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## Richmond Street Fifth Graders Take First Place in 'Stock Market Game'



Richmond Street Elementary team took first place in the SIFMA/Morgan Stanley Stock Market Game against 151 Los Angeles area teams – and finished 13th among 1,885 nationally. Photo courtesy of the El Segundo Unified School District. Read more on page 8.

## Council Gets Update on Chevron Talks

By Brian Simon

During Tuesday night's El Segundo City Council meeting, City Manager Greg Carpenter updated the community on negotiations with Chevron officials to resolve what the refinery's future tax commitment should be. A subcommittee comprised of Mayor Pro Tem Suzanne Fuentes and Councilmember Bill Fisher has met with Chevron on four occasions so far and Carpenter described the meetings as "productive." Though the original plan was to come to an agreement by the beginning of June, the parties involved identified additional information to consider and will meet again over the coming weeks—with a final resolution expected sometime in the next two months before the City adopts the 2012/13 fiscal budget.

As required by federal tax law, a public hearing took place regarding Vistamar School's plan to refinance an already existing loan. Under the arrangement the California Municipal Finance Authority (CMFA) will issue "tax-exempt revenue obligations" of up to \$12.5 million to Vistamar, but the deal first needed government body (i.e. City) approval in order to proceed.

Vistamar, a local private high school with close to 250 students, opened in the fall of 2005 in a leased facility at 737 Hawaii Street and subsequently bought the building in March 2007. According to comments made prior to the Council meeting by the school's Chief Financial Officer Bob Kolb, Vistamar wants to refinance the debt incurred in the purchase on a tax-exempt basis. "Between the overall decline in interest rates as compared to 2007 and the tax-exempt rate we now hope to achieve, we expect to reduce our overall debt service

costs by over \$100,000 annually," he said.

Kolb went on to explain that "when Vistamar initially leased the building, it agreed to make a public benefit contribution that would offset the business license taxes the City would have received had the property continued to be occupied by a tax-paying business." As such, the City will receive \$7,500 from

CMFA (culled from the upfront fee to issue the bonds) that can be used for any municipal purpose. Otherwise, the City will assume no financial obligations connected to the project.

Also on Tuesday, the Council made an addition to the list of individual member assignments for various intergovernmental

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## Farmers Market Continues to Produce

By Brian Simon

Thirteen may not normally be known as a lucky number, but on July 1 that is exactly how many years will have elapsed—believe it or not—since the grand opening of the El Segundo Certified Farmers' Market. The first major arrival to usher in Downtown El Segundo's revitalization as the millennium kicked off, the popular weekly event that runs every Thursday from 3 to 7 p.m. has continued to thrive thanks to a diverse mix of vendors and a steady base of patrons from both in town and outside the community.

It first debuted in 1999 on the 300 block of Main Street, but the 2003 Downtown vitalization project forced the operation to move temporarily to the parking lot adjacent to the Joslyn Center. The event returned to Main Street—this time the 400 block—in January 2004 and has remained there ever since. That year, the City of El Segundo hired Val Patterson to oversee the market and she continues to do so more than eight

years later, keeping a watchful eye over the proceedings. Though the economy is still a bit suspect, the market is holding its own, she noted. "The foot traffic is starting to pick up," Patterson said. "We don't get as many people during the cold winter, but we get our regulars. Now the weather is getting warmer and more people are taking advantage of the fresh produce."

While this month is famous for its "June gloom," the colder weather seems to be gone and with later daylight hours, more customers make their way to the Farmers' Market. A heftier produce selection doesn't hurt matters either. "We have two vendors coming back this week with summer produce--Hamlow Ranch and the Fruit Fairy Delivers," said Patterson. "It is time now for the cherries, apricots, nectarines, peaches, plums, pluots and apriums [hybrids of plums and apricots] along with all of the different melons. And Ha's Apple Farm will be back in August or September when

**See Farmers, page 4**

## Weekend Forecast

**Friday**  
Partly  
Cloudy  
72°/61°



**Saturday**  
Sunny  
67°/60°



**Sunday**  
Sunny  
67°/60°



# People

## Congratulations

Ricky Hanna, a 2008 graduate of El Segundo High School, has received the degree of Bachelor of Science from the University of Nevada, Reno with a major in Biology and a minor in Chemistry. Well done Son! Dad, Mom, and Emily are very proud of you.



## Share the Good News

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# SMILE awhile

May 2012  
Winner



Our Staff Pick for May is "Amanda & Kailee", which was published on May 17th, 2012 and submitted by Nancy Saiz. Winners received a \$25 gift certificate from our advertiser Handel's Homemade Ice Cream in Redondo Beach.



Twins Allison and Amy Reaser, graduates of E.S.H.S now in their junior year at San Diego State University. Submitted by Allison Reaser.



Please meet Reggie Roo Roo, family hero. Submitted by Jayme Lavoie.



Jerod cleaning his car on a Saturday afternoon with a big smile! Photo by Nancy Saiz.



One of El Segundo's new residents! Her name is Ava Lutz, sister of your last favorite, Mimi Lutz. Submitted by Amber Lutz.

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# Obituaries

## Buddy



**Buddy**, the famous cat on Main Street at Industrial Lock and Security passed away on May 30<sup>th</sup>. Buddy was known for greeting customers as he sat on the front counter or lounging by the front door. He was a purrfect shop cat, ready to sit in your lap, entertain the kids or welcome in the dogs. He was a beautiful, wonderful cat and will be missed everyday by the staff. Donations to the Buddy foundation can be made by coming in and making a key!

# Little League Uses Baseball to Help Less Fortunate

By Cristian Vasquez

From raising money to donating equipment, the El Segundo Little League has for years committed itself to reaching out to those in need by any means possible. The most recent effort to help a community in need involved Morgan County Little League in Liberty, Kentucky where storms and tornados on February 29 and March 2 swept through the area, killing at least six and destroying homes, businesses and government offices throughout the town. Liberty's 3,200 residents were left with the task of rebuilding their community and for the El Segundo Little League that was a task it wanted to contribute to in order to help.

"Their little league was literally wiped off the map by the tornados in February. There was just nothing there anymore, so they sent out an email to Little Leagues all over the country asking for help. We said, 'Yeah, we are going to help out,'" President of the El Segundo Little League Jim Boulgarides said. "We are a small non-profit. We don't have a lot of money, so what we decided to do was get together and send them \$500 to help out."

