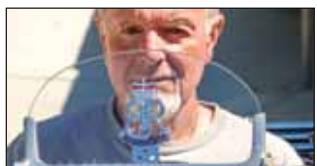


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Claremont resident Dimitri Coats and his band OFF! have a new record coming out September 30 called "Free LSD." The bruising, adventurous record is also the soundtrack to an upcoming feature film of the same name that Coats wrote and directed. COURIER photo Steven Felschundneff



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Helicopter golf drop winner wins \$10,000 for a good cause

And we have a golf drop winner! Actually, there were three winners on Monday, September 19, and Tim Kolacz from Placentia was one of them, sharing \$10,000 during the annual charity golf tournament for Children's Foundation of America and Trinity Youth Services at Red Hill Country Club in Upland. The event raised more than \$100,000 for the nonprofits. That was not the only big surprise that happened on the golf course. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger

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Going There

by Mick Rhodes

“It may not even be worth printing, but as I’m a ‘Claremontier,’ and a British subject, and as old Queenie’s popped her clogs last week, I’ve got an old British car, and also I collect memorabilia, and I’ve got a car badge that celebrated her coronation in 1952.”

Thus began my conversation with Tony Raynor, a 73-year-old Englishman who’s lived in Claremont for three decades. Along with retaining his rather upscale accent, he’s also clearly held on to his cheeky British sense of humor, or humour, I should say.

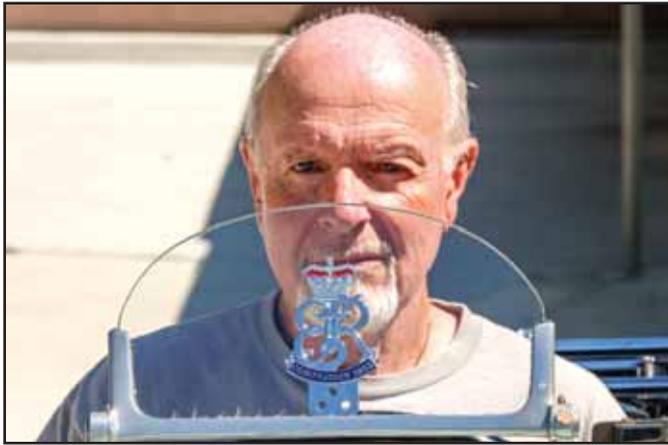
“And I didn’t know whether maybe taking a picture of that and possibly me and the car would amount to anything or nothing at all.”

He was born August 2, 1949 in Walsall, a small town outside Birmingham, England. He has vague memories of King George VI, the guy who gave his eldest daughter, the late Queen Elizabeth II, her job by dying of a heart attack at 56 on February 6, 1952 after 15 years on the throne. (And was also the basis for the 2010 British film “The King’s Speech.”)

“I’m an old fart,” Tony said.

Though he has no memory of the late queen’s 1953 coronation, he does have a lovely bit of swag in the form of a “car badge,” from that big day, nearly 70 years hence.

He emigrated to the U.S. in about 1985, and he and his wife Anna settled into their Towne Avenue home in Claremont in about 1992.



Tony Raynor shows his car badge commemorating the late Queen Elizabeth II’s 1953 coronation. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger



His full name is Anthony. “But I go by Tony, then when I get all those fake calls and they ask for Anthony, I know it’s bullshit, so I just wind ‘em up,” he explained.

Though it was but a brief discussion, it included many memorable British colloquialisms, including the aforementioned “popped her clogs,” which I’d not yet heard.

“Or we say ‘snuffed it,’ and stuff like that,” Tony said, regarding terms for what we boring Americans just call dying. “‘Popped her clogs,’ that means she croaked.”

I was probably a little too enthusiastically gleeful in my appreciation for his lightly salted Brit-speak. He wasn’t sure what I was on about.

“I don’t think you want to print that,” he said. “What are some of these Claremontiers going to think? They’ll be like, ‘Oh my God. How terrible,’ and that kind of thing.”

“I’m 100 percent going to be printing that. I love that,” I replied, not wanting him to think I was having a go at him.

Tony collects vintage car badges, and he’s also got quite a collectible car: a rare British (of course) 1936 Singer Le Mans, with a distinct red and white color scheme.

On a scale of 1 to 100, with 100 being the most British and 1 being least British, the Singer is a 261. Looking at it makes me want to grow a handlebar moustache and wax up the curly ends. I’m fairly certain this car has a dress code. My Volvo gets jealous when I look at it. It’s very, *very* British.

Perhaps my sudden fascination with playful British slang is a result of recently binging the entirety of the brilliant Netflix limited series, “After Life,” which was created, written, directed by, and stars Ricky Gervais. Maybe that’s why I’m now dropping fun UK words like, well, “brilliant,” into my writing.

Or, maybe I’m just a c#\$.t.

A day to remember

by Peter Weinberger

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Just to set the record straight. I am not a golfer. Not the miniature kind. The one with 500-yard holes, sand, water, tall grass, and putts that never find this tiny hole. That’s the kind of golf I play.

Once a year, my son Matt and I participate in a charity golf tournament at the Red Hill Country Club to raise money for Children’s Foundation of America and Trinity Youth Services. It’s a fun event, with many different things to do and support. Monday’s event included a chance to win \$10,000 from a helicopter dropping golf balls into the 18th hole, an In-N-Out Burger truck, great prizes, and reception after. Heck, we were even fed lunch and dinner. And of course, there’s beer.

The good news is over \$100,000 was raised for a very good cause. It also gave Matt and I time to play golf together.

I’m happy to say my son can hit the ball a mile and is a very good putter. Given we were only playing our best shot between the two of us (tournament rules), I knew my cringe-worthy drives off the tee would do little damage and hopefully not hit someone or something.

I don’t have my own a set of clubs, except for a putter. But that did not seem to matter. Matt and I shared. And I have golfed before, owned my own set of clubs and at one time was even a member of a golf

club. But that was more than 20 years ago. So, when we started, I didn’t need to warm up. I was ready to go because there wasn’t a beautiful swing to mess up.

Matt and I each shot a par four on the first hole. But that was it for me. The longer I played, the more my mind started to think too much, and my body started to remember my age. But I was having a great time on a perfectly cool, sunny summer day.

By the fourth hole, a short 135-yard par three, I was my usual self. My slice was in full effect, I lost a ball in a water hazard, and whacked a drive off the restroom wall. Yep. Good times. But this par three had a small sign stating, “Get a hole-in-one and win a year’s worth of golf balls.” I paid it no mind.

When I was ready to hit, I chose an eight-iron, which is way too much club for that distance. But a stiff back limits my swing, so for me this worked. The only thing I did differently was adjust my tee higher, figuring it gives me more room to hit the ball in the air.

When I finally swung, I barely felt the club hit the ball (a good thing), looked up and it was flying right toward the hole. There was some glare from the sun, but I did see the ball hit the green. Then it disappeared.

There was this silence for a few seconds to process what just happened. Then Matt said, “I think it went in the hole.” I confidently retorted, “No way. It went past the green.” As we walked to the hole, Matt kept saying, “I think it’s in the hole. I think it’s in the hole.” I still did not believe him.

As I got closer, I still could not find the ball. It wasn’t anywhere in sight. I started walking faster. When I

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COURIER Publisher Peter Weinberger stands at the fourth hole during a charity golf tournament at Red Hill Country Club in Upland on Monday, where he got a hole-in-one after his shot landed five feet from the cup and trickled in the hole.

City sued over noncompliance with state housing element law

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Californians for Homeownership, a nonprofit that aims to combat California's "housing access and affordability crisis," has sued the City of Claremont to compel it to comply with the State of California's housing element law.

Claremont was one of three cities, the others being Fullerton and La Mirada, targeted by the nonprofit in lawsuits filed Friday, September 16. In total, the organization has sued nine Southern California cities, three of which — Bradbury, Laguna Hills, and South Pasadena — have settled their suits by providing additional resources demonstrating progress in compliance.

In an email on Tuesday, Matthew Gelfand, an attorney with Californians for Homeownership, said Claremont, Fullerton and La Mirada were singled out because "in our assessment, they are unlikely to adopt valid housing elements within the next six to 12 months without being forced to do so through litigation."

Californians for Homeownership is an independent 501(c)(3) organization that was formed by and receives its primary financial and operational support from the California Association of Realtors.

"All three cities have been told by state regulators that they must make significant changes to their draft housing elements before they can be adopted and certified by the state. But unlike many of their peers in the region, these cities have made little progress in doing so," according to Gelfand.

A news release from Claremont's Public Information Officer Bevin Handel contradicts that assessment, noting that the city is in the midst of updating its sixth cycle of the housing element after submitting a draft document to the California Department of Housing and Community Development in December 2021. According to the release, the city received a 15-page review letter from HCD on February 7, 2022, with specific recommendations, and is nearly ready to submit an update.

The city has engaged with Claremont residents through multiple community



Claremont is one of nine cities sued for not complying with state housing element law. Three of those cities have since settled their lawsuits. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger

meetings over the last two years, including a public review of the draft housing element in December 2021, according to Handel.

At issue are California's Regional Housing Needs Allocation laws, which involve state and local governments working together to identify the number of units needed in a region for California to reach its housing goals. The Southern California Association of Governments takes the lead in the Regional Housing Needs Allocations in the Southland, including deciding how many residential units each city must anticipate.

"In March 2020, SCAG adopted its 6th cycle RHNA allocation plan, which covers the planning period October 2021 through October 2029. For the 6th cycle, SCAG received a need of 1,341,827 housing units, which was distributed to all 197 SCAG jurisdictions," according to a release from the Southern California Association of Governments.

Each city incorporates its portion of the RHNA requirement into its housing element update, which is part of its general plan, and must identify adequate sites for housing developments, including units for

low and very low-income families. While the deadline for submitting the updated housing element was October 2021, the state gave municipalities more time to complete the process.

"The Housing Element is part of the City's General Plan and contains a demographic profile of the City, an analysis of affordable housing opportunities and constraints, an evaluation of existing housing programs, as well as goals, policies, and implementation programs," according to the City of Claremont's website. "The Housing Element Update will identify potential sites in Claremont to meet the State's requirement of 1,707 new housing units."

The news release from Handel notes that according to HCD data, among 539 municipalities, Claremont is one of 201 that are out of compliance because it has not updated the housing element.

Explaining the lawsuit, Gelfand said Claremont has made no meaningful progress toward revising its housing element since receiving the guidance from HCD in February and has not responded

to letters from Californians for Homeownership demanding compliance and offering a pre-litigation compromise.

"So, while it is true that other jurisdictions in Southern California are behind in adopting final versions of their housing elements, Claremont is an extreme outlier in its lack of progress and its refusal to engage with us on this issue," Gelfand said.

"Claremont is committed to complying with the State's Housing Element law," read the press release from Handel. "It is working diligently to prepare a draft of its sixth cycle Housing Element update. The City expects to complete a draft Housing Element update addressing the comments received from the HCD within the next 30 days."

"Like most cities in the San Gabriel Valley, the City of Claremont is using special housing consultants to assist in the completion of its Housing Element update," said Claremont Community Development Director Brad Johnson in the press release. "For a variety of reasons, these consultants are experiencing very high demand, which has resulted in slower than anticipated progress on Claremont's Housing Element update."

The city has contracted with Houseal Lavigne to take the recommendations from the state and incorporate them into the draft housing element.

On Wednesday, September 21, Johnson told the COURIER in an email that the second version of the draft housing element update will be a submitted back to the Department of Housing and Community Development within 30 days. The state will take 60 days to review and comment on this second revised version of the element.

"We are not 30 days away from certification of the housing element," Johnson wrote. "Once HCD accepts our draft element as being in compliance with state housing element law, the city will begin the adoption process through the public hearing processes of the planning commission and city council. This will include neighborhood notifications and outreach for public participation at the public hearings."

2022 city council race candidate profiles: Jennifer Stark

by Steven Felschundneff
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If one word could describe councilmember and candidate Jennifer Stark's approach to governing it would be "collaboration."

During a half hour interview, Stark spoke of the city collaborating with regional and state leaders, the council collaborating with the city and, most importantly, residents collaborating with each other to reach our collective goals and make Claremont a better place to live.

Stark was first elected to the council in 2018 in what turned out to be our last election before the city was divided up into voter districts. Now running for reelection, she faces a challenge from Maura Carter in the newly redrawn District 3.

Stark serves as the chair of the Energy, Environment



and Natural Resources Committee and vice-chair of the Water Policy Committee, as well as the alternate for the Governing Board for the San Gabriel Valley Council of

Governments. She is also Secretary of the Board for the Six Basins Watermaster.

In addition, she is on the board of Claremont Heritage and the Friends of the Claremont Library and is a founder of Claremont Canopy, a nonprofit organization that assists refugees in adjusting to their new communities.

She said it has been "deeply fulfilling" to be on the Claremont City Council, but also recalled a significant learning curve in her first term in gaining experience and building relationships here in Claremont and throughout the region.

"I would really like to take that experience and continue on," Stark said. "I truly do believe that this seat is one I get to sit in and make better for the person who comes after me. I feel like two terms is really solid, and I would like to put in that next level of service that I think a second term will provide."

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Asked about the top priority on her platform, Stark replied, “The number one priority is the one that is right in front of me. You could have all of these priorities but whatever happens at the time is the number one thing you have to deal with.”

Stark listed several topics as being critically important, including pushing Claremont forward with its sustainability goals, continuing to strengthen its financial position and working to address the polarizing nature of certain issues here in town.

