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On Wednesday, Claremont resident Jennifer Sasaki assess the damage to the bedroom of her Village home that was severely damaged by a falling tree during the recent windstorm. Sasaki was asleep in the bed at left when the tree came crashing down and suffered moderate to minor injuries. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

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Court clears way for Sam's second chance

by Mick Rhodes

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Every time I speak to Per Dahlin I'm overcome with admiration. She has a tenacity coupled with a capacity for love and compassion that just overwhelms me.

I'm also sad. Sad for her, her family, and of course for her son, Samuel Kraemer-Dahlin.

"Sam" has spent the last six-and-a-half years living mostly on the street, battling voices in his head that drive him to numb that torment with heroin and methamphetamine, which exacerbate his mental illness, and in turn cause him to increase his self-medication. It's been a horrific seesaw between the only two choices the 32-year-old Claremont High graduate has seen for himself.

And it's nearly killed him.

Sam's suffered through a life-threatening bout of fungal meningitis and subsequent bilateral strokes, and has been in and out of medical and psychiatric hospitals, sober living and rehab facilities more than 50 times.

Since the first week of July 2021, he's has been locked up in the notorious Men's Central Jail in Downtown Los Angeles for a string of petty crimes, including breaking and entering, and possession of controlled substances and drug paraphernalia.

At first, he was placed into the jail's general population. He lasted four days there before attempting suicide.

He was then moved to the jail's highest level of mental healthcare, a smaller cell with other prisoners also in severe crisis where inmates are only allowed to wear a paper smock/dress.

Off suicide watch, he was then moved to a gymnasium-like room with more than 100 other prisoners in 35 triple bunks, all locked inside under the 24/7 glow of fluorescent lighting, with no yard time. He's been there ever since, except for occasional court appearances, when he gets to see the sky.

The flipside of this misery though is for the first time in almost seven years, Sam is sober by choice.

Incarceration, his mother Per Dahlin agreed, has given her son a second chance at life.

"This is how I sort of look at it: he's kind of traded traumas," she said. "There is of course the physical trauma of living on the streets, of the danger, the poor nutrition, the exposure to the elements, all of those things. And of course the use of the drugs and the violence of the people around him. So there's the trauma of the street life. But the jail traumas are not terribly different. The difference is he can't go anywhere. He's stuck there, facing himself. That's the difference."

Sam was back in Pomona Superior Court on Monday.

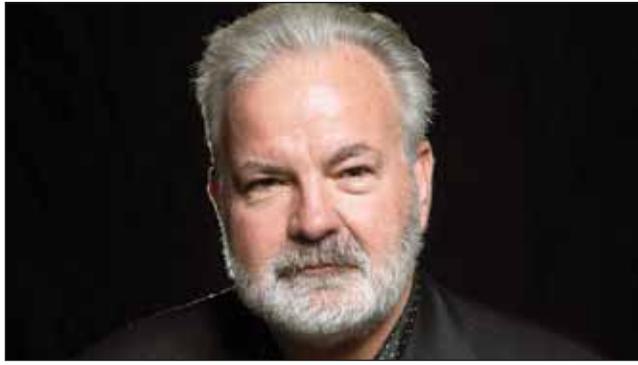
"He of course had a wonderful day because he got to get in the van and drive and be outside and see the sky and the light," Per said.

And for the first time in forever, Sam got some good news in that courtroom. The judge approved him for admittance into a county-run dual diagnosis program. If things go well and he stays on the straight and narrow, he will be admitted in four to six weeks and remain for six to 12 months getting help with both his mental illness and addictions.

The program could turn out to be the first step back to a life free of the nightmarish Groundhog Day Sam's been locked into for almost seven years. And it would mean a helluva lot to his family as well.

"Absolutely. Yeah, we'll be able to give him a hug!" Per said with a joy-infused laugh. "It's going to be wonderful."

The last time she hugged her son was in the hospi-



tal last June.

Sam's sobriety has also helped in other ways. His previous litany of eight medications has been reduced to two: a mild anti-psychotic and an antidepressant.

"So that tells you how much drug use makes mental issues so much worse," Per said.

One of Sam's other major medical problems — to what degree brain damage from the strokes has affected him cognitively — had not been properly assessed at the time he was jailed.

"They said it takes two years to really figure out

them, and it's just amazing to us."

Sam is a grown man of 32, but can still seem very childlike due to his disabilities. I asked Per how much of her boy she feels she has back now after the progress he's made over the past seven months.

"A lot. I mean ... where he was as a very young adult compared to now, in his thirties, we certainly have I would say 60 to 70 percent of him back. It's a lot! It's a lot, yeah. I'm so grateful."

Getting into the dual diagnosis program is a huge hurdle. But with it Sam is going to have to shoulder the responsibility for his own outcome. If he stays sober and works hard he might be able to get to the root of his addiction, which feeds his mental illness, and vice-versa.

"So this will be a really big test for him," Per said. "And it will be a test for us too, because the urge is going to be to rush in and try to rescue him, and we can't do that; he's going to have to live with the limitations that we put on him, and he's going to have to make a lot of choices every day that are going to be hard."

Sam's family is still here, bruised and traumatized,



Per Dahlin holds one of her favorite books "Sharing Experience Strength and Hope." She hopes her son Sam has the strength to finally overcome his longtime mental and physical challenges. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger

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Per Dahlin

how bad is the brain damage," his mother said. "Well, we never got to figure that out because as soon as he was released from the hospital he quickly started using things. Now that he's been sober for a long time we can see wow, he's gotten a lot better."

Per characterized Sam's current state as "pretty fabulous." His sister sends him a new book every week.

"And he's reading them and he can talk about

just like him. But one day pretty soon, they could feasibly be together, not in a hospital or a courtroom, but around a dinner table perhaps. Sam doesn't talk about that yet.

But Per has begun to feel something she's been unable to access for many years.

"I didn't allow myself to have any hope for such a long time," she said. "I mean, just a little hope. 'Stay alive. Enjoy some things in your life.' But now I have definitely ... this is hard to say ... just a broader hope that his life could actually get better."

"It does feel good, Mick. It really does, yeah. It's a happy day for me."

After Monday's hearing she spent an hour in the sanctuary at Pilgrim Congregational Church, a few blocks north of the Pomona courthouse.

"And just sat for a while, because it just felt so big," she said. "It's really a good new year. Let's hope it's a good new year for a lot of people, right?"

Mayor Leano makes special appearance at Condit

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At 10 a.m. last Friday, Claremont's Mayor Jed Leano made a special appearance at Condit Elementary School to give thanks and city-branded pencils to Sue Felton's second grade class for their recent, thoughtful assignment about last month's windstorm.

Following the blistering winds on January 21, which toppled over 300 trees and cut power to thousands of residents' homes, the students were given an assignment to illustrate and briefly describe what had happened in their own backyards.

"I just wanted, right away, to address their feelings and we had just talked about the City of Claremont and how its slogan was the City of Trees," Felton said. "We talked about the wind damage and we decided to write letters to the city...just expressing our sorrow for all the damage that it caused. And I wanted them to be able to express damages that occurred at their houses also so we were able to deal with all those emotions."

The 24 students each wrote letters to the city, which they sent home with Mayor Leano's son, Welles, also a Condit second grader, last Tuesday. Some of the artwork by students depicted fallen trees and greenery, trees on homes and a student's overturned trampoline, one of Mayor Leano's favorite drawings, he said.

"It was so sweet," he said holding the green folder of letters. "They all expressed very sincere sympathy over what had happened. I shared with the city council meeting and my colleagues that these young kids wrote these letters and I wanted to give them a special thank you and recognize their effort above all."

Mayor Leano said the drawings and letters touched the hearts of city staffers and council members. The letters are currently on display at Claremont City Hall at 207 N. Harvard Avenue.

When Mayor Leano appeared on the campus last Friday, the second grade class was asked to describe what happened during the windstorm. After hearing from the children how devastating the windstorm was to them and their families, Mayor Leano, thanked and bestowed upon each student a Claremont city-branded pencil for their thoughtful letters.

"What I hope [my appearance today] does is, it shows all of them not only the spirit of community,



Claremont Mayor Jed Leano stopped by Condit Elementary School to thank Sue Felton's second-grade class for their recent, thoughtful letters about Friday's windstorm. Following the blistering winds, second graders at Condit were given an assignment to illustrate and describe what happened in their own backyard. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

but [also] a sense of civic duty. That when you take pride and ownership in the community where you live, then you care about how it looks and how well we're taking care of people. Something like writing a letter and making a drawing, it is the first step in taking part in that kind of community," Mayor Leano said.

"They certainly put in a lot of thought and then they added some beautiful drawings so I thought that they needed to be recognized for that and to tell them that it was noticed by the city," the mayor added.