This act of kindness is not an isolated incident for the El Segundo Little League. In the past, the organization has donated much-needed equipment to other groups such as the Littlest Little League, and has collected and sent equipment to El Segundo's Sister City of Guaymas. "For Guaymas, we donate equipment that we don't use. We are fortunate to be a relatively well-off community, so a lot of kids get brand new equipment every year," Boulgarides said. "A lot of the kids turn in old equipment to us like old gloves, cleats or even old uniform shirts that they don't need anymore and we take them down there in trucks and they are able to use every piece of equipment that we wouldn't use anymore. We donated a lot of uniforms this year and a lot of batting equipment."

After the tsunami that devastated Japan last year, the El Segundo Little League was able to donate \$1,000 to the Kitasumi Little League in Tokyo. "There is Total Baseball here in town, the baseball academy, and the guy who runs that, Richard Murad, does a lot

of really generous outreach and gives out a lot of money," Boulgarides said. "They had a team that was supposed to travel out there and play in Japan and a lot of our El Segundo Little League kids were part of that trip, but it was all canceled because of the tsunami. So they came over here and played here instead and just to help them get back on their feet, he donated a lot of funds and the El Segundo Little League donated funds as well."

These efforts to help the less fortunate aren't just focused on communities outside of El Segundo. Boulgarides is very aware that within the city itself, there are people who go through difficult times and that is definitely a group that he and the league reach out to whenever possible. "In El Segundo, even though we seem to be a very affluent community, there are some people in need," Boulgarides said. "Even our friends and neighbors that we don't always necessarily know about will be in need. We have families who sometimes can't really afford to pay the fees and registrations for Little League, so we have a scholarship program where such families can come in. It's completely confidential and the Little League picks up all the registration fees. It pays for all the uniforms and it takes care of everything. We don't want any kid that lives in El Segundo to not have the opportunity to play Little League."

Baseball has always been a core activity for many of the residents. Boulgarides believes that every child should have the opportunity to experience baseball, despite any difficult financial circumstances that might be affecting their lives. "Think how bad it is if you have a kid and everybody is playing baseball--El Segundo is baseball crazy unlike anywhere else," Boulgarides said. "If you are a parent but you can't let your child play--even though it's not that much, because you don't have the money we don't want that to happen. We want every kid to feel like they are part of the community and we want every kid to have a chance to participate and not feel left out. There is nothing worse as a young person than to feel different, to feel left out or to feel

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**SATURDAY, JUNE 9**

Tree Musketeers: 10am-Noon, Join our volunteers and give TLC for Trees in ES at Millennium Row. Contact volunteers@treemusketeers.org.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13**

Community meeting about the new museum ESMoA will take place at 7 PM at City Hall. For information, call 323-646-6485.

**ONGOING**

• The El Segundo Art Association invites you to view their Spring Show displayed throughout the El Segundo Library through June 30. A great place to purchase local art. •



*This column serves as a community forum where local leaders volunteer to respond to faith and religious questions submitted by readers.*

**Do I have to go to church/temple to be a good Christian/of your faith?**

While home or individual prayer and meditation is an integral and ancient part of Jewish daily life, there are some prayers and services which require a quorum of 10 Jews, called a 'minyan'. The kaddish memorial prayer for the deceased, call to worship, and numerous other pieces of liturgy require a minyan. This gets its basis from the biblical story of Abraham arguing with G-d to save the doomed cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. G-d promised Abraham that if there were ten righteous people to be found in the town, the entire town would be spared from destruction for the sake of the ten. I find that praying with a group elevates the spiritual experience to a much higher level than I can achieve on my own. We help lift each other up in prayer. On the most sacred day of the Jewish calendar, Yom Kippur, the confessional prayers are written in the plural. Even if most of the sins we recite don't apply to us personally, we make it easier for the penitent to confess his or her mistakes by saying the entire list along with everyone else.

—Rabbi Gary Spero, Torrance,  
[www.rabbigaryspero.com](http://www.rabbigaryspero.com)

Hebrews 10.25b

Let's keep a firm grip on the promises that keep us going. He always keeps his word. Let's see how inventive we can be in encouraging love and helping out, **not avoiding worshiping together as some do but spurring each other on, especially as we see the big Day approaching.**

What are "the promises" and "his word"?

When we go to church we hear God's Word through preaching. We learn what the promises are. We hear "his word" read and explained. Imagine if you heard an announcement on the radio, or you received an email, text or twitter on your mobile device saying, "God will be speaking at Dodger Stadium this Sunday!" Wouldn't you go? In church you will hear God speak through His word, the Bible.

I urge you to find a Bible believing, preaching church to attend. There you will find the greatest promise ever told – Jesus died for all the wrongs you've ever committed so that instead of you being punished, He was punished in your place. You will hear of God's great love for you.

Romans 10.14-15, 17

*"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?... Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.*

—Lisa Lait,

First Baptist Church, El Segundo

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*A woman's heart is a deep ocean of secrets.*

~ Gloria Stuart

## Council

from front page

and local agencies and standing committees approved at the last meeting. Councilmember Dave Atkinson will serve as the delegate on the Investment Advisory Committee, with Mayor Carl Jacobson as the alternate.

On the consent agenda, the Council authorized \$276,075 in previously budgeted Equipment Replacement Fund monies to purchase nine patrol vehicles for the El Segundo Police Department. The current police patrol fleet has been in service since August 2009 and due to the nature and intensity of use is set for replacement every three years. However, the City wants to make the purchase now instead of waiting until September to ensure it can still secure Ford Crown Victorias (which the Police Department has used for the last 19 years, but are now no longer in production). Going to a different model would force the City to pay at least \$47,500 more for new interior and exterior equipment since the old gear can't be recycled and transferred to those cars. The City will purchase the nine Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor sedans from Alhambra-based Bob Wondries Ford/Wondries Fleet Group because that dealership offers a favorable rate to public agencies allowed to piggyback on the deal as part of a bulk contract arranged through the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

The Council additionally approved a request by the Paul Rodriguez Skate Experience to run a skateboarding camp at the El Segundo Skateboard Park from June 26 to 28 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. The program will offer instruction by 20 professional and semi-pro skateboarders to about 120 kids between seven and 17 years old in all skill levels. Rodriguez will pay the City \$2,000 for facility use and staffing fees.

The Council approved a revised class specification for the position of Building Safety Manager to more accurately pinpoint the duties, responsibilities and requirements for that job. The City is about to kick off the

recruiting process to fill the vacant position. Councilmember Marie Fellhauer highlighted that among the revamped job descriptions, the Building Safety Manager "develops and improves processes to ensure the highest level of overall customer service experience through the City's development process."

