

USC restricts students linked to scandal

LOS ANGELES – Students at the University of Southern California who may be linked to the massive college bribery scheme will be limited in what they do next while their cases are under review, school officials said Monday.

The school said in a statement posted to Twitter that holds have been placed on the accounts of students who may be associated with the alleged admissions scheme, meaning that they can’t register for classes or obtain their transcripts pending review of their cases.

“Following the review, we will take the proper action related to their status, up to revoking admission or expulsion,” the school said.

The school did not disclose the number of students potentially affected by the review.

USC has previously said that it has determined which applications in the current admissions cycle for Fall 2019 are connected to the bribery scheme, and they will be denied admission.

“A case-by-case review of current students who may be connected to the alleged scheme is also underway,” the school said. “We will make informed decisions about those cases as the reviews are completed.”

More than 30 parents have been charged in the scheme in which prosecutors said college admissions consultant William “Rick” Singer took roughly \$25 million in bribes from dozens of individuals to assure their children’s entry into top colleges by getting them recruited for sports they didn’t play and by arranging for standardized tests to be rigged.

Before his arrest, Singer actively worked on coaching students about their college applications and worked with parents who were stressed about the admissions process.

More than half the parents charged were trying to bribe their children’s way into USC, including actress Lori Loughlin and her fashion designer husband, Mossimo Giannulli, who allegedly paid \$500,000 to have their two daughters labeled as crew team recruits. Loughlin and Giannulli were each arrested and released on a \$1 million bond. They’ve been ordered to appear in federal court in Boston on March 29 for a preliminary hearing.

Loughlin’s daughter, 19-year-old Olivia Jade Giannulli, could possibly face expulsion from the school. The USC freshman is a YouTube star who goes by “Olivia Jade” on the video sharing platform as well as Instagram and Twitter, where she boasts more than 1 million Instagram followers and nearly 200,000 Twitter followers.

A spokesperson for USC confirmed to Fox News last week that Loughlin and Giannulli’s other daughter, Isabella, 20, is currently enrolled at the university.

Several other schools said they are still considering what to do about students who may be tainted by the scandal.

At Yale, the president declined to comment on specific cases but said it’s a “longstanding policy to rescind the admission of students who falsified their Yale College applications.” Stanford similarly noted that students could be “disenrolled” or have offers of admission rescinded.

Georgetown University said it was examining its records and “will be taking appropriate action,” while Wake Forest University said a student mentioned in the indictment remains enrolled.

School officials there said they have no reason to believe the student was aware of the alleged crimes. The university said Tuesday it was redirecting \$50,000 from a California foundation connected to the scheme to help first-generation college students.

Fox News report

Mother accused in murder of 9-year-old girl

Authorities say Trinity Love Jones was killed March 1 and her body dumped on a Hacienda Heights hiking trail.

The girl’s mother and her boyfriend have been charged with the murder.

HACIENDA HEIGHTS – The mother of Trinity Love Jones, the girl whose body was found on a Hacienda Heights hiking trail, has been booked as the second suspect in her murder, sheriff’s deputies said Monday.

Jones’ mother, Taquesta Graham, was extradited from Texas to Los Angeles last week and was initially being held on an unrelated warrant.

The case has been sent to the District Attorney’s Office and charges were expected to be filed Wednesday.

Los Angeles County sheriff’s officials announced the arrest of Graham’s boyfriend Emiel Hunt last week. The 38-year-old was charged with one count of murder.

Hunt is accused of killing Trinity Love Jones on or around March 1, the DA’s office said, citing the criminal complaint.

The complaint also stated that Hunt was convicted of child abuse in San Diego County in 2005.

Hunt was arrested on March 9 after investigators found him sleeping in his vehicle, which was parked in a lot near San Diego International Airport, sheriff’s investigators said.

Trinity Love Jones’s body was found inside a duffel bag last week, dumped near an equestrian trail near Colima Road and Hacienda Boulevard in Hacienda Heights.

During the past week, investigators learned Graham, Hunt and Trinity moved from a family member’s home in Long Beach in May of 2018. During the past 10 months, the extended family had only seen or heard from the couple and Trinity just a few times, according to the press release.

Investigators learned Hunt, Graham and Trinity were homeless just prior to her death and were residing in a Santa Fe Springs motel or in their vehicle.

Investigators previously believed the victim had been left at the location within 48 hours prior to the time of her body’s discovery. Since then, additional



Trinity Love Jones

information revealed that Trinity’s body was actually left at the crime scene during the afternoon hours of March 1, the release stated.

Anyone with relevant information about this case, is urged to contact the sheriff’s department’s homicide bureau at (323) 890-5500. You can also submit anonymous tips by calling Crime Stoppers at 800-222-TIPS (8477).

Man drives stolen car through La Mirada gym

Witnessess said Sergio Reyes, of Whittier, crashed a stolen vehicle into the gym after the facility revoked his membership.

He has been charged with attempted murder.

LA MIRADA – A man was arrested for allegedly stealing a car and crashing it through the front of a fitness center in La Mirada that had canceled his membership.

The crash occurred about 1:45 a.m. Tuesday at Crunch Fitness, in the 12800 block of Valley View Avenue, the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department reported. The gym was open at the time of the crash.

“Witnesses gave chase and followed the suspect to where he was seen entering the passenger side of an awaiting vehicle,” according to a sheriff’s statement. “The getaway driver then traversed several streets in attempts of losing the witnesses who were in another vehicle giving chase.”

The getaway car crashed at Alicante and Manzanares roads in

La Mirada, and the driver got out and escaped on foot.

The passenger in the getaway vehicle -- who allegedly had crashed the stolen car into the gym -- was identified as 32-year-old Sergio Reyes of Whittier. He was booked on suspicion of attempted murder and was being held on \$1 million bail, the sheriff’s department reported.

The car that had crashed through the fitness club had been stolen from Whittier a few days earlier. The getaway car in which Reyes was riding was registered to him, the sheriff’s department reported.

“It appears that suspect Reyes was a disgruntled former member of the fitness club,” the sheriff’s statement said.

Workers at the gym told KNX 1070 Newsradio that Reyes’ membership had been canceled



Photo courtesy LASD

after complaints that he was harassing women.

They also said he was trying to get his \$70 enrollment fee back and had allegedly threatened to fight an employee.

Norwalk restaurant grades

Chevron (Food Retail)
10916 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 3/18/19
Grade: **A**

7 Eleven
12405 E Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 3/18/19
Grade: **A**

Pizza Hut
11006 E Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 3/18/19
Grade: **A**

Norwalk Social Services Center

11929 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/14/19
Grade: **A**

Applebee’s
12129 Norwalk Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/13/19
Grade: **A**

Golden West Donuts
10948 Imperial Hwy.
Date Inspected: 3/13/19
Grade: **A**

Wienerschnitzel
11610 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

KFC
10937 Alondra Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/12/19
Grade: **A**

Tasty Goody Restaurant
15912 S Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/11/19
Grade: **A**

Ozen Sushi
16511 S Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/11/19
Grade: **A**

Matchon Inc.
16511 S Pioneer Blvd #117
Date Inspected: 3/11/19
Grade: **A**

Pho Anvi
12200 Civic Center Dr.
Date Inspected: 3/8/19
Grade: **A**

SP Food Market
12844 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/7/19
Grade: **A**

Grand Donuts
13560 San Antonio Dr. Ste A
Date Inspected: 3/7/19
Grade: **A**

Home Style Donuts
12840 S. Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/7/19
Grade: **A**

Boba Tivo
12848 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/7/19
Grade: **B**

3 Amigos Tacos
16441 S Pioneer Blvd. Ste JS
Date Inspected: 3/6/19
Grade: **A**

Sanchez Restaurant
12061 E 162nd St.
Date Inspected: 3/6/19
Grade: **A**

California Bakery
11860 Rosecrans Ave.
Date Inspected: 3/6/19
Grade: **A**

Xcellent Nutrition
12200 Civic Center Dr.
Date Inspected: 3/6/19
Grade: **A**

Go Hyang Jib
16441 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/6/19
Grade: **A**

88 Kings Chinese Fast Food and Donuts
16441 Pioneer Blvd.
Date Inspected: 3/5/19
Grade: **A**

Weekend at a Glance

Friday 67°

Saturday 68°

Sunday 71°



Coffee with the Congresswoman
Saturday - 85C Bakery Cafe in Cerritos, 9-11:30 am
Meet Rep. Linda Sanchez (D-Norwalk) and discuss issues that are important to you.



