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Members of the Happy Crowd Professor Smartie Martie Echito, Hai Muradian and Kenny McSpadden clown around recently at Muradian's Pomona home. The Happy Crowd will be celebrating 30 years with a farewell concert Thursday, August 11 at Claremont's Memorial Park. See page 4. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

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Are Claremont kids scared to return to school?

by Melina Tisopulos

It's normal to feel nervous about the first day of school. Elementary schoolers wonder if they'll like their new teacher, and high school students worry they can't balance six advanced classes.

But with shootings becoming more commonplace, a new, more chilling question arises: do students feel safe?

The four Claremont Unified School District students we spoke to for this story shared varying degrees of discomfort when asked about attending school amidst the backdrop of an epidemic of gun violence.

Abby and Chloe Leeper are rising sixth graders at Chaparral Elementary School. At 11 years young, the twins are already advocates against gun violence, and have taken part in several protests. But their activism hasn't prevented them from feeling protected at school.

"At our school, I feel really safe because we practice what to do in a situation, so if anything were to happen, we would be prepared. We have pretty good security as well," said Abby.

Madden Thompson is an incoming seventh grader at El Roble Intermediate School. Though he is transitioning to a larger campus, he tooreains comfortable with attending school.

"I feel safe because in the whole history of Claremont, there has never been a recorded shooting at any of those schools, so I don't feel like there would be a shooting," Madden said.

While it's true none of CUSD's 10 campuses has yet experienced a school shooting, there were two serious scares over the previous school year.

In March, a message was found in the baseball dugout at CHS that reportedly read, "We are going to shoot the school up on Monday. Good luck surviving." On May 27 — just days after the horrific Robb Elementary School shooting in Uvalde, Texas left 21 dead — a then 15-year-old Claremont High School sophomore boy is alleged to have created an Instagram account named "Official Claremont KKK," and to have posted racist comments that suggested a school shooting was imminent. Ultimately, the dugout threat was deemed not credible and the alleged perpetrator of the Instagram post was arrested on two felony charges of making criminal threats and making criminal threats with the use of force.

Instances like these have left some students unsettled.



(L-R) Twins Abby and Chloe Leeper, now both rising sixth graders at Chaparral Elementary School, hold up signs at the 2018 March for Our Lives rally in downtown Los Angeles. Photo/courtesy Kara Leeper

"I don't think I can answer whether I feel comfortable [going to school] with a yes or no," said Noor Abdallah, a rising senior at CHS. "Most of the time I feel safe enough to go but after something happens, like when there's a threat that the school informs us about, then it turns into a no."

Part of making students feel safe is preparing them for the worst. Lockdown drills designed to train students and school staff for a variety of safety-threatening situations — including an active shooter incident — take place regularly.

But some of the students we talked to question the drills' effectiveness. Abby and Chloe Leeper have found these drills to be very helpful, and adequately address what to do if an active shooter was on school grounds. This differs from Noor, who feels the drills do not offer much beyond a distraction from class. Madden's experience falls between the two.

"Sometimes the lockdown drills will be [helpful], but sometimes they won't be because everyone will be yelling and talking and it's very chaotic," Madden said.

Another challenge for educators is how to approach discussing gun violence in the classroom. The Leeper twins and Madden found their teachers tend to avoid the topic altogether. This is ideal for Madden, who believes talking about school shootings makes his classmates more fearful of them occurring. In contrast, Chloe believes it is important to have these difficult conversations in class.

"I feel like I would like it if we talked about it more because it's good to know," she said. "If it ever were to happen, people who haven't heard about it would not really know as much about what to do."

Noor said none of her teachers have shied away from addressing tragedies, but most do not delve into the problem of gun violence itself.

"I don't think there was a single teacher who didn't acknowledge that it happened," Noor said about the Robb elementary shooting. "Every teacher started off class by saying, 'This happened. We're going to talk about this for a few minutes.' But after a few minutes we just get on with class. We talk about it, but I don't think we ever talk about it seriously, to the extent of what changes are we going to do to make it safe."

Noor has a few of these changes in mind.

"Claremont High School is a very open campus. Anyone can just walk on and off," she said. "There should be some structural changes or security measures made, that don't necessarily equate to something as major as a police officer [on campus], but a way to keep track of who's coming in and going out. A more secure campus, essentially."

Noor would also like lockdown drills to be more informative, and better prepare students for an active shooter encounter. And though Chloe and Abby feel safe at school, they also believe more clear instruction would be helpful.

"We had a [substitute teacher] who told us to do one thing, and a teacher who told us to do another," Abby said. "I would say to make it more clear so people know what to do if it actually does happen instead of being confused. It would be good to communicate a little bit more," Chloe added.

However, they wish that the issue itself would be resolved, rather than having to worry over preparing for a school shooting.

"I just feel like there needs to be something done about it, more than what is. With how bad it is, it's not okay to not do something," Chloe said.

Melina Tisopulos is a rising senior at Claremont High School and is the COURIER's summer intern.

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Free money! Energy audit helps residents cut utility costs

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With high inflation rapidly increasing prices on just about everything from food to rent, it's always welcome when someone wants to help you save some money, particularly on monthly expenses like utility bills.

Through a new program called Efficient San Gabriel Valley, both homeowners and renters can request a free residential evaluation to identify where they are wasting energy.

Any resident of the 31 cities in the San Gabriel Valley or its unincorporated areas, including Claremont, can request an audit and receive a detailed report through a partnership between the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments and Southern California Regional Energy Network.

"The assessments review the whole house approach to energy efficiency, which means making sure each part of your home is as efficient as possible," according to Efficient San Gabriel Valley advertising material.

On the day of the assessment, which can be conducted in person or online, staff will ask a series of questions to help identify ways to improve a home's energy efficiency. Staff will compile the information gained through the evaluation and send a personalized action plan, including resources and rebate information, within seven days.

The assessment covers building materials, lighting, appliances, electronic devices, water usage, heating and cooling.

The program began in April, but so far there have been only a few requests, so the organization would like to spread the word about the free evaluations.

On Tuesday, San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments employees Vanessa Guerra and Johanna Read performed an energy assessment for Claremont resident Riki Wolf. The pair went through a checklist, asking Wolf detailed questions about energy use habits, age and type of appliances, as well as any energy efficient upgrades that have already been installed.

Wolf and her husband Ken, who have lived in their home on Northwestern Dr. since 2003, had already implemented a few energy upgrades, including new windows, a whole house fan, and replacing their lawn with more water-efficient plantings. However, Wolf said their electric bill can be quite high this time of year, much of it due to cooling the 2,500-square-foot home.

Wolf said their thermostat was seldom lower than 78 degrees and the couple tries to focus on cooling rooms they use most frequently. During the evaluation, Read asked about the age of the HVAC system and whether it had an Energy Star rating, meaning it was among the most efficient air conditioning models. She also suggested checking weather stripping on



Energy auditors with the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments, Vanessa Guerra, center, and Johanna Read ask Claremont resident Riki Wolf about her electricity use on Monday in Claremont. Wolf had scheduled a free assessment of the overall efficiency of her home's energy use through a new program called Efficient San Gabriel Valley. Wolf is holding her grandson Mateo Medak. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

windows and doors.

Other suggestions for Wolf's home included upgrading indoor lighting to LED, using stand-alone solar powered outdoor lighting and cleaning condenser coils on the back of their refrigerator annually.

One suggestion Wolf found enlightening was purchasing a power strip that could be turned off, so that unused electronic devices aren't chewing up power.

To save on natural gas, Guerra suggested turning down the hot water heater to 120 degrees and to be "laundry smart" by never washing loads of laundry that are too large or too small. She also recommended a tankless water heater when the Wolfs decide to upgrade.

Technology can also assist in the effort, including use of a home area network which connects the customer's energy monitoring device to a smart meter. This allows residents to remotely monitor energy use through an app, providing real time feedback on which appliances are using the most energy. The devices cost about \$100, but Edison is currently offering a rebate, according to Read. Water flow monitors are also available.

The Wolf household already uses water very efficiently, with the entire backyard garden that Riki Wolf called "the farm," on a drip system, and its three toilets being low-flow models. The energy auditors suggested keeping the depth of the garden's mulch at

three to six inches to slow down evaporation around plants and trees.

After about half an hour, the Efficient San Gabriel Valley team had all the information they needed and packed up to leave. Read, whose background is in environmental science, said they would sit down and process the information as soon as possible and hoped to send out a personalized action plan within several days.

Guerra, who has a degree in business administration, said that the team uses the questions customers ask to improve the assessment itself, making it more relevant the more homes they visit.

Wolf said the suggestions to clean the back of the refrigerator and turn off power strips were an "eye opener" for her. "I had no idea so much energy was going out of the power strip," she added.

