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## Cherish the Past; Embrace the Future



A sign celebrating the Inglewood centennial (1908-2008) is placed in front of city hall. Photo by Osvin Suazo, ozzy.suazo@gmail.com.

## Inglewood City Agrees to Reduce Hours of Operation of Parking Meters at Local Libraries

By Cristian Vasquez

The Inglewood City Council adopted an ordinance to reduce the current hours of operation for parking meters at the city's libraries.

Once the ordinance is implemented the new parking schedule at the Main Inglewood Library will include free parking Monday through Friday between the hours of 4 to 6 p.m. Free parking will be provided all day on Saturdays, Sundays and during holidays. The Crenshaw-Imperial Branch Library will provide free parking Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays between the hours of 4 to 6 p.m.

City staff is scheduled to coordinate with the Parking and Enterprise Services Division and Public Works Department in order to allow the proper time for public notices to be distributed to inform residents and library patrons of the new parking schedule.

In an attempt to increase the number of patrons visiting the City of Inglewood Libraries, the city's leaders have taken on the task of improving programming at the libraries, their collection, inventory and appearance. During the process of determining how to better improve the library experience for patrons, it was determined that visitations to the library by families and other patrons is affected negatively by the use of metered parking, at both the Main and Crenshaw-Imperial Branch Libraries.

Prior to the approval of the ordinance, the parking arrangement at both library branches consist of metered parking, which is in operation Monday through Thursday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Operating hours on Fridays are

8 a.m. to 9 p.m. The schedule applies to both branches and the cost is \$1 per hour at both locations. However, the main library branch shares its metered parking lot with City Hall.

The City's Parking and Enterprise Services Division provided revenue statistics the Inglewood Main Library to be used in the staff report presented to the council. Based on the findings, it was reported that the Inglewood Main Library generated \$39,247 in meter revenue from Oct. 1, 2013-Sept. 29, 2014.

"A great majority of individuals utilizing the library lot parking meters prior to 4 p.m. on weekdays are visitors to City Hall," states

*In an attempt to increase the number of patrons visiting the City of Inglewood Libraries, the city's leaders have taken on the task of improving programming at the libraries, their collection, inventory and appearance.*

the staff report. "The Library lot does not serve any offices or commercial areas. The Department estimates that when considering the library's greatest use periods-late afternoon, Friday evening and Saturday (24 percent of the library's total hours of operation), the actual revenue taken in during this period is less than \$8,000 annually."

In addition, the report indicated that parking-meter revenue at the Crenshaw-Imperial Branch Library for the same dates analyzed

at the Main branch was \$1,774. Fiscally, both library parking lots generate less than \$9,000 annually during the library's highest use periods.

In order to better provide a solution to parking issue and attracting more patrons to both branches, library staff went out to survey eight libraries in the "surrounding area" to determine the availability of metered parking" stated the staff report. Of the eight libraries that were surveyed, none charged patrons for parking. The libraries surveyed included El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, and Torrance public libraries, as well as the Hyde Park and Westchester branches of the Los Angeles Public Library systems. The survey also included two Los Angeles County Library branches, one in Lennox and the other in Culver City.

During the Library Commission's monthly meeting on Aug. 28, the Library Board recommended to the Mayor and City Council that they approve adopting said parking changes.

The Inglewood Main Library is now open on alternating Fridays. This Friday, Dec. 12 the Main Library will be open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. However, the Crenshaw-Imperial Branch Library is still scheduled to remain closed on all Fridays.

More information on the library schedule is available at: [http://www.cityofinglewood.org/depts/library/location\\_and\\_hours.asp](http://www.cityofinglewood.org/depts/library/location_and_hours.asp).

It is also worth noting that Inglewood City Hall will be closed for the holidays for two weeks beginning Dec. 22. City hall will reopen on Monday, Jan. 5 2015. •

## Weekend Forecast

**Friday**  
Rainy  
62°/50°

**Saturday**  
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**Sunday**  
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64°/51°

