

South Gate soldier killed in combat

SOUTH GATE – The Pentagon has identified the soldier killed in an apparent insider attack Saturday in Afghanistan as Army Cpl. Joseph Maciel of South Gate.

Maciel was killed and two other American service members were wounded in what US military officials called an “apparent insider attack” on July 7 while they were advising local forces at an Afghan military facility in the town of Tarin Kowt in Uruzgan Province.

This is the third combat fatality in Afghanistan this year.

The NATO-led coalition in Afghanistan, Resolute Support, said Saturday that the incident was under investigation and that the two wounded US service members are being treated and are in stable condition.

Maciel was assigned to 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division, based at Fort Benning, Georgia, according to the Department of Defense. He had been serving in Afghanistan since February.

The Pentagon said Maciel was part of Operation Freedom’s Sentinel, which conducts counterterrorism missions targeting terrorist groups like al Qaeda and the local ISIS affiliate in Afghanistan and also focuses on building up local Afghan forces.

Maciel’s task force was deployed in support of the 1st Security Force Assistance Brigade, a newly established unit that is focused on advising and bolstering local troops and is seen as critical to America’s strategy in Afghanistan. The specially trained unit’s 800 members are intended to advise Afghan forces in small teams, embedding more closely with their Afghan partners than conventional units.

US Army Col. Scott Jackson, the Security Force Assistance Brigade’s commander in Afghanistan, told reporters last month that insider attacks were a threat but that US forces were taking necessary precautions.

“As the commander of this organization, I take all threats seriously, and I assess all threats,” Jackson said in a briefing with reporters at the Pentagon by video teleconference from Afghanistan.

“And right now, you know, yes, green on blue could be a threat, but we have not had a single incident,” Jackson said, using a military term for insider attacks. “And I will tell you honestly, we have had our Afghan partners come to us with intelligence that preempted potential attacks, and they have been proactively taking care of their own problems.”

The last insider attack that resulted in a US casualty occurred two months earlier, in June of last year.

Maciel is survived by his father and mother.



For Norwalk’s SkillsUSA team, the sky is the limit

► From prom to toys, Norwalk’s SkillsUSA shows they are amongst the elite in the nation.

NORWALK – After a successful showing nationally, the SkillsUSA program at Norwalk High School is gearing up for a several-month long holiday fundraiser.

Several of the students of Norwalk High’s SkillsUSA program recently returned from the 2018 SkillsUSA National Conference in Kentucky.

Advisor Ken Cook says that this was a personal best year for the program’s conference attendance.

“We had students competing in multiple competitions, from ‘Models of Excellence,’ we had restaurant service, pathway showcase with our engineering students,” said Cook. “In total we took seven students, three advisors, which for us was a personal record.”

The Norwalk students shined, earning a win in Models of Excellence – an achievement that put them amongst an elite group of the 24 SkillsUSA chapters nationally.

“The Models of Excellence is a really neat award because it’s the only award that’s community service based,” said Cook. “We mainly received it for a special project that we worked on with the City of Norwalk and the School District.”

That project was the production of a Prom for the district’s moderate to severe disability students.

“They have disabilities from autism all the way down to wheelchair bound,” said Cook. “The high school students don’t typically participate in a Prom. Some of them do, but for the ones that do they’re higher functioning. For the lower functioning ones, especially the autistic ones that have sensory issues, a prom is overwhelming.

“What people don’t realize is a Prom is also very



Norwalk High’s SkillsUSA team outside a Waffle House in Louisville, Kentucky two weeks ago.

expensive...a lot of times you have a kid that’s handicapped, and on top of that he’s poor. What we wanted to do is create something special for them.”

The prom took place at the Norwalk Arts and Sports Complex, with SkillsUSA catering the event at no charge.

“It was important for us to support that event,” said Cook.

Now back from Kentucky, and with students currently on summer break, Cook and the rest of the SkillsUSA Norwalk Chapter are starting to put together the pieces for the upcoming year.

One of those pieces involves toys; lots and lots of toys.

Ken, his students, and the rest of the SkillsUSA Norwalk team will be running a several month-long fundraiser that they are calling “Toys For Tacos.”

“Some people don’t have the funds for Christmas,” said 18-year-old SkillsUSA student Angel Meyers, who recently graduated from Norwalk High School and will shortly be attending at Cerritos College.

SkillsUSA Norwalk will be getting a little help from Lowes in the form of \$4,000 to “impact the community.”

“Because of them...we’re gonna take that and basically give kids that need or want toys, and we’re gonna do that

in exchange for tacos.”

“We’re going to take probably \$2–3,000 dollars of that money; we’ve realized that return on investment for food is pretty decent,” added Cook.

“What we want to do is take our trailer out into the community, partner up with the Norwalk Chamber of Commerce, the Norwalk Coordinating Council – some strategic partners that we’ve already established –and what we want to do is cook tacos in their parking lot. A family comes in, instead of paying the bill, help out another family with some toys. Bring an unwrapped gift, and we’re going to be very generous with our food.

“Our goal is to take \$2,500 of cash and turn it into \$10,000 worth of toys.”

Cook says that they’re aiming to launch in September.

“Right now, we’re doing the plans...we will probably go till the day of Christmas,” said Cook.

While it may seem like a daunting task, the students of SkillsUSA are hungry and up to the task.

“I’m prepared, I’m well prepared,” said Meyers. “Honestly I just can’t wait to give back to the people that actually need it.”

Norwalk restaurant grades

Wok California
12551 1/2 E Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 7/5/18
Grade: **A**

Angelina’s Famous Pizza
12553 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 7/3/18
Grade: **A**

Village Liquor
12527 E Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 7/3/18
Grade: **A**

Drinking Water Store
12553 1/2 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 7/2/18
Grade: **A**

McDonalds
11053 Rosecrans Ave
Date Inspected: 6/29/18
Grade: **A**

Little Caesars
11033 E Rosecrans Ave
Date Inspected: 6/29/18
Grade: **A**

Jack in the Box
12060 E Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 6/29/18
Grade: **A**

Chevron Food Mart
12155 Imperial Hwy
Date Inspected: 6/28/18
Grade: **A**

Waba Grill
11005 Firestone Blvd
Date Inspected: 6/28/18
Grade: **A**

McDonalds
10841 Imperial Hwy
Date Inspected: 6/28/18
Grade: **A**

California Sushi and Teriyaki
12531 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 6/28/18
Grade: **A**

Ozen Sushi
16511 S Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 6/28/18
Grade: **A**

Sanchez Restaurant
12061 E 162nd St.
Date Inspected: 6/28/18
Grade: **A**

Wendy’s
12138 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 6/28/18
Grade: **A**

Golden West Donuts
10948 Imperial Hwy Ste 106
Date Inspected: 6/28/18
Grade: **A**

Taco Kings
11740 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 6/28/18
Grade: **A**

Amalia’s Bakeshop and Restaurant
18929 Norwalk Blvd.
Date Inspected: 6/27/18
Grade: **A**

Randy’s Donuts
10989 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 6/27/18
Grade: **A**

Subway
10995 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 6/27/18
Grade: **A**

88 Kings Chinese Fast Food & Donuts
16441 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 6/27/18
Grade: **A**

Lutong Bahay Filipino Fast Food
12547 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 6/27/18
Grade: **B**

3 Amigos Tacos
16441 S Pioneer Blvd Ste JS
Date Inspected: 6/27/18
Grade: **A**

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 90° ☀️

Saturday 89° ☁️

Sunday 85° ☁️



Mariachi Divas

Friday - Heritage Park in Santa Fe Springs, 6:30 pm

The Mariachi Divas perform a free concert as part of Santa Fe Springs’ summer concert series.



