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Keeping Our Local Roads Safe



Officer Joanna Ramirez was recognized by MADD California for her experience, expertise, and dedication in supporting Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) mission to end drunk and drugged driving. Thank you, Officer Ramirez, for helping keep the roads of El Segundo safe from impaired drivers. In the United States, every 39 minutes, one person will lose their life in a drunk-driving crash. — NHSTA. Photo courtesy El Segundo Police Department.

Marine Mammal Care Center Rescues Sea Lion

Story and Photos by Alex Reilly

It's a frigid and overcast day on King Harbor in Redondo Beach. The harbor is rife with excessive motorboats, tall sail boats, and the occasional marine mammal may grace the docks. The sea lions can be heard from hundreds of yards away- often howling to other animals or aimlessly at the sky.

The Redondo fire department aids the Marine Mammal Care Center to patrol the harbor, checking out common marine mammal spots like a barge full of 50-100 California Sea Lions, buoys out at sea, and the rocks where the tide breaks.

From the boat, Julian 'Jules' León, the marine mammal rescuer, can see an emaciated, almost year-old California sea lion pup laid out on the dock. The pup's ribs and hip bones are visible, and he is swarmed by flies, circling his face and landing on his small body.

Jules wears a long sleeve shirt, a vest and pants tucked into his squeaky XTRATUF rainboots. He has several pairs of gloves but opts for the light blue Kevlar pair that are bite proof. He brought two net sizes and grabs the smaller one. Jules tiptoes slowly behind the pup, then tosses the net over his head. The sea lion squeals momentarily but doesn't fight back, another sign of exhaustion and malnourishment. Jules successfully gets the little guy into the net and twists it at the base, so the pup can't jump out. Jules takes the small mammal in the net and hoists him onto the boat, where he nervously releases an awfully pungent excrement.

Jules notices a tag on the left flipper, indicating that the pup is male. "He looks like a nearling," which is a term that Jules coined meaning not quite a yearling (a year-old), but close.

Once the pup is in the sea lion-sized crate, it is time to take him back to the Marine Mammal Care Center for evaluation. This time of year, the center is nearly at capacity.

Each day at MMCC starts with cleaning the pens for the animals. Staff and volunteers alike take on this task- hosing down the fishy-smelling concrete and pools. There are currently over 100 patients at the center, 90% of which are just a few months to a year old. The adult animals are often taken in after fishing line entanglements or various injuries. The mammals are fed and rehabilitated until they are well enough to be released back into the ocean.

"We try to keep the wild animals wild. The goal is to get all of these animals back into their ocean home," Jules says. While he is speaking, elephant seals can be heard wailing in the distance. Their unique screams, which sound almost human or ape-like, have been used to create fantastical characters like those in Lord of the Rings.

Occasionally, there might be an animal that cannot go back to the wild. So, they'll go to aquariums or reserves. There was a harbor seal named Elmer who had cataracts. Some animals can do okay in the wild with cataracts, because their whiskers can sense and detect their environments, but Elmer had cataracts in both eyes, rendering him nearly blind. He now lives in a facility in San Diego with other harbor seals and gets to live the rest of his life as an advocate for his species.

For the healthy animals, they're often released at Cabrillo Beach or at White Point, which are the closest spots to the center. The animals know the ocean well enough to get back to where they belong and can travel up to 70 miles per day. MMCC will sporadically



Julian 'Jules' León

have release events for the public to gather and witness, often in honor of a donor or group of donors.

Education is an integral part of MMCC's mission. The visitor center is filled with animal skulls and pelts as well as helpful infographics that were designed by Jules himself. School groups visit the center to learn about animal rehabilitation and ocean conservation.

Many of the calls the center receives are from concerned locals who've stumbled upon a seal or sea lion that is on land. Many people are unaware that because seals and sea lions are semiaquatic, they don't need to always be in the water and will often rest on the beach to warm up. Anyone who comes across a beached mammal should not approach it. Not only is touching a seal on land a federal offense that can accrue up to a \$10,000 fine, but a bite from one of these animals could result in what is colloquially known as 'seal finger' in which the wound becomes inflamed with pus. Another precaution is to keep dogs

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Weekend Forecast

Friday

Partly
Cloudy
77°/65°



Saturday

Partly
Cloudy
77°/65°



Sunday

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Cloudy
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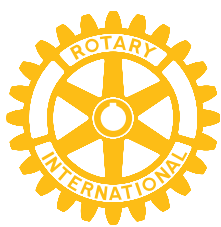
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ESUSD Board Meeting Report

The following information covers the July 9, 2024 ESUSD board meeting and was taken from ESUSD website:

Welcome Dr. Johnson!

The July 9 Board Meeting was Dr. Jason Johnson's first official meeting as El Segundo Unified School District's new superintendent. Dr. Johnson began in the role on July 1, immediately following the retirement of Dr. Melissa Moore. Welcome to ESUSD, Dr. Johnson!

Update from Ed!

In her update, El Segundo Education Foundation Chair Christa Caban shared that the foundation has recently completed its \$1.8 million donation to the district and has begun working on fundraising for its next \$2 million donation. As a result of the increased donation goal, they are asking families to

consider contributing \$800 per child. The goal of the donation is to keep the class size reduction for 4th and 5th grade students, as well as 6th-12th grade math. More information about Ed! is available at www.esedf.org

Additional Board Actions

The board approved a master contract with The HELP Group, a CDE certified non-public school. The HELP Group provides special education placement in a non-public school setting as required by students' individualized education plans.

The board approved the Proposition 28 Annual Report.

The board approved supplemental funds for the Schools Excess Liability Fund (SELF). SELF is a Joint Use Agreement beyond basic district insurance coverage to provides additional insurance for the district. •

Sports

Catching Up on the Diamond

By Gregg McMullin

With summer in full swing, it's time to visit the diamond and check on how the all-star teams and the Legion team did. In addition to the all-star teams, a few other players were recognized for their outstanding high school seasons and played in an all-star game.

There's nothing like attending an all-star Little League game, whether you're watching the 11-12-year-olds, the 11-year-olds, or the 9-to-10s. The atmosphere in the stands, as parents lean on each pitch, play, or call, is priceless. Teams on the field are dressed in new uniforms that reflect a colorful image.

Each team's goal is to reach the pinnacle for their age group. For the 11-12s, it's a trip to Williamsport to play in the World Series, while the other two age groups can play for a state title. Teams at each level participate in the District, Section, and state tournaments while the 11-12-year-olds continue their all-star play at the Western Regional, with the winner advancing to the Little League World Series. When an all-star team wins one of those tournaments, the team wins a banner depicting the tournament they have won. ESLL came away with five banners in 2023.