Looking Up

“Eye Of Sauron” Provides New Way of Measuring Distances to Galaxies

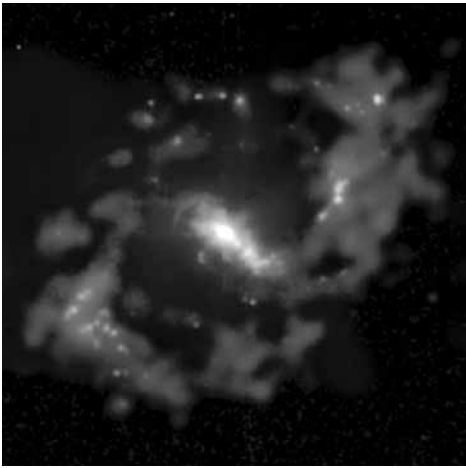
Based on a press release from W.M. Keck Observatory, provided by Bob Eklund

(BPT) - A team of scientists led by Dr. Sebastian Hoenig from the University of Southampton has measured the distance to the NGC 4151 (“Eye of Sauron”) galaxy with unprecedented accuracy, using the W. M. Keck Observatory Interferometer in Hawaii.

The team employed a new technique they developed, which allows them to measure distances to galaxies tens of millions of light-years away with 90 percent precision. The technique is similar to that used by land surveyors on Earth, who calculate distances by measuring the angular—or “apparent”—size of an object of known dimensions.

Previous reported distances to NGC 4151, which contains a supermassive black hole, were far from consistent—ranging all the way from 4 to 29 megaparsecs. Using this new, more accurate method, the researchers calculated the distance to the supermassive black hole as 19 megaparsecs (a megaparsec is equal to 3.26 million light-years).

Galaxy NGC 4151 is dubbed the “Eye of Sauron” by astronomers for the similarity of



The Galaxy NGC 4151, called the, ‘Eye of Sauron’ due to its similarity to the eye in the film Lord of the Rings. The image shows the supermassive black hole, which engulfs gas and dust clouds from its surroundings. In this process, it emits ultraviolet radiation, which heats the ring-shaped dust cloud that orbits around the black hole at a distance and this causes the dust cloud to emit infrared radiation. Credit: NASA

its appearance to its namesake in the film trilogy, “The Lord of the Rings.” As in that saga, a “ring” plays a crucial role in this new measurement. All big galaxies in the universe host a supermassive black hole in their center—and in about 10 percent of all

galaxies, these black holes are growing by swallowing huge amounts of gas and dust from their surrounding environments. In this process, the material heats up and becomes very bright—resulting in the most energetic sources of emission in the universe, known as active galactic nuclei (AGN).

This hot dust forms a ring around the supermassive black hole and emits infrared radiation—and the researchers in this study used this dusty ring as their “ruler.” However, the apparent size of the Eye of Sauron’s ring is so small that the observations had to be carried out using the Keck Interferometer, which combines Keck Observatory’s twin 10-meter telescopes—already the largest telescopes on Earth—to achieve a resolving power equal to that of an 85-meter telescope.

To measure the physical size of the dusty ring, the researchers measured the time delay between the emission of light from close to the black hole and the more distant infrared emission. The distance from the center to the hot dust is simply this delay divided by the speed of light. By combining the physical size of the dust ring with the apparent size measured with the Keck Interferometer,

the researchers were able to determine the distance to NGC 4151.

“One of the key findings is that the distance determined in this new fashion is quite precise—with 90 percent accuracy,” Hoenig said. “In fact, this method, based on simple geometrical principles, gives the most precise distances for remote galaxies. Moreover, it can be readily used on many more sources than current methods. Such distances are key in pinning down the cosmological parameters that characterize our universe or in accurately measuring black hole masses. Indeed, NGC 4151 is a key to calibrating various techniques of estimating black hole masses. Our new distance implies that these masses may have been systematically underestimated by 40 percent.”

Hoenig, together with colleagues in Denmark and Japan, is currently setting up a new program to extend their work to many more active galactic nuclei. The goal is to establish precise distances to a dozen galaxies using this technique—and then use these precise distances as stepping-stones to vastly improve the precision of all distance measurements for the cosmos. •

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# Sports

## Hawthorne Loses Three of Four at West



Crenshaw during last Thursday's fifth place game of the West Coast Shores Tournament. Hawthorne fell to Crenshaw 71-58 in the Battle of the Cougars. Hawthorne is currently in the Artesia Tournament.

By Joe Snyder  
Photos by Joe Snyder

Hawthorne High's boys' basketball team started the season with a 1-3 record in the West Shores Tournament last week at West Torrance High. The Cougars began the First Annual Classic with a 74-68 loss to Marina High from Huntington Beach on December 1 and fell to the host Warriors 63-50 a day later.