To aid in better communication Stark highlighted the proposed upgraded technology as well as facilitating community engagement opportunities funded through the American Rescue Plan Act.

“We really do, as a city, need to have some more help to talk about nuanced issues. I want to be a consensus builder, but I also really believe in our collective intelligence, so I really do believe we need to set a better table so that people can have the opportunity to learn more about the issues,” Stark said.

Economic development has been a priority for Stark since she was first elected. She cites the structural deficit the city was facing in 2018 and the employee groups that did not have contracts as some of the challenges the current council has overcome. The city now has multiyear contracts with all its employee groups and has police officers association on a different schedule, so when staff negotiates with police, it will be in a different year from the others.

Plus, with the multiyear contracts, the

city won’t have to negotiate with the employee groups every year, which will free up time to address other issues, according to Stark.

“It’s just going to help with the overall morale to not have all the groups have to happen in the same year,” Stark said.

Claremont’s unfunded liability to CalPERS has come to the forefront of campaign issues, with District 2 candidate Peter Yao depicting a constantly increasing debt that will require an extreme course of action.

Stark joins a host of other voices questioning that scenario in part because Yao’s calculations do not consider the impact the Public Employees’ Pension Reform Act, which mandates a substantial change to the way annuitants accrue benefits, will have on the city’s liability over time.

“I don’t think our CalPERS unfunded liability should be [calculated] on the back of an envelope and then presented as a perfect solution. I think that is a little hasty,” Stark said. “This real work is done collaboratively by professionals and with real numbers not imaginary numbers and with real timelines.”

Stark and Mayor Jed Leano formed the minority voting yes for the easement across Larkin Park to accommodate the construction of Larkin Place, the permanent supportive housing project next door.

“I voted for the easement at Larkin Park because I voted to approve funding for the design that required that easement,” Stark said.

She mentioned the concrete block wall which separates the park from the devel-

opment as being five feet into public property, but because it has been that way for a long time, by law the developer gets that land.

An easement would have knocked that wall down and given three hundred square feet of parking lot back to the city. Improvements to the park would have included creating a turnaround, resurfacing, underground electric wires and making the parking slips wider and safer, according to Stark, who said the application was entirely consistent with the city’s general plan.

“This land was zoned institutional residential in the fourth housing element, so if I could turn back time, I would have had a strategic communication strategy to let everybody know what that zoning meant and what other zoning overlays mean,” Stark said.

Larkin Place isn’t the first and won’t be the last housing development facing significant public pushback.

“There are other pieces of property that we need to talk about. The golf course is one of them. What I would really like to see in the future is a much more collaborative effort with the colleges and the school district to work together with the community to come to terms with some of the realities,” she said.

Critics of other big developments in town, like South Village, have said time and again that dense multistory buildings are changing the small town feel of Claremont and bringing in more people, which puts a strain on resources. Stark believes it’s entirely possible to retain Clare-

mont’s charm while creating more types of housing, including those with high density.

She cites as an example that walking around the Colleges one does not get an urban vibe, even though many of the dorms are multistory, high-density structures. Stark would like to see Claremont build more housing for the “missing middle,” those people who are well paid and do not qualify for subsidized housing, but still can’t afford a home in Claremont. Transit oriented developments, such as those proposed under the Village South Specific Plan, could offer opportunities to these people.

“We have the possibility to keep on making space for people and not destroy what makes Claremont unique and special. And by building carefully and intentionally and with the highest quality architects and design I think we can build for the people we aren’t building for now,” Stark said.

Regarding the crime issues around the 10 Freeway and Indian Hill Boulevard, Stark says she hates “that there is a feeling that the residents who live south of the 10 matter less than residents who don’t.”

Addressing the issues of the crime that is happening around the 10 Freeway corridor is not going to be an easy fix. It is going to require a lot of work and rehabilitation and that is going to take time and take money, according to Stark. She envisions that Claremont’s proposed nuisance ordinance could be expanded into a regional model that would cover the entire 10 corridor and combat human trafficking beyond Claremont.

Arrest of murder suspect Calzada delayed a second time

By COURIER Staff

The arraignment of Claremont resident Jeffrey Alexander Calzada, accused of murdering a young woman in Claremont last month, has been delayed a second time. It is now scheduled for November 1 in Department F of Pomona Superior Court.

Calzada is being held in the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department Inmate Reception Center in L.A. in lieu of \$2 million bail.

Claremont police are not releasing the name of the victim as the case is still under investigation. They did confirm she was 20 years old and did not live in Claremont at the time of her

death. Multiple public social media posts have indicated she was a 2020 Claremont High School graduate.

The woman was found suffering a traumatic injury inside a car parked outside Murrieta City Hall at 10:35 a.m. Friday, August 12.

After a 911 call that morning, “Officers from the Murrieta Police Department and paramedics from Murrieta Fire and Rescue responded and found a female suffering from a traumatic injury in a vehicle in the parking lot of Murrieta City Hall, next to the police station,” according to an August CPD news release.

Paramedics began life saving meas-

ures, but she was pronounced dead at the scene. Calzada, 25, was detained at the scene by police and later arrested. Following an investigation that continued through Monday, August 15, he was charged with murder.

Police say the woman sustained her injuries in Claremont.

When Murrieta police responded on August 12, they discovered a body in a white, late model Hyundai Elantra, The Valley Times reported in August.

Claremont police told the COURIER on August 19 that Calzada’s murder charge may be amended as the investi-

gation unfolds and Calzada’s attorney and the L.A. County District Attorney’s Office begin negotiating. The CPD representative said there has been talk of tacking on a stalking charge, but the investigation hasn’t yet determined whether the case “meets the elements of stalking.” Ultimately, it will be the D.A.’s decision, he added.

On Wednesday Claremont police said they will not be releasing any additional information about the case and all media inquiries must go through the Los Angeles County District Attorney’s office. The COURIER’s attempts to reach the D.A.’s office for comment were unsuccessful.

OPARC’s HeartBEAT music festival coming October 15

By COURIER Staff

On October 15, Montclair-based nonprofit OPARC will host its second annual HeartBEAT music festival, again at Pomona College’s Sontag Greek Theatre.

The community is invited to sing, dance, mingle and support OPARC at the music festival, which is also a concert fundraiser. The Rolling Heart-

breakers, a Rolling Stones/Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers tribute band, will headline this year’s festival, and the MLC band will return to play hits from the 1960s to today.

The Sontag is located behind the Seaver Theatre, 300 E. Bonita Ave., Claremont.

The goal of the event is to provide a fun outing and make Claremont aware

of the impact OPARC has on the community.

“OPARC exists to make training, employment, and social opportunities available and to be the champion for thousands of people with disabilities in the Inland Empire and Los Angeles County,” reads the nonprofit’s mission statement.

A recap of last year’s festival can be

found on YouTube.

More details are still to come but those with questions about the event or OPARC can visit oparc.org or call (909) 985-3116.

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POLICE BLOTTER

By Steven Felschundneff

Sunday, September 11

Claremont Police Department officers conducting an area check at 1:18 p.m. near Patty's Mexican Restaurant, 1332 N. Towne Ave., found a man lying down in the parking lot, and stopped to check on his welfare. A subsequent records check revealed the man, Pomona resident Erik Lopez, 32, was on probation and had felony burglary and misdemeanor vandalism warrants. He was arrested, transported to the Claremont jail, and held until he could be transferred to West Valley Detention Center in Rancho Cucamonga. He appeared in court Tuesday, September 13.

Officers on patrol at 10:19 p.m. near Base Line Road and Indian Hill Blvd. began following a 2022 Honda Civic west on Base Line. They reported the car was traveling 80 mph in 45 mph zone. They attempted a traffic stop, but the driver — later identified as Lucerne Valley resident Zyriah Carter, 21 — reportedly accelerated to speeds over 100 mph, and a pursuit was initiated. Police followed the Honda on College Way where they say Carter was traveling at twice the posted speed limit of 30 mph. She then turned left on Williams Ave. and continued to speed before crashing while attempting to turn onto Foothill Blvd., disabling the Honda. Police say Carter then jumped out of the car and was ordered to the ground. Asked why she fled, she allegedly responded, "I am inebriated." Officers performed field sobriety tests and arrested her for driving under the influence, a misdemeanor, and felony evading a police officer. She was transported to CPD jail, held for detoxification, and released with a citation to appear at Pomona Superior Court.

At 11:57 p.m., officers on a DUI saturation patrol spotted a white Acura TL

with an alleged equipment violation and performed a traffic stop near Indian Hill Boulevard and San Bernardino Road. Police say the driver stopped the car in the middle of the roadway before pulling into a driveway in the 1500 block of north Indian Hill Blvd. in Pomona. Officers questioned the occupants and say they smelled alcohol and saw several open containers of beer on the front passenger side floorboard. According to police, driver Sergio Ruiz Lopez, 50, from Pomona, was also holding a methamphetamine pipe in his hands. A field sobriety test indicated Ruiz Lopez was driving under influence of controlled substance, and he was arrested for DUI. A records check showed his driver's license had been suspended because of a previous DUI conviction. Police then questioned the other occupants. A records check on Montclair resident Lasha Shores, 45, found she had four active misdemeanor arrest warrants from the City of Pomona and San Bernardino County. The two other occupants, Pomonan Jesus Lopez, 30, and Ontario resident Maria Alarcon-Garcia, 34, were arrested for misdemeanor possession of a controlled substance. Alarcon-Garcia was also charged with being under the influence of a controlled substance, a misdemeanor. The four were transported to the Claremont jail, booked and were all later released with citations. Ruiz Lopez and Lopez will have court dates in Los Angeles County Superior Court while Garcia and Shores are scheduled to appear in San Bernardino County Superior Court. The special DUI patrol is paid for by the California Office of Traffic Safety.

Thursday, September 15

Claremont police and the Los Angeles County Probation Department conducted a special enforcement detail between 4 and 11 p.m. in the area around the 10 Freeway and Indian Hill Boulevard. The sting, which involved two undercover female officers posing as sex workers, netted 11 arrests, including the

following men who were arrested for misdemeanor solicitation for prostitution: La Puente resident Ricardo Tapia Tovar, 47; Andrew De La Cruz, 27, from Fontana; Nicholas Tun, 34, Walnut; Ernesto Rojas Castaneda, 37, Apple Valley; Arnold Garcia Agular, 20, Pomona; and Los Angeles resident Jesus Barajas, 27.

During the special enforcement detail, police received a call at 7:21 p.m. about a man acting erratically at the Motel 6, 840 S. Indian Hill Blvd. When officers arrived, they reportedly saw the suspect, later identified as Paul Naranjo, 33, in a physical altercation with a motel employee. Police placed Naranjo in handcuffs and called paramedics to evaluate the injuries he received during the fight, but he refused medical care. Naranjo then allegedly began spitting at officers as he was being placed in the back of patrol car, and some saliva landed in the mouth of an officer. A records check revealed Naranjo was on parole for domestic violence and had an active no-bail parole hold. He was arrested on a felony battery on a police officer charge, booked, and held until he could be transferred to West Valley Detention Center in Rancho Cucamonga.

Police were conducting a 11:19 p.m. welfare check at La Puente Sports Park when they saw a car in the parking lot in violation of city curfew regulations. Officers questioned the driver, Marcos Valdez, 39, from Whittier, and a records check revealed an outstanding San Bernardino County misdemeanor warrant. He was arrested, transported, booked, and released with citation to appear in court.

Friday, September 16

Police conducted a DUI checkpoint, also funded by the California Office of Traffic Safety, between 7 p.m. Friday and 1 a.m. Saturday in the 400 block of south Indian Hill Blvd. They screened 883 vehicles and netted seven arrests:

two for DUI, three for suspended driver's licenses, one for a warrant, and another for misdemeanor resisting or delaying an officer after a driver refused to provide ID.

Sunday, September 19

Officers on patrol at 11:36 p.m. spotted a black Nissan Frontier parked perpendicular to the curb and blocking the road on San Jose Avenue east of Indian Hill Blvd. Police say they then saw two men attempting to tow a blue trailer out of a construction site, but the trailer had become high sided on the jack and was stuck. They questioned the driver, 41-year-old Bakersfield resident Mitchell Klein, and passenger James Placencia, 54, from Hesperia. A records check showed Placencia had a San Bernardino County misdemeanor warrant. Police then found the trailer had been reported stolen in Monrovia and Klein was arrested for possession of a stolen vehicle. The trailer's owner arrived later to claim it. Placencia was also arrested, and the two men were transported to Claremont jail and booked. Placencia was released with a citation while Klein was held in front of a Tuesday, September 20 court appearance.

SCIL offers rewards for cutting energy use

Claremont nonprofit the Service Center for Independent Life is collaborating with Energy Upgrade California to inform the public about Power Saver Rewards, a free program that gives rewards for cutting energy use during a flex alert. Register at powersaverrewards.org.

Here's how it works: whenever a flex alert is issued, cut back. Then at the end of the month when the utility company calculates how much energy the house saved, subscribers will get rewards for their energy-saving actions.

Call SCIL at (909) 621-6722 or email carabeth@scil-ilc.org with any questions or for assistance registering.

Details on how to sign up as well as tips for being power grid-wise can be found at energyupgradeca.org/flex-alert.

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Pipeline idea has support**Dear editor:**

In the September 16 edition of the Claremont COURIER letters to the editor was one by Maria J. Andrade regarding bringing flood waters from the East and Midwest to the West by a pipeline. A lot of people say that can't be done because of the lack of pumps. Well, we have pumps already in existence at Lake Powell and at Hoover Dam that can easily take care of any pumping activity.