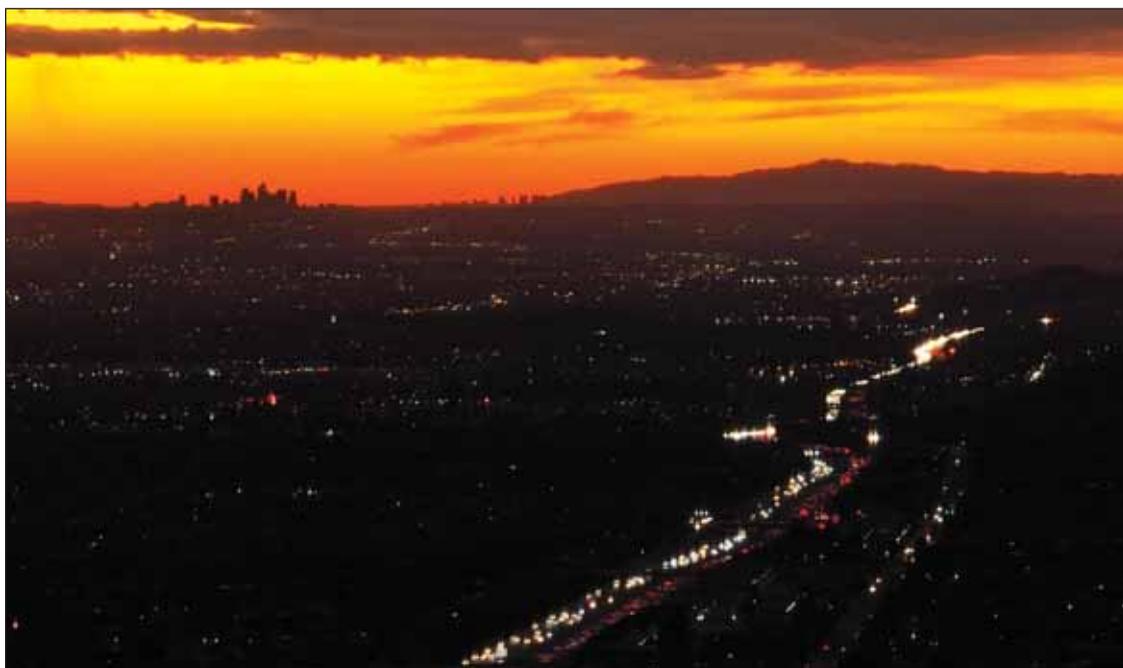
Mayor Leano's appearance came on a special school day as the children were participating in superhero day. Most of the students seemed to enjoy the day, and many were either dressed in full costume, with Spiderman being the clear favorite, or had make-up markings on their face to depict the superhero they represented.

Before leaving, Mayor Leano left the children with a lesson about real-life heroes. He reminded the students that when they see police, fire, community workers, and Edison employees, to name a few, to thank them for their round-the-clock service as it's been a very tiring week of cleanup efforts.

"By the time the letters arrived on Tuesday, we were in day four of full-blown crisis mode. People were tired, exhausted, overworked and this was a beautiful gesture to lift their spirits. They needed it and it meant a lot to everybody who saw it," Mayor Leano said last week. "I think it was important for the kids to realize that ... everybody's working and helping. I wanted to share with them that this effort is all hands on deck and their letter is a part of that effort."

Mayor Leano said the city does not yet have a cost estimate for the total damage caused by the windstorm. He did say, however, that during the first week of February the city will submit paperwork to the Offices of emergency services regarding their initial damage estimate.

"I have been communicating with state officials on that process. We don't have that estimate completed yet but we will turn it in and then we will work directly with the state to come up with [that]," Mayor Leano said. "We do know that the total tree count is somewhere close to 350 and the actual cost is obviously dependent on a lot of different factors, but that's what we know right now."



With cooler temperatures and clear skies this week, downtown Los Angeles and vehicles cruising along the 210 freeway can easily be seen from 350 feet high hovering over Base Line Road. Although there is no rain in the forecast, Claremont will get a slight warming trend to the 70s this weekend and all of next week. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger

OLA shares good financial news

In its recent weekly bulletin on January 30, Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic church announced that its Together in Mission collection for 2021 was finalized and totaled \$127,052 in donations. The grand total was just \$7,613 short of the parish's \$134,665 goal.

"We thank all of the generous OLA donors who supported parishes and schools in need throughout the Archdiocese [of Los Angeles]," the bulletin read. "The need is greater than ever due to pandemic challenges, and there is no greater Catholic cause in Southern California. The renewal of pledges for the 2022 campaign begins in February."

Contributions can be made by filling out an envelope during any OLA weekend Mass and noting that the donation is for the Together in Mission collection. Envelopes can be placed in church's collection basket during Mass. Forms are also available at the parish office or you may donate online at www.our-missionla.org using parish code '467.'

"Be assured that Together in Mission is among the best ways to directly help our brothers and sisters in Christ right here at home," OLA Claremont shared online.

Rooter Hero settles, ordered to pay \$213K, other fees

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Rooter Hero, the plumbing company that was the focus of a four-part COURIER investigative series last year, has settled out of court with 10 aggrieved former customers and the state of California, and will pay \$208,864 in restitution and fees as part of the agreement. Its contractor's license has also been put on probation for five years.

Rooter Hero CEO John Akhoian and his wife, CFO Tamar Akhoian, signed the California Contractors State License Board's stipulated settlement and disciplinary order on December 7, 2021. The action, case number N2019-298, was ordered December 27 and became effective this past Sunday, January 27.

The agreement requires Rooter Hero to make \$171,667.97 in restitution to the 10 homeowners named in the action by March 27; by February 27, pay the California State Contractor's Board's investigative costs of \$37,195.71; and post a bond or a cash deposit of \$75,000 with C.S.L.B. by January 27.

Among the accusations listed under "factual allegations" in the case were 51 "calls for discipline" dating back to 2017. They contended Rooter Hero, "willfully or fraudulently contracted for work that was not required and overcharged for work performed," "departed from accepted trade standards for good and workmanlike construction," "willfully or fraudulently overcharged for work that was not required, causing a substantial injury," "made substantial misrepresentations to" a California homeowner "in the procurement of the contract," "performed unnecessary work in replacing the plumbing system that had no indication that it needed to be replaced," "requested and received payment that exceeded the value of work or materials provided to the ... project," and numerous and sundry complaints of out of code work and other questionable business practices.

While not an admission of guilt per se, by signing the stipulated order, Rooter Hero agreed the contractor's board, at a hearing, "could establish a factual basis for the charges in the accusation," said C.S.L.B. spokesperson Joyia Emard.

Rooter Hero's "responsible managing employee," William Beyermann, was also ordered to post a

\$30,000 bond or cash deposit with the board. "The responsible managing employee is the individual on the contractor's license who 'qualifies' the license with their knowledge and experience," said Emard. "The license qualifier is responsible for exercising direction and control of construction operations to secure compliance with state laws and board requirements."

The bonds or cash deposits will be in place for five years, through January 27, 2027.

"The \$75,000 disciplinary bond [for Rooter Hero] described in paragraph six of the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is not a fine," Emard told the COURIER. "Disciplinary bonds are required



by Business and Professions Code section 7071.8 to be imposed on contractors who are associated with licenses that have been suspended or revoked as a result of disciplinary action. The bond amount is fixed according to the seriousness of the violation but cannot be less than \$15,000 or exceed \$150,000."

Though the settlement initially revoked the contractor's licenses for Rooter Hero, Beyermann and Chief Operating Officer John Bergeron, the state stayed that part of the order, and placed all three licenses on probation for five years, until January 27, 2027, on the terms the three: obey all laws; be available for C.S.L.B. interviews during the probationary period; complete the probation; do not violate the terms of the order or the licenses will be revoked immediately; make the \$171,667.97 in restitution to all homeowners by March 27; post the \$105,000 in bond money by February 27; submit copies of documents upon demand; and pay the C.S.L.B.'s \$37,195.71 in

investigative costs of by February 27.

Another condition of probation is to "submit an application for John Akhoian to be Rooter Hero's 'responsible qualifying officer,' and 'disassociate' Beyermann as 'responsible managing employee.'" This stipulation is designed to put CEO Akhoian in the position of being the ultimate responsible party in the event future C.S.L.B. action is brought against Rooter Hero, Emard said.

The five year probationary period will be extended to include any new suspension edicts if the contractor's licenses of Rooter Hero, Beyermann or Bergeron are suspended for any reason while it is in place, Emard told the COURIER. Examples of why a license may be suspended include failure to obtain a bond or comply with a civil judgment. It could also be triggered as a result of a C.S.L.B. administrative action.

If after the five year probationary period the terms and conditions have all been followed, the contractor's licenses of Rooter Hero, Beyermann and Bergeron will be restored to "members in good standing," so to speak. Accusation-related documents remain public on the C.S.L.B. website for seven years after the accusation has been settled. Rooter Hero's contractor's license number is 1028886. You can navigate to the company's detail page by typing that number into the search field at <https://cslb.ca.gov/OnlineServices/CheckLicenseII/CheckLicense.aspx>.

The settlement brings to a close a case the COURIER wrote about over four weeks in June and July 2021 as part of its investigation into Rooter Hero's blatantly deceptive business practices.

The contractor's board was represented by the California Office of the Attorney General. The settlement included Rooter Hero waiving its right to an administrative hearing.

Rooter Hero is incorporated in Nevada, with 10 locations in California — including Montclair — and Arizona, but none in the Silver State.

The COURIER talked to Rooter Hero COO John Bergeron on Tuesday. He requested we submit our questions to him in writing via email. We did so Tuesday, but repeated attempts to contact him for answers via email, text, and phone since had all gone unanswered by press time Thursday.

Claremont varsity soccer snags league title

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On Tuesday the red hot Claremont girls varsity soccer team eked out a 1-0 double overtime victory over the very talented Alta Loma Braves and officially claimed the Palomares League title. Days before Tuesday's match, Coach Tim Tracey said it was a pivotal moment in the season and the girls came through holding onto a nearly perfect record of 18-0-1 and 9-0 in league.

Claremont wrapped up its season on Thursday after press time with an away game against Glendora High School, and will be hosting the first round of the CIF tournament this coming week.

Last Tuesday saw another victory for the Claremont high school girls' varsity soccer team, who dispelled a tough Bonita Bearcats team, 2-0, at home.

Two second half goals gave Claremont the edge, but Claremont's offensive force found it difficult to convert their chances against Bonita. The Bearcats either cleared their lines when Claremont got too close to score or got in the way of Wolfpack attempts.