Colorado Street Bridge Party

Saturday - Colorado Bridge in Pasadena, 6 pm

A night of music, dancing, vintage cars, free kids activities, and festive foods atop Pasadena’s historic bridge. \$20



ROQ of the 90’s

Saturday - Santa Fe Springs Swap Meet, 5 pm

KROQ presents this outdoor festival featuring live rock music, beer, micheladas, food and entertainment. \$20



Summer Train Fest

Saturday - Union Station, 10 am

Free family event featuring a rare collection of restored vintage train engines and cars from the 1940s-60s. Plus rarely seen train cars from Amtrak and Metrolink.

TWEETS OF THE WEEK

@kenyon_sholty: LeBron James with the chase down block on Kevin Durant!!

Kuzma gets the rebound

5 seconds left

Kuzma throws an outlet to Lonzo

Lonzo throws a no look pass to a wide open Brandon Ingram for three

IT GOES IN!!

Final Score: Lakers 95 Warriors 211

@NHSrace: A little heat will not slow down the NHS Race Team! This summer will be spent finishing up old projects, to make room for new ones. We’re going full-throttle, to prepare for an epic year.

@NorwalkPatriot

Shared Stories: I Saw the Inside of Hell

Anthony Caldwell is one of the thousands who worked at the fabled Bethlehem Steel plant in Vernon. Anthony’s graphic description of the process of making steel highlights the powerful forces required for this product so necessary to our way of life. 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.

By Anthony Caldwell

There has to be a heaven because I saw the inside of hell.

In the 1970’s you could get a job doing anything. All you had to do was have the qualifications, or ‘lie’ about it. I got a job at ‘Big Beth’ – Bethlehem Steel in Vernon, California.

Bethlehem Steel recycled steel from scrap yards, junk yards, home products and the plant ran twenty-four hours a day.

On Vernon Avenue, cars waiting for trains or traffic lights to change had to roll

up their windows to keep the heat out. The plant sat right next to the street and the heat came from red-hot ingot cars coming out of the melt-ladle department.

My job with the maintenance department was to lube the equipment while it was working. You had to be fast, unless all was locked-out (stopped).

We were on top of the red-hot heat ovens powered by natural gas and whose covers were made of bricks. If you had the bricks fail, well, goodbye! That didn’t scare me too bad.

But on top of the gantry crane, overlooking the electric, carbon-arc melting crucibles, the foreman called, “Hang on! We have to make a dump into the melt. So stay put!”

The 50-ft. gantry crane started moving down the hundred-yard long dark, dirty building. It picked up a dump container full of refrigerators, electric irons, pots, pans, and whatever junk steel was in it and went back to the electric melt-crucibles department.

I looked over the side and my hand brushed the black, gritty slag – dust – over the

side. The top of the forty-foot wide lid raised up and moved with its hundreds of cables of copper wires and carbon arc electrodes swinging out of the way.

I looked down at the white-hot and red molten steel and slag. The dump container opened its bottom and the contents poured into the molten brew.

Then all hell broke loose. Explosions – red, green, purple, black, yellow – clouds like a storm enveloped us and the gantry crane!

Breathing the whirlwind of complete pollution was impossible! You had to cover your face and your dust mask with anything handy. I did my best with paper towels and felt my skin react to many poisonous types of chemicals.

Finally the gantry crane moved away from the big pot and the lid swung back and closed. Then the cables started dancing, and the electric power returned.

The next day I asked for a transfer, and being denied, I quit on the spot.

NORWALK HAPPENINGS

Friday, July 13

Como La Flor Workshop, 7 pm. Create giant paper flowers using materials of different colors and sizes. Step by step instructions. Norwalk Cultural Arts Center, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

Family Movie Night: Coco, 7:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair and blanket for a screening of “Coco” on a 400-ft. outdoor screen. Norwalk Park, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

Saturday, July 14

Neighborhood Block Party, 2-5 pm. Get to know local residents and law enforcement at an afternoon of barbecuing and community-building. Sarah Mendez Park, 11660 Dune St.

Dive-In Movie Night, 7 pm. Jump into the pool and watch a screening of “Cars 3.” Rated PG. Norwalk Aquatic Pavilion, 12301 Sproul St.

Tuesday, July 17

Ian Calderon Office Hours, 10 am to 1 pm. Staff members of Assemblymember Ian Calderon will be available to answer questions or hear concerns related to state issues. Norwalk City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Wednesday, July 18

Job Fair, 10 am to 1 pm. Available positions include security guards, class A & B drivers, welder fabricators, diesel technicians, laborers, and heavy equipment technicians. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

Live in Concert: Knyght Ryder, 7 pm. Playing the hits of the 70’s and 80’s, including AC/DC, Cheap Trick, Journey, and more. City Hall lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Friday, July 20

Family Movie Night: Wonder, 7:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair

and blanket for a screening of “Wonder” on a 400-ft. outdoor screen. Norwalk Park, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

Saturday, July 21

Hazardous Waste Collection, 9 am to 3 pm. Bring your paints, chemicals, needles and electronics for proper disposal. Limit 15 gallons or 125 lbs. per trip. Cerritos College stadium parking lot, 11110 Alondra Blvd.

Summer Jamz at the Park, 4-8 pm. The band Fresh performs Latin, rock, R&B, and hip-hop. Plus food booths, games and summer activities. Hermosillo Park, 11959 162nd St.

Wednesday, July 25

Live in Concert: The Hodads, 7 pm. The Hodads blend 70s disco/beach/classics music, stylish costumes and audience interaction. City Hall lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Planning Commission Meeting 7:30 pm. Planning

Commissioners meet to discuss and approve projects for the further development of Norwalk. City Hall-Council Chambers, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Thursday, July 26

Neighborhood Watch Meeting, 6:30 pm. Speak to neighborhood and learn about local crime trends. 14700 block of Gridley Road.

Friday, July 27

Family Movie Night: Black Panther, 7:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair and blanket for a screening of “Black Panther” on a 400-ft. outdoor screen. Norwalk Park, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

Plants in a Glass, 7 pm. A fun and entertaining time of planting, digging, and creating your very own succulent terrarium. An instructor will guide you step-by-step through the whole process. All seating is first come, first serve. Cost \$25. Rich Rehearsal Hall, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

Saturday, July 28

Neighborhood Block Party, 2 pm. Get to know local residents and law enforcement at an afternoon of barbecuing and community-building. Hermosillo Park, 11959 162nd St.

Wednesday, August 1

Live in Concert: LAvation, 7 pm. The U2 tribute band performs an amazingly accurate show, incorporating stage elements from past U2 concerts. City Hall lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Thursday, August 2

Kids Beach Bus, 9 am. Kids ages 8-17 are invited to take a bus to Redondo Beach for a day at the beach. Two pick-up locations: Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex and Social Services Center.

Wednesday, August 3

Family Movie Night: Wonder Woman, 7:30 pm. Bring your lawn chair and blanket for a screening of “Wonder Woman” on a 400-ft. outdoor screen. Norwalk Park, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

Wednesday, August 8

Live in Concert: Soto Band, 7 pm. Latin funk, R&B rhythms and highly-choreographed dance moves are signatures of a Soto Band concert. City Hall lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Saturday, August 11

Summer Jamz at the Park, 4-8 pm. Vinyl Funk performs 70s funk and 60s R&B. Plus food booths and games. Gerdes Park, 14700 Gridley Rd.