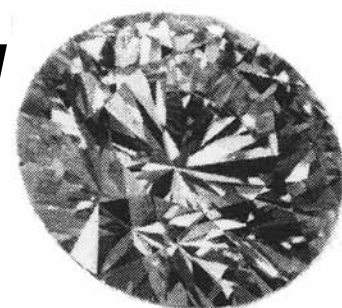
In hopes of enhancing the Public Works Department's ability to monitor and more effectively address infrastructure issues, the Council approved the \$62,000 purchase of the infraMAP facilities management/tracking software system. Staff believes the software, which includes mobile computers and digital files/maps of local infrastructure, will allow Public Works to collect, input, analyze, report and retain critical data in real time in the field and share the information across its divisions.

The Council also opted not to protest a request by Downtown El Segundo eatery Playa Blanca (413 Main Street) to obtain a license to serve beer and wine during the restaurant's 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. operating hours. Police and Planning and Building Safety department officials did not object to the license due to the area's low crime statistics, and the item also went through the Planning Commission with flying colors.

During public communications, Stanley Zimmerman announced that the Automobile Driving Museum will host a carnival on Sunday, June 17 as part of the venue's fifth year in El Segundo. The event, which is free to the public, will feature a Ferris wheel, carousel, bumper cars and music from the El Segundo Concert Band.

As is usual practice because of the proximity to the Fourth of July holiday, the Council voted to cancel its July 3 meeting. The next Council meeting is set for June 19, with the first strategic planning session scheduled on the morning of June 21 in the El Segundo Public Library. •

# Mary go round



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# Police Reports

Compiled by Cristian Vasquez  
SATURDAY, JUNE 2

One male adult was arrested at 0330 hours from the 200 block of East Grand Avenue for possession of a controlled substance and possession of nitrous oxide.

A found property report was taken at 0535 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. An officer found marijuana under one ounce, unsecured in the evidence locker room.

One male adult and one female adult were arrested at 0715 hours from the 500 block of Nevada Street for grand theft auto, possession of stolen property, possession of a controlled substance and possession of burglary tools.

A burglary (commercial) report was taken at 1315 hours from the 100 block of Eucalyptus Drive. Unknown suspect(s) pried a door lock of a business and took two bicycles and tools.

A burglary (commercial) report was taken at 1259 hours from the 1900 block of Hughes Way. Unknown suspect(s) entered a storage unit and took a sofa, exercise equipment and antiques without permission.

A burglary (residential) report was taken at 1328 hours from the 300 block of Concord Street. Unknown suspect(s) took a bicycle from a storage room inside an attached open carport.

One male adult was detained at 1431 hours in the 200 block of Vista Del Mar and transported to Harbor General Hospital for a 72 hour psychological evaluation.

An identity theft report was taken at 1725 hours from the 400 block of Illinois Street. Unknown suspect used the victim's personal information to make multiple purchases.

A battery report was taken at 1754 hours from the 700 block of West Sycamore Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) used an air soft gun to shoot at the victim.

FRIDAY, JUNE 1

One male adult was arrested at 0130 hours from Imperial Highway and Selby Street for

misdemeanor DUI with a BAC of .08% or above, driving without interlock device and driving a motorcycle without a license.

One female was arrested at 0706 hours from El Segundo Boulevard and Sepulveda Boulevard for one HBPD misdemeanor traffic warrant.

A vandalism report was taken at 1139 hours from the 900 block of East Grand Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) used an unknown means to break the victim's potted plants.

A petty theft report was taken at 1207 hours from the 700 block of Sepulveda Boulevard. Known suspect placed various items inside a shopping bag and walked outside the location without paying.

One lost or stolen license plate report was taken at 1520 hours from the 1100 block of East Acacia Avenue. One rear license plate was reported lost or stolen.

An annoying calls report was taken at 1624 hours from the 400 block of Center Street. Unknown suspect(s) repeatedly text messaged the victim after being told to stop.

An arson and animal cruelty report was taken at 2217 hours from the 400 block of Whiting Street. Known suspect(s) set fire to a opossum.

THURSDAY, MAY 31

One male adult was arrested at 0105 hours from the 500 block of Indiana Street for willful harm or injury to a child likely to cause great bodily injury, corporal punishment or injury to a child and spousal abuse.

One male adult was arrested at 0406 hours from the 1900 block of E. Mariposa Avenue for burglary.

Burglary occurred between 0400 hours and 1150 hours in the 1900 block of E. Grand Avenue. Two suspects stole \$2,500.00 in US currency and a gift card from a room safe.

Identity Theft report was taken at 1428 hours from the 500 block of Washington

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## Farmers

from front page

their new crop of apples is ready."

The market currently features 36 vendors, which is up about 20 percent from a couple of years ago. Of the total, 12 sell produce and 16 offer food. After discontinuing crafters for a spell, Patterson now always tries to maintain four or of them per week, with a newbie who started in late May added to the mix. In addition, two yearly craft boutiques attract about two dozen vendors who set up shop on the 300 block of Main and peddle items such as jewelry, handbags, hula and arm hoops, wooden pens, marionettes, tie-dye clothes, knitted and crocheted items, aprons, birdhouses and placemats. The next boutique is set for July 19. The American Red Cross will also be there with its Bloodmobile parked along Holly Avenue.

Music remains a staple of the weekly event, with a rotating roster of talented performers on hand to regale patrons. Tom White, Ted Galleran and Frankie & Rufus are the current crop of musicians who take turns on Thursdays. And a free raffle takes place every week at 6 p.m. with free balloons for kids.

While the market remains successful, Patterson can never rest on her laurels. Frequent turnover is part and parcel of the farmers' market world as vendors who cannot meet their bottom lines can pull out at any given time. They must also keep up with Agriculture Department certifications, and buy insurance and quarterly health permits. And even when all else is in order, distance alone can be a

major consideration with some of the vendor commutes to El Segundo running several hours. Dinuba, Tehachapi, Santa Paula, Santa Maria, Laguna Beach and Rancho Cucamonga are among the starting locales for some of the merchants.

"It's a fact of life that we will lose people here and there, so it's my job to find replacements," said Patterson. "Recently Big Mista BBQ quit the market, but I am trying to find another barbecue because that has always been very popular. At the same time, we have a new vendor who started a couple of weeks ago named Yeni Gonzalez who sells pupusas, tacos--both carne asada and chicken--and quesadillas, so we are excited to welcome her."

Patterson also expects to schedule special events at least once a month during summer. "We want to continue to improve our offerings," she said. "What makes El Segundo's market particularly special is the home town environment that you can't find anywhere else, the close-knit relationships between the vendors who really look after one another and the variety of choices for shoppers. Customers also like to come here because they are treated well and the atmosphere is very positive. It's just a great place to be every Thursday."

