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Paulette Brown-Hinds, PhD

The Times, I am writing to congratulate you and your staff for the “New Edition” of the Black Voice. I enjoyed the large print, excellent variety of articles. A good reporting job.

Last week I received a letter in the mail regarding our new format from one of our longtime readers, Mrs. Edith Nevins of Moreno Valley. Yes, a hand-written letter via the US Postal Service. I know it’s hard for many of you to believe that some people still put pen to paper, fold and stuff it into an envelope, put a postage stamp on it, and place it in the mail, but they’re still a few left. This was the first letter addressed to me as publisher and it immediately and powerfully reminded me why we do what we do. Not that I haven’t appreciated all the emails, text messages, and telephone calls that I have received regarding our recent redesign and digital format. It was just nice to open an envelope and be pleasantly surprised by her handwritten note complimenting us on our new direction.

I am one of those people who appreciate the art of handwriting. I remember when I was in Mrs. Nancy King’s 6th grade class at Muscott Elementary School in San Bernardino and I decided I wanted to change my handwriting “just to be different.” So I practiced perfecting a left slanted loop on each cursive letter, creating an endless chain of loops and hooks. And according to Mrs. King it was an illegible hot mess – my words not hers, but I’m sure that’s what she wanted to say. She was, of course, much more professional and nurturing in her assessment. Perhaps, she told me, you should work on handwriting for clarity. Somewhat heartbroken, I quickly reverted back to the proper slant, but never lost my love for beautiful penmanship.

So when Mrs. Nevins’ letter arrived late last week, before I even read the words, I noted her handwriting as well as the proper letter format, which reminded of my own training before personal computers, electronic mail, and text messaging took over our daily communication. I noted the steadiness of her pen strokes. And then I noted the feeling of joy her simple gesture brought not only to me, but to my entire team as I shared the letter with them. For all of the efficiency and speed in communicating modern technology has brought us, it is unfortunate that it has also taken away the simple pleasure of appreciating the uniqueness of each person’s one-of-a-kind handwriting. Thank you Mrs. Nevins for the reminder. And to everyone else, please continue to email, text, and call us to let us know how we’re doing, but if you’re ever in the mood do not hesitate to put a pen to paper and write us a line or two. We promise to respond.
San Bernardino Police Officers Association is Out of Control

In my opinion

Hardy L. Brown

Last week the voters in the City of San Bernardino were sent a mailer from their Police Officers Association stating: “Your tax dollars are still being collected” followed by the question “where is the money going?” It went on to outline that Measure YY and Measure Z passed by the voters was to ensure the public safety of its citizens while implementing more crime intervention and prevention programs.

It also went on to name the leaders they believe are responsible for the recent increase in crime as well as bankrupting the city. They laid it at the feet of Mayor Pat Morris and City Councilmembers Wendy McCamack, Fred Shoretter, Virginia Marquez, and Rikke Van Johnson. The mailer did not include Councilmembers Chas Kelley, John Valdivia or Robert Jenkins with whom they have had in their hip pocket by running and financing their political campaigns. According to Forms 460 of their campaign statements, public safety associations have contributed 98.3% to Valdivia’s and 93.8% to Jenkins’ political campaigns and lesser percentages to Kelley, Penman, and McCamack.

Now the mailer is correct, the citizens are still paying the bills through utility, sales, property, business, and special assessment taxes to help finance the city. However, the public safety employees of police and firefighters are not paying their fair share.

In my opinion, to answer the question asked by the association of where the money is going, the city budget indicates that public safety takes over 75% of the budget. According to several different reports, many officers earn over $100,000 a year. Over 90% of these officers live in other communities and take over $40 million dollars out of the city each year. This is where the money is going.

Yes, I am aware that the police budget took a 10% cut, but so have other departments within the city government. Some departments have been combined and volunteers are currently cleaning public parks. Some libraries have been closed and open hours reduced. Trash pick up services have been reshuffled while potholes and weeds are growing in our streets.

I had the opportunity to talk with a San Bernardino-based small business owner about the problems facing the city. He said that for starters the city should be more business friendly beginning with the city business licensure and planning departments, and added that the police department needs to be more positive when interacting with the public. He shared his personal experience of being faced with a public safety problem only to be told, “what do you expect, you live in San Bernardino,” by the employees of his police department. This man lives and employs 10 people in the city and should not be treated this way.

The Police Officers Association did not blame Kelley, Jenkins, or Valdivia for the city’s bankruptcy because these three are the ringleaders running key department heads and managers out of the city at the direction of the police and firefighter associations, plus Kelley needs a job and wants to run for mayor.

In my opinion, these public safety associations are out of control and their services should be put out for contract with outside agencies for better service at a lower cost.
Women Wonder Writers Roadtrip Resilience First Stop --
California Baptist University

Women Wonder Writers (WWW) launched their first night of Roadtrip Resilience, a speaker series bringing stories of survivorship to at-risk youth. This effort comes less than a month after WWW presented Dave Pelzer, the author of New York Times Bestseller A Child Called It, at Stop the Pain Teen Summit on April 20.

Forty youth from Riverside County and graduates of The Write of Your Life, WWW's mentoring and writing program, filled a classroom of Yeager Hall at California Baptist University recently to meet guest speaker Professor Marilyn Moore. The young scholars enjoyed cookies and lemonade, mingled and spent the early part of the evening writing messages on sticky notes which were added to WWW's sticky-note wall.

Resilience, which means the ability to "survive" and overcome hardship, was written in white chalk on black sticky notes spread across a vibrant sea of lime green sticky notes arranged into a plus and negative equation sign on the classroom whiteboard. The art is part of WWW's Let's Stick Together Art Campaign, which sends powerful messages through sticky notes. The attendees were asked to fill the notes with hardships they wanted to overcome and ideas of how to.

WWW Co-Founder Debra Postil kicked off the night asking the attendees to stand up if they were affected by hardships like bullying, abusive relationships, mental health hurdles, or peer pressure. She explained the meaning behind the plus and negative signs made of sticky notes arranged by WWW Artists Judi Randolph and Joan McCullough. "You can turn every negative into a positive," Executive Director Postil told the audience.

