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Rita Arias sworn in as S.B. Third Ward Councilperson

By Leonard A. Goymerac

Pure water or dangerous water is masquerading behind Measure L, a measure which will appear on your primary ballot on March 26th.

The real question hidden behind this measure, which was drawn up in secrecy and without public debate, is a misleading political flimflam created by the Cadiz Land Company. The Cadiz Company is controlled by foreign interests whose corporate selfish special interests would tie your county’s hands behind its back. These outsider interests do not serve, nor benefit the people of San Bernardino County.

The measure by the same Cadiz Land Company’s foreign interests would block and dictate to our county’s Solid Waste Management Plan — what it can or cannot do. San Bernardino County’s solid waste plan is a good, well thought out plan. It is beneficial to the public health and welfare of all San Bernardino County residents. It would not in any way endanger the county’s underground water supplies.

If measure L were to pass, it could force our county to build as many as 18 new landfills, many could likely be in more densely populated areas of the county. In turn, it would also affect the following: animal and plant habitats, native American and other valuable natural resources. As it becomes hard to find sites, new landfills would then have to be placed over dangerous earthquake faults or on steep hillsides, each of which would increase waste disposal costs to county residents.

Other questions which arise are: Why have foreign investors funded 99% of the money behind Measure L? Cadiz says it wants to sell drinking water pumped from beneath our desert. What are Cadiz’s motives to stop and what San Bernardino County’s hands in its efforts to provide a landfill which would benefit all citizens? Estimates show that such a landfill would take many years to fill up, and as more materials are recycled, the land fill may last 50 years or more. With use of railroads to transport refuse to this site, it would eliminate pollution from the use of trucks.

San Bernardino County has experienced high unemployment in recent years. The Bolo Station landfill would create approximately 250 construction jobs with an estimated 300 permanent jobs at the site, and later contributing to another 1,300 jobs when in full operation.

“Should we allow corporate and foreign interests to tie San Bernardino County’s hands behind its back when attempting to deliver disposal services to the people?”

The Bolo Station Landfill would generate income for your county. According to one source, the landfill would pump $1 million dollars in direct revenues to your county. As an additional benefit, part of this money would assist in air quality improvements and would furnish $6 million dollars to close and maintain the County’s existing unlined landfills, but that’s not all, $24 million dollars would be available to assist in funding County roads, public safety and other services.

Both the Counsel and Auditor for San Bernardino County have voiced their opinions about Measure L. “San Bernardino County has developed a Solid Waste Management Strategic Plan which will consolidate the current system of landfills, replace small landfills with transfer stations and collection centers, and transfer all waste to a maximum of five regional landfills. This consolidated system would eliminate the expense associated with small landfill operation.” The Auditor emphasized: “It is estimated that this plan would save the County $42.5 million in the year 2000 and $55.9 million in 2020 in annual costs (1995 dollars).”
Inland Empire Hispanic News

Baca to Ride in Bike-A-Thon

(SAN BERNARDINO, CA) "When I was a little boy my parents couldn’t afford to buy me a bike," said California Assemblyman Joe Baca. "So I went down to the dump with my red wagon and found the pieces to put together one. I know how important it is to have a bike when you are young," he added.

Joe Baca is just one of many notables to ride in the First Annual Adopt-A-Bike, Bike-A-Thon. Other riders include Westside Story Publisher, Wallace Allen, and PGA Golfer Dave Stockton.

This even to raise money to help Adopt-A-Bike buy a building on the west side of San Bernardino. "We need to move the facility closer to where the needy kids live," said Adopt-A-Bike President Charley Seymour.

The non-profit organization provides bicycles to needy children who’s parents can’t afford one. "All we ask from the kids is that they read four books and write a biography." The Bike-A-Thon will be held on March 9 and 10 at San Bernardino International Airport from 6:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. To sponsor a rider, donate money, ride in the Bike-A-Thon, or donate a bike call Adopt-A-Bike at 888-1695.

Bike-A-Thon


Candidacy Based On Concern For Future

By Demise Bell
Luz-Maria Ayala may have been lambasted in the past for her use of Spanish, but the bilingual candidate from Perris is running for District 4 on the Riverside County Board of Education anyway. She is motivated by her desire to improve future prospects for county youth.