The El Segundo Certified Farmers' Market takes place Thursdays, rain or shine, at the 400 block of Main Street between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. For more information, contact Val Patterson at 310-615-2649. •

*A citizen of America will cross the ocean to fight for democracy, but won't cross the street to vote in a national election.*

~ Bill Vaughan



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- Ed Su, Strokes of Genius Chair



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# Sports

## ES Little League Crowns Champions

By Gregg McMullin

The El Segundo Little League crowned champions for the 2012 season in the AA, AAA and Major divisions. It was a long and successful season, but what started in late February was completed on June 1 with the AA Mets, AAA Giants and Major Dodgers taking home championships.

### AA Championship

The AA Mets had a wonderful year that saw the team play great defense and get timely hitting and pitching that kept improving as the season progressed. Head coach Phillip Stolnack had his team prepared for the playoffs when they reached the championship game.

The AA Pirates had one of the most prolific hitting lineups in the league. With Trevor Aubert and Jaiden Lance leading the way, the Pirates scored more total runs than any of their opponents did during the regular season.

The AA Mets reached the championship game by winning their first two games, while the AA Pirates needed to come through the loser's bracket to face the AA Mets in the championship game. The Mets would put together two big innings and held on for a 12-6 win in front of easily the largest crowd for any of the three championship games.

With the score 1-1 in the second inning, the Pirates scored two runs on a two-run single by Lance to make it 3-1. In the fourth inning the AA Mets sent hard-throwing Cooper Stolnack to the mound. The Pirates' Daniel Ragat walked and later scored on James Pearson's RBI single, but that was it when Stolnack struck out the next three batters.

Trailing 4-2, the AA Mets came up with a three-run rally to tie the game at 4-4. Eddie Grant, Jr. singled, Jose Worrell walked and Cooper Stolnack had an RBI single. Then Danny Kopecky's two-run single scored Worrell and Stolnack to tie the game. In the fourth inning, RBI singles by Ashray Nair, Chance Vander Linden and Grant, Jr. made it 7-4.

With the AA Mets' Jake Stolnack taking over on the mound, the AA Pirates mounted a threat. With two outs, Ragat and Duke Durand each singled and Pearson came up

with his second RBI single. Ethan Ralls walked to load the bases, but Stolnack got a strikeout to end the threat.

In the bottom half of the fifth inning, the AA Mets blew the game open by scoring five runs. Worrell walked and scored on an RBI by Cooper Stolnack, while Cooper Gamble's single to right field scored two more runs.

The AA Pirates didn't go quietly in the sixth inning when Kai Johnson reached base on an error and scored on Aubert's single up the middle. Jake Stolnack got out of the inning by striking out the last two hitters to give the AA Mets their championship.

### AAA Championship

What could be better than a Dodgers and Giants matchup? It doesn't matter at what level they play each other--there just seems to be a natural rivalry. The Giants came in with the best record at the AAA level for the regular season and they easily reached the championship game. The Dodgers on the other hand fought back through the loser's bracket to face their nemesis.

The AAA Giants were led this year by Cameron Long, Nathan Kehl, Tyler Ralls and the Samuelson brothers Hunter, Jackson and Manus. The AAA Dodgers were led by Jackson Slavens, Brandon Maddalon, Nicholas Villa and Aiden Mc Roberts.

The Dodgers jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first inning when Villa walked, McRoberts was hit by a pitch and Slavens had a double to score Villa. Slavens would end up scoring on a passed ball to make it 2-0. Only a questionable runner's interference prevented a third run from scoring.

In the third inning, the AAA Giants demonstrated how formidable their hitting lineup actually was during the regular season. Trailing 2-1, the Giants scored five runs to take a 6-2 lead. Nathan Kehl singled followed by consecutive RBI doubles by Long, Jackson Samuelson and Villa to make it 4-2. Hunter Samuelson had a fielder's choice for a run batted in. Jackson Ross and Aiden Sepci had RBI singles to make it 6-2.

In the fifth inning, the Giants had another

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## Frankly Plank

By Duane Plank

Just to see if anyone was paying attention, threw a red herring into last week's column, inadvertently crediting Richard Brodeur as being the goalie for the soon-to-be-dismissed New Jersey Devils. As all of you puck heads know and none of you bandwagoners, the brilliant goalie for the Devils is Martin Brodeur. Forty years old, winner of three Stanley Cups. And soon to lose his second finals. If he hasn't lost already.

My mistake was pointed out to me by a faithful column reader. Thanks for keeping me somewhat honest. I blame my editor, but that is what us professional penners do--blame someone else. Sorry, BS. Think Simers spent a whole column in the World Champion lambasting an editor, if memory serves me correctly?

Kinda frustrating, in a way, that I have to pen this masterpiece on a Sunday noche, prior to Games 3 and 4 that will have already taken place at the wonderful Staples Center on Figueroa by the time you peruse this tome.

At this point, don't have an invite to either game, though brother Chris sent a text my way, mentioning he was going to Game 4. Maybe someone will pass out Monday night, over imbibing, and I will get to freeloader my way in?

Kid was scouring the Net, looking for tickets, but I think the \$500 per price might have put the kibosh on that. But you never know. I gave him carte blanche with the credit card. Trust him with the card. Cup Final may not be here for awhile, right?

Wanted to watch the first couple of games with the Kid at the mansion. Sent the maid home early, as the Steely Dan penned in their

great tune *Dirty Work*. Great lyrics, trying to educate. Google it.

Yup, it is great to be out and about watching with the bandwagoners, explaining offsidings and icing, but it seems like it will be more special to watch this momentous series unfold with the Kid, who was just a gleam in his daddy's eyes during the early part of the King's Stanley Cup run back in 1993. Kinda the truth there. Kinda.

Do the math. Kinda was born on December 30, 1993.

But lo and behold, hunkered down to watch Game 1 with him last Wednesday and he said that he was going to go get fitted for a tuxedo--that he would be missing the first couple of periods. Good for him. Going to some prom deal. So I went out, did a little bit of research and returned home in time to watch, with the family, the brilliant Anze Kopitar score the game-winning goal in overtime.

And then, Saturday night's overtime victory, Kid actually went to the prom, so I was on my own again. Ended up at a Station up the road. Sat next to a couple of bandwagoners who were very, very nice. And the awesome bartender was amazing. And a big hockey fan, she was. Asked me, as the overtime started, if the game was over? Said no. If it ain't named Kobe...hard to grasp for some folks.