Friday, August 17

Friday Flicks: Transformers., 8 pm. A free outdoor screening of ‘Transformers.’ City Hall lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Friday, August 24

Open Mic., 7 pm. Calling all singers, dancers, poets, comedians and musicians. Norwalk Cultural Arts Center, 13200 Clarkdale Aven.

SHORT STORY: The Attack

By Jennifer Martinez

The sun began to disappear, the evening air was cool and light. The wind blew the flowers lightly in the meadow which made everything so calm, so beautiful, so delicate.

Yet I sat there and thought to myself: *How can I take control? How do I stop this? How do I handle this? Will I just continue to gain pressure and allow my anxiety level to rise? How can I control my breathing? How do I allow this to happen without panicking?*

He put his arm around me as

if to comfort me, and suddenly my heart began to race. I felt the sweat begin to form at my hairline, the very thought of him getting closer made my breath increase.

With every breath, I felt my heart pound more and more; every inhale and exhale got faster and faster. My heart increased in speed; it felt as if it was going to beat right out of my chest. My mouth slowly dried up. With every breath, my eyes wandered somewhere else, yet they stayed glued to the floor.

I remembered the flowers,

there were sunflowers that trapped over, multi-colored lilies, lupines, wildflowers, and foxtails. I could see the roots of each flower, how they are intertwined, causing there to be no path in the meadow, just flowers upon flowers.

I took control of my breathing and my heartrate slowly decreased back to a normal speed. Suddenly I felt his eyes staring at me -- my stomach dropped to the floor, and my heart rate increased speed again. With my head still down, I slowly looked up at him.

He used his finger to lift my head, and stole a kiss; a deep, stern, yet refreshing kiss. His smooth lips brushed over mine, it felt like he had painted a picture with his lips, and mine were the canvas. It had instantly brought my heart rate to a normal speed. His touch of a kiss had calmed me.

After a while, he pulled away and stood up. He then gestured his hand toward me to help me up and walked me through the meadow, one hand wrapped around his, and the other traced the flowers as we walked. It was calm, cool and relaxed.

We walked through the meadow, through the forest, through our neighborhood, and to my front door. There at my door, he stood in front of me now he held both of my hands. He explained to me how he had a wonderful time with me.

With that in mind, I began to take shorter breaths once again. My heart rate increased. My ears began to ring. With everything around me, I started to see double. His excitement, the thought of him, he had a good time with me....with me, excited me too much. I closed my eyes to try and take over my anxiety attack.

I thought to myself: *Learn, learn how to take control. Breathe, decrease heart rate, take control:* the ringing in my ears turns to muffled noises. It felt like so much time has passed by when I heard something past the noise in my ears.

The noise was him. He began to rub my arm and softly said, “Breathe, slowly, with me, in 1, 2, 3 out, 1, 2, 3 again,

in, out, there you go.”

As he helped me take control, I thought: *How... How does he do it? How does he control it so well? How are his attacks minimized? How does he know how to cope with it so well? How does he know how to help me?*

I know he suffers from the same disease. Yet he handles it so much better than me. Still, I am comforted by his touch, his voice, it now calms me, it now has a new effect on me. But at times it’s the cause of my anxiety; I wonder what triggers and what calms?

I continued to think and wonder, as half of me listened to him. He instructed me, calmed me. Finally, I was back to a normal heart rate. We talked about him picking me up again the next day for another picnic in the meadow. I agreed, which gave me a small increase in heart rate that I quickly took control over, with a squeeze of his hand.

He said goodbye, with a

small kiss that was placed on my forehead. As he walked away, he waited to let go of my hand until our arms couldn’t stretch any further.

I stepped inside the house, closed the door behind me, leaned against the door, and slowly sank to the floor with a smile on my face. I recapped the day. Every moment replayed in my mind, the emotions sent my body into shock. My brain started to scramble. Breaths got shorter and my chest-recoils increased.

My eyes began to float and became heavy as I saw my mom run to me in despair. *Trying... trying... she’s trying.. to get... to get to me before I black out,* almost reaching me before my eyes dropped and my head hit the floor. Before everything went dark...

Jennifer Martinez is young, new writer attending Downey High School. She hopes that you enjoy reading her story just as much as she enjoyed writing it.

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Roe vs. Wade is yesterday’s fight

By Froma Harrop

If the Supreme Court were to overturn Roe v. Wade, the right to an abortion might no longer be law of the land. But the ability to obtain one would remain a fact of the land. It might be harder to end a pregnancy in some states, but there would be no returning to the pre-Roe world.

That’s because a lot has changed since the 1973 decision. For all the passionate anti-abortion activism, Americans have been, if anything, moving toward greater acceptance. Support for making abortion illegal in all cases has fallen to 18 percent, down from 22 percent in 1976, according to Gallup polling. The percentage of people who want it legal in all circumstances has risen by 7 points over the period, to 29 percent.

In the middle stand the 50 percent who want it legal under certain circumstances. That is the position of Roe. The ruling held that the right to an abortion lasts only to the point that the fetus could live outside the womb. Back then, viability was placed at about 28 weeks.

Some alleged abortion foes want to make exceptions for cases of rape or incest. This is “pro-life” hypocrisy. The circumstances of the conception in no way change the nature of the fetus.

In deference to “pro-life” groups, some states have tried to ban abortions performed for reasons of sex selection or a genetic disorder, such as Down syndrome. One can share their distaste for favoring one sex over another — and admire parents who choose to raise a child with Down syndrome. But none of this matters. A woman currently has a right to an early abortion, no explanation required. Why is nobody’s business.

What would happen on the ground if Roe were thrown out? Conservative states might put new restrictions on abortion that sound radical but, in many cases, wouldn’t change the situation much. Mississippi’s 15-week limit for abortion, now in the courts, may not be so restrictive as the fact that the state has only one clinic providing it.

The ongoing debate should recognize that since Roe became law, the abortion rate has fallen by half. That’s thanks to improved birth control methods, including morning-after pills, which can prevent a pregnancy up to five days after unprotected sex.

Another reality is that nearly a third of abortions outside of hospitals are now being performed noninvasively with pills. Medication abortions require two pills, one supervised by a doctor, another taken in the privacy of one’s home.

Arkansas passed legislation to virtually ban all medication abortions. Even if it gets through the courts, it’s unclear how any state is going to stop people from taking pills. Unprescribed opioids are illegal, and they’re everywhere.

In states that make abortions hard or impossible to obtain, middle-class women will travel elsewhere to end their pregnancies. The poor will be forced to have children they don’t want or can’t afford. The states will be left with the hard socio-economic consequences.

Many who support a basic right to abortion are unsettled by new medical technology that has enabled doctors to save fetuses at 23 or 24 weeks. Tightening the rules to recognize these developments is in order. Sweden, for example, allows abortion for any reason until 18 weeks into the pregnancy. After that, the request goes to a government agency, which



Brett Kavanaugh

grants it when something has gone wrong with the pregnancy.

There’s no point in arguing with those who want to ban abortion altogether. They are entitled to their views. But the pro-choice majority remains a decided majority. And that’s why whatever happens to Roe — and let’s hope it survives — the right to end a pregnancy isn’t going away.

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What’s at stake if Kavanaugh joins the court

By Olivia Alperstein

President Donald Trump has nominated Judge Brett Kavanaugh to replace former Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy. Why should you care? Because everything from reproductive rights to voting, education, and health care is now at stake.