**Frederick D. Williams
Claremont**

Larkin Place headline was misleading**Dear editor:**

The COURIER should be more careful about how it writes headlines. "Why can't Claremont just say no to Larkin Place?" (September 9, 2022) sounds like a rhetorical question, which misled one reader (Doug Lama, Readers comments, September 16, 2022) into accusing the article of nimbyism.

In fact, the article was simply a factual explanation of why Claremont can't legally say no to Larkin Place (except under one or more of five critical conditions). The article was an answer to a question; the headline should have been "Why Claremont can't just say no to Larkin Place."

**James Van Cleve
Claremont**

Trump best president in history? Please**Dear editor:**

Kris Meyers (COURIER, September 16, 2022), on his way to declaring Trump the best president in U.S. history (when in fact he is the worst), in his laundry list of supposed Trump excellences cites his handling of "crime" as one of them.

That is to conveniently forget that Trump committed the biggest political criminal act in American history: his attempted coup on January 6, 2021. That will go down in American history as so important that Benedict Arnold and Aaron

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Burr will henceforth be rated only as small time pikers. It is not just Trump himself, of course, who was involved; the list of people who have been charged, some already convicted, and others still under investigation in the coup attempt, is huge.

It is a joke that a Trump supporter such as Meyers can claim Trump to be anti-crime. (Notice I have not even mentioned his large theft of documents belonging to the country, some of them classified at a level beyond "secret").

**Merrill Ring
Claremont**

MAGA Republicans are wrong about Trump, the meaning of 'greatness'**Dear editor:**

Make America Great Again is a slogan of former President Donald Trump. America during his administration was governed by plutocrats punishing the middle class and the poor with more pollution in the air, water, and food. Trump took the country out of its international obligations to fight climate change, by far the worst threat facing the planet. Trump and his MAGA Republican followers continue to repeat the lies of the fossil fuel companies that there's no global warming.

The evidence that climate change is real and that it has been anthropogenic is overwhelming. Take a look at the NASA site [nasa.gov]. Carbon dioxide, one of the key gases warming the Earth, was 300 parts per million in the atmosphere for millennia. But the burning of petroleum, natural gas, and coal has raised the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere to about 420 parts per million in 2022.

Trump is a dangerous politician who ignores science and, therefore, the well-being of Americans. The extreme heat of ear-

ly September was one of the many warnings that the climate dragon has been unleashed all over California, the United States, and the planet.

Moreover, Trump launched a failed coup. And yet he wants to return to power to cause even more harm and probably declare himself a monarch/tyrant and bring about a civil war.

These are the reasons I was astonished reading the letter of Kris Meyer [COURIER, September 16, 2022]. He and the MAGA Republicans are wrong about Trump and the meaning of greatness. Greatness is virtue, justice, courage, freedom, democracy, and the priority of the public good. America can indeed become a great nation by bringing the nations of the world together to fight climate danger. The challenge is gigantic but so is the certain harm if we continue the policies of the MAGA Republicans.

**Evaggelos Vallianatos, PhD
Claremont**

Vallianatos spent 25 years as a risk evaluation analyst for the Environmental Protection Agency and is the author of seven books, including "Poison Spring."

No love lost between Claremonter, Trump**Dear editor:**

Dear Kris Meyer, In your September 16, 2022 letter to the Claremont COURIER, I counted approximately 129 words on why you support Trump.

I will give you one word on why I don't support Trump: "racist."

Actually, two words: "crybaby racist."

**Eugene Hwang
Claremont**

MAGA all well and good, but democracy comes first**Dear editor:**

The September 16 letter to the editor, "MAGA Republican wants Trump back in office," by Kris Meyer, was an excellent example of a basic principle of prop-

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*while tap water warms
bailing it into buckets
thirst of a garden*

— **Frances Ruhlen McConnel**

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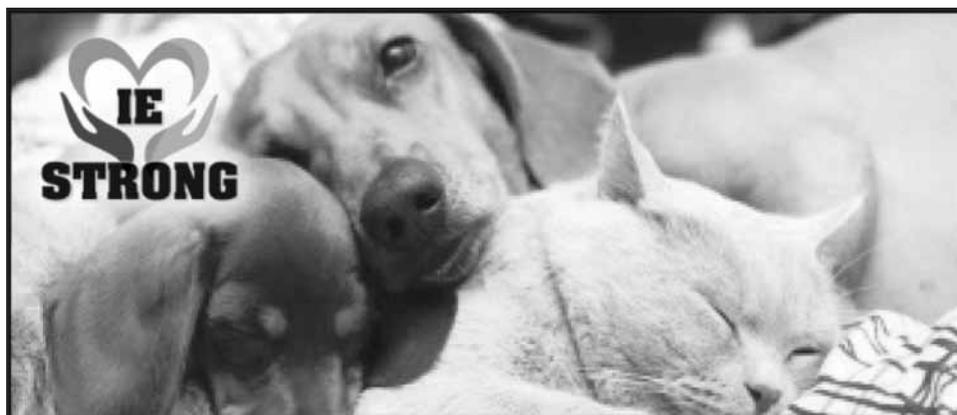
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aganda: "Frequently repeat a lie and often it may magically transform itself into an accepted truth."

The MAGA mythology of Trump seems boundless, but it was encouraging to see Mr. Meyer acknowledge some of the troubling sociopathy so often seen in his behavior.

A discerning look at history shows that lying and deceit have likely been around as long as we've been social beings, and certainly, especially in today's world, is not limited to Republicans, or to political parties for that matter. In today's world if you are not somewhat skeptical and willing to submit most claims to critical thinking, you are ripe to be an attractive victim for a

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plethora of grifters.

Mr. Meyer ends his letter with a plea to ignore Trump's frequent lies and deceits and reelect him to office so he can "Make America Great Again." History illustrates the people of Nazi Germany, communist Russia, and other tyrannical regimes were fed the same BS — and many succumbed to it because "greatness" is a worthwhile hope to hang on to, particularly when things appear dark and so much seems beyond one's control. Unfortunately, Mr. Meyer overlooks another important principle, this time not related to propaganda but to democracy. A democracy cannot thrive nor survive when people in positions of power or influence lie to and deceive its citizens.

John Roseman
Claremont

Biden not perfect, but a Trump rerun would spell disaster

Dear editor:

I read Kris Meyer's letter in Friday's COURIER (September 16, 2022) with interest. The very first sentence, unfortunately, is a lie and a hoax. President Biden never accused Americans who want to "Make America Great Again" of being enemies of our country. What he did suggest pointedly is that those who preach political violence (some are in the MAGA camp) are enemies of democracy and a danger to our country. Making America great again is possibly a noble idea, although Trump himself never made it clear what stage in our history he hoped to reach "again."

Mr. Meyer and I clearly disagree in our political views since I am sure that a return of Trump to the presidency would be an enormous disaster. Mr. Meyer acknowledges Trump is a "thin-skinned narcissist," but he also ignores that he is a twice-impeached president and most likely a criminal. Trump has provably lied to the public uncountable times, and if he were to regain the presidency, he would undoubtedly devote most of his time to destroying his adversaries and enemies rather than both-

ering to "Make America Great Again."

While President Biden has not been a popular president (no fault of his own), he has been an enormous improvement over the Trump presidency.

Tad Beckman
Claremont

Kudos to MAGA Republican

Dear editor:

As a longtime subscriber to the COURIER, I have

come to believe (guess what) that Claremont is an extremely liberal place to live, but one gets beaten up (figuratively) if one expresses an opposite view loudly. Stating that fact, it is interesting that Kris Meyer had the guts to say what those views are [Readers' Comments, September 16, 2022] — and I might add the views on Trump are totally correct — and you published that letter. Now 75% of the city must be grieving and trying to get a grip.

Jacquie Mahoney
Claremont

CANDIDATES' CORNER

Saturday, September 24

- Jen Tilton hosts a coffee with **Jeff Hanlon**, a candidate for the Division III seat on Three Valleys Municipal Water District's Board of Directors, from 9 to 11 a.m. RSVP is required at <http://evite.me/kaNn3JBna7>, at which time the address will be provided.

- Laura Roach and Drew Ready host coffee and bagels at a meet and greet for Claremont City Council District 3 candidate **Jennifer Stark** at their home from 10 to 11:30 a.m. For more info or to RSVP for the address of the event, email lroach@gmail.com.

Sunday, September 25

- The community is invited to a meet and greet with Claremont City Council District 4 candidate **Aundré Johnson** from 10 a.m. to noon at Lucky's Coffee Roasters, 665 E. Foothill Blvd., Suite B, Claremont. Yard signs and promotional campaign items will be available, and the candidate will answer questions. RSVPs are not necessary.

- Claremont Mayor **Jed Leano** kicks off his 2022 Claremont City Council District 4 campaign with "bluegrass bonanza," a bourbon tasting and fundraiser hosted by Nancy and Paul Brower, from 2 to 5 p.m. For the address, RSVP via email to jedforclaremont@gmail.com.

Wednesday, September 28

- Mellissa Martinez hosts a meet and greet for Claremont City Council District 3 candidate **Jennifer Stark** from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at her home, 621 E. Marylind Ave., Claremont.

- Mayor and Claremont City Council District 4 candidate **Jed Leano** invites the public for basketball and conversation at "one on one with Jed" from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Lewis Park basketball courts, 881 Syracuse Dr., Claremont. Email jedforclaremont@gm-ail.com for more info.

Saturday, October 1

- **Jeff Hanlon**, a candidate for the Division III seat on Three Valleys Municipal Water District's Board of Directors, is the guest at a meet and greet from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Monroe family home in Claremont. RSVP is required at <http://evite.me/z9Ys-T5Afrn>, at which time the address will be provided.

Wednesday, October 19

- Dianne Mindrum and Jerry Shaw host a tea for Claremont City Council District 4 candidate **Aundré Johnson** from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at 728 W. 10th St., Claremont. RSVP at johnsonforclaremont.com or via email to johnsonforclaremont@gmail.com.



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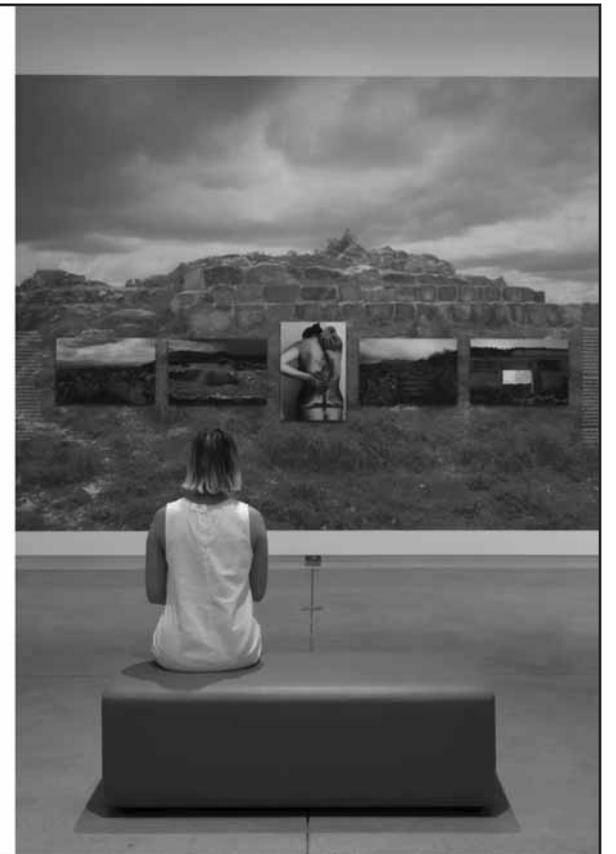
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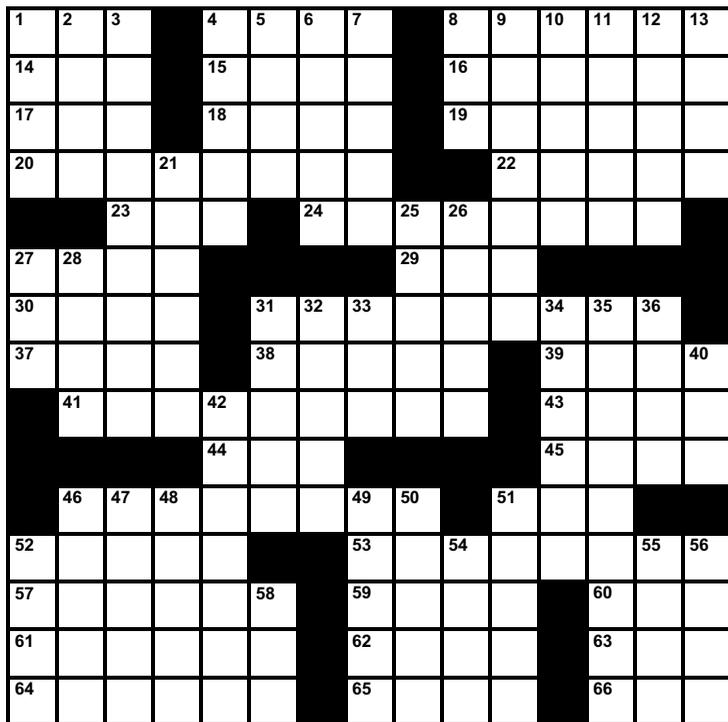
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Puzzle #692 by Myles Mellor



Across

- 1. Business loan maker, abbr.
- 4. Big galoot
- 8. Like trumpets in a fanfare
- 14. Trauma ctrs.
- 15. Wagon part
- 16. Continue
- 17. Telephone trio
- 18. Mont Blancs
- 19. Antonio Banderas, in "Interview With the Vampire"
- 20. Court of justice
- 22. The ___ Prayer
- 23. Mountain pass
- 24. Erodes
- 27. Java dispensers
- 29. Author of "The Name of the Rose"
- 30. Secluded spot
- 31. Standout player for the Wolfpack football team, Caden ___
- 37. Nagy of Hungary
- 38. Sci-fi extra
- 39. Star Wars Jedi
- 41. Space orbiters
- 43. Lived on a pittance

Down

- 7. Electric car
- 8. Blotter letters
- 9. "Symphonie fantastique" composer
- 10. Wedge in the water
- 11. Separated
- 12. Sonata section
- 13. Winds up
- 21. Harry and David container
- 25. Not so hot
- 26. Moves quickly, as a cloud
- 27. Form intro
- 28. Italia's capital
- 31. Computer storage medium
- 32. Bakery smell
- 33. Me to Maupassant
- 34. Lemur of Madagascar
- 35. "Is that a fact?!"
- 36. Baltic Sea feeder
- 40. Promotions
- 42. Non-profit thrift shop, now 90 years old, in Claremont
- 46. Express a thought
- 47. Finish behind
- 48. Polynesian kingdom
- 49. Nervous one

- 44. URL ender
- 45. Televises
- 46. Sofas
- 51. One of the Chaplins
- 52. Martha Stewart wear
- 53. How lottery winners react
- 57. Chopin and Alicia Keys' instruments
- 59. Director Wertmuller
- 60. Roman number
- 61. "Sadness" singers
- 62. Some watch readouts
- 63. 40 winks
- 64. Track events
- 65. Slangy okay
- 66. Baseball V.I.P.'s

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Puzzle #5 by Gerald Gornik

Homophones are words that have the same pronunciation but are spelled differently (bare; bear). Here, we have taken homophones to the next level.

