

The students at Norwalk High School got a head start at their annual Stuff-a-Bus event last Thursday, as teacher Ken Cook and Chef Tracy joined forces with funding from Lowe's to host a "Toys for Tacos" toy drive at Norwalk City Hall.

"For our first event, and being in the rain, it was a success. We had a lot of my past students and a bunch of random people in the community, city workers and police officers who came by to donate gifts," explained Cook.

Despite the rainy weather, the toy drive accumulated over 200 toys for underprivileged children in the community.

This Friday, the bus will return to Norwalk High for the third annual Stuff-a-Bus event, in hopes of filling it with gifts that will then be sent to Angel Tree Project.

"Tacos are my personal favorite," said Cook. "Our primary focus was helping children this year. We are always looking for ways to help the community and food is always a part of it."



Story and photo by William Odis Martin

Garcia introduces tampon tax repeal bill for third time

►The Assemblymember says female menstrual products should be tax exempt as other medical necessities are in California.

NORWALK – A bill to repeal the tax charged on menstrual health products was reintroduced Monday shortly after Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia was sworn in for her fourth term representing the 58th Assembly District.

The bill is the third attempt by Garcia (D-Bell Gardens) to create a gender neutral tax code.

In 2016, the bill (AB 1561) passed through the legislature nearly unanimously only to be vetoed by Governor Brown who cited a resulting loss of funds if the tax was removed. In 2017 the bill was held in Assembly Appropriations.

"When I originally introduced this bill it started a national movement to rectify the discriminatory taxation of menstrual products. California was leading the charge," said Garcia.

"Today, the most progressive state in the union is behind the curve in providing a gender neutral tax code that doesn't profit off of a woman's basic

biological functions. I'm hopeful that governor-elect Newsom's sense of equality will prevail over his predecessor's."

Currently, women in California still pay over \$20 million annually in taxes on tampons, sanitary napkins, and menstrual cups paying on average \$7 a month for forty years of their lives. California law exempts health items like walkers, medical identification tags, and prescription medication, including Viagra.

Menstrual health products are not tax exempt in California even though they are deemed medical necessities by the Federal Drug Administration.

The bill will move forward in 2019 as soon as session convenes on January 7 and is assigned its committee hearings. Garcia has already had preliminary discussions with incoming Governor Newsom to highlight in inequities the tax imposes.

At least 10 states exempt menstrual health products from sales tax. Meanwhile, in California the tax remains and a case is pending before the California Superior Court.

That case claims the state is in violation of the 14th



Amendment's equal protection clause on the basis that tampons and sanitary napkins are not luxuries, but basic medical necessities.

In 2017, the self-proclaimed Tampon Queen was successful in expanding access to menstrual health products with the passage of AB 10. That bill provides free menstrual health products in low income school bathrooms.

"The bottom line is we cannot balance the budget on a person's uterus," concluded Garcia. "Every month, for 40 years of our lives, we are being taxed for being

born with a uterus. Every month of our adult life we are taxed for our biology. Every month we are told our periods are a luxury, while also being told they are something to be ashamed of and we must hide.

"I respect the need for California to be fiscally sound, but the state budget should not be balanced by a tax of a person's uterus. The same goes for local governments; our tax codes should be gender neutral," said Garcia.

Janice Hahn elected chair of L.A. County Board of Supervisors

►Jance Hahn, who represents Norwalk on the L.A. County Board of Supervisors, took over as chair Monday.

LOS ANGELES – Supervisor Janice Hahn assumed the chair of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday.

The chair is a rotating role and Hahn will hold the position for one year. Supervisor Kathryn Barger became the Board's Chair Pro Tem.

Hahn represents Norwalk on the L.A. County Board of Supervisors.

After assuming the chair, Hahn gave short remarks on the significance of the role. Transcript of remarks:

When I was born in 1952, my dad was already planning his run for the Board of Supervisors. My mom said when she brought me home from the hospital, the living room was essentially a campaign headquarters.

I basically grew up in this County family. So today becoming the chair and the face of this County is a poignant moment for me.

We often remind people that LA County is the biggest county in the nation-- bigger

than all but eight states. It puts in perspective the massive operation that we are charged with running, but it doesn't capture what makes Los Angeles County great: the people who dedicate their careers to working here and the spirit with which they do their work every day.

Like the firefighters and sheriff's deputies who worked days and nights on end battling the Woolsey Fire and getting people out of harm's way.

Or the County Nurses and Doctors who give every patient the best treatment available regardless of their income or whether they can afford insurance.

Or the mental health professionals on the START Team who are preventing school shootings by intervening at the first sign of trouble and putting a student back on track for success.

Or the caseworkers and outreach workers across County departments who have helped lift 10,000 people out of homelessness and into permanent housing in just 15 months using Measure H funding.

And of course the men and women who work on our staffs here at the Hall of Administration

and our field offices, connecting constituents with services they might need and going above and beyond to help.

100,000 people work for LA County and they are the backbone of what makes this County extraordinary. I will never forget that.

This doesn't mean we don't have our fair share of problems. But I know we are ready to meet each big challenge with an even bigger solution.

I am inspired by the Heads of each of our Departments! You never say never, you face each obstacle like a challenge you have been dared to overcome, and you make this County as daring as it needs to be to solve problems no one else has even attempted! When I see you at work it puts a smile on my face. You are so good at what you do. You are experts in your fields--and we are so lucky to have you.

I am also inspired by the women and the man up here on the dais beside me.

Supervisor Solis, you have broken glass ceilings your entire career both in Los Angeles and in Washington and now you are a role model for latinas across the nation to look to. You are fierce champion for your constituents



and always remind us how the policies we decide here impact our undocumented residents.

I know we are both happy to have left Washington DC and be back in LA, but it is a thrill for me to serve beside a presidential cabinet member and when anyone asks I always tell them you are my favorite Supervisor.

Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas -- Our most senior member of the board. You have a reputation for taking on the toughest but most necessary work and I will always be appreciative that you allowed me to coauthor the motion to

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Norwalk restaurant grades

Xcellent Nutrition
12200 Civic Center Dr. #D
Date Inspected: 11/29/18
Grade: **A**

Tacos Chihuahua
11735 The Plz.
Date Inspected: 11/28/18
Grade: **B**

BMW Cafe
10856 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 11/28/18
Grade: **A**

Wingstop
11739 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 11/28/18
Grade: **A**

Happy Liquor
11829 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 11/27/18
Grade: **A**

RJM Vallejo Mini Market
13340 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 11/16/18
Grade: **A**

Randy's Donuts
10989 Rosecrans Ave B-14
Date Inspected: 11/15/18
Grade: **A**

Rancho Grande
10935 E Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 11/15/18
Grade: **A**

Ana's Bionicos
10977 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 10/22/18
Grade: **A**

Tacos Los Guerro
12115 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 11/7/18
Grade: **B**

7 Eleven
10962 E Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 11/7/18
Grade: **A**

China Bowl Express
11031 Firestone Blvd Ste 102
Date Inspected: 11/7/18
Grade: **A**

RC Burger Cafe
10961 E Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 11/7/18
Grade: **B**

Ana's Bionicos
11005 Firestone Blvd. Ste 112B
Date Inspected: 11/7/18
Grade: **A**

7 Eleven
11461 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/6/18
Grade: **B**

Zury's Raspados
11405 Firestone Blvd.
Date Inspected: 11/6/18
Grade: **A**

Circle K
11405 Firestone Blvd. Ste A
Date Inspected: 11/6/18
Grade: **A**

Wok California
12551 1/2 E Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 11/5/18
Grade: **A**

Yum Yum Donuts
15900 S Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 11/1/18
Grade: **A**

Subway
15925 S Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/12/18
Grade: **A**

Weinerschnitzel
11660 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 10/30/18
Grade: **A**

Mariscos Las Islitas
14419 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 10/30/18
Grade: **A**

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 70°

Saturday 70°

Sunday 71°



Vintage Flea Market

Saturday - King Richard's Antiques in Whittier, 9 am to 4 pm

50-plus antique vendors, vintage trailers, food trucks, and live entertainment.



