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35th Annual Hands Across Campus



Torrance High School held their 35th Annual Hands Across Campus, a culturally diverse event honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. This cherished tradition brings students together to celebrate their unique cultural backgrounds through performances, presentations, and meaningful exchanges. Guided by its dedicated teacher, Mr. Robert Patterson, the event offered an opportunity for students to showcase their talents, learn from one another, and reflect on the importance of inclusivity. The event not only highlighted the richness of cultural diversity but also provided a memorable experience that underscored Dr. King's vision of unity and mutual understanding. Photo courtesy Torrance High School Facebook page.

The City Council is Back and Busy

By Ron Sokol

On January 28th, the Hawthorne City Council met for the first time this year and for the first time in over a month. There was much to address. City Manager Von Morris led the Invocation during which he prayed for getting all the good business done (Amen).

Peggy Holt has worked for the City of Good Neighbors for 43 years. Time was taken to sing her praises, read a Proclamation in her honor, and recite quite a bit of her history which explains how technology began all those years ago – a computer the size of a washing machine – to what it is today. Peggy has consistently been an invaluable part of Hawthorne's Information Technology Services. She has helped to shape the Department to what it is now, seeking to make sure everything runs smoothly. In fact, Peggy began as a contract employee with Hawthorne before there even was a Technology Department. She was given a rousing, well-deserved standing ovation and spoke warmly about her appreciation for her years with Hawthorne. Peggy made clear she is moving on to the next chapter, but she will be around, and thankfully, we will see her at any number of events.

Mayor Pro Tem Manning then spoke glowingly of Hawthorne's incomparable Police Department, which provided much-needed assistance during the devastating Eaton fires. There was another standing ovation, which included Police Chief Gary Tomatani standing up only to turn the microphone over to the heroes themselves.

During the public comment portion of the meeting, former City Council member Olivia Valentine spoke eloquently about the importance

of making sure the disaster preparedness portion of Hawthorne's website is readily accessible. She indicated a number of concerns, and the council took her remarks very seriously.

Much of the Council business was completed through the Consent Calendars of the Clerk, the City Attorney, and the City Manager. It is important to keep tabs on the Agenda, which is available online before each Council meeting. There were approvals of payments on several projects, among other important items. One matter was discussed separately with regard to concerns about noise generated at the Hawthorne Airport and how it may be best handled.

Council member Alex Monteiro pointed out February is Black History month. A gathering

is scheduled for February 28th at City Hall.

Mayor Vargas then had three action items. There was considerable discussion about each. First, what is best to do about gas-powered leaf blowers? Education seems to be a top priority. Note that manufacturing of gas-powered leaf blowers is no longer legal, but use has not been outlawed. What comes into play is making sure people know when noise can be made and when it is not permitted. This is going to be made clear on the Hawthorne App 3-1-1.

The second action item brought up by Mayor Vargas addressed questions about how to benefit from TeleHealth (the Vans and staff). Who is served? How is the service best provided? How are people being treated at this time? A lot

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Kudos Hawthorne Police Department. Image provided by Ron Sokol.

Weekend Forecast

Friday
AM Fog/
PM Sun
59°/46°



Saturday
AM Fog/
PM Sun
62°/50°



Sunday
Mostly
Sunny
65°/50°



Entertainment

Film Review

Maria Review: The Songbird Leaves the Cage

By Morgan Rojas for Cinemacy

Director Pablo Larraín completes his trilogy of tragically glamorous women biopics in *Maria*, the story of famed opera singer Maria Callas. His first entry came in 2016 with the Natalie Portman-led *Jackie*, based on First Lady Jacqueline Kennedy, as she fights through grief and trauma post-JKF assassination. In 2021, Larraín crafted a stunning portrait of Princess Diana in *Spencer*. The film starred Kristen Stewart who gave a riveting performance as the headstrong Lady Di, earning her an Oscar nomination for Best Actress. On the heels of such positivity and accolades for Larraín's previous biopics, it seemed obvious that *Maria*, starring Angelina Jolie, would be another electrifying entry. However, with only one Oscar nomination for cinematography, it seems the operatic force of *Maria* has fallen on deaf ears.