Answers to Puzzle #4

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CRAZY REASON

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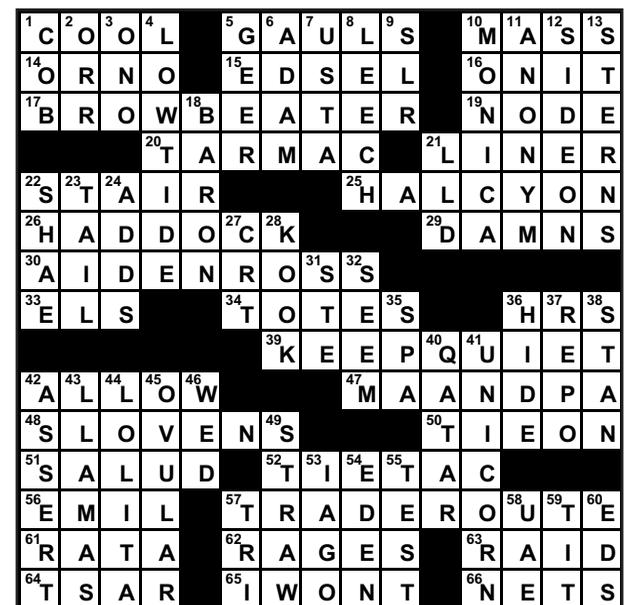
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Answers to Puzzle #691



- 50. Pizzeria order
- 51. Secret supply
- 52. Slavish mimic
- 54. Lick ___ promise
- 55. Neeson in "Schindler's List"
- 56. Barks
- 58. British special forces, for short

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What's happening Claremont?

FRIDAY 9/23

• **Friday Noon Concerts**, jointly sponsored by the Pomona College and Scripps College departments of music, return today to the Balch Auditorium, 1030 N. Columbia Ave., Claremont, starting at 12:15 p.m. The opening concert features Scripps soprano Anne Harley, and music by pianist and dulcimer player Jodi Goble. Concerts are free and open to the public, and doors open 15 minutes prior to the show. For details, call the Scripps Music Library at (909) 607-3266.

• Seniors can enjoy this week's free **movie matinee** showing, "The Guilt Trip" (2012), at the Blaisdell Senior Center, 440 S. College Ave., starting at 12:30 p.m. Masks are encouraged as this event will be held indoors. Call (909) 399-5367 for info.

• The public is invited to Claremont Kiwanis Club's annual **Route 66** themed fundraiser from 6 to 10 p.m. at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, 555 W. Foothill Blvd., Claremont. The evening will feature fine dining, dancing, live music by The Ravelers, casino games and a silent auction. Presale tickets are \$75 at brownpapertickets.com/event/5406742 or \$85 at the door. Proceeds will benefit local programs for children and seniors. Call (909) 621-2996 for further details.

• Cellist-conductor Eric Lindholm brings together Pomona College faculty pianist Genevieve Feiwen Lee along with guest violinist Sakura Tsai and violist Kira Blumberg to perform music by Frank Bridge, Gernot Wolfgang and Gabriel Fauré in an 8 p.m. **chamber music** recital at Bridges Hall of Music, 150 E. Fourth St., Claremont. The concert is free and open to the public but masks are required. For details call (909) 607-2671.

SUNDAY 9/25

• Sustainable Claremont is holding an **urban foraging workshop** at Hahn Hall, 420 Harvard Ave., Claremont, starting at 10 a.m. Attendees will learn the basics of foraging in and around Claremont during the session led by expert forager Douglas Kent. Tickets start at \$45 and can be purchased at eventbrite.com/e/urban-foraging-workshop-tickets-403576316627. For more information visit the Eventbrite link or sustainableclaremont.org.



• **Ted Manuel** will perform a free three-hour concert beginning at 2 p.m. at College Center, 665 E. Foothill Blvd. To view the monthly lineup and information, visit jazzatcollegecenter.com.

• Support a local business and drink cider for a good cause during Shoes That Fit's **birthday party fundraiser** at Ironbark Ciderworks, 1420 N. Claremont Blvd., Suite 107B, Claremont. From 5 to 7 p.m. a portion of every drink purchase will go to support Shoes That Fit. Learn more about the event and the nonprofit's 30 years of service to the community by visiting shoesthatfit.org/30years.

MONDAY 9/26

• Claremont McKenna College's Marian Miner Cook Athenaeum's free and open to the public speaker series continues at 6:45 p.m. today with poet **Mary Ruefle's** program, "An Evening of Poetry and Prose." The Athenaeum is at 385 E. Eighth St., Claremont, and details on this and other talks are available at cmc.edu/athenaeum or by calling (909) 621-8244.

• A **special meeting** of the sustainability committee will be held in Claremont City Hall's Citrus Room, 207

Harvard Ave., Claremont, starting at 5:30 p.m. Agendas are posted online and at city hall on Thursday evenings prior to meetings. For meeting details and how to attend, visit ci.claremont.ca.us/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/6365/20.

• Members of the **survivors of suicide loss support group** gather at the Alexander Hughes Community Center, 1700 Danbury Rd., Claremont, for a free discussion session that runs from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Attendees must wear masks while indoors. Call (909) 399-5490 for meeting details.

• The Democratic Club of Claremont's **general meeting** will feature a talk from Jamie Kennerk, public affairs specialist for Planned Parenthood Advocacy Project Los Angeles County. The meeting is free, open to the public, and will be held at Pilgrim Place's Napier Center, 660 Avery Rd., Claremont, from 7 to 9 p.m. Visit us02web.zoom.us to register for the talk via Zoom.

TUESDAY 9/27

• The **Knitting with Care** group meets from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the Joslyn Center, 660 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont. The group creates projects to benefit local nonprofits. Attendees are also invited to work on personal projects. No registration is required but attendees should bring their own needles, hooks, and yarn. Call (909) 399-5488 with any questions.



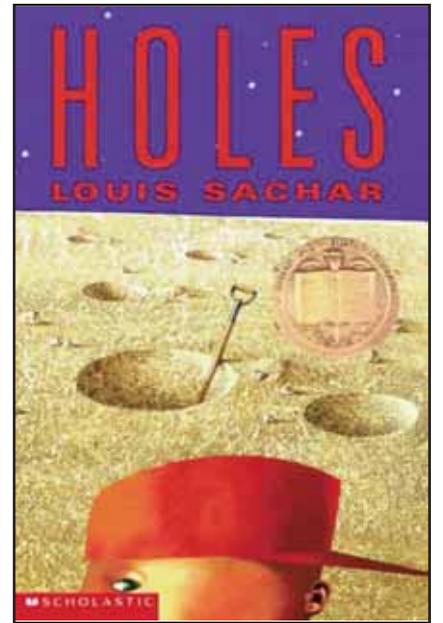
• The second **Claremont City Council** meeting of the month will start with a closed session at 6 p.m. before opening up to the public about 30 minutes later. Meetings are held in the council chamber, 225 W. Second St., and agendas are posted at ci.claremont.ca.us, or at city hall on Thursdays prior to meetings. To attend virtually, visit zoom.us/j/256208090 around 6:30 p.m. To listen in from a telephone, dial (213) 338-8477.

WEDNESDAY 9/28

• Business owners are invited to the unfortunately named **lunch mob** with Claremont Chamber of Commerce members and other businesses from noon to 1 p.m. at Dog Haus Biergarten, 2209 E. Base Line Rd., suite 700, Claremont. To RSVP, visit business.claremontchamber.org.

• Avid readers ages eight to 12 can

register for Claremont Helen Renwick library's **classic reader's book club** by going to visit lacountylibrary.org/event/7149791. Attendance is limited. September's book is "Holes," by Louis Sachar — which can be checked out at the library, 208 N. Harvard Ave. The club meets at 2 p.m.



• Claremont's **architectural commission** meeting will take place at city council chamber, 225 W. Second St., at 7 p.m. This meeting is open to the public both in-person and virtually. Info is at ci.claremont.ca.us/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/5997/20.

THURSDAY 9/29

• Community Heart, 10871 Central Ave., Ontario, hosts a **drive-thru food pantry** every Thursday between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. For more information, visit communityheartfeedtheneed.org.

• Join the Claremont Chamber of Commerce at Human Element Real Estate, 405 W. Foothill Blvd., Suite 203, for a 5 p.m. **ribbon cutting**. Register for this event at business.claremontchamber.org.

• At 7 p.m., a **special meeting** of the committee on human relations will be held at the Alexander Hughes Community Center, 1700 Danbury Rd., Claremont.

FRIDAY 9/30

• Build up your toddler's pre-literacy and cognitive skills with the **baby band** music class at the Claremont Helen Renwick Library, 208 N. Harvard Ave., Claremont. The course, open to little ones up to age two, begins at 10:30 a.m. Register at visit lacountylibrary.org/event/7114180.

• Friday Nights Live performers in-

SATURDAY 9/24

• Last Name Brewing, 2120 Porterfield Way, Upland, is hosting its annual **Oktober Fiesta** from noon to 10 p.m. The party will feature lots of beer, food trucks, and live music, including a special performance from local "sham-rockabilly" kings Craic Haus. Visit lastnamebrewing.com or call (909) 579-0032 with any questions.



• The Claremont Lewis Museum of Art kicks off its **fall gala** with a 5:30 p.m. reception in the Claremont Depot Plaza, 200 W. First St., Claremont. The evening will include a dedication of CLMA's Gallery One to Marguerite McIntosh, as well as a tribute to Randall Lewis and his family. For information, email marilynray348@gmail.com or call (909) 917-6511.

clude Swing Shift at Shelton Park, Roy Howdy at Village Plaza, and Larry and Rhonda Jackson outside of the chamber of commerce offices. The free performances take place from 6 to 9 p.m. For details visit claremontchamber.org.

SATURDAY 10/1

• Cal Poly Pomona’s annual **pumpkin festival** kicks off today. Families can enjoy food, vendors, games and the popular pumpkin hill and kid’s patch areas to find the perfect pumpkin for carving. Tickets must be purchased online at www.etix.com (search “CPP”) prior to attending the festival. Admission and hours vary. For details, visit cpp.edu/~pumpkinfestival/attend.html.



• Browse artwork around the city as various businesses and museums participate in the monthly **Claremont Art Walk**, held the first Saturday of every month between 6 and 9 p.m. More information will appear in next week’s COURIER. Email claremontartwalkinfo@gmail.com for more info.

Library to host virtual author talks

The Los Angeles County Public Library is hosting two free and open to the public virtual author talks on Tuesday, September 27.

At 1 p.m., Pulitzer Prize finalist and PEN/Faulkner Award winner Hernan Diaz will discuss his latest book, “Trust.” Then at 6 p.m., author Russell Low will discuss his latest book, “The All-American Crew.”

“Trust” is set during the roar of the 1920s around Wall Street tycoon Benjamin Rask and his wife, Helen. The two rose to the top of the world, but at what cost? Their tales of success seem eerily similar to a book titled “Bonds,” a 1937 novel all of New York seemed to have read.

Other versions of this tale of privilege and deceit exist, but Trust “elegantly puts these competing narratives into conversation with one another—and in

tension with the perspective of one woman bent on disentangling fact from fiction,” the library wrote online. “The result is a novel that spans over a century and becomes more exhilarating with each new revelation.”

To register for Diaz’s discussion, visit <https://visit.lacountylibrary.org/event/7194060>.

“The All-American Crew” recounts the story of a World War II B-24 Liberator bomber, whose 10-man crew included his uncle Stanley, seemingly disappeared in the Pacific Ocean near New Guinea on January 23, 1943.

Their families never knew what happened to them, but 80 years later, the crew’s long-forgotten letters and photographs tell their stories in Russell’s new narrative nonfiction work.