"It's good to be on the ball and this audit helps with that," Wolf said. "The weather stripping on the doors is good to check."

Making every upgrade on the list can be quite expensive, but people are free to pick and choose which recommendations to follow. Plus, the audit includes all current rebate programs that apply to the individual customer.

To schedule an Efficient San Gabriel Valley assessment, residents can call (626) 457-1800 or visit sgvcog.org/esgv.

OUR TOWN

'Enlightenment in Ink' opens at CCL

The Claremont Colleges Library's second summer exhibit, Enlightenment in Ink: the art of Buddhist prints, opened August 1 in its Asian Library, also known as Honnold Three. It will be on display through September 30.

The collection showcases the library's collection of rare Chinese Buddhist prints and manuscripts — most of which date from the late imperial period of the Ming and Qing dynasties (1368-1912).

The exhibit is open to current Clare-

mont Colleges students, faculty, and staff, and by appointment to the community at <https://claremont.libcal.com/reserve/exhibition>.

Viewers are reminded to arrive no more than five minutes before appointments; enter through the south or north entrance and check in — the south entrance has an automated front door and wheelchair-accessible ramp; and remember to bring an I.D. as a staff member will ask for it to confirm your appointment before directing you to the gallery area. Masks are required when in the building and food is not permitted.

The Claremont Colleges Library is

located at 800 N. Dartmouth Ave. The exhibit is viewable Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For more information, visit library.claremont.edu/sca/ask-sca or specialcollections@claremont.edu.

Claremont Forum seeks donations

The Claremont Forum Bookshop is inviting artists of all mediums to contribute works for upcoming showcases to benefit its ongoing effort, the Prison Library Project.

"Instead of showcasing one artist a month, we will feature numerous community artists in the bookshop beginning in September 2022," a flyer from

the Forum read. The nonprofit is calling for artwork in all forms, including painting, jewelry, ceramics, textiles and more.

Works can be dropped off at the bookshop, 586 W. First St., inside the Claremont Packing House. For those who have artwork to donate but no way to transport it, email rachel@claremontforum.org or text (909) 451-1763 to arrange pickup.

All donated works will be displayed in the bookshop and available to purchase, with proceeds supporting the Prison Library Project.

For more information call (909) 626-3066 or visit claremontforum.org.

Happy Crowd hangs up its socks after 30 years

by Mick Rhodes

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Kids, it's been said, are the most brutally honest audience one can have.

They'll let you know immediately whether they're entertained. It's a cold-blooded, near instant review, and the pint-sized critics do not suffer fools.

Hai Muradian knows a lot about this volatile dynamic. As the admittedly silly front man for the beloved children's band The Happy Crowd, he's spent 30 years getting enthusiastic thumbs up from untold thousands of kids and their parents.

Now, after three decades and dozens of Claremont concerts, the band is hanging up their happy socks and calling it quits, going out with what promises to be an emotional final concert Thursday, August 11 at Memorial Park.

The Happy Crowd is saying goodbye for a simple reason: at 72, Muradian is no longer physically capable of the highly animated, surprisingly athletic style of exaggerated live performance he's always brought to the band. Plus, its members are also now scattered throughout the West Coast, making gigs not nearly as convenient as they once were.

"I can still do it, and I will do it on August 11," Muradian told the COURIER. "But it's not nearly as easy as it used to be. At 72, sometimes I have a hard time waking up!"

Muradian has lived in Pomona for decades, but Claremont was where The Happy Crowd found its audience. Years ago, former mayor Sam Pedroza even proclaimed him an honorary Claremont citizen, complete with a key to the city, during a Fourth of July Happy Crowd performance at Memorial Park.

The band began in the early 1990s as "Rock-a-Daisical," with Muradian, Steve Sturgis, Reggie Chavez, and David "Pope" Firman. Muradian was in his early 40s.

"The idea was we'd play old rock and roll, and kids would dance, and it would be really fun," Muradian said. "The trouble was, trying to home in on their attention span — which is about 45 minutes — it wasn't working. They were like, exhausted. They were laying on the floor panting after about 30 minutes of dancing nonstop."

Then Firman moved to Kansas City and bassist Collie Coburn joined the band. He suggested the group write its own material. Soon after Muradian and Coburn began performing as a duo with a new name: The Happy Crowd.

The band spent its early gigs trying to figure out how to keep kids engaged. They were a quick study, and soon had a clutch of original songs.

"What I did, and what Collie did, was we looked to when we were kids," Muradian recalled. "Even though we weren't sure if it was going to relate, we thought, 'What did we learn when we were children?' Being nice to people, respecting people. My mom used to tell me, 'Don't dilly-dally. Come straight home.' I wrote a song called 'Don't Dilly Dally.' I

wanted to use some of what I had as a kid."

Others followed, including "Dreamland," a lullaby; "Stretcheroo," a song for kids to play when they're waking up; "Mm-Hmm," about parents glazing over as their toddlers talk incessantly in the car, as they tend to do; and what was perhaps their signature tune, "Happy Socks," about wearing two different socks.

At their peak, from

2000's "Happy Socks" — are available on streaming platforms. In 1997, "Gettin' Happy" won a National Parenting Publications Gold Award. The group also released one DVD, "The Happy Crowd at Adventure City," in 1998.

Back in the days of terrestrial radio dominance, Radio Ahhs, a kid-centric station from 1990 to 1998, began playing the band, and "URU," off of "Gettin' Happy," hit number seven on the station's national charts.

In their early years they worked anywhere and everywhere for little pay. The idea was to establish The Happy Crowd as a premier Southern California children's group. That work paid off.

The group has done several hundred gigs over 30 years, Muradian said.

"We really had it down to a science where we knew we could go into any place and do a 30- to 45-minute show and walk away, and the parents would go, 'Oh my God. You guys were great.'"

Muradian's stage persona — overtly silly by his own admission — was balanced by Kenny McSpadden's straight man, and Professor Smartie Martie Echito, who dressed in a

graduate's cap and gown. The schtick had Muradian playing the daffy comic the other two must rein in.

Muradian was clearly enjoying talking about the band, its music, and antics. It seemed like it might be tough to walk away from such a joyous gig.

"It's going to be very bittersweet. I mean, we've done this for 30 years, and the amount of memories ...," he said, trailing off as the emotions swelled.

Ironically, Muradian does not have kids of his own.

"My wife, who passed away a couple years ago, she was a schoolteacher," he said. "She said [her students] were her kids. And I say The Happy Crowd is my kids. There's a lot of reasons why we never had children, but I've entertained a lot of kids over the years, so maybe that's where it all comes down."

He's seen two generations of kids come up with the band.

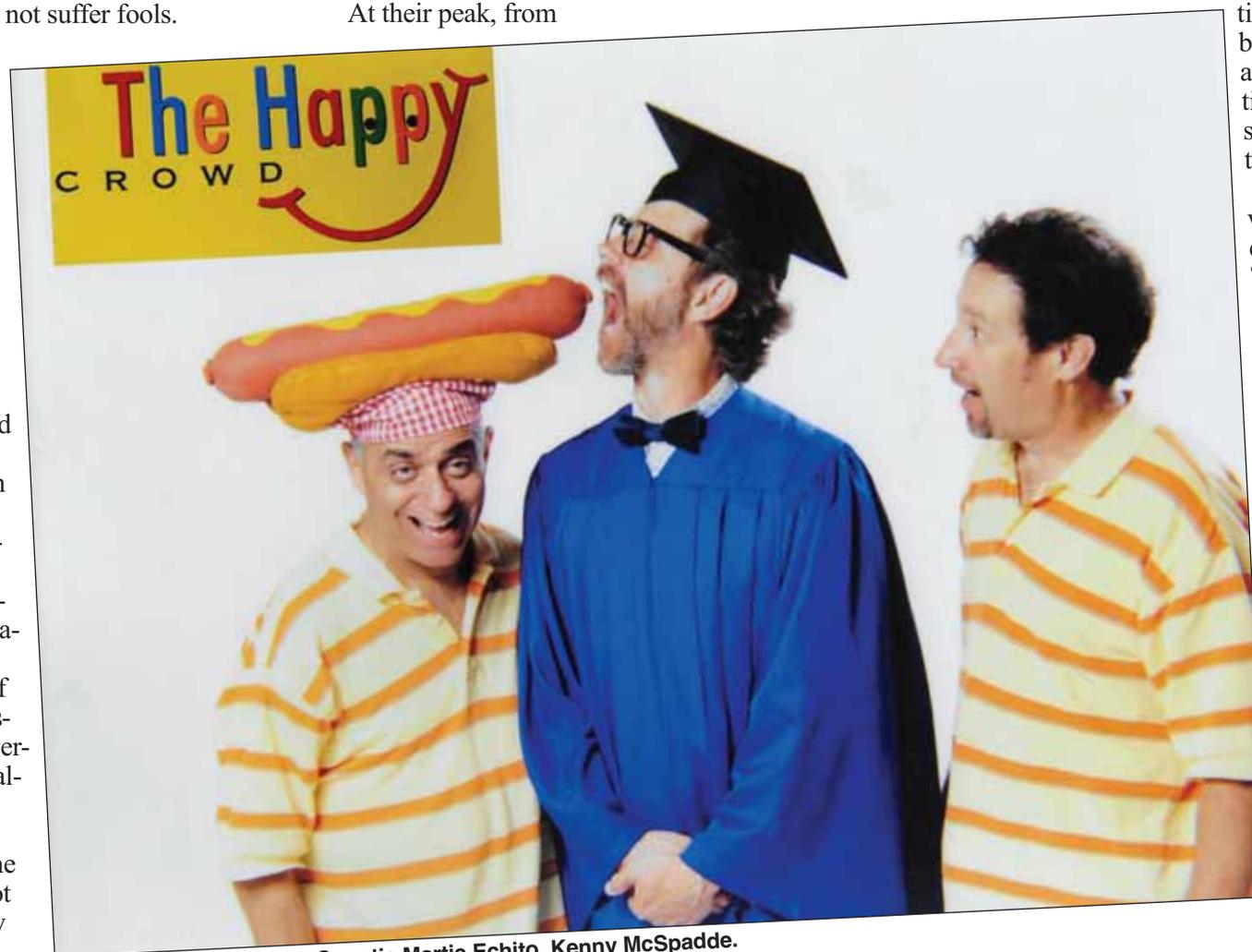
"A friend of mine brought her son, got him a T-shirt," Muradian recalled. "When he was 23, she told him, 'You've got to get rid of that shirt.' He said, 'I'm not getting rid of my Happy Crowd T-shirt.' It didn't even fit him anymore. He did not want to let that go. So, that's kind of cool.