"They played well. They were very organized in the back, they had a plan to counter us and they got in

on us a couple times," CHS girls' varsity head coach Tracey said. "I don't like playing Bonita because they compete so well and it's a rivalry. These kids all play club together and [we're] like two miles from each other."

About seven minutes into the half, Claremont senior forward Natalie Turiace opened up the scoring with a stunning curling effort that left Bonita's goalkeeper Angelina Hert rooted to her goal line. The shot from outside the box fell deliciously into the top right corner of the goal where no goalie would or could have gotten to it. The goal brought not only the Claremont bench to their feet, but also the crowd, clearly was in awe. "I really wanted to score so I saw my open space and I just took the shot," Turiace said. "I noticed the keeper was like on the left side of the goal so I shot on the far side and luckily I got it/. It felt really nice [to score] and since it was such a close game, yeah, I was excited."

About 10 minutes after the opening goal, Claremont forward Mia Gomez tried a curling effort of her own from the left wing which came close to going in but hit the crossbar on its way down. More Claremont pressure followed but Bonita stood firm and did their

best to not give up another chance.

With 12 minutes left to play, Claremont senior midfielder Riley Zitar pounced on a loose ball and drove her way across Bonita's defenses and the halfway line. She then sent Salas on her way down the right wing. Salas took a big touch, looked up and found midfield partner Coles waiting for a cross in the box. Coles received a high cross and simply redirected the ball with her head and into Bonita's net, making the score 2-0.

As soon as she struck the ball, Coles said she knew it was going in.

The second goal put the game out of reach for Bonita, who struggled to find any offensive magic or cohesion during Tuesday night's game. Claremont continued to pound on the door of Bonita's goal during the final 10 minutes of the game but did not find another way through.

Last Thursday, Claremont added another league victory, 4-0, over Ruben Ayala High School at CHS. The match was Claremont's last regular season home game so the team recognized its seniors. Then on Saturday the Wolfpack faced the Bulldogs of Ayala again, this time in Chino Hills. Although the game was closer, Claremont still got the win, 2-1.

POLICE BLOTTER

By Mick Rhodes

Tuesday, January 25

The Claremont Police Department received a 3:48 a.m. call regarding a suspicious person knocking on doors at the Knight's Inn motel, 721 S. Indian Hill Blvd. Arriving officers conducted an area check and found a man who fit the description of the suspect, Tyrone Womack, 53, from Pomona. They determined Womack was high on methamphetamine, and arrested him on a misdemeanor charge of being under the influence of a controlled substance. He was booked, spent a few hours detoxing in the Claremont jail, and released with a citation to appear in Pomona Superior Court.

Police were notified at 4:40 a.m. of a suspicious blue 2021 Kia parked outside the Plum Tree apartments near the corner of Carnegie and Bonita avenues. Arriving officers questioned the driver, Azusa resident Jose Sanchez-Ventura, 50, who allegedly consented to a search of his car. There police say they found "a large quantity of individually packaged methamphetamine." Sanchez-Ventura was then taken into custody on a felony charge of possession of a controlled substance for sale.

Wednesday, January 26

In the early morning hours, one of Claremont's trusty license plate reading

cameras flagged a gray 2017 Nissan Sentra as stolen. At 4:09 a.m., CPD patrol officers located it near the corner of Garey and Bonita avenues, and made a traffic stop. Soon after the Nissan came to a stop, the driver took off on foot. Officers gave chase, but were unable to catch him. The passenger, 34-year-old Pomonan Bobby Belflower, stayed put. A records check revealed a felony parole violation warrant out of Idaho, but since that state does not extradite for that charge, Belflower avoided arrest. He was however taken into custody after officers allegedly found a 5" concealed knife in his right front pocket, and charged with carrying a concealed dirk or dagger, a misdemeanor. As for the wayfaring driver, CPD is investigating, hoping to determine his identity.

Thursday, January 27

Two men police say were both heavily intoxicated were arrested at Eureka Burger, 580 W. First St., after allegedly scuffling with officers attempting to detain them. It began with a disturbance call from the burger spot at 9:18 p.m. Arriving officers quickly located Alcides Saavedra, 40, from West Covina, whom they say was argumentative and non-compliant. While attempting to detain him, 42-year-old Phillip Tam, from Rowland Heights, is said to have tried to pull Saavedra out of the grip of officers. More CPD arrived during the mêlée, and soon both Saavedra and Tam were in handcuffs and on their way to the station, each

charged with two misdemeanor counts of drunk in public and resisting arrest. Nobody was injured in the fracas. The pair spent a few hours sobering up in the Claremont jail before being released with citations and a date with a judge.

Saturday, January 29

Cops on patrol made a 11:31 p.m. traffic stop on a gold 2006 Honda Accord for failing to obey a stop sign near the corner of Doane and Mountain avenues. A records check of the driver, 29-year-old Pomona resident Marisa Martinez, revealed a felony warrant out of San Bernardino County. She was arrested, booked, then transported to West Valley Detention Center.

Tuesday, February 1

A couple driving through Claremont got into argument that turned physically violent, causing the victim to call police, who found the pair — together 11 years and engaged for the past five — parked near Foothill Blvd. and Dartmouth Ave. at 11:27 p.m. The 37-year-old victim, from Upland, told police his 40-year-old fiancé, a Loma Linda woman, was drunk, and during a quarrel while he was driving, had scratched him above his eyebrow and struck his face, leaving a bruise on his eye. She was subsequently arrested for felony domestic violence, booked, and spent a few hours in the Claremont jail before securing a \$50,000 bond and being released with a ticket and a court date.

Dead body found in vehicle still under investigation

Early Monday morning a Claremont police officer made a grisly discovery when a suspicious vehicle call turned into a suspicious death investigation.

At 6:06 a.m. the officer responded to the 1400 block of Claremont Boulevard to inspect the vehicle and discovered a deceased male inside the car, according to Lieutenant Karlan Bennett.

Detective Matt Hamill said on Thursday that the case is still under active investigation and they do not have any additional information at this time. The department has notified the next of kin but have not released the victim's identity other than to say he was 53 and did not live in Claremont.

Detectives from the Claremont Police and the Los Angeles County Coroners office are investigating. Anyone with information regarding the case please call CPD at 909-399-5411.

CUSD takes a breath as COVID numbers keep falling

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The pace of new COVID cases at Claremont Unified School District continued to slow dramatically this week, with just 67 new infections reported.

School year-to-date student COVID case totals stood at 1,425 as of 6 p.m. Wednesday, an increase of just 4.9% over last week's aggregate of 1,358.

The numbers were up 5.2% last week — inexplicably with 67 new cases, the same as this week — from 1,291 to 1,358 new cases. And while no one wants to see kids catching the virus, it's worth noting a lot less of them have been infected over the past two weeks when compared to mid- to late-January's numbers, when we saw cases jump 180%, from 461 to

1,291, between January 12 and 24.

"We're continuing to see that plateauing that I mentioned. I think the way you referenced it last week was the new infections we're having are slowing," said CUSD Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Kevin Ward. "Hopefully that peak of that curve, we're starting to get over that and head down the backside."

In another indicator that things are cooling off COVID-wise, after having been swamped for the better part of a month, the district's afterschool testing sites are also seeing a drop-off in participation, Ward said.

Another bellwether is the rate at which CUSD has been able to cover for teachers that are out sick. Prior to the pandemic, it was able to fill about 90% of those positions, Ward said. That number fluctuated down

into the eighties sometimes, but never below. Post-COVID, it hovered between 70% and 75%, but in the weeks after school resumed January 3 following the winter break, it fell alarmingly, to 50%.

"Fortunately, this week we're back up to that 70%," Ward said. "I think yesterday it was 77%. So we've climbed back out of that sub shortage, which was a really stressful time. And now we're back to the stressful time we've had during the pandemic."

Yet another positive development has been faster turnaround times for PCR test results due to declining demand on labs. This has resulted in less time spent out for teachers and staff, who had previously had to wait three or four days for results.

"So, that's been extremely helpful," Ward said.

The district testing sites continue to be up and running Monday through Thursday. A schedule is at <https://claremont-ca.schoolloop.com/covid>, where you can also find updated COVID numbers.

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Thoroughly soaked
Dear editor:

Who knew that Valentine's Day would come early in the form of a love letter from the Golden State?

We all know that water utilities' costs are similar to one another: materials, labor, pumping and treating groundwater, buying imported water, etc. And so, one would think, water rates of different utilities in the same area would also be similar. Golden State's ingenuity and determination to exploit the California Public Utilities Commission regulations has earned Claremonters the fine reputation of paying – by far – the highest rates for water in the area, water that, incidentally, we can't live without.

How much higher? Based on my January bill, Golden State is 46% and 65% higher than the rates in Montclair and Upland respectively. Last week Golden State kindly shared with us that it is proposing another increase, and this time it's not an increase to cover its expenses, it's an increase to the profit Golden State already makes on facilities that, just like every other utility, it has to build to deliver safe and reliable water. In doing this, Golden State is protecting and indeed making the reputation of those living in its monopolized

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area even grander.

The cleverness and tenacity of Golden State to keep us as the front runners in expensive water deserves our wholehearted appreciation. Please join me at the CPUC hearing on March 17, 2022 to express your opinion.

Thoroughly soaked,
Peter Kavounas
Claremont

Not "Like war zones"
Dear editor:

In stories in the Claremont COURIER, and also on postings on the Claremont Connects Facebook page, a number of locals have compared the damage caused by the recent horrific winds as "war zones."

I have never been to war. However, I am sure that those who have been to war can confirm that the comparison is not only incredibly inaccurate, but also incredibly insensitive to the terrible things which so often do happen in war. One ex-

ample relates to the fact that there were no reports of deaths or major injuries among any of the population of Claremont during our recent windstorm, as occur in actual wars.