El Segundo Little League Advances One Team to Section Tournament

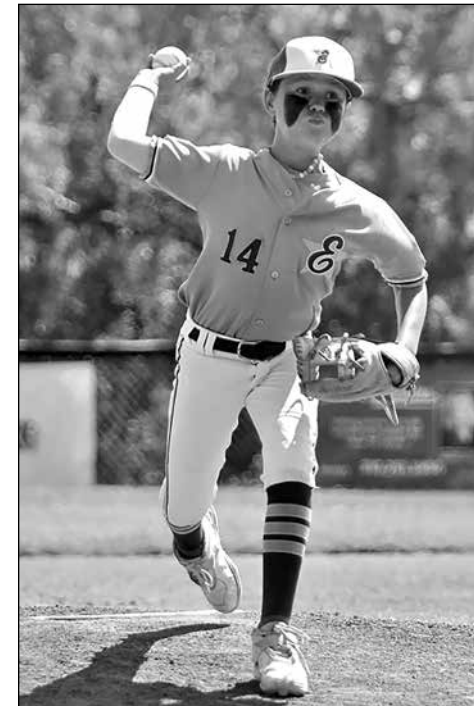
The ESLL, which has won forty-three banners over the years, sent two of the three teams to the District 36 finals. Only the 9-10s will advance to the Section tournament after coming through the loser's bracket and defeating Palos Verdes twice.

The 11-12s played host to the District 36 tournament and faced Redondo Little League

in the opening round and came away with a 6-0 win. Brando Diaz hit a two-run home run, and Griffin Goshi had two RBI singles to pace the offense. In the win over Manhattan Beach Little League in the second round, El Segundo came up with a five-run third inning to essentially put the game away. Mason Metcalf and Jude Hansen had two RBIs each, while Mikey Pennel had an RBI single.

ESLL faced Palos Verdes in the finals of the winner's bracket and trailed 5-4 before PVLL put together a late-inning rally that

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Jax Sutherland held Palos Verdes to one run in El Segundo's 11-1 win in the District 36 final.



Liam Bhatka slides in safely under PVLL's Beck Rayner's tag at third base.

Community Briefs

Help St. Michael the Archangel Get a YouTube Channel

St. Michael the Archangel is going to have a new refreshed website in the near future. Along with the website, they will continue to have their Facebook page for all the latest news for the week. They will also have a new refreshed YouTube channel. YouTube is the best platform and has the band capacity to reach a greater audience where they can share their sermons and other guest event postings. It is a convenient place for you to share St. Michael's with your friends and

family. In order to have a YouTube channel, they are required to have more than 50 subscribers (it is free), so, please follow the link below and click on it to reach YouTube, and click on "Subscribe." That's all you need to do, but please do it right away, so St. Michael the Archangel can start uploading their sermons in order to reach the greater community. Go to: <https://youtube.com/@stmichaelthearchangelepisc494?si=5d3fTEc5Zc-8YdTE> •

Police Reports

Monday, July 8th

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An identity theft report was taken at 1539 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) used a closed T-Mobile account belonging to the victim.

One female adult was arrested at 1659 hours from Hickory Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard in the City of Torrance for one misdemeanor ESPD warrant.

A burglary report was taken at 2227 hours from the 1400 block of East Imperial Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) accessed the victim's hotel room and stole items.

An attempted vehicle burglary report was taken at 0115 hours from the 900 block of Pepper Street. Unknown suspect(s) shattered the victim's vehicle window.

Tuesday, July 9th

A found property report was taken at 0933 hours from Eucalyptus Street and Pine Avenue. An iPhone was found and was booked for safekeeping.

A courtesy missing person report was taken at 1008 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. A female adult was reported missing in the City of Los Angeles.

A traffic accident (with injuries) report was taken at 1732 hours from Maple Avenue and Nash Street, vehicle versus vehicle.

Wednesday, July 10th

A misdemeanor hit and run report was taken at 1344 hours from the 100 block of Arena Street, vehicle versus multiple parked vehicles.

A stolen vehicle report was taken at 1506 hours from the 900 block of North Pacific Coast Highway. Unknown suspect(s) stole the victim's Toyota Tacoma.

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A stolen vehicle report was taken at 1506

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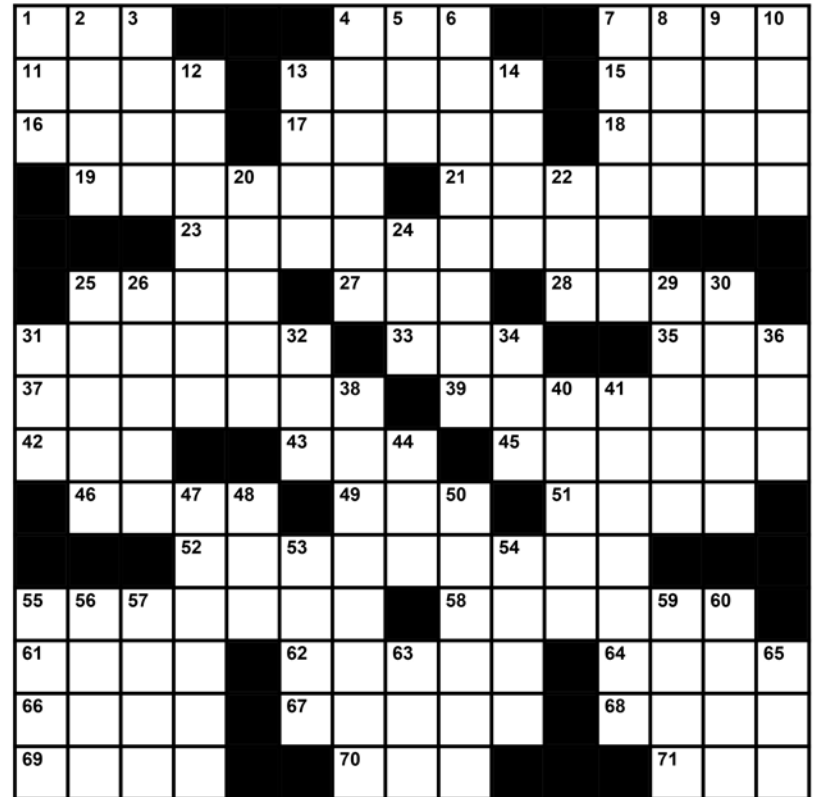
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See Answers Next Week



Across

- Do
- Farm mother
- "Wheel of Fortune" choice
- Therefore
- Carried on, as a campaign
- Plus
- Outfielder's cry
- Eat into
- Close up
- Floor cover
- Cons
- Panel-show host
- Prima donna problems
- I topper
- Partiality
- Took in
- Medic
- Place to relax and chill
- Cows eat them
- Cattleman
- Faded
- Neither here __ there
- Ability
- Agreed!
- "I don't think so"
- Completely cut calories
- Silts
- Painkiller