Classical Side of Cuban Music
Saturday - James Armstrong Theater in Torrance, 8 pm
Cuban pianist Daniel Amat, accompanied by some of Los Angeles’ sought-after studio musicians, pays tribute to some of Cuba’s most prolific composers. \$25-\$35



Ribbon Cutting
Saturday - L.A. Fitness, 9:30 a.m.
Join the Norwalk Chamber of Commerce as they hold a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new L.A. Fitness at Imperial and Bloomfield.



The Inflatable Run
Saturday - Whittier Narrows Recreation Area, 8 am
A 5K run/walk with inflatable obstacles every 500 feet that any age or fitness level can complete. \$15-\$25



Compost Giveaway
Saturday - City Hall, 8 am to 12 pm
Treat your yard or garden to nutrient rich compost or mulch. This is a self service event so please bring a shovel and sturdy container. Free for Norwalk residents (proof of residency required).



William Hung
Saturday - Cerritos College Fine Arts Building, 9 am
William Hung, who went viral for his audition on “American Idol”, speaks about how that single audition changed his life. Part of the Toastmasters District 100 Division A contest.

Norwalk-La Mirada’s Beth Nishida named Administrator of the Year

Beth Nishida has spent nearly 30 years working in education and currently oversees the district’s special education department.

NORWALK – In keeping with its long-standing tradition of honoring exceptional administrators in education, the ACSA (Association of California School Administrators), has selected Norwalk-La Mirada Executive Director of Special Education Beth Nishida for Region XIV Special Education Administrator of the Year.

The ACSA along with the Recognition and Awards Committee presents this award annually in recognition of the outstanding performance and achievement of an individual in the public school system.

The ACSA was established in 1971, and is the largest umbrella organization for school leaders in the nation, serving more than 16,000 school leaders throughout California.

The mission of ACSA is to support California’s educational leaders; ensure all students have the essential skills and knowledge needed to excel; and

champion public education.

Nishida has nearly 30 years of experience as a practitioner and an administrator. She has experience as a teacher, speech-language pathologist, program specialist, administrator and now serves NLMUSD as both the Executive Director of Special Education and as the SELPA Director.

Nishida is recognized for her commitment to specialized programming for students with disabilities as well as for her extensive knowledge of legal issues.

She is a graduate of Biola University (BA), Cal State Fullerton (MA) and is currently studying for her doctorate at Grand Canyon University.

Nishida is a highly sought-after speaker who has conducted numerous trainings throughout the state, as well as nationally. She joined NLMUSD in 2015.

“The family of Norwalk-La Mirada is very excited for Beth being selected as Administrator of the Year,” officials said.

She will receive her award at the Administrator Awards

Dinner to be held on May 1 at The Grand Long Beach.

This event will be a celebration of Beth and other Administrators who are committed to educational quality, student achievement, and professional growth.



Kaiser medical center recognized as national children’s hospital

The hospital opened its pediatric care center in 2017, and now joins more than 220 children’s hospitals nationwide.

DOWNEY – Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center was accepted for membership into the Children’s Hospital Association—the voice for more than 220 children’s hospitals nationwide.

As champions for children’s health, the association advances public policy enabling hospitals to better serve children and builds awareness of child health issues.

As a children’s hospital, Kaiser Permanente Downey’s Pediatric Care Center is setting the standard for the highest quality pediatric care to Kaiser Permanente members in the Southeast Los Angeles County area.

In 2017, Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center became a Kaiser Permanente Pediatric Care Center, meaning it is a center of expertise (tertiary center), centrally located and designed to allow doctors, specialists, and nurses to work more effectively as a coordinated and specialized pediatric care team, providing the right care in the right setting for hospitalized children.

The Kaiser Permanente Pediatric Care Center at Downey is also equipped with the most advanced technology related to pediatric care. Combining these specialized professionals with technologically advanced resources enriches the care pediatric inpatients receive and allows for even healthier medical outcomes.

“Participation in the Children’s Hospital Association offers us access to a network of institutions and people who

understand the unique health care needs of children,” said Jim Branchick, senior vice president and area manager, Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center.

“We look forward to collaborating with our peers and the children’s hospital industry and adding our voice to advocate on behalf of all children.”

The Children’s Hospital Association advances public policy enabling hospitals to better serve children and builds awareness of child health issues. It is the premier resource for pediatric data and analytics driving improved clinical and operational performance among its member hospitals.

“We are pleased to welcome Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center and look forward to its active involvement,” said Mark Wietecha, Children’s Hospital Association president and CEO. “Our hospital members are the backbone of the nation’s pediatric health care infrastructure. With them, we are committed to providing the highest quality care and developing innovative solutions to impact the future of children’s health and health care.”

Children’s hospitals represent five percent of all hospitals and provide a disproportionately large share of the nation’s pediatric acute clinical care. Children’s hospitals are also vital centers of primary and specialty pediatric medical education and are leaders in pediatric research.



Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center

Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center also received a Women’s Choice Award for “Best Children’s Hospital” in 2018.





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<div>New 2018 BMW 330i Sedan</div> <div>Lease for \$298 per month, plus tax for 36 months</div> <div></div> <div>\$1,995 due at lease signing. 10K mi/yr.</div>	<div>New 2019 Audi A4 2.0T S</div> <div>Lease for \$399 per month, plus tax for 39 months</div> <div></div> <div>\$2,889 due at lease signing. 10K mi/yr.</div>	<div>New 2019 VW Tiguan</div> <div>Lease for \$259 per month, plus tax for 36 months</div> <div></div> <div>ZERO due at lease signing. 10K mi/yr.</div>
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NORWALK HAPPENINGS

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Teen Excursion: Girls Night Out at Downtown Disney, 6-10 pm. Bring your girlfriends for a trip to Downtown Disney. For girls ages 13-18, sign-up at Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

Compost Giveaway, 8 am to 12 pm. This is a self service event so please bring a shovel and sturdy container. Free for Norwalk residents (proof of residency required). While supplies last. City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

L.A. Fitness Grand Opening, 10 am. Ribbon cutting ceremony, free zumba, children’s face painting, gym tours, raffles, and more. L.A. Fitness, 12545 Imperial Hwy.

CA Tree Team Workshop, 10 am. Learn about trees and how you can get a free tree in front of your house. The workshop will be followed by an outdoor walk with a certified arborist. For ages 18 and up. Norwalk Library, 12350 Imperial Hwy.

Soroptimist Lunch, 11:30 am. Join Soroptimist International of Norwalk as they honor five amazing women. Tickets are \$40. DoubleTree Hotel, 13111 Sycamore Dr.

Ribbon Cutting, 12 pm. Join the Norwalk Chamber of Commerce as it welcomes a new Norwalk business. Kendall’s Wudder Ice & Custard, 15616 Pioneer Blvd.

MONDAY, MARCH 25

Community Forum, 5 pm. Hear updates from Cerritos College about its lot at 166th Street and Studebaker Road. Cerritos College Science Building S-202, 11110 Alondra Blvd.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

Taco Tuesday Mixer, 4:30 pm. Bring plenty of business cards to this networking event sponsored by the Norwalk Chamber of Commerce. Berkshire Hathaway, 11642 Firestone Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

Cesar Chavez Day Ocean Challenge, 10:30 am. Celebrate Cesar Chavez Day at Norwalk Library for an afternoon of creative eco-friendly art project as part of Ocean Challenge aimed at developing and raising awareness of ocean conservation. Ages 5-12. Norwalk Library, 12350 Imperial Hwy.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

Mourning at the Margins, 12:30 pm. Dr. Heather Graham (Assistant Professor of Art History, Cal State Long Beach) presents her lecture “Mourning at the Margins: Reading Raphael’s Entombment Altarpiece through the History of Affect.” Cerritos College Fine Arts Building, 11110 Alondra Blvd.

