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My Holiday Addiction

I have an addiction. It’s a holiday addiction. I’m not proud of it, nor am I actively doing anything to cure it. Like most addictive behaviors it helps me get through the day, in this case, the season. It’s a guilty pleasure, something I seem to have more of the older I become. This year it started with an innocent text message on November 16th from my sister Lynn, “Hallmark Christmas is back yay!!!” Yes, those were her exact words. My response: Time to start watching!

If you haven’t guessed by now I am one of those women - the Hallmark Channel’s target market. One of those viewers who will watch, hour after hour, the sappy, silly, sometimes romantic, most often cliché, holiday narratives featuring the widowed mother of small children who is afraid to fall in love again, or widowed father who is struggling to take care of his two children who is afraid to fall in love again, or the heartless boss who is Scrooge-like in his hatred for the Christmas season and is afraid to fall in love again. There are all the stock characters, and basic plots, and for some reason I can’t stop watching.

Perhaps it’s because I’m comforted by the resolution of the stories. The widowed parent always finds love. The cruel and apathetic boss becomes empathetic and full of the holiday spirit. The cynical reporter gains faith after covering the story of the town where the holiday spirit never dies. The big city bank does not foreclose on the struggling family-owned farm or the family widget-making factory is saved just before Christmas Day. Miracles happen in this world, at least during the Christmas season.

When I was a little girl I couldn’t wait for the countdown to Christmas to begin. It started December 1st, with the making of the “Christmas Chain” in class. We would spend a few days during arts & crafts cutting red and green construction paper in thin strips, then we’d shape the strips into circles and link them into a chain configuration. We made 24 of those links and attached them to one gold link at the top of the chain. Every day of the month we would cut one link until Christmas arrived and only the gold link was left. For a grade school age child, the ritual served the purpose, waiting for the big day to arrive.

My Christmas story addiction probably started then. The Frank Capra film “It’s A Wonderful Life” was required viewing every December in our home. Every year as a family we would watch the story of what the town of Bedford Falls would have become if George Bailey had never been born. On Christmas Eve, George, played by a young Jimmy Stewart, finds his world crumbling around him with a life seemingly so desperate that he contemplates suicide. He had always wanted to leave Bedford Falls, but circumstances and his own good heart caused him to stay. He sacrificed his own dreams to keep the family-run savings and loan afloat and in essence protected the community from an unscrupulous businessman who wants to control the town. As George prepares to jump from a bridge, his guardian angel intercedes; showing him what life would have been like without his good deeds.

As an adult, my holiday traditions have become sporadic at best. Every once in a while, I become nostalgic for the traditions and rituals of my past holidays and find myself playing Lou Rawls’ “Santa Claus Is Comin’ To Town” one of my favorite Christmas songs from childhood that I have downloaded on my iTunes, or hanging the stockings from the fireplace mantle, or even sending my husband and son to pick-up a Christmas tree so the house can really smell like Christmas. But what has been consistent is the Christmas story addiction. Even as I sit writing this note, “The Santa Suit” is on the Hallmark Channel starring Kevin Sorbo as the unyielding and obdurate boss who unknowingly switches places with Kris Kringle in a story that must have been pitched as “Freaky Friday” meets “A Christmas Carol.”

Stories inspire. They instruct. As writer Jonathan Gottschall explains as humans we are so addicted to story that we even construct them in our sleep. So I look forward to next year when I will once again be reacquainted with George Bailey, Ebenezer Scrooge, and the hundreds of characters in the dramas and romantic comedies I’ve come to enjoy this time of year. And the resolution, like all good Christmas stories, will remind me why this is the season of joy, faith, compassion, and yes, even miracles.
New Procedure at Loma Linda University Medical Center Allows Moreno Valley Man to Regain Sight

Loma Linda

After two decades of gradually losing his vision, Roy Kennedy figured he had little to lose by agreeing to take part in a new procedure at Loma Linda University Medical Center that implants a tiny telescope in his eye to let him see again.

A few weeks after having been implanted with the miniature telescope in his right eye, the 77-year old Moreno Valley, Calif. resident, who had suffered from end-stage macular degeneration (AMD), has no regrets.

“It’s the best thing I’ve done; it has allowed me to come out of a shell I’ve created for myself because of my lack of eyesight,” said Kennedy, a retired educator from Banning School District, whose surgery was performed by renowned eye surgeon Dr. Howard Gimbel.

