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Where to buy your 4th of July fireworks

NORWALK - Residents who wish to purchase "safe and sane" fireworks for the Independence Day holiday may do so next week at one of Norwalk's 14 approved vendors.

Stand locations, along with the non-profits and service organizations operating them, are as follows:

1. Arturo Sanchez Halloween Parade - 12400 Studebaker Rd.

2. Bejans and Friends for Health and Ed - 13905 Pioneer Blvd

3. Bernabe Community Center - 11005 Firestone Blvd.

4. Calvary Community Church - 14626 Pioneer Blvd.

5. Dream Big Project - 11461 Rosecrans Ave.

6. Jobs Daughters - 12959 Rosecrans Ave.

7. John Glenn High School -14835 Pioneer Blvd

8. Knights of Columbus - Fellowship - 11364 Imperial Hwy 12523 Alondra Blvd

9. La Senda Antigua - 15014 - 11300 Firestone Blvd Studebaker Rd

is due for completion by the

NORWALK - Norwalk High

The project is beginning to

School, founded in 1956, will be

the home of a new stadium and

sports complex later this year.

end of the year.

By John Sherrard

Contributor



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13. Norwalk Wesleyan Church - 12319 Norwalk Blvd

14. Parents in Support of Youth Activities - 11623 Rosecrans

Ave

Huh Daegam Restaurant 16511 Pioneer Blvd. Date Inspected: 6/17/20 Grade: A 88 Kings Chinese Food

16441 Pioneer Blvd. Inspected: 6/17/20 Grade: 🗛

Norwalk

<u>restaurant</u>

<u>grades</u>

Coffee Code 13250 Rosecrans Ave. Date Inspected: 6/15/20 Grade: A

RT Kitchen Snacks & More 15714 Pioneer Blvd. Date Inspected: 6/11/20 Grade: A

KFC 12959 Rosecrans Ave. Date Inspected: 6/11/20 Grade: A

ABC Donuts 10620 Imperial Hwy. Date Inspected: 6/11/20 Grade: 🗛

Pizza Hut 12125 Imperial Hwy. Date Inspected: 6/10/20 Grade: A

Jamba Juice 12305 Imperial Hwy. Date Inspected: 6/10/20 Grade: 🗛

Rainbow Donuts 12307 Imperial Hwy. Date Inspected: 6/10/20 Grade: A

Subway 11782 Firestone Blvd. Date Inspected: 6/10/20 Grade: 🗛

In n Out 14330 Pioneer Blvd. Date Inspected: 6/9/20 Grade: 🗛

Subway 13019 Rosecrans Date Inspected: 6/9/20

Weekend at a Glance

14783 Carmenita Road, Norwalk, CA 90650



ON THIS DAY JUNE 26

1794:

During the Battle of Fleurus, the French used a reconnaissance balloon, marking the first successful use of a military aircraft.

1870:

Christmas was declared a national holiday in the United States.

1974:

U.S. retailers began using barcode technology to track sales.

1977:

Elvis Presley performed what turned out to be his final concert.

1997:

The Supreme Court ruled that the Communications Decency Act, passed by Congress to regulate internet pornography, violated the First Amendment.

2015:

Five different terrorist attacks in France, Tunisia, Somalia, Kuwait and Syria killed approximately 403 people.

2015:

The Supreme Court ruled, 5-4, that same sex couples have a constitutional right to marriage.



courts and a field house and The brand new all-turf concession stand. stadium and sports complex

> Last year, John Glenn high finished a new sports complex, also under the Measure G Bond.

10. New Harvest Christian

11. Norwalk Elks Lodge #2142

"It's going to be really great for the students and what a great opportunity for the school for many, many years to come," Norwalk-La Mirada Unified School District Facilities Planning and Construction Director Edith Florence said. "It will be an all-turf facility."



Norwalk High Stadium takes shape

12. Norwalk Little League -11016 Rosecrans Ave

coming out of the ground, light standards in place and even the football scoreboard is standing in the north end zone.

take shape with field buildings

The project is a funding that was passed by Norwalk residents in a 2014 vote and is a \$375 million Education Bond Measure.

The Norwalk high Sports Complex, which began in October of 2019, are expected to be completed in late December of this year or early January of 2021. They will consist of a new stadium, baseball and softball fields, soccer fields, tennis

In addition, the baseball and softball fields will have lights.

Along with Director Florence, Facilities Coordinator Lorenzo Kohn will also oversee the project.

AWI Builders, Inc. is the General Contractor and the Construction Manager is the Cumming Corporation.

"I'm excited and very happy for the kids," said Norwalk Athletic Director David Snyder, who is an alumnus of the school. "I go by there about once a week.

"Before school was stopped in March, the students were

Cerritos College partners with

Contractors work the new football stadium at Norwalk High School as part of the Measure G funding that also include all new athletic fields on the campus. (Photo by Keith Durflinger)

watching the progress from the the real "home game" feel. beginning and were excited.

"The excitement has kind of not having to transport all the been pushed back because of no school now. It's kind of taken away from the glory of the new stadium"

A huge factor for all of the teams that will use the facility is

"I'm looking forward to

athletes to other facilities for 'home games,'" Snyder added. "It will be nice to have home

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Grade: A



Taco Bell 13410 Rosecrans Ave. Date Inspected: 6/9/20 Grade: A

Starbucks 13001 Rosecrans Ave. Date Inspected: 6/9/20 Grade: A

Randy's Donuts 10989 Rosecrans Ave. Date Inspected: 6/9/20 Grade: 🗛

Spoon Me Latin Delights

14431 Pioneer Blvd. Date Inspected: 6/9/20 Grade: A

Little Caesars 13019 Rosecrans Ave. Date Inspected: 6/9/20 Grade: A

Donut King

12000 Rosecrans Ave. Date Inspected: 6/9/20 Grade: 🗛

Las Aguilas Bakery 12834 1/2 Rosecrans Ave. Date Inspected: 6/9/20 Grade: A

Subway 10995 Rosecrans Ave. Date Inspected: 6/9/20 Grade: 🗛

Jack in the Box 11353 Firestone Blvd. Date Inspected: 6/8/20 Grade: A

Subway 11005 Firestone Blvd. Date Inspected: 6/8/20 Grade: A

Supreme Court celebration

Notable Birthdays

"Parks and Recreation" actor Nick Offerman turns 50.

Chris O'Donnell, who portrayed Robin in two Batman films, turns 50.

Baseball Hall of Famer Derek Jeter turns 46.

Deadpan actress Aubrey Plaza of "Parks and Recreation" turns 36.

Jessica Batten, who gained notoriety on the Netflix reality series "Love is Blind," turns 36.

Jennette McCurdy, star of the Nickelodeon show "Sam & Cat," turns 28.

Pop singer Ariana Grande turns 27.