Down

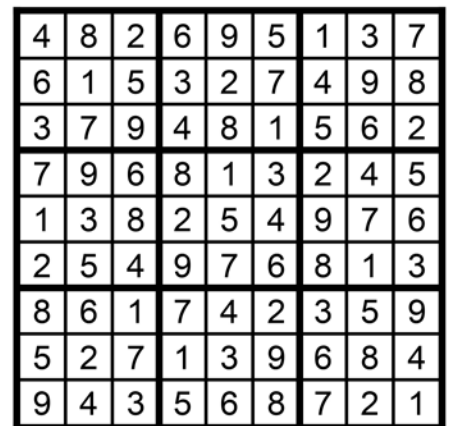
- Teller type
- Trendy
- Canned meat
- Moved suddenly
- Give it ____, 2 words
- Go-between
- African tourist trip
- Story line
- Part of an archipelago
- Bobs
- Speeches in Church
- Garden intruder
- Job for a body shop
- Bodybuilders work on them
- Angry crowd
- Office buildings often have them
- Celebration
- Wasn't vigilant
- You can pump it
- Flat
- Doesn't like
- Confessed, with "clean"
- Adriatic and Red
- Something you could be drafted into
- Scenery
- Lightning attractor
- Ahead of schedule
- GPA part
- Campfire residue
- Tuckered out
- Self-image
- Animal's home
- Cool ____
- Focus of some exhibits
- "Meathead," to Archie, 3 words
- US-Canada-Mexico bloc
- Of enduring interest
- Battering device
- Indonesians, Filipinos, for example
- Girl mentioned
- Assistant
- Gossip, in slang
- NBA team
- Many moons
- Reliever's triumph
- "Guilty," e.g.
- Ages
- Unspecified amount
- Passenger's info, maybe
- After expenses

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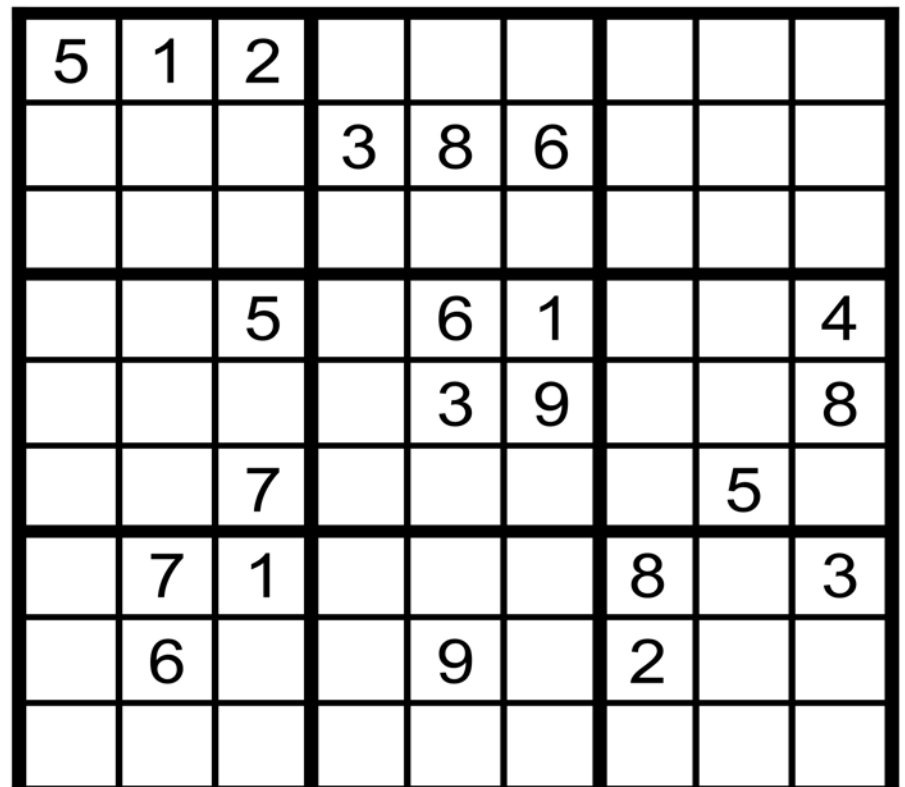
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★ ★ **Entertainment** ★ ★

Film Review

Horror Film *Longlegs* is a Living Nightmare

By Morgan Rojas for Cinemacy

You know the feeling of walking into a spiderweb? The invisible strings that stick to your body immediately cause you to tense up and leave you feeling unsettled. This is the same sensation I had when watching writer/director Osgood Perkins's eerie horror film *Longlegs*. It's a film that is easy to get wrapped up in, offering little solace from the absolute mayhem that descends into chaos on screen. Backed by an unforgettable performance by Nicolas Cage, *Longlegs* is now playing in theaters.

Maika Monroe plays Lee Harker, a young FBI agent who has just been assigned the case of the century. It's one that has been unsolved for decades: the Satanic *Longlegs* murders. Lee may be new to this position but her instincts rival that of a seasoned professional. Assigned to investigate the ongoing serial killer case along with her is veteran Agent Carter (Blair Underwood). His protectiveness and trust only encourage Lee to double down on her unique investigative methods.

In every *Longlegs* crime scene, a note is left, written in an abstract code that the FBI has been attempting and failing to crack. Lee notices there is a bizarre lack of additional evidence that should be left behind, including fingerprints, DNA, and entry and exit points. There is no physical evidence at all. Using this as a launching point, Lee pivots her search less toward the predictable and more toward the surreal. This is when she starts to sense the presence of the killer, who is both everywhere and nowhere. Like the aforementioned spiderweb, she becomes entangled in *Longlegs'*

web which leads to a disturbing realization that changes the trajectory of the case.

The less you know about *Longlegs* before going into it, the better. What sets this film apart from other horror films are the subconscious ways Osgood Perkins injects suspense into every scene. The frenetic score incorporates minor string notes in conjunction with more organic sounds, like mic feedback and heart-beat pulses. The diegetic sounds crafted by the sound design team include eerie footsteps and environmental cues. Combined, they expertly build intensity throughout the film. The untraditional way in which the film was shot leans toward more arthouse horror. Jumping between aspect ratios and unconventional framing feels fresh and gives *Longlegs* a memorable visual aesthetic.

Now, a movie is only as good as the lead performances. In the case of *Longlegs*, Maika Monroe and Nicolas Cage sensationally embody the characters to make the film truly haunting. Maika's cool and calm demeanor offers a perfect juxtaposition to Nic's unhinged and unrecognizable character. Not one to shy away from a challenging or weird role, Nicolas Cage reaches a new achievement in his career as *Longlegs*. It is exaggerated and creepy all at once. Don't be surprised if *Longlegs* appears in your nightmares following the film, it's practically unavoidable.

