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Scholars Participate in Hands-On Writing, Reading Activities



Kids from Urban Scholar Athletes sit and read during one of their Saturday scholar academy meetings. During these sessions, kids are exposed to a variety of fiction/nonfiction texts and participate in writing and hands-on activities related to the text in an effort to get them to become engaged, strengthen their comprehension and writing skills while developing a love for reading. Photo by Cristian Vasquez.

Urban Scholar Athletes, City of Inglewood will Host Cleanup Day

By Cristian Vasquez

Founded by Imhotep and Alexis Coleman, Urban Scholar Athletes is a local nonprofit dedicated to transforming the lives of kids in urban areas. On Dec. 14, beginning at 10 a.m., the Colemans, Urban Scholar Athletes and members of the community will express that message directly when they spend the day cleaning Darby Park.

"Every Saturday we host a scholar academy, which is where we have kids from first to sixth grade come to Darby Park and go over math, science and reading enrichment," Imhotep Coleman said. "We will go on field trips and give them [students] a learning environment outside of the classroom setting."

The Dec. 14 event is a partnership with the City of Inglewood and its Inglewood Community Litter Elimination Action Network (I-CLEAN). I-CLEAN allows all members of the community such as nonprofits, businesses, schools, civic organizations and individuals to become part of this volunteer-based litter removal program created to help serve the City's community beautification and neighborhood preservation.

The City will provide volunteers with trash bags, the necessary tools, safety vests (which must be returned), gloves, trash pickers and trash bags at no charge. "They [volunteers] will receive a designated spot that they can then go clean. There is staff sent out to oversee everything--this is all about beautifying the City of Inglewood," Administrative Aide in

the Environmental Services Division for the City of Inglewood Joi Aldridge said. "They [persons interested] can come to City Hall on the third floor, or they can also call Public Works in the Environmental Services division if they have questions. People can also go on our website and find information about the I-CLEAN program."

"It is all about pride. We want the kids to have pride in themselves, pride in their school work and pride in their community so that they have a vested interest in the community."

For the City of Inglewood, I-CLEAN is considered a valuable asset that helps empower members of the community who often notice litter and other debris spread around on the ground and who can at times feel frustrated and powerless in their ability to maintain a clean environment. "We want to instill pride in our community and if you see something that needs to be done, then do it," Imhotep Coleman said. "It is all about pride. We want the kids to have pride in themselves, pride in their school work and pride in their community so that they have a vested interest in the community."

I-CLEAN's accessibility allows for anyone with the initiative and desire to clean their city to walk into City Hall and get things organized. The day of cleaning for the Colemans and Urban Scholar Athletes will include a check presentation from Southern California Edison, which has been a supporter of Urban Scholar Athletes for a while. "Part of what we do is to give back to the community," Imhotep Coleman said. "Every semester, we introduce a community service initiative. Last semester, we did a turkey giveaway and partnered with Westchester Rotary. This year, we decided to clean Darby Park.

Through the use of academics, athletics and community service initiatives, Urban Scholar Athletes aims at assisting students in becoming leaders who know how to take responsibility for their surrounding community. "That is something that needs to be addressed in our community," Imhotep Coleman said. "We need to give back and continue to give back. This will be a great activity and the kids are excited to do it."

Darby Park is located at 3500 Arbor Vitae in Inglewood. For more information on I-CLEAN, persons interested can visit: <http://www.cityofinglewood.org/civica/inc/displayblobpdf2.asp?BlobID=8583>. For more information on Urban Scholars and their Dec. 14 effort, persons interested can visit <http://www.urbanscholarathletes.org/>.

Weekend Forecast

Friday
Partly
Cloudy
68°/53°



Saturday
Sunny
69°/53°



Sunday
Partly
Cloudy
69°/54°



Hawthorne Happenings

News for the 'City of Good Neighbors'

From City Clerk Norb Huber

What am I thankful for?

At Thanksgiving, we pause for a moment to think of all the things God has blessed us with. Usually, we think of all the material blessings He has given to us. Yes, I am thankful for all of these monetary gifts that I see around me. These blessings make my life content. More than all these, I am thankful for the faith that God has given me. That faith gives me the assurance and peace I need to live this life. Even when things don't go the way I want them to, I have peace knowing that God is in charge. May you and your family have a "peaceful" Thanksgiving. Thank God for that peace.

Hawthorne's Top 10 "You Know it's Almost Christmas when..."