Ariana Grande

Notable Deaths

Roy Campanella, a member of the Brooklyn Dodgers and considered one of the greatest catchers of all time, died of heart failure on this day in 1993. He was 71.

Fashion designer Liz Claiborne, the first female CEO of a Fortune 500 company, died in 2007 after a long battle with cancer. She was 78.

Holidays

Today is Take Your Dog to Work Day (it's recommended to check office rules before participating in this celebration).

Also celebrated today is National **Coconut Day**, National Beautician's Day, and National Chocolate Pudding Day

Downey Space Center NORWALK Cerritos College's Teacher TRAC program, opportunity to partner with 2,000 students with a seamless in partnership with the Columbia Memorial Space Center, received \$274,583 in grants from the National Science Foundation for

its new BE-STELLAR program to prepare underserved college students to become STEM educators.

California's teacher shortage is acute, especially in high school STEM areas. There is also a widening diversity gap, a disconnect between faculty and student demographics.

To address these issues, Cerritos College has partnered with the space center to build pathways to STEM teaching careers through the new BE-STELLAR program. BE-STELLAR offers mentoring and experiential learning to future STEM teachers through paid internships at the Space Center and STEM faculty mentorships.

While developed primarily for Latinx students in order to address the regional diversity gap, the program is open to all Cerritos College students.

Cerritos College to help empower students in becoming exceptional educators who will one day continue to shape the world of STEM education," said Downey Mayor Blanca Pacheco. "Our more than 800 teachers who Columbia Memorial Space Center thrives in providing innovative and nationally, and has regional learning opportunities for all students, while strengthening pathways to careers in science, technology, engineering and math."

"This grant will help our aspiring educators," said Dr. Jose Fierro, president/superintendent, Cerritos College. "In our service teacher-student area, the demographic gap is most severe for the Latinx population. The grant and our new BE-STELLAR program will help prepare more qualified STEM educators, increase student achievement in K-12 math and science, and improve career opportunities for minority students in our area."

The award-winning Teacher TRAC program celebrated its 20th year of preparing students become highly qualified to K-12 teachers this year. The

"We are excited for this program has provided more than transition to earning a bachelor's degree and teaching credential at universities including California State University, Long Beach. To date Teacher TRAC has trained work across Southern California partnerships with five districts and 44 schools.

the preparation of this grant by KickStarter, a technical assistance program that prepares and positions community college Hispanic-serving institutions to compete successfully for federal funds with focus on student recruitment and retention in STEM fields.

Norwalk COVID-19 statistics: 937 cases 27 deaths

Information collected from Los Angeles County Public Health website: http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/coronavirus/ locations.htm.

Updated numbers as of 8 pm on Tuesday, June 23.

Cerritos College was aided in

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DACA decision "step in the right ABC Unified applauds Supreme direction," college says Court DACA ruling

18, 2020, the Supreme Court years. court ruled to shield nearly 700,000 Dreamers through the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. Dreamers/AB 540 students will be protected from deportation and allowed to continue their pursuit of higher education, serve in the military, and seek opportunities, employment among other areas. The Supreme Court overruled the Trump Administration's plan to immediately end DACA, which would have terminated eight-year-old program the

On June 15, 2020, the high court also ruled to protect the employment rights of LGBTQIA+ workers under the 1964 Civil Rights Act (under Title VII). The law forbids employment discrimination based on race, religion, national origin, or sex. The ruling also forbids employers from denying healthcare to LGBTQIA+ employees. Currently, only 21 states and the District of Columbia provide full, explicit legal protections for LGBTQIA+ people based on gender identity

NORWALK - On June established during the Obama and sexual orientation, including California.

> The Cerritos College Board of Trustees issued the following statement:

"The Supreme Court's historic decision to protect Dreamers/AB 540 students and LGBTQIA+ employees is a step in the right direction toward civil rights; diversity, inclusion, and equity. The Board celebrates these unprecedented rulings as powerful examples of hope that one day we will get to a place where systemic discrimination on the basis of immigration

status, race, religion, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, or ability, is no longer tolerated. As a college, we must continue to do our part to disrupt all forms of systemic racism and discrimination at every level," said Marisa Perez, president, Cerritos College Board

of Trustees.

NORWALK - The ABC Unified District. These families can now School District, which serves rest knowing their children schools in Cerritos and parts of can learn without the fear of Norwalk, applauded last week's deportation from the only Supreme Court ruling that country they have known as their upheld the DACA program.

"This is a nation of immigrants, who contributed to the richness and diversity of our culture and economy," superintendent Dr. Mary Sieu said in a statement. "Southern California has a large number of immigrant families, and I know this decision will impact many families in our

home.

"As a career educator, I have support systems to provide all children access to free public education. The Supreme Court's decision supports the ideals of equity and opportunity that run so deep in our school district."



Let's get ready for the 4th of July!

Many dogs are afraid of loud noises and especially terrified of fireworks. With the Fourth of July coming up soon, it is good to keep in mind four main points to prepare

for the celebratory pyrotechnics—keep dogs inside, create a calming environment, keep them away from fireworks, update identification. Here are few additional tips that we hope will help calm your dogs.

• Make sure your dog has somewhere they feel safe such as a covered crate or room in your house—or even in a closet or under your bed.

• ID. Update all of your dog's contact info. Double check ID tags and microchip information in case they manage to escape. Also make sure you have a current photo of your dog.

• Exercise. Give your dog plenty of exercise during the day. So that they are tired and safely inside when fireworks begin.



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• Tasty Treats. Use food dispensing toys, like Kongs or edible bones for your dog to keep occupied and distracted.

• CBD. Try a new CBD (cannabidiol) oil or treat for your fearful dog. Make sure you start with a low dosage. Hemp-based products can be a natural alternative to over-the-counter medicines, pharmaceuticals for animal anxiety and stress.

• Play music! Music is a helpful way to calm your dog and can also help muffle the sounds of fireworks. Or keep the TV or radio on so that sound might distract your dog from all the noise.

• Thundershirt. Many people swear by the power of the Thundershirt - a wrap around vest your dog wears that is said to instantly calm them down.

• Keep the curtains closed and shut the windows during fireworks to minimize sound.

• Stay with your dog. Your presence can be calming, a good petting session or massage can help as well.

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- Top 10% for GI Medical Treatment (2014–2019)
- Top 5% Patient Safety Excellence (2014–18)

- Healthgrades



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George Floyd changed my mind

By Mona Charen

For many years, I was skeptical about accusations of racism in the criminal justice system. Yes, I knew that blacks comprised only about 12% of the population yet represented 33% of the prison population. But that data alone did not prove that police are racists or that courts are tougher on blacks than others. The relevant criterion is not the percentage of the population, but the percentage of the criminal population, and when you consider the higher rates of offending among African Americans, the seemingly disproportionate rates of incarceration make sense.

