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In what turned out to be a who's who of former and current Claremont baseball players, the memorial service for longtime coach Jack 'Helbs' Helber, 81, on Saturday, was an evening of storytelling and reminiscing. For the past 61 years, Helbs literally coached dozen of teams from little league to college. With a love for the game, and a big personality to match, his presence impacted hundreds of players over the years. Plus, who could not not love a baseball guy who had "BALL4" as a license plate?
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It's tea time!

Volunteer Lou Ehresman arranges box lunches during West End Auxiliary of Children's Fund's Tea Time To Go event on Saturday at Wolfe's Kitchen & Deli. Guests at the drive-through fundraising event received the box lunches, which included sandwiches, scones, fruit desserts and of course tea. The COVID friendly event replaces the group's annual English tea time, typically held at a West End Auxiliary volunteer's home. This year they served up to 320 lunches, which is far more than the group could have served at a private residence. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff



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Claremont joins other cities to combat climate change

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During its meeting Tuesday the Claremont City Council voted to join 15 other Southern California cities working to combat climate change by switching to completely carbon-free electrical generation.

By a unanimous vote the council elected to switch from Clean Power Alliance's Clean Power program, for which 40% of generation is renewable and 10% is hydroelectric, to the 100% Green Power option, meaning that all power generation is renewable. This change affects both the city's energy costs and those of Claremont residents because rate payers will be automatically enrolled in the new plan unless they opt out.

Beginning in October, all of the city's electricity will come from renewable sources such as solar, wind and geothermal. According to the company, Claremont's switch will avoid 32,130 metric tons of greenhouse gas emissions per year, which is equivalent to removing 6,973 cars from the roadways. Because most customers stay with the option the city council selects, up to 90% of Claremont homes and businesses will move to the 100% Green Power rate.

The change comes with an additional cost, which the company estimates will be between 2% and 3%, or about \$5 per month for most customers. People who qualify for low income energy bill reduction programs will have no increase in their monthly costs.

Currently the city pays \$407,000 annually for municipal accounts under the Clean Power rate plan, so its annual cost will increase by about \$9,200. Also, when the city originally went with Clean Power Alliance, it kept the streetlights with Southern California Edison, so there will be \$20,000 in additional electricity costs to bring those into the 100% Green Power plan.

Those who wish to remain in the Clean Power plan will have a sixty-day window to alert the CPA of their wishes leading up to the switch to 100% renewable in October. After that, customers can change their Clean Power Alliance rate option at any time, including selecting the Lean Power, 40% renewable plan or returning to Clean Power plan. Residents can even return to energy sourced by Southern California Edison. The only caveat is that anyone who goes back to Edison will have to adhere to that decision for a year as

per Edison's rules.

Anyone who has opted out of the Clean Power Alliance program in the past, including those currently on the Lean Power rate, will not be affected by the switch and no action is required on their part.

"When you begin service with Clean Power Alliance, you will be opted into the default renewable rate chosen by your community. However, you have the power to choose your own level of service. Go lean or clean to support the environment. Go 100% green to become an environmental leader," the company said in a statement.

Clean Power Alliance is a nonprofit joint powers authority comprised of 32 public agencies across Ventura and Los Angeles counties, which purchases clean energy for its customers, which Edison then delivers. It serves about 1 million residential and business accounts which makes it the fifth largest electrical provider in California.

"We are the largest provider of 100% renewable energy after just four years of being in business," Clean Power Alliance Executive Director Ted Bardacke said.

For the first three years of its existence, Clean Power Alliance had the lowest available rates in the region. In 2021 its rates became higher for the first time because of rising SCE costs and the "power charge indifference adjustment," which is an exit fee charged by SCE to customers who choose another provider of electricity generation service.

"Our rate plus the exit fee PCIA, which pays Edison for prior resources, were higher than the Edison generation rates for the first time this past year," Bardacke said.

However, on March 1, Edison says its generation rates will increase by 22% due to a \$700 million under-collection of generation costs from 2021. As a result, the 100% Green Power customers will pay about 5% less than Edison's base rate plan which includes 35% renewable energy.

"So what that means is a CPA customer would be paying the same as an Edison customer but be getting 100% renewable energy, 100% carbon-free compared to Edison's 35%," Bardacke said.

This discount will not last for more than four or five months because CPA will go through its own pricing exercise in May and June to set its rates for the next fiscal year. In the long run it's likely that

clean and 100% green will end up around parity with SCE's base rate.

The switch to 100% green energy fits in with Claremont's overall environmental leadership goals as outlined in the city's sustainability plan. In addition, the change would help Claremont's effort to achieve Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certification.

"Claremont would like to be a leader in [reducing] greenhouse gas emissions and continue to look at that carbon footprint," Director of Community Services Jeremy Swan said.

"If Claremont opts up to 100%, will that have a direct effect on adding new renewable energy generation to the grid?" Councilmember Jennifer Stark asked.

"When customers choose the 100%, whether through their own actions or the actions of a city council to change the default, what that does it gives us more security to go out and contract for even more long term renewable energy resources" Bardacke responded.

Public comments were almost entirely in favor of switching to 100% renewable energy, including 46 written communications in favor and just two against.

"It's really important that we consider the philosophical and practical question of what happens if we don't address climate change when given the opportunity. And we know what happens. We are already living during these extreme weather events and the devastation that causes extreme weather events affects people with lower income significantly more. So if we are considering cost, we need to consider the cost of not taking action," Stark said before the vote.

Mayor Jed Leano expressed concerns about increasing people's energy bills during a time of rising inflation and continued instability due to the pandemic. He coupled his support with a request to city staff that they would go beyond the minimum required notification process to ensure that every rate payer knows they have the option to not have their electricity cost increase. He also acknowledged the importance of the council making the right decision for the near and distant future.

"The greatest challenge to our generation is climate change and in fact our generation will be defined by the way we were told about it and how we chose to respond, if at all," Mayor Leano said.

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Teen hits a sweet note with new music library

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Early in the 20th century, before regular radio broadcasts, many people learned to play instruments so they could enjoy music at home. Not surprisingly, during this era sheet music was plentiful and popular tunes would sell in the millions of copies.

Now with big online retailers dominating sales of almost everything, few music stores sell sheet music, particularly if one is looking for obscure or long-forgotten songs. However, one student at the Claremont Community School of Music wants to help locals find the sheet music they seek.

Piano student, Miya Matsumune, 17, created a music book lending library at the school with literally scores of titles including chamber music, song anthologies, unique arrangements and some on music theory.

Until recently, the books and ephemera were stored in an office space where Claremont Community School of Music Board President Lee Waggoner works. The material had been donated to the school over the years and Waggoner figured there must be a better use for the music than just collecting dust.

"I got to thinking about it because most of the donated music goes to the main office and I have a little desk and pretty soon I could not get to my desk because of the amount of donated music," Waggoner said. "So I just started sorting it and more came and we were running out of space."

So a plan was hatched between the school's Executive Director Matthew Keating, Waggoner and Miya, who was nearing the end of her involvement in Girl Scouts and needed a Gold Award project.

"I kept saying to Matt 'We should figure out something to do with this music,' and then Miya had a need for a project and we said we have a project," Waggoner said.

Miya spent more than 80 hours building the display cases, labeling and categorizing all of the music and then arranging the books in her library. The library is located in one of the school's classroom wings and all books are available for anyone in the community, not just the school's students.

"I am lucky enough my teacher, Ms. Maria Perez, found really nice pieces for me when I was a child so I grew up with a variety of classical music. However, I think if I had this opportunity when I was younger I would have loved to pick out my own pieces, and I am definitely going to use it now," Miya said.

Building the display cases was the most time-consuming part of the project and Waggoner's husband Bill helped by creating blueprints of an existing bookcase and showing Miya how to use a table saw. She then assembled the cases with the assistance of her father.

"I think it's a great opportunity for students to



Miya Matsumune, 17, organizes a section of the sheet music lending library she created recently at the Claremont Community School of Music. The library contains hundreds of books musicians can use to learn a new piece of music and is open to the community beyond students at the music school. Miya created the library as her Girl Scouts of America Gold Award project. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

browse and find new things that they love because you can get music books online and you can find sheet music to print out for free. But it's hard to know what you are looking for. Often [internet searches] will suggest the most famous composers and perhaps won't show you a variety of composers," Miya said.

Miya's family all play instruments, as music is something that really brings the family together. She said a typical evening revolves around a family jam session during which they will create their own arrangement of a pop tune or just play improvisational melodies. Her mother plays the flute, dad plays drums and bass, her brother also plays drums and bass, and Miya plays the piano.

Similar to earning the Eagle rank in Boy Scouting, the Gold Award is the highest accomplishment in Girl Scouting and just 5.6% of scouts earn the award. Once a girl enters high school and reaches the senior or ambassador rank she can apply for the Gold Award and select a project.

"Obviously there is a layer to this project that has to do with access to music education because some of these music books are not cheap and being able to access them for free is really important. There are students at Claremont Community School of Music that are on scholarship which I think is really wonderful," Miya said. "The Claremont Community School of

Music has always tried to push for inclusivity and access to music education despite socioeconomic status, so I am really happy to contribute to that legacy by helping people access music books and sheet music with no cost."