"We need to work together," Ayala said. "Education is key for community. A 25 year resident of the area, she said she is running to “represent the whole community.” Ayala has maintained a positive campaign through the March election. Her slogan is “Prendre La Luz Para El Futuro De Los Ninos,” or “Turn On The Light For The Future Of The Children.”

Ayala is executive director of Hermandad Mexicana Nacional, a literacy and English tutoring center for Spanish speakers. She also volunteers in a variety of areas. Among the work she does is help with citizenship classes. Ayala indicated that she feels it is important to get parents involved in the school life of their children. She is also vice president of the National Hispanic Council on Aging. Recently, Ayala was nominated by the Perris Boxing Boosters for the Southern California Latino Hall of Fame, she was one of six selected for the distinction.

Also important are Ayala's activities through Quest and America 2000. She said she works in an effort to get kids and parents active in improving their communities. "All my life I've worked for the community," Ayala said. Included in this was a recent work to help laid-off farm workers, through which effort she worked closely with the United Farm Workers.

According to Jim Guerra, Ayala's campaign manager, she will oversee the operation of 27 Riverside school districts encompassing roughly 400,000 students upon her election. Ayala's election will have a county wide impact, he added. Guerra estimated that there is an average of 22 percent voter turn out in Riverside County.

"It’s time for a change," Guerra said. "It's time for someone who represents and works in the community." He said that Ayala's candidacy was a family decision.

Ayala faces incumbent Betty Gibble, who Guerra said was last challenged 20 years ago. "We are going to take that seat," he concluded. Fundraisers and interviews are being conducted to help the first time politician's efforts.

News Briefs

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Pictured above is Luz-Maria Ayala, a candidate for the Riverside County Board of Education, Fourth District, and Bert Corona, one of the most renowned and actively involved Hispanic's in the Southwest. Corona has been an advocate of the undocumented, civil and human rights since the 1930's. Corona visited Ayala to support the candidate in her candidacy for the County Board of Education.

Redlands Northside Impact & Friends of Bill Lemann Dinner/Dance March 16

The Redlands Northside Impact Committee and Friends of Bill Lemann are hosting a dinner/dance on March 16 at the Philip Marmolejo Post 650, American Legion, 1532 No. Church Street, Redlands. No-host请加入文化挂图 to (909) 798-7130. For ticket information call (909) 798-7130.

Support

Your local Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

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For ticket information call (909) 798-7130.
NO on Measure "L" - From page 1

San Bernardino County residents should also recognize that the County, by law, must provide the required disposal for its citizens. If passed, Measure L would impose constraints which could force out of the county disposal capacity. If the County were forced to do this, cost per ton would escalate dramatically and be passed on to county residents.

Of utmost importance to the Hispanic community in San Bernardino County is that we cannot afford increased costs due to alternative landfill usage. Benefits to the Hispanic community when Measure L is defeated, could very well be reflected in lower costs for disposal. Hispanics who reside in desert communities located near the proposed Bolo Station landfill would also benefit from long term employment to be created by the County's efforts to consolidate landfills.

Voters must ask: "Should we allow corporate and foreign interests to tie San Bernardino County's hands behind its back when attempting to deliver disposal services to the people?" Measure L implies "Agua Puro" when in fact it's "Peligroso." Vote NO on Measure L on March 26. Let foreign special interests know they can't dominate San Bernardino County Residents.

Perris Valley Hispanic Chamber is sponsoring Cesar Chavez Literary Contest for P.V. students

The Perris Valley Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a Literary Contest in the month of March to commemorate the birth of Cesar Chavez (on March 31). The contest is opened to students in the Perris Valley High School District and it feeder districts.

The contest is in three categories: biography, poetry or essay. Themes are (a) Cesar Chavez, his life and his legacy, (b) the United Farm Workers and (c) Cesar Chavez and the Civil Rights Movement. The age group categories are 10 to 13, 14 to 16 and 17 and over. Winners will be awarded cash and prizes in a special event planned for March 30 in the City of Perris Cesar Chavez Library.

Cesar Chavez, for many decades, fought for the rights of farm workers throughout the United States. His life (and the life of his family and friends) was one of sacrifice and struggle to bring dignity to the farmworkers and improve their lot, financially and health wise. Chavez died in 1993.