On December 3, Hawthorne got its first win of the season by crushing Port of Los Angeles High from San Pedro 98-33, then fell in the fifth place final to Crenshaw 71-58. Against Crenshaw, whose mascot is also the Cougars, Hawthorne was behind throughout virtually the entire game. Crenshaw (2-2) took a 20-13 first quarter lead and led by as many as 14 points (29-15) in the second period.

Leading 35-28 at halftime, Crenshaw steadily pulled away and won handily. "We missed too many lay-ups," Hawthorne head coach David Gray said on Hawthorne's loss to Crenshaw. "We mentally broke down."

Hawthorne managed to get balanced scoring, led by Christian Brown with 10 points. Curry Aksquin added nine points and Marquel Grey and Chigbo Anakpain each chipped in eight. Crenshaw's Chris Kendrick led all scorers with 23 points.

In Hawthorne's easy win over Port of L.A. (0-4), the Cougars scored 64 first half points to 19 for the POLA. The Cougars continued to pour it on by outscoring Port of L.A. 33-14 in the second half.

Michael Blackwell and Brown shared Hawthorne's high scoring honors with 14 points apiece. Cesar Orasco contributed 10 points as all Cougars scored. Grey led the Cougars with 17 points in their loss to West (2-2). Dayvian Lee led Hawthorne with 18 points in its loss to Marina. Bruce Hegan and Sal Tai each put in 10 points.

The Cougars are currently playing in the Artesia Tournament in Lakewood where they opened against Claremont last Monday. Hawthorne also faced Corona on Tuesday and will visit Costa Mesa in a non-league game Friday at 7 p.m. The Cougars will play in the Westminster Tournament from next Monday through December 20.

**LEUZINGER GOES 1-2 AT ROSE CITY**

Leuzinger High's boys' basketball team went 1-2 in last week's Rose City Classic at Maranatha High in Arcadia. The Olympians' only win came against St. Anthony High from Long Beach 59-45 last Thursday.

Keying the Olympians was Davion Crowder with 21 points. Christian Odiona tallied 14 points. Last Friday, Leuzinger fell short of Cajon from San Bernardino 74-68. Crowder had a big game with 27 points. A bad first quarter plagued the Olympians as the Cowboys scored 32 points to 16 for Leuzinger. The Olympians managed to outscore Cajon 25-20 in the fourth period but fell short.

On December 2, Leuzinger lost to Oak Park

51-49. Leuzinger led by four (39-35) after three quarters but Oak Park came back to outscore the Olympians 16-10 in the fourth period to pull off the two-point win. Davante Carr led Leuzinger with 15 points. The Olympians are currently playing in the Beverly Hills Tournament where they began last Monday against Santa Monica. The classic runs through Saturday.

**LADY CARDINALS FALL IN FINAL**

Lawndale High's girls' basketball team was unable to defend its South El Monte Tournament after suffering a 50-37 loss to Martin Luther King High from Riverside last Saturday. Rajanae Crandell sparked Lawndale with 11 points, 10 rebounds and four assists in the losing effort. She was named to the all-tournament team.

In the championship semifinals a day earlier, the Cardinals downed West Ranch from Valencia 61-50. Lawndale led throughout most of the game in the win.

Last Thursday in the championship quarterfinals, the Cardinals defeated Eagle Rock 43-37. Lawndale used an 18-5 second quarter that proved to be the difference.

**LEUZINGER GIRLS WIN TWO**

Leuzinger High's girls' basketball team won two of four games in last week's Brentwood Tournament. On December 2, the Lady Olympians defeated Venice 80-65. A day later, Leuzinger fell to West Los Angeles Marymount 67-54. Last Thursday, Leuzinger topped Beverly Hills 64-60 but on Friday, the Olympians fell to Inglewood St. Mary's Academy 61-56.

Leuzinger hosted crosstown rival Lawndale in a non-league game on Wednesday. The Olympians begin the Pioneer League at home against defending CIF-Southern Section Division IIA champion West Torrance on January 14 at 6 p.m.

**INGLEWOOD IS WINLESS**

Inglewood High's girls' basketball team fell to 0-4 with Downey Tournament losses to Sunny Hills and South Gate South East last week. The Sentinels fell to Sunny Hills 52-22 on December 1 and South East 53-39 on December 3. Inglewood opens the Ocean View High Tournament against North Torrance tonight at 7 p.m. in Huntington Beach. •



Hawthorne's Jahleel Enriquez holds up ball in last Thursday's West Coast Shores Tournament fifth place game against Crenshaw.