Keating said at one time there was a sheet music store at the mall in Montclair, but it is long gone. The only local commercial store in the area is Old Town Music in Pasadena. He said even the public library doesn't have sheet music so the one at the school will be unique for the area.

"There are a few places like Styles Music where you can go and get a couple of books but it's not classical. This is going to be the only dedicated sheet music library that I am aware of where you can come and browse and take it and there won't be a cost," Keating said.

The library will be open during the school's regular business hours, Monday through Friday 1 to 6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. It will run on the honor system, so you don't have to check a book out like at the public library. The school hopes that when one is done using the book they will simply bring it back. And maybe get another.

"I think that it really helps cultivate passion for music when you are allowed to choose your own pieces and find ones that you really like," Miya said.

Pomona College student competes on 'Jeopardy!'

Pomona College senior Lauren Rodriguez is making her school proud by competing in the highly competitive "Jeopardy!" National College Championship, running on ABC beginning on Tuesday and continuing through February 22. Rodriguez was in episode three of the quarterfinals, which was broadcast Thursday.

Moraga California native Rodriguez competes against New York native Matthew Downing, a senior at the University of Notre Dame majoring in marketing and applied mathematics, and Georgia native Elijah Odunade, a junior at the University of Georgia who is majoring in political science.

Rodriguez, a public policy and sociology major at Pomona College, is among 36 of America's sharpest



undergrads competing in the collegiate competition for a \$250,000 grand prize and the title of "Jeopardy!" National College Champion, according to a news release. The battle of wits airs on ABC during weekdays and is

also available to stream on Hulu.

Rodriguez said she decided to try out for the show while in quarantine in the fall of 2020.

"I used the extra time on my hands to study for the test. I've always really enjoyed crossword puzzles and trivia games, so this felt like a natural challenge

to try my hand at, and I felt like I could make it on the show if I worked hard," Rodriguez said.

Her hard work during the rigorous process of tests and auditions via Zoom paid off when she got the call to compete on the show.

"I had such a blast competing on the show. Being part of the College Championship as opposed to regular 'Jeopardy!' made it so rewarding because I was able to meet 35 other college kids from all across the country and form friendships with them. We all embraced our inner nerd together and had a lot of fun," Rodriguez said in a statement.

To learn more about Pomona College senior Lauren Rodriguez, check out the school's Q-and-A styled story online at www.pomona.edu/news/2022/02/04-lauren-rodriguez-22-competes-jeopardy-national-college-championship.

A celebration of life for longtime baseball coach

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It's not too often that a memorial service is held at the Claremont High School gym, but that was the perfect location to celebrate the life of longtime baseball coach Jack "Helbs" Helber, 81. With over 150 hundred people in attendance, the event became a who's who of Claremont baseball players young and old — but none of this was surprising for a man who spent 61 years teaching young men the game.

Placed in the middle of the gym was a photo gallery of Helber posing with team after team of players he coached. And it wasn't just high school age players. In the printed program about his life, Helbs can be seen with little leaguers, American Legion players, CHS teams and even a 1989 stint with the Claremont Mudd-Scripps Stags. Yes, Helbs got around, and his coaching style and rapport illustrate the impact he had on others. I don't know of any coach from any sport, who has a resume that includes coaching so many teams, from so many age groups, for such a long period of time.

As someone who played for Helbs at CHS in 1972 and 1973, I can attest to the fact that he could be quite intimidating — he had a loud demeanor coupled with a face that easily showed his emotions. This was not a guy who spoke softly. He would get so angry with umpires that it actually put a smile on my face when he danced around, kicking dirt and throwing his hat after a bad call. But Helbs would also show his excitement after a great play. Some players called him

coach boom due to his reactions to good plays during practice. Needless to say, enthusiasm was never in short supply. His number one mission was to support his players.

Helbs also spent many summers coaching American Legion baseball in the 1980s and 90s, which also included trips to play in leagues in faraway places including Montana, Utah and Wyoming, among others. Organizing these traveling teams was a highlight for players age 16 to 18 after a season playing for their school teams.

But Helbs did far more than just show up for the games. He organized everything from raising the money — including donating \$3,000 to \$5,000 per trip — recruiting players and setting a schedule. Parents would get involved helping supervise and raising money to make sure that everyone had a safe and productive trip. It was quite a road show. Even the Los Angeles Times profiled his Claremont Cardinals in 1993.

Helbs also wrote three books. He was proud to announce that "Baseball Psychology: The Gray Matter Factor" was available from Amazon and Barnes and Noble. Yet for all the bravado, Helbs was private



With over 150 people in attendance, Jack Helber's memorial service was full of former (and current) baseball players young and old. Some even brought old photos and uniforms for display. A complete obituary of coach Helber's life will be published in two weeks. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger

about his personal life. "I've come close to getting married twice," he said. "But it never happened. Coaching these kids has been like having my own family. This team has given me an excuse to take a summer vacation."

His philosophy for 61 years was simple: "Take care of your players and they will take care of you!" The 2022 CHS baseball team is dedicating this season to Coach Helber.

Police chief details COVID spike at department

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During last Thursday's Claremont Police Commission meeting, Police Chief Aaron Fate provided a report on a recent outbreak of COVID-19 cases, within the department.

He told the commission that, beginning roughly in the middle of January, the department had 14 confirmed cases including Chief Fate himself.

"I tested positive. I had to stay at home, I was not able to come to work. Part of [the illness] just happened to be during the windstorm. I can't tell you how terrible it felt to not only not feel good, but be told you cannot come in during a time like that," he said.

Chief Fate said that based on his conversations with colleagues, Claremont got through the surge better than many cities but not as well as others. The department had three or more cases in a 14-day period, which triggered an inspection by county health officials who found no health code violations at the station.

The inspectors used chalk dust to assess whether ventilation systems were working, which gave the chief a moment of pause given the age of the police facility, but the system was fine. The department did make some adjustments, including keeping hand sanitizer near office equipment used by more than one employee such as the copier.

The COVID presentation was prompted by questions the commission and the police had received about the extent to which the Omicron surge had affected local staffing.

"Even with the cases that we had here, our staff really came together to fill all the gaps. We were able to staff all of our shifts the way we needed to, with the exception of a couple of times we had to close our records department a little earlier in the day than nor-

mal just because we did not have enough people to fill in up there," Chief Fate said.

He added that some employees did work straight through, not taking any days off.

"It was a challenge and we made it through and luckily everybody is back healthy and doing good again. I probably shouldn't say anything, but it looks like we are doing good now and are really past the surge, and I am hoping that it stays that way," he said.

During questioning from the commission, Vice Chair Rolondo Talbott asked if there were any plans to conduct proactive testing to "detect any possible surges, to get ahead of it so we don't have that many people out?"

Chief Fate responded that in sharp contrast to the peak of the last surge, the department had plenty of rapid tests on hand and every employee who reports symptoms would be tested with a supervisor present. Also, if somebody calls in saying they may be sick, they are told to stay home.

Vice Chair Talbott followed up by redirecting his question, asking if there were plans to administer testing throughout the department regardless of reported symptoms. Chief Fate replied that the only directive from the state requires that jail staff be tested at the beginning of each employee's workweek.

Commissioner Becky Margiotta followed up on Vice Chair Talbott's question by asking if there could be citywide random and mandatory rapid testing, given the prevalence of asymptomatic people who are still positive for the virus.

"Then you don't have to get into ideological debates about vaccinations, just protect a group of people," she added.

She then transitioned into a question about mask-wearing policy for the police force, recounting how she had seen, on two different occasions, Claremont officers who were unmasked while speaking with drivers they had pulled over and who were in close proximity.

"I personally cringe when I see that. I imagine the person being stopped does not have that much agency or freedom at that time ... Maybe [they] feel scared or intimidated to ask someone to put a mask on," Margiotta said.

She asked the chief if there was a policy that an officer must be wearing a mask when in close proximity with the public.

"There is no talk about putting a policy like that in place, we follow the county guidelines when it comes to that. But I completely understand what you are saying. [Officers] have been typically good about putting a mask on if somebody says something. We also have several people who could not understand the communication from the officer because they couldn't see what they are saying and they couldn't hear well enough [because of the mask]," Chief Fate said.

Commissioner Rafik Mohamed asked about the budgetary impact of having those 14 employees out and if there was any state or federal money to close the financial gap.

Chief Fate replied that there was no significant financial burden, largely because the cases were staggered rather than occurring all at once. He compared it with having a few people out on vacation and then a couple more calling in sick. He floated the idea that the city's slice of the American Rescue Plan Act could possibly cover those costs but admitted he was unsure whether that was an allowed expense.

Concerns about crime near freeway motels

During public comment every single caller voiced concerns about the growing problem of prostitution and general crime in and around the motels that are near the 10 freeway and Indian Hill Boulevard.

Ideas included a city ordinance that could jeopardize an inn's business license if too many complaints about crime occurred during a given time period. There was also great concern expressed about the safety and health of the female sex workers and worry about human trafficking.

POLICE BLOTTER

By Mick Rhodes

Wednesday, February 2

A 32-year-old Salt Lake City, Utah man was arrested for felony hit and run after taking off on foot after allegedly injuring a Claremont man in a rear-end collision. It began when police were called regarding a traffic collision at the corner of Base Line Rd. and Monte Vista Ave. at about 2:30 p.m. A firefighter on the scene told arriving officers the suspect in the 2006 Nissan Ultima that had done the rear-ending had fled, heading west on Base Line Rd. Police caught up with a fire dept. vehicle that had followed the suspect, Abulkasem Karama, into the Vons shopping center parking lot, and quickly took him into custody on one felony count of hit and run causing injury. Karama was then taken to the station, booked, and released with a citation to appear in Pomona Superior Court. The victim, an 18-year-old Claremont man, was driving a 2020 Toyota Tacoma. He was treated at the scene for minor injuries.