Drawing inspiration from some of the greatest thrillers of modern times like *Silence of the Lambs* and *Zodiac*, *Longlegs* offers audiences a fresh perspective on the genre. NEON's marketing campaign—while impressive—may slightly oversell the scare factor and over-hypes the film in general but *Longlegs* is still a solid movie worth watching in theaters over a VOD experience. Whether or not it has the legs to be named the scariest film of the year has yet to be seen. •



Longlegs, courtesy NEON.



Morgan Rojas

Check It Out

How to Keep House While Drowning: a gentle approach to cleaning and organizing by KC Davis

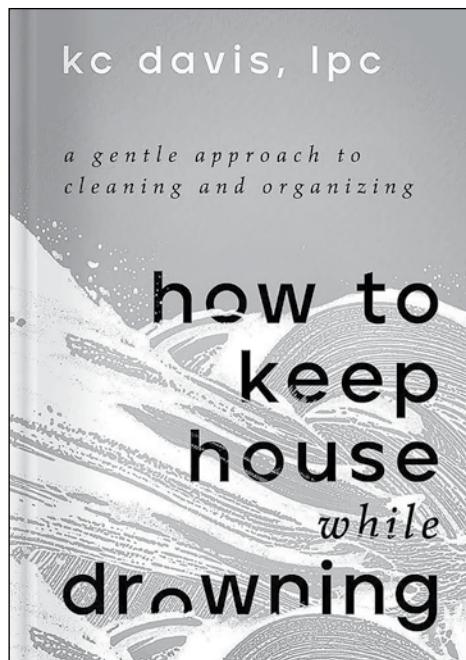
By Kristina Kora-Beckman, Senior Librarian, El Segundo Public Library

This week I'm reviewing *How to Keep House While Drowning: a gentle approach to cleaning and organizing* by KC Davis, an older title (it was published in 2022) that I recently came across. This slim volume is packed with compassionate, practical advice for busy adults drowning in to-do lists and guilt of what they "should" do. Davis is a licensed professional therapist and draws from her personal and professional experience for this book and the mental health platform Struggle Care.

Short chapters and easily digestible text help readers not get overwhelmed while

gently reframing thoughts about work and our relationship to it. Davis also includes helpful advice about equity not equal in communicating and relationships such as partners focusing on each getting the rest they need instead of attempting to equally divide up work. One of my favorite quotes of the book that describes this shift is "this isn't a business deal where you need to protect your interests against an adversary; it's a partnership where you care about the well-being of each other. This goal is less like the bar graph comparing work and more like a line graph where both work together to ensure rest and enjoyment of life remains fair even as seasons change."

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Sports

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The District 36 champions pose.

sent 14 hitters to the plate. The loss sent the locals to the loser's bracket final, where they faced Manhattan Beach. Bodhi Campbell and Jude Hansen combined on a two-hit shutout in the 4-0 win.

In the District 36 championship elimination game, El Segundo faced their nemesis, Palos Verdes. ESLL got an early first-inning lead, but PVLL responded and came away with a 7-2 victory. In the first inning Jude Hansen's fly ball scored Mason Metcalfe to give their team a 1-0 lead. Trailing 7-1 in the fourth inning, Metcalfe's solo homerun cut into the deficit, but that's as close as they would come, and ESLL was eliminated.

In the District 36 final for the 9-10s El Segundo fell in the winner's bracket final to PVLL, defeated Lunada Bay only to face PVLL again in the elimination championship game. El Segundo provided the drama with a walk-off win forcing a true

championship game. In the final game Jax Sutherland pitched a stellar game holding Palos Verdes to one run on four hits. His team came up with some timely hitting in a lopsided 11-1 win.

With El Segundo in control 5-1 in the sixth inning, they sent 11 hitters to the plate. They scored six runs on five hits and benefitted with back-to-back hit batters that forced in runs. Parker Drottz doubled and later scored, Liam Bhakta singled and scored, and Miller Ferrier and Hudson Quezambra were hit by pitches, forcing in runs. Consecutive RBI singles by Caden Huie, Dax Olson, and Mike Banaelos extended the lead to 10-1. Charlie Barlup's sacrifice fly to centerfield completed the six-run rally, and El Segundo claimed the District 36 title.

El Segundo moved on to the Section 4 Tournament this week at Lunada Bay Little League. In the opener, El Segundo lost to



Bodhi Campbell was impressive against Manhattan Beach Little League. He allowed one hit and struck out three.

North Venice Little League but responded with a win over Del Rey Little League. They played another elimination game on Monday. If ESLL wins they would need to win two more to advance to the state tournament.

Babe Ruth All-Stars Re-Cap at the State Tournament

The 13-16 all-star team defeated Glendale in the first round but was defeated by Torrance in the second round. In the elimination game, they fell to Westchester.

The 14-year-old all-stars defeated Heartwell 12-2 in the opening round. Then, in the second round, they held on to defeat Torrance 6-5. They advanced to the championship round, where they faced Torrance. Since Torrance came through the loser's bracket, it meant defeating El Segundo twice. El Segundo was held offensively in both games when they fell 8-2 and 6-2.

Both El Segundo and Torrance will advance to the Pacific Southwest Regional tournament in Murray, Utah, starting on Monday, July 21, against Vernal, Utah, at 2 p.m.

American Legion Team

The American Legion summer baseball program gives the high school team an early look at what the team could look like the following year. The El Segundo Blues finished with the second-best record in league play and was seeded second behind Millikan Blue in the 4th Area Tournament. The winner will advance to the State Tournament in Orange County with the winner of the State Tournament advancing to the Western Region Tournament in Fairfield, California. The World Series is scheduled to be played in Shelby, North Carolina.

During the eight-team Area tournament, the Blues defeated Millikan Gold, fell to Long Beach Wilson 3-0, defeated Downey 4-2, and got by Narbonne 5-1 to advance to the loser's bracket final against Millikan Blue.

Against Downey, Logan Brooks' sacrifice fly in the first inning gave El Segundo a 1-0 lead. The Blues extended the lead to 3-0 in the third inning with an RBI single by Ben Lee and a sacrifice fly by Lincoln Quaintance. In

the fourth inning, Austin Hohman scored on an error for a 4-0 lead. Downey would score two runs in the sixth inning, but starting pitcher Colton Ksieski cleanly held Downey in check in the seventh inning, and the Blues won 4-2.

In the Narbonne game, starting pitcher Sam Forthuber went the distance, giving up one run on seven hits and struck out seven. With the score tied 1-1 in the sixth inning, the Blues rallied for four runs, highlighted by a two-run double by Quaintance and a two-run single by Anders Tipton.

