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Holly Park Hosts Third Annual 'Movie in the Park' Event



The Holly Park Homeowners Association hosted the third annual Movie in the park event where community members gathered to watch Madagascar 3 and enjoy music, face painting and jumpers. Seen here are members of the Hawthorne High school band under the direction of Band letter Anthony Hughes. In the center, Katrina Manning, founder of the "Movie in the Park" and association president. Photo by Shon Smith.

City Council Hears from Public on Dog Death

By Nancy Peters

After the cancellation of the regularly scheduled July 9 City Council meeting, Hawthorne's elected officials held a special meeting on July 16 but with minimum notice to the public. The regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday evening was therefore the first opportunity for the public to face the Council and express their dismay about or support for the Hawthorne Police Department. The incident involving the death of the dog owned by a resident who was being detained by police on a public street resulted in the animal charging the cops allegedly to protect its owner and police reacting by shooting the pet.

Several who spoke, and incidentally not all Hawthorne residents, called for the officer to be fired for his "negligence," while others voiced support of the Hawthorne Police. Some who came to the podium stated that the animal, if not trained properly, could have caused harm to anyone he seemingly would attack--as that is what the breed instinctively can do in extreme circumstances.

Mayor Danny Juarez read a statement indicating the City's sympathy for the family while also showing ultimate support for the Hawthorne Police Department. The dog owner and family members were in the Council Chambers with many supporters. Although nothing on the agenda had anything to do with the incident, many approached the podium to voice their opinions.

As a discussion item, Councilmember Olivia Valentine presented a suggestion to reduce individual time for oral communications from five minutes to three minutes and to enforce the presentation ordinance of 10 minutes. Valentine did not receive support on the reduction of individual speaking time by the public, although the City Attorney was directed to prepare a report and a draft of a resolution incorporating Council comments so that the topic can be on the next agenda and the public can give their opinions prior to a vote by the Council.

Additionally, Valentine suggested that oral comments be moved to the end of the

meeting and each item on the agenda be presented allowing the public to comment at that time. Councilmember reports would also be limited to 10 minutes for each person.

The City business handled in the consent agenda involved the approval of a resolution to establish 65 additional unrestricted parking spots on Jack Northrop Avenue. The only restriction will be for street sweeping on designated days from 2 a.m. to 4 a.m. when any vehicle can be cited for a parking violation. The street is adjacent to the SpaceX plant near Crenshaw Boulevard and 120th Street and the allowance of parking on this previously restricted street accommodates a request of SpaceX, although added parking is open to the public.

Another item that received approval from the Council after a presentation by Public Works Director Arnie Shadbehr confirmed support for the League of California Cities to work with the Governor and State Legislature to provide adequate funding to cities forced by mandated permit requirements to expend millions of dollars to install systems to assist in reducing pollutants entering the watershed and to divert stormwater from the sewers that lead to the ocean. Apparently the ultimate goal of the State Water Quality Board is to make the water to the ocean as clean as the potable water that people can drink and use. With 1,137 catch basins in Hawthorne, Shadbehr explained that all will need retrofitting with special screens and filters and have special trees planted to target pollutants. Infiltration chambers to trap and clean underground water will be required for compliance or heavy fines could be levied against Hawthorne if it is determined to be the cause of polluted stormwater into the watershed. Shadbehr will work with the Regional Water Quality Board to search for financial assistance with grants and other funds to relieve the City of the exorbitant cost of the mandatory projects.

The tabled item for opposition to the Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA) expansion efforts at Los Angeles International Airport was opened for discussion and following a

cursory review of a presentation made earlier in the evening by a LAWA representative, the resolution received three no votes from Juarez, Mayor Pro Tem Angie Reyes-English and Councilmember Alex Vargas, with Valentine and Councilmember Nilo Michelin voting yes to oppose the expansion. The matter will not reenter the Council's consideration at this time.

A resolution will be drafted to establish a Senior Citizens Commission to give a "voice" to those residents with an interest in senior citizen matters. This commission would come under the guidance of the Recreation and Parks Department.

An action item received approval to install four-way stop signs at the intersection of 141st Street and Ramona Avenue as requested by a petition of residents in the adjacent area and the Ramona Homeowners' Association.

Amid concerns expressed by Vargas, Valentine, and Michelin about the lack of an update to the 2013-14 budget (which has not been approved although current fiscal year expenditures are still required to be handled), Juarez reminded everyone that a budget workshop will be held on Tuesday, August 6, at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Juarez urged his colleagues to review the budget notebook presented to each of them and be prepared to ask viable questions at the workshop--not waiting until that evening to familiarize themselves with budget matters.

The Holly Park Homeowners' Association presented a petition for replacement of equipment at Holly Park. Costs for the requested picnic tables, barbecues and benches will be determined for the 10 tables and replacement of all benches.

A "Women in Business" event will be held on Wednesday, August 7 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., at the Flight Museum, sponsored by South Bay Ford and the museum, for business owners and other interested women. It is organized by the Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce.

The next Hawthorne City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 13 at 6 p.m. •

Weekend Forecast

Friday

AM Clouds/
PM Sun
73°/65°



Saturday

AM Clouds/
PM Sun
72°/63°



Sunday

AM Clouds/
PM Sun
69°/61°



Calendar

ONGOING

- Recovery International Meetings, Fridays at 10 a.m., South Bay Mental Health Center, 2311 El Segundo Blvd. For more information call (310) 512-8112.

HAWTHORNE

SATURDAY, JULY 27

- Summer Reading Program: Lizard Wizard, 2-3 p.m., 12700 Grevillea Ave. For more information call (310) 679-8193.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 13

- City Council Meeting Council, 6- 10 p.m., City Council Chambers, 4455 W 126th St. For more information call (310) 349-2915.