Running just over two hours long, *Maria* tells the story of the world's greatest opera singer. The film takes place one week before her untimely death and recounts the last days of her life in 1970s Paris. Despite her glamorous public facade, the film uncovers that behind closed doors, Maria's life was anything but pitch perfect. Her unresolved health issues, tumultuous love life, and identity as a singer who now struggles to perform at her previous standards, envelop her in heartache and tragedy. Her goddess-like demeanor and ethereal voice mask a somberness that affects the life of a creative. The pain is never far away, but accessing that pain is exactly what makes Maria's art so poignantly beautiful.



Maria, courtesy of Netflix.

Maria Callas offers something of a comeback for Angelina Jolie, whose last role was playing Thena in 2021's *Eternals*. Maria is a role that Jolie seems born to play. From her striking beauty to her American-Greek accent, Jolie seems to effortlessly transform into the complex headspace of the tortured singer. She brings out a sensitivity and humanness that makes us feel like we understand the inner workings of Callas' mind. However, the appeal of Jolie playing the titular prima donna is also the film's biggest distraction.

It's quite contradictory. The scenes when Maria Callas is in dialogue with journalist Mandrax (Kodi Smit-McPhee), her housekeeper Bruna (Alba Rohrwacher), and her secret lover Aristotle Onassis (Haluk Bilginer), is when the film feels strongest. It only takes Jolie mimicking Callas' extraordinary operatic singing for reality to kick in and pop any suspension of disbelief. Despite her best efforts, these moments look like obvious miming. It's very apparent that Jolie isn't singing and while this isn't a knock on her performance as a whole, these moments come off as overstriving and caricaturistic.

Maria blends the workings of a traditional biopic with surreal hallucinations and flashbacks, giving the film a unique narrative structure. Fans of classical music will find that *Maria* stays true to preserving the magic of the art form by showcasing it in such an aspirational and grandiose manner. Every song on the film's soundtrack is devastatingly beautiful, and I've had it on repeat ever since watching the film. *Maria* may not have earned a standing ovation as far as the Academy's voting body is concerned, but there is no denying that director Pablo Larraín is a master storyteller. And to Angelina Jolie, who brought Maria Callas to life by exposing her genius and singular talent to younger audiences, I say Bravo! •



Morgan Rojas.

Check It Out

Shy Creatures written by Clare Chambers

By Cathie Hinkle Library Assistant—
El Segundo Public Library

Shy Creatures is a beautifully written book that tackles extremely hard topics with characters that are developed slowly and with care. I devoured this book in one sitting. My chore list for Saturday was set aside, finding out how this book ended was top priority.

"In all failed relationships there is a point that passes unnoticed at the time, which can later be identified as the beginning of the decline." This is the opening sentence of *Shy Creatures*. It grabbed me and did not let go.

Following this sentence, the reader is introduced to Helen, an art therapist at Westbury Park psychiatric hospital. She is in a relationship with her colleague Gil, a doctor who happens to be married.

Helen's careful life plods along with her scheduling a life around Gil's availability and settling for second best and leftovers. But between the lines the reader senses there is a hunger in Helen for more and that she is on the perimeter of a life that is about to change.

On a spring day, Gil summons Helen to assist

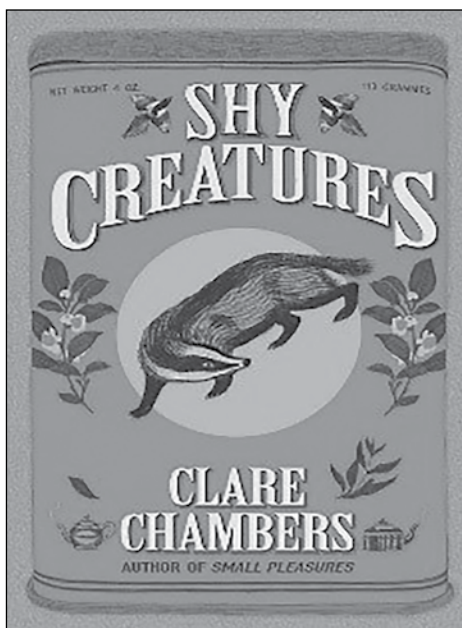
him in an unusual case that was brought to his attention by local police. When they arrive at a dilapidated Victorian house, they find an elderly woman who is extremely ill and a mute man. This man is thirty-seven years old with a beard and hair down to his waist. His name is William. No one has any idea why William has been shut away for years on end, no social interaction, and an unknown existence.