Anyway, sitting on the patio at the mansion, peering east. Beautiful Sunday afternoon. Watching the recap of the recap of the hockey, though I guess there is an NBA game on? Lebron, blah, blah, blah. Travelling. Commercial. Garnett. Guess I care a little, 'bout as much as I cared, at least on this blissful

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# Politically Speaking

## One Man's Opinion

By Gerry Chong

"Barack Obama is an Amateur!" -- Bill Clinton, August, 2011

In May, Edward Klein released the long-awaited story of the Obama presidency, entitled *Amateur*. The book immediately debuted as number one on the *New York Times* bestseller list and derived its title from an argument between Bill and Hillary only 10 months ago. Bill and Chelsea had exhorted Hillary to mount a challenge to Barack Obama for the Democratic nomination but Hillary declined. Bill showed his frustration with a red-faced shout that "Barack Obama is an amateur!"

Unquestionably, Obama has been a greater mystery than any President in memory. In his first edict as President, he sealed his personal records, allowing speculation about his past to run wild, but an adoring press did nothing to vet this mystery man...until now.

In 18 months of research, including interviews with hundreds of friends and associates, Klein delved into the man himself, finding an egomaniacal, messianic, unprepared President--an amateur. For example, Klein interviewed Dr. David Scheiner, Obama's personal physician for 22 years. Scheiner is a liberal who supports a single payer healthcare system, but believes Obamacare cannot work because it contains no cost controls. As to the man, he said, "Obama lacks passion and feelings and doesn't have any sense of humanity."

Richard Epstein, Dean of the University at Chicago Law School where Obama lectured, said, "At one time Obama saw himself as a serious intellectual, which he definitely was not. While there was a roundtable of 10 faculty members constantly gathered for lunch, Obama never attended. I firmly believe that his systematic withdrawal from engagement... stemmed from his not wanting to put himself at intellectual risk." There is no one whose company he enjoys more than his own.

Laura Anderson, Deputy Chief of Staff to the Republican Leader of the Illinois State Senate, said he didn't even show up for picture day and he didn't go to committee. He had no interest in the process of being a good Senator. He just wanted to stand on the Senate floor and give speeches.

In Chicago, Obama was supported and encouraged by local Black leaders, but reneged on promises to help their constituencies. When reminded of his obligations, Obama replied, "Come on, man, you should know better when politicians make promises." Steven Rogers, an early donor who introduced Obama to Jesse Jackson said, "What you have in Barack

Obama is a lack of character."

While Jackson allowed Obama to address his Operation PUSH every Saturday to hone his speaking skills, Obama never acknowledged Jackson because he was afraid of a White backlash.

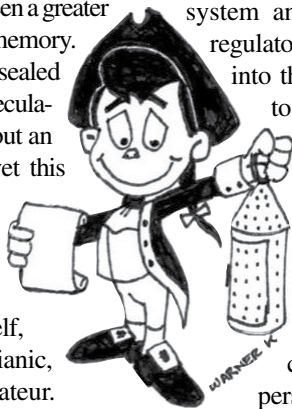
On June 30, 2009, Obama invited nine historians to the White House and extolled them with his goal of becoming a "transformational President that would change the trajectory of America's domestic and foreign policy." He would solve the problems of Palestinians and Israelis; open dialogs with Iran and North Korea; revolutionize the country's healthcare system and energy policy; and inject the regulatory hand of the federal government into the American economy in an effort to create "a more just and equitable society." And he would do this through his powers of persuasion, helping others see the errors of their ways.

When some at the dinner questioned his vision, Obama grew testy. He knew better. He could prevail by the force of his personality. By any measure it was a breathtaking display of grandiosity from a man whose entire curriculum vitae consisted of seven undistinguished years in the Illinois Senate and two mostly absent years in the U.S. Senate. Unintentionally, Obama revealed the characteristic that made him totally unsuited for the presidency and would doom him to failure--his extreme haughtiness and excessive pride, his ideological bent as a far-left corporatist, and his astounding amateurism.

Throughout the dinner, he compared himself to one President after another, as if he was trying on a different mask each time. It proved Obama didn't have the faintest idea of who he is. He is unprepared to lead and in short, didn't know what he didn't know.

He conducts his own foreign policy and makes all the decisions because he believes that only he understands the issues. He never seeks the counsel of those who backed his presidential bid with their money, time and organizational skills, turning his back on the Kennedys, Oprah Winfrey, wealthy Jewish donors and the African-American leaders who paved the way for his political ascent. He never tired of hearing his adoring staff say he is the greatest. He is the living, breathing apotheosis of the American melting pot, and as an adoring David Axelrod privately named him, "Black Jesus."

Former French President Nicholas Sarkozy, after one meeting, summed it up best by saying, "He is extremely naive, but too arrogant to learn." In short, Barack Obama is an amateur. •



## Political Penguin

By Duane Plank

Just got finished chatting with a "veteran human being" about some of the recent comings and goings in Mayberry. Gentleman sports a nice lid and was somewhat peering at the young ladies who were hitting a golf ball about 200 yards down the fairway on the tube as I did my diligent political research.

Also on the tube: Looks like the cad ex-Demo Presidential poster boy John Edwards, who was carrying on nefariously as his wife battled cancer, caught a break. More on that later.

Anyway, nice golf show--put a bunch of attractive young lasses in short skirts and short shorts and get them to spend a lot of time bending over lining up their shots and claim that you are giving them a "Big Break."

Shocking diversion, but so be it.

Anyway, the "veteran human being" was lamenting the fact that Mayberry continues to change. Post office on Main Street adiosed, local family-owned market a couple of blocks west of Main Street shuttered, with the new ownership group lollygagging apparently--not opening up the new alternative to the supermarket chain up on Sepulveda and Mariposa until the beginning of 2013.

And a local fitness palace had, according to the "veteran human being," undergone a transformation, adding new paint and new lights, and may be under new ownership. Another knockout punch, according to the man in the hat, for the venerable downtown section of Mayberry.

For better, or for worse.

Trust that my loyal readers took the time to cast a ballot a couple of days ago in the overwhelmingly exciting California presidential primary election? Voted to tax the death stick deal? Your kids, my kid, why get them started on the road to lung cancer?

Unfortunately, have an early deadline for the *Penguin*, so was not able to pen after the Tuesday voting. But I trust that you did the right thing.

Speaking of smoking stuff, a recent poll of We the People in Cali noted that most voters do not support allowing adult cannabis smokers to smoke the chronic legally. But most of us voters do favor allowing you, and, if necessary, me, the opportunity to smoke weed if we are faced with "terminal and debilitating conditions."

Now, just to set the record straight, chronic unemployment, or a phoned-up disability

claim, does not qualify as a "terminal and debilitating condition." Yes, I know of a few of you out there in this vast readership that have been gilding the lily, living off of State sponsorship for way too long. But your secret is safe with me, as I trust some of my "secrets" may be safe with you?

Comprende?