Friday, February 4

A CPD officer suffered minor facial injuries after 28-year-old Claremont man — whom police suspect was high on methamphetamine and was later transferred to a psychiatric facility — allegedly threw an energy drink can at her while apparently attempting to avoid arrest. The incident began with a 9:30 a.m. call from the Shell station at 747 S. Indian Hill Blvd. regarding a fight in progress. The victim told police the suspect had thrown a rock at him during the melee. A witness to the scuffle followed the alleged assailant to the parking lot of the nearby Super King market, 436 Auto Center Dr., where officers made contact with him. They say he provided a fake name, tried to walk away during questioning, then turned around and threw the can at the officer. He was then detained and arrested on one felony count of assault on a police officer, and two misdemeanors of being under the influence of a controlled substance and providing false identification to a police officer. He was then transported to CPD for booking, where police say it became apparent he was suffering from some sort of mental health

issue. He was then transported to a local psychiatric hospital for treatment. Police will be on hand when he is discharged from the psychiatric facility to re-arrest him and get him booked on the three Claremont charges.

Saturday, February 5

A 21-year-old Highland woman was jailed on a felony domestic violence charge after allegedly injuring her boyfriend during an early morning fight at the DoubleTree Hotel. A witness called Claremont police to the 555 W. Foothill Blvd. hotel at 1:22 a.m. to report a loud fight in one of the rooms. Arriving officers spoke to the 21-year-old male victim, who told them he had been in a dating relationship with the woman for six months. Police said the man had multiple scratches on his face and neck, and a large red mark on his back where the suspect allegedly hit him with an empty wine bottle. The woman was then arrested on the felony domestic violence charge, booked, and jailed. She later posted \$50,000 bond and was released with a ticket and a court date.

Monday, February 7

Michael Tenerelli, a Claremont man wanted for a string of at least 20 burglaries and thefts that have taken place on the Claremont McKenna College campus over the past few weeks, was arrested and charged with three felony counts of burglary. The string began weeks ago, and involved various dormitories on the Claremont McKenna campus. The Colleges are notoriously security conscious, and police say Tenerelli, 31, was clearly identified via surveillance camera footage. When Tenerelli returned to the Colleges at 7:44 a.m., Campus Safety officers recognized him from flyers posted around the school, and notified CPD, who arrived only to find he had fled. They did find his car though, and impounded it as evidence. At 10:33 a.m. Tenerelli returned to ask Campus Safety about his car. Police then arrived and arrested him for burglary. The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office apparently agreed with CPD that he was their man, and charged him with three felonies. Tenerelli spent three days in the Claremont jail before appearing before a judge Wednesday, February 9.

CUSD invites public feedback on trustee districts

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The public is invited to weigh in at the Claremont Unified School District Board of Education's 7 p.m. meeting Thursday, February 17, in which it will officially vote to move from at large to trustee districts.

Under the trustee district plan, the board will share jurisdiction over the district's secondary schools — El Roble Intermediate, San Antonio High School, and Claremont High — and each of CUSD's seven elementary schools will be represented by two board members.

The board meets in closed session at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, February 17, followed by a 7 p.m. public session, at CUSD's district offices, 170 W. San Jose Ave. Meetings are also accessible via Zoom, at <https://claremont-ca.schoollloop.com/>.

For more information on public comment, go to <https://go.boarddocs.com/ca/claremont/Board.nsf/Public> and click on "Public Comment and How to Address the Board."

The vote comes after the board has considered several iterations of proposed trustee maps over its recent meetings.

The finalists — maps 101, 110 and 111 — are visible at go.boarddocs.com/ca/claremont/Board.nsf/Public by clicking on "Presentation on Draft Trustee Area Plans (2/3/2022)," then, "Fifth Public Hearing Presentation.pdf."

Map 101 is still being considered, and map 111 is getting some adjustments to see if area two could be reduced to south of Foothill Blvd., according to Board President Steven Llanusa.

No matter what transpires at next week's board meeting, the trustee map boundaries will have to be agreed upon and adopted if the board is to meet the required deadlines for the next election cycle, which takes place in November.

Despite the tight time frame, Llanusa said he welcomes public input.

"Absolutely," he said. "If they prefer one map or the other, they can do so during the public comment section of that agenda item on the 17th."

The reason school boards are moving to trustee districts is in part to increase representation, both geographically and racially, Llanusa said, but that doesn't always work out.

"I've seen other school districts where they've instituted the trustee area elections, and representation has not been enhanced, or has been reduced," he said.

"But I think that's just the unintended consequences of good intentions."

One key difference for Claremont is all five board members will represent CUSD's three secondary schools, El Roble Intermediate, San Antonio High and Claremont High. But is that enough to mitigate fear over consolidation of power in any one trustee district?

"I think it mitigates it, I don't think it eliminates it," Llanusa said. "And it certainly doesn't eliminate it in terms of representation for the elementary schools."

Llanusa said his experience with the Los Angeles County Trustee Association has helped him to learn what works and what does not with respect to drawing new maps.

"I've seen that some of the districts where they have made attendance boundaries, also the trustee areas, that that does happen," he said. "And I think we're wise to try to avoid that."

Other items discussed at the February 3 board meeting included a presentation on COVID preparation and keeping students safe during the Omicron variant, including testing. There was concern about the district's ability to test families prior to the April 4-8 spring break.

"We don't have enough tests in hand to do that," Llanusa said. "We are trying to purchase them so that we can."

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Open letter to the City of Claremont's Architectural Commission on the proposed development of South Village Dear editor:

I'm Pamela Casey Nagler, longterm resident of Claremont. I spent 20 years of my work-life in downtown Claremont—including 10 of them as an owner of a clothing store, SHRIMPS, where Pettisco's is now located.

These past few years, I have been a strong proponent of the development of Village South. I saw it as a way to bring more affordable, right-sized, transit-oriented development with sustainable solutions to a blighted downtown area.

During these last few years, I was one of many who suggested that an occasional four or five-story building would enhance the project in terms of visual diversity, economic feasibility, energy sustainability and affordability, but I was not prepared to see what I see in this proposal—tall building after tall building with un-differentiated mass and facades. One of the developers, early on, suggested that unless there was the option of more height, the project ran the risk of looking like a flat layer cake—well, bingo! That's pretty much the effect of this proposal—except with even more height. The buildings look too massive—monolithic and unarticulated—for the allotment of space.

Many of us, based on early discussion, had come to believe that architect Stefano Polyzeides' work on the 12th Street facing of Scripps College along with the historic Vortex building were the aesthetic drivers of this project. (Stefano Polyzeides is an architect for Village Partners, one of the two development firms.)

However, in these renderings only one of the buildings, the building labeled

READERS COMMENTS

Eco/Spanish/Deco bears any reference to these buildings that people in Claremont love—buildings that tap into Spanish/Mediterranean/Moorish style like our own city hall, post office, train station, the recent renovated old infirmary at the Robert Redford Conservancy for Southern California Sustainability at the Bernard Biological Field Station, Sycamore School, Casa 425, some of Pomona College's older dorms on Sixth St.—along with others.

Frankly, the rest of the proposed buildings reference buildings that are not so loved in the region—including old industrial style buildings we associate with the East Coast and Midwest, So Cal warehouse buildings, generic modern urban 2020 housing styles that are now ubiquitous across the southland, with maybe a nod now and then to some fairly new medical buildings, like the dialysis center and others on Garey Ave. in Pomona.

I understand the city and the developers felt the need for eclecticism rather than strict adherence to one particular style, but I am seeing little innovation here and little to love. Too many buildings in this design portfolio resemble the new, horrific housing development on Bonita and Garey just outside of our city limits. None of us who supported this project were fighting for the rectangular big box building.

**Pamela Casey Nagler
Claremont**

A hopeful story

Dear editor:

I read the heartfelt and moving article by Mick Rhodes, "Court Clears Way for Sam's Second Chance" in the February 4, 2022 issue of the Claremont COURIER. I have been following Sam Kraemer-Dahlin's story in the COURIER during this last year (articles on June 25, 2021 and December 31, 2021) told by Mick Rhodes with Sam's mother, Per Dahlin. As a former hospital chaplain on a mental health unit, I know how important it is to tell and hear the complexity of this story. The readers of the COURIER can better understand how persons who struggle with mental illness and addiction need a place where they won't be judged so they can be ready to receive support and assistance. This is a hopeful story about Sam, who with his family and friends, have persevered to get treatment for Sam through the court system and the medical system while letting him take responsibility for his own life's choices. Thank you for continuing to report on this ongoing story of courage and possibility.

**Natalie Shiras
Claremont**

A "second chance"

Dear editor:

Thank you for the article entitled "Court Clears the Way for Sam's Second Chance." How well I remember the initial article regarding the same young man. Your writing is so full of understanding for both Sam and his mother, Per. What a journey, yours, theirs and ours. You have given all of us in the Claremont community a precious gift, a "second chance."