INGLEWOOD

Quarterly Meeting of the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Project Community Leadership Council (CLC) on Thursday, July 25th from 6-8pm at the First Church of God...Center of Hope located at 9550 Crenshaw Bl. For more information call (310) 308-2136.

SATURDAY, JULY 27

- Library Program: "Super Size Me" and Healthy Eating Discussion, 12 p.m., Lecture Hall, Library, 101 W. Manchester Blvd. For

more information call (310) 412-5380.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

- Movies In The Park, gates open at 6:30 p.m./movie at 8 p.m., Rogers Park, 400 W. Beach Ave. For more information call (310) 412-8880.

ONGOING

- Free Summer Food Service for Youth (18 and under), Jun. 21-Aug. 30, Mon-Fri. For more information call (310) 412-8750.

LAWDALE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

- Free Bicycle Safety Class (18 yrs+), 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Community Center Annex. Advance registration required: la-bike.org/bicyclingontheroad.

ONGOING

- Lawndale Farmers Market, every Wednesday, 2-7 p.m., 147th St. in front of the Lawndale Library. For more information call (310) 679-3306.

- Commodities Free Food Program, every Wednesday at 10 a.m., Community Center, 14700 Burin Ave. For more information call (310) 973-3270. •

Classifieds

The deadline for Classified Ad submission and payment is Noon on Tuesday to appear in Thursday's paper. Advertisements must be submitted in writing by mail, fax or email. You may pay by cash, check, or credit card (Visa or M/C over the phone).

Errors: Please check your advertisements immediately. Any corrections and/or changes in an ad must be requested prior to the following Tuesday deadline in order to receive a credit. A credit will be issued for only the first time the error appears. Multiple runs will only be credited for the first time the error appears. No credit will be issued for an amount greater than the cost of the advertisement.

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Display Ad Sales Position. We need an experienced Display Ad Salesperson for Herald Publications. Territories include Torrance, El Segundo and Hawthorne. Full or part-time positions are available. 20% commission on all sales. If interested please email your resume to management@heraldpublications.com. No phone calls please.

FOR SALE

Thule Roadway 2 - Hitch bike Carrier, never used, \$200. Call (714) 771-2993.

GARAGE SALE

St. Anthony Church Rummage Sale. O'Grady Hall, 220 Sierra St. ES. Sat., 7/27 & Sun., 7/28, from 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. Collectibles, jewelry, electronic, antiques, etc.

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To appear in next week's paper, submit your Classified Ad by Noon on Tuesday.

Hawthorne Happenings

News for the City of Good Neighbors

Filing Period Continues

The four week long filing period to pull papers to run for public office in the City of Hawthorne continues through August 9. The deadline to return papers is 5 p.m. on that day. You must be 18 years of age, a resident of Hawthorne and be a registered voter in Hawthorne to qualify to run for an open office. There are two councilmember seats, the mayor's position, the city clerk and city treasurer's positions all up for grabs this coming November. If you intend to run, don't wait till the last few days. It takes a little time to collect 30 signatures and fill out all the required paper work. Besides our voting rights, running for office is one of the greatest privileges we have as citizens in our democracy. A large number of candidates will show that there are a lot of people who care about their city.

A "GOOD" Good Neighbors Day

The weather was great, the musical talent was super, the cars in the car show were amazing, and all in attendance had a wonderful time at the 3rd Annual Good Neighbors Day took place last Saturday at the civic center. The theme of "good old fashioned main street fun fair" was present with the watermelon eating contest and bingo games being played. Most of all, the event brought the community together. Many people saw old friends and made new ones. The Hawthorne Museum was a popular place last Saturday to trigger memories of days gone by and familiar sites of when we were a little bit younger.

We would like to thank the volunteers from the Hawthorne Historical Society who worked so hard to make the event successful. They would include: Tom Quintana, Rosalinda Martinez, Renee O'Neill, John Baker, Bob and Karen Fraser, Lee Lenard, Dick and Alice Huhn, Don McIntire, Al and Betty Richards, Thierry Lubenec, Jose Gutierrez, David Barger, Bill Schultz, Doug Wingo, Frances Stiglich, and Ron Yates. Thanks



also goes to Olivia Valentine and Mayor Juarez for their generous support of the event. Every day can be a good neighbors day if we simply reach out to respect each other as we work and play in Hawthorne.

City's Website Back Up and Running

At the special City Council meeting of July 16, the city council approved the expenditure for a firewall to protect the city's website from any future crashes like the one experienced recently. With the restoration of the site, we were able to post the agenda and have a council meeting. Hopefully, with the new protections, this will not happen again.

Cool Drinks With the Clerk

With the warmer, humid weather that we have been having, I have decided to switch from "coffee with the clerk" to cold drinks with the clerk prior to the city council meetings. No, not the adult beverage type of "cold ones", just water, sodas or lemonade. We will still have a sweet cookie or two to appease your craving for sugar. Come on in to the city hall a little bit earlier to cool off before the council meeting.

Nice Guys Sometimes Do Finish First

As I wrote several weeks ago, Phil Mickleson is my favorite golfer. In addition to being a great golfer, he seems to have a personality that is humble and respectful of the game of golf. If you follow sports, you saw that he came from five strokes behind on Sunday to win the British Open, the oldest of the major golf tournaments.

In life, sometimes the person who works hard, humbly accepts set backs and keeps on trying eventually experiences that thrill of victory. I think the young people of today can learn many "lifetime" lessons by participating in youth sports from coaches, parents and role models that teach them respect and perseverance. It's not always that nice guys win, but we know that by being nice, we all can be winners. •

People

Congratulations

Nicole Rommero, of Inglewood, graduated from Drake University with a Juris Doctor in Law at the conclusion of the spring 2013 semester. •

PUBLIC NOTICES

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013138578

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as S1 HELMETS, 13210 ESTRELLA AVE UNIT A, GARDENA, CA 90248. Registered Owner(s): Concrete Distribution, Inc. 13210 Estrella Ave Unit A, Gardena, CA 90248. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: June 01, 2013. Signed: Concrete Distribution, Inc, President. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on July 03, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on July 03, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to July 03, 2018. 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 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). Lawndale Tribune: July 11, 18, 25, 2013 and August 01, 2013. HL-949.