Snow in the Park

Saturday - Montebello City Park, 11 am to 3 pm

Real snow, pictures with Santa Claus, jumpers, train rides, face painting, live music, and more fun.



South Gate Christmas Parade

Sunday - Tweedy Boulevard, 12 pm

A parade and Santa's Village, which includes live music, food, children's entertainment, and Santa Claus.



Sugar Plum Festival

All Weekend - Downtown Buena Park

Crafts and food from 125 vendors, including candles, holiday decorations, antiques, jewelry, tamales, and more.



Old Time Christmas Festival

Sunday - Rancho Los Cerritos in Long Beach, 1 pm

Discover traditions of a Victorian Christmas. Make historic crafts, enjoy holiday music from a live brass band and carolers, listen to storytellers in the library, sip warm cider, and get a head start on holiday shopping. \$5



Festival of Lights Hike

Saturday - Griffith Park Merry Go Round, 4:15 pm

An festive group hike. Wear blue or black plus Christmas lights; Santa hats welcome. This hike is rated intermediate and is not for beginners.

NORWALK HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, DEC. 7

“Almost, Maine”, 8 pm. Nine short plays that explore love and loss in a remote, mythical almost-town called Almost, Maine. Burnight Studio Theatre, 11110 Alondra Blvd.

SATURDAY, DEC. 8

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SUNDAY, DEC. 9

Toy Drive, 1-4 pm. Bring a new, unwrapped toy worth at least \$10 and be entered into a raffle to win a Raiders autographed jersey. SoCal Pizza, 12253 Imperial Hwy.

“Almost, Maine”, 2 pm. Nine short plays that explore love and loss in a remote, mythical almost-town called Almost, Maine. Burnight Studio Theatre, 11110 Alondra Blvd.

Holiday Concert, 6 pm. A free holiday concert by the Praise Symphony Orchestra. Norwalk Missionary Baptist Church, 11429 Beaty Ave.

THURSDAY, DEC. 13

LED Greeting Cards for the Holidays, 2 pm. Learn a few simple rules for making circuits on paper and create a hand-made greeting card with working lights for the holidays. This program is suitable for adults and will be in English and Spanish. Norwalk Library, 12350 Imperial Hwy.

SATURDAY, DEC. 15

Holidays at the Museum, 1-4 pm. Holiday entertainment and refreshments at Norwalk’s historic home and museum. D.D. Johnston-Hargitt House Museum, 12426 Mapledale St.

TUESDAY, DEC. 18

Creating Connections Luncheon, 12 pm. Enjoy a lunch and gift exchange (value no more than \$20) hosted by the Norwalk Chamber of Commerce. Outback Steakhouse, 12850 Norwalk Blvd.

Neighborhood Watch Meeting, 6:30 pm. Meet your neighbors and learn about local crime trends in your neighborhood. 14412 Madris Ave.

SATURDAY, DEC. 22

Christmas Toy Giveaway, 3:30-9:30 pm. Food, jumpers, sports, movie and popcorn, and free toys for kids ages 10 and younger. Adonai SDA Church, 13246 Mapledale St.

SATURDAY, DEC. 29

Pokemon Premiere Challenge, 12 pm. A Pokemon video game competition, with prizes for each age division. \$5 buy-in. Unrated Gaming, 15617 Studebaker Rd., Suite 3.

Kids Fun Zone, 12 pm. Free craft activities, face painting, games, and a gift for kids celebrating their birthdays in December. Norwalk Town Square, 11633 The Plz.

SATURDAY, JAN. 5

Las Posadas, 6 pm. An annual tradition, this event features a candlelit procession, caroling of holiday songs, performances by mariachis and folklorico dancers, pinatas for kids, and more. City Hall lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

TUESDAY, JAN. 8

Blood Drive, 12-6 pm. Donate blood to the American Red Cross and help save a life. City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 9

The Effects of Diet on Health, 10 am. This workshop covers overall education on how each food group can affect our health and wellness. Coast Plaza Hospital, 13100 Studebaker Rd.

THURSDAY, JAN. 10

CalJOBS Workshop, 2 pm. Are you searching for a career, looking to change your career, or just browsing what’s available? Attend the CalJOBS workshop to learn about the 10-Steps for Job Seekers and view a live demo of the CalJOBS website. This program is suitable for adults. Norwalk Library, 12350 Imperial Hwy.

Self Defense Workshop, 2 pm. A basic introduction to hand-to-hand self defense. Plus, learn about non-lethal weapons such as pepper spray, stun guns and pressure point tools. Z-Ultimate Self Defense Stud

SATURDAY, JAN. 12

Used Oil Filter Exchange, 9 am to 1 pm. Bring in a used motor oil filter and receive a brand new one for free. Eligible Norwalk residents also receive an oil filter change kit. AutoZone, 12124 Studebaker Rd.

Little League Registration, 9 am to 1 pm. Walk-up registration for Norwalk Ponytail and Norwalk Pony Baseball. Holifield Park, 12500 Excelsior Dr.

SATURDAY, FEB. 16

E-waste Collection and Shred-a-thon, 9 am to 2 pm. Safely dispose of unwanted electronics and bring your documents for on-site shredding. City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Compiled by Eric Pierce. Email calendar listings to eric@thedowneypatriot.com

Gas Co. collections donations for needy families this winter

NORWALK – Southern California Gas Co. (SoCalGas) invites customers and employees to donate to the company’s Gas Assistance Fund, which helps income-qualified customers pay their natural gas bill with a one-time grant of up to \$100 per household.

Contributions to the fund will be matched by SoCalGas.

The Gas Assistance Fund helps veterans, seniors, people with disabilities, and families in need pay their natural gas bills.

It is administered by United Way of Greater Los Angeles, which partners with nearly 90 nonprofit organizations throughout SoCalGas’ service territory to manage and distribute the grants.

“We are continually amazed at the generosity of our customers and employees, who donate to help others,” said Sharon Tomkins, vice president

of customer solutions and strategy at SoCalGas.

“SoCalGas is grateful to everyone who has supported the Gas Assistance Fund over the last 35 years.”

“SoCalGas is an important partner in ending poverty in Los Angeles County,” said Elise Buik, President and CEO of United Way of Greater Los Angeles.