So I am again confused after we just hit the voting booth. Did not we last vote to defeat the decriminalization of weed a couple of years ago? Didn't see the potheads get the issue back on the ballot on Tuesday, thank gosh. But I do remember the up-in-smoke crowd blathering on a couple of years ago about how they would revisit the issue in 2012. And on second thought, as I pop a medicinal, legal pill to take the sting out of my still-injured knee, maybe we should get another shot at legalizing the weed.

As long as it can be taxed by the Great Bankrupt State. Imagine the number of Benjamins that could be added to the State coffers if weed was sold legally and subject to all of the same nefarious add-ons that we currently pay for petrol, cigs and booze? A windfall for the State. Why, we could even allow the Indian nation in on the gig and allow them to make another tidy profit, much like they do on the gambling palaces that they are allowed to propagate in state.

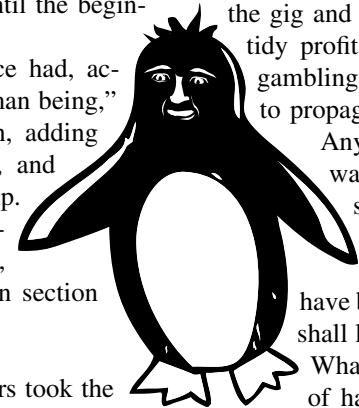
Anyway, the pot thing cuts both ways. Or is cut both ways. Not sure how you cut or cultivate the reefer--had a few friends back in the day who may have been able to educate me, but I shall let them stay under the radar. What are friends for? The point of having a couple of incredibly well-read columns in the South Bay isn't to keep some of you out there on edge, hoping that you are or aren't mentioned each week, is it?

Or maybe it is. Spoke with a column supporter the other day, who said he sometimes gets lost trying to figure out who I am alluding to with some of my pithy comments. And that is part of the deal, right? Some of you are smart enough to get it. Some of you may not be able to discern at whom the slings and arrows are pointed. And never will figure it out. Room temperature IQs.

So, back to the John Edwards deal. The philandering cad, who was a beefcake poster pin-up boy for the media lefties when he made his two failed runs at the presidency, received a verdict of not guilty last week on a charge of campaign finance fraud. Seems the Golden Boy Demo, following in the Gary Hart and Bill Clinton footsteps, was catting around on his wife and lying about it. Ye gads!

And the Feds thought that he may have misappropriated some campaign contributions, trying to cover up his tracks. Really?

The party of family man John Fitzgerald Kennedy must have been aghast at such allegations. •



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# Sports

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big rally. Leo Cagan walked and later scored on Victor Erland's RBI single to right field to make it 11-2.

The Dodgers would not give up so easily and put together a four-run sixth inning to close out their season. McRoberts walked, Maddalon doubled to centerfield and Jake Layne's infield bad hop single scored two more runs. Mathew Kusserow singled and Benjamin Rosas drove in two more runners to make it 11-6. But Giants' pitcher Kehl got out of the jam with a strikeout to secure the AAA championship for the champions.

### Major Division

The Major division was full of parity throughout the regular season, though a couple of the teams were loaded with pitching. So it was no coincidence that the two teams with the most pitching made the championship game. The Dodgers and Indians combined to have three of the top four pitchers in the league and so they played for the championship.

The Dodgers had the best overall regular season record that was led by a stellar defense, timely hitting and good pitching. The Indians had arguably the best one-two pitchers in the league. This would be a game of defense, an unearned run and some base running mistakes that would determine the outcome and a championship the Dodgers would win 1-0.

The Dodgers' Michael Graner took the mound when the team's ace Sean Emery was scratched altogether because of a fluke injury. The Indians not only had two of the best pitchers in the league, but also a hitting lineup full of power. But the competitive Graner was up to the mission of bringing home a championship with a solid effort through 5-2/3 innings. He gave up just two hits and walked three.

The lone run of the game came in the first inning off Indians ace Justin Ostler. Graner



Tyler Cleland of the AA Pirates is consoled by coach Lance Walls.



Jake Stolnack is surrounded by Chance Vander Linden, Cooper Stolnack and Eddie Grant as they celebrate their championship.



The Dodgers' Cole Stoker applies a tag to Cameron Dornblaser for the second out in the sixth inning.



Brandon Maddalon turns on fastball and rips a double in the AAA championship game.

reached base on an error and later scored on a single through the right side of the infield by Dylan Marquez-Wasson.

Neither team could do much offensively in a game that was played in an hour and 10 minutes. With Graner cruising along, the Indians' first hit came in the fourth inning on a single up the middle by Spencer Long. But Graner got a strikeout and induced a pop fly to get out of the inning.

In the sixth inning, the Indians put together a potential game-tying rally and had the go-ahead run on base. A base running mistake

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Chance Vander Linden had a key RBI single in the fifth inning for the AA Mets.



Michael Graner pitched a gem in leading the Dodgers to the championship.



Cameron Long helped pitch his AAA Giants to the championship.



Revered Indians hitter Spencer Long takes ball four in the sixth inning.

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- > The project received a \$546 million federal loan to accelerate construction, which will be repaid over the next 30 years with funds from Measure R.
- > Metro has adopted a 17.6-acre site in the City of LA off the Arbor Vitae Street as the preferred site for a maintenance facility to support the light rail line.

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- > Initial alternatives under consideration include light rail transit, bus rapid transit and an automated people mover.
- > Community open house meetings took place in February 2012.
- > Formal project scoping is expected to begin this year.

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# Metro

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## Local Leadership Gone Global

By Gail Church,  
Tree Musketeers

Tree Musketeers youth director, Adam Gerard, had a good excuse for his absence at the local community Arbor Day Celebration and tree planting he co-managed in March. The 17-year-old was otherwise engaged speaking at schools and giving a keynote address at the 2012 KORCOS (Korean Council of Overseas Schools) International Education Conference. The event was hosted by Chadwick International Schools at its campus in Songdo, Incheon, South Korea.

In its 16<sup>th</sup> year, the conference was designed to bring experts together under the theme of "Inspiring Education" for more than 1,000 teachers and students in attendance. Gerard's assignment for the trip was to teach both youth and adults about youth empowerment. The speeches, workshops and meetings focused on leadership and environmental activism.

Perhaps the most meaningful part of this journey was a tree planting on March 10, the very day Tree Musketeers kids and adult supporters were planting trees in El Segundo. So, you see, Gerard did not miss out on Arbor Day. He and his new friends on another continent joined in! It was a real life demonstration of something Gerard points out frequently, "We can only turn back global warming by working together." This was the second Asian tree planted under Tree Musketeers' Partners for the Planet 3x3 Campaign to get 3 million trees planted by 3 million kids worldwide to fight climate change. The high school junior took opportunity



Adam Gerard has been involved with Tree Musketeers since the age of nine. Photo courtesy of Tree Musketeers.

to share a guiding principle that began 25 years ago with the third grade founders of Tree Musketeers, "Don't ever let anyone tell you that you can't change the world. If we all work on our own little parts of the planet, then neighborhood by neighborhood, state by state, nation by nation we will change the world."