To register for Low’s author talk, visit <https://visit.lacountylibrary.org/event/7156255>.

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OFF! is on again, with new record and feature film

by Mick Rhodes
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Dimitri Coats, a self-confessed late bloomer, is making up for lost time.

The guitarist, songwriter and film-maker didn't step onstage with his first band, Burning Brides, until he was 29. At 40, he and punk rock legend Keith Morris formed OFF! The band's bruising and adventurous new record "Free LSD" — also the soundtrack to the feature film of the same name Coats wrote and directed — drops September 30.

"I'm just happy that we're finally seeing the light at the end of the tunnel and people get to hear and see this crazy thing we've been working on for years," said the five-year Claremont resident, now 52, of both the record and the film, which will be released next year.

The record version of "Free LSD" — most of which was written by Coats and Morris here in Claremont — is the band's first release since 2014. Striking videos for the first two singles, "War Above Los Angeles" (<https://youtu.be/LBWUgluGdTw>) and "Kill To Be Heard," (<https://youtu.be/I-613dabsscU>) are out now.



Claremont resident Dimitri Coats and his band OFF! have a new record coming out September 30 called "Free LSD" which is the soundtrack to a feature film written and directed by Coats which will be released later this year. COURIER photo/Steven Felschundneff

Over the past eight years there were false starts, opportunities dashed, obstacles overcome, and, oh yeah, a pandemic.

After original drummer Mario Rubalcaba (Rocket From the Crypt, Hot Snakes) and fellow punk royal and

bassist Steven McDonald (Redd Kross) departed, OFF! gained a new rhythm section in bassist Autry Fulbright II (And You Will Know Us by the Trail of Dead) and well-known jazz drummer Justin Brown (Thundercat).

After all the delays, when it came time to record the process could not have been more fluid. The revitalized band tracked the record's first 14 songs live over two days. The remaining six followed shortly thereafter.

"So, the urgency and the energy are all there," Coats said of the fast-track recordings.

"Free LSD" does not disappoint. It once again melds Coats' punishing riffs and Morris' timeless, singular vocals

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and lyrics, a songwriting partnership whose output that has endeared OFF! to fans of heavy music around the globe (check out the comments for the video of “War Over Los Angeles” for evidence of the band’s international fan base), with a new layer of experimental noise and vaguely Eastern modalities. Its 20 songs are woven together by Sun Ra-reminiscent free jazz, and noise-laden experimental interludes. It’s high concept stuff, and it represents a big swing for songwriters Coats and Morris.

“I think underneath it all the songs are going to deliver in the way that OFF! fans expect,” Coats said. “I don’t think we’re going to alienate anybody. I think it’s the heaviest and most brutal record we’ve made. It’s just dressed up for a different event.”

“Free LSD” is certainly brutal, but there’s much more going on here. It alternates between cinematic passages invoking widescreen landscapes of jagged beauty, to the intense, slightly off-kilter riffage and dynamic rhythmic shifts fans have come to expect from OFF! Riding above it all is Morris’ distinctive vocal and his apocalyptic lyrics railing against various scenes of hostile interstellar doom.

And though the textures are certainly more complex and varied, it’s not that far removed from Morris’ performance on Black Flag’s now classic 1978 debut EP, “Nervous Breakdown.” The snotty, assertive, sometimes playful phrasing is still there, as is the aggression, but so is the now 67-year-old singer’s world-weary lived experience. It’s a stunningly vital display of urgent rock ‘n’ roll singing, and it might just be his finest hour.

Morris is a living legend in punk rock circles. But Coats says he’s so much more than the guy who has fronted three (!) of the most important bands in American punk rock history, Black Flag, Circle Jerks, and now OFF!

“As you get to know Keith, you realize he’s a very deep person and his tastes are vast; he’s very well-versed in film and pop culture and has tastes in music that are all over the map,” Coats said. “I know from being his friend that he’s always wanted to do more than what he’s been allowed to do in the past.

“So, I’m very proud to stand by his side with this project and take these huge risks.”

The duo approached “Free LSD” by clearing the table and disregarding expectations. It was liberating. Coats compared it to moving from black and white to color. They were free to bring in heretofore untapped influences and see where they led.

“I don’t think I’ve ever been a part of anything musically that really pushed the boundaries the way this album does,” Coats said. “It’s something I’m really excited for people to hear.”

Coats’ ferocious riffs — double-tracked guitars equal parts anger and intricate, minor chord delicacy — have always been the musical half of OFF!’s formidable propellant, with Morris’ vocals riding on top cutting through the

mix like a flag planted in enemy territory.

“Free LSD” certainly breaks new ground, but it does so by building on top of the band’s established foundation of massive guitars, severe rhythms, and short bursts of melodious anger. It’s innovative but familiar: a rare trick.

“We’re not the Ramones,” Coats said. “We’re capable of setting the controls for other galaxies.”

Coats has hinted “Free LSD” may be OFF!’s final record. Morris’ age could certainly be a concern, but the singer has spent the better part of this summer touring the U.S. and Europe with Circle Jerks, so it would seem he’s up to the rigors of the road.

Still, I asked Coats if he would like to give the COURIER a scoop.

“No, it’s nothing like that,” he said. “I’m just not sure how much longer Keith wants to be in a touring band.”

Regardless, Coats remains loyal to his friend Morris and OFF! however long the partnership may continue. And with “Free LSD” opening new sonic doors, it would seem a fertile period awaits.

“I just told [Morris], ‘Look, I’ll do this band as long as you can do it or want to do it. Even if it turns out that you don’t want to perform anymore but you still want to make music. We could still write and record and not play shows.’

“This may be the last record. It may not be.”

OFF!, it would seem, is at a crossroads.

“Keith is a senior citizen now,” he said. “He’s not Mick Jagger. I don’t know if he wants to do this into his 80s or whatever. And I think there are other projects he wants to explore that possibly have nothing to do with music. And the same goes for me. I want to see where filmmaking takes me, because it’s something that I feel called to.”

Morris is also the lead actor in the “Free LSD” film, which also features bona fide movie star and OFF! fan Jack Black; James Duval (Independence Day, Donnie Darko); actor, comedian and writer Dana Gould; musician (Jesus Lizard, Scratch Acid) and actor David Yow; musician (Flesh Eaters), writer and actor (Lethal Weapon, No Way Out) Chris D.; musician (Dead Kennedys) D.H. Peligro; and actor, author, magician, and songwriter (Possum Dixon) Rob Zabrecky.

Every creative move he’s made has led him to this moment, Coats said.

Filmmaking “really does incorporate every journey that’s brought me here: it’s storytelling, it’s acting, it’s photography, it’s music.

“I just feel like I’m built for it.”

Pre-order discount copies of OFF!’s “Free LSD” record at <https://offband.lnk.to/FreeLSD>.

The band will tour the U.S. in support of “Free LSD” beginning October 24 in Phoenix and concluding December 17 at Los Angeles’ Lodge Room. Tickets are at <https://www.offofficial.com/live>.

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Mudd alum on the vanguard as 'intimacy director'

by Andrew Alonzo

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Over the last few years, 1999 Harvey Mudd alumna Stacy Levin traveled the circuit of theater industry jobs before finding her calling as an "intimacy director."

To those unfamiliar, an intimacy director or intimacy coordinator advises actors and directors in theater, live performance, television, and film, on best practices to address scenes of intimacy, simulated sex, and nudity safely and effectively.

It's a relatively new vocation.

While fight choreographers have had a role in media for quite some time, Levin said intimacy directing came about over the last half a decade — much down to the work of Claire Warden, a theater pioneer known as Broadway's first intimacy director.

"Someone in the theater industry recognized people were getting physically and emotionally battered by romantic or intense scenes," she said.

Levin gave an example of a 2019 production of *West Side Story* where she served as intimacy director.

"There is a scene where Anita gets sexually assaulted," she said. "[The director] wanted to highlight the brutal aspect of where the emotions and lack of thinking of the Jets gang was. He wanted a really powerful scene in that way."

The actress assured her she was emotionally and mentally capable of doing the violent scene. Levin remembers having to work closely with the Jets gang actors.

"They were so uncomfortable portraying people so different than them," Levin said. "Acting is a big ask for people. You're asking people to step into the shoes of someone that they are not. That could mean putting people in a triggering situation for them."

"As an actor, you do something that's distasteful like that and you go home at the end of the day and, what actors used to do was bring that with you. You brought that anger with you, you brought that energy with you, you brought a self-hatred with you at the end of the day, and then you went back and did it tomorrow."

A big part of intimacy directing is creating intense emotional moments. Directors like Levin consider numerous factors, including how a given scene or character, likely a villain, affects an actor's real-life psychology. She does her best to help performers process and move through any real emotions they feel.

"Those physical feelings are real feelings," she said. "They are the same feelings that you get when



Intimacy director and fight choreographer Stacy Levin. Photo/courtesy of Madeline Trumble

you are with your significant other. So how do you separate those in your mind? How do you go home at the end of the day and say, 'That's my job and this is my family.' That's what intimacy directing is about."

For the past year, Levin has been the intimacy director and fight choreographer for South Bay Musical Theatre's production of Stephen Sondheim's *Company*, which premieres at 8 p.m. on September 24 at the Saratoga Civic Theater, 13777 Fruitvale Ave., in Saratoga, about 11 miles southwest of San Jose. Ticket and show information can be found at southbaymt.com/shows/ticket-sales/company.

Levin said the most challenging aspect of her job is working with a different staff on every production. Often, she's hired for one day to teach the production

crew and actors about boundaries. On other teams, she's fully immersed in choreographing intimacy and fighting scenes.

"My role is really undefined, until we define it," she said.

Levin's journey to becoming an intimacy director was unconventional. In 2008 she began teaching children's singing at Congregation Beth Am, a Jewish temple in Palo Alto, California. After six years she left to become a director and choreographer for local theater groups, including the nationally recognized Children's Musical Theater of San Jose. There she developed her skills as a playwright and director and became familiar with the works of Warden.

Learning about the pioneering intimacy director was revelatory. "With my experiences that I was having directing, I realized I wanted more training in the area of keeping actors physically and emotionally safe on stage," Levin said.

Combined with her performative background and education from Harvey Mudd and Stanford University, where she earned a master's degree in 2007, Levin said intimacy directing "was the piece to me that put it all together." So, she set out to become a professional.

The only avenue to becoming certified was to take three levels of courses offered by Intimacy Directors and Coordinators.

Levin said she recently completed levels one and two of the trainings, accruing over 200 hours of training, and will soon complete level three.

"I cannot tell you how gratifying it is when people have anxiety and then I help them work through it by helping them feel and be heard," she said.

She looks forward to the day intimacy directors become an essential hire for all productions since "intimacy hits so many aspects of emotion and safety."

"I really can't think of a situation where one isn't vital. Intimacy directors are trained and can do so much more to heighten the emotional impact of a production, even when there's no sexual scene involved," Levin said.

In the fall, Levin will return to Harvey Mudd to give a presentation about her unusual job. Details are TBD, but she welcomes students and interested COURIER readers to email her at intimacydirectorstacy@gmail.com.



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Claremonter warns against scam 'Spectrum' calls

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Claremont resident Caroline Shearer called the COURIER on Monday to report she's received numerous calls from various numbers ranging from local area codes and other parts of the country with voices on the other end claiming to be employees from telecommunications company Spectrum. During the most recent call, the callers said they could lower Shearer's monthly television, phone, and internet service rates. Shearer was skeptical and began asking questions before the caller hung up. Alarmed, Shearer called the COURIER to let unsuspecting victims know about the scheme.

Calls are "coming from all over the United States and anywhere else where they can try to jam up and discombobulate people who really can't think real straight and move fast," Shearer said. Shearer has yet to be fooled, despite the scammers' best efforts. But, she said, one who may not be paying attention or might not think to ask questions could fall victim. Shearer said she always asks follow-up questions during the calls, which usually annoys the scammer and leads to them hanging up. Shearer's best tip for unsuspecting victims of scam artists is her own: always ask questions. "If you have Spectrum for anything ... have them [the scammers] give you the Spectrum phone num-

ber," she said. "If you don't, ask them that over and over again to 'Give me the amounts and I'll call you back,' or something like that."

For recommendations on how to avoid scam and robocalls, the Federal Communications Commission has tips listed at [fcc.gov/consumers/guides/stop-unwanted-robocalls-and-texts](https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/stop-unwanted-robocalls-and-texts). For folks that need to speak with a Spectrum representative, the company's legit customer service line is reachable at (855) 243-8892, Monday through Friday between 5 a.m. and 7 p.m. Pacific Standard Time. For 24/7 technical support, visit spectrum.net/support.

Starr joins American Academy of Arts and Sciences

Pomona College recently announced its President G. Gabrielle Starr was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences at a ceremony held in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on Saturday, September 10. Starr was originally part of the 2020 cohort that included 276 total members such as singer Joan Baez, former United States Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr., and author Ann Patchett. Due to the pandemic, ceremonies for the 2020 and 2021 cohorts were delayed until recently. During the induction ceremony, new members sign their names into the academy's book of members. Memberships currently span over 300 Nobel laureates, 100-plus Pulitzer Prize winners and "many of

the world's most celebrated artists and performers" read a news release from Pomona College. To view names in the book, visit amacad.org/members/book. Starr becomes the third Pomona College president to join the academy. Former President Emeritus David Oxtoby, who served from 2003 until 2017, was inducted in 2012, then named its president in 2018. David Alexander, who served from 1969 to 1991, was inducted in 2006.