"We realized we've transcended generations, religion, race, it meant nothing."

Two weeks before the Happy Crowd's final bow, Muradian was feeling nostalgic.

"We're hoping that the generations of Happy Crowd fans, like kids who grew up with us and now have their own kids, will show up. I don't care if they're 30; it's going to bring them back to kind of a bygone era of what we wanted to do."

The Happy Crowd's free farewell performance takes place from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday, August 11 at Memorial Park, 840 N. Indian Hill Blvd., Claremont. More information is available at <https://www.ci.claremont.ca.us>, or by calling (909) 399-5490.



Hai Muradian, Professor Smartie Martie Echito, Kenny McSpadde.



The first iteration of The Happy Crowd, L-R Collie Coburn, Hai Muradian.

about 1995 to 2005, The Happy Crowd would draw 1,000 at their regular Memorial Park shows in Claremont and were playing weekly all around Southern California.

"And almost everybody had two different socks on. It was amazing for us," Muradian said.

Most children's entertainment of the day was "banal," Muradian recalled.

"We wanted to reach kids on a higher level and write songs that played up to them, not down to them," he said. "I didn't want to sing the ABCs."

The idea was to write tunes that appealed to both parents and kids. It worked.

"I've had parents tell me they would listen to our CD when their children weren't around," Muradian said. "That was mind blowing."

The band recorded three CDs of original material, two of which — "Gettin' Happy," from 1996, and

Election for CUSD trustee areas is November 8

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The election for Claremont Unified School District Board of Directors new trustee areas 1, 3 and 4 takes place November 8, and time is running out for those who wish to run.

Candidates must turn in their papers to the L.A. County Registrar-Recorders Office no later than Friday, August 12.

Information on how to file to run for the school board race is available at CUSD's website, by calling (562) 462-2919, or via email to ecu@rrcc.lacounty.gov. Candidates for school board must be registered voters and reside within the boundaries of their trustee area.

In district 4, current board president Steven Llanusa is thus far running unopposed.

Llanusa's district runs north from Foothill Blvd., is bracketed by Indian Hill Blvd. and Towne Ave., then branches west at the 210 Freeway to Williams Ave., and east roughly at Thompson Creek Trail to Mills Ave., then continues north into the Claremont Wilderness Park foothills.

At press time, former COURIER editor Kathryn Dunn was the sole potential candidate in district 1,



Kathryn Dunn

which runs from Arrow Hwy. to the south, zigzags north to Foothill Blvd., and is roughly bounded by Carnegie Ave. to the west and Claremont Blvd. on the east.

"I pulled papers last week and have begun the process of sorting through the forms," wrote Dunn in a text. "I have also contacted a few potential committee members and endorsements, but I'm still in the decision phase."

Dunn, who spent more than a decade overseeing the COURIER's coverage the CUSD board, knows

more about the job than most anyone in town.

"It's a big commitment, so I want to seriously consider everything," she said. "I want to ensure I can dedicate a good amount of time to both campaigning and serving."

If nobody runs in districts 1 and/or 3, "appointment to each elective office will be made [by the CUSD board] as prescribed by Section 5328 of the Education Code and Section 10515 of the Elections Code," according to a July 8 letter from L.A. Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk Dean C. Logan to former CUSD Superintendent Jeff Wilson.

To see who may have pulled papers to run in this or any other county election, go to <https://www.lavote.gov/Apps/CandidateList/Index?id=4300>.

Current CUSD board members Bob Fass and Kathy Archer represent district's 2 and 5 and are not up for reelection until November 2024.

The district began discussions to move to trustee area elections way back in 2018. After a series of board meetings and public comment on the numerous proposed trustee maps, the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization approved the board's choice on March 30, making the move official.

Cruising at National Night Out

Seven-year-old Lydia Zeller enjoys a moment sitting on one of the Claremont Police Department's traffic enforcement motorcycles on Tuesday during National Night Out in Memorial Park. The annual event is an opportunity for the public to interact with the police, learn more about the department and the work the officers do in Claremont. It also features numerous booths from Claremont based nonprofits, food from the Kiwanis Club and a movie. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff



La Verne taps Jesse Duff for interim city manager

A familiar name in the City of Trees will now be the top executive for the city immediately to our west.

Last month the La Verne City Council approved a contract for Jesse Duff to be its interim city manager while the city continues its search for someone to fill the role on a permanent basis.

Following the June 6 city council meeting, La Verne City Manager Bob

Russi announced he would retire in August after leading the city since 2010.

"It has been a pleasure working with Bob, and we are thankful for his long-time dedication and service to the La Verne community," said Mayor Tim Hepburn.

Duff has more than 40 years of experience leading local agencies, including serving as the executive director of Tri-City Mental Health, which serves

Claremont, Pomona, and La Verne. He had a long career with Duarte, including in the city manager role, and served as the interim city manager in Claremont.

Duff's contract was effective August 1 and will end no later than June 30, 2023. Details regarding recruitment for a permanent city manager will be announced later, according to a news release.

"We are pleased to welcome Jesse Duff to La Verne while we continue our efforts to search for a permanent city manager," Hepburn said. "With his extensive experience and leadership with our partner agency, Tri-City, I have full confidence that his local government expertise and regional knowledge will ensure daily operations continue to run smoothly."

AgingNext, Alzheimer's Association raise funds

Claremont memory care center to benefit

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Back in June, AgingNext CEO Abigail Pascua was excited to share it was holding talks to enter into a partnership with the Alzheimer's Association California Southland Chapter to help raise funds for the Claremont nonprofit's memory care center's upcoming 30th anniversary.

More details emerged last week on how the pair plan to not only raise awareness on the degenerative disease, but also for AgingNext's not so well-known memory care center.

The center will celebrate its 30th anniversary on October 13, and to commemorate the occasion, the duo is hosting Swing 4 Alzheimer's, a family friendly afternoon from 5 to 8 p.m. at Topgolf, 1050 N. Archibald Ave., Ontario, 91764.

Tickets begin at \$125 for those looking to drive some golf balls for a good cause and have a nice dinner.

Sponsorship opportunities begin at \$1,000 and come with a variety of perks such as dinner for two, social media shoutouts and more.

Info is available at agingnext.org, by calling (909) 621-9900, or by email at liz@agingnext.org.

On Saturday, October 15 the association's southland chapter will hold its local walk to end Alzheimer's at the Quakes' LoanMart Field, 8408



Pam Gardener, right, and Ernest Groce, left, clap together with their seven fellow memory care center participants on Wednesday morning as the group sings along to "Y.M.C.A." by Village People. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

Rochester Ave., Rancho Cucamonga 91730.

Along with helping to facilitate festivities, AgingNext will for the first time have a team in this year's walk. The nonprofit's friends and families have previously participated under the team name "love never forgets," said Zaira Ballin Tinsley, an Alzheimer's Association California Southland Chapter committee member and former care partner director at AgingNext.