**Lynne Juarez
Claremont**

ADVENTURES IN HAIKU

*Wind wasn't all bad:
Honeycomb fell to the ground,
Three small spoons dug in.*
— **Cathy Henley-Erickson**

*great giants fallen
all over town
sound of chain saws*
— **Marcyn Del Clements**

*Wind blasts the branches
Showers of yellow citrus
Blanket the cold ground*
— **Tracy Zanteson**

Haiku submissions should reflect upon life or events in Claremont. Please email entries to editor@claremont-courier.com.

LETTERS FINE PRINT

Send readers' comments via email to editor@claremont-courier.com. We do not prefer mail or hand-delivery, but will accept letters if no other options are available. Keep in mind this could impact when a letter is published because of snail mail and the need to be retyped. Send to 114 Olive St, Claremont, CA 91711. The deadline for submission is Wednesday at 3 p.m. *Letters are the opinion of the writer, not a reflection of the COURIER.* Letters should not exceed **300 words**. Viewpoints should not exceed **700 words**. We cannot promise publication of letters.

Mayor Leano selected as Tri-City Mental Health board chair

Last month Claremont Mayor Jed Leano was selected by the governing board of Tri-City Mental Health to serve as the agency's board chair. Mayor Leano has served on the Tri-City board since he was elected to the Claremont City Council in November 2018 and served as Tri-City's vice chair last year, according to a news release.

"First of all, I'm honored by the vote of confidence from my colleagues," Mayor Leano said in a statement.

"I will work hard every day to ratify their trust in me to do this job."

"Tri-City is at such a critical crossroads

right now. In the City of Claremont, Tri-City is an integral partner in dealing with homelessness and, in addition to that, our community wants to see robust partnerships between all of our city departments and Tri-City Mental Health," he added.

Claremont's mayor, who has an immigration law practice in Pasadena, also serves on Tri-City's Asian American Pacific Islander advisory council, which was created in 2021 to create culturally relevant programming at Tri-City for the AAPI community.

"We are very excited to have him, and we are looking forward to his leadership

on Tri-City's board," Rimmi Hundal, Tri-City's director of mental health services and ethnic services, said in a statement.

Leano's appointment comes at a time when the COVID-19 pandemic continues to disrupt people's routines and daily life, and subsequently their mental health. He said the pandemic has "exposed the tremendous need for a strong mental health infrastructure."

"I'm going to work hard to make sure that Claremont residents see Tri-City on the front lines of this issue," he said.

"Coming out of COVID, mental health will be critical to bringing our community back. And I look forward to working with my colleagues from Pomona and La Verne to develop a model for mental health services delivery and programming," he said "Our leaderships regularly communicate, and our needs as cities are all different. But we all have one common goal and that is to ensure effective mental health services delivery for all of our residents."

When he was appointed in 2018 Mayor Leano, became Tri-City's first Filipino American board member and is now the agency's first Filipino American board chair. The mayor said he believed this move pushes "the agency in the right direction for AAPI community members to see one of their own leading the agency."

Currently, Leano serves as the vice chair

of the Filipino American Democratic Caucus of the California Democratic Party and is also on the board of the San Gabriel Valley Immigration Resource Center. In 2019, Leano was named Democrat of the year for the 41st Assembly District by the Los Angeles County Democratic Party.

The governing board also selected La Verne City Councilmember Robin Carder, who has served since 2017, to be the new vice chair.

Also last month, Jess Duff was appointed as Tri-City's interim executive director replacing Toni Navarro, who resigned in December to become the director of Santa Barbara county's behavioral wellness department. Duff previously served as interim executive director in 2007, then as executive director of 2008. He has also served as Tri-City's director of clinical programs services for the past six years.

Duff will serve as interim executive director until the completion of a nationwide search for a candidate to replace Navarro, a news release read.

Tri-City mental health, which has offices in Pomona and Claremont, launched in 1960 as a joint powers authority providing mental health services to the residents of Pomona, Claremont and La Verne.

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Hooked on a line

Running errands a couple of days ago, I passed two drive-through Starbucks, each with over ten cars in line. This was midday, not breakfast or lunchtime. Not being a caffeine user I was surprised. A couple of days later I passed the same two coffee shops and there was a similar number of cars in each line. It shocked me that people were willing to wait 10 minutes or more for their pick-me-ups, not to mention spend five to 10 dollars an order.

On the same outing I passed a nondescript strip mall; what caught my eye was a line of 20 people stretching down the sidewalk. Surveying the signage, I ascertained that they were in line for COVID tests. During the last two years we have all been in health-related lines: checking in for appointments, waiting for prescriptions to be filled, and line after line for vaccines and boosters.

Lines indoors, outdoors, and even in our cars. Whoever would have predicted we would receive shots through our car windows, sitting in lines for hours for the privilege of being stuck? Lines have become a way of life and we get used to them early. Lunch lines and gender specific lines to go to recess were part of everyone's school day. We read about bread lines and soup lines during the Great Depression, though lines for necessities



by STEVE HARRISON

INSIDE & OUT

ties always seemed like something that happened in Europe during wartimes, In-N-Out is not really a necessity no matter what we say.

Living where I can catch glimpses of Mount Baldy Road, I see every snow brings with it never ending lines of cars hoping to see Mother Nature's display, a rarity in Southern California and only a few miles, but many minutes, away; a 20-minute drive becoming two hours. Read Peter Weinberger's piece in the January 7th COURIER. The hordes of minivans full of day-trippers have become a common sight, the lack of snow over the last several years has escalated the lines to many mile-long back-ups and warning signs on the 210 freeway.

I first remember lines taking on an ominous tone when my family lined up at my future high school when I was five or six years of age to get the Polio sugar cube. I don't remember there being any question, or political overtone, about getting it; my parents were nervous but grateful that they could get the serum and it was free. The gas crisis of the 1970s brought with it something Baby Boomers weren't used to — waiting in line for something that seemed as necessary, free-flowing and available as water, suddenly available only every other day after sitting in block-long lines. It was a shock. Now standing in line for an Omicron test or snaking our way through Disneyland-like aisles at the Fairplex has become as ordinary and a part of our culture as lunch lines in elementary school.

Once lines were fun. Being first in line to buy a coveted concert or movie ticket, queueing up to get into Dodger Stadium or a movie theatre in Westwood brought with it excitement and enjoyment. Hour-long lines at Disneyland, now commonplace, were a marvel of planning in the 1970s and '80s, with old-timers shaking their heads wondering what could be so much fun that we would wait in line for an hour. It was a small world. Now like the gas lines of the seventies we find lines necessary but shocking. This is America; America hooked on lines.

Multigenerational Claremont senior program

The Claremont Senior Program is launching a pilot program, Generation Connect, which will allow older adults and seniors "the opportunity to connect with lo-

cal teens virtually from the comfort of their homes," a post from the city said.

Participants in the six-week-long program will receive

tutoring on the technology used and will enjoy learning online gaming while bonding over common interests with their teenage counterpart.

"Experience the magic of intergenerational connection as you learn from teens and as they, in turn, learn from you," the city said about the program.

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- 1. Noted South African sportsman
- 4. Costa ____
- 8. Claremont neighbor
- 14. Rent
- 15. Seaweed gelatin substitute
- 16. Overly affected
- 17. Return envelope abbreviation
- 18. John Deere competitor
- 19. Garden tools
- 20. Unit of electromagnetic length
- 22. Desist
- 23. South American tuber
- 24. Reprimanded harshly
- 27. Pelé's real first name
- 29. Vienna's land, abbr.
- 30. Prom escort, perhaps
- 31. Roughly the number of square miles in the city of Claremont
- 36. Brief announcement
- 38. Cool, in the 80s
- 39. Ingenious
- 41. Ammo storehouses
- 43. Med school subj.
- 44. Rapper prefix
- 45. Marie Presley and Kudrow
- 46. Claremont neighbor
- 52. It touches four Great Lakes: Abbr.