Introduction to 3D Printing, 2 pm. Learn about 3D printing and design your own cookie cutter. Library staff will show you how. For ages 18 and up. Norwalk Library, 12350 Imperial Hwy.

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Como la Flor Giant Paper Flower Workshop, 7-9:30 pm. Mix and match colors and sizes to create a stunning feature wall for your next event. \$25, ages 18 and up. Norwalk Cultural Arts Center, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Women’s Bowling Tournament, 12 pm. \$25 buy-in with optional game side pots for \$5 each. Keystone Lanes, 11459 Imperial Hwy.

Kids Fun Zone, 12-3 pm. Craft activities, free gifts, face painting, and activities for kids. Norwalk Town Square, 11633 The Plz.

Arthritis Discussion, 1 pm. Hosted by the Arthritis Support Network, topics include cooking hacks and the upcoming Walk to Cure Arthritis. Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

Parent ‘N Me Paint Class, 12 pm. Parents and their kids are invited to this two-hour painting class with step-by-step instruction. \$30 includes one personal pizza and a soft drink. SoCal Pizza, 12253 Imperial Hwy.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

Ribbon Cutting, 2 pm. A ribbon cutting ceremony for new chamber member Crossroads animal shelter. Norwalk Chamber of Commerce, 14783 Carmenita Rd.

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

Car Dealer School, 9:30 am. Learn how to become a licensed car dealer in this one-day class. Los Angeles Dealer School, 12405 Rosecrans Ave.

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Senior Preview Day, 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. An open house for high school seniors that highlights Cerritos College’s campus, academic programs, CTE, student services, and more. Cerritos College, 11110 Alondra Blvd.

Boards, Brushes & Beverages, 7-9:30 pm. Transform unfinished wood into beautiful, personalized pieces of art suitable for decoration or to be given as a gift. \$25, ages 21 and up. Norwalk Cultural Arts Center, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

Blood Drive, 10 am to 4 pm. A community blood drive to benefit City of Hope. Plus free body ultrasounds, haircuts, and nail treatments for diabetics. Adonai SDA Church, 13246 Mapledale St.

Tea Party, 1-3 pm. An assortment of tea, old fashioned lemonade, and pastries will be served. D.D. Johnston-Hargitt House Museum, 12426 Mapledale St.

Citizenship Class, 2 pm. Would you like to learn more about the naturalization process? Join this class to learn about the application process, interview, citizenship test, and swearing-in ceremony. This class will be conducted in Spanish. Norwalk Library, 12350 Imperial Hwy.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

Teen Excursion: Boys Night Out at Universal City Walk, 6-10 pm. Hang out with your boys at University City Walk. For boys ages 13-18, sign-up at Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

“You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown,” 7 pm. A live production based on the “Peanuts” comic strip and presented by the John Glenn High School Drama Department. John Glenn High School, 13520 Shoemaker Ave.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 13

Tri-Senate Bowling Match, 11 am. The Southern California Tri-Senates of the National Bowling Association hosts its 13th annual Tri-Senates Match. Keystone Lanes, 11459 Imperial Hwy.

“You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown,” 2 pm. A live production based on the “Peanuts” comic strip and presented by the John Glenn High School Drama Department. John Glenn High School, 13520 Shoemaker Ave.

Father and Daughter Dance, 6 pm. Candy Lane Dance for fathers and daughters. \$15 per couple, \$7 each additional child. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

Opening Reception, 6 pm. Opening reception for “Painting Stories Through the Lens, A Decade of Creative Portrait Photography” by artist Madeline Arenas. Norwalk Cultural Arts Center, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

Adult 101: Stress Management, 4 pm. Tired of being stressed out? Take a break and learn healthy ways to effectively reduce stress. You will also create your own stress ball that can help you relax when you find yourself in a tense situation. Ages 12-18. Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 19

Teen Excursion: Escondido Falls in Malibu, 11 am to 4 pm. Bring your hiking boots on this adventure to see Malibu’s hidden waterfall. For teens ages 13-18, sign-up at Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 20

Egg-Stravagant Egg Hunt, 12:30 pm. Bring the whole family for an afternoon of fun, games, egg hunts, crafts, and entertainment. Pictures with the Easter Bunny available for \$3. Civic Center lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

MONDAY, APRIL 22

Teen Excursion: K1 Speed in Torrance, 4-9 pm. Need an adrenaline rush? Come speed race with your favorite teen center staff and friends. For ages 13-18. Sign-up at the Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

Teen Excursion: Robert White Park Bonfire, 4:30-11 pm. Enjoy s’mores, food, drinks, and conversation with your friends around a bonfire. For ages 13-18. Sign-up at the Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

Breakfast with Mom, 9 am. Spend a morning with your mom, grandma, or aunt. Enjoy a pancake breakfast, make crafts, and play games. \$15 per couple, \$7 each additional child. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

Teen Excursion: Dodgers vs. Pirates, 4-11 pm. Cheer on the Dodgers with your friends and Teen Center staff. For teens ages 13-18, sign-up at Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

Mother’s Day Dinner & Dance, 5 pm to midnight. Enjoy a plated dinner and then dance to a mariachi and DJ. Hosted by Vintage Ladies Car Club. \$30 admission. Knights of Columbus, 12138 Front St.

Comedy Showcase, 7 pm. Live comedy show with performances by Manan Desai, Chirayu Mistry, Ojas Rawal and Aariz Saiyed. \$30 early bird tickets. Sanatan Dharma Temple, 15311 Pioneer Blvd.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

Dr. Electric Takes Over the World, 4 pm. Join author Annie Banannie, Balloon Storyteller, in a live “Balloon Theater” retelling of this silly mad scientist adventure. Ages 3-12. Alondra Library, 11949 Alondra Blvd.

FRIDAY, MAY 3

Paint Class & A Glass, 7-9:30 pm. Artists of all experience levels are invited to an evening of socializing and step-by-step painting instruction. The night will feature a predetermined painting, simple enough for first-time painters or with suggestions and instructions for those with a higher experience level. \$25, ages 21 and up. Norwalk Cultural Arts Center, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

SATURDAY, MAY 4

Rose Garden Celebration, 1-3 pm. An annual event showcasing the Hargitt House’s rose garden. Hands-on activities for children. D.D. Johnston-Hargitt House Museum, 12426 Mapledale St.

SATURDAY, MAY 11

Opening Reception, 6 pm. Opening reception for “Point of View” by artist Andy Estrella. Norwalk Cultural Arts Center, 13200 Clarkdale Ave.

