

STATE OF ARIZONA  
COUNTY OF PINAL

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# Affidavit of Publication

Notice to Bidders  
Notice is hereby given that sealed responses will be received by Region 4 Education Service Center located at 7145 West Tidwell Road, Houston, TX 77092 until:

Thursday, October 8, 2014  
@ 2:00 PM CDT

The Cooperative Purchasing Network  
(TCPN)

Request for Proposal (RFP)  
for

- RFP # 14-16: School Supplies & Education Related Products
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No. of publications: 2; dates of publications: Aug. 28, Sept. 4, 2014.

RUTH A. KRAMER first being duly sworn deposes and says: That he/she is a native born citizen of the United States of America, over 21 years of age, that I am an agent and/or publisher of the Florence Reminder and Blade-Tribune, a weekly newspaper published at Florence, Pinal County, Arizona, on Thursday of each week; that a notice, a full, true and complete printed copy of which is hereunto attached, was printed in the regular edition of said newspaper, and not in a supplement thereto, for TWO consecutive issues the first publication thereof having been on the 28TH

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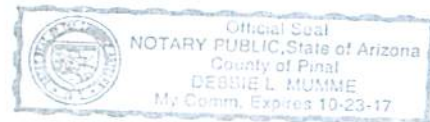
## **FLORENCE REMINDER & BLADE-TRIBUNE**

By [Signature]  
agent and/or publisher of the Florence Reminder & Blade-Tribune

Sworn to before me this 8th

day of September A.D., 2014  
[Signature]

Notary Public in and for the County  
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**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SUN**

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DEBORAH BUSHNELL  
COOPERATIVE PURCHASING NETWORK, THE  
11280 WEST ROAD  
HOUSTON, TX - 77532

**PROOF OF PUBLICATION**

(2015.5 C.C.P.)

State of California )  
County of SAN BERNARDINO ) ss

Notice Type: RFP - REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS


Ad Description:  
(TCPN) RFP #'S: 14-16, 14-17, 14-18, 14-19, 14-20

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California; I am over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to or interested in the above entitled matter. I am the principal clerk of the printer and publisher of the SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SUN, a newspaper published in the English language in the city of SAN BERNARDINO, county of SAN BERNARDINO, and adjudged a newspaper of general circulation as defined by the laws of the State of California by the Superior Court of the County of SAN BERNARDINO, State of California, under date 06/20/1952, Case No. 73084. That the notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy, has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to-wit:

08/28/2014, 09/04/2014

Executed on: 09/04/2014  
At Riverside, California

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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SBS #: 2660756

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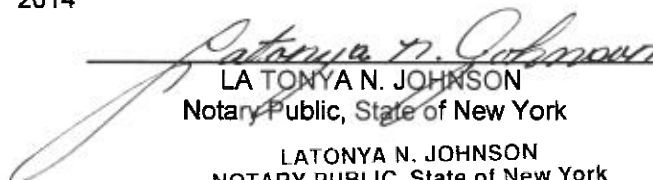
## AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK  
County of Monroe

The undersigned is the authorized designee of Liz Irwin/Publisher of The Daily Record, a daily newspaper published in Rochester, New York. A notice was published in said paper two times, commencing on 8/28/2014 and ending on 9/4/2014. The text of the notice as published in said paper is as set forth below, or in the annexed exhibit. This newspaper has been designated by the Clerk of Monroe County for this purpose.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Kristy O'Malley  
Authorized Designee

Sworn to before me on this 4th day of September, 2014

  
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LATONYA N. JOHNSON  
Notary Public, State of New York

LATONYA N. JOHNSON  
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Certificate of the Publisher

The Herald-News

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11280 WEST ROAD  
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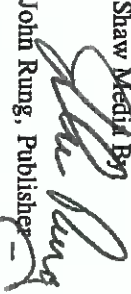
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This notice was also placed on a statewide public notice website as required by 5 ILCS 5/2.1.