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013131919

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as A1 CLEAN CARE, 21111 DOLORES ST SPC 80, CARSON, CA 90745. Registered Owner(s): Roberta K. Jones Ortiz, 21111 Dolores St Spc 80, Carson, CA 90745. This business is being conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed N/A. Signed: Roberta K. Jones Ortiz, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on June 24, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on June 24, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to June 24, 2018. 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 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). Lawndale Tribune: July 04, 11, 18, 25, 2013. HL-948.

2013133317 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

Current File #20081277899 The following person has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: BEVERLY DELIVERY SERVICE, 404 N. OAK STREET, INGLEWOOD, CA 90302. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County of Los Angeles ON JULY 17, 2008. Registrants: BILTON ARTS, INC., 404 N. OAK STREET, INGLEWOOD, CA 90302. This business was conducted by a CORPORATION. Signed: KEVIN F. BRADY, ASST. SECRETARY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on July 3, 2013.

INGLEWOOD NEWS: July 25, 2013 and August 01, 08, 15, 2013. HI-950

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (Sec. 6104,6105 U.C.C.) and B & P 24073 et seq.)

Escrow No. 1060-TS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to creditors of the within named Seller that a bulk sale is about to be made of the assets described below. The name(s) and business address(es) of the seller(s) are: ADVANCED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, INC AND CALIFORNIA PETROLEUM EXCHANGE LLC, 8600 AVIATION BLVD, INGLEWOOD, CA 90301 The location in California of the Chief Executive Office of the seller is: 30423 CANNWOOD ST #234, AGOURA HILLS, CA 91301 As listed by the Seller, all other business names and addresses used by the seller within three years before date such list was sent or delivered to the buyer are: NONE The name(s) and business address(es) of the buyer(s) are: EL MONTE GREEN PETROLEUM, 6100N.CAMDENDR, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210 The assets to be sold are described in general as: ALL STOCK IN TRADE, FIXTURES, EQUIP-

MENT, AND GOODWILL of a certain MARKET GAS STATION business known as AVIATION 76 and which are located at: 8600 AVIATION BLVD, INGLEWOOD, CA 90301 The anticipated sale date of the bulk sale is AUGUST 12, 2013 at the office of: SHAMROCK ESCROW SERVICES INC, 2700 E. FOOTHILL BLVD, STE 301, PASADENA, CA 91107 and upon transfer of the Liquor License number 514308. This bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2 and B & P 24073, if so subject the name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: SHAMROCK ESCROW SERVICES INC, 2700 E. FOOTHILL BLVD, STE 301, PASADENA, CA 91107 and the last day for filing claims by any creditor shall be AUGUST 9, 2013, which is the business day before the anticipated sale date specified above. Dated: JULY 14, 2013 EL MONTE GREEN PETROLEUM, Buyer(s) LA1323423 INGLEWOOD NEWS 725/13 Inglewood News Pub. 7/25/13

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a public hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Hawthorne in the City Council Chambers of the City Hall, 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne, California, at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 6, 2013 to consider the following:

Workshop for Proposed Annual Budget including Projected Revenue and Requested Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

Any person may appear at the public hearing on August 6, 2013, and offer written or oral information, or may prior to the hearing, direct written communications to the Hawthorne City Clerk Department, 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne, CA 90250. Citizens may view the proposed document beginning June 10, 2013 at the City Clerk's Department, 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne, California, or purchase a copy of the propose document from the Finance Department. Hawthorne Press Pub. 7/25, 8/1/13

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This world is but a canvas to our imagination.

~ Henry David Thoreau

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Sports

Joe's Sports

Fired Up Lakers Pick Up Youth Basketball Wins

By Joe Snyder

In the age 12-14 division, the Lakers remained in first place in the Hawthorne Parks and Recreation Basketball League at 5-1 after rolling over the winless Air Force (0-6) 63-28 last Saturday at the Betty Ainsworth Gymnasium. The Lakers had little trouble with the Air Force in jumping out to a 28-12 halftime lead and led 48-22 after three quarters.

The Lakers had four players scoring in double figures, led by Brandon Lopez with a game-high 14 points. Eddie Kemp and Ryan Jateo each added 12 points and Andre Jones chipped in 10. Terrance Smith sparked the Air Force with 12 points. Geordin Smith and Yvan Sission contributed five and four points respectively.

In a tight contest, Fired Up moved into second place with a 38-34 win over Action. The contest was a seesaw battle, although Fired Up led most of the game and held a slim one-point margin at 15-14 at halftime. Fired Up continued to lead 26-23 after three quarters.

Richard Harris led Fired Up with 17 points. Rodrigo Saldana had 15 points and Martis Jones put in five, including a key basket that broke a 33-33 tie late in the game to give Fired Up the lead for good. Semise Taufa scored a game-high 18 points for Action. Raymond Meza tallied six points and Jordan Dennis totaled four. The Air Force fell to 0-6.

AGE 10-12 PISTONS TOP HARD WORK

The Pistons were able to work a little harder than Hard Work with a 26-22 win in the age 10-12 division of the Hawthorne Parks and Recreation Youth Basketball on Saturday. Leading 15-12 through three quarters, the Pistons were able to keep the lead in holding off Hard Work.

The Pistons' balanced scoring attack was



Nile Aldredge of the Harlem Stars shoots above Thunder defenders in Saturday's Hawthorne Youth Basketball Summer League game. Stars won 36-25. Photo by Joe Snyder

led by Seifyan Suliman with a game-high nine points. Bruce Tucker, Kamilie Aretaga and Kenneth Hill each added six points. Hard Work also had balanced scoring led by Emanuel Smith and Damien Reigs with four points apiece. Wayne Webb, Will Villanueva and Josh Alvaiez chipped in two points each.