- #10. The local election is over and all political signs are down.
- #9. Home Depot has its Christmas tree lot taking up all the parking spaces.
- #8. There are NO parking places to be found at Costco.
- #7. The temperature in my house falls below 64 degrees in the morning and my furnace kicks on.
- #6. UPS and FedEx trucks are still delivering packages at 9 p.m.
- #5. My wife mentions that she is "going shopping" and disappears all Saturday afternoon.
- #4. KOST 103.5 has been playing Christmas music for a month already.
- #3. People start lining up outside of



Best Buy on Thanksgiving for a Black Friday special.

#2. Traffic on the southbound side of Hawthorne Blvd. is jammed with people traveling to the malls in Redondo Beach and Torrance.

#1. Santa arrives at every mall and anywhere businesses want the little kids to come and have their parents spend money on expensive gifts.

Santa Arrives in Hawthorne

The Hawthorne Historical Society will host a tree lighting and holiday celebration on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. This will be the time that Santa arrives in Hawthorne. Children of all ages are invited down to the Civic Center to enjoy the music, food and activities that evening. Mark your calendars.

Holiday Home Decorating Contest

The Hawthorne Recreation and Community Services Department announces their annual holiday home-decorating contest that has an entry deadline of Dec. 17. If you like to decorate your home's exterior for Christmas, then plan to enter the contest. Entry forms are available at the Memorial Center or at City Hall. There will be awards given to first, second and third place winners. Judging will take place on Dec. 19 from 6 to 9 p.m.

Comments or Questions

Please contact norbhuber@gmail.com or 310-292-6714.

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there is a sense of respect toward others.*

~ Dalai Lama

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Looking Up

Comet ISON: Target for Thanksgiving Roasting, Possible Views in December

By Bob Eklund

A comet that has caused a lot of excitement is racing toward a close encounter with the Sun on Thanksgiving Day. Comet ISON will pass about 700,000 miles above the Sun's surface before whipping around and heading back toward deep space—if it survives. If it does, the comet might be visible to the unaided eye before dawn for a few weeks after the encounter.

For a high-resolution illustration showing how to spot Comet ISON in early December, visit StarDate Magazine's Media Center: <http://stardate.org/mediacenter>. While you're there, you can also sign up to receive notices of upcoming sky-watching events.

An automated asteroid-hunting telescope, part of the International Scientific Optical Network (ISON) in Russia, discovered Comet C/2012 S1 (ISON) on Sept. 21, 2012. Some comet-watchers quickly suggested that it could become as bright as a full moon late this year. Continued observations, however, show that it's not brightening as much as those early optimistic projections indicated.

The comet will get brighter as it approaches the Sun, but more difficult to see through the Sun's glare. It will shine at its brightest as it passes the Sun, although it will be too close to the Sun at that time to view safely.

Like all comets, ISON is a big ball of frozen gases and water mixed with rocks and dust. This ball, the comet's nucleus, appears to be about three miles wide—large, as comets go. As ISON approaches the Sun, the heat vaporizes some of the comet's icy surface. That surrounds it with a cloud of gas and dust that can span a hundred thousand miles or more. The Sun's radiation pressure pushes some of this material outward, away from the Sun, to form a glowing tail.

As ISON moves far enough from the Sun for us to see it in morning twilight in early December, it should be a pretty sight. ISON will pass closest to Earth on Dec. 26, at a distance of about 40 million miles. (The

average Sun-Earth distance is roughly 93 million miles.)

ISON probably came from the Oort Cloud, a vast shell of icy bodies that extends out to a distance of approximately one light-year from the Sun—one-fourth of the distance to the nearest star, Alpha Centauri, which is 4 ¼ light-years away. The Oort Cloud bodies are leftover "building blocks" from the birth



Photo Credit: Photo by Damian Peach

of the solar system, so they contain the same mixture of materials that gave birth to Earth and the other planets. Astronomers believe this is probably ISON's first-ever trip to the Sun's vicinity.

After a remarkable flare-up in brightness on Nov. 14, comet ISON became barely visible to the naked eye as it passed Earth on its journey toward the Sun. But the comet's future is far from certain. NASA lists three possible options for what might happen: (1) the comet spontaneously breaks up sometime before Thanksgiving; (2) it is destroyed as it roasts in the Sun's heat on Thanksgiving Day; or (3) it makes it away from the Sun with a large tail of lost dust behind it. Spontaneous breakups are quite rare—they happen to less than one percent of comets—so one of the latter two options will likely come to pass over the next several weeks. Until then, expect more incredible photos of ISON to start surfacing—and keep looking up! •

Student Perspective

What I'll Soon Leave Behind

By Glen Abalayan, Torrance High School Student

In nine months, I'll experience a moment many graduates before me have experienced: having to look back behind their own families knowing that they may not see them again for a long time. Walking away from the ones that have loved me these eighteen years will be the hardest decision of my life. Although I know there is still plenty of time between now and then, I can't help but reflect on what I'll soon leave behind.