I believe people who compare our recent experience to war are being disrespectful to those who have actually lived, and too often died, in the many wars which have plagued this earth in just the most recent few years.

We are wrong to compare any events which have ever taken place in the United States to the Holocaust, which killed millions of people and destroyed the lives of millions more during the 1930s and 1940s. And we are wrong to compare the recent windstorm which indeed created a great deal of damage to trees and other property in Claremont last week, to any war.

Don Fisher
Claremont

An act of God
Dear editor:

Some 50 years ago we had a big Santa Ana wind. My dear old friend Sam Brier lived on Eighth Street in Claremont. His beautiful 1954 two-tone yellow Plymouth Savoy was parked in his driveway

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IN HAIKU**

*Hearts and roots ripped out
Torture of the chain saw screech
Agony of grief*
— Elizabeth Tulac

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when a huge city tree blew over and flattened his car.

The city denied any responsibility claiming "an act of God." Some years later two college students were killed sitting in their car on the corner of Fourth and College when a large tree fell and flattened their car. The city paid out millions in compensation. No talk of "act of God" this time. Perhaps God had it in for old Sam? Sincerely yours,
John Schwartz
Upland

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L.A. County Fair tickets now on sale

On January 25, 100 days before its centennial kick-off, Los Angeles County Fair tickets went on sale to the public at www.lacountyfair.com.

Advanced online senior (60+) and child (ages six — 12) tickets valid for one restricted day begin at \$8, while senior and child tickets valid for any day between May 5 and 30 start at \$12. Advanced online adult (ages 13 — 59) tickets valid for one restricted day begin at \$15 and adult tickets valid for any day the fair go for \$20 per ticket.

Restricted tickets purchased online on the day-of attendance for seniors and children begin at \$8 also; in addition, senior and child tickets purchased online on the day-of attendance valid for any day also start at \$8. Adult tickets purchased online the day-of attendance, valid for one restricted day, begin at \$18, and adult tickets purchased online the day-of attendance valid for any day the fair go for \$23.

At the gate, child tickets on restricted dates begin at \$8; then go up to \$12 on a valid 'any day' date. Senior tickets on restricted dates start at \$10 at the gate, then go to \$15 on a valid 'any day' date. Restricted adult tickets begin at \$20, then go up to \$25 on a valid 'any day' date at the gate.

Children ages 5 and under do not need a ticket to attend the fair. Restricted days fall on May 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 26 and 30. Restricted tickets are only valid on days permitted.

A weekday season pass voucher for the fair starts as low as \$19 and grants fairgoers admission to the park on select Thursdays and Fridays throughout the fair season with an additional date on Monday, May 30. A season pass voucher valid on restricted days begins at \$30.

A premium season pass, which starts at \$60, gives fairgoers admission to the fair any day the fair is operating including Memorial Day.

Season pass packages for parties of four are also available. A package consisting of four season passes covering

only restricted days begins at \$75. Finally, a season pass package of four granting admission for any fair operation day starts at \$179.

The L.A. County Fair will be hosted at the Pomona Fairplex fairgrounds between May 5 and May 30, 2022 from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. This year's theme, "Back to Our Roots," pays homage to the fair's origins after being founded one century ago. Fairgoers are welcomed to celebrate "the nostalgia and simpler way of enjoying life that was the Fair's foundation at its beginning in a beet and barley field in the heart of Pomona."

The fair will feature staples including a grand artistic exhibition inside the Millard Sheets Art Center; the return of The Haunt Show exhibit; Ray Cammack Shows carnival rides such as the iconic bumper cars, the Tilt-a-Whirl, and more; and MacPherson's Ice Cream, Hot Dog on a Stick and other retro food stands.

"MacPherson's Ice Cream returns for its 100th year, having started with a small food stand at the first Fair in 1922," the Fairplex wrote online. "Fair guests had better loosen their belts because they have two years' worth of Fair food to catch up on."

Other attractions include the return of a Fair parade, a floral display at the Flower and Garden Pavilion surrounding the theme "Cheers to 100 Years" and the return of "Future Farmers of America students [who] will show their animals in a new ring at The Farm."

Due to COVID-19, in 2020 the L.A. County fair was canceled and in 2021, the bite-sized fair offered a downscaled version of the grand and annual spectacle.

"We are thrilled to welcome back our guests and vendors to what is certainly going to be a sentimental return to the L.A. County Fair," President and CEO of the Fairplex Walter Marquez said in a statement. "We've heard from guests how much they've missed the fair. When the gates open in May, we will be back in the business of



COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

making memories."

As a tribute to the 100th anniversary, fair organizers are putting together a centennial exhibit that will be on display in the Millard Sheets Art Center building and are in need of the community's help. Residents who have photos from the last 10 decades of the fair are encouraged to submit them to the L.A. County Fair's Facebook or Instagram pages via direct messaging.

The fair will also host various competitions for youth and adults. A full list of competitions can be viewed online at <https://blogs.fairplex.com/blog/fairblog/index.php/2021/12/20/2022-la-county-fair-to-launch-competition-entries-and-vendor-applications>. Once updated, vendors will be able to submit applications for a stand at the upcoming Fair.

To view general information, rules and other items related to the 2022 L.A. County Fair, visit <https://www.lacountyfair.com/visit/get-started>. For more information, contact the Fairplex at (909) 623-3111 or via email at info@fairplex.com. The Pomona Fairplex is located at 1101 W. McKinley Avenue.

Joslyn Center offering tax help for seniors

Tax season is already upon us and trained American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) tax aide volunteers will be available at the Joslyn Center, located at 660 N Mountain Ave., to provide "free assistance to taxpayers with low to moderate income, with special attention given to those 60 and

older," according to a news release.

Services will only be offered on Thursdays for those who schedule an appointment at the Joslyn Center for tax aid. Individuals can book their appointment by calling the center at (909) 399-5488. The center is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

"Masks will be required for all regardless of vaccination status, and we ask that anyone experiencing illness or who has recently been exposed to COVID reschedule their appointment," the statement read.

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1. Magnus Carlsson's first name
5. Make sense, with "up"
8. Pomona College president Gabrielle
13. Chronicle
14. Proper ____
16. Husband of Bathsheba
17. American rock band
18. Mongolian desert
19. San Diego baseballer
20. Data Act, abbr.
21. Fashionable area of London
23. Liberty
28. Lively dance
29. Tractably
32. Unwavering
35. Best of the best
38. "____ is a jealous mistress": Emerson
39. Not so crazy
42. Pentagon fig.
43. Entree option
45. Not playing
48. Nickname for Pomona College auditorium
52. Hoopster Archibald
53. Try to find
57. Ties
60. Baseball V.I.P.'s
61. "Holy cow!"

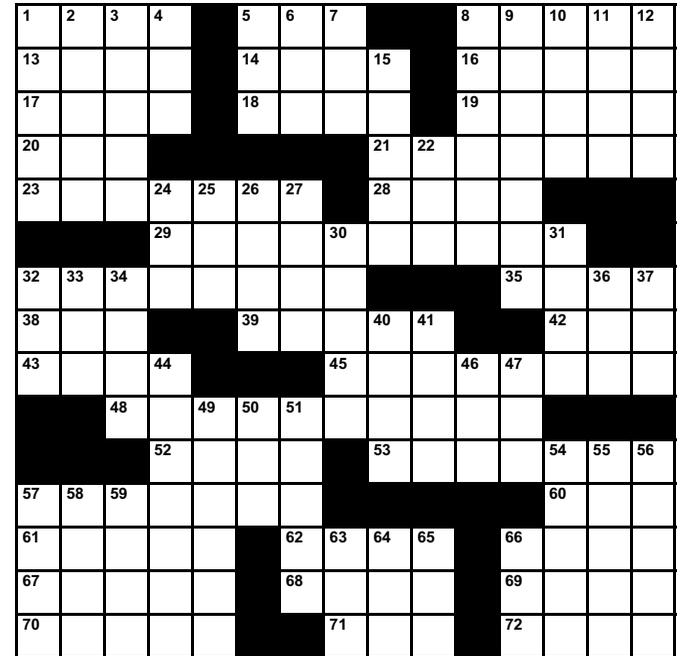
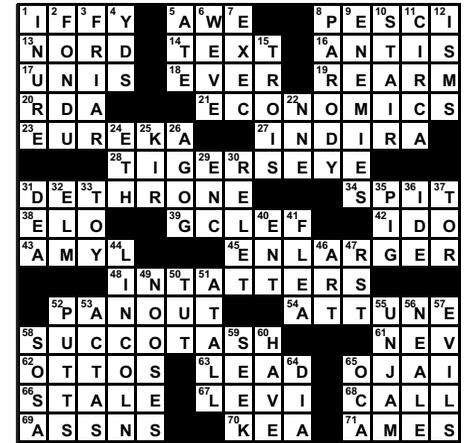
Down

62. Story start
 66. Island of Napoleon's exile
 67. Smooth transition
 68. Gratuities
 69. Zig or zag
 70. Oozes
 71. It may be hard on a construction worker
 72. Muffs one
- Down**
1. Office workers, collectively
 2. Something in the air
 3. Trademarked cow
 4. Previously
 5. Director Lee
 6. Scooby-____ (cartoon dog)
 7. Record one track over another
 8. Crackerjack
 9. Cheerful refrain
 10. Comes to the rescue
 11. One in a million
 12. Brazilian bird like an ostrich
 15. Specialty
 22. Gp. in charge of condominiums, perhaps
 24. Rock music style
 25. Mavericks' city, on scoreboards
 26. Load
 27. ____ Hari (spy)

Across

30. Very smart guys
31. Baseball's ____ Berra
32. Toyota SUV
33. Before, before
34. Guesstimate
36. Great Basin Natl. Park setting
37. Chemical suffix
40. Borders
41. Latest thing
44. Secured, made available
46. B follower
47. Sound of impatience
49. Not liquids or solids
50. A.C. stat
51. Plant transfer
54. Flirt
55. Burnt or raw
56. Some Romanovs
57. Slightly lower
58. 1958 Pulitzer author James
59. Travolta's 'Face/Off' co-star
63. US medical research branch
64. Finance expert
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FRIDAY 2/4

- Applications for **Sustainable Claremont's (paid) Green Crew internship program** are due today. "The program is great for those interested in learning about urban forestry, environmentalism, community outreach and education," a news release read. Applicants are encouraged to send a cover letter or a short bit about why they are interested in the position to greencrew@sustainableclaremont.org. When viewing this week's calendar online, residents can learn more about the program description by visiting <https://sustainableclaremont.org/>.