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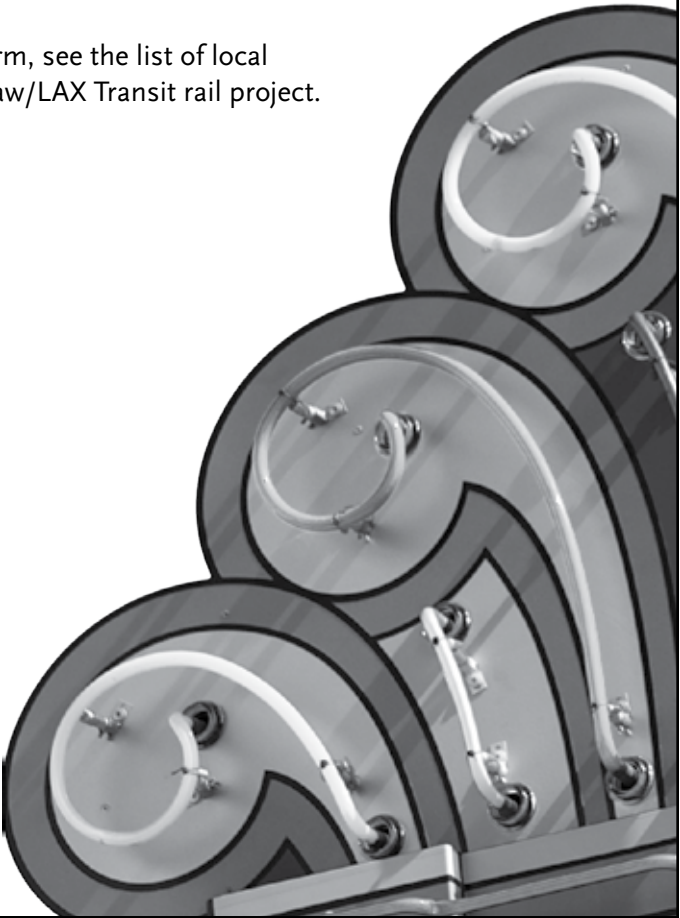
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# Butternut Squash Tart with Fried Sage, Prosciutto and Pecorino Cheese



Serves 4 or 6  
Prep Time: 15 minutes  
Cook Time: 40 minutes

## Ingredients

- 3 slices prosciutto, thinly sliced
- 1 butternut squash (1 1/2 to 2 pounds)
- 1 sheet puff pastry
- 1 egg + 1 tablespoon water, beaten
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 10 sage leaves
- Shaved pecorino cheese

## Preparation

Preheat oven to 425 F and cover a baking sheet with parchment paper. Place prosciutto onto baking sheet and bake for 15 minutes until crispy. Set aside until needed. Reduce oven temperature to 375 F.

Microwave the whole butternut squash for 3 minutes. This will not only make the squash easier to peel and slice but aids in pre-cooking. Using a vegetable peeler, peel the squash. With a knife, slice the neck of the squash into 1/8-inch thick rounds. You will need 18 slices.

Roll the thawed but cold puff pastry into a 12-inch square and transfer to a baking sheet covered with parchment paper. Using a pastry brush, brush the puff pastry with the egg wash. Arrange butternut squash slices in an overlapping pattern on top of the pastry leaving a 1-inch border on all sides; season with a pinch of salt and pepper. Bake for 40 minutes until puff pastry is golden.

While the tart is baking, heat olive oil in a skillet over medium-high heat. Working with five leaves at a time, place the sage leaves in the hot oil and fry for 20 seconds until leaves are bright green and crisp but do not turn brown. Place on a paper towel to drain. Once the tart is finished, top with crumbled prosciutto slices, shaved pecorino cheese, and fried sage. Drizzle lightly with additional olive oil and season with salt and pepper to taste. •

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# Politically Speaking

## One Man's Opinion

### A Government of Laws

By **Gerry Chong**  
“We are a government of laws, not of men”  
– President John Adams

How many times have we collapsed back into our plushy seats in our favorite movie theater, licked our popcorn buttered fingers, slurped a Big Gulp, and watched the latest western morality play? The plot is familiar because it contains an expectation that we have always believed; that we are a nation of laws passed by our elected representatives, and that at the end of the movie, those laws will define our civilization, protecting us against insurrection and mayhem.