This realization hit me three months into my senior year, on Oct. 31 – Halloween. Ever since my family and I emigrated from the Philippines 11 years ago, we have always participated in the tradition. I fondly remember how proud I was seven years ago when I showed my parents a whole trash bag full of candy. Times have surely changed since then. Bags have now returned half-full, more houses leave their doors locked and I'm more reluctant to participate in our tradition. However, realizing that it would be my last time trick-or-treating with my family before college, it finally struck me – I'm growing up.

It's funny how badly I wanted to live on my own as a child, seeing how hard I now try to hold on to time's unstoppable advance. I remember just a few years ago how much I looked forward to celebrating my first Thanksgiving away from family. I used to romanticize my first days as an independent

man. But with each "first" I romanticized about, I noticed that I was experiencing a "last" of a more important entity.

It's true; you only really know what you have when it's gone.

The once loud sounds that would resonate around my home will soon be replaced by the lonely hum of my laptop. The once chaotic arguing between my sister and brother will not be heard thousands of miles away. The sight of my brother's and sister's faces every time I come home will be soon replaced by a mere picture sitting on a desk. The chicken adobo I grew tired of will soon be replaced by a pack of instant ramen.

In the last few weeks of 2013, I will celebrate my final Thanksgiving and Christmas as a child. After so many childish birthday parties, fishing trips, basketball games and road trips, I'm finally approaching my last days of my youth. Oh, how I wish it could last a little bit longer.

I guess this is really what growing up is all about – letting go. For 18 years, my parents have molded me into a man, ready to take on whatever life throws at him. But the act of letting go of the people and experiences that have shaped me, this child is still not ready to do.

For two more times this year, my entire family will be together. For two more times, all nine of us will be happy under the same roof. That's something to be thankful for. •



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Simplifying Holiday Baking

(BPT) - From cookies to cupcakes, the holidays just aren't complete without freshly baked treats to gift, serve and enjoy. But baking isn't always a piece of cake, whether you're an expert or novice baker. So this year, as you preheat your oven and prepare to whip up dozens of your favorite recipes, check out these five helpful tips to ensure your holiday cookies don't crumble.

Pre-freeze cookie dough. Freeze cut-out cookies for 10 minutes before baking. They'll keep their shape better during baking and also rise slightly higher.

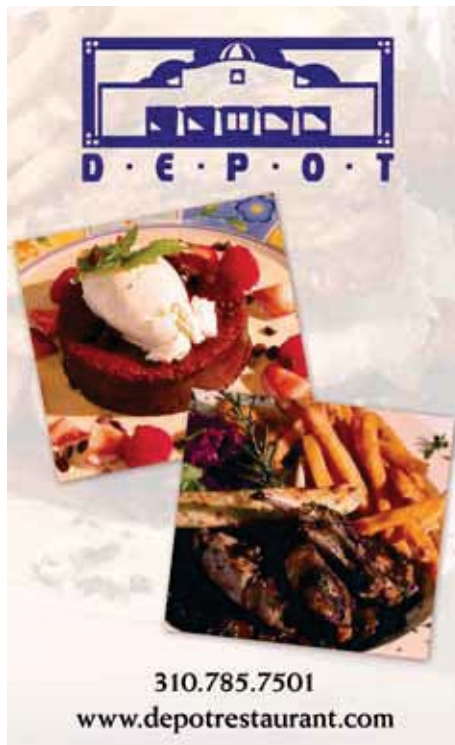
Use parchment paper. The versatility of parchment paper allows for fuss-free baking. It can be used to line baking sheets for evenly cooked treats and makes

cleanup a breeze.

Bake on the center rack. To allow for the most even heat circulation, bake your holiday cookies on the oven's center rack. Additionally, don't over-crowd the oven. This can cause uneven baking, resulting in underbaked or burnt cookies.

Use an airtight container. After baking, place your cookies in an airtight container before they are completely cooled. Doing so will prevent them from drying out and will keep them nice and chewy.