Shortly after being admitted to Westbury Park hospital, William's Aunt dies. Helen takes it upon herself to find out more about William's past while at the same time encouraging him to attend her art therapy class. As she tackles William's past, her present life becomes clearer, and she sees that there are many ways a human can be mentally and physically restrained.

There are other beautiful characters in this book that bring color and vibrancy to this emotionally absorbing story that is layered with forgiveness, acceptance and joy.

I am personally looking forward to reading more from Clare Chambers and recommend this book if you enjoy insightful books about found family.

This book, and Clare Chambers' *Small Pleasures*, are available for check out at the El Segundo Public Library. •



Shy Creatures written by Clare Chambers.



Cathie Hinkle.

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In Memory of Guy Hocker – 1935-2025



CITY OF HAWTHORNE'S FIRST ELECTED MAYOR

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CITY OF HAWTHORNE

The City of Hawthorne stands united in heartfelt tribute to the remarkable life and legacy of Guy Hocker, whose unwavering devotion and extraordinary contributions have forever shaped our beloved community. Photo courtesy City of Hawthorne Facebook page.

Protecting Seniors from Scammers: A Growing Threat

By Alex East

In an increasingly connected world, seniors are becoming prime targets for scammers who use sophisticated tactics to exploit their trust and digital unfamiliarity. According to the FBI, elder fraud accounted for over \$3.4 billion in losses in 2023, and experts warn this number could grow exponentially in the years to come. While technology has brought immense benefits, it has also opened doors for malicious actors to victimize some of the most vulnerable members of our society.

This issue hits particularly close to home for me. Someone very dear to me fell victim to a scam last year, losing \$27,000 of his life savings. The emotional toll was devastating, and the experience inspired me to write "Cybersecurity for Seniors Made Easy". My goal is to empower seniors and their families with the knowledge and tools they need to protect themselves in today's digital landscape.

Why Seniors Are Targeted

Seniors are often targeted for several reasons. Many grew up in a time when trustworthiness and personal connections were more common. Scammers exploit this generational trait, assuming older adults may be more likely to trust strangers. Additionally, seniors are more likely to have accumulated savings, making them attractive financial targets.

The rapid pace of technological change has also left many seniors struggling to keep up, creating gaps in digital literacy that scammers can exploit. Common schemes such as phishing emails, fraudulent tech support calls, and romance scams rely on confusion and fear to manipulate their victims.

Common Scams Targeting Seniors

Some of the most prevalent scams targeting older adults include:

Phishing Emails and Text Messages: These fraudulent communications appear to come from trusted sources like banks, government

agencies, or tech companies. They often ask for sensitive information or prompt the victim to click a malicious link.

Tech Support Scams: Scammers impersonate tech support agents, convincing victims that their devices are compromised and charging them for unnecessary or fake services.

Romance Scams: These scams prey on loneliness, with fraudsters building trust over time before asking for money under false pretenses.

Grandparent Scams: Impersonators pretend to be a grandchild in distress, urgently requesting financial assistance.

Lottery or Sweepstakes Scams: Victims are told they've won a prize but must pay upfront fees or taxes to claim it.

The Emotional and Financial Impact

The financial losses from these scams are staggering, but the emotional damage can be just as severe. Victims often feel ashamed or embarrassed, making them reluctant to report the crime or seek help. This isolation only compounds the harm, leaving many seniors vulnerable to repeated attacks.

For families, the aftermath of such scams can be heartbreaking. Watching a loved one lose their savings, independence, or confidence can be a profound emotional burden. It's a stark reminder of why education and awareness are so crucial.

How Seniors Can Protect Themselves

While the threat is real, seniors can take proactive steps to safeguard themselves:

Be Skeptical of Unsolicited Communications: Whether it's a phone call, email, or text, always verify the sender's identity before sharing personal information or making payments.