THURSDAY, MAY 16

Arabian Nights Dance, 6-9 pm. Enjoy dinner and then dance the night away to your favorite Arabian music. There will also be a dance off. For kids ages 13-plus. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

SATURDAY, MAY 18

Teen Excursion: Museum of Ice Cream, 11 am to 4 pm. Dive into a pool of sprinkles and enter a room filled with large ice cream pops. For ages 13-18. Sign-up at the Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

FRIDAY, MAY 31

‘Spring Fling’ Middle School Dance, 6:-9:30 pm. The dance is open only to Norwalk students in the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. Students must have a school I.D. to verify current school and grade level. Dress code will be enforced. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

SATURDAY, JUNE 1

Kids & Cops Golf Tournament, 9 am. Kids ages 8-17 are invited to play a round of golf with local sheriff’s deputies. \$10 includes golf, barbecue lunch, awards and raffle. Don Knabe Golf Center, 13717 Shoemaker Ave.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

Concerts on the Lawn, 7-9 pm. Summer has officially arrived with the opening concert of Norwalk’s Summer Concert Series at the Lawn. Band schedule to be announced later. Civic Center lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

Coaches Meeting, 7 pm. Attend this meeting if you’re interested in coaching baseball in Norwalk’s sports program. At this meeting you will select a team name, choose shirt sizes, and reviews rules and philosophies of the program. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

THURSDAY, JUNE 13

Coaches Meeting, 7 pm. Attend this meeting if you’re interested in

coaching volleyball in Norwalk’s sports program. At this meeting you will select a team name, choose shirt sizes, and reviews rules and philosophies of the program. Norwalk Arts & Sports Complex, 13000 Clarkdale Ave.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19

Concerts on the Lawn, 7-9 pm. Band schedule to be announced later. Civic Center lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26

Concerts on the Lawn, 7-9 pm. Band schedule to be announced later. Civic Center lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

Band Reunion, 7 pm. El Rancho High School band members will reunite in this fundraiser to benefit the school band. \$50 for dinner and dancing. DoubleTree Hotel, 13111 Sycamore Dr.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

Concerts on the Lawn, 7-9 pm. Band schedule to be announced later. Civic Center lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

Concerts on the Lawn, 7-9 pm. Band schedule to be announced later. Civic Center lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

SATURDAY, JULY 20

Ice Cream Social, 1-4 pm. Visit the museum for a trip down memory lane. Afterwards, enjoy an ice cream with your favorite toppings. D.D. Johnston-Hargitt House Museum, 12426 Mapledale St.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

Concerts on the Lawn, 7-9 pm. Band schedule to be announced later. Civic Center lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

Concerts on the Lawn, 7-9 pm. Band schedule to be announced later. Civic Center lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7

Concerts on the Lawn, 7-9 pm. Band schedule to be announced later. Civic Center lawn, 12700 Norwalk Blvd.

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Bette Time Short Story

By Gail Earl Contributor

My mother’s name is Bette. She has always had a thing about being punctual.

Even as a child, I remember being taught never to be late for anything. My mother believed that and lived that. Even though she had four small children to get ready to go out, she always started the process very early, so never to run short of time.

This special allotment of extra time carried right through our adult lives. I’m not sure what she thought would happen, heaven forbid, were we ever late to anything, but I just knew it would never happen. Perhaps it was her “always be prepared for the unexpected” attitude that drove her.

As we children got a little older, we started referring to time as “real time” and “Bette time.” “Bette time” meant that you give yourself an extra hour. Being on “Bette time,” you never miss a flight, never miss an opening curtain, never miss the start of anything.

Mom always had tables set hours before company would arrive, always had the food prepped and ready to go way before the actual time to cook.

For many years, we kids have kidded about “Bette time” but knew that to mom this was no joke. It was not optional for us.

Now, to a couple of her children, “Bette time” was a nightmare. Always having to be



somewhere early was difficult. We were smart enough to know that this was something that she was unwilling to waver, so we did the best we could.

One of my funniest examples of “Bette time” happened in 1997. My mom, my sister-in-law, my two sisters and myself were traveling through Europe. It was a wonderful trip of five girls giggling their way through six countries. Because “Bette time” never rested, traveling with mom was, well, let’s just say an experience.

On our tour, we had to have our luggage outside our hotel room door by 6 a.m. (which meant 4 or 5 to her). Breakfast was at 7, which meant we were dressed and in the restaurant lobby at 6. In any given city, her pacing began before the tour guide arrived.

We often referred to “Bette time” and soon several of our traveling group began asking, “Is that Bette time or real

time?”

While in London, we were having breakfast. We were to meet up with our group in the bus out front of the hotel at 7:30 a.m.

We were eating and everyone was enjoying discussing our day’s plan. Mom was getting so anxious about the time, you could just about see her quiver. She was chomping at the bit to get out to that bus, and couldn’t sit another minute. She had to get out there and save our seats.

We were only about half way done eating when she got up and said she’d meet us on the bus. About 10 minutes later we went to the bus and found mom was not there. We couldn’t imagine what could have happened. We piled off the bus and looked around and saw another bus down the drive way.

We ran to that bus laughing and thinking, “Oh great, we lost mom.” We boarded the other bus and our eyes scanned

every seat. Imagine our surprise when we saw about 70 African American women and our one little mother. One of the palest white women in the world, completely surrounded by an entire bus filled with a beautiful Baptist church group. I could be wrong, but I think I’d notice.

The funniest part was that Mom was so proud of being on “Bette time” and being in her seat early and ready to go that it never dawned on her that she might be on the wrong bus.

If we hadn’t gone looking for her, I’m not sure how long she would have sat there. Well you can just imagine all the laughs we had about that. We vowed not to let her out of our sight again.

We still smile every time one of us mentions “Bette time.”

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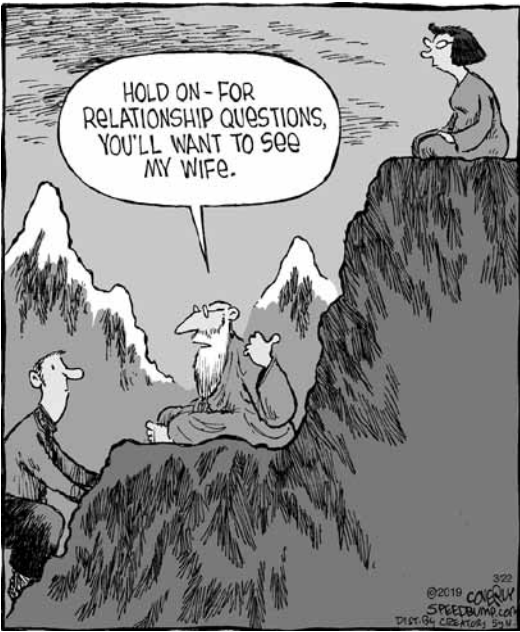
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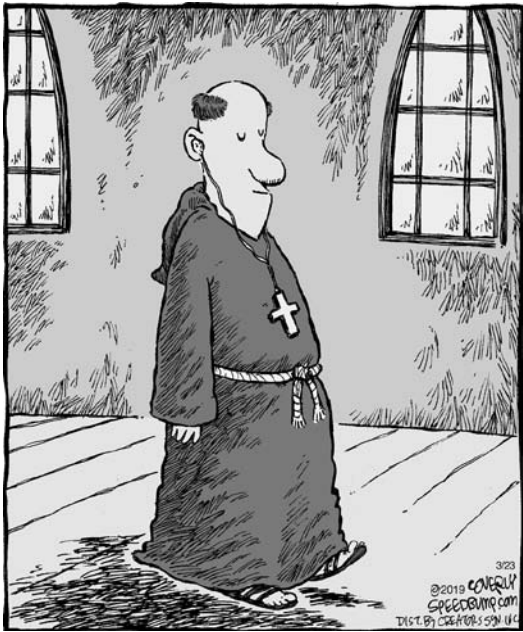
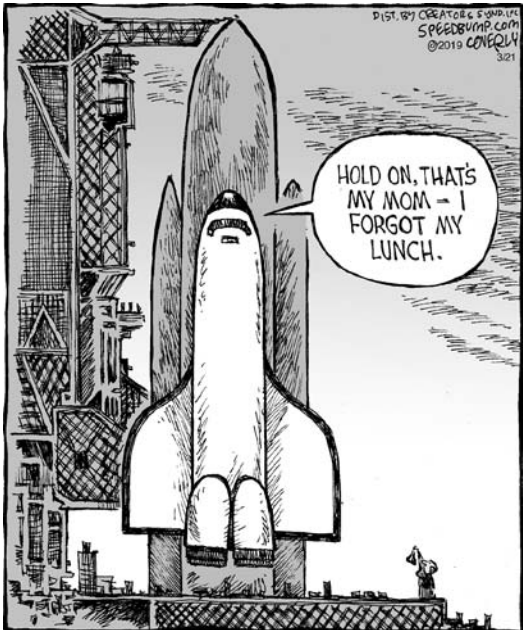
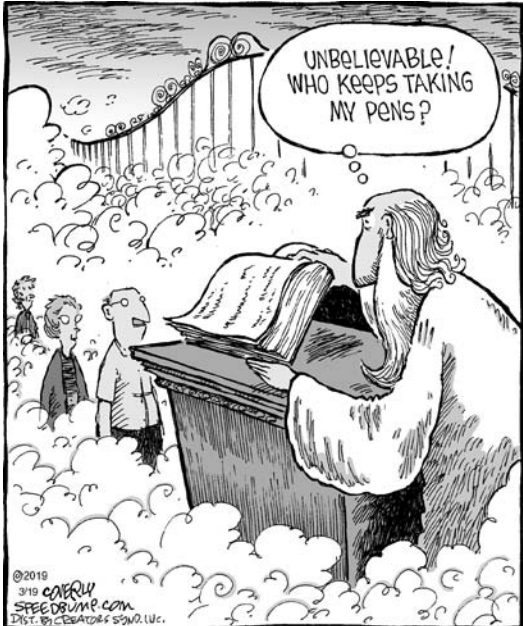
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On This Day...