Stick with a simple recipe. If you're short on time or an inexperienced baker, stick with a simple recipe that you know will turn out great and is sure to please. Rolo Pretzel Delights are a fan favorite and can be made in less than 30 minutes.



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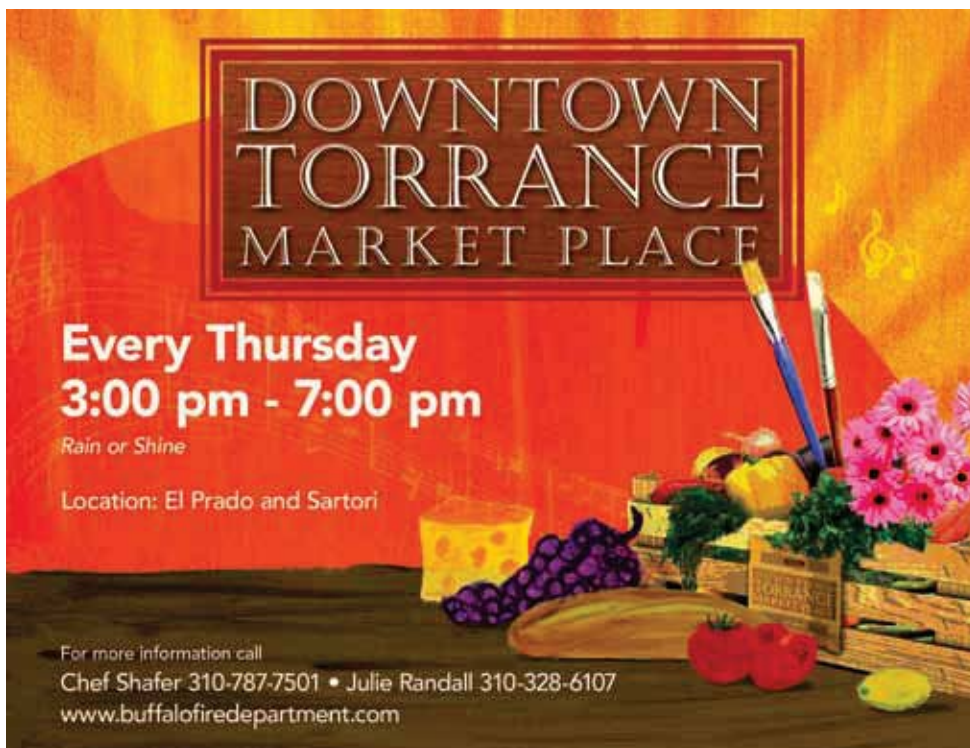
Directions:
Heat oven to 350 F; line cookie sheet with parchment paper or foil.
Place one pretzel for each pretzel treat desired on prepared sheet. Top each pretzel with one unwrapped Rolo Chewy Caramels in Milk Chocolate.
Bake three to five minutes or until caramel piece begins to soften, but not melt.
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The Tabernacle - Faithful Central Bible Church
321 North Eucalyptus Avenue
Inglewood, CA 90301

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El evento será en la siguiente fecha, hora y lugar:



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9am - 12 pm
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Inglewood, CA 90301

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- obreros
- carpinteros
- operadores de equipos pesados
- electricistas
- plomeros

Para pre-registrarse en línea, visite el sitio <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/hollywood-park-construction-job-prescreening-tickets-7893532769>

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PETSPETS Pets PETSPETS PETSPETS

Wowzer Schnauzer

If you're wondering how I got the name **Lefty**, just look at my left side. Pay particular attention to the markings on my left ear, my left hip and the left side of my head. I'm one-of-a-kind with spots that highly resemble a parti-colored Schnauzer but are most likely a result of my being a mixed breed. I'm a two-year-old Schnauzer mix who likes to play and makes friends easily with other dogs. I consider myself very lucky because I was rescued from an overcrowded, remote shelter on the day I was to be euthanized. I'm a little 14-pound cutie who would love to meet you. Please come visit me at our adoptions and see how unique I am.

My name is **Justin**, and I sure would like to get a break. I'm only three years old and

Miniature Schnauzer who gets along best with most small, nondominant dogs, there's no need to look any further. I'm your guy! Thanks to the folks at MSFR, I just had a dental appointment to remove some broken teeth, and I'm looking much better. My legs are a little long, but, since I only weigh 18 pounds, I look very streamlined. Stop by our adoptions and I know that you'll want to open your heart and give me a forever home.