Use Strong Passwords and Two-Factor Authentication: Secure online accounts with unique passwords and additional layers of verification.

Educate Yourself on Common Scams: Stay informed about the latest tactics scammers

are using. Knowledge is a powerful defense.

Never Rush Into Decisions: Scammers often create a sense of urgency to pressure victims. Take the time to think through any request for money or personal information.

Involve Trusted Family Members: Regularly communicate with family or close friends about financial decisions and suspicious interactions.

The Role of Families and Communities

Families play a critical role in protecting their senior members. Encourage open discussions about scams and offer assistance with managing technology. Regularly checking in on older loved ones can also help spot warning signs of fraud, such as unusual financial activity or changes in behavior.

Communities can also contribute by hosting workshops and seminars to educate seniors on

digital safety. Local organizations, libraries, and senior centers are excellent platforms for spreading awareness and providing resources.

Turning Awareness into Action

The rise in elder fraud is a call to action for all of us. As a society, we must prioritize the safety and dignity of our seniors. This means raising awareness, promoting education, and creating an environment where victims feel supported and empowered to report crimes.

If you're a senior or know someone who might be vulnerable, I encourage you to take steps today to protect yourself and your loved ones. The digital world offers incredible opportunities, but we must navigate it wisely to stay safe.

By sharing knowledge and fostering a culture of vigilance, we can make a difference in the fight against elder fraud. Together, we can ensure that our seniors enjoy the digital age with confidence and security. •

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Helping Support Our Student Parents' Dreams



El Camino College is proud to announce a one-year fellowship for student parents enrolled at our institution. Student Parent Fellows will receive \$20,000 to help El Camino College enhance our student parent supports over the next year. Applications are now open. Register today at bit.ly/FamilyUECC. Photo courtesy El Camino College Facebook page.

City Council

from front page

of questions, a lot of analysis. There will be important follow-up for this significant service.

Finally, Mayor Vargas indicated the importance of the Hawthorne Aquatic Center being available for residents to enjoy and not being overused as a facility for practice by one or more groups.

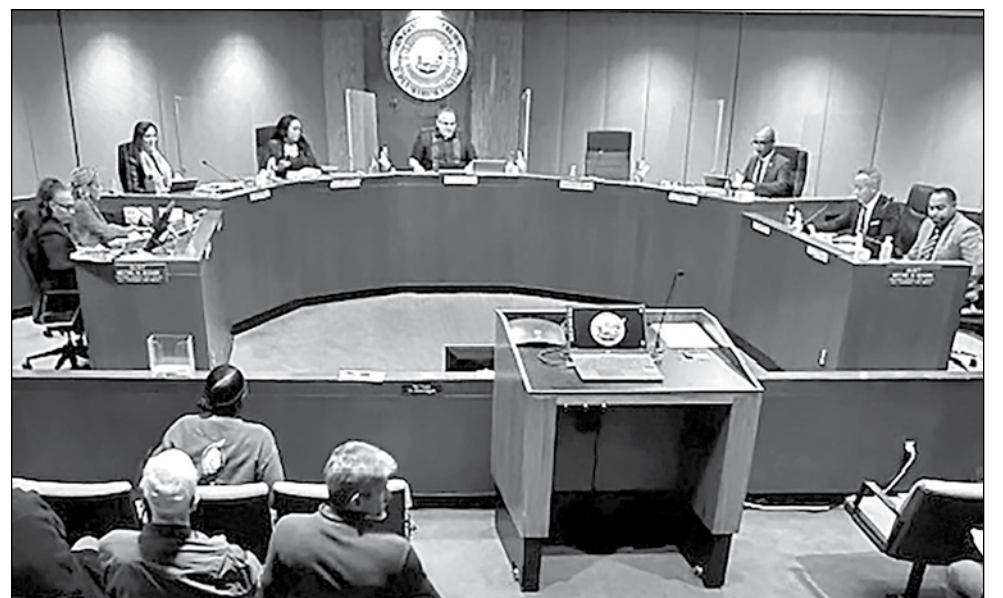
During the comments by each of the elected City officials, Faye Johnson noted the recent passing of Hawthorne's first elected Mayor, the incomparable Guy Hocker. This gentleman was well known to me, and a friend. I felt very fortunate to have written a column about Guy for this publication (in which I referred to him as "Mr. Hawthorne"). His history, to an appreciable degree, is Hawthorne's history. He built residences. He helped many buy and sell properties. He raised a family here and was Grandpa to many grandkids. Guy was a sizeable person, tall, husky; you could hear

him a block away. He just had the proverbial "it" factor and will be sorely missed.