- 53. Type of poker

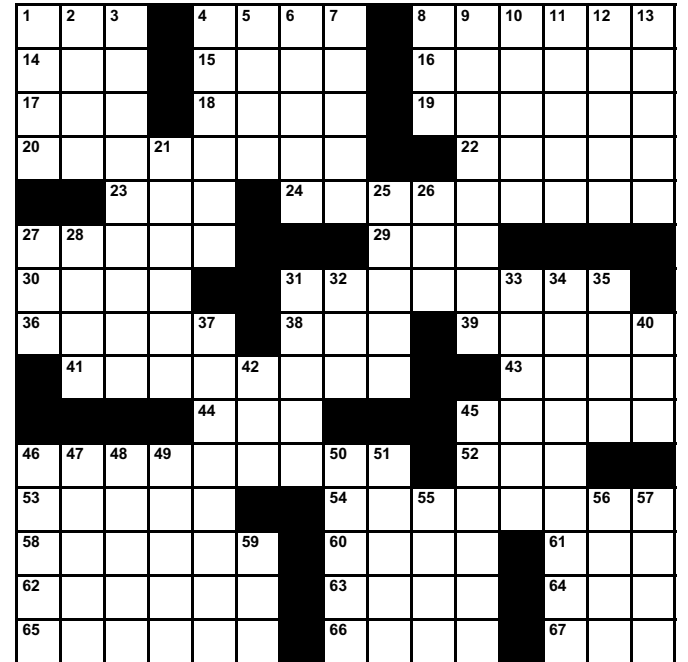
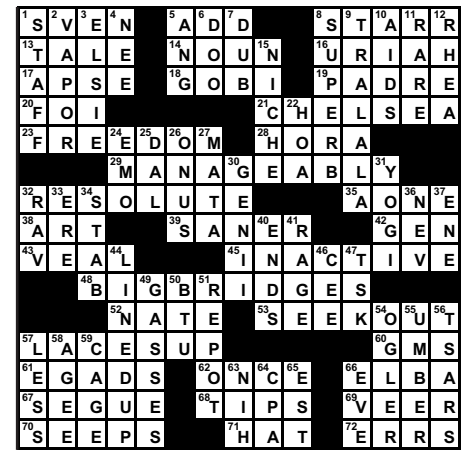
- 54. These cause allergies
- 58. Complain
- 60. Tommy of Mets' history
- 61. Temper
- 62. Some are secret
- 63. Beach bird
- 64. "The ____" Sandra Bullock film
- 65. Snares
- 66. Cornerstone abbreviation
- 67. The Beatles' ____ Pepper

Down

- 1. "Born Free" lioness
- 2. Like some meat
- 3. Extinct plant-eater
- 4. Wicker material
- 5. Operatic prince
- 6. Seasonal number
- 7. Oenophile's concern
- 8. Salt Lake City college athlete
- 9. Web-based audio information broadcasts
- 10. Seating sections
- 11. Corroded
- 12. Like the Vikings
- 13. Given medicine
- 21. Uses an SOS pad

- 25. Eight milkers in "The 12 Days of Christmas"
- 26. Botanical sticker
- 27. Reduce
- 28. Crème ____ crème
- 31. Silly musical refrain
- 32. Hotspur's slayer
- 33. Lady of Arthurian romance
- 34. Very bright people
- 35. School sports org.
- 37. Operatic singing style
- 40. Gold units: Abbr.
- 42. Nothing
- 45. Far from chic
- 46. Fable finale
- 47. Alpha opposite
- 48. Barbers shave them
- 49. Reduces
- 50. More than miffed
- 51. Lose's ones cool
- 55. Frobe who played Goldfinger
- 56. Remnant
- 57. Distinctively colored pattern of a Scottish tartan
- 59. Feminine suffix

Answers to puzzle #659



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What's happening Claremont?

BY ANDREW ALONZO

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FRIDAY 2/11

- The public is invited to Inter Valley Health Plan's virtual course, **Oh, My Achin' Bones**, online at noon. "Join this discussion on the different types of arthritis, causes, and treatments as well as how to live easier with these painful conditions," the event's description read. To register, visit www.ivhp.com/vitality.

- At 7 p.m., the Claremont High School Theatre Department will present its **student directed one act plays** at the Don F. Fruechte Theatre for the Performing Arts, 1601 N. Indian Hill Blvd. The school's 2022 student directors include Ari Applebee directing "4 AM" by Jonathan Dorf, Karen Eckert directing "Radium Girls" by D.W. Gregory, and Eden Hankins directing "Crafting a Killer" by Brent Holland. For information and to purchase tickets, visit www.chstheatre2129.com or call Claremont High School Theatre at (909) 624-9053 ext. 30463. A second showing will be held Saturday, also beginning at 7 p.m.

1 p.m. near the Agriscapes Discovery Farm, 4102 S. University Drive. Admission will go toward the self-supporting petting zoo. "The animals still need to be fed and cared for; your support is greatly appreciated! During this time of COVID-19, we have not held normal activities," the website read. Visit <https://cppdiscoveryfarm.com/petting-farm> for details.



- The **Pomona Valley Genealogical Society (PVGS)** will hold its monthly Zoom meeting at 2 p.m. This month's speaker will be Gena Philibert-Ortega presenting a program titled "Five Steps to Better Newspaper Research." PVGS meetings are open to anyone interested in exploring their family history. For the meeting link and details, contact jansalas@ca.rr.com or raulncal@aol.com.

- The public is invited to attend an opening ceremony for the Benton Museum of Art's latest exhibit, **"Each Day Begins with the Sun Rising: Four Artists from Hiroshima,"** at 2 p.m. Three of the artists, Megumi Fukuda, Taro Furukata, and Genki Isayama, who are visiting from Japan, will be at the museum to discuss their works. To register or for further details visit https://pomona.formstack.com/forms/each_day_begins_feb12.

- Today is opening day of the Progress Gallery's latest installation **"Time, Love and Gravity,"** featuring the work of 22 artists and curated by Southern California artists Brandon Monk Munoz, Melinda Hagman, Michael Magoski and E.E. Jacks. The nonprofit art gallery, located at 300 S. Thomas St. in Pomona, will open at 5 p.m. on Saturday and the exhibit will run until February 27. For more information and gallery hours, visit www.theprogressgallery.org or call (415) 961-1855.

live jazz at College Center, located at 665 E. Foothill Blvd., beginning at 2 p.m. The concert will last approximately three hours and is free to the public. For more information or to view the monthly jazz lineup, visit www.jazzatcollegecenter.com.

MONDAY 2/14

- **Happy Valentine's Day** from the Claremont COURIER! If you plan to shop or dine, be sure to call ahead as many restaurants and businesses will offer a special deal for the day and may have long wait times.



SUNDAY 2/13

- Artist Jessie Rule's Valentine's **succulent workshop** will take place from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Claremont Forum bookstore at the Packing House, 586 W. First St. Participants will create their own succulent arrangements. Visit www.claremontforum.org/event/valentines-succulent-workshop for details or to register.

- All are welcome to join the Bahá'is of Claremont for a **dialogue on faith and race** via Zoom from 2 to 4 p.m. This month's theme is religion as a motivator for justice. Please contact claremontlsa@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

- On Sunday, **ZZaj** will perform

- Join a virtual and educational

SATURDAY 2/12

- Visit Oreo and his fellow sheep, goats and furry friends at the **Cal Poly Pomona petting farm**, from 10 a.m. to

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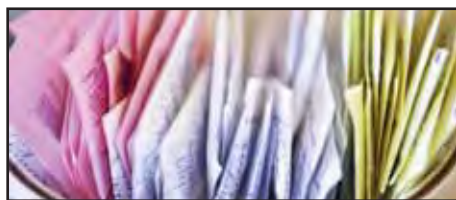
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presentation by Village Movement California and the Alzheimer's Association on **Alzheimer's disease research** and how you can reduce your risk of developing dementia. Beginning at 10 a.m., the program will feature Dr. Percy Griffin, Alzheimer's Association's director of scientific engagement, and Gene Girononte, the organization's community educator. Visit <https://alzorg.zoom.us/j/7647841670> to learn more or to sign up.

rounding artificial sweeteners. A Cal Poly dietitian will discuss the many different types of sweeteners and the science behind them so you can make the best dietary decisions for you and your health," according to the event calendar. To register, visit www.ivhp.com/vitality.



• The city will hold a **public scoping meeting** via Zoom at 6 p.m. "to provide the public with the opportunity to learn more about the proposed [La Puerta] project and to provide an opportunity for a full discussion of the environmental issues that are important to the community," the city wrote online. Oral and written comments provided during the meeting will be recorded and will be included with all other comments. For more info or the meeting Zoom link, visit www.ci.claremont.ca.us/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/6168/20.

Creek Trail. "Meet the group at the trailhead parking lot on Indian Hill Blvd.," the website read. Visit www.ci.claremont.c-a.us/government/departments-divisions/human-services/seniors and choose "activities subpage" for more information and other senior class offerings.

• Beginning at 5 p.m. via a YouTube livestream, Scripps Presents will host **"Always Home: Fanny Singer and Ruth Reichl in Conversation."** Singer, a writer, curator and the daughter of food icon and activist Alice Waters, will reflect on growing up with her mother and chronicle "a unique world of food, wine, and travel; a world filled with colorful characters, mouth-watering traditions, and sumptuous feasts," in the upcoming discussion. Singer will also discuss her latest book, "Always Home." Tickets begin at \$5 and can be purchased at www.scrippscollege.edu/events/calendar/always-home-fanny-singer-in-conversation.

blood.org, or via phone by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS.

SATURDAY 2/19

• The public is invited to the **Pomona Valley certified farmers' market**, held every Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the northwest corner of Pearl Street and Garey Avenue in Pomona. The market features organic and chemical free produce from local urban farms. For more information, visit www.pomonacfa.org.

TUESDAY 2/15

• Every Tuesday, the public is invited to meet at Shelton Park for a brisk or easy stroll through the Claremont Village. Walks begin at 8 a.m. and participants are asked to arrive 10-15 minutes early to sign in and hear any potential announcements. **Get Walking Claremont** asks those who are not fully vaccinated from COVID-19 to please wear a mask when unable to keep distance from others.