STARS DOWN THUNDER

The Harlem Stars started fast to gun down the Thunder 36-25 in 10-12-year-old basketball play on Saturday. The Stars surged out to a 12-1 lead after the first quarter and



The Lakers' Eddie Kemp shoots a basket in Saturday's Hawthorne Parks and Recreation Division IV basketball action against the Air Force. Photo by Joe Snyder

continued to dominate most of the game. The Thunder managed to get as close as six points on several occasions before the Stars put the contest away.

Nile Aldredge led the Stars with a game-high 16 points. Kyrillos Armanyors contributed eight points and Theo Taylor had four. The Thunder was led by Eric Banuelos with 12 points. Daniel Gil put in seven points and Jordan Murray tallied four. The Stars are 5-1, while the Thunder fell to 2-4.

BULLDOGS ROLL OVER LAKERS

The Bulldogs dominated the Lakers 27-10 in Hawthorne Parks and Recreation Division II (age 9-10) play Saturday. The Mosely brothers proved dominant for the Bulldogs. Imari Mosely led all scorers with 14 points and Mahlik added 10. Cristobel Hernandez scored nine of the 10 Lakers' points.

SOUTH BAY SWIM TEAM GEARS FOR PIER TO PIER

The Hawthorne-based South Bay Swim Team enjoyed some success in past meets and is gearing for the popular International Surf Festival Hermosa Beach Pier to Manhattan Beach Pier Two-Mile Ocean Swim on August 4. The event is one of the most popular of the Surf Festival, which will be held for the 52nd time. There are events held in Hermosa, Manhattan, Redondo and Torrance Beaches. For those wishing to compete in the Pier to Pier Swim, you may log on at <http://www.surfestival.org/SwimIndex.htm>.

Other public events at the Surf Festival include a two-mile beach run in Hermosa Beach on August 3 and the Charles Saikley Beach Volleyball Tournament at Manhattan Beach Pier from July 30 to August 1. More information is available at <http://www.surfestival.org>.

A week later on August 11, the South Bay Swim Team plans to compete in the Naples Island Swims in Long Beach. Races for youth and adults include the one- and three-mile swims, as well as 200-, 500- and 1,000 meters. For those interested, log on at www.naplesislandswims.com.

PARK PROGRAMS

Six different Hawthorne parks will have various programs for youth, including team sports, recreational games and arts and crafts. Hawthorne parks include Eucalyptus, Holly Park, Holly Glen, Jim Thorpe, Memorial and Ramona.

The summer program began on July 2 and runs through August 24. Children ages seven and under must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact the Hawthorne Recreation and Parks Department at (310) 349-1640. •

Lakers Rebuilding to Rebuild

By Adam Serrao

It is now a time of uncertainty for the Los Angeles Lakers. For the past two years, fans across Los Angeles have been witnessing their professional basketball club that wears the purple and gold fall downhill. After getting swept out of the playoffs in Phil Jackson's last year, the Lakers proceeded to lose Andrew Bynum in a trade that brought in Dwight Howard. The move looked good at the time, but after another unsuccessful season and Howard's recent departure to Houston, the once proud franchise of 16 NBA championships now finds itself poised to start Pau Gasol at the center position. This is a player Lakers' management had been fervently trying to trade. Joining Gasol are the old and not fleet-of-foot Steve Nash and a presently handicapped Kobe Bryant. The future for this team looks bleak indeed. Though the Lakers' front office won't say it, the team is positioning itself for the 2014 season. With every contract but Nash's coming off of the books, that will be the year of free agency when the Lakers attempt to regain their royal status amongst the league's very best teams.

In the wake of losing Howard, the Lakers actually haven't done a bad job at all in the free agent market. Just days after Howard signed with Houston, L.A. signed Chris Kaman. Although not one of the most athletic big men in the league, Kaman will bring interior defense and rebounding and fits into coach Mike D'Antoni's offensive system as a big man who can shoot from the perimeter. Another player the Lakers pulled for the veteran's minimum was Nick Young. Formerly of the Wizards, Clippers and 76ers, Young brings athleticism and youth to a ballclub that formerly had none. With the same size and body type as Kobe Bryant, Young has the ability to light up the box score on certain nights, though he has never proven to be completely reliable. The Lakers also brought Jordan Farmar back into the mix and are flirting with the idea of re-signing Lamar Odom to bring some familiarity back to the bench. Though it is sad to see Metta World Peace go, the Lakers saved about \$14 million in luxury tax costs, further clearing the books and saving money for what stands to be one of the biggest off-seasons in recent history for the Lakers come 2014.

Though these moves can be graded on a scale of decent to good, there is no doubting the fact that they have been made simply to pass time. To think the Lakers will contend

this year for a title, let alone a top five seed in the Western Division, barring a miracle, would be next to preposterous. Among elite teams like the Oklahoma City Thunder, San Antonio Spurs, Los Angeles Clippers, Golden State Warriors and now Howard's Houston Rockets, the Lakers this season may be hard-pressed to make it into the playoffs at all. Should they fail to gain at least an eight seed, it would be just the sixth time in their 65-year history that the team has missed the playoffs. Unless Kobe recovers in an extraordinary amount of time and is ready for the preseason, Nash stays healthy and regains the form from his Phoenix Suns days, Gasol dominates inside and the team actually finds an identity for itself, the Lakers should be anticipating a subpar season, to say the least. So where's the silver lining?

