



Line Dancing

I rock with the 'Improvers' on Friday's now. I'm learning Rattlesnake Kiss, Aces & 8's, After Party, & Lonely Drum.

Hip Hop

I might be a little too old for this. I've had a blast, but I do not think I'll be taking the summer class.

Aerial Techniques

This is so much fun, but conflicts with WB Playhouse days, So I'll be taking a break from this this summer too. I am so glad the class is available & the teacher is amazing. I need to work on upper-body and try again in the fall

I found another goddess

I do not like regular massages (they're weird)
I do like whatever Edith does because she 'fixes' me, especially those time I 'tweak' something & need meds. She un-tweaks what 's tweaked & so much more. I'm still learning about all of the services she offers
Make an appointment * You will not be sorry!



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No, I'm not cold

Bear Mountain, CA
with my girls

I lived
5 Years in Montana
& 10 Years in Utah

If it's not snowing, I'm probably
not cold . . . most of the time



How was your winter?

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BookClub

What are your favorite reads?

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James Earl Carter Jr.

October 1, 1924 December 29, 2024 (100 years)

An American politician and humanitarian who served as the 39th president of the United States from 1977 to 1981 served as the 76th governor of Georgia from 1971 to 1975 and served in the Georgia State Senate from 1963 to 1967 -Wikipedia



I am still working with

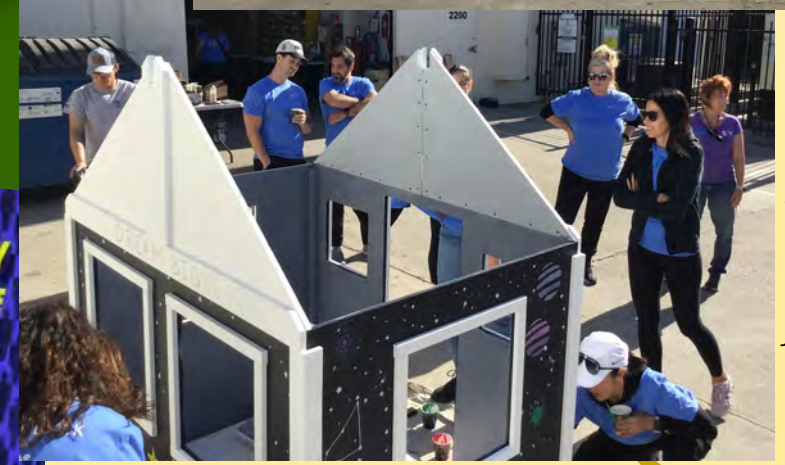
President Carter's passing hit us hard We miss you Mr President

Women Build



Great for TEAM BUILDING

Would your company like to sponsor a playhouse day?



We build playhouses to finance appliances for the 'big builds'

Hard times create strong people
Strong People create good times
Good times Create Weak People, &
Weak People Create Hard Times

People!
This is not ok



Not Going Back

Conversations on these topics can be found on the collinscorp.biz website

Women are
**NOT EXPENDABLE
& WE ARE NOT
YOUR PROPERTY**



2024 Was a Landslide . . . for 'Did Not Vote'

Our ancestors laid down their lives so we could stand strong today, and it is our duty to honor that sacrifice. It is not just a right—it's a responsibility.

**Our rights are still not ratified .
The work is not done.**

Eve eating the apple is the equivalent of the first woman getting a college education and prepared to explore the new & boundless world the Creator made, & Adam & men like him have been complaining ever since. We are called to learn, explore, & grow in understanding.

We are not meant to let the world tell us what we are and who we should be

This world is meant for us too, and we deserve to walk through it with the knowledge that we are empowered, equal, and have the right to choose our own path(s).

So, **Own your power!**

Stand tall and strong for the future of all who come after us.

Pay attention to what is going on around you & Vote! It is up to us to continue the journey our ancestors began.



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Legal Help?