WWW Vice President Kacey Sutton introduced Neireda, a WWW graduate who blew a whistle and read her personal poems of resilience.

Professor Moore then shared her harrowing story of child abuse that she suffered at the hands of her mother. Growing up, Dr. Moore only knew the words: pain, blood, hunger, lonely, scared and "keep the secret," she stated. "What label has been given to you?" she asked the young scholars, before inviting them to "now remove it." She ended her presentation with a message of resilience: "Every time you survive something, you have resilience. That which was a problem is my motivation. That which was a negative is now a positive," she told a captivated audience.

Professor Moore is an Associate Professor at the School of Behavior Sciences at California Baptist University, holding a master's degree in Sociology. She has been married for over 40 years and has two grown children and lives in Orange County. She created the CHOICES program, which is implemented at Operation SafeHouse Transitional Living Home and is on WWW's Advisory Board.

WWW is a writing and mentorship program for at-risk youth in Riverside County. Roadtrip Resilience is a WWW speaker series featuring survivors who have overcome struggles throughout their life, which will be hosted every other month in 2013. The media, past and present WWW members and those interested in learning more about WWW are invited to attend each social. Check out WomenWonderWriters.com for upcoming events.

Sponsor a Tree at Ryan Bonaminio Park at the Tequesquite Arroyo

Riverside

The Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, in collaboration with the Riverside Community Services Foundation, is coordinating a "Sponsor a Tree" campaign to dedicate newly planted trees at Ryan Bonaminio Park at the Tequesquite Arroyo located at 5000 Tequesquite Avenue, Riverside, CA.

These trees will provide aesthetic value, shade from the sun and life sustaining oxygen, decrease noise and will enhance civic pride. Whatever the occasion, there couldn't be a better way to show how much you care.

According to organizers, “In recognition of your generous gift, you will receive a certificate of sponsorship and the donor’s name will be engraved on a granite plaque located in the regal courtyard of Ryan Bonaminio Park at the Tequesquite Arroyo, which will be unveiled at the Grand Opening Ceremony on Saturday, June 29 at 4 p.m.”

To obtain an application, visit the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department at 6927 Magnolia Ave., Second floor, 92506, your local community center or download an application online at www.riversideca.gov/park_rec.

Applications with $300 sponsorship must be received before Friday, June 7, in order to meet the engraving deadline for the Saturday, June 29 Grand Opening Ceremony.
Celebration of Life: Theodore King

Theodore (Ted) King, Sr. and fervent Allen Chapel AME member recently passed away from natural causes in Riverside, CA at the age of 90. He was born on October 20, 1922, in Swainsboro, GA to Thomas and Alavan King. He resided in Riverside for 69 years.

He served in the Army for two years eleven months as a PFC, Investigator 301 Team. He joined Allen Chapel African Methodist Church in Riverside in 1951. He was an active member on the Senior Usher Board, served as both president then treasurer and was also an active member in the Lay Organization, served as president for a period, and was honored by the Connectional Lay as a Life Time Member.

Theodore was a member of the Maestros Club, an all male club that provided scholarships to graduating Black children and the Traveling Friends Club. In 2007 he was recognized by the Riverside African American Historical Society - Pacesetter/Unsung Heroes reception and received the 2007 Humanitarian award.

Theodore is survived by his wife of 37 years, Hattie P. King of Riverside; daughters, Annette Beh and Alice King-Mason, both of Riverside; sons Theodore King, Jr. and Willie Albert King, both of Riverside, step-sons George W. King of Phoenix, AZ and Timothy M. King of Austin, TX; 21 grandchildren, 41 great grand children and 26 great-great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son Monrow King of Riverside.

The funeral for Theodore King, Sr. was held on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at Allen Chapel AME Church. He was laid to rest at the Riverside National Cemetery.

San Bernardino Lauded by Planning Group

San Bernardino

The city’s innovative planning, community involvement and leadership in the face of financial woes were lauded recently by the Inland Empire section of the American Planning Association. To the delight of many city officials who attended, San Bernardino took home the most awards from the ceremony.

The City’s Transit District Overlay Ordinance received the group’s Hard Won Victories Award, for successfully forging partnerships between the regional transportation agencies and local governments to fund and prepare a TOD ordinance and companion environmental documentation. The City was feted for expanding public outreach and education, resulting in a zoning overlay that was years in the making.

Mayor Patrick Morris received the Distinguished Leadership Award -- Elected Official for his efforts in the bringing investment to the city, including redevelopment of the former Norton Air Force Base, the SBX bus rapid transit line linking Cal State University San Bernardino, downtown and Loma Linda University and long-range planning to enhance the city's historical and cultural treasures.

The group also awarded the Distinguished Leadership Award -- Organization to Community Builders, a neighborhood group formed in 2011 to promote neighborhood involvement and improvement. Its web site has created a one-stop-shop for articles and presentation about best practices in Community planning.

“Renewing a sense of community among San Bernardinians by creating opportunities for neighbors to meet and interact with each other is the essential first step to empowering citizens to take control of their city and to use their own initiative to make it a better place, said Matt Korner, Co-founder of Community Builders. “This organization serves as a platform for people to form coalitions around shared goals and to work with each other to achieve them with or without the aid of business, government, or other non-profits.”

The Award Ceremony was at the Riverside Auditorium and Events Center. Morris, Korner, and Tony Stewart, Acting Director of the Community Development for the City of San Bernardino, attended the event.

APA is an independent, not-for-profit educational organization that provides leadership in the development of vital communities. Judges for the competition included planners from Ontario, Cathedral City, Upland, the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians and Cal Poly Pomona.
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Tax Fairness: We Need A “Plan B”

Most voters agree that big corporations and the wealthy should start paying their fair share in taxes. But of course big corporations and the wealthy don’t want to do that. They want to pay less, and they are used to getting their way. So what do you do?

Some people in Washington think the answer is a “Grand Bargain.” In a “Grand Bargain,” Republicans agree to stop protecting millionaires from having to pay a single penny more in taxes. In return, Democrats agree to cut Social Security, Medicaid, and Medicare benefits.