Please, let me introduce myself. I'm **Kimmie**, a two-year-old female Miniature Schnauzer/Shih Tzu mix. I was rescued from an L.A. shelter where I first appeared on their "medical list." They thought I had some lameness in my front legs, but, after being rescued, a trip to the MSFR vet proved



Justin



Lefty

currently looking for my fourth home. I ended up at a shelter after my first home and I was adopted. A year later, I was taken to an L.A. County shelter again and was rescued by MSFR. A really nice family adopted me last July, but my owner had some unexpected health issues and could no longer care for me, so here I am, looking for a new home again. If you're looking for a black purebred

them wrong. The vet said it was probably a soft tissue injury because it seems to be fine now. I'm little, only 13 pounds, which is just the right size to be your constant companion. My friends say that I'm shy, but I'm really just a well-mannered, quiet little lady who is looking for someone to love. If you stop by our adoptions, I know you'll want to take me home.

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Biscotti



Kimmie

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Sports

Joe's Sports

After Winning First Pioneer Title, Lawndale Seeks More

By Joe Snyder

Last season, the boys' basketball team gave Lawndale High its first Pioneer League championship since before the school reopened in 1998 and restarted its athletic program four years later. This year, the Cardinals return just one starter in six-foot-nine junior center Chimeze Metu, but he was a very good player. In the 2012-13 season as a sophomore, Metu averaged 12 points per game and was named the league's co-Most Outstanding Player with North Torrance's Devonte Jenkins. The league's Most Valuable Player was Lawndale's Will Newman, now a freshman playing at University of Colorado at Pueblo, an NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) Division II college.

However, Cardinal head coach Chris Brownlee feels that Lawndale has the material to win the Pioneer and possibly a CIF-Southern Section Division IA crown. This year, the Cardinals were moved from Division IIAA (where they advanced to the quarterfinals before falling to eventual champion Riverside J.W. North 81-60) to IA. "A large majority of schools that were IIAA last year are in IA," Brownlee said.

Much of the optimism is because of receiving six-foot-nine junior transfer

Roger Jones, who played his last two seasons at Calabasas Viewpoint. "We're very excited to have him," Brownlee said. "He is ranked in the national top 25 for juniors. He is a real good player with great leaping ability."

Although the Cardinals return just one starter, they have six overall returning players including senior guards Devonte Patterson and Chris White. Also back are Orlando Lando and D'Lang Beckles.

With the height, Lawndale should be very good inside. The guards may be a little inexperienced. "We'll have to coach them," Brownlee said. "We have a big team with good chemistry. We'll have to work to get it. Our goal is to win league and go as far as we can in section."

Currently the Cardinals are playing in one of California's always highly regarded tournaments in the Redondo Pacific Shores Classic, where it opened against a very good Campbell Hall team from North Hollywood on Monday. Campbell Hall is one of many outstanding squads in that tournament and is led by preseason all-American guards Aaron Holiday (younger brother of current National Basketball Association player Jrue Holiday, who also played at UCLA and University of Nevada-Las Vegas), and Khalil Cimpiliss.

The classic also includes a pair of defending

California State champions in host Redondo (Division II) and West Hollywood Pacific Hills (Division IV), as well as CIF-Los Angeles City Section powers Westchester, Fairfax and Woodland Hills El Camino Real. Torrance Bishop Montgomery--last year's Southern Section Division IVAA semifinalist and Southern California Regional Division IV finalist--is also in the tournament, as well as another strong Bay League team in Rolling Hills Estates Peninsula.

Following the Redondo Pacific Shores Tournament, Lawndale will play in another prestigious classic in the Westchester-Trevor Ariza beginning on Monday. "These are two of the top tournaments in the state," Brownlee said. "We're not yet ready for national competition. We want to be able to be in it in the future."

Lawndale visits Hawthorne on Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m. and begins the Pioneer League on Jan. 15 against El Segundo at home.

GIRLS BASKETBALL BEGINS THIS WEEK

Inglewood, Leuzinger and Morningside are currently playing in the Inglewood Girls' Basketball Tournament. The Sentinels began at home against Animo High from South Los Angeles on Monday. The Lady Sentinels played Tuesday against El Segundo

and Wednesday against Playa del Rey St. Bernard. Leuzinger began on Tuesday against Bell. Morningside, a one-time dynasty which hopes to improve from its worst season ever from last year, began on Monday against Compton.

The Inglewood Tournament will take off Thanksgiving Day on Thursday and then have the semifinals on Friday and finals on Saturday. Inglewood resumes play in another highly competitive classic in the Redondo Battle at the Beach where it begins on Monday at 5 p.m. against Junipero Serra High from San Juan Capistrano.