- Claremont Unified School District students are reminded that today is the deadline to submit their essay entry for the **32nd annual making change contest**, which offers students an opportunity "to honor and remember all that these advocates of social change have done to transform our world for the better," City Manager Adam Pirrie

wrote in a news brief. Students can submit their entries at www.ci.claremont.ca.us/government/departments-divisions/human-services/special-events/making-change-contest. An award ceremony for participants and their families will be held on March 7.

- Children ages two to five and caregivers are invited to attend the Los Angeles County Library's **virtual smarty pants story time** session today at 11 a.m. Online registration is required at <https://visit.lacountylibrary.org/event/6115446>.

SATURDAY 2/5

- Join the **Inland Valley Hope Partners at Amy's Farm** as they tend to the farm's vegetable field and help develop a new area on half an acre of farmland. "We always have a work day on the first Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to noon. You can volunteer for one hour, two hours, or all three, whatever fits your schedule," a news release read. For more information or to volunteer, contact Tim Constantine at timandpeg2@aol.com. The garden is located at 7698 Eucalyptus Ave. in Ontario.

- Sustainable Claremont, the City of Rancho Cucamonga, West Coast Arborist, and other partners will host a free virtual **urban forestry workshop** for residents 9 a.m. via Zoom, "to learn about the importance of trees in our

communities, proper planting, and tree care." Registration is free at www.eventbrite.com/e/free-urban-forestry-workshop-rancho-cucamonga-tickets-245804908097.

- The city council priorities workshop, originally scheduled for January 22, will take place at 9 a.m. today. To view the Zoom link or the agenda for the upcoming **council priorities workshop**, visit <http://www.ci.claremont.ca.us/living/council-priorities>.

SUNDAY 2/6

- Couples planning their perfect wedding day can meet with **Inland Empire wedding professionals** at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Claremont, 555 W. Foothill Blvd., between noon and 2 p.m. "Discuss unique ideas for your wedding while enjoying tray passed champagne and hors d'oeuvres," the Eventbrite page read. Required registration is free at www.eventbrite.com/e/champagne-wedding-open-house-tickets-235482002007?aff=ebdssbdestsearch. Attendees are asked to wear masks.

- On Sunday, **Jacob Kearney will perform 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 2/7

- Join **Priceless Pets' weekly dog walks** each Monday as the group sets out on morning hikes at Higginbotham Park, 600 Mt. Carmel Dr., beginning at 9 a.m. The walks provide the animals with much needed socialization and fresh air. For more information, contact the shelter at (909) 203-3695.

TUESDAY 2/8

- Join the Claremont Chamber of Commerce as the group hosts its monthly **chamber business over breakfast** meeting starting at 8 a.m. via Zoom. This meeting is also the organization's **State of the Chamber** event. Members are free while non-members must pay \$15 to attend. Register at <https://business.claremontchamber.org/events/details/virtual-chamber-business-over-breakfast-state-of-the-chamber-40111?calendarMonth=2022-02-01>.



- Between 11 a.m. and noon, AgingNext, in collaboration with WISE and Healthy Aging, will host **name that tune, name that scam!** The virtu-



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- The Claremont City Council will host its first meeting of the month today beginning at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. For more information or to learn how to attend, visit www.ci.claremont.ca.us/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/5541/20.

WEDNESDAY 2/9

- Learn how to communicate more effectively with loved ones and others by exploring the different love languages we all speak during Inter Valley Health Plan's upcoming course, **communicate with love**, at 11 a.m. The class is based on the book, "The 5 Love Languages" by family therapist Gary Chapman. For information or to register, visit www.ivhp.com/vitality.

- Adults (18+) are invited to join **Leah Koch** of Culver City bookstore, The Ripped Bodice, for a virtual discussion on "everything queer romance, from storied novels to modern day tales of love conquering all." The event will

be held via Zoom starting at 6 p.m. To register for this event, visit <https://visit.lacountylibrary.org/event/6066310>.

THURSDAY 2/10

- The public is invited to join **Stacy's Kitchen Presents: Sweet Treats**, hosted by AgingNext, beginning at 10 a.m. via Zoom. Chef Stacy will show attendees how to prepare cake for one and lemon drop cookies. Registration is free at www.eventbrite.com/e/stacys-kitchen-presents-sweet-treats-tickets-233943540427?aff=ebdssbdestsearch.

- Join the monthly **Claremont Chamber lunch mob** from noon to 1:30 p.m. at a to-be-determined restaurant. Attendees are asked to RSVP in advance at <https://business.claremontchamber.org/events/details/claremont-chamber-lunch-mob-40148> so organizers can give the restaurant an idea on how many people will be there. More information can be found using the link or by calling the chamber at (909) 624-1681.

- Beginning at 3 p.m. via Zoom, the Paul Gray Personal Computing Museum, in partnership with the Claremont Graduate University Center for Information Systems and Technology and CGU School of Arts and Humanities, invites you to join **decoding the past: conversations**

with **PC innovators**, an ongoing conversation series with key players in the personal computer revolution. Registration is required at www.eventbrite.com/e/decoding-the-past-conversations-with-pc-innovators-tickets-238746185267.

FRIDAY 2/11

- Continuing the theme of "education" at its monthly luncheons, the Democratic Club of Claremont will sponsor a presentation, **Education: The Intersection of Humanity and Politics**, by Nichelle Henderson on Zoom beginning at noon. The luncheon is free, open to the public, and will be held at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89559832568>. For more information, contact the club at (909) 632-1516.

- Beginning 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.

SATURDAY 2/12

- The day prior to Super Bowl LVI, the Inland Valley Humane Society and S.P.C.A. will host its **2022 Poopy Bowl** starting at noon and residents are invited to "kick off the year with a paw-some opportunity to win \$2,000, while watching adorable puppies." For more information and for full details on how to enter, win and purchase "poop" squares, visit www.ivhsspca.org/event/10587.

- In honor of Black history month, Claremont Forum Gallery Director Chris Frausto will hold a special presentation about the **Underground Railroad**. "Frausto brings her years of academic scholarship surrounding the Underground Railroad to life as she recounts her journey following the history of an escaped slave family living in freedom in Indiana," the event's description read. "Frausto directed her research around this family's struggles and challenges to find freedom and self-sustaining lives." The presentation is free, open to all and will be held at the Claremont Forum bookshop, 586 W. First St. inside the Packing House, at 1 p.m. For more information, visit www.claremontforum.org/event/the-underground-railroad.

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2008 - FIVE GUYS NAMED MOE - MUSIC OF THE MOVIES - SMOKE ON THE MOUNTAIN - BUDDY - KISMET - PETER PAN - ALL SHOOK UP - GUYS & DOLLS - HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

2009 - WINTER DANCE PARTY - BEEHIVE - THE 60S MUSICAL - 42ND STREET - BIG RIVER - HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL - THE FULL MONTY - MAN OF LA MANCHA - CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS

2010 - ALWAYS PATSY CLINE - THE PAJAMA GAME - THOROUGHLY MODERN MILLIE - GODSPELL - ONCE UPON A MATTRESS - THE WILL ROGERS FOLLIES - SILVER JUBILEE - ANNIE - CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

2011 - LISA LAYNE'S CLASSIC LADIES OF COUNTRY - PHANTOM - SINGIN' IN THE RAIN - CHURCH BASEMENT LADIES - CINDERELLA - THE MARVELOUS WONDERETTES - CATS - SANTA'S CHRISTMAS WISH

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2016 - GUYS AND DOLLS - OKLAHOMA! - HOW TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS WITHOUT REALLY TRYING - MARY POPPINS - FOOTLOOSE - LA CAGE AUX FOLLES - SISTER ACT - A TIME FOR CHRISTMAS

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Beware of fake COVID-19 testing sites

by Andrew Alonzo
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As prevalent as COVID-19 testing and vaccinations sites are throughout Los Angeles County, there are also some fake sites lurking underneath the surface that residents should be wary of.

While none have been spotted in the City of Claremont, at least three have popped up and have been weeded out throughout the South Los Angeles area, according to a recent article from ABC 7's Eric Resendiz. Still, residents are encouraged to keep their heads on a swivel and report any fake testing or vaccination sites to the California Department of Consumer and Business Affairs.

"If you believe you have visited a

fake COVID-19 pop-up site or purchased a fake COVID-19 at-home test, please report it to [the California Department of Consumer and Business Affairs] at bit.ly/DCBAHelp or call (800) 593-8222," the chamber of commerce wrote in its weekly update. "Accessing fake testing sites may jeopardize your privacy given personal information may be requested. Residents should never be asked for their social security number, immigration status, or credit card information."

According to a recent article from the Los Angeles Times by Karen Garcia, warning signs to look out for are as follows:

- A suspected fake site or provider asks about your nationality or immigration status.
- A site asks for your social security

number.

- The site provides no notice of privacy practices provided or explanation for how your personal data will be used.