That doesn’t sound like a bargain to me. It sounds more like working people getting ripped off. Of course big corporations and the wealthy need to start paying their fair share — but cutting benefits is not the answer.

Let’s not forget how we got here. The richest Americans have been getting richer for decades, while the wages of working people have barely kept up with inflation. Then tax cuts for Wall Street and the wealthy threw the economy even more out of balance. Now economic inequality is the highest it has been since the Great Depression and the tax burden has shifted more and more to working people.

Even worse, some of the tax breaks enjoyed by Wall Street are doing real harm to our economy. Take the tax subsidy for sending jobs overseas, for example. Right now, corporations can lower their tax bill by moving factories to lower-tax countries. That’s not right.

Eliminating the tax subsidy for offshoring would raise $583 billion over 10 years. That’s not chump change. That’s money that could be used to invest in education and infrastructure, put people back to work, and lay the groundwork for long-term economic prosperity.

Right now, this idea is not taken seriously in Washington because Wall Street doesn’t like it. But the American people are overwhelmingly in favor. Surely that should count for something in a democracy.

Asking Wall Street and the wealthy to pay their fair share is not only the fair thing to do, it is also necessary to fix the economy. It would reduce inequality, which has been acting as a drag on economic growth. Reinvesting these revenues the right way could also put more buying power in the hands of the middle class, which was once the secret of America’s economic success.

By contrast, the Grand Bargain takes us in the opposite direction. Cutting Social Security, Medicaid, and Medicare benefits would increase inequality and undermine consumer buying power.

Some people tell us we don’t need to worry about any “Grand Bargain.” They say that Republicans’ refusal to tax millionaires and big corporations means there will never be a “Grand Bargain” that cuts benefits.

But think about what this means. It means big corporations and the wealthy will never have to pay their fair share of taxes. Or it means our only hope of getting them to pay their fair share is to cut benefits eventually.

Let’s face it: the “Grand Bargain” is a dead end.

If we want to rebuild our economy, raise wages, put America back to work, and rebuild the middle class, we need to set a different course — sooner rather than later.

Richard Trumka
President of the AFL-CIO

The American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL–CIO) is a national trade union center, the largest federation of unions in the United States, made up of fifty-six national and international unions, together representing more than 11 million workers.

Richard Trumka
President of the AFL-CIO

I really have enjoyed the newly re-designed Black Voice. I especially enjoy that you have done an article (cover) of my dear and long time friend Bill. A good man!

Irma Flores, Director
Government & Public Relations
SO CAL CORPORATE GROWTH PARTNERS
U.S. Dept of Commerce/MBDA Business Center, Riverside
A Message to the USDA: Continue to Respect Black Farmers

There is no way to make up for decades of discrimination that crippled the proud history of Black farm ownership in America. But we can do our best to move forward.

In 1999 the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) agreed to settle the civil rights lawsuit Pigford v Glickman. The settlement promised to compensate thousands of black farmers who suffered racial discrimination at the hands of the USDA’s farm loan program between 1981 and 1996.

In the last three years, Congress has started to provide monetary relief for black farmers who were left out of the original settlement. President Obama also agreed to compensate Native American, Hispanic, and women farmers who suffered discrimination of their own.

These initiatives have come under recent scrutiny, but many critics do not know the full story. The Pigford settlements only begin to make up for the long and ugly history of discrimination against black farmers and other farmers of color in the United States.

Like so many great ideas in our nation’s history, the USDA farm loan program was the product of compromise. Mired in the Great Depression, President Franklin D. Roosevelt developed a plan to help struggling farmers pay off their debts and stave off bankruptcy. But the initiative first had to earn the blessing of White southern senators who dominated Congress.

These senators insisted that the federal funds should funnel through southern plantation owners and wealthy white farmers. The white farmers would then distribute the loans to their black tenants and sharecroppers.

In practice, they were often not inclined to pass the funds along.

This dynamic only grew more toxic in the 1960s. As civil rights protests rocked the nation, USDA staff intentionally withheld loans from black farmers who voted, helped register other voters, or joined the NAACP. This discrimination continued in the years that followed, and it had a devastating effect on farmers of color. According to the Census of Agriculture, between 1920 and 1992 the number of African American farmers declined from 925,000 to only 18,000.

Despite this history of flagrant discrimination, President Ronald Reagan abolished the USDA Office of Civil Rights in 1981, leaving farmers with no options for legal recourse. The office remained shuttered until 1996, when President Clinton reopened its doors.

That 16-year period of lax oversight was the basis of the Pigford v Glickman lawsuit. During that time, thousands of farmers of color were denied access to loans, information on farm programs, technical assistance, and adequate loan servicing from the USDA. Some were denied loan applications outright, while others were asked to fill out an application only to watch the local USDA supervisor throw it in the trash. At the time, they had nowhere to turn.

In recent weeks the Pigford settlements has been attacked with accusations of fraud. These attacks are simply unfair and untrue. Since the first settlement in 1999, a careful process has been in place to weed out potential fraud. All farmers who claimed discrimination were obligated to sign a form under penalty of perjury attesting to the veracity of their claim. Out of 22,000 claims filed, only 60 of them were investigated for fraud by the FBI - less than one percent of the total.

As Judge Paul L. Friedman wrote in his 1999 opinion, the Pigford v. Glickman was a “significant first step” in addressing the USDA’s broken promises and history of discrimination. But it should not be the last. There are still many farmers of color who suffered discrimination but were left out of both settlements. One of the most important ways to further right these wrongs is to support the Farm Bill, soon to be debated in Congress, which will ensure funding for programs to further assist farmers of color.

Benjamin Jealous
President & CEO NAACP

Benjamin Todd Jealous is the 17th President and CEO of the NAACP. Appointed at age 35 in 2008, he is the youngest person to lead the 104-year-old organization.

A Rhodes Scholar, he is a graduate of Columbia and Oxford University, the past president of the Rosenberg Foundation and served as the founding director of Amnesty International’s US Human Rights Program.
Crafton Hills College Commencement  
May 23, 2013  
Approximately 500 students will walk during the 2013 Crafton Hills College (CHC) Commencement to be held in the Campus Quad on Thursday, May 23, beginning at 6 p.m. During the commencement celebration, approximately 600 degrees and certificates will be have been earned and handed out for the fall 2012 and spring 2013 semesters. This community celebration is open to the public and parking is free on campus that evening. The event should conclude by 7:30 p.m.