“For a family struggling with financial hardship, this one-time gas assistance grant could be the difference in keeping them warm during the cold winter months,” she added.

Contributions may be made online or by mailing a check to: Gas Assistance Fund, File 56826, United Way Inc., P.O. Box 746826, Los Angeles, CA 90074-6826. Donations are tax-deductible and accepted year-round.

Grant applications may be

filled out at a participating United Way of Greater Los Angeles partner agency between Feb. 12th and May 31st (or until the fund is depleted). For additional information, including a list of partner agencies and income guidelines, go to the Gas Co.’s website.

Last year, SoCalGas’ Gas Assistance Fund benefitted nearly 2,600 households in Central and Southern California and received \$238,000 in donations.

Since 1983, SoCalGas, the company’s customers, and its employees have contributed nearly \$19 million to the Gas Assistance Fund, helping more than 226,000 individuals and families.

Hahn thanks her colleagues

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put Measure H on the ballot during my very first meeting as a Supervisor. Your leadership, especially on the issue of tackling our homelessness crisis, has been so essential You make us a better, more courageous board. PLUS-- you have been a great seatmate at these board meetings and somehow always find a way to make me smile. Shh don’t tell the others-- but you are by far my favorite.

Supervisor Sheila Kuehl-- Thank you for bringing a little sparkle to our weekly meetings! You are an unwavering progressive voice on this board and an advocate for equality for all people regardless of sexuality or gender identity.

Your confidence is undeniable and you are a force to be reckoned with! Plus, when people ask me if you’re my favorite I say of course! I can’t believe I get to serve with Zelda!

And last but not least... my Chair Pro Tem-- Kathryn Barger. Who better to fill the role than my favorite Supervisor! And not only are you well-liked on this board, you have a reputation among all of our staff for being kind and approachable. You were a staffer yourself and you know this County and this role so well. You are an asset to this Board and I am so glad that you will be my Chair Pro Tem.

At the most basic level, being chair means running our weekly meetings and ensuring that the residents who take time out of their days to join us not only

feel heard-- but are heard. Our decisions are only improved by the information we receive from the people who are most impacted by them. I take this responsibility very seriously and it will be my goal to ensure we are not only as accessible as possible, but as transparent as possible to the people who hold us accountable.

These are trying times in this country but I continue to believe that LA County is a model for the nation, and that this board in particular, is a model of governance.

Thank you all for your support-- and I am looking forward to the upcoming year.

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Norwalk man charged with murder

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NORWALK – A Norwalk man was charged today with killing two people and injuring others in a DUI crash on the 605 Freeway.

Alex Barragan (dob 8/27/86) faces two counts of murder and one count each of driving under the influence of alcohol within 10 years of another DUI offense and driving with a .08 percent blood alcohol content causing injury within 10 years of another DUI offense.

Arraignment was scheduled for Wednesday at Los Angeles County Superior Court, Bellflower Branch.

On July 16, Barragan was allegedly driving his car on the freeway near Alondra Boulevard when he rear ended a disabled van, prosecutors said. The van erupted in flames and two people died and three others were injured, prosecutors added.

If convicted as charged, Barragan faces a possible maximum sentence of 44 years to life in state prison. Bail is set at more than \$2.19 million.

The case remains under investigation by the California Highway Patrol, Santa Fe Springs Area.

Freeway off-ramp closed for 3 months

NORWALK – Caltrans announced the scheduled closure of the Norwalk Boulevard off ramp from northbound Interstate 5 (Santa Ana Freeway) at 10 p.m., Sunday July 15.

The off ramp will remain closed for up to 90 days for reconstruction and paving.

The reconstruction of this ramp is part of the I-5 widening project which is adding two lanes to each direction of I-5 between I-605 (San Gabriel River Freeway) and the Orange County line.

This segment of the project includes reconstruction of the Norwalk Boulevard interchange and the San Antonio Drive Bridge.

Caltrans advised the

SUMMER CONCERTS ON THE LAWN

Next week: The Hodads

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Norwalk restaurant grades

Rancho Grande
10915 E Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 7/17/18
Grade: A

Diana's Mexican Foods Market
16310 S Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 7/17/18
Grade: A

Rancho's Grill
12405 E Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 7/17/18
Grade: A

United Oil
11353 E Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 7/17/18
Grade: A

Tacos y Mariscos MI Pueblo
15001 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 7/17/18
Grade: A

Lima Services Corp
11405 E Firestone Blvd. #1
Date Inspected: 7/13/18
Grade: A

AMC Norwalk
12300 E Civic Center Dr.
Date Inspected: 7/13/18
Grade: A

AMC Norwalk Restaurant Bar
12300 E Civic Center Dr.
Date Inspected: 7/13/18
Grade: A

Joe's Food Mart and Liquor
10641 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 7/13/18
Grade: A

El Paraiso Juice Bar
15002 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 7/12/18
Grade: A

Lucian's Pizza
15008 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 7/12/18
Grade: A

Tacos Chihuahua
11735 The Plz.
Date Inspected: 7/12/18
Grade: A

Home Style Donuts
12840 S Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 7/12/18
Grade: A

Sp Food Market
12844 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 7/12/18
Grade: A

Ana's Bionics
10977 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 7/11/18
Grade: A

Ella's Cafe
13220 San Antonio Dr.
Date Inspected: 7/11/18
Grade: A

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 86° ☀️

Saturday 85° ☁️

Sunday 87° ☀️

Movin' Nights: "Wonder"
Friday - Norwalk Park, 7:30 pm
The City of Norwalk presents a free outdoor screening of "Wonder" bring a blanket or lawn chair. Food will be available for purchase.

Summer Soul Festival
Friday - Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center, 5 pm
Hip-hop themed festival with performances by Doug E. Fresh, Big Daddy Kane, EPMD, and Krumpholtz.

Jenni and Selena
Saturday - Sage Lounge in Whittier, 8 pm
Jenni Rivera and Selena impersonators perform live, along with full band La Sonora Dinamita.

Colombian Festival
Sunday - Pico Rivera Sports Arena, 11 am
A celebration of all things Colombia. Three stages of live music, including tropical, reggaeton, and electric dance. Sponsored by Mega 98.3 FM, 530.

My biggest disappointment in politics

By Lee Hamilton

The other day, a friend asked what surprised me most about politics. This may seem strange, but I’d never really thought about the question.

My response was off-the-cuff but heartfelt. The biggest surprise is also among my biggest disappointments with American political life: the ongoing effort by politicians to suppress votes.

Yes it’s gone on for years. And in some respects, limiting the vote has been a feature of American politics since the beginning, when only white men with property could cast ballots. But when I began in politics, I assumed those days were past us, and everyone was on board with the idea that the more people who vote, the better. Boy, was I naïve.

The truth is, people work hard to prevent other people from voting. To be sure, some voters do it to themselves — they’re too busy, or they think their vote doesn’t matter, or they encounter long lines and turn away.

But there is also an active, ongoing effort to keep people — often minority or poor voters — from casting their ballots. How do politicians accomplish this? Here’s a short, and incomplete, list:

- They require voter IDs — and then limit which IDs are valid (a gun permit is fine, for instance, but not a student ID);
- They close polling places — usually (you guessed it) in poor and

- minority communities;
- They limit the hours polls are open;
- They conduct sweeping purges of voter rolls, often stripping voters of their ability to vote without their knowledge;
- They restrict eligibility for absentee ballots;
- They refuse to invest in the infrastructure that sustains voting, resulting in machines that break down and long lines that discourage potential voters.