Well, some countered, if you look at who winds up on death row, you can see the racism at work. Less than half of murder victims in the U.S. are white, yet a 2003 study found that 80% of inmates on death row had killed white people. I wasn't convinced. It might be evidence of racism, or it could be that when people kill others of their same race, they are more likely to know them. These could be crimes of passion and therefore less likely to draw the death penalty. According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics, between 2001 and 2005, nearly 78% of blacks were murdered by other blacks, and nearly 70% of whites were killed by other whites.

I thought Michael Brown's death at the hands of a cop in Ferguson was tragic, but the Obama Department of Justice investigation found that the forensic evidence supported the officer's version of events.

My views have changed though, bit by bit, over the past halfdecade. Was it the sheer accumulation of cases? Eric Garner was choked to death. Yes, he was resisting arrest, but for what? For selling "loosies" — untaxed cigarettes. Freddie Gray, 25, was taken into custody in Baltimore. Handcuffed but not belted to his seat, police took him for what they called a "rough ride." Somehow, he snapped his spine in the police van. He lapsed into a coma and died a week later.

Walter Scott was stopped for a defective taillight. After initial questioning and a quick scuffle, Scott fled the officer (perhaps fearful because he owed back child support). Officer Michael Slager shot Scott in the back, killing him. He filed a police report saying that Scott had grabbed his Taser, but a bystander video showed that after the shooting, Officer Slager ran back to the site of the initial scrap, picked something up and dropped it next to Scott's body.

Laquan McDonald was a 17-year-old with PCP in his system and a knife in his hand. But contrary to the police report suggesting that McDonald was shot after lunging at police, the autopsy showed that he was hit 16 times, nine of them in the back.

Ahmaud Arbery was out jogging and was tracked and trapped by a two-car posse that included a former law enforcement officer. The last words Arbery heard before he died were "f---– n–

And, of course, there's the depraved murder of George Floyd, crushed to death under the knee of a pitiless cop while three others force, including deadly force, in minority neighborhoods than African



stood by.

I know there are videos of whites being shot by police. And as John McWhorter argues, it's likely that we haven't seen those videos because they don't fit the narrative of racist white cops.

And yet, I think of the testimony of black men that they are routinely pulled over and hassled for "driving while black." Is that their imagination? Can we dismiss Neil DeGrasse Tyson, who recalls a meeting at which one man after another recounted his experiences of being stopped by police, only to reveal that it was a conference of black physicists? What about Senator Tim Scott? He was stopped seven times in one year driving in his own neighborhood.

There's data about those traffic stops. A study looked at 95 million traffic stops by 56 different police agencies between 2011 and 2018. They found that blacks were far more likely than whites to be pulled over — but the disparity declined at night, when it's harder to detect the race of the driver.

A study published by the National Bureau of Economic Research in February 2020 looked at responses to 2 million 911 calls in two cities. It found that white officers were five times as likely to use

American officers.

There's a lot more where that came from.

Some conservatives object that African American men are far more likely to die at the hands of other African American men than at the hands of police and demand to know where the outrage is about deaths in Chicago. But criminals are criminals. The police, by contrast, are hired, trained and armed by all of us. They are sworn to protect and to serve. There is no equivalence between the acts of Derek Chauvin and a Chicago gang member.

I've long believed that police have a difficult job and deal with the worst of the worst on a daily basis. I'm grateful for their protection. And there's a lot of crying wolf in the race business. See Smollett, Jussie. But I've come to believe that mistreatment of African Americans is not a myth and is not uncommon. I'm glad that so many Americans are signaling their dismay at these outcomes. People's minds can change. Mine did.

Mona Charen is a senior fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center. Her new book is "Sex Matters: How Modern Feminism Lost Touch with Science, Love, and Common Sense."

Tulsa showed us a path to November

By Froma Harrop

What didn't happen in Tulsa last weekend was gratifying and a relief. The protests against racism were overwhelmingly orderly. President Donald Trump's rally also proceeded without serious incident and, notably, without much of an audience.

And this didn't happen for lack of provocation. Trying to whip up excitement for his revived rally schedule, Trump started the weekend with a bloodcurdling threat against protesters should they step out of line. Oklahomans, he opined, would not treat protestors in Tulsa with the same delicacy allegedly afforded those in liberal New York, Seattle and Minneapolis. The tweet doubled the offense by lumping protesters with "anarchists, agitators, looters or lowlifes."

seeking demonstrator demanded to be arrested, the police officer smartly ignored him.

Mareo Johnson, a pastor and founder of Black Lives Matter Tulsa, organized a disciplined demonstration in a park not far from the president's rally. Tykebrean Cheshire, founder of Peaceful Rally Tulsa, kept her group away from the BOK Center. "I wanted to do the and others from the virus. old school MLK thing," she said.

A thumbs-up goes to Tulsa's Republican mayor, G.T. Bynum, who posted on Facebook: "The world is watching, Tulsa. Let's show them what love looks like. They need it."

And a round of understanding is due to those Oklahoma To further stir up the cauldron of racial tension, he had originally Republicans who gave the rally a pass, leaving empty rows of blue sign waivers absolving Trump of any legal responsibility should they scheduled his rally for Freedom Day, which commemorates the seats. The Trump campaign boasted that 1 million had signed contract the virus. If Trump is good at anything, it's looking out for date in 1865 that the last enslaved blacks in Texas learned they were up to attend. Only about 6,200 people actually showed at the Number One.

assemble. And they kept their cool. For example, when an attention- expected overflow crowd.) But people were admitted to the arena strictly on a first-come, first-served basis, not registrations.

> Fact is, COVID-19 cases were spiking in Oklahoma, and informed people know that a hollering crowd in an enclosed space was going to produce a steaming stew of pathogens. They also knew of Trump world's hostility toward face masks that would help protect them

> Would someone please explain the definition of courage that elevates refusing to wear a mask during a pandemic to an act of heroic defiance? Kudos, meanwhile, to the few brave attendees who did wear masks in the face of social pressure to be stupid.

> More flashing red lights took the form of demands that rallygoers

free. And this in the city where, almost 100 years ago, white mobs 19,000-capacity BOK Center. rampaged through a thriving black commercial district, massacring hundreds and burning down businesses and homes. All that was piled on enduring embers of nationwide anger over the death of George Floyd.

But the people of Tulsa didn't go where some tried to lead them. The Tulsa police and National Guard troops kept the sides apart so protesters and Trump rallygoers could both exercise their right to

What happened? The poor attendance may have partly reflected Congratulations, and may the rest of America follow your example. melting support for Trump. But much of it certainly indicated a serious concern about the coronavirus.

It's true that many young people on TikTok and fans of the K-pop school of music registered for the event with no intention of participating. That may have inflated the numbers the Trump campaign said would be present. (An area was set outside for an

Tulsa, you rose to the occasion by not rising to the bait.