The theater darkens, the credits have rolled,

*The greatest beneficiary of civil unrest, however, is the political Left.*

and the movie begins: There is a killing on the streets of a small Midwestern town. The killer is a deputy sheriff who claims self-defense. Immediately, outside rabble-rousers invade the town to incite a vigilante mob to insurrection, destroying businesses, many of which are owned by the individual vigilantes themselves.

Correctly, the law focuses on the legal culpability of the deputy sheriff rather than any extraneous grievances of the vigilantes, and finds there is little reason to indict him; but with support from outside agitators the vigilantes sustain their rampage. As the movie ends the rule of law has prevailed but the audience leaves with the very uneasy prediction that there will be another fire in an unknown location at an unknown date, and this one will be bigger than the last.

The vigilantes have a new martyr to stoke their next act of violence. They have a cause

and an agenda requiring a government of men, and not of laws. President Adams’ claim be damned.

Rationally, the question must be asked of the vigilantes, “cui bono”? Who benefits from the insurrections? Certainly it is not the people injured or killed; not the businesses damaged or destroyed; not the local consumers who have lost accesses to goods and services; not government budgets that have been decimated; and not the cause of the vigilantes because civil rights are not advanced by looting and killing.

But it is not senseless violence. There are, in fact many who benefit. Some like Al Sharpton exploit anger to gain elective office. There are

others like Jesse Jackson who become wealthy by exploiting minority grievances against major corporations. There is the president, presuming White law enforcement culpability, who sent his Attorney General to the site of the shooting to broadly indict the city and local law enforcement for civil rights violations, even in advance of the city’s Grand Jury decision.

The greatest beneficiary of civil unrest, however, is the political Left. It prospers as long as there are divides that can be exploited between Blacks and Whites; rich and poor; women and men; citizen and illegal immigrant; Christian and Godless; and public sector and private sector dominance. A unified country is the Left’s greatest nightmare.

As this movie ends, ask yourself, “Will there be a sequel?” Did this violence advance the cause of civil rights? Will the next violence bring a positive result? Importantly, who benefits from civil unrest? •

## Another Man's Opinion

### Athletes Should Make More Political Statements, Even if Only Symbolic

By **Cristian Vasquez**

There has been no lack of commentary about the incidents in Ferguson, Missouri. Regardless of where one falls on the opinion spectrum, I do fully appreciate people exercising their First Amendment right to voice their opinions. Which is why today I want to applaud Stedman Bailey, Tavon Austin, Jared Cook, Chris Givens and Kenny Britt of the St. Louis Rams for their symbolic, yet important, gesture a few weeks ago. These five men walked onto the field before their game against the Oakland Raiders with their hands in the air replicating the “Hand Up, Don’t Shoot” pose being used by protestors in Ferguson.

I applaud the actions of these five NFL players not just because they spoke out against what they consider an injustice, but also because they used their platform as athletes in the biggest, most important league in the world to make a political statement. These five athletes used their position of comfort and to a certain extent privilege [which they earned] to tell a grieving family that their tragedy isn’t going unnoticed; that they stand in solidarity with the victim. As emotional and sensitive as the incident in Ferguson has been on a national scale, to these St. Louis players it was also a local issue.

We don’t have to agree with their opinion but the fact that we live in a culture of mind-numbing social media supported by idiotic reality television, it was refreshing and inspiring to see five athletes make a political statement. The athletes are somebody’s cousin, brother, son and possibly father so none of us have the right to say they should keep their

thoughts to themselves. For anyone that argues that the football field isn’t the place for these types of statements, then what is “proper” the place? And why should there be a proper place? We are blessed with free speech and these men used it through the best medium available to them.

In 2003, did the Dixie Chicks criticize President Bush at the wrong place and time? If they had they waited until 2014 and made their comments at a local radio station, would there not have been backlash? Would it have mattered at that point? The Dixie Chicks much like the five athletes in St. Louis, made comments that a group of people considered wrong and were criticized. Sadly this has happened before in America. Just think about Muhammad Ali, John Carlos and Tommie Smith back in the 1960s. All three athletes were barred from their sport for speaking up for what they believed in but it did not destroy them; it made them stronger and in the end it made our country a better place.