Hawthorne, which finished second behind champion Culver City (last year's CIF-Southern Section Division IIA finalist and California State Playoff qualifier) in the Ocean League, will start on Monday at 5:15 p.m. against Moorpark High in the South East Winter Classic in South Gate. The tournament lasts through Dec. 7.

Lawndale will begin its season on Friday at 1 p.m. in the South El Monte Tournament against Pomona Catholic at Alhambra High. The Cardinals also play at Alhambra on Saturday at the same time and take on John Glenn High from Norwalk next Wednesday. That tournament also goes through Dec. 7. •

I am thankful for laughter, except when milk comes out of my nose.

~ Woody Allen

PUBLIC NOTICES

Trustee Sale No. 26079/CAL Loan No. 0015316862 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 12-20-2013 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: MANUEL 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 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, CA Legal Description: LOT 432 OF TRACT 6286, IN THE CITY OF LAWDALE, 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: \$742,433.67 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 16519 - 16519 1/2 FREEMAN AVENUE LAWDALE, CA 90260 APN Number: 4075-008-022 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness 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: 11-21-2013. CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee BRENDA BATTEN, ASSISTANT SECRETARY California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. For Sales Information: www.ipsasap.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 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, this information can be obtained from one of the following three companies: LPS Agency Sales & Posting at (714) 730-2727, or visit the Internet Web site www.ipsasap.com (Registration required to search for sale information) or Priority Posting & Publishing at (714) 573-1965 or visit the Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com (Click on the link for "Advanced Search" to search for sale information), or auction.com at 1-800-280-2832 or visit the Internet Web site www.auction.com, using the Trustee Sale No. shown above. 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. P1072302 11/28, 12/5, 12/12/2013 Lawndale Tribune Pub. 11/28, 12/5, 12/12/13 HL-24055

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Hawthorne, California at the office of the City Clerk, located on the first floor in City Hall, 4455 West 126th Street, Hawthorne, California until 4:00 PM, Thursday, December 12, 2013.

Proposals will be publicly opened and recorded on a Bid List at 4:00 PM of the same day in the City Clerk's Office. Bidders, as well as the general public, are invited to view the proceedings.

Proposals will be read and may be awarded at a meeting of the City Council starting at 6:00 PM., Tuesday, January 14, 2014 for the following:

FURNISHING AND INSTALLING POLE AND ASSOCIATED CONDUITS AND PULL BOXES FOR THE INSTALLATION OF LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION CAMERAS ON CRENSHAW BOULEVARD

SCOPE OF WORK & ESTIMATED QUANTITIES Provide all Labor, all hardware, Field Measurement, Fabrication and Installation complete in place for the following:

- 1) FURNISH AND INSTALL TYPE 18-4-100 POLE WITH 30 FEET MAST ARM PER CALTRANS STANDARD PLAN ES-7F, LATEST EDITION, INCLUDING FOOTING, ANCHOR BOLTS AND OTHER NECESSARY EQUIPMENT. Lump Sum
- 2) INSTALL TYPE 9 POLE PER CALTRANS STANDARD PLAN ES-7K LATEST EDITION, INCLUDING FOOTING, ANCHOR BOLTS AND OTHER NECESSARY EQUIPMENT. POLE AND MAST ARM WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE CITY. Lump Sum
- 3) EXCAVATE TRENCH, FURNISH AND INSTALL SCHEDULE 80 PVC CONDUIT AND BACKFILL.

CONDUIT DIAMETER SHALL BE 2.5 INCHES AND SHALL BE PLACED BY OPEN TRENCH METHOD UNLESS OTHERWISE APPROVED BY THE ENGINEER. CONDUIT SHALL BE PLACED TO A DEPTH OF NOT LESS THAN 30 INCHES NOR MORE THAN 60 INCHES BELOW THE FLOW LINE GRADE, EXCEPT THAT CONDUIT PLACE BEHIND CURB SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN 18 INCHES NOR MORE THAN 36 INCHES. BENDS SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED USING MANUFACTURED ELBOW ONLY AND SHALL HAVE A MINIMUM RADIUS OF NOT LESS THAN SIX TIMES THE INSIDE DIAMETER OF THE CONDUIT. THIS ITEM SHALL INCLUDE SAW CUTTING, BACKFILLING AND COMPACTION. Approx. Qty.: 100 LF