March 22, 1873: Puerto Rico voted to abolish slavery.

1972: In Eisenstadt v. Baird, the United States Supreme Court decided that unmarried persons have the right to possess contraceptives.

1982: NASA's Space Shuttle Columbia was launched from the Kennedy Space Center on its third mission, STS-3.

1995: Cosmonaut Valeri Polyakov returned to earth after setting a record of 438 days in space.

1997: Tara Lipinski, at age 14 years and nine months, became the youngest women's World Figure Skating Champion.

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

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

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

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

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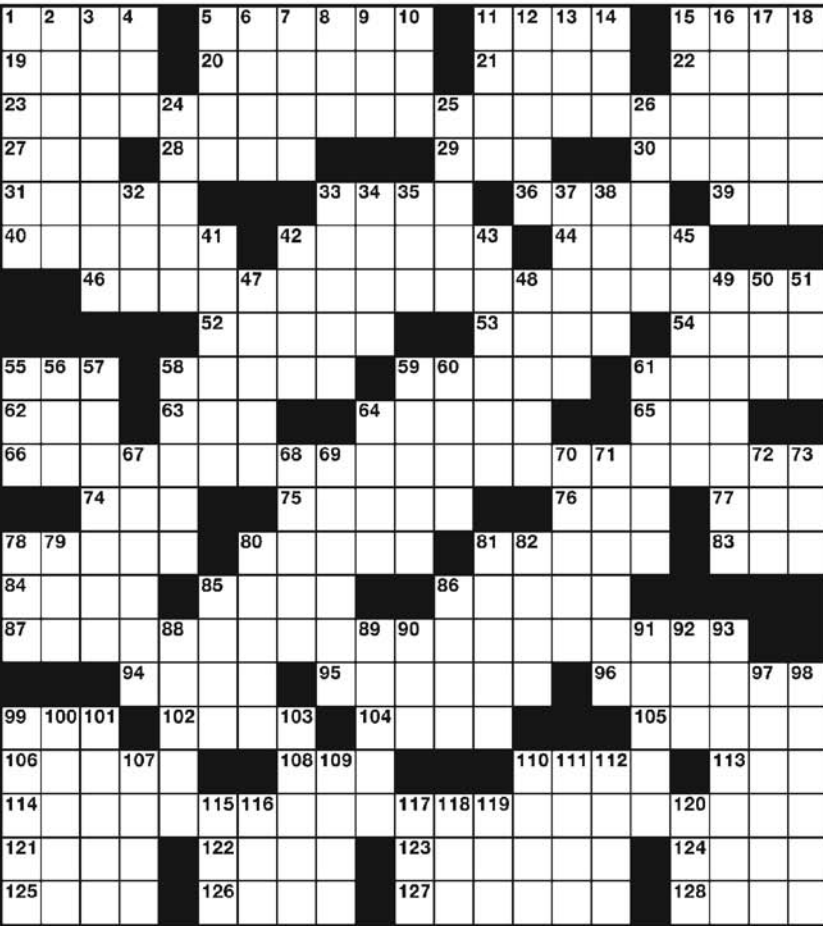
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LEGALS

TRUSTEE SALES

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No.: 18-1560 Loan No.: *****2755 APN: 7014-015-009 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 7/26/2013. 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: HAROLD ANTHONY AGUIAR, A WIDOWER, Duly Appointed Trustee: PRESTIGE DEFAULT SERVICES Recorded 8/1/2013 as Instrument No. 20131134292 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 3/28/2019 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: Vineyard Ballroom Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$306,951.42 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 11532 COLLEGE DRIVE 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 may 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. All checks payable to Prestige Default Services. 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 (800) 793-6107 or visit this Internet Web site www.auction.com, using the file number assigned to this case 18-1560. 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. Date: 2/22/2019 PRESTIGE DEFAULT SERVICES 1920 Old Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, California 92705 Sale Line: (800) 793-6107 Michelle R. Ghidotti-Gonsalves, President A-FN4686187 03/08/2019, 03/15/2019, 03/22/2019

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T.S. No. 17-48778 APN: 8022-032-017
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YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/5/2005. 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

Trustor: **RICHARD ALVARADO, A SINGLE MAN**
Duly Appointed Trustee: Zieve, Brodnax & Steele, LLP Deed of Trust recorded 4/15/2005, as Instrument No. 05 0877088, The subject Deed of Trust was modified by Loan Modification Agreement recorded as Instrument 20071437910 and recorded on 6/14/2007, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California.
Date of Sale: **4/25/2019** at 9:00 AM
Place of Sale: Vineyard Ballroom, Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650

Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$355,542.99**
Note: Because the Beneficiary reserves the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt owed.

Street Address or other common designation of real property: **12241 LONGWORTH AVENUE NORWALK, CA 90650**
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NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE Trustee Sale No: 130640-11 Loan No: 197-3522626 Title Order No: 19-260099 APN 8054-030-009 WHEREAS, on 05/25/2005, a certain Deed of Trust was executed by LEOTA M. THOMAS, TRUSTEE OF THE LEOTA M. THOMAS FAMILY TRUST, DATED AUGUST 24, 2002, as trustor in favor of WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. as beneficiary and FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE as trustee, and was recorded on 06/01/2005 as Document No. 05 1272024, and re-recorded 06/28/2011 as Document No. 20110870505, and WHEREAS, the Deed of Trust was insured by the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family housing; and WHEREAS the beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an assignment recorded 04/10/2014 in document no. 20140367072, of Official records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, CA, and WHEREAS a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Deed of Trust PURSUANT TO SECTION 9 (A)(i). OF THE LOAN DOCUMENTS "AN IMMEDIATE PAYMENT IN FULL. AS DEFINED, THE LENDER WILL REQUIRE IMMEDIATE PAYMENT IN FULL OF ALL OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL AND ACCRUED INTEREST IF: A BORROWER DIES AND THE PROPERTY IS NOT THE PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE OF AT LEAST ONE SURVIVING BORROWER." INCLUDING ALL FORECLOSURE FEES, ATTORNEY FEES AND ADVANCES TO SENIOR LIENS, INSURANCE, TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS. WHEREAS, by virtue of