Loma Linda University Medical Center is the first hospital in the Inland Empire to implant the telescope implant for patients with AMD, the leading cause of blindness in older Americans. The FDA approved telescope implant is the main feature of CentraSight, a new patient care program for treating patients with AMD. The first-of-its-kind telescope implant is believed to be the only surgical option that improves vision by reducing the impact of the central vision blind spot caused by AMD. The cost for the telescope implant and visits associated with the treatment are Medicare eligible.

Patients with AMD suffer from a central blind spot, meaning they have difficulty seeing when they look “straight ahead.” Patients often have difficulty or find it impossible to recognize faces, read the newspapers, or watch TV.

The telescope implant, which is slightly smaller than a pea, uses micro-optical technology to magnify images that can be seen by central vision. The images are projected onto the healthy portion of the retina not affected by the disease.

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San Bernardino

The Entrepreneurship Institute Of San Bernardino, administered by the San Bernardino Community College District (SBCCD), through its Economic Development and Corporate Training (EDCT) Division, graduated its first class on November 20.

Coming from across the Inland Empire, the 18 who have completed the program and received certificates are Taffette Boykins, San Bernardino; Keith Butler, San Bernardino; Barbara Collins, San Bernardino; Christopher Fleming, San Bernardino; Jerole Goines, Redlands; Murray (Brett) Hall, Redlands; Kevin Johnson, Fontana; Agustin Ledezma, Jr., San Bernardino; Alonzo Lewis, Highland; Mark Montoya, Yucaipa; Robert Moreno, Colton; John Oloteo, Colton; Ryan Salamon, Redlands; Lauren Sanders, San Bernardino; Karimulla Sha Jahangir (Jay) Shaik, Arcadia; Linda Subero, Rialto; and Jesus Torres, San Bernardino.

Led by EDCT CEO Matthew Isaac, Ph.D.; Bruce Underwood, MBA, CFO/Partner of B2B Staffing Services, Inc. and San Bernardino Valley College business instructor; and Professor Michael Assumma, MBA, chair of the Business Department at San Bernardino Valley College, the Entrepreneurship Institute of San Bernardino is a six course program (each course is three or four sessions) leading to a Certificate endorsed by the San Bernardino Community College District. Only $395, the courses are scheduled on two evenings per week. The next session begins January 15 and the sessions will be held at the EDCT, 114 S. Del Rosa Drive, in San Bernardino.

Chancellor Bruce Baron said: “We are very proud of this first group of committed learners who have completed our rigorous training. These trailblazers have gained the skills needed to succeed in their new business ventures. This Institute offers participants the opportunity, for an extraordinarily low cost, to learn from and be mentored by experts. Through the Entrepreneurship Institute, the San Bernardino Community College District is helping develop new jobs and businesses for our community.”

Dr. Isaac noted, “The Entrepreneurship Institute is designed to provide the aspiring entrepreneur with the nuts and bolts of business ownership, business creation and business operation, using real world terms and examples. Entrepreneurs are major drivers of economic growth in the United States. The Small Business Administration recently noted that about 90% of new businesses fail. To be a successful business owner, an entrepreneur needs training, mentoring and guidance. The Entrepreneurship Institute provides that.”

Rep. Negrete McLeod Advocates for Supporting Homeless Veterans

After voting in support of HR 1402, reauthorizing funding for the Veterans Administration (VA) housing programs for homeless veterans, U.S. Rep. Gloria Negrete McLeod (CA-35) stated:

“Like the nation, homelessness among veterans is a serious problem in the Inland Empire region of California,” said Negrete McLeod. “The district I represent is home to over 20,000 veterans. It will take a continued coordination between the VA and local organizations to ensure that veterans are able to take advantage of housing assistance programs in and around the area.”

This past August, Negrete McLeod hosted a field hearing on veterans’ issues in the City of Fontana. The issue of homelessness was one of the top concerns amongst veteran groups at the hearing. The VA and local organizations at the field hearing also assisted veterans in applying for VA benefits. Over 200 veterans attended.

“This is a great example of better coordination in helping our veterans. Today’s vote on this important legislation is a step in the right direction, but more work remains to be accomplished.” explained Negrete McLeod.

Bill HR 1402 passed the House and will now be sent to the Senate for consideration.
New Workplace Wellness Initiative

Riverside

The Necessary Nutrition Academy has kicked off a new workplace wellness initiative. They are offering free nutrition and wellness classes to companies and organizations throughout the Inland Empire.

During January Necessary Nutrition will offer a special class entitled “Nutrition Solutions For Your New Year’s Resolutions.” Attendees will discover how to use real food and nutrition to prevent or reverse diabetes, high blood pressure, and high cholesterol, as well as discover critical nutrition secrets that will help them build and repair their body.