The silver lining, for the Lakers, arises from the fact that the draft class of 2014 figures to be the deepest and most talented group in at least the last 10 years. Andrew Wiggins highlights the draft class, but unless the Lakers drastically fail next season and enter into the lottery, they won't be seeing him on their radar. Instead, they will have a group from the 2003 draft class to pursue. LeBron James and Carmelo Anthony are both obviously on the Lakers' radar, though James is a long shot to come to Los Angeles. Should they fail in their attempt to land either of those two free agents, there is still a crop that includes Dwyane Wade, Chris Bosh and possibly Paul George, John Wall, DeMarcus Cousins and Derrick Favors, depending on what their current teams do with their contracts.

While it is nice to imagine a team with Kobe, LeBron and Carmelo all wearing the purple and gold, the chances of it actually happening are slim to none. Carmelo might be the biggest hope for the Lakers in 2014, but if he falls through, one of the most successful franchises in all of basketball may be in for some major hurt in the near future. Could the Lakers possibly decide to tell Kobe to take his time getting back from injury and "tank" the upcoming 2013-14 season in order to get a better draft pick? It may actually not be the worst idea. Mitch Kupchak, the Buss family and the Lakers are too proud of a franchise to do that, though. While the front office has done a great job of finding talent to get the team past this season with one-year contracts, the books will be clean come 2014. It is still unclear as to what the Lakers will actually do to turn themselves into contenders once again, but it looks as if we will all have to wade through one more excruciating season in order to find out. •



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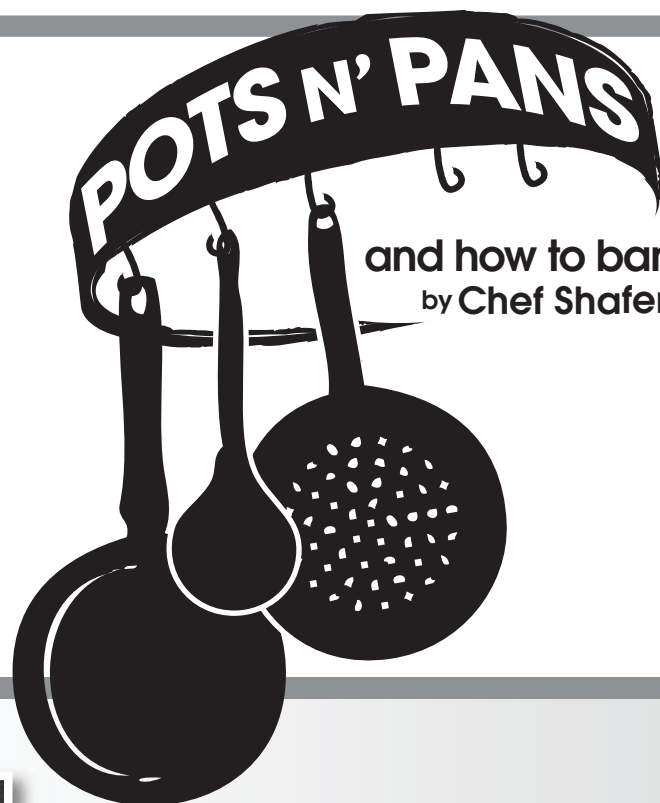
The best part is that I'm going to buy the chicken from

Costco and chill it down then pull all the meat of the

bones and chop it up for the salad.



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- 1 pound penne pasta blanched in water, then cooled down
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- 1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 cup chopped olives
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Live Well, Love Much, Laugh Often

McCormick & Schmick's Gets the Seasoning Right With Summer Seafood Menu

By Brian Simon

Despite a recent spell of atypically dreary weather for late July, summer in the South Bay still has plenty going for it. Perhaps no one realizes this more than the local McCormick & Schmick's, which recently unveiled its "Summer

vegetables atop very good mashed potatoes. Cara Cara oranges are a hybrid of two navel varieties noted for their slight sweetness and low acid content. They make a perfect base for a citrus relish to accompany the salmon.

A favorite dish of Herald CEO Heidi Maerker,

the "Chocolate & Decadent" category, this dessert is not overly sweet. Circles of strawberry sauce surround the mouse cake and provide a wonderful dipping complement for the chocolate.

The kitchen has taken presentation to the next level with all of these dishes. Executive chef Joe Gonzalez, sous-chef Stephen Rodriguez and the rest of the staff deserve kudos for their plating expertise and top-notch knife work. They make it look a lot simpler than it actually is, as it's no piece of cake to julienne vegetables using a mandoline.

McCormick & Schmick's has also unveiled a new lunch menu, with debuting items including Shrimp and Bay Scallop Fettucini, Crispy Fried Cod Sandwich and Chicken Portobello Sandwich. Those looking for a refreshing beverage can also order one of many excellent Summer Refreshers. The non-alcoholic options (each \$5.00) include Strawberry Lemonade (with homemade simple syrup), Sunset Punch (with strawberry, pineapple, apple, orange and grapefruit juices), and Blackberry Splash (with simple syrup and lemonade). Drinks with alcohol include the Mango Mojito, Perfect Patron Margarita and Prosecco Sangria.

not one, but two such events. Starting August 5, happy hours will run from 4 to 6:30 p.m. and then again from 9-10 p.m. on weekdays in the bar and lounge area. Menu choices run from \$2.99 to \$5.99 with a minimum beverage purchase of \$3.25 per person. Meanwhile,



Wild Alaska Duo

Seafood Limited Catch" menu to showcase several new items that represent the season to a tee with the emphasis on light, fresh, crisp and colorful—not to mention flavorful.

An ideal remedy for the heat and humidity, the Heirloom Tomato Gazpacho (\$6.99) is a particularly refreshing starter. A cold soup of Spanish origin, gazpacho in questionable hands can sometimes taste too much like a nondescript mild salsa. The McCormick and Schmick's version is tangy and vibrant. Topped with lemon crème fraiche and also featuring chopped onion and cucumber along with several shrimp croutons (similar in texture if not in sweetness to hushpuppies), this is one of the

the Alaska Halibut With Clams & Succotash (\$34.99) features a lovely piece of the prized white fish along with fresh clams. The kitchen's creamy rendition of succotash replaces the usual lima beans with Edamame (the Japanese name for soy beans) and also includes corn, onions and bell pepper. The flaky and moist halibut is perfectly pan-seared.