Commencement is a ceremony that recognizes certificate and degree earners alike. Students may be awarded an associate’s degree or a certificate. Students who are “graduating with honors” have a cumulative GPA of 3.50-3.99 at the end of the term in which they have applied for graduation. Those “graduating with highest honors” have a cumulative GPA of 4.0 at the end of the term in which they have applied for graduation.

Taste of Brews  
Saturday, May 25, 2013  
Location: White Park, 3901 Market Street, Riverside, CA. A summer “launch” festival featuring dozens of seasonal, craft and micro-brews paired alongside cuisine from local eateries. Taste of Brews admission includes craft beer tastes, free food samples (while supplies last), plenty of drinking water and live entertainment. For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit www.tasteofbrews.com.

Bell Biv Devoe Featuring DRU HILL  
Saturday, May 25, 2013  
Location: Riverside Auditorium & Events Center, 3485 Mission Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501. Purchase tickets at http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/347763 or call (800) 838-3006.

Understanding pH Balance Class  
May 29, 2013  
The Necessary Nutrition Academy will hold a class titled “Understanding pH Balance: Your Secret Weapon Against Cancer, Wednesday, May 29th, 6:30pm at 3985 University Ave, Riverside, CA. Registration for this class is $15 and includes dinner. To register call 951-259-5198 or visit www.necessary-nutrition.com. Participants will discover the significance pH balance plays in their overall well being, the dangers of acid in the body, how to determine if the body has enough balancing minerals and the key secret you must know to prevent cancer.

Rick James Memorial Funk Fest  
Saturday, June 15, 2013  

San Antonio Classic Benefit Golf Tournament  
Monday, June 17, 2013  
Location: Red Hill Country Club, 8538 Red Hill Country Club, Rancho Cucamonga, CA – Tel: (909) 982-4559. Shotgun Start – 10:00a; Putting Contest; 8:30a – 9:45a. Sponsorship Opportunities Available. For more info, please call Christie Rose at (909) 920-4966 or email crose@sach.org.

MC Hammer  
Friday, June 21, 2013, 9:00p  
Location: Morongo Casino, Resort & Spa, 49500 Seminole Dr., Cabazon, CA 92230. For tickets, please call 800-252-4499 or 951-849-3080.

Walking Shield 3rd Annual Golf Tournament  
Monday, June 24, 2013  
Charity Golf Tournament to benefit Walking Shield’s American Indian Scholarship Program. This event is to help American Indian students enrolled in college and in need of financial assistance. Walking Shield established this tournament in 2011 to help students complete their educational journey. These students come from economically disadvantaged tribes. In the past two years, this golf tournament has provided 16 college scholarships. The goal for this year’s tournament is to provide 25-30 scholarships. Location: Journey at Pechanga, 45000 Pechanga Pkwy, Temecula, CA, 92592. Tel: (949) 639-0472 or email info@walkingshield.org.

15th Annual International Crime Free Association Annual Training Conference  
We invite you to join together with Crime Free Coordinators, police officers, crime prevention practitioners, security specialists, property owners and managers as we work together towards a goal of a Crime Free tomorrow. Location: Marriott Hotel, Riverside, 3400 Market Street, Riverside, CA 92501 - Information: (951) 784-8000. For more info, please call Officer Celeste Neiman, Riverside Police Department, at (951) 826-5147.
Dear Dr. Levister: I am diabetic. How can I avoid problems with my feet? T.S.

Dear T.S.: Foot care is very important for every person with diabetes, but especially if you have: Loss of feeling in your feet, changes in the shape of your feet or foot ulcers or sores that do not heal.

Nerve damage can cause you to lose feeling in your feet. You may not feel a pebble inside your sock that is causing a sore. You may not feel a blister caused by poorly fitting shoes. Foot injuries such as these can cause ulcers, which may lead to amputation.

Make healthy lifestyle choices to help keep your blood glucose (sugar), blood pressure, and cholesterol levels close to normal. Doing so may help prevent or delay diabetes-related foot problems as well as heart, eye, and kidney disease. Work with your health care team to make a diabetes plan that fits your lifestyle. The team may include your doctor, a diabetes educator, a nurse, a dietitian, a foot care doctor called a podiatrist (pah-DI-ah-trist), and other specialists. Wash your feet every day with lukewarm (not hot) water and mild soap.

Dry your feet well, especially between the toes. Use a soft towel and pat gently; don’t rub. Keep the skin of your feet smooth by applying a cream or lanolin lotion, especially on the heels. If the skin is cracked, talk to your doctor about how to treat it.

Keep your feet dry by dusting them with non-medicated powder before putting on shoes, socks or stockings.

Check your feet every day. You may need a mirror to look at the bottoms of your feet. Call your doctor if you have redness, swelling, pain that doesn't go away, numbness or tingling in any part of your foot.

Cut toenails straight across to avoid ingrown toenails. It might help to soak your toenails in warm water to soften them before you cut them. File the edges of your toenails carefully.

Don’t let your feet get too hot or too cold.

Don’t go barefoot.

Don’t treat calluses, corns or bunions without medical help.

Keep your blood sugar level as close to normal as possible. Also, follow your doctor's advice on diet and exercise. Take your insulin or medicine exactly as prescribed.
POLICE TRAINING IN URBAN NEIGHBORHOODS: WHO BENEFITS?

Tactical training by law enforcement viewed as a necessary tool to protect civilians in emergency response situations

By Corey Arvin
BVN Contributor

The echo of bomb blasts adorned a tightly-knit neighborhood followed by the crackling sound emanating from a barrage of bullets that filled the air. Officers storm a multi-housing building military-style in sharp pursuit of a suspect. Not far away, a little girl runs for safety in her own home, sheltering herself from the perceived violence that has swiftly entered her world.

The war outside seems unreal. In fact, it isn’t real at all.