“Proper diet and nutrition plays a very significant role in the health and well-being of the workforce, says Certified Nutrition Specialist, Robin Allen. A person’s food intake affects mood, behavior, brain function, and their ability to show up for work and get the job done. We are determined to make a positive impact on employee health and help employers reduce healthcare costs.

Several companies, including the City of Riverside, have already taken advantage of Necessary Nutrition’s Workplace Wellness Initiative by scheduling classes for their staff.

Classes are generally held at the worksite during lunch or any convenient time for the employer. For additional information or to schedule a free class please contact Necessary Nutrition at 951-259-5198 or visit www.Necessary-Nutrition.com.

The Necessary Nutrition Academy collaborates with skilled professionals in the fields of health, wellness and personal development in order to offer continuous educational programming; including classes, workshops and nutritional counseling.

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anything that they are looking at directly, as when reading, any improvement in their eyesight makes a big difference in their quality of life,” Dr. Gimbel said.

He said the procedure is not for everyone, and there are strict criteria for candidates, including that patients must not have had cataract surgery.

Dr. Michael Rauser, Vice-Chair and Associate Residency Program Director of the Loma Linda University Department of Ophthalmology, said the addition of the implantable miniature telescope as a treatment for patients with stable, advanced age-related macular degeneration, is an important new therapy for patients suffering from end-stage macular degeneration.

“Loma Linda University Medical Center Department of Ophthalmology strives to be a Center of Excellence for the Inland Empire, and the local availability of the implantable miniature telescope is another example of this philosophy,” Dr. Rauser said. “Instead of a standard intraocular lens, a miniature telescope is inserted into the eye after cataract removal. This provides improved distance visual acuity, while minimizing the loss of peripheral vision that is associated with the use of external telescopes.”

Since having the procedure done in the fall, Kennedy has been working with therapists at Loma Linda University Medical Center, who are especially trained to help low-vision patients, to help him get used to going about his daily life with the telescope implant. He said he’s grateful for the little things that people with good vision often take for granted.

“Before, when I went to the grocery store, all I did was push the cart,” he said. “Now, I can go to the store pick out the items that I like.”
I'm being overrun with to skip? all. So how do you know when to clip and when aren't the best choice or that you don't need at brand-name prescription drugs seem more manufacturer coupons. They can make expensive more consumers, than ever, are turning to To save a buck on prescription medications allergies etc. There are drug coupons for drugs from many categories such as cholesterol, acne, migraine, including the cholesterol-lowering drugs Crestor (rosuvastatin), Lipitor (atorvastatin), and Vytorin (ezetimibe/simvastatin), as well as the antidepressants Cymbalta ( duloxetine) and Effexor XR (venlafaxine).

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healthyliving with Dr. Ernest Levister F.A.C.P., F.A.C.P.M.

Prescription-drug coupons: Do the math first!

Dear Dr. Levister: I'm being overrun with prescription drug coupons. Who issues them and are they of any 'real' value? V.R.

Dear V. R.: A drug coupon is a coupon intended to help consumers save money on pharmaceutical drugs. They are offered by drug companies or distributed to consumers via doctors and pharmacists, and most can be obtained online. There are drug coupons for drugs from many categories such as cholesterol, acne, migraine, allergies etc.

To save a buck on prescription medications more consumers, than ever, are turning to manufacturer coupons. They can make expensive brand-name prescription drugs seem more affordable. But they might steer you to drugs that aren’t the best choice or that you don’t need at all. So how do you know when to clip and when to skip?

Drug manufacturers have offered these programs more in recent years, in part because insurance companies often charge consumers higher co-pays for brand-name products. The offers can be enticing. Indeed, nearly 16 percent, or nearly 19 million, of all Americans who regularly take a prescription medication have used coupons in the last year to save money, according to a 2011 survey by the Consumer Reports National Research Center.

For example, you can get free trials or deep discounts on many well-known medications, including the cholesterol-lowering drugs Crestor (rosuvastatin), Lipitor (atorvastatin), and Vytorin (ezetimibe/simvastatin), as well as the antidepressants Cymbalta ( duloxetine) and Effexor XR (venlafaxine).

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Every Christmas is a trip down memory lane for my family and myself, and this one is a little different because of some milestones in our life. This year, Cheryl and I celebrated 50 years of marriage on January 26, 2013 and so many people said, at the time, it would not last. Now those who made that statement were evaluating us on what we were doing at the time and I had just begun a career at California Electric Company (now Edison).