WEDNESDAY 2/16

• Learn the **truths and myths about artificial sweeteners** during Inter Valley Health Plan's 1 p.m. course. "There is a lot of controversy sur-

THURSDAY 2/17

• In addition to Tuesday's walks, **Get Walking** also hosts **Thursday walks** at 8 a.m. along Thompson

FRIDAY 2/18

• Claremont McKenna College, in association with the Red Cross, will hold a **blood drive** at the Roberts Pavilion, 690 N. Mills Ave., between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Appointments must be made in advance at the American Red Cross website,

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Claremont Chamber of Commerce celebrates 100 years – Part 2

Leila Ackerman assumed the position of secretary, what today would be the executive director, of the Claremont Chamber in 1923 and would serve in that capacity for the next 21 years, retiring in 1944. Ackerman was a tireless promoter of not only local businesses and merchants, the Colleges and the citrus industry, but the city itself and civic issues. Below the letterhead on chamber correspondence was a summation of the chamber mission, "A Community Clearing House for Business and Civic Improvement and Information."

Under Leila Ackerman's leadership, the chamber joined the "City Beautiful" movement in the 1920s. Teaming with renowned landscape architect, Ralph Cornell, the chamber hired him to create the landscape for the new civic center the chamber had helped to design. The chamber also "loaned out" Cornell to homeowners free of charge for the planning of their landscape.

The chamber worked with the city to develop the plans for the civic center and the newly appointed planning commission's first order of business was to finalize those plans. The first part of the new civic center would be on Second Street and would include a first floor fire and police station and second floor



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HERITAGE**

by JOHN NEUBER

city hall. The land was purchased in 1923, the bond issue passed in April 1924, construction began in June 1925, and the building opened on November 30, 1925.

Given the close relationship between the chamber and the city, the Claremont Chamber of Commerce building was constructed on the northwest corner of Second Street and Harvard Avenue in 1930. The building was part of the civic center plan created by David Allison and Charles Cheney in the mid-1920s. In 1948, city hall was built around the chamber and the posts of the old building were changed to arches to complement the new design. This building was home to the chamber until 1975, when city hall was remodeled and the building was occupied by the city manager's offices. The chamber moved into the police offices on Second Street when the police station was completed on Bonita Avenue. The chamber remained in the offices until the mid-1990s, when the expansion and renovation of city hall caused the chamber to relocate.

In the early years, the chamber was involved in many projects for the betterment of the community. The chamber was able to secure systematic garbage collection and took the lead in promoting a bond issue to pay for street paving. It also became involved in flood control issues, meeting and corresponding with the Los Angeles County Flood Control District. The chamber worked with the U.S. Postal Service to establish a post office and expand mail delivery throughout the city. The chamber led the way in initial zoning efforts and standards for residential and commercial construction and spearheaded the development of the city sewage system. It supported the construction of the library and the establishment of parks.

The early Fourth of July and Christmas programs were sponsored by the chamber. Before government agencies were responsible for such things, the distribution of items to families in need throughout the year, including special gift baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas, were accomplished by the chamber. The chamber also served as an employment agency for both workers and employers, worked closely with the Red Cross and operated as a general welfare center, coordinating the work of all the local agencies through its Claremont Welfare Council.

The chamber also served as the location for the unemployed to register, which became a major function during the Depression. The Depression did not hit Claremont hard until 1933 and the chamber not only promoted local businesses but advocated for local workers as well. At the urging of the Mexican American community during the Depression, the chamber advocated for the packing houses to hire Claremont residents rather than bringing in laborers from outside. During the 1920s the chamber had also urged local businesses to hire Mexican American workers from within the community. The chamber spearheaded the efforts to help the unemployed and homeless living in the Claremont transient camp by providing food, clothing and other necessities.

In a brief promotional history of Claremont that Ackerman penned in 1929, she noted that "Hand in hand with the development of the city and the college has been the development of the great citrus industry." In 1923, at her urging, the chamber voted to join the Los Angeles County Fair Association. Over the next several years, the chamber in conjunction with the assistance of the city and Pomona College would construct displays at the fair to promote Claremont. Ackerman was usually the designer of the displays which earned awards year after year.

In the 1930s, the chamber conducted a survey of residents to prioritize its advocacy efforts. Four categories, public improvement projects, special projects, restrictions and regulations, and your further suggestions. Many favored the widening of Yale Avenue and adding more streetlights, stop signs and pedestrian zones. Parks and the addition of a swimming pool were also favored along with limited Sunday mail and telegram distribution. The formation of a central welfare committee was supported. Respondents also wanted owners to take care of



Ackerman family car: Leila Ackerman left, along with her siblings, Arthur and Martha, in front of their house on 10th Street.



The 1932 Claremont display at the L.A. County Fair designed by Leila Ackerman.

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vacant lots, regulations for dog vaccinations and licenses, limits on livestock in residential areas, and the railroad to limit train whistling.

As time passed, organizations such as the chamber, gradually reduced their overall community outreach as local, county, state and federal agencies took over functions. The city assumed the responsibilities for things such as roads, city trees, sewage system, zoning, building codes and refuse collection. The county developed the library sys-

tem, flood control and social services. The state developed the highway system, the water delivery system and, along with the county and federal government, managed flood control. Today, the Claremont Chamber, like most local chambers are more involved in local and regional business issues, although the chamber provides input on county, state and federal legislation and regulations affecting businesses and employees.

To be continued.



The 1932 display at the L.A. County Fair took fourth place.

Public comment on city housing element update

The City of Claremont has prepared a draft environmental impact report (DEIR) addressing the city's housing element update and "associated update of the safety element of the general plan," the city shared online.

Between January 27 and March 14, 2022, residents are invited to submit their written comments regarding the DEIR to Community Development Director Brad Johnson. Residents can submit their comments either through the mail or via email.

Comments through the mail should be addressed to the Community Development Department, 207 Harvard Avenue, Claremont, California 91711. Emailed comments can be sent to bjohnson@ci.claremont.ca.us. Please include your name, phone number, email and postal address in your comment.

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EIR, relative to the attached project summary. Agencies should comment on such information as it relates to their statutory responsibilities in connection with the Housing Element Update," the city wrote online.

The city is also the lead agency pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has prepared an initial study for the housing element update EIR.

"This NOA is being circulated pursuant to public resources code section 21153(a) and CEQA Guidelines section 15082 and the DEIR is available for review along with the NOP on the city's website: <https://www.ci.claremont.ca.us/living/draft-housing-element>," the city wrote online. "A printed copy will be available at city offices upon request."

For more information on the DEIR, visit: <https://www.ci.claremont.ca.us/living/draft-housing-element>. To get updates on the housing element, send your email to housingelement@ci.claremont.ca.us.



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Florence Cohn

Longtime Claremonter was a “force of nature”

Longtime Claremont resident and humanitarian Florence Cohn died January 29 at age 96. Her contributions to the community and her commitment to civil rights were legion. “Wherever Florence goes she dreams up projects to help others,” Pomona College Professor Donald McIntyre wrote in the book, “McIntyre’s Parcel of Fine Red Herrings.”

“Florence was a force of nature who touched the lives of everyone she met,” wrote her daughter Marjorie. “Florence was one of a kind,” her friend Valerie Edwards said. “Her sense of humor was legendary. It would creep up on you when you least expected it. I appreciated her kindness and how thoughtful she was of others. Without a doubt, she has lived her life in a way that with her contributions, she has left this world better than she found it.”

Florence Lichtenstein was born on August 4, 1925 in New Haven, Connecticut. She graduated from Hillhouse High School in 1943, where she was a member of the chorus, archery team, swim team, skating team, radio club and York Square Players.

She met Leonard Cohn at Teachers College of Connecticut (now Central Connecticut State University) and they married in 1946. Florence earned her B.S. in 1947 and the couple relocated to California following graduation. After one year in San Bernardino, where she worked as a social worker, they moved to Claremont and Leonard began his long, storied career as football coach at Claremont High.

While raising five children, she began an income tax business and honed her matchmaking skills. “We’ve even had a number of marriages,” she proudly told a reporter for the COURIER. The couple divorced in 1966.

In 1967 she founded Family Real Estate. She earned a community college instructor credential from The California Community Colleges in 1972. She built her 10,000-square-foot office building at 678 S. Indian Hill Boulevard in 1973, which she named “Gracias a Dios,” honoring the “wonderful understanding between the Mexican and American people.”

In 1975 she started the Indian Hill School of Real Estate. All told, she sold real estate for 50 years.

A member of the original committee that established Claremont’s annual Fourth of July celebration, she wrote in a letter to the COURIER: “For several years thereafter I worked on the parade, setting up the booths, you name it. Former husband Leonard Cohn was recreation director as well as football coach, so I set up the baseball team schedules and even the pie eating contests . . . Great fun to be involved.”

She “loves the high desert of [Colorado] and built an isolated house-in-the-round high on the plain, in the heart of North American cowboy/Indian country,” Professor McIntyre wrote, complete “with a herd of llamas for company!” Once a month, she made the 16-hour drive in her Jeep to her dome house near the Four Corners, where she loved to feed the squirrels and birds on her deck.

On one of those trips, she picked up a hitchhiker as she drove past the Chuckwalla State Prison near Blythe, California. Sensing he might try to rob her, she told him he looked like he could use some money and suggested he find some in the glove box. They became longtime friends.

One of her most notable accomplishments was the organization of a toy and bicycle drive, leaving donation boxes all over Claremont in anticipation of her annual pilgrimage to the Hopi and Navajo nations to deliver Christmas toys to the children. One year, her 12-year-old grandson, Victor Cohn-Lopez, gave the commencement address at the Hopi Day School sixth-grade graduation in Kykotsmovi Village, Arizona.