Both the salmon and halibut join forces on the Wild Alaska Duo (\$32.99), with the two grilled and plated side by side with yellow summer squash, watermelon relish and heirloom tomato salad and drizzled with balsamic vinaigrette. It's a great option for those who can't decide between one or the other.

The Seared Steelhead With Artichoke Ravioli (\$27.99) is another well-executed pairing. Though almost identical to salmon in color, taste and texture (since both fish eat the same krill-based diet and behave identically in the wild), steelhead is a kind of rainbow trout and not quite as rich as its counterpart. The fish is pan-seared and comes with sautéed squash ribbons and ravioli tossed in a lemon-thyme cream sauce.

With these entrees, diners have the option to add a three-course enhancement for \$10 by selecting a soup or salad (clam chowder, walnut mixed greens or Caesar salad with garlic croutons) and dessert (upside down apple pie, vanilla bean crème brulee or seasonal cheesecake). One additional dessert is available a la carte and should not be missed if you have anything left in the tank after your meal. The three-layer Bailey's Chocolate Mousse Cake (\$8.99) doesn't skimp on portion or flavor. The bottom is a dense and rich strand of chocolate cake, followed by individual layers of Irish cream-laced mousse and white chocolate mousse. Though aptly listed under



Alaska Halibut with Clams and Succotash

patrons who order any item from the Summer Seafood Menu also receive a Scratch and Win card, with prizes including free entrees and \$25 reward cards, among other possibilities. Every card is a winner.

Still going strong 15 years after opening on Rosecrans, McCormick & Schmick's remains a winner in its own right with a large and diverse menu that continues to evolve while never resting on its laurels. It helps to have the same general manager--Joe Garcia--since 2000. The man runs a tight ship and seamless operation--and also mixes a mean cocktail...

McCormick & Schmick's is located at 2101 Rosecrans Avenue across from the ArcLight Theatres. Diners can enjoy a meal in the main dining room, in a secluded booth, in the lively bar area, or on the outdoor patio. Two large rooms are also available for private dining with combined seating of up to 70 perfect for birthdays, business meetings or other events. For more information, call 310-416-1123. •



Baileys Chocolate Mousse Cake

A pioneer in the world of happy hour, McCormick & Schmick's has always featured



Wild Alaska Salmon with Cara Cara Orange

better and more unique gazpachos around.

It's an especially good year for heirloom tomatoes and McCormick & Schmick's is taking advantage of that fact by featuring them in two other starters. The Heirloom Tomato Carpaccio (\$6.99) features multi-colored "toybox" heirloom tomatoes sliced thinly with fresh basil and a balsamic reduction. The Summer Salad (\$6.99) places mini heirlooms with mixed greens tossed in an inspiring orange dill vinaigrette, with fresh watermelon and feta cheese to provide flavor and textural contrast.

The one warm dish in the "Fresh & Crisp" section of the new menu is the engaging Grilled Summer Flatbread (\$11.50) enlivened with basil pesto, Fontina cheese, prosciutto, arugula, marinated tomatoes and a sprinkling of Romano cheese for good measure. Thin and with the perfect degree of crunch, it's perfect for two to split.

On the entrée side, three notable fish play starring roles—including Copper River salmon, Alaskan halibut, and steelhead. Sockeye salmon make their annual spawning journey through the cold, turbulent 300-mile Copper River that flows through Alaska before emptying into Prince William Sound. To store up for the long trek, the fish must build up healthy reserves of fats and nutrients and the end result is one of the richest, moistest salmons you can order—but availability is limited, as most restaurants only serve it for a brief period during the summer. The Wild Alaskan Salmon With Cara Cara Orange (\$34.99) features a perfectly grilled, well-seasoned piece of fish with seasonal

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-09-313296-CL Order No. 204815 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 4/24/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check 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 duly appointed trustee. 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. **BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustee(s): LISA GOINS, A WIDOW Recorded: 5/12/2006 as Instrument No. 06 0950123 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California. Date of Sale: 8/1/2013 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$472,573.14 The purported property address is: 4612 W 167TH ST, LAWNDALE, CA 90260 Assessor's Parcel No.: 4081-016-021 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 1347789-37 APN: 4011-020-008 TRA: 04569 LOAN No: Xxxxx4282 REF: Young, Woodie IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED April 25, 2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On August 07, 2013, at 9:00am, Cal-western Reconveyance Llc, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded May 02, 2007, as Inst. No. 20071060696 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, executed by Woodie Young, A Married Man As His Sole and Separate Property, will sell at public auction to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the financial code and authorized to do business in this state: Behind the fountain located in civic center plaza, 400 civic Center Plaza Pomona, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: **Completely described in said deed of trust** The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 3332 West 81st Street Inglewood CA 90305 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the

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any, under the terms thereof and interest on such advances, plus fees, charges, expenses of the Trustee and trust created by said lien. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$11,053.70. Payment must be in cash, a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state bank or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings & loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. The real property described above is being sold subject to the right of redemption. The redemption period within which real property may be redeemed ends 90 days after the sale. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property, 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

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street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$645,646.82. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property, 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

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undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney, if you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. **THIS OFFICE IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.** Date: Quality Loan Service Corporation 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON Sale information only Sale Line: 714-730-2727 Or Login to: <http://www.qualityloan.com> Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318 Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No: CA-09-313296-CL IDSPub #0052379 7/11/2013 7/18/2013 7/25/2013 Lawndale Tribune Pub. 7/11, 7/18, 7/25/13

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undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$645,646.82. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property, 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