this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Deed of Trust to be immediately due and payable: NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, recorded on 06/18/2014 as Instrument No. 2014-0630515, notice is hereby given that on 04/12/2019, at 10:00AM local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described premises ("Property") will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST Commonly known as: 13939 MAIDSTONE AVENUE, NORWALK, CA 90650 The sale will be held: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development will bid \$397,712.02. There will be no proration of taxes, rents or other income or liabilities, except that the purchaser will pay, at or before closing, his pro rata share of any real estate taxes that have been paid by the Secretary to the date of the foreclosure sale. When making their bids, all bidders except the Secretary must submit a deposit totaling \$39,771.20 [10% of the Secretary's bid] in the form of a certified check or cashier's check made out to the Secretary of HUD. A deposit need not accompany each oral bid. If the successful bid is oral, a deposit of \$39,771.20 must be presented before the bidding is closed. The deposit is nonrefundable. The remainder of the purchase price must be delivered within 30 days of the sale or at such other time as the Secretary may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check made out to the Secretary of HUD, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery date of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them. The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for a 15-day increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee will be in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due. If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder. There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption in the mortgage or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant. The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagee to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed. The amount that must be paid if the mortgage is to be reinstated prior to the scheduled sale is \$397,662.94 as of 04/11/2019, plus all other amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if payments under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices and for the Foreclosure Commissioner's attendance at the sale, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recording documents, a commission for the Foreclosure Commissioner, and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to reinstatement. Tender of payment by certified or cashier's check or application for cancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be submitted to the address of the Foreclosure Commissioner provided below. DATE: 03/06/2019 FORECLOSURE COMMISSIONER: MORTGAGE LENDER SERVICES, INC. 11707 Fair Oaks Blvd., Ste 202 Fair Oaks, CA 95628 (916) 962-3453 Fax: (916) 962-1334 Sale Information Line: 916-939-0772 or www.nationwideposting.com TARA CAMPBELL, ASST. VICE PRESIDENT NPP0350333 To: NORWALK PATRIOT Pub: 03/22/2019, 03/29/2019, 04/05/2019

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Short Story

By Michael Chirco Contributor

I remember sitting in kindergarten class at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School in 1983.

Ms. Frazier had a pretty smile and was very helpful. But I could not sit still. I could not focus nor did anything I was reading interest me, except Ms. Frazier and my coloring book. I drew a lot, mostly doodles, a lot of drawings but I was never focused on my actual homework. Eventually it was decided to hold me back a grade.

So, I repeated kindergarten. My second time in kindergarten was a little different. The teacher this time was Mrs. Richards. Her son was also in the classroom, but so was Marissa Z., and I couldn't get my mind off of her. She couldn't get her mind off of me.

My cousin Dennis was in the 8th grade at the time and he had a girlfriend named Susan. Susan used to love to come over and pick me up in the playground and play with me. It drove Marissa crazy, and I

remember loving it.

All through my years at OLPH, I remember never being able to focus on much other than drawing, writing, reading, art and girls.

But one thing for sure that I was always interested in was the morning paper arriving outside in front of the garage. On Sundays it was the Press-Telegram or the Los Angeles Times.

I graduated from OLPH in 1992 and went on to St. John Bosco, where much of the lack of interest in school continued. Eventually I found myself in the public school system at Downey High School.

My interests became different at Downey High mostly because there was a lot more to do. I loved my typewriting class, the wood-working class and the architecture class, and there were a lot of girls. But every Friday what I looked forward to the most was the Downey Eagle.

In 1993, the Downey Eagle started showing up at our door. The Downey Eagle was the newspaper that my dad and I enjoyed the most. It featured stories from the local community, high school sports and advertising.

My brother and sister enjoyed the Los Angeles Times.

My brother was really into sports and my sister into the entertainment section. But my dad and I really looked forward to the Eagle. It's too bad that my grades couldn't have been based on the articles of the Downey Eagle.

The Eagle continued to be published from 1993 until 2002. I graduated high school in 1996 and went on to miscellaneous adventures, but never really had a love for the papers that would arrive at our door.

The computer soon became the interest of the home, with random articles, dating sites, MySpace, and the occasional news pop-up or video games like Lemmings or DOOM.

Then one Friday morning in 2002, right before heading to my job, a shady-looking van turned the corner at Dolan Street and zoomed past my parents' house with the passenger window rolled down and a woman in the passenger seat. An arm slingshot out of the window and an object landed right at my feet. I picked it up and removed the rubber band and opened it up. My eyes opened with excitement.

It was the Downey Patriot!

My life once again was complete.

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teenagers!

I recall the last time the incident was talked about was at the 34th Benson Family Reunion in September 2011. That would be the last reunion Aunt Gerry attended before her passing at the age of 97 in 2012. She never missed the annual event, and the Bea Benson Award was created in 1986 to specifically commemorate the high regard and affection felt for her by the Benson family.

We still talk about her wonderful "Southern cooking", and how we looked forward each year, at reunion time, to her delicious (grand size) homemade cinnamon rolls and her to-die-for-lemonade that were sure to grace our potluck table.

The subject of the outhouse incident and what happened that long ago teenage summer day still brought back chuckles and glimpses of three beloved family members...Mom, Granddad White and Aunt Gerry.

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teasing was done in a loving and very affectionate manner, it was still embarrassing and to the hilt or the 9th degree!

It just so happened that on one of her summertime visits, Mom and Aunt Gerry had to use the outhouse, and decided to "sit together." As teenagers often do, they got to talking and sharing and giggling, and they fell into the mire.

Their first thought was to somehow escape Granddad White seeing them as they walked across the lawn, arms set apart, dripping in "it" from head to toe! But, escaping his "eagle eye" was not in the cards, as just at that moment he happened to be walking by! Yes, he came, he saw, he teased them on the spot, and he would tease them long afterward about their "twosome dip" into the bottom of the outhouse.

He would repeat the story in later years to we six Benson kids, plus Aunt Gerry's three, and everyone who would listen knew that Mom and Aunt Gerry had fallen into the outhouse together when they were young

The Outhouse

Short Story

By Sharon Benson Smith Contributor

There's something about things from the past that just call to me, and I cherish any remembered glimpses of Mom, Granddad White and Aunt Gerry.

Long before we came to know him as Granddad White, he was stepdad to our mom and "unky" (an endearment for uncle) to Aunt Gerry. Bea and Gerry got along famously right from the beginning when they were just kids and Aunt Gerry would visit her unky from Alabama where he lived in Imperial, California.

Granddad White was the world's biggest tease (as we six Benson kids would learn in later years), and you never wanted to give him any fodder, as he would never let you live it down. And, although his

What Makes Me Happy

Short Story

By Maria Zeeman Contributor

There are many events and things that make me happy.

Now that I'm almost 83, I love to see, talk, or be with my family. I love to get up with a lot of sunshine, have my coffee early in the morning with my lovely little Honey and Lucas, my miniature Yorkie's, and two cats, Birthday and Peanut. They all greet me with love and adoration, I love them all.

It also makes me happy to see all or even a few of my flowers greeting me. They're so pretty and full of life. I guess I like the mornings the best.

I also like to play bridge with my friends, have lunch and be with them, go to my writing classes, be among a bunch of nice people, and work on my memoirs I like to write and finish before it's too late!

I love to see my daughter coming home from work. She brings her little Yorky Lucas before she goes to work and picks him up after work. We often watch a program on TV, have dinner, and just talk some. She often takes me out to eat at various restaurants. It really makes me happy if I can ride with her to family and/or other parties or outings. She lives the closest to me, she is always kind, but doesn't always agree with me which is OK, too.

I also love to be with my son's family, I love his children and they love me too. I'm also happy when I see Beatrix, my

other daughter — she helps me with my computer. I really appreciate that, she's patient and doesn't get frustrated with me. And of course I love to be with all my other family.

I love to go to places, see my faraway family. Explore their surroundings. Go on cruises, even though I feel that I'm getting too old for that now. I've been on many cruises and have traveled to many other countries. I would still go with a loving member or, if I had an older friend or friends, but it has to be on a slower pace.

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We need a new Green Deal but not the one offered by AOC

BY STEVE RATTNER

Yes, of course, we need a Green New Deal to address the world’s most urgent crisis, global warming.