The people who oppose making it easier to vote often cite as their reason that they’re trying to prevent voter fraud. In other words, they’re defending the integrity of our democracy and of the ballot.

But here’s the thing: there is occasional voter fraud, and yes, it needs to be guarded against. But rampant voter fraud simply doesn’t exist in this country. Efforts to prove that it exists have failed. Let’s be blunt: there’s no tidal wave of illegal voting in the U.S.

What does inarguably exist, though, is an epidemic of efforts to suppress the vote. Voting is a basic right of citizenship. It’s the foundation of a democracy — people’s ability to participate and engage with the issues facing their communities and their country. That ideal lies at the core of American values, and I’m always mindful of the fact that a lot of Americans gave their lives for that ideal. Moreover, excluding groups of voters encourages resentment, risking protests and potentially violence.

I’ve always believed that you win power by convincing people that your ideas and proposals are right — or at least that you should be given the chance to prove that they’re right. Winning power by keeping people away from the polls is a perversion of what democracy is about. Our political institutions need to reflect the will of the people, and if you disenfranchise people, it means that our representative government doesn’t reflect accurately the will of the people.

Because voting laws are in the hands of the states, there are plenty of counter-examples — states that have worked to make voting easier, to expand hours, to allow same-day registration, and the like. There’s more to be done, especially making sure that the politicians who control elections aren’t themselves running for office, as happened notably in November’s elections in Georgia and Kansas. That is a conflict of interest of the most obvious sort.

This struggle, between expanding the vote and trying to limit it, is ongoing. It’s not going to be resolved any time soon. I’m always distressed when I encounter efforts to suppress the vote. But I take heart from the fact that over the course of American history, the dominant trend has been to expand citizens’ access to the polls, and I hope that over the long term, we continue in that direction.

Lee Hamilton is a senior advisor for the Indiana University Center on Representative Government. He was a member of the U.S. House of Representatives for 34 years.

Mourning President Bush

By Susan Estrich

I spent more than a year working to beat him. I thought his campaign manager was about the most unethical person I’d ever met. I knew that the fish rots from the head. I was not a big fan of George H.W. Bush’s.

Until I — and much of America — came face to face with a president who lacks everything we took for granted in him.

Nobody was afraid of a Bush presidency, which was one of the reasons he won. Compared with a relatively unknown liberal governor who let a black first-degree murderer out of prison and then rape a white woman, the vice president was the safe choice. And he was safe.

I don’t know a single soul who told me that they were actually afraid of a Bush presidency. He appointed judges I didn’t favor, gave tax cuts to the wealthy, played it cozy with the Saudis. But he was never scary. You never thought, “My God, this guy doesn’t listen to everyone. He shoots from the hip, embarrasses us in the eyes of the world, creates all kinds of uncertainty, has no respect for anyone or anything, thinks he knows everything, makes everything personal and lost the House with a booming economy.”

George H.W. Bush respected the office of the presidency.

He respected the rule of law.

He surrounded himself with aides who were not chosen solely based on their loyalty to him.

He did not brag about manhandling women, did not spend his day watching television and actually believed in talking to Democrats.

He wrote nice notes to people (“nn”) — including people he disagreed with — not Twitter posts

We were opponents, not enemies.

He cared about America more than he ever cared about himself.

And, of course, we took all those things for granted.

I was on a panel at the Ronald Reagan Library during the Clinton years right after the Republicans took over the House in the midterms. Speaker-to-be Newt Gingrich was riding high on a pretty harsh anti-Clinton tide. He was on the panel. The crowd was all his. I wasn’t even supposed to be there, but whichever woman was on the panel had been forced to bow out. I was doing them a favor.

I got my head handed to me. The first question to me was something about President Reagan and President Roosevelt. I said something completely noncontroversial about “respect for the presidency.” The crowd boomed me — on C-SPAN, no less. Mrs. Reagan was in the first row, and she was openly appalled. She apologized and sent me flowers.

Reagan respected the presidency in ways President Trump could never understand.

I remember when it was standard political fare, particularly for Republicans, to try to turn support for civil liberties, or support for requiring congressional approval to go to war, into a test of patriotism.

And then the Democrat would scream and yell about questioning his patriotism, because that’s just not allowed.

This time is different. This time we have a president about whom nothing can be taken for granted, including respect for separation of powers, American intelligence, the independence of the judiciary and a free press. Because Donald Trump has no respect for anyone and anything, including the Constitution, which he keeps ignoring or trying to rewrite. Donald Trump is not bound by truth or by law. George Bush was a patriot and a hero, two words rarely associated with Trump.

And we have become almost used to it. Every day, Trump says or does something that none of his predecessors would have ever done, and then we forget because tomorrow will be the next outrage. We have learned to live with a president who simply lies — flat out — and then we forget because he lies every day.

George Bush had nothing in common with this president whatsoever other than his party affiliation.

May the passing of a former president who was everything Donald Trump is not remind us that patriotism and respect for the rule of law should never be partisan issues. And may our former president rest in peace.

Susan Estrich is a lawyer, professor, author, political operative, political commentator, and feminist advocate.

Why are we still in Afghanistan?

By Steve Chapman

The old peacenik slogan was, “What if they gave a war and nobody came?” Today, the question is, “What if they gave a war and nobody noticed?” The American mission in Afghanistan has borrowed a page from Harry Potter, draping itself in a cloak of invisibility.

Our war has lasted 17 years and cost upward of \$1 trillion, including \$45 billion this year. It has killed more than 2,300 Americans and wounded more than 20,000. Yet we recently completed an election campaign in which the conflict was rarely mentioned, much less debated. From a political point of view, this war is about as important as storms on Saturn.

But the spilling of American blood doesn’t stop. On Tuesday, three U.S. service members were killed by a roadside bomb. Last week, an Army Ranger was fatally shot in a firefight. And for what?

When we invaded in 2001 to strike back at the Taliban, which had given safe haven to al-Qaida as it plotted the 9/11 attacks, victory seemed attainable. But the mission to eliminate a specific threat to the U.S. homeland soon gave way to a more ambitious project to make Afghanistan a stable, peaceful and democratic nation. Before long, we were stuck in the Forever War.

George W. Bush and Barack Obama each failed to find the formula for success, and each decided to leave a steaming pile of hard choices to his successor. They stayed in Afghanistan not because they knew how to win the war but because they didn’t. They elected to keep feeding

American troops into the meat grinder rather than admit failure.

The result has been an endless loop of futility. The latest report of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction concluded that the Afghan government has control of no more than 55 percent of the country’s districts — down 21 percent from the peak. Nearly 12 percent of the jurisdictions are in the grip of the Taliban, and 32 percent are up for grabs.

The Afghan security forces now bear the brunt of the fighting, with an average of 25 deaths per day. Thanks to steady attrition, their ranks are now the smallest they’ve been since 2012. Civilian casualties, however, are up nearly 40 percent this year compared with 2017.