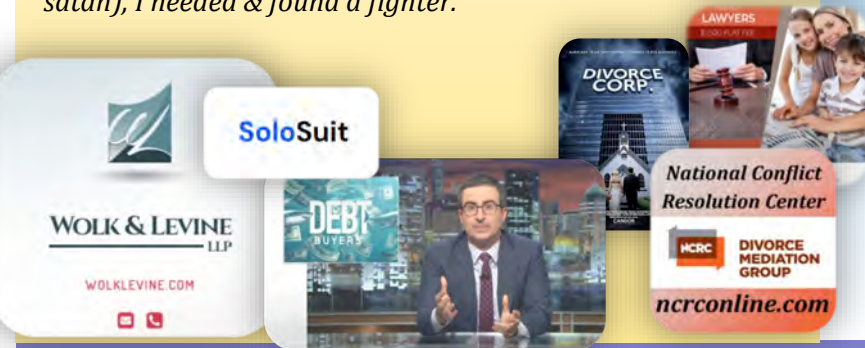
I have never needed so much legal help in my life, as I have over the last few years.

Finding good legal support is trial & error. These people & services have helped me through recent legal storms.

John Oliver's review of debt buyers/collectors & Solo Suit helped me get my credit score past 800; however, one big bank has returned to challenge a closed case.

Wolk & Levine reviewed my SoloSuit documentation, & continues to be available for follow-up review, advice, & stepping in as needed.

My third family law attorney is the best. My first attorney displayed attributes highlighted in Divorce Corp the movie, my second attorney was wonderful ~ I actually found Harmony; but when he hired his attorney (we'll call him satan), I needed & found a fighter.