- A provider demands or insists on viewing your passport or driver's license when you have other documents which show your insurance status.

- Employees at the site are not wearing full protective gear.

- At testing sites which required you to sign up online, there are misspellings or unusual names in the website URL.

- Misspellings that appear in forms that ask for personal information.

- Residents receive unsolicited calls or texts from the testing site following their vaccination. If you do receive one, do not provide any personal information until you have confirmed that

source of the call or text is legitimate.

Remember, it never hurts to ask questions about the testing or vaccination process to the staff.

If you believe or have actually fallen victim to such a scam, you are encouraged to not only report the fake COVID-19 site, but also call your local police department or sheriff's office. You can also file a complaint online with the California attorney general's office or by phone by calling the offices of the United States Department of Health and human services at (800) 447-8477.

Legitimate testing and vaccine sites can be found online at covid19.lacounty.gov/testing at <https://testing.1degree.org> or by calling 2-1-1.

Claremont Art Walk returns on Saturday

The first Claremont Art Walk of 2022 will take place Saturday, February 5, from 6 to 9 p.m. Various artists will be showcasing their works across Claremont and its businesses, with a full lineup listed below.

- Bunny Gunner, 230 W. Bonita Ave., is excited to be exhibiting the work of John Egan. The exhibit, titled "Egan," is of both 2D and 3D assemblage.

- Located just south of the Bunny Gunner entrance is the Button Box Museum, which will feature the exhibit, "Minutia," described as fiber art by artist Toti O'Brien.

- At Studio C, 260 W. Bonita Ave., works by Sharon Suhovy, a local CGU graduate, will be showcased. The work is said to be about color and light and "how subjectively we create our own interpretation of art based on previous experiences with a particular subject." Suhovy uses the rose motif because it is a universal symbol; however, based on its size, color, and age, it comes with many interpretations. Additionally, the viewer's experience, culture, and ethnicity play a major factor in how it's interpreted. Each viewer comes with their own bias of color, exploited by previous events. Though the acrylic roses are plastic immortals, they can transport the viewer to a specific place and time.

- At Claremont's Chamber of Commerce, located at 205 Yale Ave., artist Juan Thorp will display his works at an exhibit titled, "Machines," and an intro to non-fungible tokens (NFTs).

"Growing up working in my family's

machine shop, I learned to operate CNC machines and giant drill presses. This environment definitely inspired my current work of machines and vehicles. I design my own machines now, inspired from everyday objects, such as giant freeway roadwork monsters," the artist wrote. "I have been working on a series of music machines. These paintings will be converted into digital graphics by being redrawn in computer design software. Sound and animation will be added so these can be converted into multi-media digital works. Eventually these 'sound machines' will end up as NFTs."

- Square I, 110 Harvard Ave., will present its annual 'Red on Red' group show featuring many local artists.

- At Sonja Stump Photography, 135 W. First St., Ahmad Shariff will display his exhibit, "Resilience."

In 2011, Ahmad returned home to the U.S. after nearly three years of serving in the Department of Defense in Iraq, with a major back injury. After enduring multiple surgeries, Ahmad has rekindled his love and passion for the arts through his paintings. "Ahmad's paintings reflect the human condition of a full range of emotion captured by acrylics and India ink, oil as well as watercolors on a variety of mediums ranging from canvases, wood panels, watercolor paper and vintage book pages," read a news release. "The influence of his days at the prestigious Institute of Art in Lebanon where he studied Art and Interior Architecture remains strong and unmistakable. Having spent over 20 years as a graphics artist in Los Angeles, California, Ahmad's talent and distinctiveness transcends barriers and movement while inspiring thought, provocation and ap-

preciation."

- Finally, at the Claremont Museum of Art, 200 W. First Street in the Depot, the exhibit "John Frame: Mephistopheles and the Swan Girl" will be on display — and will continue through April 24, 2022. The exhibit is said to be based on his production designs for the 2018 staging of Gounod's "Faust" by The Lyric Opera of Chicago and The Portland Opera. The exhibition will also include Frame's work on the Academy Award winning short film "The Swan Girl," in 2016. Both projects

relate to the Faust story and have continued to exert a strong influence on Frame's work, according to a news release.

Attendees of the art walk are encouraged to follow COVID-19 health and safety guidelines, outlined by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. For more information about health and safety guidelines, visit <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov>.

For more information, visit www.claremontvillage.com/claremont-art-walk.

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Claremont woman feels lucky to be alive

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Many Claremont residents experienced a scary night on January 21, but one woman is fortunate that it wasn't her last.

Jennifer Sasaki, her husband Russ and son Noah were riding out the storm in the back house they share in the Village. The wind was intense and the power had already gone out when Sasaki decided to try to get some sleep.

She recalls internal negotiations: Should she sleep in her clothes in case the need arose to run, and maybe the back bedroom was not the best spot. At some point she sent a text to another son saying she was afraid a tree would fall on the house. Nonetheless, at some point she turned in for the night.

Around 1:30 a.m. a giant eucalyptus in the neighbor's yard suddenly gave way, crushing the roof over the room where Sasaki slept, tearing away portions of two exterior walls, littering the bed with ceiling joists, plaster and insulation. The same tree severely damaged the bathroom, took down all the home's power lines and destroyed a garage.



What exactly happened in the bedroom is still a bit unclear, but as the tree began to fall, Sasaki heard a noise, maybe the neighbor's fence cracking, which shook her awake. It was pitch black, debris from the ceiling came raining down as she screamed, "Oh my god." She rushed from the bedroom bleeding from the head with bruises and cuts to her legs, hands and body. Some injuries came from the falling debris while others from the rush to get out of the room.

"The first thing I remember, I was standing screaming and everything was falling on me and I was running, trying to get out the door but I was stumbling because there was stuff on the ground then too," Sasaki said.

She made her way to the living room, where Noah called 9-1-1. When firefighters arrived they rendered first aid and an ambulance was called. But Sasaki opted to have her husband drive her to Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center where she received staples to close the cut in her head.

Once she got out of the emergency room, Sasaki went to her parents' house in Palm Desert where her mother helped her shower and remove the debris still clinging to her hair. She recalls having cuts and bruises

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Digging out from storm may take weeks

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The winds have long died down and have been replaced by a symphony of chainsaws and leaf blowers. Our streets are once again passable, the power has been restored and only a few of us were forced out of our homes. But the clean up has really just begun.

Now almost two weeks after the "once in a generation" windstorm swept through Claremont, people are doing what they can to return to pre-storm routines. For most, that means disposing of the mounds of tree-related debris deposited in every conceivable square inch of the yard. To assist in the self help effort, the city made two green waste pickups again this week, and the roll-off dumpsters stationed at city parks will remain for an undetermined period of time.

In the first few days immediately after the storm, city crews focused on mitigating any situation that posed a threat to public safety, and then went about clearing the right-of-way. Now that those efforts are largely complete the city will begin general tree debris removal on a "grid" system according to Director of Community Services Jeremy Swan.

The official clean up effort first focused on the area south of Foothill and east of Indian Hill boulevards, which the city has labeled grid four, and that work is mostly finished. On Tuesday the teams were dispatched to grid two, north of Foothill from Indian Hill to the western city limit, which is expected to be completed Friday. Next week, they will focus on the area north of Foothill and east of Indian Hill. Swan said it would likely take a couple of weeks before all debris is removed from Claremont's streets and medians.

"City crews will clear every city street of debris in the city right-of-way (street, curb, sidewalk) one time. Once they are through an area, they will not return to clear debris. We'd like to thank those residents that have assisted the city with clearing debris adjacent to their properties. As a reminder, special green waste collection will continue through the end of the week and roll offs remain in parks for extra green waste collection," city officials said in a statement.

Even after the downed trees are gone, the storm's legacy will likely remain for months with numerous sidewalks that were displaced as the trees fell. That project will involve removing the root ball, demolishing existing concrete and pouring new cement.

The tree debris collected by the city will, for the most part, be chipped to make mulch, however, there are no current plans for a public mulch distribution event. This is mainly because the independent tree

side of Eighth, including Lenore and Jim Brashler whose home was partially damaged by the fallen tree. As the men worked on the tree, another crew was already fixing the Brashler's roof including replacing some rafters.

Claremont resident Rodney Hutchinson backed his truck and trailer up to the spot where several enormous pieces of the pine were placed. On cue the crane pivoted to load one section of the pine's trunk onto Hutchinson's trailer.

He plans to take the roughly 5,300 pound section back to his home but isn't sure how he will repurpose it. "I just like trees," he said.

Hutchinson has kept busy since the storm hit, including going to work with his chainsaw and truck to clear trees that blocked Towne Avenue for 18 to 19 hours.

"It's a disaster," he said. "You have to pitch in, you can't just sit back and watch the world turn."

On Wednesday Claremont Public Information Officer Bevin Handel said in the three days following the storm police dispatch fielded 546 calls and community services another 500-plus. The city has received 168 online damage reports.

Handel checked with Chris Morgan, the city's building official, and Claremont has 16 red-tagged structures, those that are considered unsafe to enter, and 12 that are yellow tagged, which allow limited entry. The building inspector will be reevaluating these structures in the coming weeks if repairs have been made.

The city is still reporting no injuries from the storm, however, the COURIER interviewed Jennifer Sasaki, who was sleeping in her Harrison Avenue home when a large eucalyptus crushed her bedroom, raining debris on the bed. Sasaki escaped with minor cuts and bruises and one moderate cut to her head that required stitches. She was taken to the hospital by her husband.

Handel said the city used dispatch call logs to determine the "no injury" report, however, Sasaki did call 9-1-1 and first responders came to her aid. See the full story on Sasaki's ordeal in this edition.