Kavanaugh, a judicial ideologue committed to pulling the Court further to the right, may also reverse decades of key rulings that uphold the constitutional right to personal liberty and autonomy.

All Americans say they value personal freedom, especially the right to make our own decisions about our private lives. Every day, we take that liberty for granted, from exercising our right to free speech to lighting up sparklers on the Fourth of July. Cherishing our liberties is as American as apple pie — but our right to exercise those liberties could be undone.

Nowhere is the issue more critical than on reproductive rights. Kavanaugh’s nomination will mean a major battle to undo key protections in Roe v. Wade, the landmark 1973 Supreme Court case that firmly established the right to access safe, legal abortion.

Striking down Roe would immediately outlaw abortion in states where pre-Roe anti-abortion laws are technically still

on the books. As many as 22 states could be impacted over the course of two years.

That’s bad enough. But it’s also critical to remember the reasoning behind the historic 7-2 ruling: that people have a constitutional right to privacy.

Specifically, the Supreme Court upheld and enshrined the protections included in the First, Fourth, Ninth, and Fourteenth Amendments, holding that those protections applied to decisions a person might make about their own body.

Ultimately, that decision informed several other critical rulings, including cases that forbade bans on same-sex romantic relationships and affirmed the right to same-sex marriage. According to Roe, the right to make your own choices is one of the founding principles that govern this country.

If Roe is overturned, that could set off a chain reaction that upends this critical foundation behind other landmark cases — both those that came before and those that came after.

The constitutional right to privacy informed Loving v. Virginia, which struck down criminalization of interracial marriage, and Griswold v. Connecticut, which enabled the legalization of contraceptives. The constitutional right to

privacy also played a key role in Carpenter v. United States, a recent ruling that prohibits warrantless collection of cellphone users’ data without reasonable cause.

Judicial precedent set by the Supreme Court has built a solid foundation for interpretation of the law — but all it takes is a stacked court to have that foundation tumble like a house of cards.

Supreme Court appointments are for life. The rulings these justices make affect the entire judicial system for decades, if not centuries, to come. Each year, dozens of critical cases come before the court that deeply impact people’s rights and daily lives.

While outgoing Justice Anthony Kennedy wasn’t perfect, he was committed to upholding the personal right to privacy as enshrined in U.S. law. Kavanaugh, however, could roll back our hard-won freedoms — and those of future generations.

The Senate will be voting soon on whether to confirm Kavanaugh. A lot more than just a vacant bench hangs in the balance.

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Explaining American leftists: Part I

By Dennis Prager

As I watch a great number of my fellow Americans and virtually all of the mainstream media descend further and further into irrational and immoral hysteria — regularly calling the president of the United States and all of his supporters Nazis, white supremacists and the like; harassing Republicans where they eat, shop and live; ending family ties and lifelong friendships with people who support the president; declaring their opposition to Trump and the Republican Party the “Resistance,” as if they were American reincarnations of the French who fought real Nazis in World War II; and so on — I ask myself: What is going on? How does one explain them?

Here are some answers:

- 1. Naivete

Many Americans are naive, about life, about good and evil, and about America. They don’t realize how rare America is and how good they have it. This mass naivete was vividly expressed by the reaction of tens of thousands of mostly white middle-class Americans to then-candidate Barack Obama in 2008, when he was campaigning in Columbia, Missouri. Obama announced, “We are five days away from

fundamentally transforming the United States of America.”

I frequently play the recording of Obama’s statement on my radio show not only to explain a basic difference between right and left — the left believes America needs to be fundamentally transformed, while the right thinks America needs to be incrementally improved — but also for people to hear the crowd’s reaction.

Very few contemporary American recordings are as depressing as the ecstatic and prolonged cheering the crowd gave that terrible promise from Obama. I believe it is not an exaggeration to say that had he announced a cure for cancer, the cheering could not have been louder and probably would not have been longer.

Why would middle-class Americans — people who have more affluence, more opportunity, better health, better health care and more liberty than almost anyone alive in the world today, and certainly than anyone who ever lived — thunderously applaud a call to fundamentally transform their decent country?

One answer — one of many, as we will see — is naivete.

Earlier this year, I had a debate/dialogue with two left-wing students at the University of California, Berkeley. I thought debating left-wing students, rather than giving a speech, would accomplish two objectives: deter left-wing protesters from disrupting my appearance and enable young people at Berkeley and around the world (via the internet) to hear differences between right and left clearly spelled out. Both aims were achieved.

My final question to them was “Do you believe people are basically good?” Without a moment’s pause, both students said yes.

I told them they think that way because they live in such a decent country. It is easy to remain naive in America, where most are insulated from the suffering inflicted on so much of humanity in deeply corrupt, poverty-stricken and war-torn societies. Nevertheless, given the way humans have treated one another throughout history, and only two generations after Auschwitz, only the naive can believe people are basically good. And since no Western religion (i.e., any religion based on the Bible) has ever posited that people are basically good, this naivete is abetted by secularism, which allows for the pursuit of knowledge but destroys wisdom.

Only the naive — or willfully ignorant — could equate support for Donald Trump with Nazism. Are most Israeli

Jews Nazis? Are a third of America’s Jews Nazis? (Many on the left would probably answer yes, which gives you an idea how mean and sick many on the left are.)

- 2. Boredom

Boredom, at least in our time, is the most overlooked source of evil. In the past, before people went to college and abandoned religion — the two greatest reasons there is so much moral idiocy in our time — people knew how dangerous boredom was. “Idle hands are the devil’s workshop” was a commonly used aphorism that wouldn’t even make sense to most young people today.

By bored I am not referring to a lack of things to do. There is more opportunity to do and experience things today than ever before. By bored I mean a deep boredom of the soul, what the French call “ennui.” This is the boredom that emanates from lack of purpose and a yearning for excitement.

The combination of affluence and secularism produces boredom as surely as the combination of hydrogen and oxygen produces water. Without affluence, people have a built-in purpose: obtaining food and shelter, supporting oneself and one’s family, etc. And religion, with or without affluence, likewise has always provided people with meaning. Without religion, therefore, purpose is often lost. Add to that the number of people who are not married and do not have children (also a result of the combination of affluence and secularism) and you remove another universal source of meaning.

A disproportionate percentage of those on the left (not traditional liberals) do not lack for material needs, have no religion and are single and/or childless. Those left-wing screamers you see in restaurants, the left-wing mobs on campus, the left-wing “antifa” thugs and the left-wing Black Lives Matter demonstrators who close down bridges and highways do not generally consist of married people with children who attended church the previous Sunday.

These people find this lack of purpose assuaged by leftism. It provides meaning and excitement, a very heady combination.

These are a few explanations. In Part II I will offer others.