In the elimination game against Millikan, the Blues took a huge lead into the sixth inning and held on in the seventh to defeat them 13-10. The win knocked Millikan out and sent El Segundo, along with Long Beach Wilson, to the State Tournament. The Blues return to the State tournament for the third consecutive year; they finished second last summer. The tournament starts next Thursday, July 24, at Hart Park, 701 Glassell Street, Orange, CA.

Siena Mayer Honored

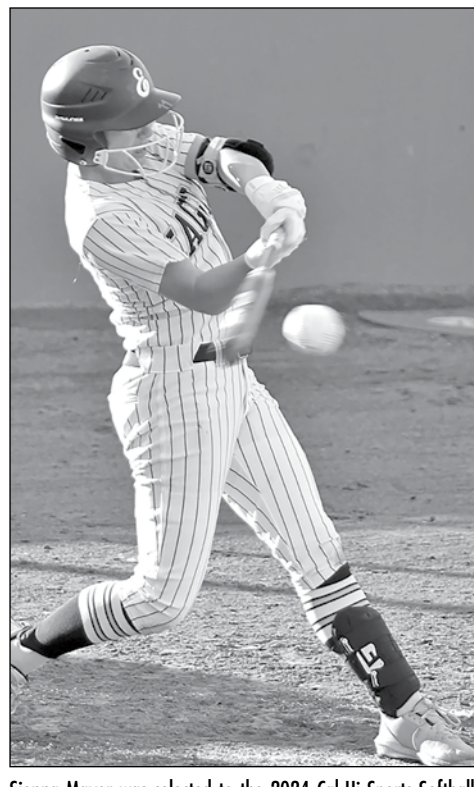
El Segundo junior shortstop Siena Mayer, who has helped lead the Eagles to three consecutive CIF playoff appearances, was named to the 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Softball All-State Medium Schools second team. Besides hitting .405, she led the team in hits, home runs, triples, and doubles and tied with Allie Stevenson for most RBIs.

Eagles Selected for All-Star Game

Mateo Heredia and Dylan Alcala were selected to play in the Fourth Annual Tyler Skaggs Foundation All-Star game at UCLA's Jackie Robinson Stadium. The game featured some of Southern California's top high school 2024 seniors and benefits the foundation named after the late former Major Leaguer. Before the game, former Eagle Jake Palmer, an assistant UCLA baseball coach, met with Mateo and Dylan. During the game, Mateo played two innings and had a hit in his only at bat. Dylan was impressive in the inning he pitched. •



Sam Forthuber was solid in his start against Narbonne.



Sienna Mayer was selected to the 2024 Cal-Hi Sports Softball All-State Medium Schools second team.

Love Thy Neighbor

Dear El Segundoans,
 We love the profiles we've done, and we've learned so much about El Segundo's residents. We want to do more, so please keep the suggestions coming. With over 16,000 residents, we're sure there are some gems we may have overlooked or not been aware of them. Do you have a unique and interesting friend, neighbor, co-worker, colleague or student? All you have to do is ask their permission and send us their contact information. Of course, if you find yourself fascinating, you are welcome to send us your information too. 🤗

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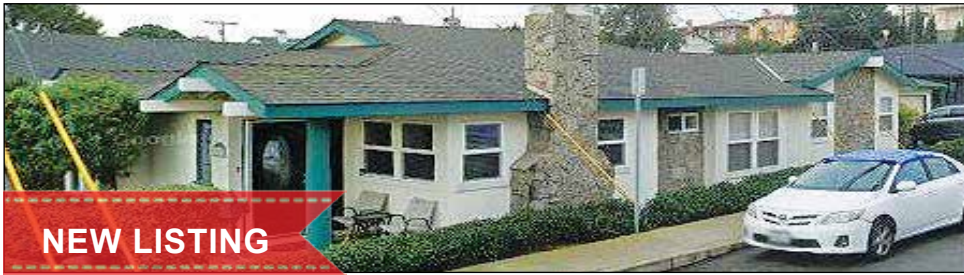


L-R Mateo Heredia, Jake Palmer (UCLA assistant coach), and Dylan Alcala pose before the Tyler Skaggs Foundation All-Star game.

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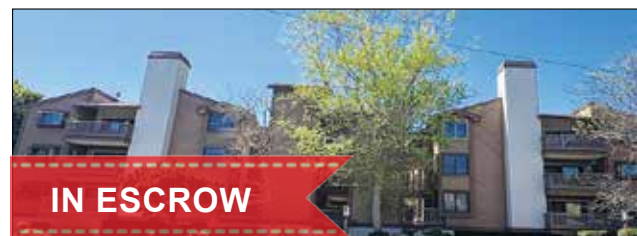
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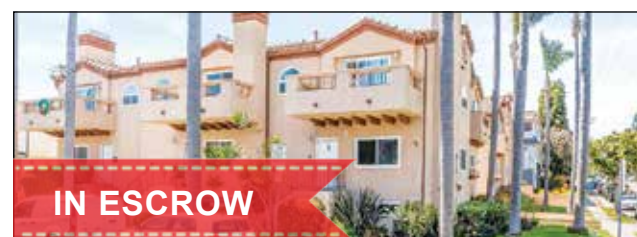


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423 Concord St	SFR	3	2	1579	\$1,820,000
535 E. Mariposa Ave	SFR	3	3	2283	\$2,000,000
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Braised Artichokes

Provided by Campbells Soup Corp.

These easy Braised Artichokes with White Wine and Herbs are so delicious and easy to prepare. Don't be intimidated by the bit of time it takes to trim and quarter the artichokes—it is worth the few minutes it takes! The tender, savory artichokes make a great side dish, but they can also be enjoyed at room temperature or served chilled on a salad. Cooked in a combination of savory broth, wine, garlic and herbs, they get extra punch and freshness from the lemon zest and fresh parsley that you stir in at the end of cooking.

Ingredients

- 1 cup Swanson® Chicken Broth or Vegetable Broth
- 1/4 cup white wine
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 3 sprigs fresh thyme leaves
- 2 cloves garlic, peeled and smashed
- 1 dried bay leaf
- 8 medium fresh artichoke, trimmed and cut in quarters
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon zest
- 2 tablespoons fresh parsley, chopped

Directions

- **Step 1:** Heat the broth, wine, oil, thyme, garlic and bay leaf in a 4-quart saucepan over high heat to a boil. Add the artichokes. Reduce the heat to medium-low. Cook for twenty minutes or until artichokes are tender when pierced with a fork. Stir in the lemon zest and parsley and remove the saucepan from the heat.
- **Step 2:** Season to taste with salt and pepper and serve hot, spooning any remaining broth mixture over the artichokes.