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What's next

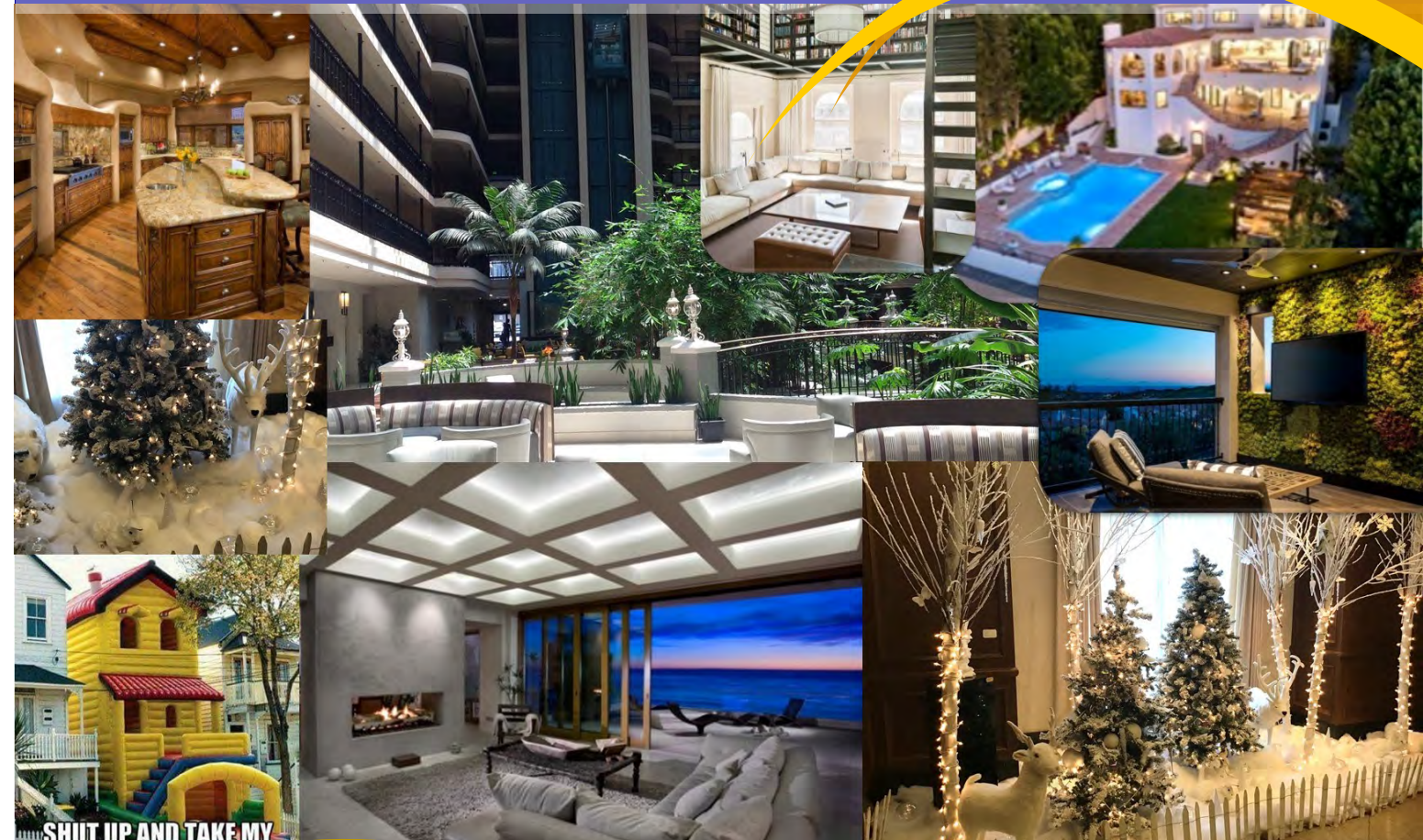


- Volunteer with Habitat OC Women
- Improve & Monetize Primary Property
- Return to Full-Time work
- Review & Implement side investment & business developments

What's next for you?

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What has she been up to?

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Book Club

As an avid bookworm, these titles have been especially useful in helping me wrap my head around the issues below; especially *Jenny*, who I now refer to as my mental health specialist.



The saga continues

This is year six of an unnecessarily extended divorce. This February was supposed to be the trial to finally decide this issue, however, due to ridiculous questions such as 'how much pantry food did you share'; when the only issue is our disagreement on Moore Marsden calculations, we had to schedule the next available date (**May 2024**) to finish up.

Be advised, the entire family law system has no interest in saving you money, protecting you unless they absolutely have to, or in any way, coming to a timely resolution to these, very personal, very scary, issues.

This is a business!

Family Law is sometimes referenced as the wild wild west! Protections for women have not progressed as far as we thought. Although a regularly recognized tactic, nothing stops them from refusing mediation or binding arbitration, & continuing to file useless/baseless motions, & asking stupid questions to burn court time hoping you will give up emotionally, &/or end up not being able to continue financially, &/or have an indifferent attorney.

I was warned when I started this process

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I was conflicted in 2019, but everything that has happened since then convinces me I did the right thing. The only thing I want is the house, especially during the **current corporate housing challenges**. Henry does not want the house & is doing everything in his power to make sure I don't have it.

This is really the only issue & I plan to prevail.

Thank you to everyone who has given me so much understanding & support ♥



Habitat for Humanity Women Build OC



I am very excited to finally address significant 'deferred maintenance' around my home to preserve & monetize a legacy.

One of the reasons I took action for full possession of this property was to finally bring maintenance up to some degree of normalcy.

To that end, my first planned projects are roof, attic, ceilings & pool.

The skills these ladies are helping me develop through their monthly **playhouse** building events are preparing me for Habitat OC's 'big builds', in addition to my own repairs.



Roof Ceiling & Attic

Challenges:

Original 1960's wood shake roof with patch that leaks when it rains & attic insulation needs to be completely replaced

While we're at it . . .

Since the interior has not been updated in any way since it's origins and lacks natural light in some areas, I would like to take advantage of this time in the attic & on the roof to make a couple of improvements to interior lighting & feel of space



Neighborhood Watch Reboot

Since our group has not met in a couple of years. Some neighbors moved, died or aged out. Remaining leaders reorganized & reconnected, took down a drug-house, & scheduled our next event.

We created this newsletter to re-introduce ourselves to our little community.



XENA

This year started with a new friend!

A surprisingly intelligent four month old domestic shorthair.

We have adapted to each other very well & plan to adopt a dog .

Mischief Managed

I resolved a significant accounting challenge for this custom home group in transition. Once the financial bottlenecks were identified, consolidated, modified, & resolved, my time with this dynamic group came to an end.

My time there was fun & challenging.