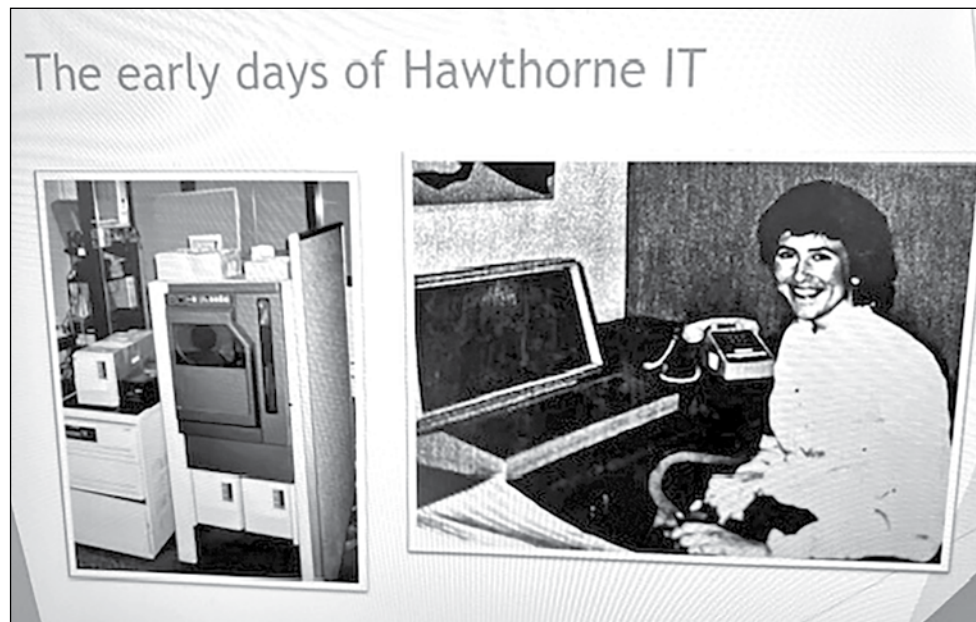
Mayor Pro Tem Manning reminded everyone that the Hawthorne Business Expo is coming March 28th. It is a fitting event to mention after talking about Guy Hocker, who worked until he bid us all adieu.

It is clear that the council will need to be tenacious in 2025. Items are being worked on, considered, and yet to come. What we do not know is just what 2025 may bring that is unanticipated. The council has a new member, Faye Johnson, who described herself as "the baby." With her background in the military and years working in the health industry, she likely will do just fine.

It can be reported here: The Hawthorne City Council is back and busy. I should say very busy. To reiterate what City Manager Von Morris said, let's get the good business done! •



Hawthorne City Council.



Technology Back Then.



Thank you, Peggy Holt!

Torrance Tribune

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Torrance Police Department Held a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Its Torrance Community Counseling Facility



Formerly known as the Juvenile Diversion Program, it has expanded to better reflect current counseling services to all Torrance youth and families. For more information, please call (310) 618-5555. Photo courtesy City of Torrance Facebook page.



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Rosemary Chicken

Provided by Campbells Soup Corp.

Our bone broth is the star of this chicken recipe, as it provides the perfect savory base for both the sauce for the chicken and the polenta. Balsamic, garlic and shallot enhance the flavor of this dish and by serving it over creamy polenta you're able to soak up every bit of deliciousness. Best of all, this dish is ready to be on the table in just 30 minutes.



