns a growing vintage clothing business

DOWNEY – Not wanting to just work for minimum wage, one local teenager has taken matters into her own hands.

Like many her age, 16 year-old Samantha Tafolla wanted some spending cash, but a summer job wasn’t really her style.

“In the summer of 2016, I didn’t want to work for anybody or have a summer job and get paid minimum wage,” said Tafolla. “So I decided buy my own clothes so that I can resell.”

And thus Mas Vintage was born. Tafolla started out with just a little bit of money. She took to her first flea market at Pasadena City College.

Her beginnings were humble, but they caught on.

“I just had one rack,” said Tafolla. “A lot of people seemed to enjoy my stuff and a lot of people were buying things from me...after all the positive feedback, I continued to keep buying, you know? It just became my hobby; I love it so much.”



Not only does she enjoy her new business venture, she is actually making a profit. Tafolla now has several flea markets that she frequents, and a humble following.

“I have people looking for me at certain flea markets,” said Tafolla. “A lot of people come to me for bulk buy, and just because they want to check out my stuff.”

She even shares her products and customers on an Instagram page dedicated to her business.

Mas Vinatge still continues to grow. While she doesn’t have a website yet, she says it is in the works.

She also plans to eventually go to school for business, once she graduates from Downey High School in a couple of years.

“I’m for sure going to go to college and get a major probably in business,” said Tafolla. “Just so I have a back-up plan.”

For now Tafolla hopes to find someone with a store space, whod be willing to help her out by renting to her cheaper and on a month to month basis.

“I am a high school student, I’m just getting started,” said Tafolla. Mas Vintage can be found on Instagram at [masvintage0](https://www.instagram.com/masvintage0).

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Compton College gets accreditation restored

COMPTON – California Community Colleges Board of Governors President Cecilia V. Estolano congratulated college and community leaders along with faculty and students from Compton Community College District last week following a decision that restores accreditation to Compton College.

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) granted initial accreditation status to Compton College on Wednesday.

“This is an extraordinary accomplishment and joyous moment for the community of Compton and for the California Community Colleges system,” Estolano said. “The accreditation commission recognized the remarkable progress on the part of faculty, staff, administrators, students and community leaders. It has long been our goal at the Board of Governors to see Compton College once again operate as an independent, accredited institution.”

Compton Community College District encompasses about 29 square miles, making educational services available to residents of Compton, Lynwood, Paramount and Willowbrook, as well as portions of Athens, Bellflower, Carson, Downey, Dominguez, Lakewood, Long Beach and South Gate.

L.A. County’s ‘Lunch at the Library’ expanded

NORWALK - Los Angeles County Library has expanded its Lunch at the Library program to 15 libraries this summer, including Norwalk.

Kicked off on June 12, 15 County libraries will provide a free lunch to youth through 18 years of age from noon to 1 p.m., with no restrictions on family income, through August 4.

Lunches will include items such as sandwiches, fruits, vegetables, and healthy dairy products. (There will be no lunch served on July 4 as all L.A. County Libraries will be closed in honor of the July 4 holiday and August 3 for an annual Staff Development Day).

Lunches are provided by the USDA Summer Food Service Program. The ‘Lunch at the Library’ program is a partnership between the LA County Library and the Los Angeles County Department of Parks & Recreation.

For additional information, call (562) 868-0775.