She was appointed to the California Real Estate Association’s legislative committee on property taxation, and the equal rights committee. She established the California Single Taxpayers Association, a nonprofit organization opposing the unfair tax burden on single parents. She also spent her life fighting racism, and incurred the wrath of fellow realtors for opposing discrimination against Blacks in home sales.

She mounted a successful campaign to reunite 10-year-old Manuel Bojorquez Jr., whose aunt became unable to care for him in Mexico, with his family in Pomona. She wrote to the Immigration and Naturalization Service and Congressman John Rousselot. “Manuel Jr. arrived in the fall and a happy time it was!” she wrote in her book, “It All Started With Lollipops.” “For Thanksgiving the Bojorquez family came to the Cohn household with a fully cooked turkey with all the trimmings . . . such a great example of what life is all about.”

Everywhere she traveled, she carried See’s lollipops, which she generously doled out to any children she encountered. “Giving folks lollipops really cuts the ice and everyone becomes our friend,” she wrote in “Lollipops.” She distributed lollipops to kids in Taiwan, Israel, Palestine, Singapore, Denmark, Nepal and Norway.

Her niece Kaila Colbin recalled, “I remember her jokes — ‘I haven’t slept for 10 days . . . because I only sleep nights!’ I remember her telling us about going to concerts; she never had a ticket and never paid more than face value on the ticket to get in. I remember her giving me a note pad made of a hundred one-dollar bills; she had gone to the bank and gotten new bills with sequential serial numbers.”

One of her funniest, most heartwarming gifts was commissioning a stretch limousine to take her brother, Rod Colbin, to garage sales for his 70th birthday. “Half the fun was watching people react to a limousine pulling up and six people stepping out, champagne in hand!” Florence described in “Lollipops.” “The first person said, ‘Look! Celebrities are coming!’ Another person at the sale commented, ‘I thought there was a recession!’ The woman holding the garage sale exclaimed, ‘Oh my gosh . . . take the house; I’ll take the limo!’”

Rod’s friend, actress Katharine Hepburn, was the proud recipient of one of her paintings. “I love it,” Hepburn wrote in a thank you note. “It’s a charming painting and will be great in my house in the country.”

Her other books include “Paul Revere Slept Here (and other great real estate ad ideas),” and “Shacks to Castles.”

The list of her civic activities is formidable. In 2004, she received the Woman



of Distinction award from the Soroptimist International Club. Florence was city chairman of the Sister Kenny campaign; chairman of Claremont’s multiple sclerosis campaign and Pomona Valley Health Council; executive secretary of the Claremont Community Chest; and served on the local, district and state boards of the California Federation of Women’s Clubs—Junior membership, and on the boards of the Pomona Valley Hearing Society, Pomona Community Concert Association, and Salvation Army.

“Life is truly short and too often folks are so wrapped up in their own little problems that they never take time to appreciate the wonderful world and neat people around them,” Florence wrote in one of her regular “Dear Molly” columns in the COURIER. “Strew roses along the path of life but don’t forget to take time out to smell the flowers.”

“Florence was generous and kind and she shared her flowers with everybody she met,” her family said. “We will not see the likes of her again.”

Florence Cohn is survived by her children, Marjorie Cohn, Gary Cohn, Nancy Cohn Morgan, Susan McGeachy and Terri Peters; twelve grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Memorial contributions may be made to Temple Beth Israel at <https://tbipomona.org>, click “Pledges and Donations,” or by check to 3033 N. Towne Ave., Pomona, CA 91767.

Construction around Claremont

Edison work

Residents are reminded that over the next three weeks Southern California Edison workers will be working on First Street in the Claremont Village, between Indian Hill Boulevard and Yale Avenue. To accommodate the street’s heavy foot traffic and business hours during the day, the work will be performed overnight between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. For those who need to utilize First Street during those hours, traffic is being detoured from westbound First Street onto northbound Yale Avenue, and then to Second Street, according to the city. Staff will follow up with Edison over this three-week period and provide updates for the work.

Colby Circle Closure

New water lines will be installed on Colby Circle as part of the construction of the incoming Colby Neighborhood 95-unit townhome development. The water line improvement is part of the first phases of the project’s construction, which will take shape over the coming months and into the summer of 2022, according to the city. The new water lines will allow for abandonment of current lines which serve residents north of the project site.

The project will close a portion of Colby Circle, between Indian Hill Blvd. and the street’s roundabout, across from Oxford Ave. Residents living on N. Berkeley Ave. will not be able to access Colby Circle via the street. A map depicting the

street closure is available at www.ci.claremont.ca.us/construction.

Residents with questions about construction activities can contact Intracorp Homes Construction Manager Ryan McDougale at (949) 247-9017 or the City of Claremont’s Associate Engineer DeLisa Bryant at (909) 399-5480.

Sidewalk improvement project

Recently, the City of Claremont engaged the services of CT&T Concrete Paving, Inc. to complete sidewalk improvements in the area around Lewis Park and Brooks Avenue, officials shared online.

Community Services Department staff identified “deviated sidewalks” that require

removal and replacement. “Staff has delineated areas in need of replacement by marking the sidewalk with white marking paint,” according to the city.

It is unknown when the project will begin but residents adjacent to work sites will receive notice before it gets underway. Typical work hours for the concrete service are Monday through Friday between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Additionally, temporary no parking signs will be installed 72 hours prior to work, the city added.

Concerned residents with questions can contact the Community Services Department at (909) 399-5431 and CT&T’s Project Manager Richard Ramos, who is overseeing the work, at (909) 957-6717.

Reverend Courtney “Corky” Erland Peterson

Grandfather, United Church of Christ minister, counselor, traveler

Reverend Courtney Erland Peterson died of natural causes at 89 years of age in Portland, Oregon on December 26, 2021. He lived a full, rich, and wonderful life.

Courtney “Corky” was born May 6, 1932, at Stanford Hospital in Stanford, Connecticut.

He lived most of his childhood years in New Britain, Connecticut, and graduated from New Britain High School in 1951. He played football in high school and was very involved in the Boy Scouts, achieving the elite Eagle Scout status.

In 1951 to 1952, he attended prep school at Hebron Academy in Maine, where he also played football. He attended Yale University with a football scholarship from 1952 to 1955, where he graduated with a BA in English. At Yale, he was a defensive lineman, sang in the glee club, participated in the ski club, and was a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He also had the great honor of being chosen to go on a special trip to Europe, Egypt, Israel and Africa with The American Students for International Understanding.

He spent time skiing in Stowe, Vermont as a member of the ski patrol, where he met Barbara Burnett Mallory. They married on June 6, 1956, in Manhasset, Long Island, in New York, enjoyed 23 happy years together, and had three children.

He worked for Proctor and Gamble Corporation briefly after college, and then from 1956 to 1960 attended Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Center, Massachusetts. He lived with

Barbara and their newborn son, Christopher, born October 1960, on Beacon Hill in Boston during this period.

Also in 1960, he was ordained as a minister in the United Church of Christ. From 1960 to 1964 he was a minister at Old South Church in Boston. His first daughter, Jennifer, was born in Boston in September 1962. He then served as Minister of Grace United Church in Farmington, Connecticut from 1965 to 1967, where second daughter Erica was born in June 1965.

In 1967 the family drove across the country with two cars and their boat named “The Ladies Three.” They first settled in Pomona, where he became chaplain supervisor at Lanterman State Hospital. In 1968, the family moved into a home in Claremont, where they lived for many years, long after their children were grown.

At Lanterman, later known as Lanterman Developmental Center before closing in 2014, he ran training programs for clergymen of all denominations in counseling skills. He also led weekly fun, creative, and uplifting Sunday services with the developmentally disabled on the 309-acre campus, and later became a supervisor for the Association of Clinical Pastoral Educators. He ran the programs at Lanterman until the late 1980s.

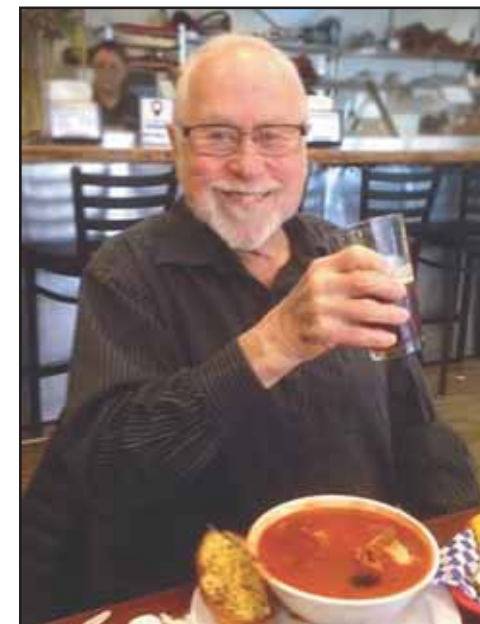
Family was very important to him. They went on many international vacations, including to Russia, Mexico, France, Spain, Portugal and Morocco, as well as a variety of ski

trips. They spent a lot of time in their vacation house on the Rio Hardy in Baja, California. He enjoyed the humorous nickname “el barbon” from the locals in Baja, meaning “the beard.” He enjoyed many home improvement projects, and wanted to have family dinners together every night. “He knew people everywhere he went, and people always really liked him,” his family shared. “He had a joke for just about any subject!”