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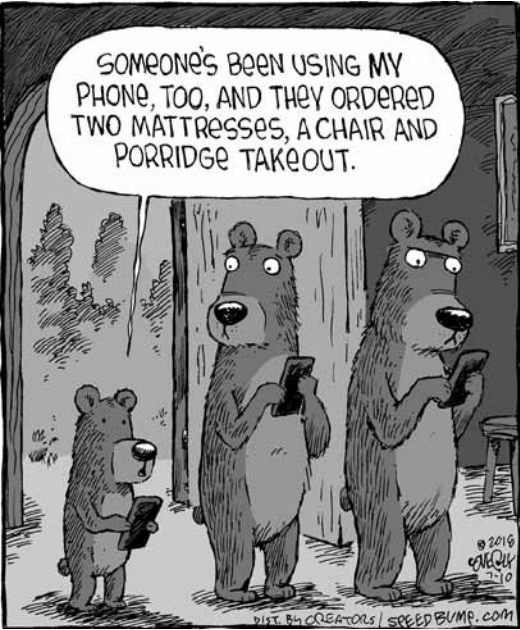
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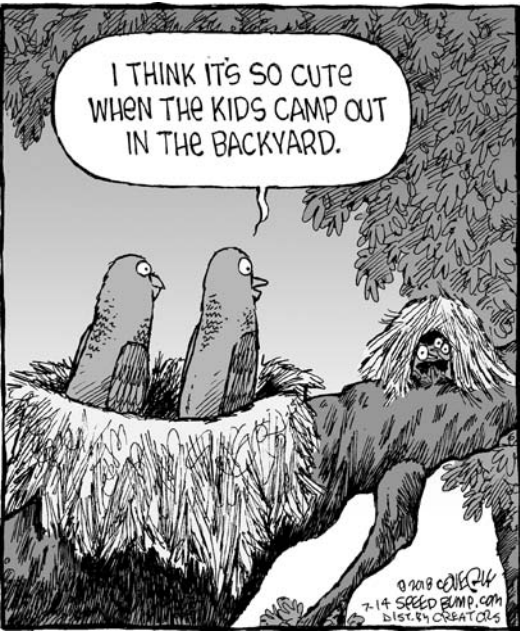
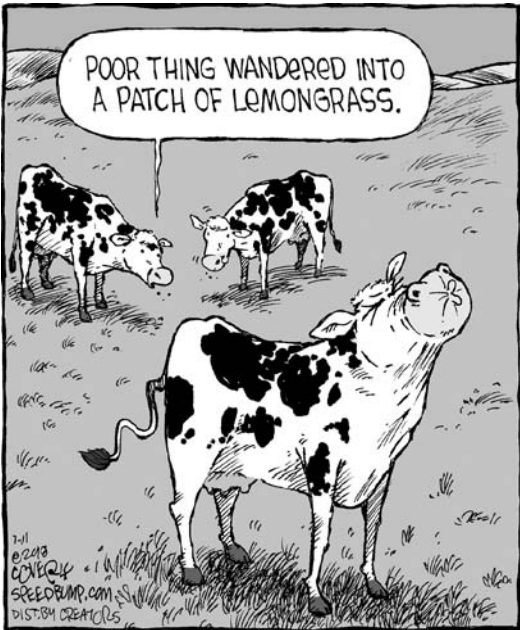


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On This Day...

July 13, 1832: Henry Schoolcraft discovered the source of the Mississippi River in Minnesota.
1863: Opponents of the Civil War draft began three days of rioting in New York City, which resulted in more than 1,000 casualties.
1972: Carroll Rosenbloom (owner of the Baltimore Colts) and Robert Irsay (owner of the Los Angeles Rams) traded teams.
1984: In Arkansas, Terry Wallis was injured in a car accident and was left comatose. He came out of the coma in June of 2003.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 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**
1st, 12:30 p.m. - Soroptimist International - Soroptimist Village
1st & 3rd, 7:00 p.m. - Lions Club - Bruce's Restaurant
2nd, 10:30 a.m. - Norwalk Woman's Club - Masonic Lodge
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.
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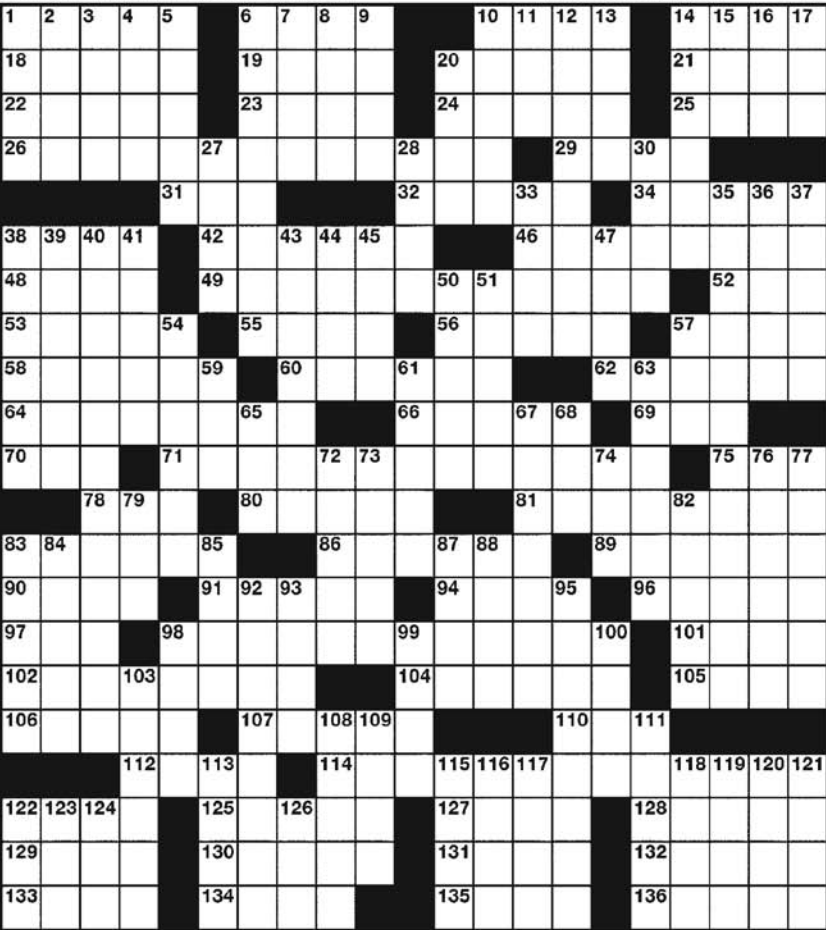
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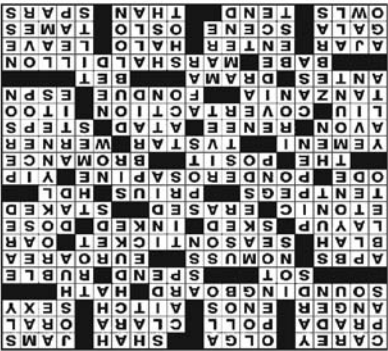
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File Number 2018154841

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) MI LINDO PURUANDIRO, 16026 PIONEER BLVD., NORWALK CA 90650, LA COUNTY Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) STEPHANIE VILLEGAS ZAMORA, 1403 LEMON AVE, LONG BEACH CA 90813 (2) OLGA LA GUIRRE CISNEROS, 1403 LEMON AVE, LONG BEACH CA 90813 State of Incorporation: N/A THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: 06/2018 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/STEPHANIE VILLEGAS ZAMORA, PARTNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 25, 2018 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 2018146366

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) VALDEZ LANDSCAPE, 1846 FRUITVALE AVE, SOUTH EL MONTE CA 91733 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) PEDRO VALDEZ OBREGON, 1846 FRUITVALE AVE, SOUTH EL MONTE CA 91733 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: 06/2018 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/PEDRO VALDEZ OBREGON, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 14, 2018 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 2018161734

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) JACK BODE JEWELRY, 14327 PIONEER BLVD #A, NORWALK CA 90650, LA COUNTY Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) HAGOP BASMAJIAN, 14327 PIONEER BLVD#A, NORWALK CA 90650 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: 07/2018 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/HAGOP BASMAJIAN, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JULY 9, 2018 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 2018158514

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) BUENA'S TRUCKING, 13012 AVONLEA AVE, NORWALK CA 90650, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: N/A REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) BUENAVENTURA TORRES ANDRADE, 13012 AVONLEA AVE, NORWALK CA 90650 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: 10/2013 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/BUENAVENTURA TORRES ANDRADE, OWNER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on JUNE 27, 2018 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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GOVERNMENT

CITY OF NORWALK NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR PHASE II CONSTRUCTION OF THE TRANSPORTATION/PUBLIC SERVICES MUNICIPAL YARD AUXILIARY LOT 12800 IMPERIAL HIGHWAY PROJECT NO. 7786.1

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 August 14, 2018. Bids are to be submitted to the City Clerk's office, Room 10, City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, California 90650. Bids will be opened and read aloud in the City Clerk's Office Room 10 unless otherwise posted.