I learned a lot more about day to day subcontractor management in the custom home contracting industry; lessons I plan to apply to modifications in my own home as soon as possible.

Thanks guys!



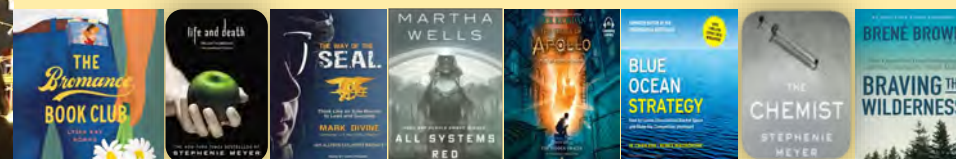
Book Club . . . overnight

I've always been an avid reader, primarily of general &/or self-improvement business topics.

Stress in the last couple of years has increased the number of fiction titles on my for overnight reading list.

While I appreciate meditation, allowing certain stories to play overnight has been very helpful in helping me get back to sleep faster (without negative distraction) after midnight potty-breaks.

How well are you sleeping



What are your favorite reads?



Back to School?

I attended IVC many many years ago and found nice surprises when I checked in on them this year, including my still active student # & account. After earning my B.S. in Business Admin Management, I am back to being a college student,

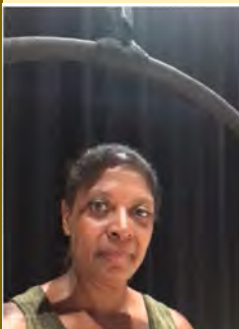


Drafting

I have more ideas for revamping my home than is appropriate to torture anyone with until I know exactly what I want. I am now enrolled to learn autocad & revit

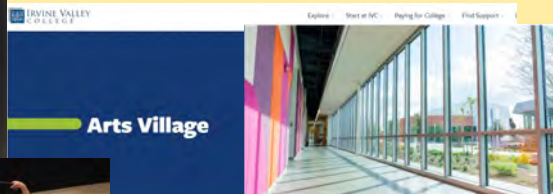
Hip Hop

I had been looking for something fun & don't enjoy bars, and the community center is inconsistent; so I peek-a-boomed at the catalog after signing up for drafting class, and what did I find? They have seriously expanded their Arts Village, including new Music & Dance facilities. & there's no age limit



Aerial Techniques

How far did they expand, you ask?
I am going to learn how to fly like Pink!
I'm set for the winter!



What's next for me?

- IVC Fall Semester
- Full-Time work
- Habitat OC Women: Holiday Luncheon
- Improve & Monetize Primary Property
- Review & Implement side investment & business developments
- ... a special birthday surprise

What's next for you?



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This election is too important, so
I made my own yard signs

\$20 for regular

\$30 for large

Canvas' may be available soon too.

Specify Design A (above) or
Design B (cover)

email: info@LelahMichelle.com

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What has she been up to?
Moving Forward

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Holiday Luncheon Committee

I found my Tribe. I am sitting with an interior designer, active real estate agent, & a high jumper. Can you guess which is which?

We came up with great ideas for this year's event at the Lazy Dog and are dedicated enough to meet for at least one more happy hour before the deadline . . . because we are so dedicated to the cause! Of course ☺

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Habitat for Humanity Women Build OC



I am proud to continue working with this group of dynamic women to help the community & improve home building skills.

I am still very excited to work with these women, recently landing on the Holiday Luncheon Committee to plan . . . well, the annual event, of course.

We also just had an amazing **Wine & Sign** event where Claudette showed us how to make our own motivational **wall art**.



Sorry to get political folks

. . . but I am not comfortable having my rights removed,

My ancestors fought too hard for me to have them.

(This has nothing to do with Women build) I understand & appreciate that not everyone is as plugged into politics as I am but

THIS IS REAL

Please read Project 2025

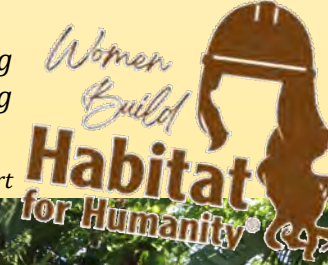
Please take it seriously

Please VOTE

Nobody's Perfect but really, when has that ever stopped us

The H4H ladies monthly **playhouse** building events are preparing me for Habitat OC's 'big builds', in addition to my own repairs.