He completed his doctorate degree in 1972, and became licensed as a marriage, family, and child counselor. During this period, he continued involvement in Claremont United Church of Christ on Yale Avenue. He was a local volunteer for the House of Ruth as well.

During the mid-1970s he and his wife bought and renovated a beautiful Indian Hill Blvd. Craftsman and created Greenleaves Associates Counseling Center. While running the counseling center, the couple also organized weekend events called the “carnival of life” at Pilgrim Pines Camp in Yucaipa, California. They continued counseling there until the late 1980s.

After he retired from counseling, he and his second wife, Genelle, opened International Glass and Bead Company on Yale Ave. and First St., in the Claremont Village. The store later moved to the Claremont Packing House. They ran this store together from the late 1980s until after 2010. They moved to Portland, Oregon in 2018, where they were very involved with



ceramics and had their own studio. He handmade many wonderful pots and other items that he loved to give to his children and grandchildren. During his final years he enjoyed fishing and trips in his motor home around the country.

He is survived by his children Christopher, Jennifer, and Erica Peterson; grandchildren Max Catozzi, Jackson Catozzi and Danielle Dornan; younger sister Barbara Wood; and wife Genelle Peterson.

His family shared this remembrance: “Courtney Peterson, we love you, and may the echoes of your love and your laughter reverberate through the world forever.”

Lights, cameras, and action at Pomona College

by Andrew Alonzo
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Over the course of two days, production crews and actors from the FOX series, “9-1-1: Lone Star” visited the Pomona College campus to film scenes for an upcoming season three episode.

On Monday, scenes were shot around Marston Quad using firetrucks and paramedics, while on Tuesday, filming took place at the Bridges Auditorium, transformed to resemble a historic Texas building.

The episode, number 11 of season three, is scheduled to air on March 21 at 8 p.m. on FOX, according to the show’s Unit Production Manager Chris Hayden.

The show revolves around the fictional Austin, Texas-based response team 126, and follows the company’s fire, police and emergency medical personnel. The procedural drama, created by Ryan Murphy, Brad Falchuk and Tim Minear, is a spin-off of the series “9-1-1.”

“I can only say so much until the show has aired,” Hayden said on Tuesday. “We had a big emergency situation; you know it’s a show about firemen so every episode ... there’s several emergencies. Whether they’re fires or hazmat [situations] or vehicle crashes or ... anything

and everything. It’s a rollercoaster.”

The show stars Rob Lowe as Owen Strand, a firefighter captain from New York and father to Tyler Kennedy “TK” Strand, played by actor Ronen Rubinstein. Lowe has played the character Owen Strand since the “9-1-1: Lone Star” pilot episode on January 19, 2020, according to IMDB. The actor was observed on set wearing a grey Velcro suit over his legs and torso.

“We’re out here because this looks like a particular part of Austin that plays in this episode. The quad here is really lovely and open and it plays really well with what we’re looking for in this episode,” Hayden said. “We’ll probably use some visual effects ... to add a different look in the background, but really the basics are right there.”

“[The show] plays as if it were in Austin, Texas, so we’re always looking for locations that could play as some part of Austin or other [parts] whether it be up in an open area where we go to Santa Clarita or Lancaster or somewhere out in Ventura,” he added.

With the show filming many of its outside scenes on Monday, Hayden said the crews had to section off parts of the campus to make sure none of the college students or faculty accidentally appeared in the background. He shared that many stu-



On Tuesday, production crews and actors from the FOX series, 9-1-1: Lone Star, surprised students and fans when the show came out to the Pomona College campus to film scenes for an upcoming season three episode. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

dents and fans came out on Monday to see what was happening with the show, and to potentially meet Rob Lowe.

“We did have a lot of students standing outside the frame watching, which is fine, it’s great, I’m happy,” he said. “They seemed very happy, they had a little talk with Rob when he was between set-ups and that was very nice. I like it when actors are good to their fans and he is.”

By Tuesday, the television production did not appear to surprise students or interrupt traffic flow much on campus, as it had on Monday. In fact, many students were seen on Tuesday on the lawn of the Marston Quad having a picnic, or briskly walking by the long-armed cranes holding lighting fixtures, the FOX-labeled production trucks, and the high-powered camera equipment which occupied the outside of the music auditorium.

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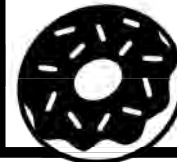
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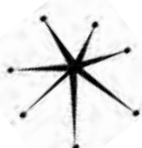
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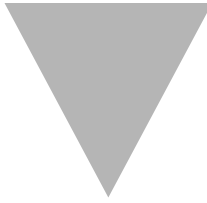
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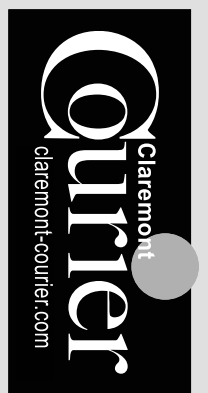


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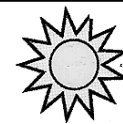
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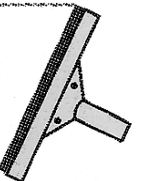
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the right to bid less than the total debt owed, it is possible that at the time of the sale the opening bid may be less than the total debt. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary of the Deed of Trust has executed and delivered to the undersigned a written request to commence foreclosure, and the undersigned caused a Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one

mortgage or deed of trust on this property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (866)-960-8299 or visit this Internet Web site <http://www.altisource.com/MortgageServices/DefaultManagement/TrusteeServices.aspx> using the file number assigned to this case **2020-01661-CA**. 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. **NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction, if conducted after **January 1, 2021**, pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the

date of the trustee sale, you can call (855)-976-3916, or visit this internet website <https://tracker.auction.com/sb1079>, using the file number assigned to this case **2020-01661-CA** to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than **15 days** after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, so that the trustee receives it no more than **45 days** after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: January 21, 2022 **Western Progressive, LLC, as Trustee for beneficiary C/o 1500 Palma Drive, Suite 238 Ventura, CA 93003 Sale Information Line: (866) 960-8299 <http://www.altisource.com/MortgageServices/DefaultManagement/TrusteeServices.aspx>**

Trustee Sale Assistant
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: NICOLE LISA SOSA AKA NICOLE SOSA CASE NO. 22STPB00527

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of NICOLE LISA SOSA AKA NICOLE SOSA.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ANITA GUERRERO in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ANITA GUERRERO be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 02/28/22 at 8:30AM in Dept. 2D located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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 1/28, 2/4, 2/11/22
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022002041

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **TRAVEL...BY ANY MEANS!** 341 West Orange Grove Avenue 2, Pomona, CA 91768, Los Angeles County Registrant(s): Jacquelyn Loggins, 341 West Orange Grove Avenue, 2, Pomona, CA 91768. This business is conducted by an Individual.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Jacquelyn Loggins Title: Owner

This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/05/22. NOTICE- In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022012314

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **CASITA GRACIELA.** 1005 Lake Forest Dr., Claremont, CA 91711, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Patricia Herrero, 1007 Lake Forest Dr., Claremont, CA 91711. Michael Herrero, 1007 Lake Forest Dr., Claremont, CA 91711. This business is conducted by a Married Couple. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Patricia Herrero Title: Owner

This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/19/22. NOTICE- In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in

violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022001327

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **ACME CLEANERS.** 120 Yale Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Ganesha Corporation, 5637 Arrow Highway, Suite L, Montclair, CA 91763. This business is conducted by a Corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 05/1996. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Kailash Chandnani Title: President

This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/04/22. NOTICE- In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL) CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DE CASO): 205STCV20538

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO): BLUE VIEW CORPORATION, ORION EQUITY CREDIT CORP.; STEVEN J. WOZNY, THE TESTATE AND INTESTATE SUCCESSORS OF STEVEN J. WOZNY, Deceased, and all Persons Claiming By, Through, or Under Such Decedent; and DOES 2 through 50 inclusive. YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF: (LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE): U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE ASSET BACKED SECURITIES CORPORATION HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST, SERIES NC 205-HE8, ASSET BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES NC 2005-HE8

by **SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC., its Attorney in Fact**

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. **NOTE:** The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.

AVISO! Lo han demandado. Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación. Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte y más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www.sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de leyes de su condado o en la corte que le quede más cerca. Si no puede pagar la cuota de presentación, pida al secretario de la corte que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en

contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. **AVISO:** Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10,000 ó más de valor arbitrada mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso. The name and address of the court is: (El nombre y dirección de la corte es): LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT - Stanley Mosk, 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 CASE NUMBER: (Numero del Caso): 205STCV20538 The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es): Kelsey Luu, Esq. 411 Ivy Street, San Diego, CA 92101. Date: (Fecha): June 1, 2020, Sherri R. Carter Executive Officer / Clerk of Court, by (Secretario) M. Barel, Deputy (Adjunto).

(For proof of service of this summons, use Proof of Service of Summons (form POS-010).) (Para prueba de entrega de esta citación use el formulario Proof of Service of Summons, (POS-010)).

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022015879

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **GRACE HEALING GROUP.** 2502 North Mountain Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Sarah Stockham, 2502 North Mountain Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711, Heather Nicholson, 2807 Mary St., La Crescenta, CA 91214. This business is conducted by a General Partnership.

Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Sarah Stockham. Title: General Partner

This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/24/22. NOTICE- In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code).

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New Lease Listing



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