In witness, Shaw Media has signed this certificate by John Rung, its publisher, at Joliet, Illinois, on 4th day of September, A.D. 2014

Shaw Media By   
John Rung, Publisher  
Account Number 10092359  
Amount \$312.44



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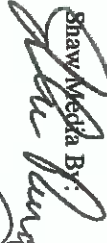
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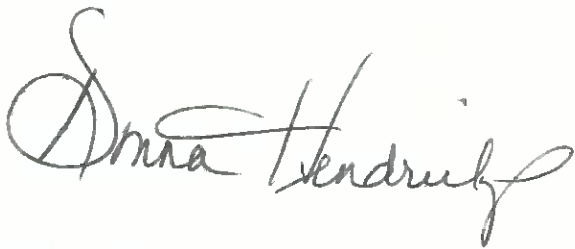
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Ad Number: 00421909  
Insertions: 1 Total: \$28.20  
Affidavit: \$7.50  
Total \$35.70

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**NEW JERSEY, SUSSEX COUNTY, ss.**  
Donna Hendricks, of full age being duly  
sworn, did depose and say that the notice  
hereto attached was published in  
THE NEW JERSEY HERALD and/or  
NEW JERSEY SUNDAY HERALD  
a newspaper printed and circulated in  
said county on 08/29/2014,.



Sworn and subscribed before me this 29th  
day of August 2014



**KIM E. LEONARDO**  
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY  
Commission Expires 05/20/2015

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DATE 9/4/2014

 VIRGINIA CRAFT  
 NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF UTAH  
 My Comm. Exp. 01/12/2018  
 Commission # 672963

  
 NOTARY SIGNATURE

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921 S.W. Washington St. Suite 210 / Portland, OR 97205-2810  
(503) 226-1311

STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH--ss.

I, **Marc Caplan**, being first duly sworn, depose and say that I am a **Public Notice Manager** of the **Daily Journal of Commerce**, a newspaper of general circulation in the counties of CLACKAMAS, MULTNOMAH, and WASHINGTON as defined by ORS 193.010 and 193.020; published at Portland in the aforesaid County and State; that I know from my personal knowledge that the Goods and Services notice described as

**Multiple Services**

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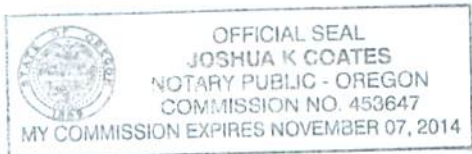
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State of Oregon  
County of Multnomah

SIGNED OR ATTESTED BEFORE ME  
ON THE 5th DAY OF September, 2014

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Marc Caplan

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public-State of Oregon



**Deborah Bushnell**  
**The Cooperative Purchasing Network**  
11280 West Rd  
Houston, TX 77065-4493

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ON THE VERGE **TINASHE**  
SPOTLIGHT ON BREAKTHROUGH ARTISTS

# Her '2 On' anthem is one hot number



Tinashe started her career as a model and actress when she was a toddler.

**NAME GAME:** Memorizing the words to Tinashe's late song-of-summer entry, *2 On*, is easy. But saying her name correctly? That's another feat entirely. "I've gotten a lot of 'Tina-shee,' 'Tina-shay' and 'Tanisha,'" she says. (It's pronounced "Tee-nah-shay.") The name is common where her father is from in Zimbabwe. "The worst I ever got was 'Tarnish.' What? How'd they even come up with that?"

**TRIPLE-THREAT TALENT:** Tinashe Kachingwe got her start modeling and acting as a toddler, working as a motion-capture model for Tom Hanks' *The Polar Express* in fourth grade and playing a recurring role on CBS' *Two and a Half Men* as a teen. After forming The Stunners in 2007 and opening for Justin Bieber in

2010, the girl group disbanded. Tinashe branched out solo, charting her first hit with *2 On*, which topped USA TODAY's rhythmic airplay charts for four weeks.