Well fifty years later we have been blessed with four children, nine grandchildren, and five great grandchildren.

God has blessed us with Cheryl serving her first year as a state legislator in the assembly while logging many miles back and forth to Sacramento, and one trip taking her to Armenia.

Justin, one of our grandsons, has successfully been my caregiver during the year and we have learned a lot about each other. We are looking forward to doing it again next year as Cheryl starts her second year.

Our children have taken over the family business Brown Publishing Company and the Black Voice Newspaper, the non-profit organization Black Voice Foundation Inc., and re-launched our statewide organization California Black Media from Sacramento.

I also had a trip back to Trenton, North Carolina to the Jonas and Mary Brown (my father’s parents) 40th family reunion. It was Justin’s first time where he saw over a hundred cousins he had never met. This of course stirred in me the desire to start reviewing all of our family pictures that we have taken over the past fifty plus years and get to family members while we can remember some faces and put names to them.

This has sparked a family conversation with our younger generation about our heritage.

But as it gets closer to Christmas, I drift back to childhood and it being cold but mama cooking those cakes and pies with the smell floating throughout the house waiting for Santa to come. I think of going into the woods by our house and cutting the tree then decorating it with holly we also got in the woods. I remember the plays at school and the programs at church where every child had a part to play in telling the story of our savior. However nothing could or would take the joy away of waking up early on Christmas morning to presents and candy with fruit all neatly placed so you could tell who got what.

Neatly placing the presents for the kids was also the tradition Cheryl and I established for our kids, with Cheryl adding baking pumpkin bread to our list of holiday traditions. Through the years we have gone from lavish outside and inside decorations to the children putting up the tree for us.

If you’ve noticed, I have not mentioned my illness and that is because I thank my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for giving me the faith, strength, courage and His Grace and Mercy to endure this situation. He has given me so much time to do the things I had thought about doing but never could find the time because of other pressing issues.

Yes Christmas is a special time to me and it means even more now than ever before; but without those early experiences, I would only have empty memories of what is the most important time of year for Christians.

Have a Merry Christmas and safe and wonderful New Year.
The holiday season is the time of year when we honor sacred traditions, be it Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, or Christmas. We gather with loved ones, friends, and family - some of whom we may not have seen in a while - to celebrate the year passed, giving us the opportunity to look toward the New Year with fresh and hopeful eyes.

Of course, people also use the New Year as an opportunity to take up new resolutions, goals that will improve one’s health and personal well-being. With the spirit of the holidays in mind, I encourage you to also make an effort this New Year to volunteer in your community to help others in need. Helping others is a way to focus the holiday spirit in a positive manner to benefit our community. With 16 percent of Americans living in poverty, surely there is a need for giving back to our communities.

This time of year can be the time to find your own way to spread the public good and help build your community, and the options are only limited by your imagination. Consider opportunities to tutor a student, mentor a younger colleague, participate in a blood drive, pick up litter in your community, aid an elderly or disabled person, donate books to your public library, hold a bake sale to help support the local fire and police department, write a letter to a soldier stationed overseas, or volunteer your time at a non-profit organization.

Just this past September, I received a letter from a constituent who took an opportunity to volunteer in a way that was highly effective for her and beneficial to her community. As a cancer survivor, this resident devoted herself to help others who have fallen ill with the same illness she was able to defeat. She’s volunteered throughout southern California with the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network, and as a Lay Health Advisor, providing and assisting in educational awareness programs. Her fight against cancer has taken her coast to coast, spreading her message to the halls of Congress in Washington.

While each of our efforts may not mirror this resident’s dedication, her commitment to robust volunteerism is the exact kind of action that enhances public benefit, and one we can look to as a great example. I believe that in this season, when our hearts open up, great work can blossom from all of us.

Any capacity that you can volunteer to help your community is valuable. While our efforts and actions may differ, the common theme that is shared is helping a neighbor in need. These acts of volunteerism help sow stronger the threads of our nation, and build the bonds of our communities neighbors.

The holidays are a hopeful time of year, as we celebrate the close of one year and the birth of another. It is a time for celebrations and hope, for good cheer and well wishing. As this holiday season continues, I hope that we all can spread its good intention, and warm spirit. I wish you and your family peace, prosperity, and good health.
It felt like a movie. Two corporate men in fancy suits carrying briefcases roll into a dusty small town with their stylish Maserati and walk up to your front door with a business proposition. Only their briefcase is loaded with more than what you bargained for. This is far from a movie, but the beginning of a long, uphill battle for Mary Faust-Mayhew who learned first-hand how deep money and power can be intertwined with city affairs.