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Nancy Pelosi, the queen of debt

By Terence P. Jeffrey

In the 2,000 days that Speaker Nancy Pelosi has now served as the leader of a division of the federal government that the Constitution gives authority over all appropriations, the federal debt has increased by a record \$9,655,515,485,628.06.

That is more than all the debt the federal government accumulated (\$8,670,596,242,973.04) under all of the House speakers who served before Pelosi first took that position on Jan. 4, 2007.

The record \$9,655,515,485,628.06 in federal debt amassed during

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Pelosi's first 2,000 days as speaker works out to an average of \$4,827,757,742.81 in added debt per day.

None of her predecessors comes close to that mark. She is, indisputably, this nation's Queen of Debt.

It will mark her place in history.

Pelosi has served as speaker of the House twice.

As recorded on the official House website, she first took the position on Jan. 4, 2007 and served until Jan. 5, 2011, when she was succeeded by John Boehner. That first Pelosi tenure lasted 1,463 days.

She resumed the speakership — in her current tenure — on Jan. 3, 2019. As of this Monday, she had served another 537 days — bringing her total time as speaker to 2,000 days.

In Pelosi's first stretch as speaker, according to the numbers published by the U.S. Treasury, the federal debt rose from \$8,670,596,242,973.04 to \$14,011,526,727,895.85. That was an increase of \$5,340,930,484,922,81.

In her current stretch as speaker, the federal debt has risen from \$21,929,258,046,653.58 on Jan. 3, 2019 to \$26,243,843,047,358.83 as of the close of business on Monday. That is an increase of \$4,314,585,000,705.25.

When combined, the \$5,340,930,484,922.81 debt increase from her first tenure as speaker and the \$4,314,585,000,705.25 from her second equal a total debt increase of \$9,655,515,485,628.06.

As noted, all of the debt accumulated by all of the speakers who preceded her first tenure (\$8,670,596,242,973.04) is less than the debt (\$9,655,515,485,628.06) that has accumulated when Pelosi has occupied the speakership.

It is also true that even when the historical figures are adjusted for inflation (using the Bureau of Labor Statistics inflation calculator), no recent speaker has come close to presiding over as steep an increase in the debt as Pelosi has

Her immediate predecessor, Paul Ryan, comes closest.

When Ryan took over the speakership on Oct. 29, 2015, the federal \$4,827,757,742.81 in average added debt per day. debt, according to the Treasury, was \$18,152,590,112,385.69. When he left the speakership on Jan. 3, 2019, it was \$21,929,258,046,653.58.

Ryanpresidedoveranincreaseinthedebtof\$3,776,667,934,267.89. When converted from January 2019 dollars to May 2020 dollars, that becomes approximately \$3,846,916,310,000.00.

Thus, in Ryan's 1,177 days as speaker, the federal debt rose an average of \$3,268,408,079.86 per day in May 2020 dollars.

That's a great deal of money. But it's still 32.3% less than the \$4,827,757,742.81 the debt has increased per day under Pelosi.

Under John Boehner, the debt rose from \$14,011,526,727,895.85 on Jan. 5, 2011, when he became speaker, to \$18,152,590,112,385.69 on Oct. 29, 2015, when he left that position.

That is an increase of \$4,141,063,384,489.84 in current year dollars or approximately \$4,464,147,040,000.00 in constant May 2020 dollars.

During the 1,753 days that Boehner was speaker, the debt increased an average of \$2,546,575,607.53 per day in constant May 2020 dollars.

That is \$2,281,182,135.28 — or 47.3 % — less than Pelosi's \$4,827,757,742.81 in added debt per day.

Under Dennis Hastert, the debt rose from \$5,615,428,551,461.33, when he became speaker on Jan. 6, 1999, to \$8,670,596,242,973,04, when he left that position on Jan. 4, 2007.

That is an increase of \$3,055,167,691,511.71in current year dollars or approximately \$3,869,885,110,000.00 in constant May 2020 dollars.

In the 2,921 days that Hastert served as speaker, the federal debt increased an average of \$1,324,849,404.31 per day in May 2020 dollars.

That is \$3,502,908,338.50 - or 72.6% - less than Pelosi's \$4,827,757,742.81 in added debt per day.

Under Newt Gingrich, the debt rose from \$4,801,793,426,032.89, when he became speaker on Jan. 4, 1995, to \$5,615,428,551,461.33, when he left the speakership on Jan. 6, 1999.

In the 1,464 days that Gingrich was speaker, the debt increased an average of \$867,279,159.84 per day in constant May 2020 dollars.

That is 3,960,478,582.97 — or 82% — less than the Pelosi's

Americans should hope that when Pelosi leaves the speakership, she is not succeeded by someone who shares her ability to borrow and spend — even when serving with Republican presidents.

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CITY OF NORWALK

SPECIAL PLANNING

COMMISSION MEETING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PRECISE DEVELOPMENT

PLAN NO. 2028

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 1021

NOTICE OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION (CLASS 1)

Project Description: For the Planning

023-028), in the General Commercial (C-3)

Environmental Review Information:

participation in the meeting or service

Dated this 25th day of June 2020.

Director of Community Development

John P. Ramirez, AICP

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LEGALS

BULK SALES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (UCC Sec. 6105) Escrow No. 20-43736-HC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: EDWARD S. SUH, DMD, INC, 8575 KNOTT AVE UNIT A, BUENA PARK, CA 90620 Doing Business as: EDWARD S. SUH, DMD, INC

All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/ are: KIM & LEE DENTAL CORPORATION,

are: KIM & LEE DENTAL CORPORATION, 144 WATERFALL LN, BREA, CA 92821 The assets to be sold are described in general as: ALL STOCK IN TRADE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL, TRADENAME, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, AND COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE and are located at: 11033 ROSECRANS AVE #D, NORWALK, CA 90650 The bulk sale is intended to be consummated

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: TEAM ESCROW INC, 6025 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 and the anticipated sale date is JULY 14, 2020

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2. [If the sale is subject to Sec. 6106.2, the following information must be provided.] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: TEAM ESCROW INC, 6025 BEACH BLVD, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 and the last day for filing claims shall be JULY 13, 2020, which is the business day before the sale date specified above. Dated: 6/18/2020

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

NAME STATEMENT File Number 2020082760 THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: (1) SUPERIOR HANDFORGE, 9910 JORDAN CIRCLE, SANTA FE SPRINGS CA 90670, LA COUNTY, PO BO 12738, NEWPORT BEACH CA 93658

COUNTY, PO BO 12738, NEWPORT BEACH CA 92658 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI #ON: C2244073 REGISTERED OWNERS(S): (1) ALBERT INDUSTRIES LTD., 16160 SCIENTIFIC WAY, IRVINE CA 92618 State of Incorporation: CA THIS BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED BY: a Corporation

Corporation The date registrant started to transact business under the fictitious business name

or names listed above: 05/2015

I declares 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 through the felle with the registrant provide the provide the registrant provide the felle with the registrant provide the provide the registrant provide the registrant provide the provide the registrant provide the provide the registrant prov knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). S/ ALBERT INDUSTRIES LTD., CFO,

TRACY MULLER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles on MAY 15, 2020 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 then 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 officient of circuits form 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 SPECIAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PRECISE DEVELOPMENT

PLAN NO. 2019 NOTICE OF CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION (CLASS 32)

Date: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 Time: 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard Place: Via Teleconference, City Council Chambers, Norwalk City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650

Project Description: For the Planning

Commission to make recommendations on the following applications filed by Mike Sams ("Applicant") on behalf of Jesse Reynoso and Henry Raza ("Property Owners"); a request to construct a 4-unit residential apartment development. The subject property is generally known as 12326 Cheshire Street, located near the southwest corner of Cheshire Street and Madris Avenue (also known as Assessor's Parcel Number ("APN")

8082-019-001), in the Multi-Family High Density Residential (R-3) zone.