**READY TO PARTY:** The inspiration was simple for the sultry "turn up" anthem, which features a verse by Schoolboy Q and production by DJ Mustard. Having just turned 21, she wanted to make "a song that I can hear in the club, something that pumps me up and makes me want to dance." *2 On* has since been remixed by Drake, who performed it with Tinashe at his OVO Fest in Toronto.

**AGE OF 'AQUARIUS':** Expect more flirty coos and alluring beats on her debut album, *Aquarius*, out Oct. 7 on RCA Records and named in part for her horoscope

sign. Influenced by Michael and Janet Jackson growing up, as well as newer artists James Blake and Sbrkt, "my music is definitely rooted in a place of R&B, but it has a lot of influence from hip-hop, alternative, electronic," Tinashe says. "I don't like to be stuck in the 'R&B box.'"

**FAMILY FIRST:** Tinashe still lives with her parents. Her next big investment? "I'd like to buy a house for my family. They've been invested in me for years and years, and I feel I owe them."

**MANY TALENTS:** Aside from holding a black belt in tae kwon do, she also loves to paint. "Nature feels religious and very spiritual for me, so I paint landscapes, oceans, trees and abstract art. I don't really like to paint people."


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#### ONE FINE ...

- ACROSS**
- 1 Serve tables
  - 5 Member of Indian royalty
  - 9 Aesthetic judgment
  - 14 Saarinen's St. Louis design
  - 15 Spiritedness
  - 16 Mutual of \_\_\_
  - 17 Forest creature
  - 18 Disrespect verbally
  - 19 Dog treats
  - 20 Time for swearing?
  - 23 Coltrane's instrument
  - 24 Tree type
  - 25 Yuletide beverages
  - 26 Option for demolishers
  - 27 Half of a one-two
  - 29 Treasury bill
  - 32 Very, in music
  - 35 Eye product
  - 36 Cards taken with a pat hand
  - 37 Hawaii doesn't observe it (var.)
  - 40 Ultimatum word
  - 41 Ill-gotten gains
  - 42 Shout "heads up!"
  - 43 Human cannonball catcher
  - 44 Flowerless plant
  - 45 Greyhound, e.g.
  - 46 Merit
  - 48 Benign growth
  - 49 It's seen briefly at the end of a list?
  - 52 Celebration for former British colonies
  - 57 Mary-Kate or Ashley
  - 58 Like a good villain
  - 59 Something unseen about you
  - 60 Bring forth
  - 61 The L of L-dopa
  - 62 Object of devotion
- DOWN**
- 1 Dry riverbeds
  - 2 Gladiator's spot
  - 3 Mountaineer's tool
  - 4 "No \_\_\_ Traffic"
  - 5 Test outcome
  - 6 Kind of clock
  - 7 Cape Canaveral acronym
  - 8 Tech. school
  - 9 In addition
  - 10 Mingling with
  - 11 Construction rock
  - 12 Duke Ellington's "Take \_\_\_ Train"
  - 13 Like some puzzles
  - 21 Bottled spirits
  - 22 Red starter
  - 26 It may be spun at sea
  - 27 Tell a secret
  - 28 One way to go
  - 30 Casey Jones was one (Abbr.)
  - 31 Bird's building

**Wednesday's Answer**

S	O	C	K	S	A	L	M	A	D	O
K	R	O	N	A	B	E	A	U	E	V
E	T	H	E	L	E	A	S	T	F	A
W	H	O	W	A	N	T	S	T	O	B
S	O	S	M	U	S	T	M	A	N	C
N	I	B	P	A	D	D	L	E	S	
A	M	B	O	A	B	A	T	E	O	W
Y	O	U	R	F	I	N	A	L	A	N
E	R	R	O	N	T	A	P	A	N	D
R	E	M	O	R	S	E	B	A	G	
S	L	A	P	U	P	S	O	O	N	G
A	M	I	L	L	I	O	N	A	I	R
I	R	A	G	R	O	I	L	L	A	R
T	H	R	O	I	D	E	E	L	I	O
S	O	M	E	T	E	R	S	A	S	S