The two corporate honchos had one very simple offer according to Mary, whose husband was away at the time: we’re building a motel next door, where would you like for the air conditioners to go?

“They didn’t offer me anything,” Mary said in astonishment. “They didn’t care. Most motels are three-sided. They showed me the plans and everything. Where the air conditioners would have gone, it would have created noise.”

Yes, today’s concerned citizens of Moreno Valley have all the right in the world to celebrate their recall victory over select city councilmembers, but this story of civic uprising and political upheaval dates far back to 1985, when Moreno Valley was becoming more than just a shadow of Riverside County and emerging into the sunlight as a fully incorporated city. The booming growth of Moreno Valley that attracted young families and urban city dwellers, particularly from the Los Angeles area, spurned disconcerting government practices and unethical alliances that many residents today are not aware of, which is one of the reasons Mary’s story begins this way.

There goes the neighborhood, thought Faust. She increasingly realized there was more at stake than just deafening noise from air conditioning motors, the motel could augment traffic and bring unwanted trouble. She raised her concerns to the Riverside City Council, who at the time still had jurisdiction over Moreno Valley during the city’s transition into incorporation. Undeterred by the hoops she would have to jump through, she was routed to Moreno Valley City Council where she took her concerns and found virtually no success there. Faust began to notice “inappropriate” relationships between developers and some city officials that starkly appeared like collusion to benefit each other – back scratching at the expense of residents. Why there weren’t more honest elected officials in office baffled Mary.

“The good people who want to run don’t want to be involved. Therefore, you aren’t left with a huge pool of people who want to run … people who are altruists.”

Mary protested, created a sign and walked door to door informing anyone willing to listen. Mary, who was attending Riverside Community College in pursuit of Political Science degree, which she later received at California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB), said she wrote a brief letter to the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). It turned out to be enough to have representatives of the organization meet with her and guide her organization in their battle.

Later on, Mary’s battle with the motel wasn’t the only hurdle residents had to overcome, as the proposal of an airport on several acres of unused land birthed several additional citizens’ organizations. All were opposed to the proposed
development – but Mary’s group ARG got the shortest end of the stick, she said. The ARG members were individually slapped with a lawsuit from a real estate developer tied to the proposal, she said.

Today, Faust might credit the model used in President Obama’s unconventional grassroots fundraising efforts to build her citizens group, but the idea was all her own back then – and the only option she had to finance her legal efforts to fight. She was an officer for the Alliance for Responsible Government (ARG) founded by John and Karen Jackson and rallied concerned citizens to their cause. The group sought meager donations amounting to about $3,000. For Mary, her $3,000 fundraising goal felt like $3,000,000.

Meanwhile, her church was talking, her kids saw less of her, her business was without her as much as before, and her husband was growing frustrated. She had to hire an additional employee to manage her responsibilities while she was away working in her community.

She was pegged a nuisance by many for her unrelenting resolve to unearth shady business practices and bring more transparency to city affairs. Her protests garnered more than its fair share of detractors, including insults from by-passers who demanded that she “get back in the kitchen.” She still recalls the late-night threatening phone calls and her tires slashed while she sat unaware in city council meetings.

Mary, who was a dedicated Mormon at the time, was summoned to meet with one of her church leaders who were concerned about her activities in the community.

“I got called into my bishop’s office. I was told my behavior was unbecoming of a Mormon woman … but I told him I was an American woman first and I have constitutional rights that I was going to exercise.”

Mary’s determination and the commitment of concerned Moreno Valley citizens resulted in the resignation of three city councilmembers, she said. Her victory wasn’t without its casualties. Mary blamed her time fighting for the greater good of Moreno Valley woke up a part of Mary that she didn’t know existed. She grew into a woman that she says her husband couldn’t relate to any longer. Today, her divorce remains one of her biggest regrets in the aftermath of pushing Moreno Valley forward.

“I wasn’t a rock star or anything, but I felt that what I did was significant.”

Mary’s story is about living a quality life now and providing for the future. To her, hindsight is “20/20”, but she’s not certain if she would ever “be big enough to face that situation if I could do it all over again.”

Mary eventually left Moreno Valley and sold her home on Elder Avenue. Since her last visit in 2004, the vacant lot next to her daycare home remained vacant. And today, she carries a message for citizens fighting for better living conditions.

“Just because people have a lot of money, doesn’t make them more powerful than you. Just because they make up lies and put a bunch of money behind it, doesn’t mean it was true. Anything can be changed.”