Environmental Review Information: Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the local CEQA Guidelines of the City of Norwalk, this project will not have a significant effect on the environment and is listed as a Class 32 Categorical Exemption. Class 32 includes in-fill development projects on sites no more than 5-acres substantially surrounded by urban areas. A Notice of Categorical Exemption (Class 32) has been prepared for this project.

Public Comment: Interested persons may review the agenda report for the above-described project at the City's webpage at: <u>https://www.norwalk.org/city-hal/meeting-agendas-393</u>. Until further notice, the Planning Commission meetings will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Courtor of Executive Order N 25 20, which Governor's Executive Order N-25-20, which does allow for Planning Commission and/ or staff to teleconference. As a precaution to protect both staff, our constituents, and commissioners, public access to the meeting in person will not be allowed due to the Date: Wednesday, July 8, 2020 Time: 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard Place: Via Teleconference, City Council Governor's Executive Order. You may watch the meeting from home on Charter Channel 3, Verizon Fios Channel 32, or livestream s, venzum the City's website. Additionally, as Planning Commission meetings are now <u>closed to the public</u>, if you wish to make a comment on the item (during the meeting), you may provide input either by phone or electronically, no later than 6 p.m. on the day of the meeting through the following Chambers, Norwalk City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Norwalk, CA 90650 Commission to make recommendations on the following applications filed by Ken Vo ("Applicant") on behalf of The Blazin Claw, Inc; a request to establish a restaurant with an adjustment of the required parking, day of the meeting through the following procedures: 1) By emailing <u>planning@</u> <u>norwalkca.gov</u>. Please limit your comments <u>norwalkca.gov</u>. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes maximum, which is the same time allotted at meetings, emails will be read during the meeting; or 2) By dialing into the GoToMeeting at 1-646-749-3112, Access Code 816-314-901, to speak on the proposed project. If you challenge the proposed project, you may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered prior to the public. construct a new outdoor dining patio, and establish the sale and service of beer and wine (Alcohol Beverage Control Type "41" License). The subject property is generally known as 11719 The Plaza Drive, located within the Norwalk Town Square near the northwest corner of Pioneer Boulevard and Rosecrans Avenue (also known as Assessor's Parcel Number ("APN") 8054correspondence delivered prior to the public

More Information: Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Kate Kazama, Assistant Planner, at (562) 929-5955; <u>kkazama@norwalkca.gov</u>

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING STREET VACATION NO. 88 GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 182 ZONE CHANGE NO. 361 SIGN USE PERMIT NO. 315 DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT **NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

Tuesday, July 7, 2020

Time: 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard Via Videoconference, Norwalk City Hall, 12700 Norwalk Boulevard, Place Norwalk, CA 90650

Project Description: The City Council will conduct a public hearing to consider the following application filed by Evergreen Media, LLC; a request to allow the construction of an off-premise, digital billboard sign on a City owned property. The location of the proposed development is a portion of Firestone Boulevard (previously used as street right-of-way), located south of Firestone Boulevard, south of Rosecrans Avenue, as described in detail in the attached exhibit ("project site"). The project site does not have zoning nor General Plan Land Use designations. The request includes the following:

- Vacate a portion of former Firestone Boulevard right-of-way for other City purposes
- 2. Designate the project site as General Commercial in the City's General Plan Designate the project site as General Commercial (C-3) zone on the City's Zoning Map;
- 4. Allow the construction of an 80-foot tall, off-premise digital billboard sign containing two (2) screens; and
- 5. Approve a development agreement between the City and the Applicant to establish an easement and allow the construction for the billboard on a City owned property.

Environmental Review Information: Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines of the City of Norwalk, this project will not have a significant effect on the environment and a Negative Declaration has been prepared for the proposed project. Final action regarding the Negative Declaration will be taken by th City Council. The Negative Declaration was circulated beginning on October 25, 2019 and ending on November 14, 2019.

of more than 50% of the floor area of the structure or 2,500 square feet, whichever is less. A Notice of Categorical Exemption (Class 1) has been prepared for this project.

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More Information: Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Beth Chow, Senior Planner, Senior Planner, at (562) 929-5953; bchow@ norwalkca.gov.

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Dated this 25th day of June 2020.

John P. Ramirez, AICP Director of Community Development

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PROBATE

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: ANNA CATHERINA HORAN

AKA ANNA C. HORAN CASE NO. 20STPB04410 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate or both of ANNA CATHERINA HORAN AKA ANNA C. HORAN. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed

by CAROLYN SIMS in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CAROLYN SIMS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent 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 interacted personal 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

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 10/29/20 at 8:30AM in Dept. 67 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS

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Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the local CEQA Guidelines of the City of Norwalk, this project will not have a significant effect on the environment and is listed as a Class 1 Categorical Exemption. Class 1 includes additions to avising structures provided additions to existing structures provided that the addition will not result in an increase **CITY OF NORWALK**

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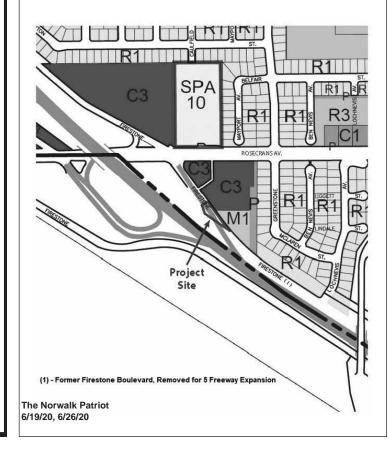
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Dated this 19th day of June 2020

Theresa Devoy, CMC City Clerk

PROJECT LOCATION MAP



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

bur attorney. 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 code, of (2) ob 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 they are a personal interaction in 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. Attorney for Petitioner

PAUL JAY FUKUSHIMA - SBN 065868, LAW OFFICES OF PAUL JAY FUKUSHIMA 12749 NORWALK BLVD., SUITE 111 NORWALK CA 90650 6/19, 6/26, 7/3/20 CNS-3372227# THE NORWALK PATRIOT

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Assemblywoman Garcia holds "Mega Food Distribution" event

Over 2,600 families from the 58th Assembly District recieved food and other provisions.