For information, entry forms and rules call Bernice Ayala, Education Director, at (909) 940-4440 or send a self-addressed self-stamped #10 envelope to PVHCC, C. Chavez Celebration Committee, PO Box 518, Perris, CA 92570.

Riverside Ballet Folklorico seeks funds for teenagers

The Ballet Folklorico de Riverside is seeking funds to send eight dedicated teenagers from its dance group to a dance conference to be held in Corpus Christi, Texas. The cost per student is $800, and includes air fare, classes and hotel. The goal is to motivate young individuals to choose dancing as a career and become instructors.

Send checks to: Ballet Folklorico de Riverside, 8083 Whitney Dr., Riverside, CA 92509

THINK SMART

Introduction: The smartest distance between San Bernardino and Irvine: Metrolink's new Inland Empire-Orange County Line.

If you've ever been stuck in traffic on the 215, 91 or 55 freeway then Monday, March 4, is your lucky day. That's when Metrolink introduces the new Inland Empire-Orange County Line between San Bernardino and Irvine. With seven convenient stops at San Bernardino, Riverside-Downtown, Riverside-La Sierra, West Corona, Orange, Santa Ana and Irvine, Metrolink goes where you need to go. Three fast, climate-controlled Metrolink trains whisk you between San Bernardino and Irvine every weekday in stress-free comfort. Three more will take you back later in the day. So don't waste another minute in freeway traffic. Think smart: Ride Metrolink's new Inland Empire-Orange County Line. The shortest distance between two points.
University of Redlands
New Position Enhances Diversity Opportunities

John P. Lujan has been appointed manager of equal opportunity programs at the University of Redlands. He comes to Redlands after serving in administrative positions at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas for the past 15 years.

In this new position, Lujan will be responsible for developing and implementing programs to enhance the diversity and equal opportunity for students, staff and faculty of the University. He also will work with the campus to foster principles of community understanding and to prevent instances of conflict based on cultural misunderstandings or discrimination. In addition, he will coordinate employee training programs.

"The University of Redlands has a proud history of inclusion and values the rich diversity of our campus community," said President James R. Appleton. "As we become an increasingly global and multicultural society, it becomes critical to build bridges of understanding. We are extremely pleased John Lujan will be here to assist in these efforts."

Lujan was selected following a nationwide search by a campus committee chaired by Phillip L. Doolittle, vice president for finance and administration.

"I am thrilled with my move to Redlands, both because of the opportunities of the position and the beauty and character of the campus and community," Lujan said. "The university has a demonstrated commitment to acting affirmatively and fairly in student and workforce recruitment. When we do this job right, we have a diverse pool of applicants from which to choose and are able to treat everyone with equality."

Lujan served the past 11 years as director of affirmative action at UNLV, a public university with an enrollment of 21,000 and workforce of 2,000. He joined the UNLV administration in 1980 as a counselor for the Upward Bound Program and was appointed director of affirmative action in 1984. He has been active in community activities including the United Way of Southern Nevada, Chamber of Commerce and Hispanic Association of Bilingual Education.

Lujan received his bachelor's degree in social sciences for San Jose State University and master's degree in education from the University of New Mexico.
Help Us Defeat Measure L: Stop the Deceptive Landfills Law

Dear San Bernardino County Neighbor,

You have the opportunity to vote on a very important issue -- an issue that could adversely affect every San Bernardino County resident.

Measure L, the Landfills Law, is deceptive and dangerous. That's why we urge you to take a closer look at Measure L before you vote. Consider these facts:

• Measure L closes the most remote portions of San Bernardino County to large landfills, yet that is where they belong -- far from our families and children.

• Measure L could force the county to rapidly expand existing trash dumps and build as many as 18 new dumps on top of precious drinking water supplies in the most populated parts of San Bernardino County.

• Measure L could triple the county’s landfill costs and cost taxpayers millions in legal fees for environmental lawsuits.

So just who is behind Measure L? A foreign-controlled land speculator called CADIZ. The CADIZ lawyers actually wrote Measure L and CADIZ has funded 99 percent of the Measure L campaign. CADIZ has a scheme to pump water from beneath the desert in the eastern part of our county and profit from the sale of it.