Workers maneuver a roughly 5,300 pound chunk of a fallen pine tree into a waiting truck on Monday in the Claremont Village. The tree blew down during the windstorm two weeks ago completely blocking Eighth Street and slightly damaging the home across the street. Weeks after the storm Claremonters are getting back on their collective feet, cleaning up the debris. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

cutting crews hired by the city have already removed the bulk of the mulch to other locations.

A number of local artists and artisans have inquired about obtaining wood from the heritage oaks that were felled by the storm, in particular the one that for years was in front of Garner House in Memorial Park. Distribution of wood from felled oaks will be handled by the public art committee.

On Monday, a team of about a dozen workers using hand tools and another operating a large crane were removing the massive stump of the fallen pine that blocked Eighth Street. By midmorning the tree's trunk had already been divided into several pieces, but the root ball proved to be a greater challenge.

A small crowd of onlookers gathered on the south

es all over, including on her back and even the tops of her feet.

Nearly two weeks later Sasaki's physical injuries are healing but she remains in a fragile emotional state.

"Hearing loud noises right now triggers me so much, because of the noise. That is the main thing I remember, the noise was so loud. And then the wind was coming through [the house] I thought I was going to die," Sasaki said. "I don't ever want to go through something like that again." Now that some time has passed, she wonders what woke her up in time to get out of bed before the bulk of the roof came down.

"I must have heard something, the first noise or the crack of the fence. I can't imagine if I did not have that second to get up. I am very grateful for that intuition for sure."

The property owners, Wallace and Melanie Cleaves, live in the front house with his mother, Nickie Cleaves, but the wind was so loud that only Melanie Cleaves heard the tree come down.

"Living in Claremont for 35 years, I have never seen anything like that. Especially down here in the Village. We don't tend to get wind like that," Wallace Cleaves said.

The plan is to rebuild the back house, which is in-

habitable for now. On Tuesday a structural engineer confirmed that the garage must be torn down.

Three members of the Sasaki family have temporarily relocated to a hotel in Costa Mesa where they can have their dogs with them, but they hope to return to the guest house once it's rebuilt.

"We absolutely love it here. I feel really safe here. We love our landlords. We love the community. It has been such a place of joy for us and peace, safety and comfort. So I think that, too, is what makes it really hard. I have to work through this trauma in this place that I love to be able to stay. But I want to be able to do that."

California Botanic Garden still feels storm's impact

by Andrew Alonzo

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Over the past few days, California Botanic Garden maintenance workers, officials and field botany technicians have traversed the garden's narrow pathways in service carts, hauling debris as they cleaned up the mess left behind by the recent Santa Ana windstorm. What was once a lush, green scene of native California

plants is now acres of downed trees, flattened shrubbery, and branches, much like the rest of Claremont.

Eleven days after the initial windstorm, the garden's parking lot was filled with leaves, branches, and tree trunks piled high by garden crews. While the garden's clean-up efforts were underway, the full extent of the windstorm's damage was far more extensive than imagined.

"We probably have somewhere around 75-plus trees completely down on the ground. And then of course, any shrubs that were underneath them are smashed and crushed," the garden's Director of Horticulture Peter Evans said. "Some of the roads were totally impassable and so the first thing we had to do was cut the trees to open up the roads because we couldn't even get into the back garden [area]."

The garden's Executive Director Lucinda McDade said it may take weeks, if not months, before a full damage report detailing what exactly was lost will be completed. McDade mentioned that total cost of the garden's damages seems to be hovering close to \$150,000.

While the damage is already done, the storm's impact opens the door for potential research, specifically, how Santa Ana winds affect Claremont and California plant life, according to McDade.

Three massive 70-foot Torrey pine trees that once towered over the garden toppled in the high winds, making it difficult for maintenance crews to navigate the garden terrain.

The garden's arborists, Chuck's Tree Service, worked on whittling down an island oak, quercus tomentella, with extreme caution to avoid disturbing the bee hive buzzing nearby. Near the garden's administrative building, which has a broken window on the second floor thanks to a fallen palm tree, crews worked tirelessly to clear the palm fronds that blocked the north entrance of the building. Everywhere, workers were cleaning up the damage.

McDade shared that the garden crews, obviously sad about the destruction, are doing all they can to save downed trees with roots still intact, within reason. The unsalvageable garden life will either be replaced with a like-for-like swap if possible, or replaced with a new species native to the area that specific gardening area represents.

Thankfully, no one was present on the garden's grounds during the January 21 overnight windstorm, according to McDade. In addition, none of the ani-

Fortunately, the seed bank was virtually untouched by the wind, apart from a few missing rooftop tiles.

Field botany technicians for the garden, Amy Tims and Andrew Castro, both shared that clean-up efforts over the last weeks have been tough and trying.

"I think especially with climate change, our storms have been getting worse and worse so it kind of puts things into perspective about the severity, and how we need to be conversing our environment more," Tims shared.



On Tuesday morning at the California Botanical Garden, Greg Zacaria of Chuck's Tree Service, one of the garden's arborist, chainsaws a massive Torrey pine tree which fell during last week's violent overnight windstorm. While it's still being calculated, the total cost of damages that the garden's sustained looks to be close to \$150,000. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

mals which frequent the garden, including bees, squirrels, coyotes, bobcats, and birds have been badly affected. In fact, they seem to be adapting to the new, temporary layout of the garden, and Evans shared that crews have spotted a few regulars since the storm.

Early in the morning the day after the windstorm, McDade returned to the garden to assess the damage. "My first concern was for the seed bank. I was really focused on the seed bank because we really needed to get the power on to the seed bank. The seeds are in large conventional freezers, they're zero-degree Fahrenheit freezers and they need to stay pretty cold or else they're going to warm up too much and the seeds will die," McDade said. "But as I was walking out here to let the maintenance guys in who were going to help me get the [seed bank] generator on, I realized how bad it was ... I could easily see that all of our outdoor areas ... I could see those areas were really bad. It was all just very, very heartbreaking."

But being in the gardening business, McDade said it'll only be matter of time before [the plants] bounce back. "We're gardeners," she said. "It's what we do."

"We're looking at a partial reopen. We'll probably consider that if we can reopen the front 35 acres, which is basically Indian Hill mesa over there ... and the Southern California gardens," McDade said as she pointed to the railing leading up to the garden's administrative building. "If we can get all of this 'safe safe,' then we'll be able to open up this part of the garden." She gave a rough estimate of about three weeks for a partial reopening, if all goes well.

While clean-up efforts are still at the forefront of the garden's crews' minds, as far as all the wood piling up in the front parking lot, the garden's Executive Assistant Mary Rose "Ming" Posa said she is already working with outside help to remove it.

"The larger pieces that can be made into planks are going to go to the Pomona Fairplex for a project that L.A.

County Fire has," Posa said. "And some of the smaller pieces, we've been connecting with local woodworkers and people who do crafts to try and salvage them as much as possible."

McDade added that there will be some wood that people don't want, which the garden might use as firewood.

With about \$150,000 in damage costs, the garden hopes residents can help by donating online at <https://www.calbg.org>, or just by becoming members who will frequent the garden once it reopens. The garden is not accepting any outside clean-up help at the moment as they don't want residents potentially getting hurt at the garden.

"We need people's help to try and recover from this," Posa said. "It's important for people to know the garden is here and they shouldn't take it for granted, I think. We'll keep it going as far as we can but it's like we do ... want people to support what we do."

"From one day to the next, it can change pretty dramatically," McDade said. Indeed.

Betty Frampton

Great-grandmother, lifelong reader, loved art, literature and music

Longtime Claremont resident Betty Lorraine Frampton died peacefully on January 17 with her family by her side. She was 94 years old.

Betty was born July 3, 1927 at Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center to Guy and Gladys Musgrove. She lived in Pomona and Claremont for most of her early life with her younger brother Robert.

Besides spending time with her friends and family, some of her best memories of youth were spent riding her horse, Patches, through the orange groves of Pomona, and going to movies. She also cherished her time working at the Pomona library, where the voracious reader was hired at the age of 12.

Through all of the years and many moves she maintained close friendships with her friends going back as far as kindergarten, including her best friend, Dor Johnson, whose stories of their lives growing up together are now sweet family memories.

She attended Pomona High School, where she met her future husband Gail.

They began dating just after graduation and were married July 2, 1949. They remained happily so for 69 years until his passing on June 4, 2018.

After living many years in the Claremont area, the couple moved to Westlake Village, California with their four children. They also lived in Mexico City, and after that, Mammoth Lakes, California. After her husband retired, they moved down the hill to Bishop, where they had a beautiful home overlooking the Sierra Nevada. Her final years were spent back in Claremont.

In many ways she was ahead of her time. Her interests included eastern philosophy, meditation, and civil rights.

She was taking vitamins and was mindful of healthy eating long before most people ever adopted these now common practices. She always had a book by her side and loved to talk about literature, movies and art. Her family was often enlisted to accompany her to rock concerts, movies, art festivals and a variety of forward-thinking events. She was one of the original forces behind the creation of the Sierra Summer Festival, a music event in Mammoth.

She loved the beach and spent many wonderful summers with family at Balboa Island. Later she enjoyed annual trips to Maui to read on the beach and spend time with family and friends. She was also a very good tennis player and an avid tennis fan.

"Most of all, Betty was an amazing wife, mother, daughter, sister, aunt and friend," her family shared. "Most people think she was the most positive, caring person they have ever met. One niece said, 'Aunt Betty didn't just look on the bright side, she was the bright side.' Betty would say, 'I made a choice at a young age to be positive and look at the bright side like my dad,' followed with a laugh and smile."

While still living in Bishop she was interviewed by the local newspaper. In regards to her life she said, "I am extremely grateful; can you underline extremely?"