Before coming to AgingNext, Tinsley had previous experience in 2019 as an Alzheimer's Association walk coor-

dinator. Despite no longer working for either organization, Tinsley will be a captain for AgingNext's team during the walk.

With deep ties to both organizations, Tinsley said, "Even though I'm not working there anymore, I'm still very much involved with AgingNext. I walk for all those living with Alzheimer's and dementia, especially those in the

"social" model, Pascua said. "As a nonprofit, funding is always a challenge. But to start with a fundraiser like this, we can move forward and start the feasibility study."

For the Alzheimer's Association local chapter, Tinsley said its half of donations will go to help cover local programs, educational resources and opportunities at its Ontario center.

For more details on the Alzheimer's Association's Southland Chapter, visit <https://www.alz.org/socal>.

When Pascua learned the memory care center was going to be celebrating its 30th anniversary, she began digging through its archives for news articles recounting its history.

The center was established in 1992, back when AgingNext was still Pomona Valley Community Services, and was located on the grounds of Pilgrim Place, in Claremont. The center was then overseen by three organizations, the two already mentioned as well as First Baptist Church of Claremont.

The center used to be open just three days a week, but in recent years has become a full-time operation. The center is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is now located at



AgingNext CEO Abigail Pascua stands outside the nonprofit's memory care center last Tuesday afternoon. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

memory care center at AgingNext."

With a goal to reach \$100,000, the two organizations will split the net total of proceeds from the Topgolf fundraiser.

For AgingNext, the generated funds will go toward a feasibility study to explore expanding all aspects of the center. The move would allow AgingNext to extend the center's hours, hire more staff and potentially find a new, larger location.

When its board of directors approved AgingNext's three-year strategic funding plan in 2021, part of the budget was to include research on the "town square" model for the memory care center. Currently the center utilizes a

763 W. Harrison Ave., just behind the Joslyn Center.

The memory care center serves two main purposes: to provide respite for family caregivers of loved ones with mild to moderate dementia, and to ensure participants are looked after while doing stimulating brain activities, Pascua said.

Those activities include exercise, arts and crafts projects, gardening, sing-alongs, and community lunches. When the COURIER dropped by, the day's five participants wrapped up the session with a round of the matching game jingo, then wore themselves out dancing to Van Morrison's "Brown Eyed Girl"

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Everyone is fighting an unseen battle: be kind.

Do you ever look at something or someone, notice your knee jerk reaction, and then pivot to a different angle, take another view? This is what a man named Mike gave me permission to share.

One recent Sunday morning, while hiking in Johnson's Pasture, I had the accidental pleasure of crossing paths with him, someone I had observed from afar for years.

I had taken close notice of him during the pandemic, when watching other walkers became a social pastime. Although he resembled an aging athlete — muscle-tone intact, square shoulders, strong back — there was always something about the way his hips swayed, as if his femurs were attached to a pelvis slightly wider than one would expect on a man. He had a pleasant facial expression and a penchant for purple. My inconclusive observations were piqued when summer came and his cut-offs were, well, cut-off a tad higher than my comfort level, revealing slender, curvy legs.

On that recent Sunday I was in Johnson's Pasture at the intersection of Burbank Way and Gale Mountain, my own personal "wimp point." I'd just parted ways with my younger hiking buddies. They continued into the Wilderness Park to finish the loop and I turned toward home. Rehearsing what I would do if anything bad happened while I was by myself — a fall, a bear, a bobcat, someone cruising for trouble — I checked



CREATIVE Mindfulness

by JANICE HOFFMANN

for cell service and vowed to carry pepper spray next time.

Rounding a bend, I relaxed when I saw three congenial senior-ish people paused to chat. I smiled, nodded, and passed before I realized one of them was the person who had previously piqued my curiosity.

I wanted to comment on what a lovely pendant he was wearing. I wondered if his earrings were Brighton, but I passed by without comment.

As walks with small, elderly dogs often go, Carina and I were taking a moment to pause with her in my arms, so her nose was at an altitude where she could calmly watch a well-behaved, but quite large hound saunter by. As I looked to my left, walking toward me was the gentleman I would soon know as Mike.

You rarely see a former steel worker with nail polish, especially with at least three nails of unique de-

signs, bright red and opaque white two-tone, a few striped like peppermint with glitter glue-ons, so I complimented him.

Then this lovely man told me how much he missed his wife of 27 years who died four years ago. When he pushed her wheelchair from chemotherapy to nail appointments, he got to know her manicurist, and saw what fun it was to have nice nails. He now feels as if his spouse is smiling on him, enjoying that he is carrying on the ritual of bi-monthly visits to the nail spa.

He told me when he was as an adolescent, growing up freeway-close to Claremont, he intentionally engaged in dangerous self-destructive behavior. He said he now regrets those times when he put his and other lives at risk, including evading police sirens by running red lights at speeds over 100 mph.

In those days he preferred to die, he said, rather than face the shame of wanting to dress as a woman. He was attracted to girls, not boys, so his closet — although not as small as others — was nonetheless scary. It was something he never imagined sharing.

When I asked Mike if I could tell his story, he said yes, and that he is happy not to have to hide these days.

So, the next time you meet someone you think a little odd, listen to their story and wish them health and happiness.

Residential reminders: limb drops, nuisance ordinance, pop-ups

Beware of sudden limb drops over summer

Residents are reminded to be wary when walking under trees this summer as to not be concussed or killed by falling limbs.

In a July 26 post from the city, trees regularly undergo a process called evapotranspiration, where they "draw up extreme amounts of water during the day, and then, through their leaves, they release moisture into the air." On a hot day or when there's a drastic drop in temperature in the area, trees do not expel any of the drawn-out moisture, and the increased weight typically causes the limb to snap and fall.

The city not only wants residents to be wary when out, but to also report any fallen limbs around the city to the community services department at (909) 399-5431.

Not all downed limbs will be of immediate concern

to the city. Those that spot small downed limbs near their property are asked to place them in the green waste container. Medium limbs, if movable, should be placed off to the side to allow for regular walkway or roadway traffic. Contact community services immediately at (909) 399-5431 for assistance with large limbs blocking roadways, sidewalks or private property that cannot be moved by mere mortals.

Motel nuisance ordinance

In Claremont City Manager Adam Pirrie's latest weekly newsletter, it was noted the city council recently, as part of the 2022-24 budget process, directed staff to "evaluate nuisance activity occurring in and around local motels and use a collaborative approach to abate the activity, including consideration of a nuisance motel ordinance."

City staff are said to be currently gathering input and plan to bring a proposed ordinance to the planning commission and city council later this fall. For more info, read City Manager Pirrie's newsletter at ci.claremont.ca.us.

Shade structure news

Any type of shade structure in the City of Claremont — whether portable, collapsible, or permanent — "can only be placed in a rear or interior side yard area of a residence."

Areas where structures reside must be completely enclosed with a wall, opaque fence or shrubbery no less than five-feet tall.

For more information about shade structures, contact the community improvement division at (909) 399-5499.

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and "No Parking on the Dance Floor" by Midnight Star.

The memory care center services seniors from West Covina to Rancho Cucamonga, and charges \$45 for a half-day of care and \$77 for a full day.

Transportation to the center can be arranged through Get-About, Dial-a-Ride or from ride-and-go, AgingNext's volunteer driver program.

For more information about the memory care center, call (909) 621-9900 or visit agingnext.org/our-programs/memory-care-center.

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Architectural styles – Mission and Spanish Colonial Revival

The first installment in an occasional series

There is something quite magical about beautifully designed spaces. We may not be able to articulate it like an architect or designer, but we know it when we see it.

I suppose that is what the designer attempts to do, to create a space knowing it is truly not finished until someone sees it, walks into it, and uses it. It's like what Frank Lloyd Wright said, "All fine architectural values are human values, else not valuable." Good architecture and design speak to our values, to our humanity.

Diverse architectural styles can be found in almost all of Claremont's residential neighborhoods. The more eclectic collection of styles is predominant in the older neighborhoods, though given the city's history in the citrus industry, one can find older styles scattered throughout the town.

The styles most represented in Claremont are Craftsman/Bungalow, Mission and Spanish Colonial Revival, turn of the century, American Colonial Revival,



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by JOHN NEUBER

ish Colonial Revival was a stylistic movement in the early 20th century based on the Spanish Colonial architecture seen during the Spanish colonization of North America.

California is the birthplace of the Mission style, and most of the landmark examples can be found here. The earliest were built in the 1890s. A few were built in Clare-

of the California missions. In general, this style sought to convey the feeling and association of the era of the California missions. The buildings were intended to be copies of these early Spanish and Mexican forms. The style suited the warm California climate and became a favorite building idiom in the 1920s.