Just, please, not the one that a flotilla of liberal politicians, including seven of the top Democratic presidential hopefuls currently in the Senate, are signing up for in droves, like children following the pied piper in the old legend.

Our modern-day pied piper, Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, is trying to lure us into a set of policies that might help save the planet but at the cost of severely damaging the global economy.

To be sure, by the time the resolution was introduced into Congress, some of its most ludicrous provisions (like the deadline of 2030 for a full transition to renewable energy and the immediate halt to any investment in fossil fuels) had been eliminated or watered down.

But as important as continuing to prune the absurd or damaging provisions would be to add what is the most effective way to attack climate change: using taxes and market forces rather than government controls to reduce harmful emissions.

That has been a problem for decades, at least since Washington got seriously into the business of improving the environment, back in 1970 with the creation of the Environmental Protection Agency — under President Nixon!

Politicians prefer that approach because using regulation hides the costs of reducing emissions. The decision, for example, to force improvements in automobile mileage by requiring each manufacturer to improve overall fleet efficiency has added thousands of dollars to the cost of cars.

Higher car prices have the countervailing impact of encouraging

Americans to hang onto their older, less fuel-efficient cars for a longer time, offsetting at least some of the gains from newer cars. Nor have the regulations, with their many escape hatches, kept consumers from buying even more sport utility vehicles and pickup trucks as gas prices have remained historically low.

Fortunately, there is a better way to address the climate problem at far lower cost to the economy: a tax on greenhouse gas emissions. That can be imposed in any number of ways. The 18.4 cent federal gasoline tax, for example, hasn’t been increased since 1993 even as most other developed countries impose far higher levies.

A particularly thoughtful proposal has come from the Climate Leadership Council, a bipartisan organization that counts more than 3,300 economists among its signatories. Elegant in its simplicity, the key provision would be the imposition of an escalating tax on carbon. At an initial rate of \$43 per ton, the levy would be roughly equivalent to 38.2 cents per gallon of gasoline.

To prevent polluters from fleeing overseas, the tax would be imposed on imports from countries lacking a similar provision while exports to those countries would not be taxed. While difficult to implement, that component is important to work out.

The entire proceeds from the tax would be rebated to consumers. The council suggests an equal amount for each American; my view would be to exclude the wealthy (who hardly need the estimated \$2,000 a year in payments) and disproportionately favor those closer to the bottom.

Why are so many economists, even conservative ones, in favor of a massive new tax? Because markets do not always price in “externalities” like pollution. In addition to cutting consumption, raising the price of carbon would arguably do more to encourage

development of alternative power sources than all the massive new government spending programs that advocates of the Green New Deal envision.

Some technical problems would need to be addressed, such as how the higher prices would filter through inflation calculations and create unintended cost of living adjustments to wages and Social Security payments.

But those are details; the key point is that a carbon tax has been judged by climate hawks like Resources for the Future to be far more effective in reaching the goals of the Paris agreement than the well-intended regulations put in place by President Obama and his predecessors.

That’s at least part of why the plan enjoys support from an armada of organizations not often on the same page, like Exxon Mobil and Conservation International.

Historically, the politics of even small increases in the gasoline tax have been tough. A 2017 proposal in the House to increase tax by just one penny went nowhere. But recent polls suggest that perhaps sentiment is changing; a survey by the Energy Policy Institute at the University of Chicago found that 44 percent of Americans favor a carbon tax while only 29 percent oppose one.

Given how late we are to the climate battle, maintaining some sensible regulation will also be necessary. But a hefty carbon tax would go a long way toward winning the war.

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Congress grows a spine

BY JACOB SULLUM

The War Powers Resolution, which Congress passed in 1973, and the National Emergencies Act, which it approved three years later, were both intended to curb presidential power grabs. But until last week, Congress had never used them for that purpose. We can thank Donald Trump for this belated attempt to enforce the Constitution’s separation of powers.

Trump is hardly the first president to use the military however he likes without bothering to ask permission from Congress, which has the constitutional power to declare war. U.S. participation in the Saudi campaign against Houthi rebels in Yemen, the target of last week’s War Powers Act vote, may be appalling on humanitarian grounds, but it is less direct than the bombs and missiles that Barack Obama deployed against Muammar Gaddafi’s regime in Libya.

In that case, Obama claimed

the War Powers Act did not apply, because blowing up Libyan targets did not qualify as “hostilities.” The argument was so laughable that the Justice Department’s Office of Legal Counsel advised against it.

Obama, like Trump, launched missiles into Syria without congressional approval to punish President Bashar al-Assad for using chemical weapons in that country’s civil war. The unauthorized U.S. involvement in Syria, which Trump says he wants to end, began under Obama, who as a candidate admitted “the President does not have power under the Constitution to unilaterally authorize a military attack in a situation that does not involve stopping an actual or imminent threat to the nation.”

Trump, like Obama, was a critic of executive overreach until he had the opportunity to engage in it. “Why is @BarackObama constantly issuing executive orders that are major power grabs of authority?” he wondered on Twitter in 2012.

After declaring an emergency he admits does not exist to obtain border wall funding that Congress has repeatedly declined to appropriate, Trump probably has a better idea of why presidents do that sort of thing. But his attempt to steal the spending power from Congress did not break new ground.

During George W. Bush’s last few months in office, his administration unsuccessfully urged Congress to approve a bailout of the auto industry. Undeterred by its refusal, the Bush administration swiped the money from the Troubled Asset Relief Program, which was created to shore up financial institutions. Obama expanded this illegal use of TARP money.

In 2012, a few months before Trump’s tweet complaining about Obama’s abuse of executive power, Andrew Rosenthal, then the editorial page editor at The New York Times, explained why Bush’s record on that score was worse. While Bush overstepped his authority gratuitously, Rosenthal said, Obama did it only when Congress, controlled by Republicans bent on blocking his agenda, refused to give him what he wanted.

Another way of looking at it, of course, is that a president is

on especially shaky ground when he does something Congress has explicitly declined to authorize. That seemed to be the view of the 12 Republican senators who voted to override Trump’s declaration of a border emergency.

Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., who supported Trump’s request for border wall money, nevertheless faulted him for “seeking to expand the powers of the presidency beyond their constitutional limits.” Paul said he would lose his “political soul” if he “decided to treat President Trump different than President Obama.”

Paul also was one of seven Republican senators who voted to end unauthorized U.S. military activity in Yemen, echoing a resolution the House passed last month with support from 18 Republicans. “I don’t think you can overstate how important it is that for the first time in the history of the country, the full Congress voted to tell the president that we can’t be in a war,” Paul said.

Trump vetoed the border wall bill on Friday, and the same fate awaits the Yemen resolution. But at least Congress tried to draw a line on the president’s war and emergency powers, which is more than it has managed to do before.

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WeWork needs a new plan to fix its flaws

BY ANGEL GUTIERREZ

If your house had no windows, faulty wiring, and a bad foundation, what’s the first step you would take to fix it? Would you decide to repaint the house, or would you go to work fixing the essential problems first?

The answer’s obvious. But in the business world, many companies face deep foundational issues, yet nonetheless, devote their focus to cosmetics. It’s a common mistake that has spelled ruin for many promising businesses.

Could WeWork be next?

If you’re unfamiliar, WeWork is perhaps the top co-working company in the country (co-working meaning an office space where companies, usually startups, share common spaces and amenities). They’re expanding everywhere, and have recently announced a new Palo Alto location here in California.

The company hit the scene at just the right time when it was founded in 2011 – real estate was cheap due to the economic downturn, and the hip millennial business craze was in full flight across the country.

Over the last eight years, WeWork has matured from a trendy startup into a \$47 billion dollar company, according to Fast Money. But as the company has grown, they’ve opened themselves up to new problems.

For starters, WeWork has a spending problem – a big one. According to Recode, last year, “[WeWork’s] net loss was \$723 million in the first half of the year on about \$764 million of revenue.” This wasn’t a one-off; the company has a pattern of

money going in and out at just about the same rate.