Tips

- **How to Trim & Quarter Artichokes:** Cut artichokes brown quickly, so have a fresh lemon half on hand to rub on freshly cut surfaces and squeeze the remaining lemon into a bowl of water. Snap off the dark green outer leaves, leaving the pale greenish-yellow inner leaves only. Cut off the top 1/3 of the artichoke. Cut off all but 1-inch of the stem and cut off the tough outer layer from the stem and anything remaining from the outer leaves. Cut the artichoke into quarters, and remove the prickly leaves and fuzzy choke. Place the artichoke quarters into the lemon water until ready to cook.

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Buying a Home in a High Interest Rate Market



(BPT) - Following years of all-time low mortgage interest rates, 2023 saw rates fluctuate between 6% and 8%, stifling plans particularly for first-time homebuyers. What many renters who are looking to become homeowners may not realize is that mortgage rates are only one aspect of affordability, which should be viewed as a three-legged stool: home price, mortgage interest rate, and down payment. Even in a challenging interest rate or home price environment, private mortgage insurance (MI) can be used to help low down payments. In some markets, high interest rates have cooled the trajectory of home price appreciation; with home sales dropping

18.7% from 2022 to 2023 and the national median home price increasing less than 1% in 2023. This is good news for first-time homebuyers who saw home prices in some markets increase 20% or 30% in prior years. So, if the home price is within range, how much cash do you need for a down payment? You may think it is 20%, but the truth is, you can qualify for a mortgage with as little as 3% down. According to U.S. Mortgage Insurers, private MI has helped nearly 39 million borrowers access homeownership with low down payments. Private MI helped nearly 800,000 homeowners purchase a home or refinance a mortgage in

2023, with nearly 35% having incomes below \$75,000 and more than 64% of those loans going to first-time buyers. In addition, the most common form of private MI, paid monthly by the borrower, helps homeowners begin building equity sooner and is also only a temporary cost that can be cancelled after 20% equity is established. Once private MI is cancelled, the monthly mortgage payment goes down, unlike loans backed by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), a government program featuring monthly MI premiums that are generally not cancellable. Each homebuyer's finances are different, therefore it is important to do the math

before buying a home. There is a saying, "date the rate, marry the home." Borrowers should always stay within their budget, but those who purchase a home now with a low down payment may be able to refinance later when rates decrease. These borrowers can achieve the American dream of homeownership sooner, start to build equity and avoid some competition from other borrowers who are waiting on rates to drop. If you're interested in learning more about private MI, visit lowdownpaymentfacts.com to learn more about your homeownership options. *



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Seniors

Jumpstart Your Day and Level Up Your Morning Routine

(BPT) - The start of a new day can be exciting, especially if you have an action-packed schedule to look forward to. If you're looking to meet the day with more, there are plenty of easy ways to set yourself up for success in the mornings. Research has shown that adopting a morning routine can boost productivity and focus, reduce stress and anxiety and supercharge your mood. But it doesn't mean you need to overhaul your life completely. Just a few small changes can result in big benefits.

- **Ditch the snooze button.** Stealing a few extra minutes of sleep when you're cozy in bed is a tempting idea, but it can do more harm than good. Dozing off after hitting the snooze button can leave you feeling tired and groggy, especially if you drift into REM sleep and are jolted out of it by the follow-up alarm. It can interfere with your overall sleep cycle, too.

- **Let the light in.** Some people love wake-up lights that mimic sunrise, so they wake up more naturally. These can be great tools to simulate a natural sunrise, especially during the winter season. Seeing light in the morning tells your body it's time to get up and can help you feel more alert.

- **Take your vitamins.** Many individuals, even nutritionists, find it hard to eat a balanced diet every day given how busy our lifestyles are. A good vitamin and supplement routine can be key to getting the nutrients you need. There are a lot of choices in the vitamin aisle, but when it comes to wellness, there's a reason Nature Made is the brand consumers have been turning to for over 50 years. If you're looking to get more out of a multivitamin, the new, enjoyable Nature Made Advanced Multivitamin Gummies are available in three varieties - Nature Made Advanced Multivitamin for Adults, Nature Made Advanced Multivitamin for Her, and Nature Made Advanced Multivitamin for Him. Curated with a unique ingredient combination, the assortment offers 20 essential nutrients

and provides a good source of magnesium, calcium and all 8 B vitamins.

To help people elevate their morning routine without added sugar, Nature Made also recently launched a portfolio of Nature Made Zero Sugar Gummies formulated to deliver a sugar-free alternative that tastes great and offers the same nutrient support as the brand's traditional Gummies. This assortment is comprised of five products, all of which earned the United States Pharmacopeia's Verified Dietary Supplement mark through rigorous third-party verification, that provide nutrients to support immune and bone health, cellular energy, sleep and overall wellbeing.

Hydrate. Drinking water soon after you wake up hydrates you after a long night and can increase your energy levels. It is also helpful in boosting mental performance.

Eat a healthy breakfast. According to research from Henry Ford Health, among numerous other studies, eating a high-protein breakfast helps you feel full throughout the day and, even more than that, it helps control your blood sugar. According to this research, after eating protein for breakfast, your blood sugar remains low for hours. But if you start the day with refined carbs, like grabbing a pastry on the way out the door, your blood sugar spikes and then crashes, which can make you feel tired and hungry. Great choices: Greek yogurt or cottage cheese, a smoothie with protein powder, or a breakfast burrito with eggs and black beans.

Move a little. This doesn't mean you have to take a spin class or run a marathon. Ten minutes of stretching, some light yoga or tai chi, or walking the dog will energize you, get your blood moving, and make you feel more alert, awake and ready to take on the day.

Instead of a mad dash out of the house, mornings can be a time where you practice self-care, setting yourself up to tackle whatever the rest of your day holds. By creating a positive, uplifting morning routine, your whole day will fall into place. •

Finance

How to Increase the Value of Your Car Before Selling

(BPT) - Thinking about selling your car on your own? Although selling a car yourself can be challenging, it's a great way to possibly get more money from your used vehicle than a dealer's trade-in offer might provide.

Whether you're looking to upgrade to a newer model or simply want to add cash to your savings account, your top priority should be getting the highest possible value for your car. Luckily, there are steps you can take to increase the value of your car before putting it up for sale.

Prepare Your Car Ahead Of Time

- A clean and well-maintained vehicle is more likely to attract potential buyers and command a higher sales price. Spend some time cleaning both the inside and outside of your car to freshen it up, such as cleaning the tires, giving your glass a once-over with glass cleaner, installing new floor mats and cleaning the seats.

- Small repairs can make a big difference in your car's perceived value. A well-maintained and repaired car shows potential buyers that you have taken good care of it and that it's in good, safe and drivable condition.