Measure L is bad for the people of our county. Let's send a message loud and clear on Election Day: Protect our drinking water. Vote NO on L. Stop the Deceptive Landfills Law.

Sincerely,

Patricia L. Leja
Professional Engineer, Yucaipa
Co-Chair, Coalition for Clean Drinking Water

Coalition for Clean Drinking Water

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I'm Voting NO on L.
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positive trend toward business development and retention." At the end of her statement, Arias said, "Jess, if you are looking down from anywhere, we are back."

Arias was referring to her late husband, Jess Arias, an attorney and the first Hispanic to serve on the city council from 1962 to 1967.

Arias was born and raised in San Bernardino, attending local schools, San Bernardino Valley College, UCLA, and special management training on equal opportunities and employment. She owned a temporary employment agency and drug testing laboratory for 12 years. She previously held positions as equal opportunity officer for the Community Services Department, human relations director at Casa Ramona Drop-In Center and legal secretary.

Her community activities are well-known throughout the region, being involved in 18 organizations during a 35-year span, including founder of Casa Ramona, Casa de San Bernardino, Mexican-American Commission and Latin American Women's League. Other memberships include Somos Hermanas, San Bernardino Business and Professional Women, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, League of Women Voters, Kiwanis Club of Greater San Bernardino, and others.

Arias has received numerous awards and commendations for her accomplishments in the County of San Bernardino. Many individuals in the community considered Arias to be a levelheaded individual who tries to become knowledgeable in a subject prior to making a decision.

"I am in the process of absorbing all the knowledge regarding the operation of the city in order for me to be able to discuss agenda items and make intelligent decisions. I'm a quick learner and want to be productive in the shortest time possible," she said.

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Executive Director of Development Appointed

Collette Rocha, Executive Director, University Development, CSUSB

Collette Rocha, formerly the director of development for the USC School of Medicine, is the new executive director of university development for California State University, San Bernardino.

Rocha succeeds Stephen Christensen and brings with her 14 years of development experience in higher education. Prior to her seven years of fundraising with USC, she was involved with development activities for the Los Angeles Community College District.

In her position at Cal State, Rocha will oversee development for all university programs including the university’s Partnership 2000 campaign, which is raising money for academic programs, athletics, capital projects, faculty professional development and scholarships.

Rocha resides in Glendale, CA.

Minority Applicants Sought

Pamela Merchant, director of a new program at Cal State, San Bernardino that promotes doctoral training for underrepresented minorities, is still seeking applicants for the Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program.

Seventeen positions are available for the summer portion of the program, which offers stipends for a six-week residential experience, Merchant says. Several more positions are available, without the stipend, during the academic year.

Applicants must be juniors or seniors at Cal State, San Bernardino or community college students planning to transfer to the university, Merchant adds. First generation, low-income college students who are from a group underrepresented at the doctoral level are the ideal candidates.

Merchant has a master's degree in educational counseling from CSUSB and is working on a Ph.D. at the Claremont Graduate School. She is a Los Angeles native.

More information is available from her at (909) 880-7344.
Amnesty for Air Quality Permits

If you have any equipment that might possibly require an air pollution control permit from the AQMD and doesn’t have one, now is the time to apply for the permit. AQMD has declared an amnesty period, ending April 2, during which you will not be subject to fines. Take advantage if you voluntarily apply for the permit. But, you must take the initiative of applying for the amnesty permit. You cannot get amnesty if an inspector finds the unpermitted equipment during a compliance inspection.

Call the AQMD’s Amnesty Hot Line (1-800-388-2121) for help deciding what equipment needs a permit. We offer free on-site consultations.

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The County of San Bernardino
Department of Economic and Community Development
Consolidated Plan
NOTICE OF HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino will hold a public hearing on TUESDAY—APRIL 2, 1996 at 10:00 A.M., in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors, 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, First Floor, San Bernardino, CA. The purpose of the hearing is to review the proposed Consolidated Plan for the County’s 1996-97 Home Investment Partnership Act (HOME), Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) programs and to obtain citizens views on San Bernardino County’s housing homeless and community development needs prior to submission of the County’s final Consolidated Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