I have **got** to get this 'rather build it than clean it' T-shirt



Neighborhood Watch Reboot

Our group met for the first time in a couple of years. We were joined by our local APD officers, and our City Council brought pizza, soda, & staff. Our Community Coordinator brought flyers showcasing City resources & opportunities.; and Judy (standing next to Steve) is the only one with CERT Training & designated hero in case of any apocalypse



Mischief Managed

"Moulton Niguel Water District has been named a top workplace in Orange County for seven years in a row! In 2023, the District was pleased to be named the #3 Top Workplace in Orange County by the Orange County Register. We take great pride in providing the absolute best service to our customers, and that service starts with our employees. Under our Board's leadership, the District has been resilient and innovative in delivering safe, clean water to the communities we serve."

Every word of this is true. The people were wonderful, the location was peaceful, & I applied for two positions I'm overqualified for while resolving insurance verifications for over 100 new projects.

My time there was fun & challenging, although, as I was leaving, having seen pictures of current & previous staff, I noticed, there was no one that looked like me in any of them(?).

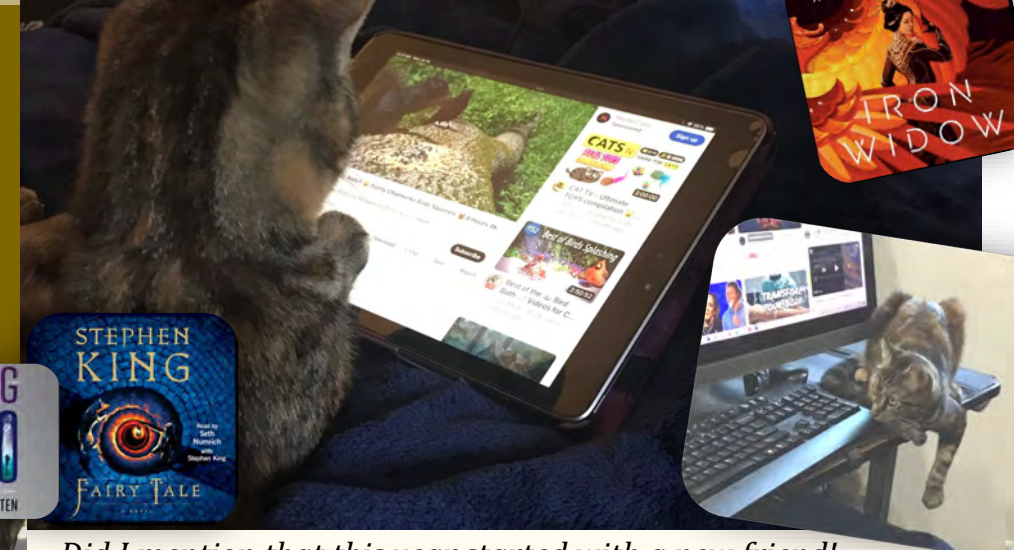
I love the guy in the back that climbed on the wall to wave!



Jim's retirement party at Neighbors Bar



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Did I mention that this year started with a new friend!

XENA is awesome! Smart, playful, alert, & brings the cuddles! Sometimes she gets rambunctious when I'm on my computer, so I give her a 'decoy' ipad so I can finish my work. She's watching a butterfly documentary in the photo.

Book Club ... Murderbot

I'm still a bookworm, loving various genres & variations of the hero's journey.

One of my night-reads became the Murderbot

Diaries series (f-bomb alert), which is seven stories (so far) of a 'construct's disengagement of lethal controls and what that means for his future, especially now that he's found people who treat him like a person instead of an appliance.

It's an interesting topic during this time of growing AI concerns & cynicism over what constitutes the definition of a 'person' and who is worthy of autonomy, and who is expendable, especially when significantly engineered?

I did not expect this one to be so deep.

I also still enjoy my 'mental health specialist' Jenny Lawson; & am waiting for someone to admit they love the **Bromance Book Club** as much as I do.



What are your favorite reads?