This isn’t war-torn Bosnia circa 1992 or today’s clashing Syrian forces spilling into the streets. However, the faces of the people in fear are minorities and the effect is surreal for one neighborhood in Albany, NY that is still trying to understand the reason for a police training exercise conducted in March in a neighborhood that is home to several housing projects.

To say Lauren Manning was upset and disconcerted to discover her neighborhood was turned upside down would be an understatement. Manning first received word that something unsettling was happening within her neighborhood from her 4-year-old daughter’s babysitter who called her at work, explaining what little she knew at the time. According to Manning, officers from the Albany Police Department locked down her neighborhood until the training exercise concluded, not allowing anyone to leave.

“As I’m speaking with (the babysitter) I hear the sounds of bombs, breaking glass, automatic weapons and my daughter crying to the babysitter ‘let’s go’. I then ask the babysitter why is a cop standing in front of the door. She replied ‘so I don’t go out’ and so our neighbor can’t come in. At this point, the officer told my neighbor to go home nobody in or out and if he didn’t leave he was going to be arrested,” said Manning.

By the time she arrived home, left behind were bullet shell casings, debris and simulated blood. For weeks it would serve as a reminder of the virtual violence that transpired and the fear her daughter and neighbors had to endure. It was also symbol of an inequality her neighborhood had to face and the inhumane attitude officers have toward people in her neighborhood – an area that is home to predominately minorities.

The disruption and fear was too much to bear – and tolerate – so Manning drafted a petition on Change.org, asking supporters to request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the Albany Housing Authority prohibit law enforcement officials from using housing developments such as her neighborhood as training grounds. As of May 21, Manning’s petition has garnered more than 27,000 signatures from across the U.S. and the support of her local community who were outraged by the training exercise.

“I contacted HUD directly to file a complaint. The 800 number for complaints told me they don’t handle housing complaints, call New York City HUD. New York City HUD told me to call the HUD field office in Albany. Albany told me to call HUD in Buffalo, NY. Buffalo told me to call Albany. … After the run around I did some research and found that HUD housing complexes across the country are being used as training grounds. When I saw this was happening around the country, I knew HUD needed a national policy to protect residents from this terror,” said Manning.

“HUD’s mission is to utilize housing as a platform for improving quality of life. Allowing tactical police training in communities where families live actually undermines that mission. Federally subsidized
One of the goals of a tactical team is to minimize the disruption of the normal day to day lives of people in a neighborhood and return the neighborhood to normal functioning as soon as possible. It is only by practicing these types of scenarios that we can do this.”

- Lt. Dave Kondrit

Police officers enter an apartment building in Albany, NY as they conduct a tactical training exercise. The apartment building is situated in a neighborhood with multiple public housing projects. (Photo Courtesy of Lauren Manning)

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A team of students from California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB) presented the winning case on “what students are looking for in an employer” to beat a host of national competing minority serving colleges in the 2013 Opportunity of a Lifetime Case Study. After surveying over 1,300 students, the team was able to develop research that allowed them to better understand what employers are searching for in their upcoming recruiting classes. The team, comprised of David Allison, Emmanuel Ezeagwula, Kamelle Leggette and Michel’le Le Jones along with their university advisors, diligently worked on the case on a weekly basis for over three months. During this time, they developed skills that will help them build their portfolios and resumes.

The case study is a program offered through the Black Voice Foundation Inc. in partnership with minority serving universities from across the country. “This program is dedicated to working with students who attend minority serving institutions. We are reaching out to campuses nationally to assist their students in better reaching their career goals in these hard economic times,” said Hardy Brown II, Black Voice Foundation Executive Director.

This year’s competition was based on an original survey conducted by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) soliciting students on what they want from their future career opportunities. The case study required the student teams to research that same information from college graduating classes from 2010-2014, with a specific focus on their own university. After reviewing the original NACE research, students from the winning team conducted a modified survey of Inland Empire students, and then compared those results.

In addition, the teams conducted a SWOT analysis and examined each category based on characteristics specific to the area. CSUSB also created a profile of the commonalities of area students.

As finalists, both CSUSB and the University of Arkansas, Pine Bluff presented to a panel of corporate judges including Celia Lanning, Wells Fargo, Area President for the Inland Empire.

“These final two teams put forth amazing presentations which were well researched, well organized and provided compelling content transferable to working in the corporate world today,” said Lanning. “I was blown away by the ideas and recommendations presented in these studies and welcome the winning team to present their findings to our leadership team, helping us to recruit bright future leaders.”

Adding to the $3,000 first place and $1,500 second place prize is the Hardy & Cheryl Brown Legacy Award that will be presented to the CSUSB to proudly display for the year.

Sponsors who have supported the work of the students through the Opportunity of a Lifetime program include: National Park Service; State Farm Insurance; Enterprise Holdings; Southern California Edison; California Black Media; Black Voice News; San Manuel Band of Mission Indians;
The Black Voice Foundation for Media, History, & the Arts 501(c)(3) was founded in 1988 with a mission to train and educate individuals in print media. With the digital revolution, the rapid growth of technology in the worlds of communications and media, and the need to impact lives through a diverse set of multi-media platforms, the foundation has expanded its mission to include digital and electronic media and a burgeoning set of projects in the fields of education, professional development, media, history, and the arts.

For more information visit their website: www.bvfoundation.org.
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VOICE Staff Summer Reading Picks

What We’re Reading...