The Spanish Revival style was most popular from 1915 through the 1930s. The Spanish influence in Claremont residential architecture is prominent in the historic neighborhoods, recognizable by their characteristic white, smooth hand-troweled stucco finish, clay tile roofing, simple forms, and modest door and window openings. The character of these dwellings ranges from the smaller more simply detailed eclectic Spanish Revival to the high-style larger homes with more ornate details and building forms.

Character-defining features of the Mission and Spanish Colonial Revival style:

Massing Mission style

- One or two stories
- Often symmetrical, but can be asymmetrical with hipped or gable roof
- "Mission-shaped" or scalloped roof dormer or parapet
- Exterior stair and balcony elements

Massing Spanish Colonial Revival

- One, one-and-one-half, or two stories in height
- Asymmetrical massing with multi-level roofs
- Side and front gabled forms, cross gables, flat and hipped roofs
- Exterior stair and balcony elements

Roofs

- Mission or Spanish clay tile roofs
- Clay tile coping at parapets
- Medium to low pitched gabled and hipped roofs

Porches and balconies

- Porches and balconies are common and are often found on interior or rear courtyards, though street facing elements occur
- Front entries are often recessed in a deep wall opening
- Front entries are sometimes behind small open arcades with arched openings
- Upper floor balconies are generally small, cantilevered, and may be open or covered by a roof
- Balconies are common and are generally of heavy timber framing members with exposed rafter tails and brackets
- Balconies often have open railings of wood, sometimes metal, and simple detailing

Architectural details

- Iron railings
- Smooth, hand-troweled stucco finish at roof top chimneys, elaborate clay tops
- Smooth, hand-troweled stucco or tile decorative roof vents at gable ends
- Decorative tile accents
- Unpainted, heavy timber framing at exterior balconies and porch roofs

Windows and doors

- Arched window and door openings
- Wood plank or paneled doors
- Paired divided-lite wood casement windows
- Windows and doors recessed at the wall plane with stucco return, no trim
- Awnings at windows

Future installments of this series will explore Craftsman, Turn of the Century, and modern styles, among others.



This Spanish Revival home in Claremont features the character defining features of a clay roof, balcony, iron railings and an arched window and doorway.

Tudor and English inspired, French inspired, Monterey Revival, International Style, California Ranch, modern styles, and a smattering of other styles.

All the character-defining features for each of these styles may not be present in each example, but when they are, they're significant to the design and character of the residence. When restoring, renovating, or adding on to a specific style, the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Treatment of Historic Properties is the guiding document. The standards are intended to foster the preservation and rehabilitation of the character-defining features.

The standard procedure for historic buildings is to identify, retain and preserve the form and detail of the architectural materials and features that are important in defining the historic character of the structure. Additions or alterations are encouraged to be compatible with these character defining features.

One of the most popular and most sought-after styles in Claremont are the Mission and Spanish Colonial Revival homes, with the latter being dominant. In many respects there is overlap between these two styles. Span-

mont but demolished decades ago in favor of more modern styles.

The Panama-California Exposition of 1915 highlighted the work of architect Bertram Goodhue. It created the popularity of the style in California and nationally, with most of the homes built here and in Florida. The style was popular between 1915 and the early 1930s.

In Mexico, Spanish Colonial Revival style was embraced by the nationalist movement in arts promoted by the post-Mexican Revolution government. While the Mexican style was influenced by Baroque architecture found in central Mexico, the U.S. style was influenced by the missions of California.

The style proved so popular in California that the town of Rancho Santa Fe in San Diego County was developed around it. Santa Barbara adopted the style to give the city a unified Spanish character after an earthquake in 1925. Real estate developer Ole Hanson favored the style in the founding and development of San Clemente. Today we see details of the revival style in tract homes and commercial developments.

The Mission style blends the architecture of the Mediterranean, Italian and Spanish traditions with the that

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14. Wheeled steamer
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19. The "p" in r.p.m.
20. Goat-legged mythical creature
22. NBC news program
24. Crying like a goat
27. Extinct bird
28. Seeker of attention
30. CHS cross-country team raising donations for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society
34. Law and Order ____
37. TV star, Shore
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40. Neurologist's order: abbr.
41. Raw metal
43. Excellent
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49. Diner with a swing era motif

51. Pool table top

55. Tourist attractions
58. Claremont Park
62. Certain inmate
64. Japanese prince
65. Nazareth native
68. Disapproving expression
69. Maple syrup need
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74. "Brokeback Mountain" director Lee
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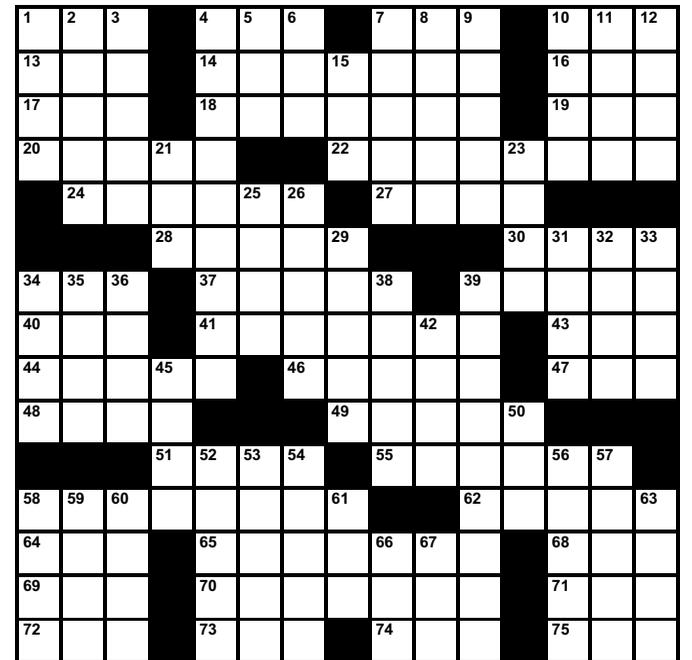
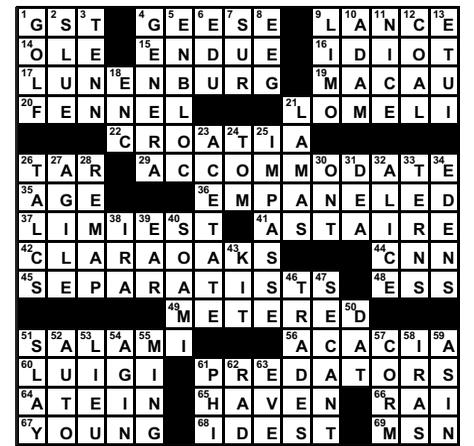
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7. Old war story
8. Brief squabble
9. Wooded
10. Western tribe
11. "Zoolander" star
12. 'Pretty Woman' star
15. Non-functioning firework
21. Pilot's problem

23. Prefix for motion

25. Roulette color
26. Columbus's birthplace
29. Time off
31. Present time
32. Some suits, abbr.
33. Dawdling person
34. Native of Belgrade
35. Deviate
36. Like a gargoyle
38. Expression of boredom
39. Reusing
42. Boxer's attire
45. Inside ____
50. Kind of fair, abbr.
52. ____ Kane of "All My Children"
53. Kudrow and Bonet
54. Infield protectors
56. Stick
57. It flows through Paris
58. Fermented soybean paste
59. Bibliog. space saver
60. Gloomy Gus
61. Part of U.N.L.V.
63. Scarlets
66. Pilot's announcement, briefly
67. Computer link, abbr.

Answers to puzzle #684



Claremont Art Walk directory

Creativity will once again invade Claremont Saturday when the monthly Art Walk takes place from 6 to 9 p.m. The full lineup of participating sites and exhibits is as follows:

- Ahmad Shariff Art Gallery, 107 Harvard Ave., unveils previously unseen works from the late artist Ernest J. T. Martin, (1927-2015). This is the first ever exhibition of his more recent works created between 1976 and 2015. Martin was a museum exhibited, internationally recognized visual fine artist. He started his art career early, with his first exhibition in 1934 at the age of seven and produced art daily for over 81 years.
- Bunny Gunner, 230 W. Bonita Ave., showcases Kathleen Thomas's exhibit "The Frequency Collection," which explores the idea that "every emotion carries its own vortex of frequency," according to the gallery.
- In the walkway outside Bunny Gunner, The Button Box Museum will display Jan Wheatcroft's bird sculpture. The exhibit will be open for viewing 24/7.
- Claremont Chamber of Commerce offices at 205 Yale Ave. present acclaimed self-taught visual artist Raul Pizarro's exhibit "Historias." Born in Mexicali, Mexico, Pizarro and his family migrated to Southern

California. He was diagnosed with muscular dystrophy when he was young. His work bridges diverse themes and spans over 25 years. Each piece of art emerges from his experience at the intersection of disability, LGBTQ+ identity, race, ethnicity, family, and community, according to the Chamber's news release.