Obtaining Bid Documents. 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 \$24.50 charge. For plans and specifications that are required to be mailed the charge will be \$34.50. Checks are to be made payable to the City of Norwalk.

Facsimile Number and Email Address. Bidders shall supply the City Engineer with a facsimile number and email address to facilitate transmission of Addenda and other information related to these Contract Documents. If the Addenda and other information are emailed, the City shall also send all documents by facsimile or U.S. Mail. Failure to provide such a facsimile number and email address may result in late notification. The City does not guarantee that it will provide any information by facsimile, email, or both. A Bidder shall be responsible for all Addenda regardless of whether Bidder received any such fax or email, and a Bidder shall have no recourse due to not receiving such facsimile, email or both.

Registration with the Department of Industrial Relations. In accordance with Labor Code Sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, no contractor or subcontractor shall be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions for bid purposes only under Labor Code Section 1771.1 (a)].

Prevailing Wages. In accordance with Labor Code Section 1770 et seq., the Project is a "public work." The selected Bidder (Contractor) and any Subcontractors shall pay wages in accordance with the determination of the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") regarding the prevailing rate of per diem wages. Copies of those rates are available from the Department of Industrial Relations Web site. The Contractor shall post a copy of the DIR's determination of the prevailing rate of per diem wages at each job site. This Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR.

Bonds. Each Bid must be accompanied by a cash deposit, cashier's check, certified check or Bidder's Bond issued by a Surety insurer, made payable to the City and in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total Bid submitted. Personal or company checks are not acceptable. Upon Contract award, the Contractor shall provide faithful performance and payment Bonds, each in a sum equal to the Contract Price. Before acceptance of the Project, the Contractor shall submit a warranty or maintenance Bond that is valid for one year from acceptance, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the final Contract Price, in lieu of that Bond, the Contractor may submit proof from the Surety that the performance Bond has been extended for the appropriate duration of time. All Bonds must be issued by a California admitted Surety insurer using the forms set forth in the Contract Documents, or in any other form approved by the City Attorney. Failure to enter into the Contract with the City, including the submission of all required Bonds and insurance coverages, within fifteen (15) Days after the date of the mailing of written notice of contract award to the Bidder, may subject the Bid security to forfeiture to the extent provided by law.

Licenses. Each Bidder shall possess a valid Class A Contractor's license issued by the California State Contractors License Board at the time of the Bid submission. The successful Contractor must also possess a current City Business license.

Industrial Safety Record. The bidder shall submit as part of its Bid a completed copy of its Industrial Safety Record including all construction Work undertaken in California by the bidder and any partnership, joint venture or corporation that any principal of the bidder participated in as a principal or owner for the last five (5) calendar years and the current calendar year before the date of Bid submittal.

Incorporation of Standard Specifications. The 2018 edition of "Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction" ("Standard Specifications"), as amended by the Contract Documents, is incorporated into the Contract Documents by reference.

Retention Substitution. Five percent (5%) of any progress payment will be withheld as retention. In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 22300, and at the request and expense of the Contractor, securities equivalent to the amount withheld may be deposited with the City or with a State or federally chartered bank as escrow agent, which shall then pay such moneys to the Contractor. Upon satisfactory completion of the Project, the securities shall be returned to the Contractor. Alternatively, the Contractor may request that the City make payments of earned retentions directly to an escrow agent at the Contractor's expense. No such substitutions shall be accepted until all related documents are approved by the City Attorney.

Liquidated Damages. Liquidated damages shall accrue in the amount of \$500 for each day that Work remains incomplete beyond the Project 60 Working Days completion deadline as specified in the Contract Documents.

Federal Funding. This project is funded with federal monies and all applicable Federal Requirements will apply.

Downey provides update on Measure S spending

► **MEASURE S:** City of Downey details spending plan related to sales tax increase approved in 2016 election.

DOWNEY – Below is a list of Measure S updates provided by the city of Downey.

Measure S is the sales tax increasedapproved by Downey voters in 2016.

The city has been able to hire a total of 22 new police and fire positions to enhance public safety services. The positions include 10 police officers, two parking enforcement officers, one safety dispatcher, one system network engineer, one fire captain, one ambulance operator coordinator, and six ambulance operators.

The Downey Police Department also began the process of upgrading its radio communication equipment. So far, the city has purchased 160 new portable and 61 new mobile radio units to replace the existing obsolete units for the Police Department and Code Enforcement Division personnel.

In addition, an upgraded software system for existing radios was purchased, as well as 11 additional M5 Coban video mobile data

computers. The city has also now authorized the purchase of dispatch radio consoles. Total cost for the radio equipment is \$1,850,000. The city will also be purchasing seven new patrol vehicles for \$514,500.

Over the course of the last three months, the City Council has awarded a number of contracts to specialized consultants to design and manage the Facilities and Park Improvement Projects. Design work to modernize and expand the city’s fire stations and library has begun.

Additionally, design work for park improvements at Apollo, Dennis the Menace, Discovery Sports Complex, Furman, Golden, Independence, Rio San Gabriel, Wilderness and Treasure Island parks is currently underway. It is anticipated that the design phase of these projects will take place between six to eight months to complete.

By April of 2019, the residents of Downey will witness one of the most robust and exciting construction programs in the City’s history.

Park Improvements:

Apollo Park work includes irrigation

system replacement, turn renovation, synthetic field conversion, playground resurfacing, parking lot upgrades, ball field lighting, restroom renovation, and ADA improvements. **\$5,600,000**

Dennis the Menace Park work includes irrigation system replacement, playground resurfacing, parking lot upgrades, fencing, replacement of community/restrooms building and lighting. **\$2,300,00**

Furman Park work includes irrigation system replacement, turf renovation, parking lot upgrades, ball field lighting, bleachers/backstops, play fields, new picnic shelters, a tennis court upgrade and community buildings upgrades. **\$5,200,000**

Golden Park work includes irrigation system, turf renovation, parking lot upgrades, ball field lighting, play fields, new picnic shelters, ADA improvements, trails, upgrades of community building and a new restroom building. **\$3,700,000**

Independence Park work includes turf renovation, playground resurfacing, parking lot upgrades, ball field lighting, restroom renovation, ADA improvements, and tennis

court upgrades. **\$2,000,000**

Rio San Gabriel Park work includes soil stabilization and grading, irrigation replacement, turf renovation, parking lot upgrades and ADA improvements. **\$3,000,000**

Wilderness Park work includes irrigation system upgrades, parking lot upgrades, ADA improvements, trails, upgrade of community building and lighting. **\$1,500,000**

Treasure Island Park work includes parking lot reconstruction. **\$200,000.**

Facility improvements:

Fire stations 1, 2, 3 and 4 – Modernization and addition project. Work includes modernization of stations 1 and 4 through completion of improvement to the interior spaces of the stations, and reconstruction of pavement. Stations 2 and 3 will be expanded by adding dormitories, shower facilities and new living quarters, as well as accessible front offices. **\$9,000,000**

Police Station Modernization Project. Modernization of interior spaces including the offices, locker room and showers, as well as the gymnasium. Work also

includes installation of energy efficient lighting and equipment, exterior painting and security fencing. **\$800,000**

Library Modernization Project. Modernization of the City’s Library by reconfiguring interior spaces, replacing interior finishes, books and data storage furniture, installation of energy efficient lighting, completion of ADA improvements, new doors and signage, as well as exterior painting of the building. **\$8,500,000**

City Hall Improvement Project. Upgrade of the building’s elevators, completion of ADA improvements, space planning and re-allocation of space, new furniture, exterior painting of the building and security fencing. Work also includes installation of shade structures and related work in the outdoor plaza area. **\$1,200,000**

Civic Theatre Improvement Project. Complete accessibility improvements of the facility by reconstructing the outdoor plaza area and modifications to the interior of the building. **\$900,000**

Rio Hondo Event Center Improvement Project. Work includes upgrade of

interior lighting system, replacement of interior finishes, as well as new furniture and equipment. **\$700,000**

Downtown Parking Structure Improvement. Installation of new signage, electronic data boards, way-finding signs and completion of necessary ADA improvements. **\$400,000**

Other City Facilities and Buildings Upgrade Project. Complete deferred maintenance work such as replacement and upgrade of electrical system, lighting, exterior, and interior painting, flooring replacement, reroofing, window replacement, plumbing system replacement, and/or upgrades and completion of ADA improvements at Barbara J. Reilly Community and Senior Center, Apollo Park buildings, McCaughan Gymnasium, and Wilderness Park Community building. **\$1,000,000**

ADA Improvement Project. Completion of required improvements per City’s ADA Transition Plan in various facilities and buildings. **\$1,000,000**

LEGALS

the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale.

NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder’s office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (714) 848-9272 or visit this Internet Web site www.elitepostandpub.com, using the file number assigned to this case 17-47109. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale.

Dated: 6/25/2018
Zieve, Brodnax & Steele, LLP, as Trustee
30 Corporate Park, Suite 450
Irvine, CA 92606
For Non-Automated Sale Information, call: (714) 848-7920
For Sale Information: (714) 848-9272
www.elitepostandpub.com

Andrew Buckelew, Trustee Sale Assistant

THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE’S SALE TS No.: FHAC.277-004 APN: 8021-034-012 Title Order No.: 180098578-CA-MSI NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/7/2011. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier’s check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The 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 the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount

may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: MARY ALICE LECHUGA, An unmarried woman Duly Appointed Trustee: PROBER AND RAPHAEL, ALC Recorded 11/15/2011 as Instrument No. 20111545987 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 7/25/2018 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$237,019.89 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 10530 Meadow Road Norwalk, California 90650 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder’s office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property.

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School board considers bond measure to renovate schools

Council approves CDBG spending plan

NORWALK – The city council will meet tonight to consider a bond measure to renovate schools. The measure would allow the city to raise up to \$10 million in bonds to fund the renovation of schools. The measure would also allow the city to raise up to \$5 million in bonds to fund the renovation of the city hall. The measure would also allow the city to raise up to \$5 million in bonds to fund the renovation of the city hall. The measure would also allow the city to raise up to \$5 million in bonds to fund the renovation of the city hall.

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Norwalk man talks life on a Navy supercarrier

► **IN THE NAVY:** Thomas Kozlowski describes life as a maintenance technician on the USS Carl Vinson.

PEARL HARBOR – A 2009 Norwalk Adult School graduate and Norwalk native is serving in the U.S. Navy as part of the world’s largest international maritime warfare exercise, Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC).

Petty Officer 3rd Class Thomas Kozlowski is a hull maintenance technician aboard USS Carl Vinson, currently operating out of San Diego.

A Navy hull maintenance technician is responsible for welding pipes and fittings around the ship, and fabricating structures.

Kozlowski applies the

lessons learned from Norwalk to working in the Navy.

“Having the drive to succeed which I learned from my hometown has helped me in the Navy,” said Kozlowski. “I always try to do better.”

As the world’s largest international maritime exercise, RIMPAC provides a unique training opportunity that helps participants foster and sustain cooperative relationships that are critical to ensuring safety at sea and security on the world’s oceans. RIMPAC 2018 is the 26th exercise in the series that began in 1971.

The theme of RIMPAC 2018 is Capable, Adaptive, Partners. The participating nations and forces exercise a wide range of

capabilities and demonstrate the inherent flexibility of maritime forces.

These capabilities range from disaster relief and maritime security operations to sea control and complex warfighting.

The relevant, realistic training program includes, gunnery, missile, anti-submarine and air defense exercises, as well as amphibious, counter-piracy, mine clearance operations, explosive ordnance disposal and diving and salvage operations.

“I’m most looking forward to being able to tour ships from the different participating nations, and experiencing their culture,” said Kozlowski.

This is the first time Israel, Sri Lanka and Vietnam are participating in RIMPAC. Additional firsts include New Zealand serving as sea combat commander and Chile serving as combined force maritime component commander. This is the first time a non-founding RIMPAC nation (Chile) will hold a component commander leadership position.

“I’m most proud of completing the Navy Dive School,” said Kozlowski. “It was the biggest achievement of my Naval career.”

Twenty-six nations, 46 surface ships, five submarines, and more than 200 aircraft and 25,000 personnel will participate in the biennial Rim of the Pacific Exercise.

This year’s exercise includes forces from Australia, Brunei, Canada, Chile, Colombia, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Peru, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of the Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga, the United Kingdom, the United States and Vietnam.

As a member of the U.S. Navy, Kozlowski and other sailors know they are part of a legacy that will last beyond their lifetimes providing the Navy the nation needs.

“The Navy has shown me that I’m not scared of anything,” said Kozlowski. “Serving in the Navy for me means being a part of a greater cause. I get to pave the way for



the future of the Navy.”
By Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Jackson Brown, Navy Office of Community Outreach

Paramount teenagers hailed as heroes for helping crash victims

► **HEROICS:** Four high school students sprung into action after a pickup truck jumped the curb and struck fellow students last March.

PARAMOUNT – Four Paramount High School students are being honored by the community for assisting injured students during a car accident in March.

Fernando Melgar, Gabriel Orozco, Juan Garza and Anthony Farias leaped into action on March 19 when they saw four fellow students hit by a pickup truck just off campus.

The seniors-to-be ran toward the scene and lifted a fence that had fallen on top of one of the injured.

“It was a pretty chaotic

scene but we knew we had to help our fellow students,” Farias said. “We stayed with them until an ambulance arrived. We know that other students at PHS would have done the same for us.”

The injured students were treated and released at a local hospital.

Since that day, the four heroes have received an outpouring of recognition from the Paramount community. Mayor Diane Martinez commended them with certificates of recognition during a City Council meeting in June.

The Paramount Unified Board of Education also recognized the students during a board meeting, while Paramount High

School honored the four at a schoolwide assembly that celebrated their actions.

“I don’t really feel like we’re heroes, but it’s been nice to receive support from everyone,” Melgar said. “It was definitely a day that I will never forget, and I’m happy that we were able to help the victims to safety.”