We have tried ramping up to overwhelm the insurgents. Obama started in office intending to bring the war to an end, telling his aides, “I don’t want to be going to Walter Reed for another eight years.” He increased our troop strength from about 30,000 to more than 100,000, with the goal of turning the tide of the war enough for us to go home.

It made a modest difference. The Kabul government gained ground, and the Taliban lost it. But a U.S. commitment on that scale was not sustainable. And the long-sought improvements in Afghan governance and military prowess failed to materialize. As soon as Obama drew down forces, things went south once again.

Rather than pull out entirely, he agreed to keep some 8,400 troops in Afghanistan. Donald Trump, reluctant to look weak, nearly doubled that number. “The American people are weary of war without victory,”

he declared.

Wrong. The war causes no visible fatigue in the public because it requires no discernible contribution from the public. In any event, victory has eluded him, too.

For a long time, our options have fallen into two categories: bad and worse. The bad is withdrawing and letting the Afghans settle the war themselves, which could easily lead to a collapse of the government and a Taliban return to power. The worse is staying indefinitely, sacrificing American lives to preserve a stalemate.

But the enemy is sure to outlast us. The outlook recalls the comments of the prime minister of North Vietnam to a New York Times reporter early in the Vietnam War. “And how long do you Americans want to fight, Mr. Salisbury?” he asked. “One year? Two years? Three years? Five years? Ten years? Twenty years? We shall be glad to accommodate you.”

The Taliban have shown comparable endurance. Their saying is, “The Americans have all the watches, and we have all the time.”

Three American service members gave their lives Tuesday in support of an effort whose only remaining purpose is postponing the inevitable. They won’t be the last to die for this mistake.

Steve Chapman is a columnist for the Chicago Tribune.

Democrats are in trouble

By R. Emmett Tyrrell

I see that that the presidential prospects of Michael Avenatti have suffered a setback. Actually, they have suffered several setbacks. Critics of the aspiring Democratic candidate for 2020 are hopeful that his days as a candidate are numbered.

His bookings on the cable networks are down, and it is going to be

very difficult for him to get attention if his cable network bookings are down. His celebrity client Stormy Daniels has taken a powder from his campaign, and it is going to be very difficult for him to get attention without Stormy at his side. What Democrat in his or her right mind would support the candidacy of Michael Avenatti without his porn star celebrity nearby?

His problems began with his domestic violence arrest in Los Angeles on Nov. 14. An actress by the name of Mareli Miniutti has been mentioned as the accuser, though that name might only be a stage name. Stormy Daniels is a stage name. Her real name is Stephanie Clifford — no relation to Clark Clifford, the utterly chaste Democratic luminary from a more sedate era. At any rate, Avenatti’s Los Angeles problems have even his fans among Democratic bigwigs worried. David Betras, the Democratic powerhouse from Youngstown, Ohio, has said, according to Politico: “Domestic abuse? That’s pretty bad for a run for president.”

It does bring to mind other failed runs for the White House by modern-day Democrats. Think of Gary Hart, and he was never even accused of abusing his date — much the opposite. Or think of Teddy Kennedy at Chappaquiddick, where he certainly did abuse his date.

Yet there are Democrats who have survived, for instance former President Bill Clinton. After Gennifer Flowers, he survived handsomely and came to be called the Comeback Kid. What is more, after Monica Lewinsky, he survived again despite impeachment. He might then have been called the Comeback Kid II, though for some reason no one thought of it. So I guess the presidential prospects of Avenatti are not hopeless. But without Daniels, he is going to have a difficult time. She is questioning how he has been spending money raised in her name, and it does not sound like she will be seen in public with Avenatti anytime soon. She says they have patched things up, but I see no sign of it. She may have to return to the silver screen for money.

What is more, there are other prominent Democrats who are eyeing 2020 avidly, for instance Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez the 28-year-old Democratic wunderkind. She was elected to Congress for New York’s 14th District after she knocked off the incumbent congressman, Joe Crowley, in the June 26 primary. She beat him 15,897 to 11,761, which sounds impressive, except for the fact that there are 214,570 active Democrats living in her district (and 21,175 inactive Democrats roosting

there, too). How that many New Yorkers could be on holiday and away from the district on primary day remains a mystery. She has compared her election to the moon landing, but I would compare it to the biblical miracle of the loaves and fishes. She has said a lot of other vacuous things that you might expect from a former bartender, and actually, she is a former bartender. We might have met during her working hours.

She is a democratic socialist with a hankering for upscale clothes and posh living, which suggests she is serious about a career in politics. Think of her mentor Sen. Bernie Sanders with his three homes and his wife’s gaudy tastes, all at the end of a life spent in elected office. Or, for that matter, think of Hillary Clinton and her husband, Bill, who remains in hiding from the growing gangs of women with ill-concealed misandry notions. Today’s democratic socialists beat yesteryear’s limousine liberals hands down.

Ocasio-Cortez has a lovely blank face to go along with a lovely blank mind. The statements she is depositing on the public record are beginning to trouble people, particularly Democrats. For instance, she has said, “When this country started, we did not operate on a capitalist economy,” and “Unemployment is low because everyone has two jobs.” Sometimes she veers toward the ominous, as when she said that the Israeli Defense Forces’ use of force on the Gaza border was “a massacre” and added, “I hope my peers have the moral courage to call it such.” Later she compared migrants on our southern border with Jewish victims fleeing the Holocaust.

High-quality Democrats are going to be hard to find for 2020. This is why there was a great deal of interest in Hillary’s appearance before empty seats in Toronto’s Scotiabank Arena last week. It was an early stop in her tour around the country to stay in the headlines. She is going to fail. She is riding a death wagon. After nearly 30 years in the public eye, she and Bill are going to die in the public eye. No other pair of politicians will have died in public so ignominiously ... but then there has never been such a pair as the Clintons.