In a world where we are quick to criticize athletes, idolize talentless celebrities being chased by cameras all day and where people are brainwashed by consumer culture, it is inspiring to see people in a position of comfort making a bold political statement. Thank you to the Rams and Rams’ Coach Jeff Fisher for not taking disciplinary action against his players and respecting their right to free speech. More than anything thanks to Stedman Bailey, Tavon Austin, Jared Cook, Chris Givens and Kenny Britt of the St. Louis Rams. May their action inspire others in a similar position to do the same. •

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as NELSON'S PROCUREMENTS AND SALES, 10811 S. ST. ANDREWS PL., L. A., CA 90047, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): ERIC NELSON, 10811 S. ST. ANDREWS PL., L.A., CA, 90047. This business is being conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 11-12-14. Signed: ERIC NELSON, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 12, 2014. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on November 12, 2019. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to November 12, 2019. 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). El Segundo Herald: Pub. November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2014 H-1178

### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014312599

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as TINA'S NAILS SPA, 321 RICHMOND ST., EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): TINA TUYET TRAN, 4903 W. 129TH ST., HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by an individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 10/31/2014. Signed: TINA TRAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on OCTOBER 31, 2014. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on OCTOBER 31, 2019. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to OCTOBER 31, 2019. 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). El Segundo Herald: Pub. December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2014 H-1179

### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014333689

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1) TTB CORP, 2) TTB, 3) TTB TECHNICAL, 4020 PV DRIVE NORTH, STE 200, ROLLING HILLS, CA 90274, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): TOP TO BOTTOM CORPORATION, 4020 PV DRIVE NORTH, STE 200, ROLLING HILLS, CA 90274. This business is being conducted by a corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: n/a. Signed: Top to Bottom Corporation, Robert McConnell, President. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 21, 2014. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on November 21, 2019. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to November 21, 2019. 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). El Segundo Herald: December 4, 11, 18, 25, 2014 H-1180

### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014345641

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CHALLENGE PLUMBING, 901 E. REDONDO BLVD., INGLEWOOD, CA, 90302, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): CHALLENGE PLUMBING, INC., 901 E. REDONDO BLVD., INGLEWOOD, CA, 90302. This business is being conducted by a corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed above on: n/a. Signed: ALBERT JUAREZ, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on December 8, 2014. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on December 8, 2019. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to December 8, 2019. 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). El Segundo Herald: Pub. 12/11, 12/18, 12/25/14 & 1/1/15 H-1181

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4 Things You Should Know About Choosing Your First Credit Card

(BPT) - Whether you are headed to college, joining the armed forces, or simply looking to take greater control of your finances, you might be wondering if it's time to open your first credit card.

Although credit cards are not for everyone, they have some important benefits you should consider. First, responsible credit card use is a great way to start building a strong credit history, which can be key in qualifying for a car or the home you dream of owning one day. A credit card with rewards enables you to make the most of everyday purchases by earning points on your expenses. And for those who live life on the go, credit cards will help you take advantage of emerging payment technologies that offer more secure and faster ways to pay.

Of course, these benefits of owning a credit card are quickly offset if you are unable to make on-time monthly payments. Navy Federal Credit Union, among other financial institutions, encourages its members to pay off their balance in full each statement period. If you feel confident about your ability to use a credit card responsibly and you are ready to begin your search, consider these tips:

**1. Go with an issuer you trust.** "You may not know all about credit cards right away, and that's okay," says Randy Hopper, vice president of credit cards at Navy Federal.



"You should choose a financial institution you feel has your interests at heart. They should be willing to walk you through your questions over the phone or in-person, any time."

**2. Limited credit history?** You still have choices. So you don't have a long record of on-time mortgage and car payments, resulting in a strong credit history. Although people with stronger credit tend to be eligible for

a greater number of credit card offers, you still have plenty of options. Look for a credit union or bank that will qualify you for a credit card not just based on your credit score, but based on their overall relationship with you. Some financial institutions like Navy Federal offer what is called a secured card, created in large part for consumers who have not had the opportunity to develop credit history.

**3. Find a straightforward offer.** By reading

the fine print of an offer carefully you can determine whether the credit card offer is straightforward and excludes certain "gotchas." Be mindful of the fees associated with the offer and whether your rate could potentially increase after an "introductory period," a specified period of time on some offers, usually lasting a few months.