- Organized service and maintenance records demonstrate to prospective buyers that your car has been properly taken care of over time. Make sure you have all of your car's maintenance and service records on hand to show interested parties. A CAR-FAX® Vehicle History Report™ may also be helpful to provide additional details on your car's history.

- A professional mechanic can identify any underlying mechanical issues with your car during a thorough inspection. Addressing these issues before selling can prevent po-

tential buyers from negotiating a lower price due to necessary repairs. It also lets buyers know that the car has been well-maintained during your ownership and that there won't be any surprises.

Before Selling, Research and Set the Right Price

- Determine the vehicle's market value. Consider factors like the make, model, year, mileage and overall condition of the car to find a fair price. You can also easily learn your car's value and could get an instant cash offer from a TrueCar-Certified Dealer through the Navy Federal Credit Union Car Buying Service, operated by TrueCar.

- Market your car in the best light possible, and that means being deliberate with your photos. Park it in an attractive setting with good lighting. Make sure the car looks clean and avoid highlighting any dents or scratches. Advertise the car on various channels, such as social media, car sale websites or sales forums.

- Don't rush the process! You want to take your time to find the right buyer who is willing to pay the price you're asking for. Be open to negotiation, but don't settle for a price that's too low.

Adding value to your car doesn't have to be an expensive process. With a few simple tricks like cleaning, minor repairs and thorough research, you can maximize your car's potential profitability.

While your car is up for sale, make sure you're considering your next auto purchase. Apply your car's value to your new purchase budget, then turn to Navy Federal's auto resources to explore loan options and much more. Navy Federal Credit Union is federally insured by NCUA. •

"Relationships, like cars, should undergo regular services to make sure they are still roadworthy."

— ZYGMUNT BAUMAN

Police Reports

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A misdemeanor hit and run report was taken at 1739 hours from the 600 block of Vista del Mar, vehicle versus parked vehicle..

A grand theft report was taken at 2146 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) stole the victim's E-bike.

Thursday, July 11th

A grand theft report was taken at 1155 hours from the 700 block of West Imperial Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) stole the victim's E-bike.

A petty theft report was taken at 1310 hours from the 300 block of North Pacific Coast Highway. Unknown suspect(s) stole miscellaneous merchandise from the store.

An embezzlement report was taken at 1239 hours from the 2100 block of East Grand Avenue. A known suspect embezzled money from the business.

A found property report was taken at 1518

hours from the 300 block of Main Street. Property was booked in for destruction.

One female adult was cited and released in the field at 0212 hours from Pacific Coast Highway and Hughes Way for two misdemeanor warrants.

Friday, July 12th

A burglary (commercial) report was taken at 0721 hours from the 2200 block of East Maple Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) smashed the side door of the business and stole miscellaneous items.

A theft of an access card report was taken at 1130 hours from the 500 block of North Pacific Coast Highway. Unknown suspect(s) used the victim's access cards information to make fraudulent purchases.

One male adult was arrested at 1218 hours from the 300 block of North Pacific Coast Highway for shoplifting, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of tear gas.

An identity theft report was taken at 1325 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) used the victim's identity to fraudulently open a credit card account.

A petty theft (commercial) report was taken at 1346 hours from the 700 block of South Pacific Coast Highway. Unknown suspect(s) stole miscellaneous items.

One male adult was arrested at 2229 hours from 118th Place and Judah Avenue for one LASD felony warrant, one Hawthorne PD misdemeanor warrant, and possession of a controlled substance.

One male adult was arrested at 0403 hours from California Street and Imperial Avenue for possession of nitrous oxide.

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Saturday, July 13th

A dead body report was taken at 0706 hours from the 700 block of Bayonne Street. A male adult was found deceased.

An injury report was taken at 1340 hours from the 600 block of Main Street. A male adult fell and injured himself.

One male adult was detained at 1814 hours from the 300 block of North Pacific Coast Highway for shoplifting. He was issued a citation in the field for shoplifting.

A lost/stolen motorcycle license plate report was taken at 1806 hours from the 100 block of Whiting Street.

A grand theft report was taken at 2221

hours from the 2200 block of East Park Place. Unknown suspect(s) stole the victim's scooter.

One male adult was arrested at 0300 hours from the 600 block of Main Street for assault with a deadly weapon and for using force or intimidation on a police officer.

A battery report was taken at 2241 hours from the 500 block of North Pacific Coast Highway, male adult verse male adult.

One male adult was arrested at 0216 hours from the 800 block of Park View Drive West for assault with a deadly weapon, criminal threats, possession of a concealed firearm, a felon in possession of a firearm, and possession of a large capacity magazine. •

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This business is being conducted by a Limited Liability Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 03/2012.
Signed: SHARON R. FLANAGAN, GENERAL PARTNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on June 20, 2024.
NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on June 20, 2029. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to June 20, 2029. Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).
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PUBLIC NOTICES

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name
Case No. 24LBCP00211

Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES
Petition of: MATTHEW ALEXANDER SCHNEE for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner MATTHEW ALEXANDER SCHNEE filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: MATTHEW ALEXANDER SCHNEE to MATTHEW ALEXANDER SNOW
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: August 23, 2024, Time: 8:30 AM., Dept.: S-27
The address of the court is:
275 MAGNOLIA AVENUE
LONG BEACH, CA 90802
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county:
EL SEGUNDO HERALD
Date: July 8, 2024
MARK C. KIM
Judge of the Superior Court
EL SEGUNDO HERALD PUB: 7/11, 7.18, 7/25, 8/1/24
H-28700

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION, CARE AND PROTECTION, TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS,

DOCKET NUMBER 23CP0286LY,
Trial Court of Massachusetts, Juvenile Court Department, COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Essex County Juvenile Court, 139 Central Avenue, Lynn, MA 01901, 781-586-0415. **TO: Any Unknown/Unnamed Father:**
A petition has been presented to this court by Lynn DCF, seeking as to the following child: **Valeria Guzman**, that said child be found in need of care and protection and committed to the Department of Children and Families. The court may dispense the rights of the person(s) named herein to receive notice of or to consent to any legal proceeding affecting the adoption, custody, or guardianship or any other disposition of the child named herein, if it finds that the child is in need of care and protection and that the best interests of the child would be served by said disposition.
You are hereby ORDERED to appear in this court, at the court address set forth above, on the following date and time: **09/24/2024 at 09:00 AM Status Hearing**
You may bring an attorney with you. If you have a right to an attorney and if the court determines that you are indigent, the court will appoint an attorney to represent you.
If you fail to appear, the court may proceed on that date and any date thereafter to a trial on the merits and adjudication of this matter.
For further information call the Office of the Clerk-Magistrate at 781-586-0415.
WITNESS: Hon. Kerry A. Ahern, FIRST JUSTICE, DATE ISSUED: 06/17/2024,
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Stormy and Daisy are beautiful, bonded sisters. Captivating kittens with a unique blend of independence and affection, this pair and their sisters were found on the streets at just two days old and hand raised so they are very comfortable with people. When you first meet them, they may take a minute to assess the situation but as soon as they do, the purr motors start. Stormy makes a perfect companion for those seeking a well-balanced kitty. She will run, play and be silly and takes her napping very seriously. She is a beautiful girl with silky soft fur and piercing eyes. Daisy is very outgoing and playful and the top biscuit-making baker in her foster

home. This duo loves playing together and with other foster siblings. Both will do best in a home together with a loving family. They have been raised around several types of dogs and many different personalities of kitties.