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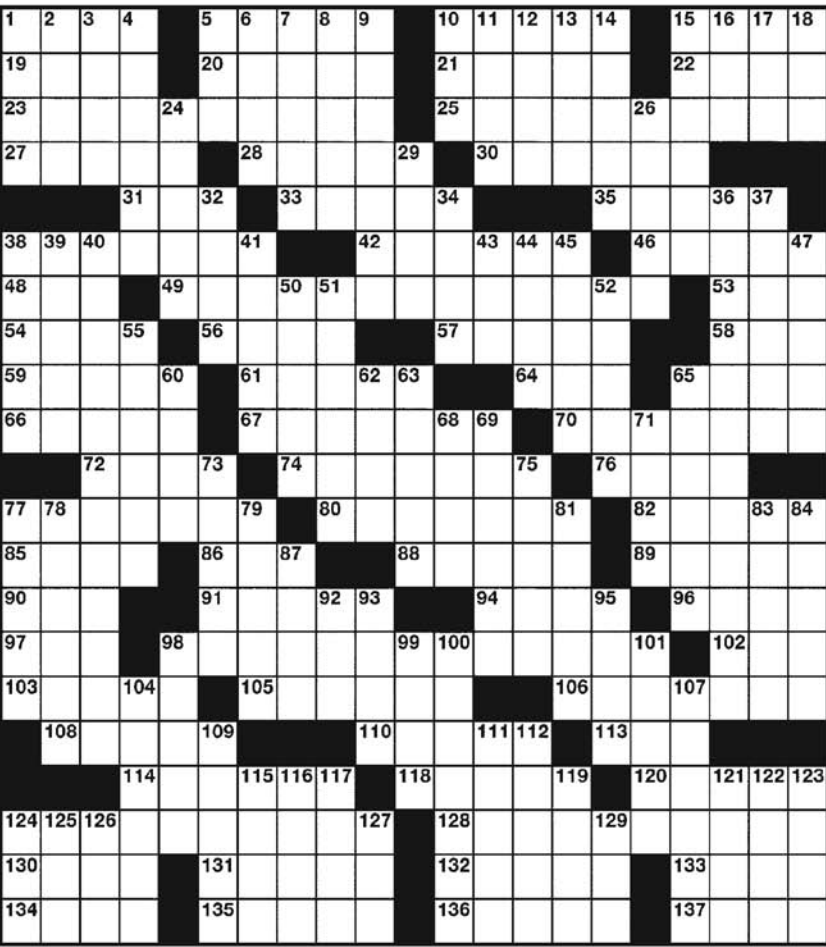
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THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP
The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above: N/A
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant 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 fin not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
S/FELIPE D. AVINA, GENERAL PARTNER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on NOVEMBER 6, 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 OF PUBLIC HEARING
PETITION FOR ESTABLISHMENT
OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING ZONE
SOUTH SIDE OF CARNE STREET,
BETWEEN FAIRFORD AVENUE
AND LONGWORTH AVENUE AND
ESTABLISHMENT OF NO PARKING
ZONE/RED CURB ON NORTH SIDE OF
CARNE STREET, BETWEEN FAIRFORD
AVENUE AND LONGWORTH AVENUE**

Date: Tuesday, December 18, 2018
Time: 6:00 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
Description: The City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider petitions filed with the City of Norwalk Department of Public Safety designating the south side of Carne Street, between Fairford Avenue and Longworth Avenue, as preferential parking by residents currently residing in the area and the north side of Carne Street, between Fairford Avenue and Longworth Avenue, as a no parking zone.
Public Comment: Interested persons are invited to attend this hearing and be heard regarding this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the City Council prior to the time set for the hearing. Address written comments: Attention City Clerk at the address noted above or by email to clerk@norwalkca.gov.
More Information: Questions concerning the public hearing matter should be directed to Nicole Amescua at (562) 929-5962 or by email to namescua@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 City Clerk's Office at (562) 929-5720. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting or time when services are needed will assist the City staff in assuring that reasonable arrangements 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 7th day of December 2018.
Theresa Devoy, CMC, City Clerk
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**CITY OF NORWALK
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PETITION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF
PREFERENTIAL PARKING ZONE
15000-15100 BLOCKS OF
GRAYSTONE AVENUE**

Date: Tuesday, December 18, 2018
Time: 6:00 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
Description: The City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider petitions filed with the City of Norwalk Department of Public Safety designating the 15000-15100 blocks of Graystone Avenue as preferential parking by residents currently residing in the area.
Public Comment: Interested persons are invited to attend this hearing and be heard regarding this matter. Written comments may be submitted to the City Council prior

to the time set for the hearing. Address written comments: Attention City Clerk at the address noted above or by email to clerk@norwalkca.gov.
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Dated this 7th day of December 2018.
Theresa Devoy, CMC, City Clerk

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CITY OF NORWALK SUMMARY ORDINANCE NOS. 18-1705U AND 18-1706

The Norwalk City Council, at a meeting to be held December 18, 2018, will introduce and consider adoption of proposed urgency Ordinance No. 18-1705U, AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORWALK ADDING A NEW CHAPTER TO THE NORWALK MUNICIPAL CODE TO CREATE A SIDEWALK VENDING PROGRAM AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF, and introduce for first reading Ordinance No. 18-1706, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NORWALK ADDING A NEW CHAPTER TO THE NORWALK MUNICIPAL CODE TO CREATE A NEW SIDEWALK VENDING PROGRAM AND DELETING THE EXISTING BAN ON THE USE OF PUSHCARTS OR OTHER NONMOTORIZED VEHICLES IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF FOOD OR MERCHANDISE, which will establish a program to immediately permit and regulate sidewalk vendors in compliance with SB 946. The proposed ordinances also repeal Section 10.08.130 of the Norwalk Municipal Code which currently prohibits the use of pushcarts, handcarts, or other nonmotorized vehicles for the sale or distribution of food and merchandise, in conflict with SB 946. The ordinance establishes Chapter 5.64 of the Norwalk Municipal Code as the Sidewalk Vending program. The proposed program is consistent with SB 946 in that it facilitates the vending activity by removing the previously established prohibition on selling goods through a mobile means. The full text of urgency Ordinance No. 18-1705U and Ordinance No. 18-1706 is available for review in the Office of the City Clerk during regular business hours.

Theresa Devoy, CMC, City Clerk
December 7, 2018

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LIEN SALES

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:

10950 Firestone Blvd
Norwalk, CA 90650

12/19/18 11:30am

Julia Martinez
Household items

Erica Peterson
Household items

Irma Bautista
Household items

Ramon Gonzalez
Household items

Irving Velasquez
Household items

Victor Mendiola
tools

Felipe Soto
Household items

Dinesha Cooley
Household items

Cecilia Corrales
Household items

Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property.

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NOTICES

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME**
CASE NUMBER: 18NWCP00050
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner JUAN ANDREI JAVIER BY AND THROUGH GUARDIAN AD LITEM JAYCEL OANDASAN AND RICARDO P. OANDASAN JR filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Present name (1) JUAN ANDREI JAVIER to Proposed name (1) JUAN ANDREI JAVIER OANDASAN
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: January 23, 2019, Time: 1:30 p.m., Department: C, Room: 312
The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk 90650
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in the county, **THE NORWALK PATRIOT** NOVEMBER 29, 2018
Margaret M. Bernal
Judge Of The Superior Court
Petitioner or Attorney, In Pro Per
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PROBATE

**NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
RUSSELL WILLIAM BLAINE
CASE NO. 18STPB10548**
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of RUSSELL WILLIAM BLAINE.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MICHELLE NIEDRINGHAUS in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MICHELLE NIEDRINGHAUS 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 with limited authority. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 12/14/18 at 8:30AM in Dept. 67 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
ANTONIO RUBEN LERMA
aka ANTONIO R. LERMA
aka ANTONIO LERMA
Case No. 18STPB09839**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of ANTONIO RUBEN LERMA aka ANTONIO R. LERMA aka ANTONIO LERMA
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Ruben Lerma in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.
THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Ruben Lerma 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 Dec. 27, 2018 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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GLENDALE CA 91206
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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO
ADMINISTER ESTATE OF:
MIRIAM MIGNONETTE TOLSON
AKA MIRIAM M. TOLSON
CASE NO. 18STPB10767**