BACKGROUND
Each year since 1975, the County of San Bernardino has qualified to receive federal housing and community development grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funds are to be develop viable communities by providing decent housing, suitable living environments and expanded economic opportunities, principally for low-and moderate-income persons. In 1993, the County qualified to receive these funds over a three year period from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) and HOME Investment Partnerships Act (HOME) programs. The funds are for eligible projects in the unincorporated communities and 17 participating cities. These cities are Adelanto, Town of Apple Valley, Barstow, Big Bear Lake, Colton, Grand Terrace, Highland, Loma Linda, Morongo, Needles, Redlands, Rialto, Twentynine Palms, Yucca Valley, Victorville, and the Town of Yuma Valley. For the purposes of these grant funds, as referred to the “Consortium,” The City of Rancho Cucamonga has joined the County’s HOME Program Consortium, while continuing to receive ESG and CDBG funds directly from HUD.

This year, the County anticipates receiving $11,600,000 in CDBG funds, $321,000 in ESG funds and $3,365,000 in HOME funds. These funds may be used for homeowners assistance, rental rehabilitation, tenant rental assistance, community’s housing organization assistance, emergency shelter assistance, prevention, housing and education, public service, community development, economic development, economic opportunities, public service, economic development, and program management. The proposed Consolidated Plan is being developed to program the use of these funds. Upon approval of the proposed plan by the Board of Supervisors, the plan will be submitted for public review and comment prior to submission of the final Consolidated Plan to HUD.

For a period of thirty (30) days beginning on or about April 29, 1996 and ending on May 28, 1996, the public will be invited to submit written comments on the published proposed consolidated Plan. Comments received after 5:00 P.M., May 28, 1996 cannot be considered in the preparation of the final 1996-97 Consolidated Plan. Send comments to County ECD at the address shown below.

Those individuals wishing to express their views on these substantial amendments may be present and be heard at the public hearing or may, prior to the time of the hearing, submit written comments to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, 385 North Arrowhead Avenue, Second Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0130.

If you challenge any decision regarding the above proposal in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues specifically presented and argued at the public hearing described in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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Attn: Program and Compliance Section or call (909) 388-0959

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Community Hospital Installs New Mammography System

San Bernardino, CA - Community Hospital of San Bernardino recently installed a new mammography system, the MAMMOMAT 3000 from Siemens Medical Systems, Inc., which allows for optimal breast imaging and comfort with lower doses of X-rays.

"Breast self-examination is one of the most important tools for early detection," said Dr. Curtis Handler, "but regularly scheduled mammograms are also recommended."

"Our new mammography system will help Community Hospital provide the women of San Bernardino with the best possible exams. The MAMMOMAT 3000 is designed to reduce the discomfort often associated with mammograms, and it provides detailed images while reducing the amount of X-rays a patient receives," said Dr. Haadler. The number of cases of breast cancer continues to rise - with nearly one woman in nine likely to develop the disease some time in her lifetime. If diagnosed early however, the remission rate is over 85 percent.

To help in the fight to decrease the mortality rate for breast cancer, Community Hospital of San Bernardino participates in the California Department of Health Services Breast Cancer Early Detection Program (BCEDP), which provides access to breast cancer screening to low income women. For more information on this program call Community Hospital's Medical Imaging Department at (909) 887-6333, extension 7151.

Foster Parenting Includes New Direction: Grandparents and Relatives Fill The Gap

Though the need for foster parents shows no inclination toward decline between now and 2000, the characteristics and faces of this program are changing. In fact some are getting older.

According to a report in August 1995, in San Bernardino County over the past two years, Child Protective Services (CPS) referrals increased by 14% to over 50,000 per year. Of the 51,000 referrals received in 1994, 1994 resulted in new petitions being filed. As of February 2, 1996, there were 4,251 children in foster care, 45% or 1945 in relative care.

With such an increase in children needing families to care for them, who will fill the gap?

"Grandparents and other relatives," according to Marilyn Evans, first vice president of a new foster parent support group called Grandparents and Related Care Takers, formed recently in Rancho Cucamonga.

The group, which had its first meeting in February, will meet 9:30 - 11:30 a.m., the first Thursday of each month at Socorro's Restaurant, 10276 Foothill Blvd., Rancho Cucamonga.

For more information, please call the group's president Ida Valencia, 909-985-2335 or Marilyn Evans, 909-983-8614.