THE DEVIL IN THE WHITE CITY
Erik Larson
It is the true story of the architect who designed the 1893 World’s Fair in Chicago and a serial killer who used the fair to lure his victims to their death. I love a good crime story. And I admit I have to force myself to stop reading to do my work!
Paulette Brown-Hinds, PhD (Publisher)

THE GREATER JOURNEY: Americans in Paris
David McCullough
Excessively LONG, but with many interesting, well-researched bits of historical information.
Laura Klure (Contributing Writer)

THE BIBLE
The best book ever written
Susan Morris (Office manager)

LEAN IN
Sheryl Sandberg with Neil Scovell
But I’m inviting everyone to read my new book coming out in August 2013 entitled Don’t Date! Investigate.
Dr. Gloria Morrow (Contributing Columnist)

MENTOR OR DIE: The Ultimate Blueprint to Developing a Mentoring Mindset

Kevin Hall
Gives readers valuable insight from a Master Mentor on how to become a mentor and make a difference in the lives of troubled youth. Available at Amazon.com or visit www.MentorOrDie.com
Natasha Ferguson (Special Editor/Marketing)

DOUBLE CROSS
James Patterson
Features Patterson's popular main character, Alex Cross. Another nail biting, "can’t put the book down" crime drama. Instead of one psycho killer hunting his victims, it's about two psycho killers plotting revenge on Alex Cross. Very good read!
Chris Allen (Creative Director)

THE GREAT GATSBY
F. Scott Fitzgerald
I heard someone reading a passage on NPR radio, and thought it still sounded so good, so poetic, that I'm going to read it again.
Michael J. Elderman (Contributing Photographer)

MY MEMOIRS: CLIMBING UP THE DOWNSTAIR ESCALATOR
Ameal Moore
Dell Roberts (Community Leader & Contributor)

Let Us Know What You Are Reading.... Email us at staff@theievoice.com. We would love to hear from you.
Pathway From Boys to Men Sponsors Job Fair

1-James Randolph, Pres/CEO, Pathway from Boys to Men non-profit organization, recently sponsored a Job Fair at the Lewis Public Library, Fontana, and has scheduled twice monthly free Employment Training Workshop programs through December, 2013. For information visit their website at www.pathwayforboystomen.com. 2-During the health fair, Pathway staff provided service to attendees. Photos by John Coleman

Eleanor Luna Softball Tournament - That’s What Friends Are For...

Eleanor Luna is an attractive, outgoing, energetic and positive young wife, mother, and hoping-to-be grandmother and great grandmother. She doesn’t want cancer to interfere with her plans, but she was diagnosed with ovarian cancer at 35-years-old and breast cancer two years later. Despite bi-lateral surgery, the cancer has spread to her lungs and bones.

Luna has been a good friend to others and now others are being a good friend to her. More than a hundred people recently participated in the Eleanor Luna Softball Tournament. The day started early, got hot, and lasted well past sundown. There was food, music and a softball competition.

Luna has begun radiation treatment at the City of Hope Medical Center. Her family, friends and other supporters planned, promoted, and participated in the tournament and other fund-raising events in support of her getting the kind of treatment she needs. Luna has plans to participate in the American Cancer Society Relay For Life celebration, raising funds for cancer research and patient services.

Eleanor Luna (standing center, wearing straw hat) and her friends: Patsy Lara, Joey Medina, Leo Rodriguez, Yoseline Cornejo, Eileen Gomez, and Terrance Stone. Text and Photo By John Coleman

3rd Annual Pow Wow Held at San Manuel Stadium

1-Carla Rodriguez, Chairwoman San Manuel Band of Mission Indians spoke during the opening ceremonies of the 3rd Annual POW WOW to welcome entrants, families, friends and the community to the San Manuel Stadium. 2-GRAND ENTRY - Procession of Pow Wow entrants from across the U.S. and Canada. Photos by John Coleman
NADCO Weighs In On New Proposed SBA 504 Rules

By Hilda Kennedy

The National Association of Development Companies (NADCO), the trade association that represents the voice of Certified Development Companies or SBA 504 lenders across the country, like the Inland Empire’s AmPac, has shared its comments on the proposed rules for the SBA 504 program. The proposed new rules will make using the program more business and lender friendly. NADCO has noted the following:

AFFILIATION

Supports the elimination of the negative control test and agrees with SBA’s concept of looking at the totality of the circumstance to determine if an affiliation exists;

Supports the definition of affiliate as a person who owns or controls more than 50% of the business; or two or more persons who own or collectively control more than 50% of a business;

Supports that an applicant should submit an affidavit delineating percentage of ownership; however, the six-page format proposed should be simplified.

PROPOSED CHANGES

NADCO is proposing, on behalf of CDCs nationwide, that SBA reconsider its proposal for “affiliation based on common management.” It is the industry’s belief that affiliation should be directly linked to ownership versus common management. The requirement to have applicants submit numerous tax returns and ownership documents would defeat the purpose of simplifying the affiliation rule.

PERSONAL RESOURCES TEST

Strongly support elimination of the personal resources test to promote economic development and job creation. The industry cautions that elimination of this test will require fair, balanced and effective lender oversight.

NINE-MONTH RULE

Strongly favors this rule, as this will allow borrowers to continue projects that may have been hampered by the recession and can be implemented now that the economy has stabilized.

AmPac believes that the intent of the new regulations will be beneficial to facilitate greater opportunities to serve growing businesses. The SBA public comment period on the proposed regulations has closed and the final rules could be implemented over the summer. AmPac will keep its borrowers, lenders and resource providers informed of the rules once they are implemented.

Hilda Kennedy is the Executive Director of AmPac Tri State CDC; a nonprofit certified by the U. S. Small Business Administration to provide SBA guaranteed 504 loans for new and growing small businesses. AmPac is the SBA’s first faith-based certified lender in the country. Contact her for more information: hkennedy@tristatedc.com.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

PLATINUM ENTERPRISE
2114 Hesperus St. Apt 208
Corona, CA 92822

Rajpal Singh Makker

This business is conducted by: General Partnership
Registar has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above.
I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

Larry W. Ward, County, Clerk

FILE NO. R-2013-03-0430

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

IRON MIKE’S FITNESS EQUIPMENT
1339 North Calle de Sol
Sun City, CA 92585

Michael Joseph Kozlowski
28200 Glen Oaks Drive
Menifee, CA 92584

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above.
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Larry W. Ward, County, Clerk

FILE NO. R-2013-03-0429

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

BEEF CUSTMS AUTO
23810 Descanso Dr. #202
Moreno Valley, CA 92557

Riverside County

Bronco – Johnson

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above.
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Larry W. Ward, County, Clerk

FILE NO. R-2013-03-0327

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

CLAFORNIA SMOG TEST & REPAIR
11450 American River Rd.
Corona, CA 92828

Lunch Solutions, LLC
Corona, CA 92880

This business is conducted by: Limited Liability Company Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above.
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Larry W. Ward, County, Clerk