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of MIRIAM MIGNONETTE TOLSON AKA MIRIAM M. TOLSON.
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by MIGNONETTE M. BAILEY in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that MIGNONETTE M. BAILEY 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 in this court as follows: 01/04/19 at 8:30AM in Dept. 2D 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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TRUSTEE SALES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No.: 00000007797772 Title Order No.: 180362616 FHA/VA/PMI No.: 1974357688952 ATTENTION RECORDER: THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE TO AN ATTACHED SUMMARY APPLIES ONLY TO COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR, NOT TO THIS RECORDED ORIGINAL NOTICE. NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST: DATED 09/18/2006, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 09/24/2009 as Instrument No. 20091454506 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA, EXECUTED BY: CHITOSE KITAGUCHI REVOCABLE TRUST, DATED JANUARY 21, 2006, CHITOSE KITAGUCHI, TRUSTEE OR HIS SUCCESSORS IN INTEREST, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/ CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States), DATE OF SALE: 01/07/2019 TIME OF SALE: 11:00 AM PLACE OF SALE: BY THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED AT 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 15609 WHEATSTONE AVENUE, NORWALK, CALIFORNIA 90650 APN#: 8082-023-019 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown hereon. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$121,064.37. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off 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 under 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 2924e 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 714-730-2727 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site www.servicelinkASAP.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 00000007797772. 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. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AGENCY SALES AND POSTING 714-730-2727 www.servicelinkASAP.com BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER and WEISS, LLP, as Trustee 20955 Pathfinder Road, Suite 300 Diamond Springs, CA 91765 (866) 795-1852 D

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interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and state, and as more fully described in the attached legal description. Sale Date & Time: 01/03/2019 at 09:00 AM Sale Location: Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, Vineyard Ballroom, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 15407 CROSSDALE AVENUE, NORWALK, CA 90650-6230 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$179,363.73 (Estimated). Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call, 1-800-280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site, www.auction.com, for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, T.S.# 9948-4767. 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. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Affinia Default Services, LLC 301 E. Ocean Blvd. Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 833-290-7452 For Trustee Sale Information Log On To: www.auction.com or Call: 1-800-280-2832. Affinia Default Services, LLC, Omar Solorzano, Foreclosure Associate

This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. However, if you have received a discharge of the debt referenced herein in a bankruptcy proceeding, this is not an attempt to impose personal liability upon you for payment of that debt. In the event you have received a bankruptcy discharge, any action to enforce the debt will be taken against the property only. LEGAL DESCRIPTION LOT 2, OF TRACT NO. 20884, IN THE CITY OF NORWALK, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ASPER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 565 PAGES 12 TO 16, INCLUSIVE OF MAPS IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. NPP0344430 To: NORWALK PATRIOT 12/07/2018, 12/14/2018, 12/21/2018

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T.S. No.: 9986-9893 TSG Order No.: D57300-18001432 A.P.N.: 8048-019-015 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 02/23/1999. 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. Affinia Default Services, LLC as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded 03/01/1999 as Document No.: 99 0330098, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: DIOSDADO LACAP, AN UNMARRIED MAN, as Trustor, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable in full at time of sale by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and state, and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. Sale Date & Time: 01/03/2019 at 10:00 AM Sale Location: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 11913 SPROUL STREET, NORWALK, CA 90650 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$2,755.59 (Estimated) as of 12/07/2018. Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. 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, 916-939-0772 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site, www.nationwideposting.com, for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, T.S.# 9986-9893. 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. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Affinia Default Services, LLC 301 E. Ocean Blvd. Suite 1720 Long Beach, CA 90802 833-290-7452 For Trustee Sale Information Log On To: www.nationwideposting.com or Call: 916-939-0772. Affinia Default Services, LLC, Omar Solorzano, Foreclosure Associate This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. However, if you have received a discharge of the debt referenced herein in a bankruptcy proceeding, this is not an attempt to impose personal liability upon you for payment of that debt. In the event you have received a bankruptcy discharge, any action to enforce the debt will be taken against the property only. NPP0344137 To: NORWALK PATRIOT 12/07/2018, 12/14/2018, 12/21/2018

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Downey's new police chief promises to be 'tough on crime'

► A 24-year veteran of the Downey Police Department, Dean Milligan offered his commitment to the Downey community.

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By Alex Dominguez
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DOWNEY – Former police captain Dean Milligan was officially sworn in as Downey's 11th police chief in front of a crowded City Hall chamber Wednesday morning.

Milligan has served as part of Downey's Police Department since 1994, working several assignments and moving up the ranks before being promoted to captain in December of 2012. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from the University of Laverne and a Master's Degree in Public Safety Leadership from the University of San Diego.

He now takes over for Chief Carl Charles, whose retirement became effective Wednesday.

Charles said that he "couldn't have asked for a more hard-working, conscientious, and loyal second-in-command."

"For the past six years, Dean played a critical role in implementing a host of community-based programs and services," said Charles. "Through it all, Dean has been a confidant, an advisor, and a true friend. It is my supreme confidence in his ability that led me to choose this point in time to retire.

"I am absolutely certain that Dean is the right person to lead this department into the future with an ever-changing law enforcement landscape."

Milligan was sworn in by former Downey Police Chief Greg Caldwell. His wife, Theresa, held a bible as he took his oath.

After taking his oath, Milligan addressed the audience.

"With this chief's office comes tremendous responsibilities. It is a great honor that I am humbled by and I do not take it lightly," said Milligan.

"I offer you my commitment. We will be tough on crime and diligent in providing for your safety while being responsive to your concerns. We will always strive to be respectful while being an open, accountable, and transparent agency."



Dean Milligan became Downey's chief of police after he was sworn-in by retired Downey police chief Greg Caldwell.

"I am absolutely certain that Dean is the right person [for] this department," said retiring police chief Carl Charles.

Photos by Alex Dominguez

Milligan also asked for the cooperation of the community.

"We need your leadership as well as your understanding with regard to what we can and cannot do. While we will always be your first line of defense, we unfortunately are not the answer to every problem."

"It is my hope that in the event of a critical incident, you will be willing to suspend judgement until all the facts are in. Safe neighborhoods are the results of residents and their police department working together to create them...please know that the Downey Police Department is committed to working with you to make this community a safe and secure place to live and that we will continuously strive to maintain your trust"

Milligan's speech included a wide range of thanks – directed to everyone from City Council and staff to friends, loved ones and his family – as well as a few direct words to the police department staff and officers that he now will lead.

"You should feel very proud of the job you do each day. It's my hope that when you end your shift and head for the safety of your home you will truly believe that what you did today mattered," said Milligan. "I commit myself to ensure that you are properly equipped and supervised, as well as being supported entirely.

"Serving as a police officer today means facing adversity and overcoming increasing challenges. We ask more of our officers on the street today than at any time in history.

"Policing is about much more than simply investigating crime and arresting those who do harm; it's providing council to families in distress, it's getting someone suffering from mental illness help, working out civil disputes between neighbors, and working with our youth in various programs...

"I know that you all don your respective uniforms every day because you've chosen to help people and give back to the community that we serve."



Downey police chiefs in attendance Tuesday included John Finch, Carl Charles, Dean Milligan, Greg Caldwell, Rick Esteves and Roy Campos.