Gerard has been involved with Tree Musketeers since the age of nine. He is a Certified Youth Manager, a trained tree planting supervisor, an awarded public speaker with a Toastmasters Certificate, a member of the organizations Youth Management Team and a Youth Director on its board. All of this began for Gerard as a fifth grader who said, "I want to get involved."

If another young person wishing to follow in Gerard's footsteps were to ask where to start, he would say LEAD classes. Kids wanting to become environmental leaders or just to do better in school and in life should check out Tree Musketeers' summer LEADership course offerings at [www.treemusketeers.org](http://www.treemusketeers.org) or call 310-322-0263. •

## Richmond Students Win "The Stock Market Game"

Fifth-grade team takes first place against 151 L.A.-area teams, finish 13th out of 1,885 teams nationally

By Dickie Van Breene,  
Richmond Street School

If someone handed you \$100,000 to invest in the stock market, could you turn a large profit in just ten weeks? The fifth grade math students from Richmond Street School in El Segundo did just that—albeit with virtual money—and produced the top two portfolios among fourth, fifth and sixth grade students throughout Los Angeles.

The students were playing The Stock Market Game, a national, classroom-based competition which simulates real-world investing in an effort to improve math skills and help kids understand the economic system. Richmond's highest scoring team scored an equity gain of 7.9 percent, placing first against 151 teams in the Los Angeles region.

The winning team—Katie Keegan, Matthew Romero, Jacob Samia, and Yuvraj Singh—also ranked 13th out of 1,885 teams nationwide, a field that included public and private school participants ranging from fourth grade up to pre-collegiate level.

A second Richmond team recorded an equity gain of 6.5 percent, securing the runner-up position in the L.A. region. Collectively, the school's fifth grade class ranked second among all fourth-fifth, and sixth graders in Los Angeles.

"The beauty of The Stock Market Game was the kids were learning real-world math

while having fun," says Stacy Feinbloom, a Richmond math teacher who introduced the game to the school's students. "I was listening to them say, 'this morning at breakfast my dad was showing me the paper and he was talking about how I should invest in this company.' What a great breakfast conversation—these kids are only ten or eleven years old."

In addition to Richmond's team honors, student Nora Marchewka earned one of only ten honorable mention awards given nationally for an essay she entered in a companion



Student Nora Marchewka earned one of only ten honorable mention awards given nationally for an essay she entered in a companion contest aimed at inspiring language arts. Photo courtesy of the El Segundo Unified School District.

contest aimed at inspiring language arts. The SIFMA Foundation, a non-profit educational organization that operates The Stock Market Game, honored Marchewka and the rest of Richmond's winning students with a May 24 awards luncheon at the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

Under game rules, students started with \$100,000 in virtual money and had to buy at **See Richmond, page 13**

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Servings: 6 servings  
 Total Time: 35 minutes  
 Ease of Preparation: Easy  
 Health: Healthy Weight, Low Cholesterol, Low Calorie, Diabetes Appropriate

**Ingredients:**  
 1 pound prepared pizza dough, preferably whole-wheat  
 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil  
 1 medium onion, halved and thinly sliced  
 2 ounces very thinly sliced prosciutto, cut into thin strips (about 1/2 cup)  
 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper

1 cup shredded fontina or part-skim mozzarella cheese  
 2 cups packed coarsely chopped arugula  
 1 cup chopped tomato

Steps:  
 1: Position oven rack in the lowest position; preheat to 450°F. Coat a large baking sheet with cooking spray.  
 2: Roll out dough on a lightly floured surface to about the size of the baking sheet. Transfer to the baking sheet. Bake until puffed and lightly crisped on the bottom, 8 to 10 minutes.  
 3: Meanwhile, heat oil in a large nonstick

skillet over medium heat. Add onion, prosciutto and crushed red pepper and cook, stirring, until the onion is beginning to brown, about 3 minutes.

4: Spread the onion mixture evenly over the crust and top with cheese. Bake until crispy and golden and the cheese is melted, 8 to 10 minutes. Remove from the oven and top with arugula and tomato.

Nutrition: (Per serving) Calories - 306 Carbohydrates - 33 Fat - 11 Saturated Fat - 4 Monounsaturated Fat - 5 Protein - 13 Cholesterol - 28 Dietary Fiber - 2 Potassium - 140 Sodium - 600 \*

## Quick Chicken Cacciatore

This version of the classic Italian recipe, chicken cacciatore, is done in half the time of most traditional versions, but is still full of rich flavor thanks to plenty of mushrooms, tomatoes and herbs.

Servings: 4 servings  
 Total Time: 40 minutes  
 Ease of Preparation: Easy  
 Health: Diabetes Appropriate, Healthy Weight, Heart Healthy, Low Sat Fat, Low Calorie

**Ingredients:**  
 1/4 cup all-purpose flour  
 2 8-ounce boneless, skinless chicken breasts  
 1/4 teaspoon salt, divided  
 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper  
 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided  
 8 ounces mushrooms, quartered  
 1 small onion, sliced  
 2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary or 3/4 teaspoon dried, plus more for garnish  
 1/2 cup dry white wine  
 1 14-ounce can no-salt-added diced tomatoes, drained

1 cup reduced-sodium chicken broth  
 3/4 cup sliced jarred roasted red peppers, rinsed

1/4 cup quartered Kalamata olives

Steps:  
 1: Place flour in a shallow bowl. Cut each chicken breast in half on the diagonal to make 4 roughly equal portions; sprinkle with 1/8 teaspoon salt and pepper. Dredge the chicken in the flour and transfer to a plate. Reserve 2 tablespoons of the flour.

2: Heat 1 tablespoon oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the chicken and cook

until browned on both sides, about 2 minutes per side. Transfer to a plate.

3: Add the remaining 1 tablespoon oil to the pan. Add mushrooms, onion, rosemary and the remaining 1/8 teaspoon salt and cook, stirring frequently, until the onion is soft and golden brown, about 5 minutes. Sprinkle the vegetables with the reserved flour and cook, stirring, until coated. Add wine to the pan and cook, stirring, for 1 minute. Add drained tomatoes, broth, roasted red peppers and olives; bring to a lively simmer over medium-low heat.

4: Return the chicken to the pan and continue cooking, stirring once or twice, until the liquid has thickened slightly and the chicken is cooked through, about 10 minutes. Serve the chicken with the sauce, garnished with rosemary, if desired.