By Alex Dominguez Staff Writer

BELL GARDENS - Over 2,600 families were the recipients of over 125,000 pounds of produce, nonperishables, poultry and cheese at a "Mega Food Distribution" event held by Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia in Bell Gardens earlier this week.

The event was an effort to alleviate hardship during a time where many are suffering from the economic effects of COVID-19.

In addition to food items, around 42,000 diapers were also given out.

"There's a lot of need out there as this pandemic continues," said Garcia. "We'd like to really thank the Crescent Food Bank who's coming from Santa Ana to help our community here."



Over 125,000 pounds of food was distributed. (Photo by Alex Dominguez)

"The need blessed that we can do this. It's just encouraging folks to remember that we're a community, and whether we're dealing with the pandemic, or we're dealing with the discussions about race and systemic racism in our system, that we have those discussions

continues with each other, we have an open everywhere...We're just really heart, and find a way to move forward and be the community we've always been."

> A group of anti-SB-625 demonstrators did arrive to the event to protest and did so with no known incident.

Short Stories Memories of the 1992 L.A. Riots

By Yolanda Reyna

On March 3, 1991, a black man named Rodney King was viciously beaten by LAPD officers after a speed chase and his resisting arrest on California State Route 210. Someone recorded the incident and it quickly made the news.

What these officers inflicted on Rodney King was shocking. Each time they struck a blow to him, I flinched. It was heartbreaking for me to witness this beating and I was appalled.

I surmise there was some investigation before the officers were arrested and went to trial. On April 29, 1992, after seven days of deliberations, all four officers were acquitted.

The L.A. riots were just beginning, and I will never forget this. I was eight months pregnant with my first child and what I later witnessed on TV that day and the following days would be the most alarming experience for me.

The black smoke was billowing over the blue skies of L.A. The Rodney King verdict had been announced on the news the day I was driving home from work on the Santa Ana Freeway

heading south from Commerce to Norwalk. As I watched the smoldering fires covering our city, I felt anxious.

There were no cell phones back then so I was unable to telephone my then husband, Robert. It seemed like an eternity and the longest drive of my life getting home. I listened to the news on my car radio and I did not know the severity of the event.

When I finally arrived home, I rushed to turn on the TV. As I watched the TV bleed the news of the chaos that was developing, I was both saddened and angry. Tears flooded my eyes, but as I stood in front of the TV watching the horror, my greatest hope was that this would not affect my pregnancy. I knew this was going to be a historical period in time.

These "human beings" were parading and jostling around without a care in the world. What I saw on the news was awful. There was looting, rage, even laughter. Innocent people were being dragged from their cars and severely beaten.

I particularly cried for trucker Reginald Denny that day. I could not understand this, and the sight of this horrifying event was making me physically ill. It was obvious the rioters were aggressively showing their anger with the verdict of the officers being acquitted.

As much as I did not want to watch this, I continued to do so and for hours. Then I had to take a deep breath and pull away from it. The aftermath was devastating.

Sadly, Rodney King is no longer with us today, but I will always remember the following words he uttered one day while being interviewed on national TV:

"... Can we all get along? Can we get along? Can we stop making it horrible for the older people and the kids?

In the end, so many lives were lost, people injured and businesses destroyed, and the beautiful city of L.A. was broken but not forgotten.

Downey woman pleads guilty to money laundering

DOWNEY – A Downey woman has pleaded guilty to money laundering charges stemming Lamont Devault, 49, and others from a drug-trafficking scheme to launder illicit proceeds. She inside a California state prison, faces up to 20 years in prison authorities announced Monday.

LaShawn Anderson, 50, was After a three-day trial in 2017. Devault recruited his son, the drugs into the prison a civilian employee with the February, a federal jury found co-defendant Lamont Devault by concealing them in his Los Angeles County Sheriff's Devault guilty of three felonies: II, 26, of Long Beach, to obtain Department when she agreed to conspiracy help a convicted murderer hide income made from selling drugs inside Centinela State Prison in 2017.

Anderson admitted to helping when she is sentenced Aug. 3.

to methamphetamine other controlled substances, possession with

In her plea agreement, and possession with intent to Angeles. distribute heroin.

presented at trial, Devault was an inmate at Centinela State Prison in Imperial County in distribute narcotics outside the prison and supplied by an associate of another inmate, co-defendant intent to Steve Bencom, 39, a.k.a. "Risky" distribute methamphetamine, and "Risky Business," of East Los

Devault's son then supplied According to the evidence the drugs to co-defendant and prison cook Lance Medina, 33, a.k.a. "Droop," of El Centro, so that Medina could smuggle the drugs into the prison underwear.

> Devault, who coordinated the conspiracy by using a contraband cell phone in prison, then oversaw the distribution of those drugs within the prison through 188 months in federal prison,

other inmates, including co- which will begin if he is paroled defendant Deandre McIntosh, 43, a.k.a. "Casper D," of Long Beach. serving a life sentence on a

In November 2017, Medina was caught smuggling nearly 54 131 grams of methamphetamine and 91 grams of heroin at his home that he was planning to smuggle into the prison at Devault's direction.

Devault was sentenced to

in March 2031. He is currently murder charge.

Each of the other suspects grams of methamphetamine into were found guilty at their the prison. Medina had another respective trials and are awaiting sentencing.

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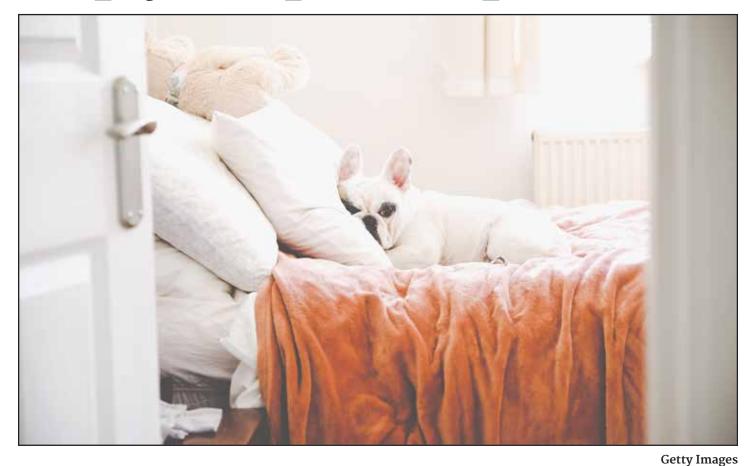


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Returning to work? Tips to help your pets cope



Marcia Mayeda

As society starts slowly reopening from the coronavirus shut down, some people will begin returning to work outside the home and must leave behind pets that became accustomed to their ongoing companionship. Pet owners returning to work outside of the home will likely be concerned how their pets will handle the sudden separation. Some pets may become depressed or destructive because their owner is no longer around full time. If you plan to be returning to work outside of the home, here are some suggestions to get your pets accustomed to your absence:

Before your work schedule begins, start taking absences from the home so your pet can get used to being alone again. Go for a drive, take a walk, or engage in any other activities where you can still practice social distancing and comply with local health orders. Begin with just a brief absence and gradually increase the length

of time that you are gone. It is important that you remain calm and relaxed both when you leave your home and return, so your pet doesn't associate your coming and going with something to be anxious about.