**4. Find a product you can be proud of.** "Do your homework and make sure you find a credit card with a low rate," says Hopper. "Although some great cards do carry an annual fee, try to find a credit card that requires only a low fee or no fee at all."

Rewards are also a big part of this equation. Make sure your rewards program is both simple and easy to use. You should be able to quickly determine the cash or travel value of your current points, at what rate you can earn points, and find easy options for claiming your rewards. Look out for programs that place a cap on your ability to earn points, set an expiration date on your points or require a certain points balance before you can claim rewards.

Making a decision about your first credit card does not have to be stressful. And if you follow the tips above, you may even discover that you enjoy taking charge of your finances and watching your credit score develop. •

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- THOMAS JEFFERSON

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (Secs. 6104, 6105 U.C.C.) Escrow No. 73212GO

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 names and business addresses of the seller are: Donald Smith, 514 N. Gertruda Ave., Redondo Beach, CA 90277 Baskin Robbins, 3351 W. Century Blvd., Inglewood, CA 90303 The location in California of the chief executive office of the seller is: 3351 W. Century Blvd., Inglewood, CA 90303 As listed by the seller, all other business names and addresses used by the seller within three years before the date such list was sent or delivered to the buyer are: None The name(s) and business addresses of the buyer(s) is/are: Lara & Lara Enterprises, Inc., 11726 Freema Ave., Hawthorne, CA 90250 The assets to be sold are described in general as: Fixtures, inventory, trade names and trademarks, signs and advertising materials, telephone and fax number, vendor lists and catalog, goodwill and Equipment and are located at: Baskin Robbins, 3351 W. Century Blvd., Inglewood, CA 90303 The business name used by the seller at that location is: Baskin Robbins. The anticipated date of the bulk sale is 12/30/14 at the office of Southwest Escrow Corporation, 502 So. La Brea Avenue, Inglewood, CA 90301 This bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2. If so subject, the name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is Southwest Escrow Corporation, 502 So. La Brea Avenue, Inglewood, CA 90301, and the last date for filing claims shall be 12/29/14, which is the business day before the sale date specified above. Dated: November 26, 2014 Lara & Lara Enterprises, Inc. By: Imelda Lara Lara Salazar, President By: Claudia Lara Salazar, Secretary By: Fausto Luna, Mr. By: Esau Salgado, Mr. 12/11/14 CNS-2696943# Inglewood News Pub. 12/11/14

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 1210912-40 APN: 4025-021-108 TRA: 04596 LOAN NO: Xxxxx6795 REF: Johnson, Aisha Mbakw IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED February 10, 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. On December 17, 2014, at 9:00am, Cal-western Reconveyance Llc, as duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded February 15, 2006, as Inst. No. 06 0349451 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, executed by Aisha Mbakwo Johnson, A Single Woman, 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: 9163 Cullen Way Inglewood CA 90305 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability

for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be 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: \$633,790.09. 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 lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before

you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call (619)590-1221 or visit the internet website www.dipplc.com, using the file number assigned to this case **1210912-40**. 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. For sales information: (619)590-1221. **Cal-Western Reconveyance LLC, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004** Dated: November 13, 2014. (DLPP-440632 11/27/14, 12/04/14, 12/11/14) Inglewood News Pub. 11/27, 12/4, 12/11/14 HI-24498

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: YESENIA BARBA CASE NO. BP157915

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of YESENIA BARBA. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ANTONIO BARBA in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ANTONIO BARBA be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 12/30/14 at 8:30AM in Dept. 5 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. Attorney for Petitioner JEFFREY L. CONDON CONDON & CONDON A PROF. CORP. 3435 OCEAN PARK BLVD., STE 108 SANTA MONICA CA 90405 12/11, 12/18, 12/25/14 CNS-269463# Inglewood News Pub. 12/11, 12/18, 12/25/14 HI-24510

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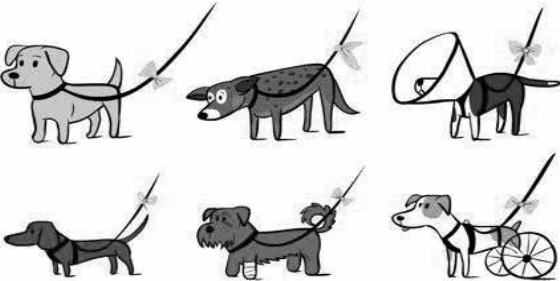
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