- At The Claremont Forum Bookshop, 586 W. First St., Jim C. Manley showcases his exhibit "Closer Looks 4."

The exhibit is part of Manley's "Closer Looks" project, which brings small details in nature up to human size on 40 square prints, a news release read, and "continues the intimate 'face-to-face' conversation between person and plant. The exhibit hopes to increase man's empathy and activism toward preserving unique plants, its California habitats, and the many kinds of sustenance they provide to all."

- The Claremont Lewis Museum of Art, 200 W. First St. in the Claremont Depot is still showcasing its inaugural exhibit, "Claremont Collects: Art, Creativity, Community," featuring highlights from its permanent collection and work made by area artists from the 1930s to today. The duo, Vintage Music, will be playing on the Depot Plaza.

• In Harvard Square, Crescent Tree Corp., 206 W. Bonita Ave., Suite #G, will host Los Angeles based artist Jennifer Faist and her exhibit "Lingering on the Past."

Faist describes her work as "pattern and decoration meets Finish fetish." According to a news release, the patterns buried beneath the paintings spark contemplation on personal histories. Refreshments will be served, and the community is invited to meet the artist.

• Square I, 110 Harvard Ave., continues its "Christmas in July" showcase. The annual show features a variety of local artists and their 11"x11" works.

• And finally, at Studio C, 260 W. Bonita Ave., Karen Werner's "Out of the Ordinary" exhibit will be featured.

Werner's paintings contain fresh, vibrant color and energetic brushwork. Her subject is normally light and shadow, and the goal in her painting is to show the beauty of common objects, according to the gallery.

For more information on the Art Walk, visit www.claremontvillage.com/claremont-art-walk. To participate in future walks, visit claremontvillage.com/participateinartwalk.

Attendees are encouraged to follow Los Angeles County Department of Public Health COVID-19 health and safety guidelines. Details at <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov>.

What's happening Claremont?

FRIDAY 8/5

- On the first Friday of each month, the Claremont Senior Computer Club hosts its **technology assistance lab** from 1 to 4:30 p.m. at the Joslyn Center, 660 N. Mountain Ave. The free course is open to seniors who need help with their laptops, tablets, phone, or other devices. Computers for public use will also be available. No pre-registration is required. For details, visit ci.claremont.ca.us.

- At 2 p.m. the Claremont Helen Renwick Library hosts author and illustrator **Sunny Seki**, who will read from his book, "The Tale of Lucky the Cat," a retelling of the traditional Japanese tale of how a toymaker's kindness to an injured cat is repaid by good fortune. This free event is for children ages five to 12. The library is at 208 N. Harvard Ave. For details, go to visit.lacountylibrary.org/event/6895836.

- The **war and existentialism book club** meets on the first Friday of every month from 4 to 5 p.m. at the Joslyn Center, 660 N. Mountain Ave. August's book of discussion is "Crime and Punishment" by Fyodor Dostoevsky. Attendance is free but pre-registration is required by calling (909) 399-5488.

SATURDAY 8/6

- Crossroads Inc. is hosting a **yard sale** at its Harvard House, 1269 N. Harvard Ave., starting at 8 a.m. Residents will find great deals on household goods, clothing, furniture and more. All proceeds will benefit residents of Crossroads. For more info, contact (909) 626-7847, ext. 101, or email info@crossroadswomen.org.

- Common Thread Claremont is holding a first ever **business and mini-makers pop-up event** at its storefront, 218 W. Foothill Blvd., today from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Twelve young designers worked to sew items they are selling to the community. All proceeds will go back to the young makers. For more details call (909) 447-4300.

- Browse artwork around the city as various businesses and museums participate in **Art Walk**, held the first Saturday of every month between 6 and 9 p.m. More information can be found on page 9.



SUNDAY 8/7

- Stop by the Pomona Fairplex between 5 a.m. and 2 p.m. for the **Pomona Swap Meet and Classic Car Show**. Thousands of original and restored classic vehicles are not only on display, but for sale in six specialized car corrals. General admission is \$15 and is cash only. Parking, at gate 17, is also \$15 and is credit/debit only; children ages 12 and under are free. For further details call (714) 538-7091 or visit pomonaswapmeet.com.

- **Eric Croissant** will perform a free three-hour concert beginning at 2 p.m. at College Center, 665 E. Foothill Blvd. For more information or to view the monthly lineup, visit jazzatcollegecenter.com.

MONDAY 8/8

- Claremont St. Luke's Church, 2050 N. Indian Hill Blvd., will host a **blood and power red donation drive** between 1 and 7 p.m. Appointments can be made at redcrossblood.org. Call (909) 624-8898 for more info.

- The Claremont Senior Program wants to help seniors understand their Apple computers with its course **Mac users group** at the Joslyn Center, 660 N. Mountain Ave. every Monday from 1 to 3 p.m. This group is open to any Apple user and topics include apps, hardware, troubleshooting and more. No pre-registration is required for this drop-in course. Call (909) 399-5488 for info.

- On the second Monday of the month, members of the **survivors of suicide loss support group** meet at 6 p.m. at the Alexander Hughes Community Center, 1700 Danbury Rd. The free group session lasts until 7:30 p.m. Attendees must wear masks while indoors. For more information, contact the center at (909) 399-5490.

- Claremont's **Monday night** concert series continues at Memorial Park, 840 N. Indian Hill Blvd., with a 7 p.m. performance by Beatles' hits band The Fab Eight. The free concerts are presented by the City of Claremont and the Kiwanis Club of Claremont. Crowds are invited to come early to set up on the grass and enjoy concessions. For more information call (909) 399-5490.

TUESDAY 8/9

- Join the Claremont Chamber of Commerce at its monthly chamber **business over breakfast** event. This month's meeting will be held at Dou-

bleTree by Hilton, 555 W. Foothill Blvd., beginning at 7:30 a.m. Attendance is \$20 for members and \$30 for non-members. Register at business.claremontchamber.org/events.



WEDNESDAY 8/10

- The San Dimas Library, 145 N. Walnut Ave., is inviting children ages four to 12 to read stories and learn fun facts about various **animals from around the world**. Storytime begins at 3 p.m. and lasts just 30 minutes. Register your child at visit.lacountylibrary.org/event/6951390.



- Claremont's tradition of **movies in the park** concludes tonight with a showing of "Clifford the Big Red Dog" at Cahuilla Park, 1717 N. Indian Hill Blvd. Movies begin at 8 p.m., but families are invited to stop by the park early to enjoy concessions and preshow activities. All showings are free and open to the community. Residents are reminded to bring blankets or lawn chairs

to avoid sitting on the ground. For more details call (909) 399-5490.

THURSDAY 8/11

- A free farewell performance by much loved children's band **The Happy Crowd** is set for 6 p.m. today at Memorial Park, 840 N. Indian Hill Blvd. The band has performed in the city for 30 years and will mark its final show with a hourlong concert followed by a meet and greet with fans. Attendees are asked to participate in the "happy socks" tradition by wearing fun and colorful socks to the performance. For more info, call the city's human services department at (909) 399-5490. See the Mick Rhodes' story on the Happy Crowd and its long history on page 4.

- This week's free Pomona Concert Band performance, "**Celebrating 75 Years of The Pomona Concert Band**," will commemorate its diamond jubilee anniversary. As always, concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. and are held at the G. Stanton Selby Bandshell, behind the community center building at Ganesha Park, 1575 N. White Ave. Concerts take place every Thursday through August. For more information, visit pomona-concertband.org.

- The Benton Museum of Art at Pomona College, 120 W. Bonita Ave., enters the final month of its **summer film series** with this evening's scheduled film, "Salt of the Earth," at 8 p.m. Museum galleries stay open until 10 p.m. during movie nights. For more information about the series, visit pomona.edu/museum/events.

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FRIDAY 8/12

• Registration opens at 2:30 p.m. today for Claremont Helen Renwick Library's upcoming course, **collagraph printmaking**. Collagraphy is a printmaking technique where materials are glued to the printing plate to build texture and design. The course, scheduled for Friday, August 19, will teach kids ages 12 to 17 the artistic technique. Registration can be completed after 2:30 p.m. today at visit.lacountylibrary.org/events.



• **Friday Nights Live** performers include Nomad Band at Shelton Park, Blues and Fries at Village Plaza, and Larry and Rhonda Jackson outside of the chamber of commerce offices. These free performances take place from 6 to 9 p.m. For more details visit claremontchamber.org.

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SATURDAY 8/13

• **Parkinson's Explorers**, a free Parkinson's disease support group, meets in person on the second Saturday of each month between 10 a.m. and noon at the Alexander Hughes Community Center's Grove Room, 1700 Danbury Road. For details, contact the center at (909) 399-5490.