That’s probably fine today while the economy is hot. But in the event of another downturn, such a small amount of cash-on-hand could be a real problem.

WeWork’s also come into some ethical dilemmas lately that threaten their reputation as a socially-conscious 21st-century company. For instance, it’s no secret that WeWork takes heavy investments from Softbank, a Japanese company that’s bankrolled by the Saudi government – especially problematic given the kingdom’s human rights violations.

Not to mention, WeWork’s also taken heat for their poor response to sexual harassment allegations and for firing cleaning staff who asked for a pay raise.

So far, WeWork has not done much to address the problems themselves. Rather, they’ve embarked on a new expansion and rebranding effort. They now operate under an umbrella brand called “the we company” and are launching new business ventures in the education and housing spaces.

Launching a new rebrand and expansion isn’t a bad thing. But if this is WeWork’s only solution to poor financial management and problematic ethical situations, then it’s not the right move.

Not to mention, the rebrand itself has raised some eyebrows. By calling itself “we,” WeWork is mirroring the name of a well-established Canadian charity called the WE Organization. The WE Organization has been around for over two decades, and in that time has made a mark around the world for their philanthropic efforts. Furthermore, the charity is involved in many of the same sectors as WeWork.

It’s one thing to change your company’s name, but when you’re using a similar brand as a nonprofit that is involved in the same sectors, it’s certainly not the most ideal look for the millennial-driven company.

Bottom line: WeWork’s effort to rebrand itself and grow as a business is fine. However, it is not the sole path to solving the true problems facing the company. WeWork has a lot of potential as it expands in California. If the company can solve its internal flaws, there is no doubt that WeWork will achieve even greater success.

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Little Lake Grammar School Class of 1940

By Eric Pierce
Editor

At 86 years old, former Norwalk mayor Marcial “Rod” Rodriguez owns a trove of Norwalk memorabilia and historical artifacts. His home is a virtual historical society filled with maps, commemorative coins, and token gifts from local, state and national legislators.

But perhaps no piece holds as much significant to him as the 1939-40 yearbook from his early days at Little Lake Grammar School. Rodriguez attended the school from 1939 to 1947; located next to Little Lake Cemetery, the campus was demolished several decades ago and the property was redeveloped with apartments.

Rodriguez shared the annual with the Norwalk Patriot and this newspaper will publish excerpts from the yearbook over the next several weeks. The yearbook was produced by the school’s graduating eighth grade class.

The following is taken verbatim from the annual:

DEDICATION

The class of 1940 dedicate this annual to the future classes of Little Lake School. We hope they will take over where we left off and as the years go by make this school even better than it is already. For this purpose, of continued progress, we dedicate this annual to you.

THEME

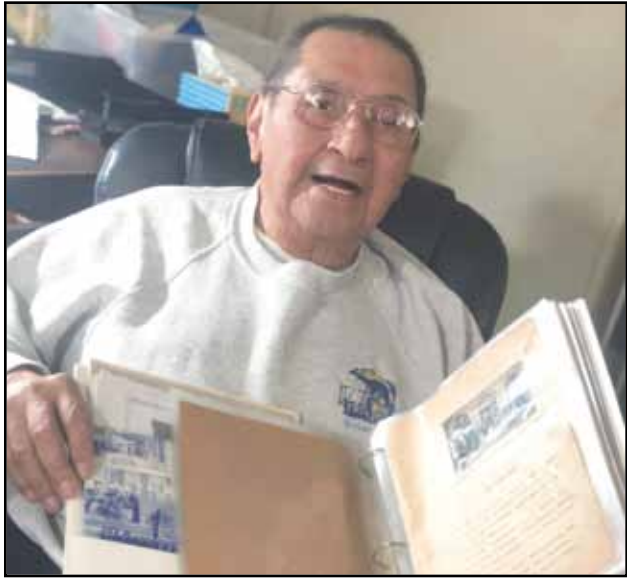
The Graduating Class of 1940 has chosen “STAIRWAYS” as the theme for this annual. In order to progress, we must build a very substantial foundation for each step we take. Every time we move forward, we should try to elevate our mind, body, and spirit to higher levels. Stairways, therefore, express our most earnest desire.

THE PRINCIPAL

Carl T. Cobbs

THE CHALLENGE OF LIFE’S STAIRWAY

Every girl and boy may use the stairway of life. Climbing stairs requires strength, desire, and purpose. There are pupils who stay on the same step or stop with their first success; others climbing too fast or without purposeful experiences may fall quickly. Those able to climb but demanding to be carried may not go far upward and may cause their carriers to be sacrificed. The healthiest



pupils become strong by climbing many steps and are capable of doing much for society. At the top of each flight of stairs there is a landing where one may examine the steps made. Will your examination show that you have done your best?

With sincerest hopes for you,
C.T. Cobbs

WOODSTOCK 50 LINEUP: Jay Z, the Killers headline

Other performers include the Black Keys, Miley Cyrus, Imagine Dragons, and Carlos Santana, who played the original Woodstock music festival.

NEW YORK – Jay-Z, Dead & Company and the Killers will headline one of the 50th anniversary shows commemorating the groundbreaking Woodstock festival this summer.

Woodstock co-founder Michael Lang announced Tuesday that Miley Cyrus, Santana, Imagine Dragons, Robert Plant and The Sensational Space Shifters, the Black Keys and Chance the Rapper will also perform at the Woodstock 50 Music and Arts Fair, which will take place Aug. 16-18 in Watkins Glen, New York, about 115 miles northwest of the original site. The event is separate from an anniversary concert planned at the site of the original festival in 1969.

Tickets for the three-day

festival pushing the message of peace, love and music go on sale April 22, which is Earth Day.

Lang said though Woodstock took place 50 years ago, today’s world and 1969 are somewhat parallel.

“It’s kind of spooky how similar things are. How some of the things that we thought we’d gone past in the last 50 years — the racial divides, care for the environment and women’s rights — now we have Black Lives Matter and the #MeToo movement and climate deniers and another (expletive) in the White House,” Lang said. “So, it’s very similar.”

Lang made the announcement at a press conference at Jimi Hendrix’s Electric Lady Studios in New York City alongside Common and John Fogerty, who performed at the original Woodstock. Both Fogerty and Common will perform this summer.

Fogerty, 73, recalled performing his set in 1969 after the Grateful Dead hit the stage. He said he took the stage after

midnight and half of the audience was asleep.

“I was frustrated and I said something like, ‘We hope you’re having a good time out there. We’re playing our hearts out for ya up here.’ And I don’t really see much moving. I see a light, somebody’s lighter goes on in the darkness and somebody out there says, ‘Don’t worry about it John, we’re with ya!’ So I played the whole rest of my complete Woodstock concert for that guy,” he said.

More than 80 artists, including David Crosby, Janelle Monae, Brandi Carlile, Country Joe McDonald, Halsey, the Lumineers, Portugal the Man and India.Arie, are expected to perform on three main stages at Watkins Glen International racetrack in the Finger Lakes for Woodstock 50.

The original concert was held on a farm in Bethel, New York that is now run as an attraction by The Bethel Woods Center for the Arts. The venue plans its own anniversary event Aug. 16-18.

Common, 47, said he is happy to represent hip-hop music at Woodstock 50 and be a part of a festival that not only focuses on music, but has a strong social and political presence.

“To be able to be connected to Woodstock in any shape, form or fashion for me is one of the greatest honors I’ve had as an artist, as human being (and) as a musician,” the Grammy, Oscar and Emmy winner said. “There’s so much going on right now (and) I think one of the best ways we can combat the ignorance, the divisiveness, the hatred is to go out there (and) push love and express love and practice love, and it definitely comes through, that love comes through at Woodstock.”

“I’m not 50, but I’m grateful to be a part of this,” Common said as the audience laughed.

More than 400,000 people attended the Woodstock Music and Arts Fair, which was held Aug. 15-17, 1969.



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