4) FURNISH AND INSTALL TYPE 5 PULL BOX PER CALTRANS STANDARD PLAN ES-8, LATEST EDITION, INCLUDING SAW CUTTING, EXCAVATION, CONCRETE REMOVAL AND ANY NECESSARY BACK-FILLING COMPLETE IN PLACE Approx. Qty.: 2_EA

5) FURNISH AND INSTALL F.A.A. DOUBLE L-810 RED LIGHTS ON TOP OF EACH POLE. LIGHT SHALL BE FULLY FUNCTIONAL AFTER INSTALLATION. Approx. Qty.: 2 EA

6) FURNISH AND INSTALL No.8 WIRE FROM THE MAST ARM OF EACH POLE TO THE SERVICE METER LOCATED AT 12259 CRENSHAW BOULEVARD THROUGH EXISTING AND NEW CONDUITS TO ENERGIZE CAMERAS AND L-810 RED LIGHTS. Approx. Qty.: 1,300 LF

7) INSTALL 4" THICK PORTLAND CEMENT CONCRETE. Approx. Qty.: 600 SF

CLASSIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS Contractors bidding this project must possess a valid State of California C-10 Contractor's License.

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Proposals must be submitted on the blank forms prepared and furnished for that purpose, which may be obtained at the office of the Hawthorne City Engineer. Bidders may also obtain copies of the Plans and Specifications for the contemplated work. (See "NOTE" under Project Information section.)

No bid will be considered unless it conforms to the Proposal Requirements and Conditions. The City Council of the City of Hawthorne, also referred to as the City, reserves the right to reject any and all proposals. Bids must be returned in the special envelopes provided, marked "SEALED BIDS", and addressed to the City Clerk.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by one of the following forms of bidder's security: cash, cashier's check, certified check, or bidder's bond, equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid price.

A list of subcontractors shall be submitted with the bid on the form provided by the City.

NONDISCRIMINATION

In performance of the terms of this contract, the Contractor shall not engage in, nor permit such subcontractors as he may employ from engaging in discrimination in employment of persons because of race, color, place of nation origin or ancestry, sex, age or religion of such persons.

PERFORMANCE RETENTIONS

The successful bidder will be required to provide for performance security as provided by law. Requirements for performance retentions may be satisfied by deposit or securities specified in Section 16430 of the Government Code and in accordance with Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

WAGES AND EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

This proposed Contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246, as amended, of September 24, 1965, and to the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Federal Labor Provisions. The EEO requirements, labor provisions, and wage rates are included in the Specifications and Bid documents and are available for inspection at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, City of Hawthorne.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to the provisions of Section 1773 of the Labor Code of the State of California, the City Council has obtained the general federal prevailing rate of per diem wages in accordance with the law to be paid for the construction of the above entitled Works and Improvements and General Prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work in this locality for each craft. The schedule has been obtained from the U.S. Department for Housing and Urban Development for Community Block Grant Programs of the type and nature proposed by the City, and reference is hereby made to copies thereof on file in the Office of the City Engineer, which said copies are available to any interested party upon request. Further, a copy shall be posted at the job site during the course of construction. All Contractors submitting bids must conform to current federal minimum prevailing wages.

In addition to the Contractor's obligations as to minimum wages rates, the Contractor shall abide by all other provisions and requirements stipulated in Sections 1770-1780, inclusive, of the Labor Code of the State of California, including, but not limited to, those dealing with the employment of registered apprentices. The responsibility of compliance with Section 1777.5 of the Labor Code shall be with the prime contractor.

PROJECT INFORMATION

Plans and Specifications are available and can be picked up at Hawthorne City Hall, Public Works Department at: 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne, CA 90250, (310) 349-2980.

If you have any questions regarding this project, please contact Alan Leung, PE, at telephone number (310) 349-2980. Hawthorne Press Tribune Pub. 11/28, 12/5/13

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING

HUG A TURKEY

SQUEEZE A CRANBERRY

Politically Speaking

One Man's Opinion

By Gerry Chong

Happy Thanksgiving, one and all!

In the spirit of the season, The White House has a turkey on the rotisserie that is getting more and more cooked with each rotation of the spit.

Unless you've been living under a rock, you know the turkey lied about people being able to keep their health plans and doctors. When he

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finally conceded that he had "misled" the public, he claimed his lie only affected a "small sliver" of the public. Yet, he and his administration are on the record in 2010 acknowledging that over 50 percent of employer-provided medical plans and 50-75 percent of individual plans could be voided by Obamacare, resulting in as many as 53 million people losing their health plans. Incredibly, the lost coverage could be greater than planned enrollment under Obamacare (this turkey is stuffed and basted).