Ingredients

- 1 1/4 pounds skinless, boneless chicken breast halves
- 1/4 cup all purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1/4 cup diced peeled shallot (about 1 small shallot)
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 4 cups Swanson® Chicken Bone Broth
- 1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh rosemary leaves
- 1 cup coarsely ground yellow cornmeal (polenta is coarsely ground cornmeal)
- 1 cup milk
- 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese

Directions

- **Step 1:** Season the chicken as desired. Coat the chicken with the flour.
- **Step 2:** Heat the oil in a 12-inch skillet over medium-high heat. Add the chicken and cook for 4 minutes. Turn the chicken over (if it's sticking give it another minute on that side). Cook for 4 minutes or until well browned. Remove the chicken from the skillet.
- **Step 3:** Add the shallot and garlic to the skillet. Cook for 3 minutes or until tender-crisp, stirring occasionally. Add the vinegar and 1 1/2 cups broth and cook for 2 minutes. Return the chicken to the skillet. Sprinkle with the rosemary. Cook for 5 minutes or until the chicken is cooked through.
- **Step 4:** While the chicken is cooking, prepare the polenta. Heat the cornmeal and remaining 2 1/2 cups broth in a 2-quart saucepan over medium-high heat to a boil. Reduce the heat to medium-low. Cook until the broth is absorbed, stirring occasionally. Stir in the milk and cook until the mixture is very thick, stirring often. Stir in the cheese. Season to taste. Serve the chicken and pan juices over the polenta.

Send us a photo and recipe of your favorite dish. We'd love to share it with the community. Send to: web@heraldpublications.com

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Inglewood Unified Proudly Hosted the Black Student Achievement Summit



In partnership with The Village Nation, high school students were brought together to inspire growth, excellence and success. Photo courtesy Inglewood Unified School District Facebook page.

*“Above all, don’t fear difficult moments.
The best comes from them.”
— RITA LEVI-MONTALCINI*

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: GUS SIMPSON SR. CASE NO. 25STPB14212

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of GUS SIMPSON SR., GUS SIMPSON APETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by DEMETRAL RICHARDSON in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that DEMETRAL RICHARDSON be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 03/12/2025 at 8:30AM in Dept. PROBATE Room: 67 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Petitioner DEMETRAL RICHARDSON 1021 E. Grubb Dr. Mesquite, TX 75149 214-384-0472 Inglewood Daily News Pub. 1/30, 2/6, 2/13/25 HI-28859

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instrument and, therefore, has not complied with the terms of the instrument. Effectively, NFCU has dishonored the instrument. Relief sought includes:
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• Compensatory damages for NFCU's failure to honor the negotiable instrument
• Punitive damages for NFCU's willful breach of contract
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placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase.

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name Case No. 25TRCP00004 Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES Petition of: ALEJANDRA REYES for Change of Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner ALEJANDRA REYES filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: ALEJANDRA REYES to ALEJANDRA MENDOZA

the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Notice of Hearing: Date: 2/28/2025, Time: 8:30 AM., Dept.: M The address of the court is: 825 MAPLE AVE TORRANCE, CA 90503

TS. No.: 24-12106 Loan No.: *****0 APN: 4015-007-005 NOTICE OF TRUSTEES SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 9/22/2023. 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.

Duly Appointed Trustee: Prestige Default Services, LLC Recorded 9/28/2023 as Instrument No. 20230654771 in book -, page - of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California. Date of Sale: 2/10/2025 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766

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.

pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase.

NOTICE CALLING FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS District: HAWTHORNE SCHOOL DISTRICT Project Identification: After School Program Services RFP No: R25-26-1 Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference and site walk: January 31, 2025; 10:00 am Sharp! HSD Learning Center 13928 Kornblum Ave., Hawthorne, CA 90250

posal, please contact the Hawthorne School District's Purchasing Department at 310-676-2276 or you may visit the District's website at https://www.hawthornesd.org/departments/purchasing/bids

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (Division 6 of the Commercial Code) Escrow No. 205792-BA (1) Notice is hereby given to creditors of the within named Seller(s) that a bulk sale is about to be made on personal property hereinafter described.

at 597 1/2 S. LA BREA AVE., INGLEWOOD, CA 90301 (6) The business name used by the seller(s) at that location is: R.J.D BROTHERS PIZZERIA (7) The anticipated date of the bulk sale is 02/19/25 at the office of PRIMA ESCROW, INC., 3600 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 1028 LOS ANGELES, CA 90010, Escrow No. 205792-BA, Escrow Officer: BRIAN AHN.