• Communities near and far are invited to attend the **Pomona Art Walk**, held in the Pomona Arts Colony near 100 W. Second St. from 5 to 9 p.m. A community market in the Shaun Diamond Plaza, located on the corner of west Second and Thomas streets, will also be held where attendees can purchase crafts, jewelry, candles, clothing, food and more. For more information, visit downtownpomona.org/2nd-saturday-artwalk.

• Ironbark Ciderworks, 1420 N. Claremont Blvd. Suite 107B, is the place to be today if you want to laugh out loud with friends and family. The female owned, feminist cidery along with Future is Female Revolution is hosting **bunch of baddies**, a feminist comedy show featuring hilarious comedians and libations starting at 7:30 p.m. General admission at the door begins at \$15, but attendees can save \$5 by purchasing tickets online at eventbrite.com.

Auditions opening for CYMO's new season

Musicians ages eight to 20 years old who attend public or private California schools are invited to audition for one of three Claremont Young Musicians' orchestras for the upcoming 2022-23 season, its 34th.

String, woodwind, brass, or percussion musicians can audition for CYMO, the intermezzo orchestra and/or the overture string orchestra, whose members are selected annually.

Auditions begin Saturday, August 27 and conclude Saturday, September 24. Registration opens Sunday, August 7. To view the audition schedule or to schedule one, visit cymo.org/audition.html. Auditions can also be scheduled by emailing rjscymo@aol.com or calling (909) 624-3614. Location details will be provided upon request.

Audition requirements can be found online at <https://www.cymo.org/audition.html>, as can audition excerpts for the

various orchestra instruments. Auditions take approximately 10 minutes.

Be sure to include your name, contact number, preferred instrument, the number of excerpts you will play and a time preference for your audition. CMYO noted that due to the number of applicants, musicians should list blocks of time they are available on their audition day instead of specific times when applying.

Audition times, if available, may be requested anytime from August 7 until the day before your audition.

CYMO presents major symphonic works and soloists in concert each year at the Bridges Hall of Music on the Pomona College campus and at other local venues. The orchestra also provides special concerts for children, community programs, and chamber music performances throughout the year.

For more details about CMYO, visit cymo.org.

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Beloved great-grandfather, passionate investor, traveler

On Friday, July 22 Bernard “Bernie” Tecotzky died peacefully with his family at his side at Claremont Manor. He was 94. Bernie had been living in the assisted living community since 2014.

He was born October 17, 1927, in Chicago, where as a child he worked at his family’s fish market. He attended Roosevelt University for his undergraduate studies and earned his master’s degree in mathematics from DePaul University in Chicago.

He served in the United States Army, and after being honorably discharged in his 20s, met his future wife Elaine on a blind date. They were married in 1952 in Chicago.

He was a code breaker for the government, worked in operations research, and became a management consultant for a wide range of businesses. The family relocated several times for his work, including to Suitland, Maryland, St. Louis, Missouri, and Skokie, Illinois.

In 1967, the family moved to Claremont, where they raised their three sons. Around 2000, the couple moved to Leisure World in Laguna Woods, California.

He had a passion for numbers, finance, and investing, and loved to help people with their small busi-

nesses. He enjoyed playing games and listening to his family members play the piano, guitar, and drums for him.

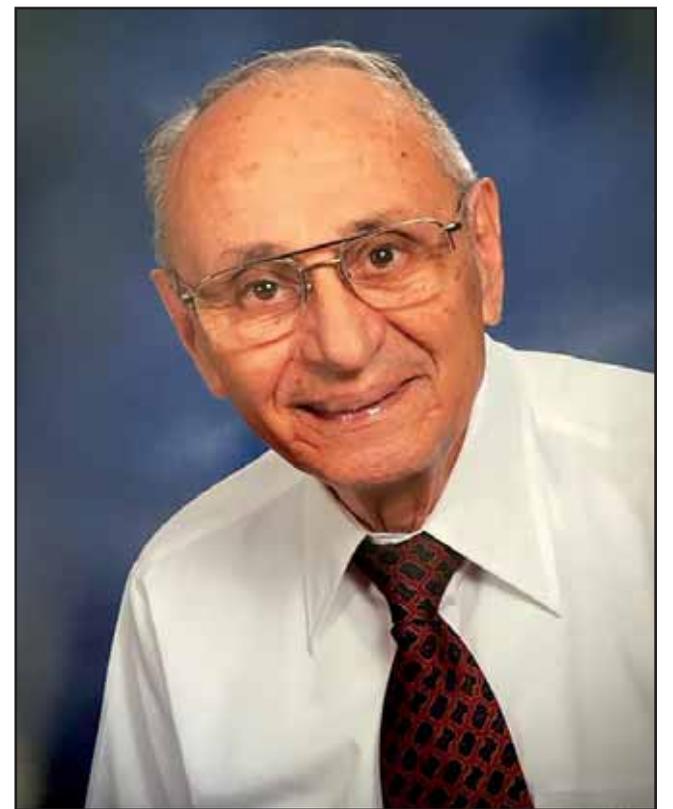
His favorite pastimes included playing bridge, eating eclairs and ice cream, watching the business channel and sports on TV, and reading the Wall Street Journal every day. The couple traveled widely, visiting the Middle East, China, Europe, Alaska, and had many other adventures.

Family was very important to him. He was close to his sister, Helen, who died in 2021 at age 100. He was also preceded in death by another sister and a brother, and by his beloved and cherished wife of 50 years, Elaine.

“All he wanted was for his family to always get along and remain close and connected as they are today,” his family shared.

It has been said that Bernie was a mischievous kid and was frequently called “little Moe” because he looked up to his older brother and tried to copy him.

“Most memorable is the kindness and peaceful disposition that Bernie exuded,” his family continued. “Everyone that met him saw that in him. He loved jokes and puns and would always keep us smiling and laughing.



“May his memory be a blessing!”

He is survived by sons Steven (Leah), Ralph (Diane), and Raymond (Dominique); ten grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

William D. Thomas

Beloved husband, grandfather, U.S. Navy veteran

William D. (Bill) Thomas died peacefully on June 29, four days short of his 98th birthday, at Mt. San Antonio Gardens in Pomona.

Bill was born on July 3, 1924, and grew up in Park Ridge, Illinois. He attended Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, graduating in 1946 with a degree in aeronautical engineering. While at Rensselaer, he was a member of the Theta Xi fraternity and an ROTC candidate with the United States Navy. He was on active duty from 1943 to 1949 in the Pacific Theater and was honorably discharged in 1955.

While working in Ohio at Cleveland Pneumatic Tool, he met the woman who was to be his wife, Rosemary, and they married in 1950. In 1958, he moved his family to Claremont to join H.W. Loud Machine Works.

He progressed through his career with several aerospace design and manufacturing companies in Southern California, eventually becoming co-owner and vice president of engineering at Loud Engineering

and Manufacturing.

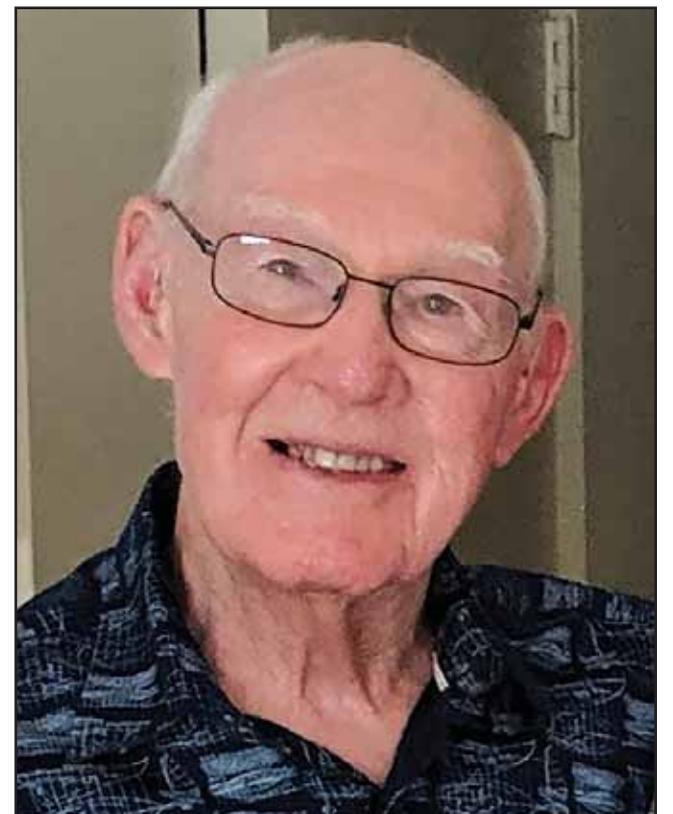
He loved spending time with his wife and family. His spare time was spent in his workshop, where he enjoyed building replica small scale remote-control airplanes and boats. In the evening, he always had a book to read.