Melgar, Orozco, Garza and Farias have maintained a friendship since childhood, and said that a willingness to help someone in need is a part of Paramount’s tightknit culture.

As the PHS slogan says: “Once a Pirate, always a Pirate.”

“I’m so proud of our students for coming to

the aid of one another in a time of need,” Paramount Superintendent Ruth Pérez said. “An unfortunate accident became an example of selflessness that has inspired our entire community.”

Paramount Board of Education President Vivian Hansen has spent more than 30 years at PUSD and said that what happened on March 19 was one of her proudest moments.

“The actions taken by these four students reflect the community spirit we have in Paramount,” Hansen said. “We will continue to lift each other up in times of need.”



The City of Paramount honored Paramount High School students (front row, left to right): Juan Garza, Gabriel Orozco, Fernando Melgar and Anthony Farias for their heroic acts in helping fellow students injured in a March car accident.

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Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

Summer is here, and with it, even more sun and its ultraviolet radiation.

We’ve gotten pretty good at using sunscreen to protect our bare skin from UV rays, right? What about our naked eyes? Here is what we all need to know about sunglasses.



In a recent survey, less than half of 10,000 Americans recognized the health benefits of sunglasses, and 27% reported never wearing them. Does it make sense to leave our eyes unprotected, when a host of conditions are caused by ultraviolet (UV) radiation? Some of the eye problems that the sun can cause include:

* Cataracts, a clouding of the eye’s lens which makes what we see appear darker and blurry. Some 20% of cataracts are triggered by excessive exposure to UV rays, and the World Health Organization reports that approximately 900,000 people worldwide are blind due to cataracts.

*Macular degeneration, a result of damage to the retina that destroys central vision. It is the leading cause of blindness in the United States.

*Pterygium, also called surfer’s eye, is a growth of tissue over the white part of the eye’s surface. This can alter the curve of the eyeball, leading to astigmatism.

*Skin cancers, which can be found on the eyelid. In fact, they are surprisingly common there, representing about 10% of all skin cancers.

*Photokeratitis, essentially a sunburn of the eye. Fortunately it is temporary, and typically heals within 48 hours. It can be painful, and cause blurred vision, sensitivity to light, and the sensation of having sand in the eye.

So, this is why it is so important to protect our eyes from the harmful affects of UV rays! Now let’s discuss sunglasses. They are not all the same. They can cost very little, or quite a bit. How do we choose the right pair?

The most important thing to consider is that brand and price matter far less than does selecting a pair that blocks out both UVA and UVB radiation (UVB is actually more harmful than UVA). A pair is acceptable if it offers UV protection of at least 95%.

Avoid sunglasses that are not labeled at all. Recently I visited

a sunglass kiosk where there were no such labels, and was told that they had been removed to make the sunglasses look more attractive. Perhaps that was the truth, but nevertheless, I took my business elsewhere!

Consider that the ideal sunglasses are wraparounds, which protect us from UV rays coming in from the sides. And, note that even if your contact lenses have UV protection, wearing sunglasses is still important. Pay special attention to wearing them at higher altitudes where the UV rays are even more intense, and when you are near water or snow. Some medications can cause even greater sensitivity to light, including certain antibiotics, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) and diuretics.

Please get into the habit of wearing your sunglasses year-round. Cloudy days do not stop UV rays! Please remember that children’s eyes are even more susceptible to UV rays. While you’re at it, throw in a wide brimmed hat for extra protection. It can’t hurt!

Dr. Alan Frischer is former chief of staff and former chief of medicine at Downey Regional Medical Center. Write to him in care of this newspaper at 8301 E. Florence Ave., Suite 100, Downey, CA 90240.

Deputy DA on leave for social media posts

SAN BERNARDINO – A San Bernardino County deputy district attorney is under investigation for a series of offensive social media posts, one of which targets Rep. Maxine Waters.

Michael Selyem has been placed on administrative leave pending the conclusion of a formal investigation, which could result in disciplinary action up to termination, said San Bernardino County District Attorney Mike Ramos at a Monday press conference.

“The strongest asset in the district attorney’s office as prosecutors and staff that work in this office – is that of our ethics and integrity,” Ramos said.

Selyem is accused of publishing several offensive posts on social media accounts that have now been deleted.

“On June 28, 2018 we received information regarding negative comments

posted online by one of our prosecutors. At that time, we took immediate steps to initiate a personnel investigation,” Ramos said. “The San Bernardino County D.A.’s office does not condone hate, discrimination or incitement of violence.”

In one Facebook comment, Selyem wrote about Waters, calling her a “loud mouthed c--- in the ghetto,” then saying, “you would think someone would have shot this b---- by now.”

In another instance, Selyem argued with someone about police shooting a civilian, saying “That s-- -bag got exactly what he deserved...You reap what you sow. And by the way go f--- yourself you liberal s---bag.”

It was unclear which police shooting Selyem was referencing. It was also unclear if the incident was an open case in San Bernardino County or if it happened

elsewhere.

Ramos said he was offended by the posts, particularly about Selyem’s comments about the officer-involved shooting.

“Because we handle those cases, as you know, on a daily basis. We are currently investigating officer-involved shootings, and to make any comments regarding, whether it’s general comments or statements in what was stated, impacts the ability for us to ensure the integrity of this office and making sure the public knows that we are doing these cases and investigating these cases in an unbiased fashion,” Ramos said.

Ramos said although he cannot speak about Selyem’s mindset, he described the content of those social media posts as “very concerning.”

“Generally speaking, when you talk about somebody that should have been shot, perhaps killed, when you talk about, generally speaking, officer-involved shootings,

that people deserve to be shot without getting into the facts, every case is totally different, it’s very concerning,” he said.

Ramos added that Selyem’s cases will be reassigned.

As for past cases Selyem was involved in, Ramos said, “I would make that comment to the public, if there’s anybody that feels that perhaps there was some bias or circumstances regarding his cases, we have a conviction review unit that we have in place. We will look at any cases.”

Ramos emphasized that his office has received no prior indication of any type of bias regarding Selyem’s cases.

“But that’s not to say we won’t review them, especially if there is a request to do so,” Ramos said.

Ramos did not give a timeline regarding the completion the investigation surrounding Selyem, except to say he has requested it be done as soon as possible.

Learn the art of giant paper flowers

NORWALK – Join one of the newest workshops offered at Norwalk’s Cultural Arts Center and learn how to make stunning giant paper flowers.

Como La Flor, or Giant Paper Flower Workshop, takes place on Friday, July 13 from 7 to 9 p.m. and will feature easy step-by-step instructions to allow you to duplicate these decorative flowers at home or for a special event.

The cost o the workshop is \$25 and includes materials and light refreshments.

The Cultural Arts Center is located at 13200 Clarkdale Avenue. For more information, please call 562-929-5521 or register online at Norwalk.org/city-hall/departments/recreation-park-services.

Tenants’ rights workshop Monday


NORWALK – Learn your rights as a tenant, as governed by law.

On Monday, July 23 from 3 to 5 p.m., the Fair Housing Foundation (FHF) will offer a free tenant rights workshop at Norwalk’s Social Services Center, located at 11929 Alondra Blvd. Topics covered include fair housing laws, security deposits, rent increases, repairs and eviction process.

The workshop will be provided in English; however, Spanish language manuals will be available.

The FHF is a non-profit dedicated to eliminating housing discrimination and promoting equal access to housing and provides outreach and education, including training sessions for tenants, landlords and realtors, and investigates and resolves discriminating grievances.

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