FILE NO. R-2013-03-0419

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

INLAND EMPIRE GROUP HOMES
28231 Brodhead Ave.
Moreno Valley, CA 92555

Riverside County

NACO – Long

This business is conducted by: Corporation Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above.
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Larry W. Ward, County, Clerk

FILE NO. R-2013-03-0358

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INLAND EMPIRE GROUP HOMES
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Moreno Valley, CA 92555

Riverside County

NACO – Long

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Larry W. Ward, County, Clerk

FILE NO. R-2013-03-0358

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:

THE FASHION HOUSE
3500 Wildwood Ct.
Riverside, CA 92506

Belinda – Correa

This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above.
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Larry W. Ward, County, Clerk

FILE NO. R-2013-03-0392
p. 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 2013
The case of [redacted] vs. [redacted] is presented in this document. The case involves a violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law. The plaintiff [redacted] and the defendant [redacted] were involved in an incident where [redacted]. The plaintiff alleged that the defendant violated their rights. The defendant denied the allegations. The case was filed in the Court of Appeals of [redacted]. The court ruled on the case and made a decision. The judgment was appealed to the higher court. The higher court upheld the decision of the lower court. The case was then appealed again to the highest court. The highest court upheld the decision of the lower courts. The plaintiff then appealed to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court denied the appeal. The case was then closed. The parties involved in the case were [redacted] and [redacted]. The court was presided over by [redacted]. The case was heard on [redacted]. The case was decided on [redacted].
To All Interested Persons: Petitioner: DANIEL GARCIA CARRILLO filed a petition with this Court as follows: DANIEL GARCIA CARRILLO to Daniel Garcia Carrillo 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 hearing indicated at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name change must file a written objection objecting to the name change must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the hearing date, and the objection must the objection must be filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Notice of Hearing: Hearing Date: 10:30 AM; 10. The address of the court is: Superior Court of California, County of Riverside, 4500 Main St., (P.O. Box 431), Riverside, CA 92502-0431. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Black Voice, 4290 Brockton Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501 Date: April 11, 2013 SHAPRON J. WATERS, Judge of the Superior Court p. 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 5/30, 2013 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER RIC 1308273 To All Interested Persons: Petitioner: TAYLOR STRAND filed a petition with this Court to change naming changes as follows: NOAH CLIFFTON STRAND to TAYLOR STRAND 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 change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the hearing date, and the objection must be filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Notice of Hearing: Hearing Date: 2:30 PM; 10. The address of the court is: Superior Court of California, County of Riverside, 4500 Main St., (P.O. Box 431), Riverside, CA 92502-0431. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Black Voice, 4290 Brockton Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501 Date: April 11, 2013 SHAPRON J. WATERS, Judge of the Superior Court p. 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 5/30, 2013 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME CASE NUMBER RIC 1308373 To All Interested Persons: Petitioner: ALBERT C. LUNA / TAMMY E. LUNA filed a petition with this Court to change naming changes as follows: DANIEL BRANDON LUNA to ALBERT C. LUNA / TAMMY E. LUNA 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 change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the hearing date, and the objection must be filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Notice of Hearing: Hearing Date: 3:30 PM; 10. The address of the court is: Superior Court of California, County of Riverside, 4500 Main St., (P.O. Box 431), Riverside, CA 92502-0431. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Black Voice, 4290 Brockton Avenue, Riverside, CA 92501 Date: April 11, 2013 SHAPRON J. WATERS, Judge of the Superior Court p. 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 5/30, 2013 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LINDA MAYE PHOTOGRAPHY Riverside, CA 92506 Riverside County Linday Gaye 2421 Fairview Ave, Riverside, CA 92506 This business is conducted by: Individual
maximum amount of bid as a guarantee that the bidder will enter into the proposed contract, if the bid is accepted, and will provide the required Performance and Payment Bonds. All such proposals and bonds are to be in form and posted as required by the State Board of Elections, and will include the following: A public works bid bond, a performance bond, and a payment bond. Any individual or group of bidders that fail to comply with the bond procedures will be excluded from the bidding process.

PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENTS
The Prevailing Wage Requirements of the Department of Industrial Relations the Department of Industrial Relations the prevailing wage rate for per diem wages and per diem wages may be paid for work on the site at any time within the local area in which this work is to be performed for each craft, classification or type of work needed to provide the required services, including holiday and overtime work, as well as employer payments for health and welfare, pension, vacation, and similar purposes, are established and are available from the Department of Industrial Relations. Pursuant to California Labor Code Sections 1720 et seq., it shall be mandatory upon the CONTRACTOR to provide the contract and shall be in the form set forth in the contract documents.

ALL BIDS (Construction, Finances, and Payment) must be submitted by a California admitted surety as defined in California Code of Civil Procedure, Sections 777.5, 777.7, and 777.9. No telephone or facsimile machine will be accepted. Bids are due at the location designated at the time it is required, and the responsibility to ensure that its bids is timely delivered and received at the location designated at the time the bid opening is to occur at the time of the project bid opening.

1. The definition of low bid is limited to the total workforce of the prime or principal Contractor who has registered as a qualified Contractor who will work under the construction contract.

2. A “local hire” is defined as an employee who is employed at the time of the project bid opening.

3. Local Hiring criteria is intended to make the “Local Hire Information and Checklist” with respect to application of the local workforce. Any other provisions not specifically directed to the following:

(a) A local hire is defined as a California licensed Board of Trustees strongly encourages, within the constraints of federal and state law, the employment of SBCCD residents on SBCCD construction projects.

(b) Bidders on construction projects will be required to complete the “Hire Information Form & Checklist” which indicates the bidder’s effort to employ local hires.