The turkey then feigned ignorance about the extent of the Obamacare website problems, but last March the Administration's consultant McKinsey and Co. had predicted many of the website's problems. For political reasons, however, the turkey chose to proceed with an Oct. 1 program start nevertheless (he's beginning to sweat).

In mid-October, he claimed the website would be up and running by the end of November, but Henry Chao, Deputy Chief Information Officer for Medicare/Medicaid (CMS), disagreed, saying that as of Nov. 20 only 200 of the 600 problems have been corrected and new problems are being discovered daily. Chao believes that on a best case basis, the website

may be operational by mid-January (the turkey spins and spins again and again).

Moreover, Chao says as much as 40 percent of the operating program has not even been written yet (turn the crank and see if the turkey can make another prediction).

If and when the website is completed and running, it will contain the world's greatest

collection of personal data, so HHS Secretary Sebelius was asked if personal data will be secure. She said consultant Mitre's corporation had tested the system and raised no red flags. But Mitre says it had never been tasked with that assessment (just a brownin' and a sweatin').

A Sept. 3 memo from Tony Trenkle of CMS said the security "threat potential and risk to the system is limitless." He estimated a mid-2014 to early 2015 deadline for completion, at best (this baby is COOKED!).

The conclusions drawn from this debacle are obvious. No one has reason to believe the system will ever run, nor any reason to believe the government will protect their data, and finally no reason to believe the President will be truthful.

It is a truism that leadership and credibility are intertwined, but today there is neither. The bottom line question of the day is therefore: Acknowledging Obamacare will drastically increase insurance premiums across the country, will you sign up for this increased monthly expense now or just wait until you need medical care before making the commitment? Simple question, simple answer. The turkey's fate awaits your response. •

Another Man's Opinion

Politician's Addiction Should be Cause for Concern, Not Ridicule

By Cristian Vasquez

Recent news that Florida Congressman Trey Radel is addicted to cocaine has set off a storm of opinions demanding that he resign from his position. Radel, a 37-year-old Republican, announced plans to start an "intensive" inpatient treatment program right away. In addition to his treatment plans for substance abuse, the Congressman plans to donate his salary to charity while his offices would stay open. However, for an elected official who was vocal about drug-testing recipients of government aid, a leave of absence from office should not be enough for everyone to drop the issue. There are some concerns that arise from this fiasco.

For one, Radel's admission to drug addiction has to result in his removal from office. No amount of rehab, donating his salary to charities or sincere apologies are enough for him to stay in office. He has a substance abuse problem that impairs his judgment. Why should he, after so many bad decisions and after having admitted his mistake, get to keep his job? If anyone reading this column calls into work after having been arrested for buying cocaine, there is a low possibility that they will keep that job. Why should the circumstance be any different for Radel?

Second, he should be doing jail time. Purchasing drugs from an undercover law enforcement officer is a crime—even in Florida. Unfortunately, I am sure that the Congressman has enough money to afford a good lawyer who will in all likelihood make sure that he does not spend a day in jail, which is absurd. While I will

not get into the socioeconomic disparities of our legal system, we are reminded that politician (like celebrities) live by a different set of rules and suffer few, if any, consequences. While it is a misdemeanor charge, which usually comes with lesser penalties, it is still a crime and he has to be held accountable.

Lastly, the hypocrisy behind what Radel preached and his actions should be enough to never win him a position as an elected official. Radel was a vocal supporter of drug-testing welfare recipients. In an effort to protect public funds, Radel supported asking those receiving public funds to provide a urine sample. Yet, here we have Radel, who gets paid with public funds, going out on cocaine shopping sprees. By the logic of what he was advocating for anyone receiving taxpayers' money, he should be defunded. The only way to defund Radel is to remove him from office. There should be no recall. There should be no special election to remove him from office. Florida shouldn't have to wait for the next election cycle. Radel needs to be removed from office, period.

Late-night talk shows, radio personalities and people in general are cracking jokes at the expense of Radel's addiction. Some of the jokes are cause for a good chuckle, but the situation is serious. Radel should leave office, deal with his legal issues and pull himself away from the grips of his drug addiction. Reconnecting with himself and his family is more important than staying in office—and being in office requires absolute concentration. Neither of the two will occur as long as cocaine is involved. •

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