The academy was founded in 1780 by John Adams, John Hancock, and other scholarly patriots. Its mission is to convene leaders from "every field of human endeavor to examine new ideas, address is-

issues of importance to the nation and the world, and work together to cultivate every art and science which may tend to advance the interest, honor, dignity, and happiness of a free, independent, and virtuous people," according to its website. To learn more about the academy, visit amacad.org/about-academy.

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High school sports roundup

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Claremont High

Boys water polo

After last week's bye, the boys returned to action after press time Thursday, September 22 with a 5:30 p.m. home game against Burroughs in the Wolfpack Varsity Tournament, followed by a 7:30 p.m. match Friday against Temple City. On Saturday, September 24, tournament action continues with games against two TBA opponents. Game times are also TBA.

Next Tuesday, September 27, the Wolfpack will travel to Glendora to open up Palomares League play at 4 p.m.

Girls volleyball

Last Thursday, September 15, the Wolfpack hosted Bonita and lost 3-0 in Palomares League play. On Tuesday, September 20, the team traveled to Ayala and lost, 3-1. Thursday's home match against Alta Loma took place after press time.

The Pack will host Glendora next Tuesday, September 27, and then travel

to Colony Thursday, September 29, with first serves set for 4:30 p.m.

Football

On Friday, September 16, Claremont picked up a 24-7 victory at Alta Loma in nonleague play. Senior running back Caden Campuzano carried the ball 24 times, rushing for a total of 112 yards with one touchdown. Full stats from Friday's game are available at maxpreps.com/ca/claremont/claremont-wolfpack/football/schedule.

The result boosts Claremont's record to 2-1 ahead of Friday's nonleague home game against Bonita. The following Friday, September 30, the team will close out the month with a nonleague home game against South Hills. Both kickoffs are set for 7 p.m.

Boys and girls cross-country

Key results from the Woodbridge Cross Country classic on Thursday, September 15: in the boys three-mile red junior race, Claremont came in first place out of 19 schools with a score of 50. CHS junior Aidan Kiley placed third overall with a 16:39.1 finish while junior Ethan Gillin-Wheeler was not too far behind, finishing sixth with a time of 16:50.3.

In the boys three-mile red freshman race, the team placed second overall with a score of 135, just 11 points behind Portola Irvine. CHS freshman Lyle Mideiros finished highest for the Wolfpack, placing seventh with a final time of 16:57.6.

The girls team did not place in any of their races but during the three-mile girls red sophomore race, Isabelle Shie placed third with a time of 19:43.4. To view results from other races, visit athletic.net/crosscountry/meet/206390.

On Saturday, September 24, the teams will head north for the 2022 Nike Portland Cross-Country Invite at Blue Lake Regional Park near Portland, Oregon. Races are set to begin at 9 a.m. Live results can be viewed at: athletic.net/crosscountry/meet/206753/info.

On Saturday, October 1, the teams will compete in the Temecula Twilight Invitational at Galway Downs in Temecula. Races are set to begin at 5:30 p.m. Meeting details and runners' times will be posted at ca.milesplit.com/meets/486692-temecula-twilight-2022/info#.Yyumfy1h24I.

Girls golf

On Wednesday, September 21, the team hosted Los Osos at Marshall Canyon in La Verne and won, 227-258. Thursday's away match against Glendora, which kicked off Palomares League, was played after press time.

Next Thursday, September 29, the team will host Ayala at Marshall Canyon to continue Palomares League play. Tee-off is set for 2:30 p.m.

Girls tennis

Last Thursday, September 15, the Wolfpack hosted Walnut in nonleague play and sunk the Mustangs, 13-5.

On Tuesday, September 20, the Pack traveled to Glendora to open up Palomares League play and brought home a 12-6 victory. The team's final nonleague match at home against Redlands, originally set for Wednesday, September 21, was rescheduled to next Wednesday, September 28. The Pack's Thursday, September 22, home league matchup against Colony was played after press time.

Next week, the team is at home against Bonita on Tuesday, September 27 in league play. Then on Thursday,

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Webb Schools senior linebacker Jacob Arias tackles Silver Valley sophomore wide receiver Camari Hunt during the first quarter. Gaults junior corner Jordan McCray can be seen in the background. COURIER photo/Andrew Alonzo

September 29, the Pack will travel to Ayala in Chino Hills. Matches are set for 3:15 p.m.

The Webb Schools

Boys water polo

Last Thursday, September 15, the Gaults lost 11-10 at home to Sierra Vista in Mountain View League action. Then on Saturday, September 17, the Gaults stumbled at home again, this time losing 12-5 to El Rancho in a nonleague match.

The team bounced back on Tuesday, September 20 with a big 17-2 league win at Workman. The Gaults continued league play on Thursday, September 22 with an away trip to Nogales that was played after press time.

The team is back in action next Tuesday, September 27 with a 3:30 p.m. away league game with Edgewood.

Girls volleyball

On Saturday, September 17, Webb hosted a San Joaquin League double-header against Avalon, which the teams split. The girls won the first game, 3-1, but dropped the second, also 3-1. On Tuesday, September 20, the team hosted Woodcrest Christian and lost 3-2 in nonleague play. Thursday, September

22's San Joaquin League matchup at Fairmont Prep was played after press time.

On Saturday, September 24, the team will participate in the Chadwick Tournament in Palos Verdes at Pascoe Pavilion Gym against TBD opposition. The team's first game begins at 8:30 a.m. Next Tuesday, September 27, the Gaults will continue league action when they host Capistrano Valley Christian at 6 p.m. On Thursday, September 29, the team hosts Tarbut V'Torah in a 5 p.m. league game.

Football

On Saturday, September 17, Webb fell at home, 38-7, against the Trojans of Silver Valley in the second week of Manzanita League action. Webb School senior wide receiver Bryan Oglesby scored the Gaults' only touchdown late in the fourth quarter. The team has an even 1-1 record in league play.

On Saturday, September 24, the team will travel to Winchester to face Temecula Prep in Manzanita League play. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m.

Next Friday, September 30, the team's home league match against Sherman Indian is in doubt as the Riverside team recently canceled its

season. The Gaults are currently looking for a substitute opponent.

Girls golf

On Thursday, September 15, Webb played host to West Covina in non-league play at Marshall Canyon, coming away with a 249-325 victory. Then on Tuesday, September 20, the team hosted Marshall Fundamental Secondary School and notched another win, 242-325. The team's Thursday, September 22, match against Mayfield was canceled.

Next Tuesday, September 27, the team opens San Joaquin League play with a trip to Samueli Academy in Santa Ana. On Saturday, October 1, the team will face Rowland at Marshall Canyon, with tee-off set for 3:15 p.m.

Girls tennis

On Thursday, September 15, the Gaults kicked off San Joaquin League play with a 12-6 home victory against Tarbut V'Torah. Then on Tuesday, September 20, the team picked up a 16-2 victory at home against Capistrano Valley Christian. The team's Thursday, September 22, home league matchup against Fairmont Prep was played after press time.

Next Tuesday, September 27, the

team will host Pacifica Christian (Newport Beach) for a 3:30 p.m. league game. Then on Thursday, September 29, Webb travels to Western Christian for a 3:30 p.m. league matchup.

Boys and girls cross-country

Key results from the Woodbridge Cross Country classic on Thursday, September 15: out of 23 schools in the boys three-mile varsity A race, the Gaults finished fifth overall with a score of 178. Webb senior Etienne Griffon placed 12th out of 170 competitors in the heat, finishing with a time of 15:54.8.

In the girls three-mile varsity A race, Webb finished 21st out of 22 with a score of 582. Webb freshman Nicole Samson placed 38th out of 164, finishing with a time of 19:52.6.

To view results from other races or athlete's times, visit athletic.net/cross-country/meet/206390.

The team had a bye the week of September 18 and will return to action Saturday, October 1 at the Bellarmine/Sacred Heart Invitational at Griffith Park in Los Angeles. Race info and times will be posted at athletic.net/crosscountry/meet/207373/info.

Residential reminders: city replants trees, motel nuisance ordinance, Halloween Spooktacular

Reforestation program

Claremont Community Services Department began planning this week for its 2023 reforestation program. Sites where trees had been removed within the past year were automatically included in the program.

Residents interested in having a new tree planted are asked to call community services at (909) 399-5431. Staff will evaluate the proposed site to ensure it is viable.

Sites must be evaluated and preapproved by an arborist before new trees can be planted. Trees are normally planted between November 2022 and April 2023 to take advantage of cooler weather.

Residents requesting a new street tree may choose a species designated for the street it will be planted. A list

can be found at ci.claremont.ca.us/home/showpublisheddocument/17865/637-818986-016900000.

To request a new street tree, email your species request and address to trees@ci.claremont.ca.us. Also include a first and second species choice to expedite the process.

For further details, contact community services at (909) 399-5431 or via email to cdillman@ci.claremont.ca.us.

Motel nuisance ordinance meeting

Earlier this year, Claremont City Council held a priorities setting workshop and created a slate of objectives between 2022 to 2024.

Staff used the list to develop the city's two-year operating budget, which was approved by the council in June. One of the approved items was to eval-

uate nuisance activity occurring in and around local motels to abate the activity.

One approach was the consideration of a nuisance motel ordinance. City staff are gathering feedback from stakeholders in preparation for a 7 p.m. presentation to the planning commission during its next scheduled meeting on Tuesday, October 4.

Members of the public can attend the meeting in-person, virtually, or by phone by dialing (213) 338-8477. Instructions to attend virtually can be found at ci.claremont.ca.us/Home/Components/Calendar/Event/5955/20. Meetings are held at the council chamber, 225 W. Second St., Claremont.

Halloween Spooktacular

Mark the calendar for Saturday, Oc-

tober 29 as Claremont's Halloween Spooktacular family event returns to Lewis Park, 881 Syracuse Dr., Claremont, between 2 and 5 p.m.

The free event celebrates Halloween early with carnival style games, costume contests, spooky story narrators and more. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase.

From 2 to 5 p.m., families and children can enjoy live entertainment, games, vendors and food. At 4 p.m., a dog costume contest will commence. Thirty minutes later, the children's costume contest will be held. At dusk, a showing of Sony Pictures Animation "Hotel Transylvania" (2012) will begin.

For more event details, call the human services department at (909) 399-5490 or email specialevents@ci.claremont.ca.us.

Nancy Weingartner

A celebration of life for Nancy Weingartner, who died June 21 at age 94, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, October 15 in Claremont United Church of Christ's Kingman Chapel, 233 Harrison Ave., Claremont, CA 91711. A reception will follow.

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Janet Elaine Hodges

Grandmother, passionate music teacher, was 80 year Claremont resident

Janet Elaine Hodges was born October 20, 1939 in Pomona to Ronald and Mildred (Markham) Flora. Her parents and their forebears were farmers in Nebraska and before that Indiana. Janet lived in Claremont for 80 of her 82 years.

She was a talented musician. Playing and teaching piano became her joy at a very young age as well as serving as the organist for First Baptist Church of Claremont at the tender age of 16. She was still playing the organ there until just a few months ago.

Her faith was a large part of her life as was First Baptist. The church was founded in an old orange grove in 1949, and she and her parents were charter members.

She and her family lived across the street from the Hodges family while she was growing up. Paul Hodges also attended First Baptist and was a charter member. She and Paul started dating in the late 1950s and would often visit Hodges Claremont Bakery (now Some Crust) after closing for a treat.

The couple married in June 1959 at Webb Chapel on the Webb School campus in Claremont. At the time she was using her administrative skills working at Sunkist, a local citrus co-op. Some years later they had two daughters, Heather in 1963, and Heidi in 1964.

Their church started a preschool and she started working there when her daughters were old enough to attend.

After the founder's retirement she became the director of Claremont First Baptist Nursery School and carried on the founder's vision during her 53-year tenure. There were many alums who brought their children back to attend the school when they got old enough. She retired just four years ago but continued to teach piano lessons until a few months before her death.

She was passionate about seeing young musicians flourish and would search for music that inspired them. One of her students went on to work on Broadway and many others have continued to use their musical skills in their daily lives.

Her famous chocolate chip cookies won a first-place award at the L.A. County Fair. She always baked hundreds of them for her piano recitals and Claremont's Fourth of July parade.

She and her husband were both Claremont High School alumni. When their daughters were at Claremont High, they became very involved with the band and color guard boosters, sewing flags and making a new banner for the letter carriers. She also sewed innumerable beautiful outfits for her



Hawaii, Florida, and the Caribbean.

Another of her joys were her cats and dogs. The couple took in more than 20 strays over the years, including two litters of kittens.

"Her selflessness and generosity will long be remembered by all who love her," her family shared. "She has taken care of Paul through numerous surgeries and hospitalizations, and she took care of Heidi through her four bouts of cancer. During her most recent bout in late 2021 and early 2022 Janet found the energy to drive Heidi back and forth to long days of treatment at City of Hope and pushed her wheelchair throughout the huge facility. We didn't know at the time that she was already starting to feel the effects of her own cancer."

She died September 13 at the age of 82 after a short and hard fought battle with advanced metastatic cancer.

A celebration of life and a reception will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, September 25 at First Baptist Church of Claremont, 472 N. Mountain Ave., Claremont CA, 91711.

For those who would like to honor Janet, three of her favorite charities were The Jesus Film Project at jesusfilm.org/give; Save the Children at savethechildren.org; and the Inland Valley Humane Society at ivhsspc.org.

daughters (sometimes matching!) and Halloween costumes when her grandchildren came along.