APN: 4078-017-035 TS No: CA09005525-11-1 TO No: 110403108-CA-BFN NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED August 21, 2009. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On August 22, 2013 at 09:00 AM, Vineyard Ballroom at Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, MTC FINANCIAL INC. dba TRUSTEE CORPS, as the duly Appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded on September 1, 2009 as Instrument No. 20091340216 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by CESAR GUTIERREZ AND ELIA GUTIERREZ, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Trustor(s), in favor of JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. as Beneficiary, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, that certain property situated in said County, California describing the land therein as: AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN SAID DEED OF TRUST The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 14921 GREVILLE AVE, LAWNDALE, CA 90260 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the Note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said Note(s), advances if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the

Trustee Sale No. 260794CALoan No. 1023096342, Title Order No. 1402128 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10/30/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 8/15/2013 at 9:00 AM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 11/13/2006, Book N/A, Page N/A, Instrument 20062497074, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: HERNANDEZ, JR, A SINGLE MAN AND VICTOR HERNANDEZ, A SINGLE MAN, AS JOINT TENANTS, as Trustor, ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. (MERS) ACTING SOLELY AS NOMINEE FOR LENDER, MEGA CAPITAL FUNDING, INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale 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 the Deed of Trust. 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, interest thereon, estimated 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. Place of Sale: BEHIND THE FOUNTAIN LOCATED IN CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, 400 CIVIC CENTER PLAZA, POMONA,

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A RESOLUTION OF THE HAWTHORNE CITY COUNCIL APPROVING SELF-CERTIFICATION OF CONFORMANCE WITH THE CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) AND ADOPTING THE CMP LOCAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65089

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the City of Hawthorne City Council on **Tuesday, August 13, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.** in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 4455 West 126th Street, Hawthorne, California, on the City's conformance with the Los Angeles County Congestion Management Program.

The Congestion Management Program (CMP) is a state-mandated

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APPEAL OF CONDITIONAL USE 2013CU02

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Hawthorne will hold a public hearing on the proposed Conditional Use Permit as follows:

Day: Tuesday
Date: August 13, 2013
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: City Council Chambers
4455 West 126th Street
Hawthorne, CA 90250

Project Title: Appeal of Conditional Use 2013CU02
Project Location: Rosecrans and Yukon
Project Description: 2013CU02— is a conditional use

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trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligations secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of this Notice of Trustee's Sale is estimated to be \$380,094.98 (Estimated), provided, however, prepayment premiums, accrued interest and advances will increase this figure prior to sale. Beneficiary's bid at said sale may include all or part of said amount. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept a cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the California Financial Code and authorized to do business in California, or other such funds as may be acceptable to the trustee. In the event tender other than cash is accepted, the Trustee may withhold the issuance of the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale until funds become available to the payee or endorsee as a matter of right. The property offered for sale excludes all funds held on account by the property receiver, if applicable. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Notice to Potential Bidders If you are considering bidding on this property, 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,

CA Legal Description: LOT 432 OF TRACT 6286, IN THE CITY OF LAWNDALE, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 74, PAGE 67 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$732,467.66 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 16519 - 16519 1/2 FREEMAN AVENUE LAWNDALE, CA 90260 APN Number: 4075-008-022 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any inaccuracy of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail, either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 7/19/2013 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee REGINA CANTRELL, ASSISTANT SECRETARY CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: www.lpsasp.com or 1-714-730-2727 www.priorityposting.com or 1-714-573-1965 www.auction.com or 1-800-280-2832 **NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property, 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

program designed to address regional transportation needs in a comprehensive manner by linking transportation, land use and air quality decisions. Failure to comply with the CMP will result in a withholding of the City's allocation of the state gas tax increase funds, enacted with the passage of Proposition 111 in 1990 (Streets and Highways Code, Section 2105 funds) and will render the City ineligible for state and federal transportation programming funds.

The City is required to adopt and submit a resolution to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority annually, which approves the completion of the mandated self-certification process as a local requirement for conformance with the CMP.

FURTHER NOTICE is hereby given that any interested person may appear at the meeting and submit oral or written comments relative to the

permit request to allow the construction of a drive thru facility at the northeast corner of Rosecrans Avenue and Yukon Avenue in the C-3 Mixed Use Overlay Zone.

PURSUANT TO the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, the applications are categorically exempt from the requirements for preparation of a Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report.

FURTHER NOTICE is hereby given that any interested person may appear at the meeting and submit oral or written comments relative to the conditional use permits or submit oral or written information relevant thereto to the Planning Department, 4455 West 126th Street, Hawthorne,

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 Auction.com at 800.280.2832 for information regarding the Trustee's Sale or visit the Internet Web site address www.auction.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case, CA09005525-11-1. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. Date: July 12, 2013 TRUSTEE CORPS TS No. CA09005525-11-1 17100 Gillette Ave, Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 Lupe Tabita, Authorized Signatory SALE INFORMATION CAN BE OBTAINED ON LINE AT www.auction.com FOR AUTOMATED SALES INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AUCTION.COM at 800.280.2832 TRUSTEE CORPS MAY BE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED MAY BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. P1050255 7/25, 8/1, 08/08/2013 Lawndale Tribune Pub. 7/25, 8/1, 8/8/13

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self-certification of conformance with local requirements of the Los Angeles County Congestion Management Program, or submit oral or written communication relevant thereto to the Planning Department, 4455 West 126th Street Hawthorne, California 90250 prior to the date of the hearing.

PLEASE NOTE that pursuant to Government Code Section 65009: In an action or proceeding to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul a finding, determination or decision of the City Council, the issues raised shall be limited to those raised at the public hearing in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at or prior to the public hearing.

Maria G. Majcherek
Associate Planner
Hawthorne Press Pub. 7/25/13

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California 90250 prior to the date of this hearing.