Provide puzzle toys for your pets. Puzzle toys take your pets' mind off your absence and are great mental stimulation. Your dog will enjoy a puzzle toy that can be filled with treats. These can occupy a dog for hours as they attempt to dislodge the treats. For added length of puzzle time, add peanut butter (without xylitol, which is toxic to pets), canned dog food, low fat cream cheese, or other goodies inside the treat and freeze it before giving it to your dog. There are many puzzle games for cats that take advantage of their prey drive to chase and capture moving objects. Options for both dogs and cats can be found at local pet stores or on any online pet toy website.

Make sure your pet is getting plenty of exercise. Try to build a brisk 30-minute walk for your dog into your schedule before you leave the home, or play an engaging game of fetch, tug of war, or other activity that will burn off any excess energy your dog has. Cats will enjoy chasing laser pointer beams or playing with many cat toys that encourage jumping.

If your pet is an only pet and enjoys the company of other animals, consider adopting a friend for it at one of the Los Angeles County Animal Care Centers (or any other animal shelter). Your pet cat and its new buddy can play together when you're gone, and you will have made a huge difference in the life of a homeless animal.

If you are not able to bring an additional pet into your home your dog instead might benefit from going to a doggie day care in your absence. Thoroughly research the facility and take a be successfully reunited.

tour in advance to make sure it is suitable for your dog. DACC inspects all animal facilities in its jurisdiction and provides grades to them similar to Los Angeles County's restaurant grading system.

Find someone to stop by your home during the day to play with your pets or walk your dog. There are many qualified pet sitting companies, or even a trusted friend or neighbor might be able and willing to do this for you.

Always ensure that your pet is wearing its collar and tags whenever you are away in the event it escapes your home or yard to look for you. Keep your pet's license up to date to prevent any citations or fines for failing to comply with pet licensing laws. Microchip your pet, and make certain that you contact information is current with the microchip registry. All of these precautions are necessary to ensure you and your lost pet can

Paging Dr. Frischer...

By Dr. Alan Frischer

Like most of you, I've been hearing some very funny jokes about the coronavirus. However, last time I checked, there was nothing humorous whatsoever about a lethal pandemic that has changed our daily lives so com-

pletely. Isn't it interesting how we cope with difficulties and stress during these surreal times? It turns out that jokes, gallows humor, and just

laughter in general can be very healing - and a legitimate way of dealing with stress, alleviating depression, and improving our general health.

A good sense of humor is certainly not a cure-all, but a steady flow of preliminary scientific data suggests positive benefits. Our laughter not only helps us, but like the coronavirus, can be infectious.

A good laugh lightens the load mentally and also induces physical changes. It increases oxygen intake, thereby stimulating the heart, lungs and muscles. Laughter fires up and then cools down the stress response, and increases and then decreases the heart rate and blood pressure. It stimulates circulation and aids in muscle relaxation, which can help ease some of the physical symptoms of stress. It increases the release of endorphins, which make us feel better by binding to our opioid receptors. The more opioid receptors one's brain has, the more powerful the effect. Highly addictive opioid drugs, like heroin, also bind to these receptors, suggesting that laughter induces a euphoria that is not unlike a narcotic. By the same mechanism, it reduces pain as well. Clearly, this way is safer!

Laughing activates the release of the neurotransmitter serotonin, the same brain chemical affected by the most common

If your pet has serious separation anxiety that cannot remediated with these suggestions, consult a Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist (CAAB or ACAAB), your veterinarian, or a board-certified veterinary behaviorist (Dip ACVB).

types of antidepressants. It's not clear from the research how long this mood-improving effect lasts, but the burst of brain activity triggered by laughing is effective, at least for short periods.

Laughter can protect the heart. Research has shown that laughter may act as an antiinflammatory, protecting blood vessels and heart muscles from the damaging effects of cardiovascular disease. The mechanism of this is unclear, but the body's stress response is indeed directly linked to increased inflammation.

Laughter forms social bonds. When a group laughs together, it spreads the endorphin release and promotes a sense of togetherness and safety. Each person in a social group who laughs can transmit those feelings. This may explain why some will genuinely laugh even if they're not quite certain what everyone else is laughing about. In essence, laughter helps make difficult situations easier; acting as a natural icebreaker and as a way to connect with others.

Laughter can be a key to relationship success. It's interesting that women tend to laugh more than men, although men appear to instigate laughter the most. Women rate a sense of humor as a top three trait for a potential mate, and men rate a woman who laughs higher than women who don't.

Most of us can find a way to laugh about the situations we find ourselves in. Spend time with friends who make you laugh. Share stories and jokes. While the research on the benefits of laughter to our health may be limited, it is clear that feeling a bit more positive doesn't hurt. There is more than enough news out there to bring us all down. Let's work on daily laughter, and help one another to feel a little bit better as we emerge from these challenging times.

Returning to work outside the home can go smoothly if well-planned. What will you do to ensure a smooth transition for your pets?

Marcia Mayeda is director of the Los Angeles County Animal Care & Control.



LA County considers diverting funds away from jails

Board of Supervisors backed a substance proposal this week to consider mental health reallocating funding provided to housing, the county through AB109 from programs, and community-based the jail system to alternatives to incarceration.

"This moment is a oncein-a-generation opportunity to off of the recently passed get away from our over-reliance recommendations on incarceration and invest in treatment and services," said Supervisor Janice Hahn, who authored the motion with Hilda Solis.

"We cannot police our way LA out of all of our problemswhether that be mental illness, or poverty, or addiction. I want to look critically at the State funding that we currently give to is a smarter way to spend this money.²

The motion passed by instructs supervisors the county's CEO to report back to the board with options for how to reallocate the county's future AB 109 community corrections our spending with the priorities funding toward alternatives to of the 'Care First, Jail Last' incarceration. This could include approach, we must continue to

abuse programs, treatment, restorative justice services.

recommendations The should be based on and build in the Alternatives to Incarceration Workgroup's "Care First, Jail Last" March 2020 report.

"Today's vote in support of this Board motion demonstrates County's commitment to meaningful changes to the criminal justice system. Investing in community-based treatment and services, instead of incarceration, is not only our jail system and see if there humane, but is cost effective in Department to manage the the long run. It allows people to remain with their families and stay at their jobs, as they responsible for a jump in LA get treatment and help and that benefits all of us in the long run,' said Solis.