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### WORD ROUNDUP

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Find and Circle:  
**Johnny** \_\_\_\_\_  
**NYSE** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Three basketball positions**  
**Your home galaxy:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Two opposing directions**

Wednesday's answer: WEIGHT TIME DATE AGE / CORVETTE CAMARO MALIBU VOLT / OBVIOUS COHORT OZONE COLOR / JOHN JOAN / FASTER

### QUICKCROSS

By John Wilmes

Performs \_\_\_\_\_

Cut back \_\_\_\_\_

Uniform \_\_\_\_\_

Plant start \_\_\_\_\_

"Dawn of the Planet of the \_\_\_\_\_"

Spelunker's spot \_\_\_\_\_

Arboretum feature \_\_\_\_\_

Email delivery button \_\_\_\_\_

**Wednesday's Answer**  
**F** **A** **C** **H**  
**A** **C** **H** **E**  
**T** **R** **E** **E**  
**S** **O** **T** **S**

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### SUDOKU

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 (no repeats).

	5		2	9				7
				8		2		5
9		7						
1				4	3			
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	3			5	7			8

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**UP & DOWN WORDS**

By David L. Hoyt and Russell L. Hoyt

1. **PEEPING**

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_

**PROFESSOR**

Clues:  
 1. Intrusive snoop  
 2. Certain male bird  
 3. Pork product alternative  
 4. Piece of breakfast meat  
 5. Sean Astin's mother  
 6. It's located in North Carolina  
 7. College teacher

**Wednesday's Answer**  
 FRIED CHICKEN  
 CHICKEN EGG SANDWICH  
 EGG SANDWICH MEAT  
 MEAT HOOK  
 HOOK HOOK  
 SHOT PUT

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Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 6 (no repeats).

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		3	5		
		1		3	
3				6	

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**Wednesday's Answer**

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5	8	2	3	4	1	7	6	9
8	5	6	1	7	3	9	2	4
1	2	3	5	9	4	6	8	7

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Across: 1. 687228, 4. 43574654, 6. 6756, 7. 77242  
 Down: 1. 6253, 2. 22623772, 3. 87464323, 4. 42664, 5. 3642

Today's theme: **Capitals**

1 aq 2 abc 3 def  
 4 ghi 5 jkl 6 mno  
 7 pqrs 8 tuv 9 wxyz

Use the phone keypad to decode the clues. For example: 2 could be A, B or C... and 5678 could be LOST

Yesterday's solution

**DON'T QUOTE ME**

Politician Robert F. Kennedy shares his thoughts on tragedy.

Rearrange the words to complete the quote.  
**FOR GAIN GUIDE LIVE NOT TOOL TRAGEDY WISDOM**

\_\_\_\_\_ IS A \_\_\_\_\_ THE LIVING TO \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_\_ BY WHICH TO \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesday's Answer: "If you want to tell people the truth, make them laugh, otherwise they'll kill you."  
 -Oscar Wilde

# SAMSUNG'S NEW NOTE 4 HAS AN EDGE ... LITERALLY

Galaxy Note Edge has a strip of real estate devoted to extra goodies.



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Curved display on side of screen lets you multitask

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FIRST LOOK

**NEW YORK** Samsung is relentless when it comes to introducing new products. At the IFA international trade show in Berlin, Samsung expanded its Galaxy Note "phablet" series with new Note 4 and Note Edge models. Samsung also teamed with Oculus on a Gear VR virtual-reality headset that relies on the Note 4. Here are my takeaways after a hands-on first look at a press briefing in Manhattan.

Samsung hopes the 5.7-inch Galaxy Note 4 that is coming next month will help it continue to dominate the large-screen phablet category it pioneered. According to Samsung, phablet users spend more time on their devices than smartphone or tablet customers do, and are more satisfied and loyal.

To keep it that way, the Note 4 incorporates several improvements. The camera has been beefed up. The rear-facing 16-megapixel camera gains optical image stabilization to reduce the shakes when you're capturing video. Samsung says the camera can also extend the exposure time when you're shooting in a dim environment.