Upon retirement, the couple caught the travel bug, exploring a few countries in Europe and visiting with family and friends throughout the U.S. He also enjoyed volunteering with an organization that provided technical textbooks for the blind.

The couple moved to Mt. San Antonio Gardens in 2004 after living and raising their family in the same house in Claremont for 46 years. While at the Gardens, he was part of the team that ran the audio/visual department for various functions on the campus.

He is survived by his wife, Rosemary; children Jeff, Dan, Greg, and Christine (husband Scott); and grandchildren David, Sarah, Kaitlyn, and Erik.

Per his request, his ashes will be spread at sea by the United States Navy.



Daniel Gould

Daniel Gould, beloved son of Donald Gould and Pamela Gould of Claremont, and brother of Julia Gould, died unexpectedly on August 1. A memorial service honoring Daniel's life will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 9 at Temple Beth Israel, 3033 N. Towne Ave, Pomona, CA 91767.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a dona-

tion to the Sunrise Movement (Los Angeles Chapter) at <https://secure.actblue.com/donate/s-unrisela>; the Environmental Defense Fund at <https://www.edf.org>; or another nonprofit committed to the natural environment.

A full account of Gould's life will appear in a future edition of the COURIER.

Historic El Barrio Park gets a refresh

El Barrio Park, at 400 Claremont Blvd., reopened last weekend after an extensive renovation.

The 50-year-old park has been outfitted with a new walking path, drought tolerant plants, turf, picnic benches and grills, and a new entrance from Harwood Place.

The project was a collaboration between the Claremont Colleges, the city, and Arbol Verde Preservation Committee, with funding provided by Claremont McKenna College.

Read more about the history and recent renovation of El Barrio Park in the upcoming COURIER 2022 Almanac, in newsstands August 19.



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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 2022160122

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **SPECIFICALLY 4 YOU** 3530 Damien Avenue, La Verne, CA 91750, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Ana Marie Martinez, 3530 Damien Avenue, La Verne, CA 91750. 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/ Ana Marie Martinez. Title: Owner
 This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/18/22. 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: July 22, 29 and August 5 and 17, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 2022156155

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **JESS TO BEAUTY** 380 W Arrow Hwy, Claremont, CA 91711, Los Angeles County. Mailing Address: 9945 Central Ave, Montclair, CA 91763. Registrant(s): Jessica Nunez, 9945 Central Ave, Montclair, CA 91763. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 07/2022. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Jessica Nunez. Title: Owner
 This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/13/22. 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: July 22, 29 and August 5 and 17, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 2022150307

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **NYX AURELIA** 419 Alamosa Dr, Claremont, CA 91711, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Jelissa Lin, 419 Alamosa Dr, Claremont, CA 91711. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 06/2022. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Jelissa Lin. Title: Owner
 This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/07/22. 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: July 15, 22 and 29 and August 5, 2022

TSG No.: 8775593 TS No.: CA2200287394 APN: 8381-001-055 Property Address: 3674 YORK CIRCLE LA VERNE, CA 91750 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 12/26/2014. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 08/11/2022 at 10:00 A.M., First American Title Insurance Company, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded 12/31/2014, as Instrument No. 20141424604, in book , page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES COUNTY, State of California. Executed by: KRISTIE L. LANGE, A SINGLE WOMAN, 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# 8381-001-055 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 3674 YORK CIRCLE, LA VERNE, CA 91750 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 \$ 32,049.36. 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. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the County where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (916)939-0772 or visit this internet website <http://search.nationwideposting.com/propertySearchTerms.aspx>, using the file number assigned to this case CA2200287394 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 Website. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction if conducted after January 1, 2021, pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call (916)939-0772, or visit this internet website <http://search.nationwideposting.com/propertySearchTerms.aspx>, using the file number assigned to this case CA2200287394 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid, by remitting the funds and affidavit described in Section 2924m(c) of the Civil Code, so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. 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'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 TRUSTEES SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL (916)939-0772NPP0413985 To: CLAREMONT COURIER 07/22/2022, 07/29/2022, 08/05/2022

APN: 8315-025-035 TS No: CA08000214-22-1 TO No: 220176368-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 August 20, 2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On August 18, 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 August 28, 2007 as Instrument No. 20072008665, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by JENNIFER LOUISE WARD-BATTS, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Trustor(s), in favor of INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B., A FEDERALLY CHARTERED SAVINGS BANK 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". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 304 SOUTH VILLANOVA DRIVE, CLAREMONT, CA 91711 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 without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$54,027.35 (Estimated). However, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a 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, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the Trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property

receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a Trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a Trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same Lender may hold more than one mortgage or Deed of Trust on the property. Notice to Property Owner The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the Mortgagee, Beneficiary, Trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about Trustee Sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call In Source Logic at 702-659-7766 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Website address listed below for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA08000214-22-1. 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 Website. 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. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 702-659-7766, or visit this internet website www.insourcelogic.com, using the file number assigned to this case CA08000214-22-1 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. Date: July 14, 2022 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps TS No. CA08000214-22-1 17100 Gillette Ave Irvine, CA 92614 Phone: 949-252-8300 TDD: 866-660 4288 By: Loan Quema, 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 83932, Pub Dates: 7/22/2022, 7/29/2022, 8/5/2022, CLAREMONT COURIER

T.S. No. 22-20002-SP-CA Title No. 220036053-CA-VOI A.P.N. 8335-022-005 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE. YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 04/26/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, (cashier's check(s) must be made payable to National Default Servicing Corporation), 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, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state; will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinbefore described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made in an "as is" condition, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: Rañela Meza, an unmarried woman Duly Appointed Trustee: National Default Servicing Corporation Recorded 05/08/2006 as Instrument No. 06 1000785 (or Book, Page) of the Official Records of Los Angeles County, CA. Date of Sale: 08/24/2022 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Estimated amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$446,031.63 Street Address or other common designation of real property: 604 East Mission Boulevard Pomona, CA 91766 A.P.N.: 8335-022-005 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The requirements of California Civil Code Section 2923.5(b)/2923.55(c) were fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information.

If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call or visit this Internet Web site www.ndscorp.com/sales, using the file number assigned to this case 22-20002-SP-CA. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT*: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 888-264-4010, or visit this internet website www.ndscorp.com, using the file number assigned to this case 22-20002-SP-CA to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. *Pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code, the potential rights described herein shall apply only to public auctions taking place on or after January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2025, unless later extended. Date: 07/12/2022 National Default Servicing Corporation c/o Tiffany & Bosco, P.A., its agent, 1455 Frazee Road, Suite 820 San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free Phone: 888-264-4010 Sales Line 855-219-8501; Sales Website: www.ndscorp.com By: Jesse Gonzalez, Trustee Sales Representative 07/22/2022, 07/29/2022, 08/05/2022 CPP352785

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
File No. 2022170847

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) **SOCAL FITNESS AND MASSAGE THERAPY** 689 W. Foothill Blvd. Suite D, Claremont, CA 91711, Los Angeles County. Mailing Address: 102 Amber Oaks Lane, Glendora CA 91741. Registrant(s): Marcella Andrea Reyes, 689 W. Foothill Blvd. Suite D, Claremont, CA 91711. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 07/2022. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Marcella Andrea Reyes. Title: Owner
 This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/01/22. 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: August 5, 12, 19 and 26, 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, Katrina Sitar, Daniel L. Apodaca, Wallace Eugene Grosey, Chase Joseph Ramos, Nick Diaz. Property to be sold: Misc. household goods, furniture, tools, clothes, boxes, & personal contents. Auctioneer Company: www.storagetreasures.com. The Sale will conclude at 12 PM on August 20, 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 08/05/2022 and 08/12/2022

NOTICE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at 1960 S. San Dimas Canyon Rd., La Verne, CA, 91750 on 08/24/2022 at 11:00 am. Armour McCoy: Items include- Tools, Fittings, pipe; Serento Casa: Items include- Holiday decor; Alec Villasenor: Items include- Boxes, bags, mattress, bed frame. The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.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. CN988639 08-24-2022 Aug 5,12, 2022

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: Extra Space Storage at 919 W. Gladstone St., San Dimas, CA, 91773, on August 23, 2022 at 12:00 PM. Steven Lachberg: Tools, bench, automotive items; Eugene Starkey: Personal items; Mike Horn: Household Items. The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.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. CN989012 08-23-2022 Aug 5,12, 2022

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To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of STEVEN GEORGE GEIGER AKA STEVEN G. GEIGER AKA STEVEN GEIGER. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by LINDEN P. GEIGER in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that LINDEN P. GEIGER be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. 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.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022162581

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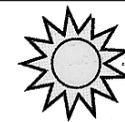
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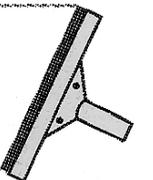
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