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name Case No. 25TRCP00036 Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES Petition of: RENEE CARLY PICCIONE for Change of Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner RENEE CARLY PICCIONE filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: RENEE CARLY PICCIONE to RENEE CARLY The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.

appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Notice of Hearing: Date: MARCH 7, 2025, Time: 9:30 AM., Dept.: 8, Room: 504 The address of the court is: 1 INGLEWOOD COURTHOUSE ONE REGENT STREET INGLEWOOD, CA 90301

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Hawthorne School District, acting by and through its Board of Trustees, hereinafter called the "District" will receive up to, but no later than the above-stated date and time, sealed Request for Proposals from qualified and experienced companies capable of providing enrichment programs for the District's after school program generally described as: RFP No. R25-26-1 After School Program Services.

District Website at https://www.hawthornesd.org/departments/purchasing/bids Herald Publication: 1st Publication: January 23, 2025 2nd Publication: January 30, 2025 Hawthorne Press Tribune Pub. 1/23, 1/30/25 HH-28852

Consumer Life Estate and Trust of Tashanaye Bemsha Dudley Certifimr Memorandum Vannal Person Tashanaye Bemsha Dudley (Consumer Life Estate and Trust of Tashanaye Bemsha Dudley) the undersigned Consumer Life Estate and Trust of Tashanaye Bemsha Dudley Trustee, being first duly s...om, certifies that a Trust exists and states

B The Dudley Trustee has power to sell, exchange, lease, give options for, transfer and/or convey real property, including the power to execute all necessary documents 6. Governing Law This Trust Agreement, and any amendment, is governed by the laws of California, and the Consumer Protection Laws of California State that a Trust exists and states

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND REVIEW Draft Substantial Amendment to 2024-2025 Action Plan City Council Meeting February 11, 2025 Program Description: Pursuant to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations, the City of Hawthorne (City) has prepared the draft Substantial Amendment to the Action Plan for the 2024-2025 Program Year. The Action Plan is the City's application to HUD for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds.

or in written correspondence received by the City at, or prior to, the public hearing. Information Available: Copies of the draft Substantial Amendment to the 2024-2025 Action Plan will be available for public review and comment beginning on Friday, January 10, 2025. Documents can be found with the City Clerk at 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne (City Hall), 12700 Grevillea Avenue, Hawthorne (Public Library), or online at https://www.cityofhawthorne.org/departments/housing/cdbg

AVISO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA Y REVISIÓN Borrador de la Enmienda Sustancial al Plan de Acción de 2024-2025 Reunión del Ayuntamiento 11 de febrero de 2025 Descripción del Programa: De conformidad con las regulaciones del Departamento de Vivienda y Desarrollo Urbano de los Estados Unidos (HUD, por sus siglas en inglés), la Ciudad de Hawthorne (Ciudad) ha preparado el borrador de la Enmienda Sustancial al Plan de Acción para el Año del Programa 2024-2025. El Plan de Acción es la solicitud de la Ciudad a HUD para recibir fondos del Subsidio en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario (CDBG, por sus siglas en inglés) y de las Asociaciones para la Inversión en Vivienda (HOME, por sus siglas en inglés).

la actuación del Ayuntamiento en relación con este asunto, sólo podrá plantear las cuestiones que usted u otra persona hayan planteado en esta audiencia pública o en la correspondencia escrita recibida por el Ayuntamiento o a la audiencia pública o con anterioridad a ella. Información disponible: Copias del borrador de la Enmienda Sustancial al Plan de Acción 2024-2025 estarán disponibles para su revisión pública y comentarios a partir del viernes, 10 de enero de 2025. Los documentos se pueden encontrar con el Secretario Municipal, en 4455 W. 126th Street, Hawthorne (Ayuntamiento), 12700 Grevillea Avenue, Hawthorne (Biblioteca Pública), o en línea en https://www.cityofhawthorne.org/departments/housing/cdbg

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Purrrfect Companions



Ziggy

Since 1997, Kitten Rescue has rescued cats and kittens from a variety of situations. Young or old, tabby or Siamese, we care for orphaned and abandoned kittens that need to be bottle-fed around the clock, moms with litters, cats that need socialization, and sick or injured animals. When they are finally ready for their forever home, we will help match you with the purr-fect one. When you adopt, you save a life... and in turn enrich your own.