She loved her family dearly, her husband Paul, daughter Heather and son-in-law Don Clark, daughter Heidi Hodges, granddaughter Ashley (Clark) Pecor, grandson-in-law Joe Pecor, grandson Zachary Clark and his girlfriend Sophie Matthews, and many cousins. After receiving an inheritance from her grandmother, she used the money to take her family on numerous "once in a lifetime" trips to Alaska,

Henry Fuhrmann

Esteemed, influential journalist, teacher, mentor

Claremont resident Henry Fuhrmann, a retired Los Angeles Times editor with a national reputation as a wordsmith who advocated for fairness and accurate representation of race and gender in language, died September 14. He was 65.

Fuhrmann was born in Japan and raised in Ventura County. He earned his bachelor's degree in journalism from Cal State L.A. and a master's in journalism from Columbia University.

He was hired by the Times in 1991 as a copy editor and was promoted to a number of positions over the years, eventually becoming assistant managing editor for copy desks and standards in 2009. One of Fuhrmann's most no-

table achievements was persuading the editors of the Associated Press Stylebook, a reference guide followed by journalists and other professional communicators and students around the world, to drop the hyphen in phrases describing a person's ethnic heritage such as "Mexican American" or "Italian American." The hyphen is unnecessary, Fuhrmann reasoned.

"These are full Americans — not some strange hybrid Americans," he said at a 2018 editing conference in Chicago.

Fuhrmann also long advocated against using the term "internment" camps in referring to the detainment and forced relocation of Japanese

Americans during World War II. He said prison camps or incarceration camps were more accurate terms.

He also rewrote the Times' guidelines for how to refer to transgender individuals, doing away with the sorely outdated "transvestite" and allowing the use of "they" and "them" pronouns

when that is an individual's preference.

Fuhrmann left The Times in 2015 and was hired as an adjunct journalism instructor at USC. Last year he became editorial director of Bendable, an online learning platform through the Drucker Institute, an independent organization within Claremont Graduate University.

For decades and until his death, he stayed involved with ACES: The Society for Editing, and the Asian American Journalists Assn., mentoring many students and aspiring journalists.

He and his wife, Lindi Dreibelbis, who wed in 2016, moved from La Canada Flintridge to Claremont a few years ago. He delighted in exploring his new hometown, especially the Village. He could be seen on occasion walking



his cat, Eddie, near their home on a leash or in a cat stroller.

Fuhrmann is survived by Dreibelbis; two daughters, Elena Fuhrmann and Angela Fuhrmann Knowles; stepchildren Kelly Arthur and Grant Arthur; and three siblings, Irene; David and his wife, Kim; and Glen and his wife, Maria.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be sent to the Richard S. Holden Diversity Fellowship (<https://aceseditors.org/awards/richard-s-holden-editors-fellowship>) or the AAJA/LA <https://aaja-la.org/>.

This obituary was written by L.A. Times digital morning copy desk manager Ruthanne Salido, and appears courtesy of the Times. Photo/courtesy of the Fuhrmann family.

Rosemary Henderson

A memorial service for Rosemary Henderson will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, October 1 at Claremont United Church of Christ, 233 Harrison Ave., Claremont 91711. Please dress informally for comfort in warm weather and observe COVID protocols. Memorial gifts may be made c/o of CUCC to the Rosemary Henderson Memorial Fund at claremontucc.breezechms.com/give/online, or by check to CUCC with "Rosemary Henderson Memorial Fund" in the memo line. Gifts will be divided equally between the annual hunger walk and the Claremont UCC Capital Initiative.

Library's Fourth Saturdays poetry event this week

Claremont Helen Renwick Library's Fourth Saturdays poetry series meets in person at 2 p.m. on Saturday, September 24 at the library, 208 N. Harvard Ave.

This month's featured poets are Elline Lipkin and Jose Hernandez Diaz.

Lipkin is a research scholar with UCLA's Center for the Study of

Women. She served as poet laureate of Altadena and has had poems published in a variety of contemporary journals. Her first book, "The Errant Thread," was selected by Eavan Boland for the Kore Press Book Award. Her second, "Girls' Studies," explores girlhood in the United States.

Jose Hernandez Diaz is the author of

"The Fire Eater" and "Bad Mexican, Bad American," and has had work featured in The American Poetry Review, Cincinnati Review, Huizache, Iowa Review, Poetry, The Southern Review, The Yale Review, and in The Best American Nonrequired Reading. He also teaches creative writing for various organizations including Beyond

Baroque, Litro Magazine, The Writer's Center in Washington D.C., Hugo House, and Roots/Wounds/Words.

Fourth Saturdays follows Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Covid guidelines and is supported by Friends of the Claremont Library and grants. For more information, call (909) 621-4902.

Ath hosts talk on November ballot measures

On Wednesday, September 28, Claremont McKenna College's Marian Miner Cook Athenaeum speaker series continues with an evening dinner program discussing California's 2022 ballot measures. The free 6:45 p.m. talk is open to the public and will be held at the Athenaeum, 385 E. Eighth St., Claremont.

The program, led by CMC professor of government and director of the Rose Institute, Ken Miller, and CMC 2006 alumnus and founder of Heidorn Consulting, Nicolas Heidorn, will provide insight on "consequential choices" posed to voters this November 8, the event's description read.

"This fall Californians will vote on seven ballot measures covering a broad range of subjects including a measure to change the California

Constitution to expressly include existing rights to reproductive freedom, two measures on sports betting, and a measure to increase the income tax on high earners," read CMC's description.

Rose Institute students will also present the "Video Voter," a series of informational videos about the upcoming measures.

This Athenaeum event is co-sponsored by the Rose Institute of State and Local Government. For information, visit cmc.edu/athenaeum/californias-choices-2022-ballot-measures or call (909) 621-8244.

To learn more about the ballot measures citizens will vote on this November, visit sos.ca.gov/elections/ballot-measures/qualified-ballot-measures.

A day to remember

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got to the hole and looked down, with the flag still in the cup, I saw my ball at the bottom. I just shot a hole-in-one!

All I could do was start screaming. The other golfers probably thought I just broke my leg. But there I was holding up the ball like a little kid during Christmas. And it certainly felt like a holiday!

As we walked off the green to the next hole, I looked up and there was a Claremont COURIER sign stuck in the grass. We sponsored that hole. At that point, I swear I heard angels singing, or music ... or something.

The odds of getting a hole-in-one for

a non-professional golfer are 12,500 to one. For me, that's more like 120,500 to one. No one had shot a hole-in-one during the tournament in the last six years. The prize was quite generous too. Golf balls are not inexpensive, and good ones cost \$50 a dozen. The fine print said I'd won 12 dozen balls. That's \$600.

Even though I will not use 144 golf balls next year, we have already decided to reward our subscribers with a chance to win a COURIER Hole-in-One Champion golf ball(s). Now that's something to celebrate.

Below: The tournament trophy. COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Chapter 16.315 of the Municipal Code of the City of Claremont, Sections 65853 through 65857 of the California Government Code, and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing to review and make a recommendation to the City Council regarding an amendment to the Claremont Zoning Code (Title 16 to the Claremont Municipal Code) that, if adopted, will: (1) repeal Section 16.051.060 titled Hotels/Motels; (2) replace Section 16.051.060 with a new Chapter 16.101, also titled Hotels/Motels; and (3) add new sections to Chapter 16.900 (Definitions) pertaining to hotels and motels (collectively referred to as the "Hotel/Motel Ordinance").

The proposed Hotel/Motel Ordinance would apply to hotels and motels (including extended stay hotels) Citywide. There currently are five motels and hotels located in Claremont: Claremont Lodge (736 South Indian Hill Boulevard), Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Claremont (555 West Foothill Boulevard), Hotel Casa 425 & Lounge (425 West First Street), Knight's Inn Claremont (721 South Indian Hill Boulevard), and Motel 6 (840 South Indian Hill Boulevard).

The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chamber, 225 Second Street and via Zoom. All persons either favoring or opposing this proposal are invited to present their views at this hearing. It is requested that any written response and all supporting documents be submitted to the City Hall office or via email to kwand@ci.claremont.ca.us by 3:00 p.m. on October 4, 2022. If you challenge the action taken on this proposal in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk's Office by the end of the public hearing. Instructions on how to provide verbal public comment will be detailed on the Agenda, which will be posted on the City Website five days prior to the meeting.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that it can be seen with certainty that the proposed Hotel/Motel Ordinance has no possibility of having a significant effect on the environment. In the absence of any pending application for any hotel or motel that might implicate the proposed ordinance, any specific environmental effects would be speculative. Therefore, the adoption of the proposed Hotel/Motel Ordinance is not a project subject to the CEQA pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations.

Copies of the existing and proposed Hotel/Motel Ordinance are or will be on file with the City Manager's Office and can be emailed to interested parties to review. For more information on the proposal, please contact **Assistant to the City Manager Katie Wand at (909) 399-5454, or via email at kwand@ci.claremont.ca.us**, or send written comments to P.O. Box 880, Claremont, CA 91711-0880.

Finally, in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, any person with a disability who requires a modification or accommodation in order to participate in a City meeting should contact the City Clerk at 909/399-5461 "VOICE" or 1-800/735-2929 "TT/TTY" at least three working days prior to the meeting, if possible.

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Benton Museum partners with Wardell Milan

The Benton Museum of Art at Pomona College recently announced a partnership with artist Wardell Milan and will display some of his most recent work starting October 8. The special exhibit will conclude April 2, 2023.

Over the academic year, Milan's work will be shown in two ways: five billboards running through a section of the Pomona College campus, and four large works in the museum lobby.

The billboards "lead the viewer on a journey through the college" and are inspired by the work of French philosopher Jean-Luc Nancy, according to the exhibition's description. The four large works, viewable near the Benton's entrance lobby, "disassemble and re-



assemble the human form."

The New York-based artist is said to be "deeply engaged in materiality, process, and story-telling," the exhibit's description read. Through various mediums, Milan breaks down and re-assembles "narratives, assumptions, and selfhood" in his works.

The Benton is located at 120 W. Bonita Ave., Claremont, is free and open to the public Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 6 p.m. The museum is open until 10 p.m. Thursdays for Art After Hours.

For more information about the coming gallery, call (909) 621-8283 or visit pomona.edu/museum/exhibitions/2022/wardell-milan.

COURIER photo/Peter Weinberger

AbilityFirst celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

AbilityFirst, a Pasadena-based nonprofit helping individuals with developmental disabilities navigate life, is celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month by recognizing important contributions in advocacy, art, culture, food, science, and music made from iconic individuals from Latin America.

Between September 15 and October 15, AbilityFirst will highlight stories on its social media pages of the many Latin American and Hispanic individuals within AbilityFirst programs. To view its Facebook page, visit facebook.com/AbilityFirstLA.

In a letter from CEO Lori Gangemi, viewable at [abilityfirst.org/about-](http://abilityfirst.org/about-us/ceomessage)

[us/ceomessage](http://abilityfirst.org/about-us/ceomessage), she wrote, "AbilityFirst honors the many individuals who are attending our programs or are employed with AbilityFirst and who identify as Hispanic/Latinx. Our unique and diverse backgrounds is what make us stronger, and AbilityFirst workforce is comprised of individuals from many unique cultures and backgrounds. We

are committed to creating spaces for everyone so that they may bring their whole selves to work."

AbilityFirst Claremont is located at 480 N. Indian Hill Blvd., and is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. For information about its programs, call (909) 621-4727.

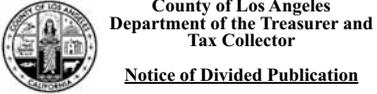
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County of Los Angeles Department of the Treasurer and Tax Collector Notice of Divided Publication Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Sections 3702, 3381, and 3382, the Los Angeles County Treasurer and Tax Collector is publishing in divided distribution, the Notice of Sale of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California, to various newspapers of general circulation published in the County. A portion of the list appears in each of such newspapers.

Notice of Online Public Auction of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell (Sale No. 2022B)

Whereas, on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles directed the County of Los Angeles Treasurer and Tax Collector (TTC) to sell at online public auction certain tax-defaulted properties.

The TTC does hereby give public notice, that unless said properties are redeemed, prior to the close of business on the last business day prior to the first day of the online public auction, on Friday, October 21, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, the TTC will offer for sale and sell said properties on Saturday, October 22, 2022, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time, through Tuesday, October 25, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time, to the highest bidder, for not less than the minimum bid, at online public auction at www.bid4assets.com/losangeles.

The minimum bid for each parcel is the total amount necessary to redeem, plus costs, as required by R&TC Section 3698.5.

If a property does not sell during the online public auction, the right of redemption will revive and remain until Friday, November 18, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

The TTC will re-offer any properties that did not sell or were not redeemed prior to Friday, November 18, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, for sale at online public auction at www.bid4assets.com/losangeles beginning Saturday, November 19, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. Pacific Time, through Tuesday, November 22, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

Prospective bidders should obtain detailed information of this sale from the TTC at ttc.lacounty.gov. Bidders are required to pre-register at www.bid4assets.com/losangeles and submit a refundable \$5,000 deposit in the form of wire transfer, electronic check, cashier's check or bank-issued money order at the time of registration. Registration will begin on Friday, September 16, 2022, at 8:00 a.m. Pacific Time and end on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

Pursuant to R&TC Section 3692.3, the TTC sells all property "as is" and the County and its employees are not liable for any known or unknown conditions of the property, including, but not limited to, errors in the records of the Office of the Assessor (Assessor) pertaining to improvement of the property.

If the TTC sells a property, parties of interest, as defined by R&TC Section 4675, have a right to file a claim with the County for any proceeds from the sale, which are in excess of the liens and costs required to be paid from the proceeds. If there are any excess proceeds after the application of the minimum bid, the TTC will send notice to all parties of interest, pursuant to law.