- Mary Faust-Mayhew

Writer’s Note: “I dedicate my work there to Stephen Faust. I don’t think people realize the sacrifices that he made.”

Mary Faust-Mayhew

August 9, 1956 - May 27, 2012

Stephen Faust

VINDICATION FOR CURRENT RECALL EFFORT: In November 2013 Riverside County DA Paul Zellerbach with U.S. Attorney Andre Birotte Jr., are shown announcing a plea by a former Moreno Valley city councilman who accepted what is believed to be the largest bribe ever taken by a U.S. public official. (Photo courtesy of the DA’s office)
Celebrating the 9th Annual Hardy Brown Birthday Gala, the Black Voice Foundation held a Casino Night hosted by Reggie & Rene Webb at the Cable Airport in Upland. Sponsors included: San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, Southern California Edison, Wells Fargo Bank, Southwest Airlines, State Farm Insurance, Enterprise Holdings, and UPS.
1-Sonietta and Hardy Brown, II giving a thank you award to event hosts, Reggie and Rene Webb
2-Hardy Brown, II with Christopher Green
3-San Bernardino Unified District School Board Members Mike Gallo, Abigail Medina and husband Jesus
4-San Manuel’s Faun White-Verne and husband Stephen Verne
5-Bill Cobbs
6-Game Play
7-San Bernardino mayoral candidate Carey Davis and wife Johnetta
8-Wells Fargo representatives Byron Reed and Jack Olree, with Hardy Brown, II
9-Hardy and Sonietta Brown with the regional management staff of Holiday Retirement, Jason and wife Rena Smith, Stephen and wife Regina Eatman, and Elena Cuevas
10-Anthony Jones, running for San Bernardino 4th Ward with San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools candidate, Ted Alejandre and wife Barbara.
Superintendent Thanks

On, December 3, 2013, Superintendent Judy White invited over 100 adopters of Moreno Valley Unified Schools to a reception to thank them for their service to the students in the district. Representatives from high school seniors, businesses, colleges, and churches spoke on the many things they have contributed to the students. Then the adopters presented an award to Dr. White with the statement from Helen Keller, “Alone we can do little, together we can do much.” The Valley High School Madrigal Singers, directed by Jim Wilson, serenaded the audience with their melodious a cappella renditions of holiday songs. Kristen Hunter is the principal of Valley View High School.

KARC Awards Banquet

The Kansas Avenue Resource Center (KARC) recently held its 3rd Annual Awards & Fellowship Banquet, at the Moreno Valley Conference Center to celebrate World AIDS Day 2013, to give recognition for the outstanding work by the KARC Awardees, and to raise funds in support of the KARC HIV/AIDS Education & Prevention Program. Nirma Usher, KARC President & Member of their Board are highly engaged in KARC programs. 1 - Awardees: Cynthia Davis, MPH, Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science; Dr. Douglas Eaton, MD, Lt. Commander, USN, Ret; Deborah Watson, RN, SB Department of Public Health; Dr. Harvey Elder, MD (Ret), represented by David Yleah, MPH, SBDPH; and Clifford and Freddie Harris, Co-founders, Drug Alternative Program, Grand Terrace, (not in photo). 2 - Dr. Douglas Eaton, MD receiving award from Committee Member, Bill Howe. 3 - Members, “FOCUS”, AfroCentric vocal group, who perform music of countries and cultures of Africa. 4 - Dr. Eric Walsh, MD, MPH, DrPH, Director & Health Officer, City of Pasadena, Member, Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS was the guest speaker. He addressed the issues of systemic racism, disparities (who gets how much of what), violence and other illegal behavior, and stigma as a barrier to health promotion and practice. Story & photos by John Coleman
The Honorable John G. Gabbert, one of Riverside’s most prominent citizens and a key founder of UC Riverside, died Monday, Dec. 9 at the age of 104.

"Throughout his life, Gabbert maintained his ties to the campus he helped build and to the local community," said Chancellor Kim A. Wilcox in a message to the campus community. "For several years after he retired from his legal career, he served as an adjunct professor in UCR’s political science department, creating and teaching a popular moot court class. We will miss him greatly."

A former chancellor, Timothy P. White, said "John Gabbert was an extraordinary man, a leader, a pillar in our community. As a lawyer, a judge, a citizen, I cannot overstate the impact that he had, not merely UC Riverside, but all of the Inland Southern California region. His was a life well lived and he will be truly missed."