She is survived by her children, Cory and his wife Patty, Kevin and his partner Sandra, Darcy and her husband Lance, and Chad and his wife Kristen; grandchildren Caroline and her husband Ehrich, Erik and his wife Saman-



tha, and Alec, Jordan and Ali; and great grandchildren Audra and Jack. She also leaves behind her sister-in-law, Sylvia Musgrove, many nieces and nephews, their children and extended families. She loved them all so much.

A celebration of life will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 21 at the Hyatt Regency Newport Beach. Betty will be laid to rest next to her husband Gail at the Veterans' Memorial Cemetery in Riverside, California.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to For 4 Paws at <http://for4paws-mammoth.org/donate/>, or by check to P.O. Box 1889, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546, or For His Children at <https://forhischildren.salsalabs.org/donate/index.html>.

Jack Helber service announcement

A public celebration of the life of Jack Helber, longtime varsity baseball

coach at Claremont High School who died December 17, will take place at 5

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Executed by: THELMA JARRETT, A WIDOW, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2924h(b), (Payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States) Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766 All right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEED OF TRUST APN# 8344-013-007 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1859 GARLAND ST, POMONA, CA 91766 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$ 417,219.74. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust has deposited all documents evidencing the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and has declared all sums secured thereby immediately due and payable, and has caused a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be executed. 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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. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney. Date: First American Title Insurance Company 4795 Regent Blvd, Mail Code 1011-F Irving, TX 75063 First American Title Insurance Company MAY BE ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE FOR TRUSTEE'S SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (916)939-0772 NPP0398568 To: CLAREMONT COURIER 02/04/2022, 02/11/2022, 02/18/2022

APN: 8317-029-030 TS No: CA07000088-20-1 TO No: 200014734-CA-VOI NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(1). The Summary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(d)(2)). YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED May 31, 2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EX-

PLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On March 22, 2022 at 10:00 AM, behind the fountain located in the Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA 91766, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust recorded on June 7, 2006 as Instrument No. 06 1248046, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by BETTY JOHNSON, A WIDOW, as Trustor(s), in favor of FINANCIAL FREEDOM SENIOR FUNDING CORPORATION, A SUBSIDIARY OF INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". 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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 In Source Logic at 702-659-7766 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site address listed below for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA07000088-20-1. 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 to Tenant NOTICE TO TENANT FOR FORECLOSURES AFTER JANUARY 1, 2021 You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. 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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 13, 2022 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA07000088-20-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660 4288 Cathe Cole-Sherburn, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT www.insourcelogic.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: In Source Logic AT 702-659-7766 Order Number 79523, Pub Dates: 1/21/2022, 1/28/2022, 2/4/2022, CLAREMONT COURIER

T.S. No.: 2021-00500-CA A.P.N.: 2809032014 Property Address: 20762 PLUM CANYON ROAD, SANTA CLARITA, CA 91350

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COURT, AN UNMARRIED MAN AS HIS SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Duly Appointed Trustee: Western Progressive, LLC Deed of Trust Recorded 09/28/2004 as Instrument No. 04 2485436 in book —, page— and of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 03/15/2022 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA, CA 91766 Estimated amount of unpaid balance, reasonably estimated costs and other charges: \$ 70,187.28 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE THE TRUSTEE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK DRAWN ON A STATE OR NATIONAL BANK, A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, OR A CHECK DRAWN BY A STATE OR FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, A SAVINGS ASSOCIATION OR SAVINGS BANK SPECIFIED IN SECTION 5102 OF THE FINANCIAL CODE AND AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE: All right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described as: More fully described in said Deed of Trust. 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Date: January 27, 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

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 601 Ridgeway Street, Pomona, CA 91768, February 22, 2022 at 10 am. Raymond Castro- personal items, tools, miscellaneous; Xavier Boy- Desk, bedroom furniture, TV, kitchen items and dishes, bar stools, clothing, boxes; Robert Bivins- Household items. The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above refer-enced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. CN984193 02-23-2022 Feb 4,11, 2022

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Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: Extra Space Storage at 919 W. Gladstone St., San Dimas, CA, 91773, on February 22, 2022 at 12:00 PM. Aron Carpenter, sofa, bed, wardrobe, entertainment center; Richard A Jurado, furniture, beds, couches, household appliances; Wave Stream, Office Furni-ture, chairs, cubicles, desks; Kathy Haynes, furniture, boxes, misc.; Kirsten Barron, Bedroom belongings. The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. CN983879 02-22-2022 Feb 4,11, 2022

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Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 775 S. Mills Ave, Claremont Ca, 91711 February 23, 2022 12:15 PM. Allan Mendoza, garage items, tools, fridge, tv, speakers, bed; Doreen Cortez, baby clothes, kids items; Everett Bryant, drums, music equipment, wires, electronics. The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storage-treasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. CN983881 02-23-2022 Feb 4,11, 2022

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE StorQuest – Claremont / Baseline

Notice is hereby given, StorQuest Self Storage - 454 W. Baseline Road, Claremont, CA 91711, will sell at public sale by competitive bidding the personal property of: Tritia Black. Property to be sold: Misc. household goods, furniture, tools, clothes, boxes, & personal contents. Auctioneer Company: www.storage-treasures.com. The Sale will conclude at 12 PM on February 19, 2022. Goods must be paid in CASH and removed at time of sale. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. Publish on 02/04/2022 and 02/11/2022

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 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 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). PUBLISH: February 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022013740

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) CEI SOLUTIONS, 4140 Garey Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711 Registrant(s): Manuel Gonzales, 4140 Garey Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711. Mailing Address: 310 North Indian Hill Blvd. #44, Claremont, CA 91711. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 12/2021. I declare that all information in this statement is true and

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022017888

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) CAREPAC 2.) POUCHWORTH. 984 N. Amelia Ave., San Dimas, CA 91773. Registrant(s): Wicklow, Inc. 984 N. Amelia Ave., San Dimas, CA 91773. #4095993. This business is conducted by a Corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 01/2022. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Elizabeth Meehan Title: President This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/26/22. 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). PUBLISH: February 4, 11, 18 and 25, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022003517

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) THE DIAMOND CENTER, 147 Yale Ave., Claremont, CA 91711 Registrant(s): THE DIAMOND CENTER, INC., 147 Yale Ave., Claremont, CA 91711. #CN 4801776. This business is conducted by a Corporation. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 10/21. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Ray Lantz. Title: President This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/06/22. 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). PUBLISH: January 14, 21, 28 and February 4, 2022

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (Division 6 of the Commercial Code)

Escrow No. 102951-SC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described. The name and business addresses of the seller are: YEONOO, INC., 2777 S. DIAMOND BAR BLVD, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765 The location in California of the chief executive Seller is: 2777 S. DIAMOND BAR BLVD, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765 The names and business address of the Buyer(s) are: ENRIQUE LOPEZ, 2777 S. DIAMOND BAR BLVD, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765 The location and general description of the assets to be sold are: FURNITURE, FIXTURE, AND EQUIPMENT, COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE, GOODWILL, TRADE-NAME, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS of that certain business located at: 2777 S. DIAMOND BAR BLVD, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765 The business name used by the Seller(s) at said location is: PHO HANA RESTAURANT The anticipated date of the bulk sale is FEBRUARY 23, 2022 at the office of: OPEN TREE ESCROW, 6301 BEACH BLVD. #301, BUENA PARK, CA 90621, ESCROW NO. 102951-SC, Escrow Officer: SARAH CHOE Claims may be filed with at the office of: OPEN TREE ESCROW, 6301 BEACH BLVD. #301, BUENA PARK, CA 90621 ESCROW NO. 102951-SC, Escrow Officer: SARAH CHOE The last date for filing claims is FEBRUARY 22, 2022 The bulk sale is subject to Section 6106.2 of the Uniform Commercial Code. As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the Seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the Buyer are: NONE Dated: JANUARY 27, 2022 TRANSFERRES: ENRIQUE LOPEZ 796088-PP CLAREMONT COURIER 2/4/22

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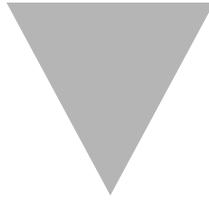
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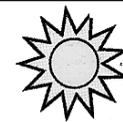
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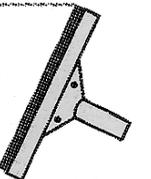
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: NICOLE LISA SOSA AKA NICOLE SOSA CASE NO. 22STPB00527

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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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. 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 Business 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. 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 Business 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. 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

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SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICIAL)
CASE NUMBER (NUMERO DE CASO): 20STCV20538

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: (AVISO AL DEMANDADO):
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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

recibida 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: (Número del Caso): 20STCV20538 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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NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
(UCC Sec. 6105)
Escrow No. 89401-CL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) of the Seller(s), are: Casa Moreno & Grill Inc. 101 N Indian Hill Blvd. Suite C2-103 Claremont, CA 91711

Doing Business as: Casa Moreno Mexican Restaurant Bar & Grill

All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within the past three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: 223 N Citrus Ave. Covina, CA 91723

The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: G & A Restaurant Group, Inc., 4105 W. McFadden Apt. A Santa Ana, CA 92704

The assets being sold are described in general as: Liquor License, Goodwill, Inventory, Fixtures and Equipment and are located at: 101 N Indian Hill Blvd. Suite C2-103, Claremont, CA 91711

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: Eastland Escrows, Inc., 302 E. Rowland Street, Covina, CA 91723 and the anticipated sale date is 02/24/22

The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2 YES/NO YES

The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: Eastland Escrows, Inc., 302 E. Rowland Street, Covina, CA 91723 and the last date for filing claims by any creditor shall be 02/23/22, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.

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