"As we consider how to align

The Los Angeles County funding diversion programs, invite community voices to the County's daily jail population system of care that reduces the base allocation funds because table to not only participate in this conversation, but to also be part of the solution in how we can uplift and empower our justiceinvolved communities.

> The California Public Safety Realignment Act of 2011 (AB 109) shifted the responsibility for certain low-level offenders from the state to the counties. To help the counties implement their new responsibilities, the state provided an annual permanent funding stream to be used for criminal justice and rehabilitative services.

> Since 2011, LA County has allocated most of its AB109 community corrections funding to the LA County Sheriff's jail system and the Probation Department. AB109 was

which went from 15,000 to 18,000 in the first year after realignment.

In the nine years since AB 109 was passed, the county has begun to reimagine its criminal incarceration and punishment, and instead towards diversion and rehabilitation.

In 2015, the Board of Supervisors created the Office of Diversion and Reentry with the facing a projected decrease in goal of implementing criminal justice diversion for individuals with mental illness.

Last year, the board created the Alternatives to Incarceration (ATI) Workgroup that was composed of representatives from county departments and the community. The ATI Workgroup spent almost a year compiling 144 recommendations for a comprehensive county-wide

role of incarceration and instead uplifts the role of care and community.

In addition, the COVID-19 epidemic has meant the Sheriff's justice system away from Department has dramatically reduced the population of the LA County jail system to around 12,000 today - well below what it was at when AB109 passed.

> This year, the county is AB 109 Community Corrections

of lost sales tax revenue due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The motion states "this gives us the opportunity to revisit the way the County has spent AB 109 Community Corrections funding in the past and to reassess ways we could spend AB 109 revenue in the future to support the visions put forward by the ATI Workgroup.'





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games. It's going to be sweet."

Snyder, who played both baseball and football at Norwalk and like all of the past players played their "home games" at Excelsior high.

"The prospect of home games is exciting for the players and not having to get on a bus," said Snyder, who was an offensive lineman, center and tackle. "I remember having to ride the bus to our home games. I love the game."

One promise Snyder has to fulfill is having former principal Mike Garcia at the first home game. Garcia recently moved on to a Norwalk-La Mirada School District position.

"He made me promise to have him at the opening of the new stadium."

Snyder begins his fifth year as the AD in the 2020-21 school year.

Perhaps the most excited person regarding the new stadium is second-year football coach Dean Gray.

"It's fantastic," said Gray, who was born in Norwalk and

has been at the school for 31 vears. "How thankful I am for the parents and for the school board. I am so thankful for the community for passing the bond and all the years of waiting for the stadium for this city.

"It opens up so many opportunities for the softball and baseball programs and soccer and tennis for all levels. To see the lights go up and the progress as I drive around the school is great. I have the greatest job in the world to coach here."

Gray's excitement boils over to his players too.

'The kids are excited and when they were in school they saw the construction and got excited as it goes up.'

To date, there still is no decision on a start date for football and the other Fall sports.

However, one possibility being talked about is a late December or early January start for football.

"There is that possibility that could happen with the opening of the season in our new stadium," Gray said. "There's a lot of great things with the new stadium, but we want to make sure the kids are safe.

As Snyder mentioned, Gray was elated for no more away "home" games.

"It's great for us to not have to get on a bus."

If the season does start in the early Fall as usual, they would have a few more away "home games."

"I'm also excited for all of our sports and their new fields.

Included in one of those new fields is baseball and coach Bill Wenrick.

"This field just is unbelievable," said Wenrick, who was a pitcher on the 1982 CIF Champion at Norwalk. "I'm truly excited and Norwalk is a baseball town. To have these facilities is great. I never thought I'd see the day.'

Wenrick, along with softball coach David Gonzalez is also thinking about the advantages of the lights at the fields.

"I can run camps at night and so forth," added Wenrick, who is entering his sixth year as coach next season. "It's a beautiful thing. It's just going to be good for the whole city, including the little leaguers. It will help big time.'

Gonzalez, who is in his third



The new stadium is anticipated to be ready by year's end (Photo by Keith Durflinger)

year as Norwalk's softball coach, coach, knows the value of a home knows the value of playing under the lights.

"It's so exciting," Gonzalez said. "One thing in football is playing under the lights and I'm excited for their first practice on so looking forward to it on the the new field. softball field.'

assistant high school football goes up," Gonzalez said.

field. "This is an actual sportsspecific facility at home. There's nothing like playing at home."

Most of his players are beyond

"They are super excited and I Gonzalez, who is also an get texts every time a light pole

Just in the last week, all of the light poles have risen on the fields.

"This is something they can call their own and it's like Christmas for the kids for the new field.

In fact, it could be just about Christmas when they actually step on their new field.

Health officials condemn death threats

L.A. County Health Director COVID-19 and find good solutions message, but my husband did, would have to face this level of done with us. Dr. Barbara Ferrer released the for the future of our communities. my children did, and so did my hatred. following statement Monday in response to threats received during the COVID-19 emergency:

thousands and thousands of lives all across the nation. The virus has across the country-myself changed our world as we know it, and people are angry. As of today, 83,397 cases have been reported in Los Angeles County and 3,120 people have died from this virus.

"And while the devastation experienced by so many is heartbreaking, it is also "COVID-19 has upended disheartening that an increasing the extraordinary team at L.A. number of public health officials, included—are threatened with going on, via emails, public violence on a regular basis. In my case, the death threats started last month, during a COVID-19 imagine that our hardworking Facebook Live public briefing We mourn every single one of when someone very casually nurses, epidemiologists and

colleagues.

"One reason I handle these briefings myself is to shield County Public Health from these attacks which have been postings, and letters—since March. It is deeply worrisome to infectious disease physicians, those deaths, and we are working suggested that I should be shot. environmental health specialists tirelessly to slow the spread of I didn't immediately see the or any of our other team members

keep as many people as safe as possible during this pandemic. sentiment - we must follow the We did not create this virus. We come into work every single day prepared to do our very best, prepared to work with everyone, with all of our partners, to try to continue to contain this pandemic and to try to continue to minimize the loss of life. And while frustration boils over in our must be worn because they help communities as people are done with this virus, this virus is not

"As public health officials, "Our job and our calling is to we try hard not to be influenced by partisan politics or public science in order to save lives. And the science says if we don't change the way we go about our daily routines, we could pay for it with our lives or the lives of others around us. Change is hard, but we must change if we want to contain this virus. Face coverings to stop the spread of the virus.

"I recognize there is a lot of pushback from people not wanting to wear face coveringswhen wearing a seatbelt was made mandatory in California there was a lot of pushback, too. But the data proves that seatbelts save lives, and the data also proves that wearing a face covering will help stop transmission of COVID-19, which will save lives. And that's what drives public health officials and is our passion: saving lives.



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