As a founding member of the Citizen’s University Committee, Gabbert was instrumental in the efforts to bring a University of California campus to Riverside. When the State of California began looking into adding campuses to the UC system, the CUC worked tirelessly to lobby members of the Strayer Committee about turning the UC Citrus Experiment Station into a liberal arts university.

"There were a whole series of Strayer Committee meetings from Eureka to San Diego, from Redding, Fresno, Bakersfield, San Luis Obispo, Santa Maria, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, and on."
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Jillian Suzanne Friedman, President SG Granite, Inc.

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

**The Bag Tag Company**
54905 Shady Lane, Winchester, CA 92596
Riverside County
Larry W. Ward, County Clerk
FILE NO. R-2013-11913
p. 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19
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Larry W. Ward, County Clerk

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

**MADISON MASSAGE SPA**
10330 Hole Ave, #10
Riverside, CA 92505
FILE NO. R-2013-11924
p. 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19
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.)
Qing Wei Zheng

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

**SYNERGY CONSULTING**
6385 Mykous Lane, Riverside, CA 92506
Riverside County
Qing Wei Zheng
FILE NO. R-2013-11926
p. 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19
This business is conducted by: Corporation

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

**LOVE SHACK**
28461 Port Cove, Menifee, CA 92585
Riverside County
Sylvia Carol Love, 28461 Port Cove, Menifee, CA 92585
This business is conducted by: a general partnership
Registrant(s) commenced to transact business under my fictitious business name(s) listed above on 8/30/13.
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.)
Eric Phillips

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

**Cali Mart**
43325 El Camino Real, Santee, CA 92071
San Diego County
Suzanne Friedman.
FILE NO. R-2013-11904
p. 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19
This business is conducted by: individual
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Suzanne Friedman.

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

**Riverside County**

Eric Dennis Phillips
FILE NO. R-2013-11918
Riverside, CA 92501
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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Eric Dennis Phillips

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

**Riverside County**

JILLIAN SUZANNE FRANKLIN
39756 Camino Arbusto, Indio, CA 92203
Riverside County
FILE NO. R-2013-11917
p. 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19
This business is conducted by: individual
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Jillian Suzanne Franklin.

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

**Jillian Suzanne Franklin**
54905 Shady Lane, Winchester, CA 92596
Riverside County
FILE NO. R-2013-11918
p. 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19
This business is conducted by: joint venture
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Jillian Suzanne Franklin.

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

**Riverside County**

Thermal, CA 92274
Riverside County
FILE NO. R-2013-11913
p. 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19
This business is conducted by: individual
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Samuel Lopez, President SG Granite, Inc.

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

**Shady Lane**
34054 Shady Lane, Winchester, CA 92596
Riverside County
FILE NO. R-2013-11917
p. 11/28, 12/5, 12/12, 12/19
This business is conducted by: joint venture
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**SHADEY LANE**
34054 Shady Lane, Winchester, CA 92596
Riverside County
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FILE NO. R-2013-11904
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Suzanne Friedman.
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

CASE NUMBER RIC 1312895

To all persons interested in the estate of: CRISTINA PADILLA ORTIZ

This Order requires you to file a Notice of Change of Name with the Clerk of the Superior Court of California, County of Riverside within four months from the date it was filed in the Office of the County Clerk.

Date: NOV 18 2013

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

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Larry W. Ward, County Clerk
Clerk N. LEWIS
Gloria Casper Tabert
529 W. 9th Street
Riverside, CA 92503

This business is conducted by: Co-Partners

Larry W. Ward, County Clerk
Clerk L. DAVIES
City Clerk
11th Floor
101 N. Broadway
Riverside, CA 92503

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Judge John Gabbert, continued from page 15

Angeles and all around, we had somebody at every darn meeting,” Gabbert recounted in an oral history recorded in 1998. “We might have missed a meeting in Eureka or missed one in Redding, but I know I went to several meetings that were in Southern California.”

He went on to become a founding member of the UC Riverside Foundation Board of Trustees, serving from 1980 through 1998 and was the first recipient of the UCR Foundation’s Trustee’s Award for Extraordinary Service. He also received the UC Riverside Founders Award and the CUC’s Outstanding Service Award. His other awards include the Riverside Bar Association Krieger Service Award and The Leo A. Deegan Inns of the Court Award.

Last year the Citizens University Committee established an endowed scholarship in his name to provide scholarships to UCR students from the Inland area.

In another project in the last few years, UCR Extension created a history of John Gabbert’s life and put it on two DVDs.