The past few weeks have been some of the toughest our area has ever seen, and we still do not know the full extent of damage, displacement, and the impact on the animals. We do know that every single day, more and more lost, injured, and displaced pets are showing up. Add to that, a kitten season that is just starting to ramp up, and you can imagine how overburdened the system continues to be. You can help! If you have been considering adopting a cat, now is the best time possible. For every kitten or cat you take, we have the opportunity to take in that many more, it is called the #catdistribution system. If you would like to meet some of our adoptable cats, in person, then please join us at one of our weekend adoption events. We are so grateful for your support and hope to see you soon.



Caviar

Ziggy is a handsome young cat with a beautiful, plush fur coat that will make you want to pet him often and he certainly welcomes the attention. He is a pretty chill little guy that loves long naps snuggled up beside his foster siblings. Ziggy has a playful side as well and will chase the feather wand and laser pointer and play with catnip toys. Ziggy is shy when he meets new people, yet you can easily earn his trust through lots of pets and head scratches. Once he knows you, he will happily come to you for pets and cuddles. Ziggy would be lonely and unhappy in a single-pet home so he must be adopted together with another cat or adopted into a home with an existing friendly cat.

A little shy but sweet **Pebbles** and **Caviar** are litter mates who will make your heart beat. These two peas in a pod will need to be adopted together. They were born under a shed in a backyard with big loud dogs which probably explains the shyness. Quite handsome Caviar is friendly yet just a tad shy. Once he warms up to you he is sweet and affectionate and is a total lap cat. Pebbles has purrs and loves to be loved. They will be obsessed with their person and will just take a little patience and extra love. Pebbles has luxurious extra-soft fur and has been known to enjoy an acrobatic play session and lots of

pets. Both love treats and yummy wet food.. a way to a cat's heart! They are eager to find their fur-ever loving home and a BFF who they can enjoy fun with and loving times.

Flower is an outgoing, playful kitten with a heart full of love and a spirit that will brighten any home! Despite a tough start in life, this resilient little girl has bounced back with her signature curiosity and zest for fun. She adores climbing, pouncing on toys, and chasing after anything that rolls. Afterward, she will happily curl up in your lap for snuggles and purrs. Flower thrives with a buddy by her side, so she must be adopted with another kitten or to a home with an existing cat. She has also been raised with a big dog and so she likes dogs too! Having a playmate keeps her entertained and also ensures she continues to grow into a confident and happy cat.

This litter of tabbies, Amos, **Holden** and Naomi, are about as cute as they come. You can be certain a new kitten in your home will be a delightful bundle of energy and sweetness. When they have exhausted their curiosity and playtime ends, get ready for lap time and snuggles. If you are ready to give a kitten a loving home, adopt Holden and watch him blossom into a treasured member of your family. Kittens thrive on



Holden

companionship so Holden must be adopted with another littermate, Amos or Naomi.

These cats and kittens are available for adoption through Kitten Rescue, one of the largest cat rescue groups in Southern California. All our kitties are spayed/neutered, microchipped, tested for FeLV and FIV, dewormed and current on their vaccinations. For additional information to see these or our other kittens and cats and for a list of our weekend adoption events, please check our website www.kittenrescue.org.

The donations and support we receive from individuals like you, who share our love and commitment to helping cats and kittens in Los Angeles, are the sole reason we are able to do what we do. We are grateful for your financial help. By making even a small donation today, you can touch the lives of the many deserving, wonderful animals in our care. There are many ways you can donate and help, and every dollar means so much. Kitten Rescue is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Your tax-deductible donations for the rescue and care of our cats and kittens can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to Kitten Rescue, 3519 Casitas Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90039.

Saving one animal won't change the world, but the world will surely change for that animal. •



Flower



Pebbles