Whenever you sit down for just one moment, **Misty** is sure to come straight away, walking in circles on your lap and purring. She is not a shy girl at all, loving to meet new people. Thus, it is no surprise that she is an absolute winner with guests. Misty enjoys lounging on you, energetic playtime, and being picked up and carried around like a baby. Although sometimes she playfully nibbles, she does not bite or scratch. Misty loves other cats, often playing with and grooming her siblings. She will be so excited to meet you!

Pedro is quiet and shy at first, but is quick to purr, as he climbs into your lap. He loves to hang back and observe all the kitten play activities, before enthusiastically joining in on the wrestling or playing with toys. With his super soft white paws, tummy and chest, and striking circular pattern in his stripes on his sides, Pedro is as handsome as he is soft and cuddly. Pedro is especially close to his brother, Barney, and needs to be adopted with him, or with one of his other



Gobbles

littermates, Azalea or Mason, or into a home with another kitten or young, playful cat.

Gobbles is looking for a miracle. She has been a cherished member of our Sanctuary since 2009. In fact, she is the longest resident of our Sanctuary. Now, is it not about time for this girl to find a home to call her own? She deserves nothing less. Gobbles was rescued after being dumped at the vet. She started out feral when she arrived, but her wild ways have softened a bit with time. Gobbles adores the company of other cats, showing her capacity for love and companionship. She has a crooked walk, an endearing trait that is a testament to her individuality. Her wobbly walk is caused by cerebellar hypoplasia (CH), a developmental condition that affects how the brain develops. But not to worry; Gobbles' CH is mild and does not hold her back at all. Gobbles has lived nearly her whole life here, and she is eagerly waiting for her guardian angel to send her the perfect adopter to take her home. Gobbles is waiting to share her quirky charm and feline-loving nature with a someone who will cherish her as much as we do.

These cats and kittens are available for adoption through Kitten Rescue, one of the

largest cat rescue groups in Southern California. All our kitties are spayed/neutered, microchipped, tested for FeLV and FIV, dewormed and current on their vaccinations. For additional information to see these or our other kittens and cats and for a list of our weekend adoption events, please check our website www.kittenrescue.org.

The donations and support we receive from individuals like you, who share our love and commitment to helping cats and kittens in Los Angeles, are the sole reason we are able to do what we do. We are grateful for your financial help. By making even a small donation today, you can touch the lives of the many deserving, wonderful animals in our care. There are many ways you can donate and help, and every dollar means so much. Kitten Rescue is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Your tax-deductible donations for the rescue and care of our cats and kittens can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to Kitten Rescue, 3519 Casitas Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90039.

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Misty



Pedro

MMCC

from front page



A rescued sea lion in the net.

away from wildlife as they could contract and spread zoonotic diseases.

Jules has been a rescuer at MMCC for 3 years, but he has been in the field of marine biology for 14 years- studying marine behavior at University of Hawaii and going on to work at aquariums, to study salmon in Alaska, tag hammerhead sharks, and become a dive instructor. He has always loved marine life, but he recalls becoming fascinated after his grandmother gave him sea critter beanie babies. He also loved to watch shows like Crocodile Hunter and hopes to one day create his own show- a sketch comedy about marine life that is both entertaining and educational. Jules has never met a pun he didn't like. A Post-it note on his desktop computer reads 'SEAS the day' and his motto is 'keep it real like a seal.' He's even designed t-shirts and merch emblazoned with this saying. Jules

runs an Instagram account called 'Jules of the Sea' where he posts his creations. He brings a magnetic positivity to his job, which he admits is his true passion.

Last year, there was an overwhelming number of animals at the center. Pens were built in the parking lot to accommodate all the animals in need. Education was temporarily shut down to have all-hands-on-deck for the overflow of mammals. During this time, the center went through roughly 1000 pounds of pacific herring a day to feed the mammals.

The surrounding community aids the Marine Mammal Care Center in many ways- through volunteer work, and through donations small and large. Volunteers can donate their talents- like education instruction, photography, animal care and cleaning of pens and dishes. Funding helps the center continue to protect wildlife along the southern California coast



A seal at the center.

and hopefully the center will be able to grow their facility. Along with volunteering and donations, there is an "Adopt a Pup" program where enthusiastic supporters can symbolically adopt a mammal at the center.

Research is another important aspect of the Marine Mammal Care Center's mission. Although the center is not primarily in charge of removing deceased animals from where they are found, they will occasionally bring in a body to conduct research. Recently, there was a strange phenomenon of stillborn sea lion pups in the breeding colonies of Channel Islands. Researchers have considered possible diseases that could be affecting the sea lions, or domoic acid poisoning, which can cause seizures, lesions in the brain, and can give animals cancer. Domoic acid is a naturally occurring toxin produced by certain types of algae, but high amounts of the acid can

be attributed to climate change and human impact. MMCC works to understand these occurrences to prevent them in the future.

As we head back to the center with the sickly pup, we're approached by multiple locals who are fascinated by the rescue work and want to know what creature is in the back of the truck. People are fascinated by these large beings who flop and wobble and wail.

The pup we rescued is doing well, he had a few lesions and was quite emaciated, but after a few days at the center he is eating well, gaining weight and his immune system is improving with the help of medication. The center was kind enough to allow me to name the pup, since I witnessed his rescue. Honored by this, I named him Pat, after my dad. I hope to see him galumphing on the beach and flapping his fins in the ocean someday soon. •



Jules Leon using binoculars to look closely at the sea lions on the barge.



Jules bringing two large nets on the mission.



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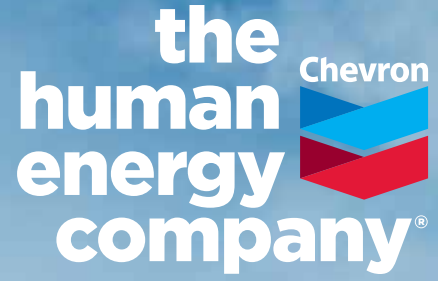
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