The front 3.7-megapixel camera has a wider angle de-

signed to improve group "selfies." Samsung adds a rapid battery-charging feature that it says will let you go from a zero charge to 50% in just 30 minutes.

The Quad-HD (2560 x 1440) Super AMOLED display on Note 4 is a looker. The latest design incorporates a new metal frame that complements the removable soft-textured back cover (so you can replace the battery).

As with its previous phablets, the latest Note employs a souped-up stylus called the S Pen, slightly refined this time around, that you can use for notes, handwriting and mouse-like functions.

**A CUTTING-EDGE VERSION**

One of the advantages of a phablet is the extra screen real estate that lets you multitask by keeping several apps open simultaneously. With the Note 4, you have more flexibility on how to move around and resize windows of open apps

While the Note 4 makes some incremental advancements over predecessors, the new premium

Galaxy Note Edge is quite literally on the cutting edge. While all the internal components of the Note Edge are virtually identical to the Note 4, the difference comes in a 5.6-inch screen that devotes a separate curved display that cascades down along the right edge. It's the first potentially helpful use of flexible screen technology that I've seen in a product that's about to be commercially introduced — Samsung hasn't provided a specific date but says Note Edge is coming later this year. There's no detail on pricing yet, but Note Edge will cost more than the Note 4.

The customizable "edge" sliver can house shortcut

icons for the apps you summon most often — just tap one of these icons and it takes over the main Note Edge display. Or you might display sports scores or stock quotes along the edge. The edge can also be used for notifications. You can even display the clock on the edge while laying the device, say, flat next to your bed, while the main screen is otherwise dark.

**HOW THE EDGE HELPS**

If you open certain apps, the edge provides icons and controls in context. For example, all of your camera controls are on the edge when you're taking a picture. Music playback controls reside there when you're listening to tunes.

You can even display a ruler on the edge. Samsung says that the icons and notifications along the edge are not meant to distract from the main screen you are watching.

Perhaps more than any other high-profile tech company, Samsung has sometimes brought out features that have bordered on being gimmicky. But the edge display here is unquestionably cool, and potentially useful, too, especially with Samsung opening

things up to developers.

During my hands-on demo, I got to see how you can easily swipe from edge screen to edge screen. But I want to try Note Edge in the "real world" to see if there are times when the placement of these edge icons causes me to inadvertently launch an app that I didn't intend to open. Samsung reps claim that will not occur, and it didn't happen during my demo time.

**GEARING UP TO GO VIRTUAL**

Ever since Facebook bought Oculus in March, there's been fresh attention focused on virtual reality. Now Samsung is teaming with Oculus on a head-mounted contraption called Gear VR Innovator Edition. You snap in the Note 4 via USB inside a concealed compartment — alas, Gear VR doesn't work with other Samsung devices — and place the supersize goggles over your head. You're now immersed in a three-dimensional, 360-degree virtual-reality world that, as the cliché goes, puts you in the best seat in the house. You can look up, down and all around.

I got to watch and listen to a Coldplay concert, pretend I was intruding upon Tony Stark's lab inside an *Avengers* video game, and take in a bird's-eye virtual tour over New York City.

Though Gear VR has its own touch pad, back button, volume key, accelerometer, compass and gyroscope, it relies on the Note 4 for power, sound (you can wear earbuds or use Bluetooth speakers) and content. The VR hardware is rendered useless without the phablet. Samsung says you'll typically have enough juice on the Note 4 to last through a full-length movie.

When you snap the Note 4 into Gear VR, a VR store where you can grab stuff to watch is launched. Samsung says you'll be able to access virtual-reality content from IMAX, DreamWorks AR, Cirque du Soleil Media, M-Go, Vevo and others.

While the demo was quite compelling and Gear VR comfortable enough to wear, I never could get the screen totally sharp (despite a focus dial), and even got a little nauseated.

But this was not a final device so I'll reserve judgment, and I'm definitely eager to spend more time trying it out when it arrives in the fall.



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A woman tries out the Samsung Gear, a virtual-reality simulator.

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