Born in Oxnard, California in 1909, Gabbert moved to Riverside at the age of three when his father, John R. Gabbert, purchased a half-interest in the Enterprise newspaper. He attended Riverside-area schools until his family moved to South Pasadena in 1925. He graduated from South Pasadena HS, then returned to Riverside in 1927 to attend Riverside Community College. From there he earned his bachelor’s degree at Occidental College, then went on to earn a law degree at the Boalt Hall School of Law at UC Berkeley in 1934.

Gabbert became a deputy district attorney in Riverside in 1935 and, in 1938, he joined Raymond and Eugene Best’s law firm and became a partner in 1941. He served in the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1945 as a special agent in the Criminal Investigation Division, being admitted to practice before the Philippine Supreme Court in 1945. He returned to Best, Best, Gabbert and Krieger after the war but left the firm for good in 1949 when he was appointed as a judge on the Riverside County Superior Court.

He served with the court until 1970, when Governor Ronald Reagan appointed him to Fourth District Court of Appeals. He retired from the bench in 1974.

Gabbert was preceded in death by his wife, Katherine, who passed away in 1999. His survivors include his daughters Sarah and Katherine, his son Scott and a number of grandchildren.

The family would like memorial donations to be made to the Gabbert Justice Fund, which is administered through the Riverside Community Foundation, or to the John Gabbert Scholarship at UCR.

“John Gabbert was an extraordinary man, a leader, a pillar in our community. As a lawyer, a judge, a citizen, I cannot overstate the impact that he had, not merely UC Riverside, but all of the Inland Southern California region. His was a life well lived and he will be truly missed.”

- Former chancellor, Timothy P. White
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I was in Tucson, Arizona on that unforgettable Sunday morning in 1990 when Nelson Mandela was released from prison and I sat transfixed when he was sworn in as South Africa’s first democratically-elected president who happened to be a Black man. His death on December 5 made me recount the times and ways he had touched my life.

I became more conscious of the man when the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW), under the leadership of president Dr. Dorothy Height urged the membership to support Winnie Mandela who was being persecuted by the government while her husband suffered at Robben Island. I was aware of apartheid and the ANC already; now I wanted to know more about the man and the plight of his people. I read two books by South African writer, Mark Mathabane, who painted such a starkly brutal picture of life for Black people in the country.

In 1985, I attended the UN Decade for Women Conference in Nairobi, Kenya with the NCNW where we met 20 South African women who were there without the consent of their government and did not know what would happen to them when they returned home; they said they did not care as they would rather be dead than continue to live the harsh conditions imposed on them. They were inspired by the courageous resistance practiced by Mandela and our delegation discussed the situation with the ladies several times.

Following the conference, our group visited the small country landlocked by South Africa: Swaziland, a kingdom never colonized by a foreign power; we had to go through Johannesburg to get to the country. The women there had replicated the NCNW’s Mississippi Pig Project and we were there to see their progress. We visited with the wives of the king who applauded our joint venture; we talked about the women who were selling their livestock in South Africa; they said “we are neighbors—not friends”; they identified totally with the struggles of Mandela and his people but had no other market for their product.

On the way home we encountered a heavy police presence in the Johannesburg airport and I checked the newspaper which stated “BOTHA DECLARES EMERGENCY”. Dr. Height suggested we all buy a paper as it could mean we were seeing the beginning of the end to apartheid but no one could have predicted that only five years later the end would come! In the meantime, NCNW joined the movement to divest in South Africa.

The local NCNW led a large group to the Los Angeles Coliseum to see Nelson and Winnie Mandela during their American tour; thousands of cheering devotees welcomed the couple to the southland. Soon after I discovered his biography “Long Walk to Freedom” which I highly recommend; it reveals an extraordinary man who never lost his dignity under oppression; one who studied his captors and used what he learned to outwit them and win them over. The book has recently been made into a movie featuring British actor, Idris Elba. Readers will learn a lot about the country as well as the man.

The most important encounter I had was up close and personal; early into the new century, maybe the year 2000, I had gone to Washington DC for a Workforce Development meeting and called Dr. Height to chat; she invited me to be her guest at a high level international function that night. For once I had not taken suitable clothing on this trip. So, I went to Filene’s Basement and bought a dress and shoes and was it all worth it. Thanks to Dr. Height, I got to meet Nelson Mandela, Gracla Marchal, and Bishop Tutu; Mandela was a tall stately man whose eyes exuded brilliance and he looked right at you as if you were important to him. Oh what a night!

President Mandela said “It is not that I have no fear but that I had to act in spite of my fear”. That was the same attitude the 20 women exhibited in Nairobi. It was the book that finally gave me the indepth view of the man

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