Please direct requests for information concerning redemption of tax-defaulted property to the Treasurer and Tax Collector, at 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California 90012. You may also call (213) 974-2045, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, visit our website at ttc.lacounty.gov or email us at auction@ttc.lacounty.gov.

The Assessor's Identification Number (AIN) in this publication refers to the Assessor's Map Book, the Map Page, and the individual Parcel Number on the Map Page. If a change in the AIN occurred, the publication will show both prior and current AINs. An explanation of the parcel numbering system and the referenced maps are available at the Office of the Assessor located at 500 West Temple Street, Room 225, Los Angeles, California 90012, or at assessor.lacounty.gov.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on August 30, 2022.

Elizabeth Buenostro Ginsberg Chief Deputy Treasurer and Tax Collector County of Los Angeles State of California

The real property that is subject to this notice is situated in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and is described as follows:

PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE OF SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THE POWER OF SALE (SALE NO. 2022B) 3755 AIN 8666-059-008 KURWA, NARGIS LOCATION COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES \$2,884.00 3756 AIN 8669-025-051 AHAIWE, VICTOR LOCATION COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES \$6,337.00 3759 AIN 8671-041-048 COURTYARDS AT CLAREMONT LLC LOCATION COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES \$5,764.00 3766 AIN 8675-018-017 MOORE, MICHAEL LOCATION COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES \$4,397.00 CN990111 515 Sep 23,30, Oct 7, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022188257

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) RARE BREED APOTHECARY 2.) RARE BREED HEALER 3.) RARE BREED 885 S College Avenue, Claremont, 91711, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Natasha Moskow, 885 S College Avenue, Claremont, 91711. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 09/2020. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Natasha Moskow Title: Owner This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/24/22. NOTICE- In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022184134

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) FIXATE 2.) FIXATE LAB 3.) FIXATE MOVEMENT LAB 4.) FIXATE MOVEMENT 5.) FIXATE MOVEMENT LABS 2.) FIXATE LAB 1050 North College Ave, Claremont, 91711, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): KELLIE DE BARTOLO-BECKMAN, 1050 North College Ave, Claremont, 91711. 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/ KELLIE DE BARTOLO-BECKMAN Title: Owner This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/19/22. NOTICE- In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). PUBLISH: September 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022182109

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) FORTRESS CLEANING SERVICES 2.) FORTRESS CLEAN 280 S. Lemon Ave 43, Walnut, CA 91788, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Sonya Gonzalez, 280 S. Lemon Ave 43, Walnut, CA 91788. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 04/2017. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Sonya Gonzalez Title: Owner This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/16/22. 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: September 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022181836

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) SANAMLUANG THAI CUISINE 2.) A J & JINN INC 710 South Indian Hill Blvd, Claremont, 91711, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): A J & JINN INC, 710 South Indian Hill Blvd, Claremont, 91711. This business is conducted by a Corporation CA# 3897721. 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/ Aurapin Watson. Title: President This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/16/22. 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: September 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2022

NOTICE OF \$15,000 REWARD OFFERED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has established a \$15,000 reward offered in exchange for information leading to the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the heinous robbery of a couple who were violently attacked by two suspects while unloading groceries into their vehicle, with one suspect pis-tol-whipping the male victim to steal his Rolex watch, just outside the 99 Ranch Market on Nogales Avenue in Rowland Heights on July 9, 2022, at approximately noon. Si no entiende esta noticia o necesita mas informacion, favor de llamar al (213) 974-1579. Any person having any information related to this crime is requested to call the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Walnut Station at (909) 595-2264 or the Crime Stoppers Hotline at (800) 222-8477 and refer to Report No. 22-04877-29. The terms of the reward provide that: The information given that leads to the determination of the identity, the apprehension and conviction of any person or persons must be given no later than October 9, 2022. All reward claims must be in writing and shall be received no later than December 8, 2022. The total County payment of any and all rewards shall in no event exceed \$15,000 and no claim shall be paid prior to conviction unless the Board of Supervisors makes a finding of impossibility of conviction due to the death or incapacity of the person or persons responsible for the crime or crimes. The County reward may be apportioned between various persons and/or paid for the conviction of various persons and the circumstances fairly dictate. Any claims for the reward funds should be filed no later than December 8, 2022, with the Executive Office of the Board of Supervisors, 500 West Temple Street, Room 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Los Angeles, California 90012, Attention: 99 Ranch Market Robbery Reward Fund. For further information, please call (213) 974-1579. CELIA ZAVALA EXECUTIVE OF-

FICER BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CN988172 03923 Aug 12,19,26, Sep 2,9,16,23,30, Oct 7,14, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022181615

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) DIG SPIKE LEARN 774 Elmhurst Circle, Claremont, 91711, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Kurt Christian Vlasich, 774 Elmhurst Circle, Claremont, 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/ Kurt Christian Vlasich Title: Owner This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/16/22. 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: September 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022190086

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) MERRILL CONSTRUCTION 2.) TJ MEC CONSTRUCTION 5247 N. Leaf, Azusa, CA 91702, Los Angeles County. Mailing Address: 449 W Foothill Blvd #291, Glendora, CA 91741. Registrant(s): George Merrill, 5247 N. Leaf, Azusa, CA 91702. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 08/2022. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ George Merrill Title: Owner This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 08/26/22. NOTICE- In Accordance with subdivision (a) of section 17920, a Fictitious Name Statement generally expires at the end of five (5) years from the date on which it was filed in the office of the County Clerk, except, as provided in subdivision (b) of section 17920, where it expires 40 days after any change in the facts set forth in the statement pursuant to section 17913 other than a change in the residence address of a registered owner. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before the expiration. Effective January 1, 2014, the Fictitious Business Name Statement must be accompanied by the Affidavit Of Identity Form. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). PUBLISH: September 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022199400

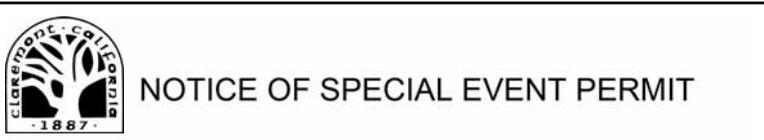
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) MCPRIINT DIRECT 1538 Arrow Hwy La Verne CA 91750, Los Angeles County. Registrant(s): Hodgman Enterprises, 1538 Arrow Hwy La Verne CA 91750. This business is conducted by a Corporation CA# 1929840. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 09/22. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ John Hodgman. Title: President This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/09/22. 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: September 16, 23, 30 and October 7, 2022

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME File No. 2022197193

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 1.) MISS CLAREMONT 415 W. Foothill Blvd Suite 211, Claremont CA 91711, Los Angeles County. Mailing Address: 841 Catania Pl Claremont CA 91711. Registrant(s): Rosemary Boone, 841 Catania Pl Claremont CA 91711. This business is conducted by an Individual. Registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed above in 09/22. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. /s/ Rosemary Boone. Title: Owner This statement was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 09/07/22. 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: September 16, 23, 30 and October 7, 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: 775 S. Mills Ave, Claremont Ca, 91711 October 12, 2022 12:15 PM. Patricia Bennett- clothes, toys, paperwork, household items; Vanessa Quinones- chairs, boxes, dining room table, lamp, small TV stand; Mireca Porumbita- bags, clothes; Tawanna Higgins- totes; Maurice Kling-couch, fridge, boxes. The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storageauction.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. CN990359 10-12-2022 Sep 23,30, 2022



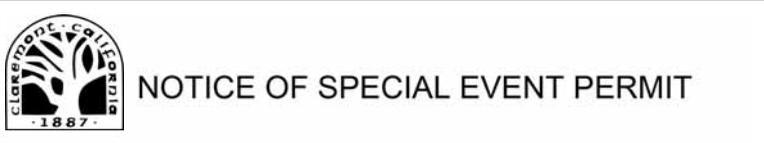
Claremont Educational Foundation Chocolate Walk (File # 22-SEP12) Date: Saturday, December 3, 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Municipal Code of the City of Claremont, Monica Olesniewicz, representing Claremont Education Foundation, has petitioned for a Special Event Permit for Claremont Educational Foundation's Chocolate Walk.

The Chocolate Walk is scheduled for Saturday, December 3, 2022, from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The event will include tasting sites and amplified sound at participating businesses throughout the Claremont Village with a check-in location at Shelton Park.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Community Development Director has determined that this permit is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15304(e) of the CEQA Guidelines in that it involves minor temporary use of land having negligible or no permanent effects on the environment as the proposed special events are of short duration and will not create long-term impacts to the City of Claremont. Therefore, no further environmental review is necessary.

The public review period will conclude on Monday, October 3, 2022. Any interested person is directed to contact Human Services Director, Melissa Vollaro, Human Services Department, 1700 Danbury Road, Claremont, CA 91711, at (909) 399-5493, mvollaro@ci.claremont.ca.us for further information. PUBLISH: September 23, 2022



Claremont Village Marketing Group Wine Walk (File # 22-SEP11) Date: Saturday, November 19, 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Municipal Code of the City of Claremont, Kathryn Dunn, representing Claremont Village Marketing Group, has petitioned for a Special Event Permit for Claremont Village Marketing Group's Wine Walk.

The Wine Walk is scheduled for Saturday, November 19, 2022, from 3:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The event will include tasting sites and amplified sound at participating businesses throughout the Claremont Village with check-in locations at Shelton Park and the Claremont Depot.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Community Development Director has determined that this permit is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15304(e) of the CEQA Guidelines in that it involves minor temporary use of land having negligible or no permanent effects on the environment as the proposed special events are of short duration and will not create long-term impacts to the City of Claremont. Therefore, no further environmental review is necessary.

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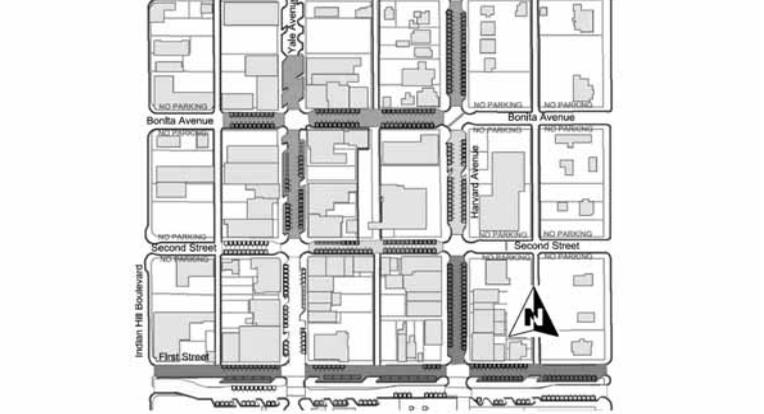
Claremont Chamber of Commerce Village Venture (File # 22-SEP10) Dates: Saturday, October 22, 2022

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Municipal Code of the City of Claremont, Randall Lopez, representing the Claremont Chamber of Commerce, has petitioned for a Special Event Permit for Claremont Chamber of Commerce's Village Venture.

Village Venture is scheduled for Saturday, October 22, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with street closures from 5:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. The event will require the temporary closure of streets within the Claremont Village area as indicated on the associated map.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Community Development Director has determined that this permit is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15304(e) of the CEQA Guidelines in that it involves minor temporary use of land having negligible or no permanent effects on the environment as the proposed special events are of short duration and will not create long-term impacts to the City of Claremont. Therefore, no further environmental review is necessary.

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Property located at All American Mini Storage, 711 S Mills Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711, Los Angeles County. To be auctioned by American Auctioneers, 1800 838-7653, California bond number BLA6401723. The units below contain household goods and furnishings, appliances, electronics, tools and Unknown goods. The landlord reserves the right to bid at the sale. Purchases must be made with Cash only. Purchases must be paid at the time of the sale. All purchased goods are sold as is and must be removed the day of the sale. Sale is subject to prior cancellation in the event of a settlement between the Landlord and obligated party. 3-21 Cabral, V; 3-370 Gonzales, K; 3-365 Jacobs Vazquez, R; 3-374 Marquez, B; 3-69 Rocha, M; 3-248 Ruan, Z. Publish dates: 9-23-2022, 9-30-2022

T.S. No.: 2022-01216 APN: 8307-025-025 Property Address: 792 LANDER CIR CLAREMONT, California 91711
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/4/2016. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be

greater on the day of sale. Trustor: **GILDA M GAY-TAN, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, AND DENISE M LORENZO, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, AS JOINT TENANTS** Duly Appointed Trustee: **Nestor Trustee Services, LLC** Deed of Trust Recorded 11/9/2016 as Instrument No. 20161401482 in Book — Page — of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California Date of Sale: 11/17/2022 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: **Vineyard Ballroom Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650** Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: **\$419,085.71** Street Address or other common designation of real property: **792 LANDER CIR CLAREMONT, California 91711 A.P.N.: 8307-025-025** The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are

the highest bidder at the auction, you 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 (800) 793-6107 or (888) 902-3989 or visit these internet websites www.auction.com or www.nestor-trustee.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2022-01216. 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 TENANTS:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee

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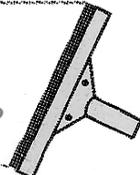
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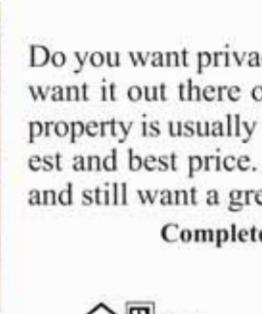
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