4. To the extent possible and applicable and as permitted by law, bidders are expected to utilize the services of Certified Public Accountants, Certified Public Accountants, Certified Public Accountants, and CPA or its equivalent to prepare the bidding package or other documents or other evidence to demonstrate efforts to provide the required services, including education to apprenticeship programs or hiring halls, training, counseling and mentoring, support network, employer sponsored benefits, and other activities as identified by the District. The District may not require bidders to provide the required services, including education to apprenticeship programs or hiring halls, training, counseling and mentoring, support network, employer sponsored benefits, and other activities as identified by the District. The District may not require bidders to provide the required services, including education to apprenticeship programs or hiring halls, training, counseling and mentoring, support network, employer sponsored benefits, and other activities as identified by the District. The District may not require bidders to provide the required services, including education to apprenticeship programs or hiring halls, training, counseling and mentoring, support network, employer sponsored benefits, and other activities as identified by the District. The District may not require bidders to provide the required services, including education to apprenticeship programs or hiring halls, training, counseling and mentoring, support network, employer sponsored benefits, and other activities as identified by the District.
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 § 1440 et. seq. & b code) Statement filed with the County of Riverside on 6/15/13.

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER RIC 1304977
To All Interested Persons: PETITIONER: DAVEY S. WITKIN; PETITIONER: DINNIE W. WITKIN File this order with the Clerk of the County Court. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. (A registrant who declares as truth, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER RIC 1304530
To All Interested Persons: PETITIONER: HAYDEE I. PICKRON filed a petition with the Clerk of the County Court. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. (A registrant who declares as truth, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
CASE NUMBER RIC 1304254
To All Interested Persons: PETITIONER: SAMantha M. DELOREZ; PETITIONER: JAMES D. SCHULZ; PETITIONER: RACHAEL E. TONK; PETITIONER: AMANDA L. ROLLER; PETITIONER: SHAUN W. TALMAN File this order with the Clerk of the County Court. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. (A registrant who declares as truth, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.)

I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office.
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: CHRISTINA RODRIGUEZ & ASSOCIATES 4192 Brockton Ave., Suite 103-B Riverside, CA 92501 Riverside County Christina – Rodriguez 8807 Amigo Pl. Riverside, CA 92504 This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) s/ Christina Rodriguez 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 (sec. 1440 et seq. b & 4 code) Statement filed with the County of Riverside on 5/13/13 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the Office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not 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 1441, Et Seq., Business and Professions Code). Larry W. Ward, County Clerk N. LEWIS FILE NO. R-2013-04945 p. 5/23, 5/30, 6/6, 6/13, 2013 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: THE EMAS GROUP 38135 Talavera Ct. Murrieta, CA 92563 Riverside County Dennis Michael Massawe 38135 Talavera Ct. Murrieta, CA 92563 This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) s/ Dennis Massawe 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 (sec. 1440 et seq. b & 4 code) Statement filed with the County of Riverside on 5/09/13 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. NOTICE: This fictitious business name statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the Office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not 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 1441, Et Seq., Business and Professions Code). Larry W. Ward, County Clerk D. RIVERA FILE NO. R-2013-05080 p. 5/23, 5/30, 6/6, 6/13, 2013 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SUDS N SHINE CO. 15740 Streamview Ct. Riverside, CA 92504 Riverside County Dante Donnie Oms 15740 Streamview Ct. Riverside, CA 92504 This business is conducted by: Individual Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name(s) listed above. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true, information which he or she knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) s/ Dante Oms 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 (sec. 1440 et seq. b & 4 code) Statement filed with the County of Riverside on 5/02/13 I hereby certify that this copy is a correct copy of the original statement on file in my office. 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of masterminding the Boston Marathon bombings that killed three people and seriously injured at least 260. A wide-scale manhunt for Tamerlan Tsarnaev and his younger brother Dzhokhar Tsarnaev transformed Boston into a virtual police state with residents locked into their homes and law enforcement officers commandeering the city – a dramatic safety precaution for the Boston area all captured on national television.

Critics of the law enforcement response in Boston were aplenty. Former presidential candidate Ron Paul – a popular fixture of the Libertarian Party – slammed Boston Police Department for its response to the bombings and the tactics used in its search for the suspected terrorists.

In a blog posting titled “Liberty Was Also Attacked In Boston” on Lewrockwell.com, a Libertarian activist’s website, Paul stated “The Boston bombing provided the opportunity for the government to turn what should have been a police investigation into a military-style occupation of an American city. This unprecedented move should frighten us as much or more than the attack itself.”

Why ‘Urban’ Neighborhoods?

There’s no dispute that law enforcement officials have a tough job, but it is important to have limits and oversight on their authority, said Olu K. Orange.

Orange is an attorney and Adjunct Assistant Professor of Political Science at University of Southern California (USC). Orange’s career includes several high-profile civil rights cases, including when he tried and won Chaudhry v. City of Los Angeles, the first post-9/11 case of a police officer and U.S. Marine who was found liable for the shooting death of Mohammad Usman Chaudhry, a Muslim man who was also autistic.

According to Orange, the tactical training in Albany may carry a pervasive racial undertone in the community affected by the incident, but the disparity in how police officers treated Manning’s neighborhood is probably based on income more than any other factor.

Orange disputes the necessity for police training in occupied suburban neighborhoods or housing projects, pointing to warehouses and business complexes as alternatives. In addition, Orange suspects there may have been another motive for the tactical training that has nothing to do with emergency response preparation.

“I would not be surprised if (officers) did this as some twisted tactic to show criminals in that area who has the real muscle, not realizing there are mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters … families who thrive in those communities,” he said.

“These officers and administrators were not seeing the inhabitants of the neighborhood on the same level of humanity as their own. If you see people as truly human, you don’t do this. It never enters your thought process.”

In part, Orange blames law enforcement officials’ expanded definition of terrorism for extending police officers’ authority. He believes some officials and legislators are using fear mongering as a tool to gain support and boost police budgets – all of which leads to the further endangering of Constitutional protections.

Still, the impact of police training in Manning’s neighborhood makes Orange uneasy when he reflects on the adjacent neighbors and a nearby elementary school in that Albany community.

“Some police paint everybody in the lower economic echelon with a broad brush as lazy, unemployed, misfits … but when you include kids, it shocks me … and within proximity of a school. There was no thought that there would be a negative impact on kids. If you feel that way about people, okay, but what fault can you say kids have for their circumstances.”

For more information on Lauren Manning’s petition, visit http://www.change.org/petitions/hud-tactical-police-training-in-residential-properties

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