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OBITUARIES: President George H.W. Bush, the last of his kind, was 94

Former President George H.W. Bush, the 41st president of the United States, died Friday at 94.

He is survived by his five children, 17 grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, and two siblings.

Bush was admitted to Houston Methodist Hospital in April after “contracting an infection that spread to his blood,” according to a statement from Bush family spokesman Jim McGrath.

Bush suffered from a form of Parkinson’s disease and had been hospitalized several times in recent years. The former commander-in-chief was treated for pneumonia and was temporarily placed on a ventilator in 2017.

Bush served as president from 1989 to 1993. Before that, he served as vice president under Ronald Reagan from 1981 to 1989.

Bush’s death follows the passing of his wife, former first lady Barbara Bush, who died on April 17. Barbara, 92, suffered from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and congestive heart failure. The two had been married for 73 years.

Bush, a Massachusetts native, joined the US armed forces on his 18th birthday in 1942 and eventually became the youngest naval pilot at the time. He flew a total of 58 combat missions during World War II, including one where he was shot down by Japanese forces.

“George H.W. Bush was a man of the highest character and the best dad a son or daughter could ask for,” former President and son George W. Bush said in a statement. “The entire Bush family is deeply grateful for 41’s life and love, for the compassion of those who have cared and prayed for dad, and for the condolences of our friends and fellow citizens.”

President Donald Trump also released a statement following news of Bush’s death: “Melania and I join with a grieving Nation to mourn the loss of former President George H.W. Bush, who passed away last night.”

“Our hearts ache with his loss, and we, with the American people, send our prayers to the entire Bush family, as we honor the life and legacy of 41,” Trump added.

After graduating from Yale University and venturing into the oil business, Bush jumped into politics and eventually became a congressman, representing the 7th Congressional District in Texas. He made two unsuccessful runs for Senate, but would later serve in various political capacities — including as the US ambassador to the United Nations, Republican National Committee chair, and CIA director.

Bush decided to run for president in 1980; however, failed to secure the Republican Party’s nomination during the primaries. Reagan soon chose Bush as his running mate and vice presidential nominee.

He ran for president again with Sen. Dan Quayle of Indiana as his running mate, and won, in 1988.

During his time in office, Bush oversaw major foreign-policy decisions that would have lasting effects on the global stage.

As one of his first major decisions, Bush decided to remove Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega — a former US ally turned international drug lord — from power. Around 23,000 US troops took part in “Operation Just Cause” and invaded Panama. Noriega eventually surrendered to the US and although the operation was seen

as a US victory, it was also viewed as a violation of international law.

As the sitting president during the demise of the Soviet Union, Bush held summits with Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev and advocated for the reduction of nuclear weapons while cultivating US-Soviet ties.

When the Soviet Union finally fell, Bush heralded it as a “victory for democracy and freedom” but held back on implementing a US-centric strikes on the confederation of nations that emerged.

On August 2, 1990, Bush faced what was arguably his greatest test. Iraq, led by Saddam Hussein, invaded Kuwait after accusing it of stealing oil and conspiring to influence oil prices.

Bush formed a coalition of nations, including the Soviet Union, to denounce Hussein’s actions and liberate Kuwait in “Operation Desert Shield” and eventually “Operation Desert Storm.” Around 425,000 US troops and 118,000 coalition forces were mobilized for weeks of aerial strikes and a 100-hour ground battle.

Despite his achievements beyond the US border, Bush was less successful back home. He fell short in his bid for reelection in 1992, during a time of high unemployment rates and continued deficit spending. Bush pulled in only 168 electoral votes that year, compared to Bill Clinton — then the governor of Arkansas — who collected 370 electoral votes.

Following his presidency, the Bushes relocated to Houston, Texas, where they settled down and became active in the community.

Bush received several accolades after his presidency, including receiving a knighthood at Buckingham Palace, and having the US Navy’s nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, the USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77), named after him.

In 2017, several women accused Bush of sexual misconduct and telling lewd jokes. Bush’s representatives released a statement at the time, saying that he occasionally “patted women’s rears in what he intended to be a good-natured manner.”

Bush is survived by his sons, former President George W. Bush, former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, Neil Bush, Marvin Bush, and daughter Dorothy Bush Koch.

“Some see leadership as high drama and the sound of trumpets calling, and sometimes it is that,” Bush said during his inaugural address on January 20, 1989. “But I see history as a book with many pages, and each day we fill a page with acts of hopefulness and meaning.”

Bush continued: “The new breeze blows, a page turns, the story unfolds. And so, today a chapter begins, a small and stately story of unity, diversity, and generosity — shared, and written, together.”

STEPHEN HILLENBURG: Stephen Hillenburg, the creator of the animated show “SpongeBob Squarepants,” has died following a battle with the neurodegenerative disease ALS.

“[Hillenburg] was a beloved friend and long-time creative partner to everyone at Nickelodeon, and our hearts go out to his entire family,” the network said in a statement to CNN on Tuesday. “Steve imbued SpongeBob SquarePants with a unique sense of humor and innocence that has brought joy to generations of kids and families everywhere. His utterly original characters and the world of Bikini Bottom will

long stand as a reminder of the value of optimism, friendship and the limitless power of imagination.”

Nickelodeon had earlier confirmed the news in a tweet.

Hillenburg revealed last year that he had been diagnosed with ALS, or Lou Gehrig’s disease.

According to his IMDB profile, Hillenburg was 57.

He told Variety at the time that he intended to work on his show “for as long as I am able.”

“SpongeBob SquarePants” has aired on Nickelodeon since 1999.

The series, about a anthropomorphic sea sponge named SpongeBob and his various underwater-dwelling friends, airs in more than 200 countries and been translated into more than 50 languages. It has earned numerous awards during its run, including four Emmy Awards.

Hillenburg earned a special Emmy Award earlier this year for his work in the animation field.

JEAN BARKER: Baroness Trumpington, the former World War Two codebreaker and British politician, has died at the age of 96.

Her son Adam Barker broke the news on Twitter on Monday, writing that “she had a bloody good innings.”

Baroness Trumpington served for 37 years in the House of Lords, the second chamber of the British parliament, only retiring in 2017.

Prior to that she also served as a Conservative government minister and party whip, whose role is to maintain party discipline, according to the UK’s Press Association.

During WWII, she was one of the so-called “Land Girls”, who worked to maintain food production during the war, and also worked at the famous Bletchley Park codebreaking facility in naval intelligence.

Fluent in several languages, she helped in cracking messages from Nazi submarines.

After the war she rose through British politics and carved out a reputation as a colorful character.

In 2011 she was recorded making an obscene gesture at another member of the House of Lords.

The incident, apparently provoked by a comment about her age, only added to her reputation as something of a one of a kind.

“I thought I’d been terribly discreet,” she said during a 2014 interview with CNN’s Christiane Amanpour. “I’ve never yet discovered where the cameras are in the House of Lords.”


News of her death resulted in a wave of tributes, including a tweet from former UK Prime Minister David Cameron.

“So very sad to hear that Baroness Trumpington has passed away. She was one of a kind – they simply don’t make politicians like that anymore. She will be sorely missed in Westminster but long remembered for her outstanding ability and great humour. RIP Trumppers,” he wrote.

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