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Christopher Palmer, AICP
Planning & Community Development
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Politically Speaking

One Man's Opinion

By Gerry Chong

It was a warm summer day and I was half-napping and half-reflecting on a couple of news stories that I thought could provide an exciting and revolutionary opportunity. You may remember that the NSA has been bragging about the fact that its spying capacity is so great that it can store one billion stolen phone conversations each day. Moreover, it can spy limitlessly on foreign governments directly or indirectly. For example,

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we could spy on China directly or spy on Brazil's contacts with China. Either way, we can spy on China. Bravo for us! That's American knowhow for you. Is this a great country or what?

Now here's the opportunity. According to the July 12 Associated Press release, a multi-million dollar profit center has emerged from government spying. AT&T charges Uncle Sam a \$325 activation fee and a \$10 maintenance fee for each wire/phone tap. The always expensive alternative, Verizon charges the government \$775 for the first month's snooping and \$500 per month for each subsequent month's invasion of privacy. Facebook says its services to the NSA are free, while Microsoft, Google, and Yahoo won't disclose its fee structure.

AT&T employs 100 people to hand over private data, while Verizon says its 70 employees work 24/7 to field the quarter-million government requests it gets each year. For this, AT&T receives \$6 million per year while Verizon receives \$3-\$5 million per year. Sprint has been receiving eight million government requests for snooping each year and has therefore upgraded its equipment to assist the government's invasion

into our lives. Imagine that! Our government and communications companies have entered profit-driven agreements to expedite privacy invasions.

So here's my suggestion: Why don't the conspirators up the ante? Raise the wire taps and conversation invasions to the limit of the government's capacity--one billion calls per day--and charge accordingly. The communication companies' profits would explode, so they would not have to charge the rest of us for

using their systems. Voila! A win-win situation! The government will have access to everything about everyone, in exchange for which we will have free phone service.

You see, there is a precedent for this. Obama has given free phones and free minutes to the needy, so what I suggest is only an extension of his free phone service program. Clearly it is constitutional or the President would not have initiated it.

For those who are concerned about privacy, the Russians have led the way. They've gone retro and are using typewriters to defend against the insecurity of the Internet. Presumably, carrier pigeons will convey their written messages. Perhaps too, Native Americans can get into the private communications business with smoke signals for short range discourse. That would bring a whole new meaning to communications "in the cloud..."

Ahhh, well, maybe the afternoon sun has gotten to me. I'd better get into the shade and make some phone calls the government can tap. The NSA and AT&T folks need something to do. •

Another Man's Opinion

Bill Seeks to Ensure Funding for Domestic Violence Shelters

By Cristian Vasquez

When convicted of a crime, it is common that the guilty party pay a fine in which the total sum is split into different parts and used for a variety of reasons. Assemblyman Chris Holden's AB 139, which passed the Senate vote, seeks to ensure that money paid by the guilty party will go to a worthy cause--to fund domestic violence shelters. The bill would require that the penalties paid by abusers be strengthened to ensure that more funding is made available for such shelters. Having people who are guilty of violence against their domestic partners (i.e., wife or husband, girlfriend or boyfriend) pay a sum of money that will fund a local domestic violence shelter is an idea that is long overdue.

Unlike many fines that go to different departments and end up being split into several different portions for a variety of reasons, AB 139 allows more funds to go directly to local domestic violence shelters. The bill would require that anyone convicted of domestic violence must pay a \$500 fee after being granted probation. The \$500 is a fee--not a fine--and ensures that the money is used to directly help the victims of the crime. Unfortunately, the victims of domestic violence have a tendency to return to their abusers. Whether out of fear or due to a lack of resources, these victims are many times left with limited options and preyed upon by their abusers. By having a law to ensure that money is directly routed to these

shelters by such criminals, there would now be a more readily available network for these victims.

The bill was born after a 2012 State audit revealed that the distribution of payments used to support domestic violence shelters in various counties leave a significant portion of said payments uncollected. The bill will ensure this is no longer the case, hence ensuring that the funds get to their destination. It is already a challenge to convince victims of domestic violence to seek the support and resources available to get away from their abuser. The challenge is significantly magnified when the funds that are supposed to fund these resources fail to make it to their destination because of the wording of old laws.

While AB 139 still has to go back to the Assembly floor in August for language changes, having the Assembly and the Senate moving in the same direction on this topic is encouraging and long overdue. The victims of domestic violence, in their majority women and children, should not be made to wait or go without resources. Not all victims have family close to them to seek refuge from an abusive partner. Furthermore when children are involved, it becomes more difficult to find shelter. Ensuring that these shelters are funded and available to victims will help the latter take control of their lives and transition out of that violent relationship in a faster and more effective manner. •



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Metro Briefs


Metro Offers Free Bike Safety Workshops
All cyclists can benefit from a working knowledge of the rules of the road – which is why Metro is offering free traffic safety classes throughout Los Angeles County. These workshops are open to anyone who wants to learn or fine tune skills for riding in traffic. Class dates, locations and sign-up information is available at metro.net/bikes.

Crenshaw/LAX Rail Line Construction on Track
The 8.5-mile Metro Crenshaw/LAX light rail line took a big step forward with the award of a \$1.27 billion contract to Walsh/Shea Corridor Constructors for final design and construction of the project. The line will run between the Metro Expo Line and the Metro Green Line with eight new stations, including stations at Leimert Park and Hindry Avenue, and is scheduled to open in late 2019.

Free Service for Passengers in Wheelchairs
Metro offers a free service to help bus riders in wheelchairs board more easily and ride more safely. As part of ongoing efforts to serve riders with disabilities, Metro will help find and mark the best spot on each wheelchair for securement and in some cases attach a free safety strap. To find out more about this free service and make your appointment for a wheelchair strap marking, call 213.922.8800.

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Ramp Closures Coming Soon to the Sepulveda Pass
Continued construction on the I-405 requires two freeway ramp closures in August. Beginning in August, northbound off-ramps to Sunset Boulevard and Wilshire Boulevard are scheduled to close for several months. Find complete details and recommended detours at metro.net/405.



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