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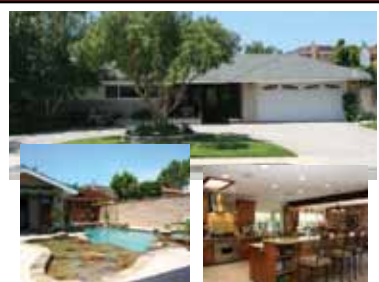


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## Business Briefs

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Tree Musketeers youth LEADership Classes begin Mon. June 25th Public Speaking, Personal Skills, People Skills, Org. Mgmt. Opportunities for young people 10-18 to be with like-minded peers while learning

marketable skills that will serve them well as environmental leaders, as students and in life. Contact volunteers@treemusketeers.org, 310-322-0263 or see treemusketeers.org for more info.

### High School Marching Band Performs at Disneyland Parade

After auditioning for the position of performing at Disneyland in the daily world-renown Mickey Mouse Parade, the award-winning El Segundo High School Marching Band was chosen to participate during the Memorial Weekend festivities at the famous Disneyland Park. Afterwards, the students spent the day and evening enjoying the spectacular rides and events. Photo courtesy of the El Segundo High School Marching Band.



### Environmental Services Center Offers Energy Upgrade Workshop

Wednesday, June 27, 2012 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.: "Greening Your Home with Energy Upgrade California and Water Reliability 2020". At this FREE WORKSHOP, attendees will discover how to save money, increase energy and water efficiency, and earn up to \$8,000 in rebates from Energy Upgrade California in Los Angeles County. Participating contractors will be available to answer technical ques-

tions about this program. The result will be a healthier home that is not only energy and water efficient but will cost less to operate. Presented by South Bay Environmental Services Center, 20285 S. Western Avenue, Suite 100, Torrance, CA 90501. Please pre-register by visiting [www.sbecsc.com/calendar](http://www.sbecsc.com/calendar) or call Grace Farwell-Granger at 310-371-7222 ext 206 for further information.

### Water Efficiency Program Available to El Segundo Residents

A FREE outdoor water efficiency program is available to West Basin's public customer agencies, including customers in the cities of El Segundo, Hawthorne, Inglewood, Lomita, and Manhattan Beach, that will save an estimated 481 million gallons of drinking water over the next ten years. The United States Bureau of Reclamation has provided \$100,000 toward a \$417,000 outdoor water efficiency program. The USBR grant will enable the cities and County Waterworks district to determine high water users in their service areas through water bills and offer the free LIEP program that includes a site

survey or evaluation, a list of recommended improvements and repairs, a recommended water budget and schedule, and water efficient rotating sprinkler nozzles that will provide a healthy and attractive landscape. The sprinkler nozzles alone provide at least 20 percent water savings, better wind resistance, less misting and evaporation, and virtually no runoff to the ocean. Other recommendations may include turf replacement with water efficient landscaping such as drought tolerant or native plants. The LIEP program is currently available and will be complete by October 2013. •

*"We know only too well that what we are doing is nothing more than a drop in the ocean. But if the drop were not there, the ocean would be missing something."*  
~ Mother Teresa

### Little League

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that you don't have the same opportunities. We don't want that to happen here in El Segundo. It's just not acceptable."

El Segundo Little League also rewards its players for any outstanding community work that they engage in throughout the city. Every year the League grants a \$500 scholarship to a high school senior getting ready to graduate. "This has been happening for years now and the committee will soon be reading the essays in the packets--the winner will be announced at the award ceremony at the high school and the check will be presented," Boulgarides said. "This is specifically targeted toward someone who was part of the Little League program. It's just really hard to narrow it down because they are all such quality people."

Through baseball, Boulgarides hopes that

the kids in the League can grow up and build on the city's reputation of generosity and humanitarianism. "Little League is the biggest volunteer organization in the United States with more than two million volunteers and what Little League is trying to do is develop quality humans," Boulgarides said. "Little League really is a character-building organization and baseball is just the vehicle that we do that with. It is not all about baseball. It is about developing great people and baseball is how we do that. What we are trying to do is show our people and show our kids that it is okay to reach out to other people who maybe aren't as lucky as we are. Sometimes these people are in your community. Sometimes it is your friends and neighbors and you don't realize that they are going through a hard time." •

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**Police**

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Street. Unknown suspect charged \$904.00 using the victim's credit card information.

One male adult was arrested at 1918 hours from 120<sup>th</sup> and Grevillea Avenue in the city of Hawthorne for using another person's ID, grand theft money laundering, and a LASD misdemeanor traffic warrant.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 30**

One male adult was arrested at 0742 hours from the 500 block of E. Pine Avenue for possession of a counterfeit government seal and possession of a controlled substance.

A Grand Theft report was taken at 0803 hours from the 800 block of North Douglas Street. Unknown suspect(s) took jewelry without permission.

A Grand Theft report was taken at 0811 hours from the 700 block of Sheldon Street. Unknown suspect(s) took the victim's camera from an unlocked vehicle without permission.

A Grand Theft report was taken at 1240 hours from the 900 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. Unknown suspect(s) took victim's bicycle without permission.

A Grand Theft report was taken at 1836 hours from the 900 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. Unknown suspect(s) took victim's bicycle without permission.

A Missing (Juvenile) Person's report was taken at 1836 hours from the 600 block of Illinois Court.

One male adult was arrested at 2201 hours from the 300 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for plain drunk in public.

One male adult was arrested at 0016 hours from Sepulveda Boulevard and Valley

Drive for one outstanding ESPD misdemeanor warrant and one LASD misdemeanor warrant.

One male adult was arrested at 0031 hours from Aviation Boulevard and El Segundo Boulevard for misdemeanor DUI and reckless driving.

**TUESDAY, MAY 29**

One female adult was arrested at 0624 hours from the 300 block of Main Street for one outstanding El Segundo PD felony warrant.

One male adult was arrested at 1043 hours from the 800 block of Center Street for suspicion of burglary.

Two male adults were arrested at 1104 hours from the 800 block of Center Street for suspicion of burglary.

Vandalism report was taken at 2348 hours from the 700 block of West Imperial Avenue. Suspect damaged the victim's bedroom door with an unknown object.

Attempt burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 2139 hours from the 300 block of Maryland Street. Unknown suspect(s) attempted to pry open the rear hatchback door of the victim's vehicle.

**MONDAY, MAY 28**

Found property report was taken at 1056 hours from the 200 block of Standard Street. Keys were found at the location.

Burglary (residential) report was taken at 1135 hours from the 500 block of Penn Street. Taken were two laptop computers and jewelry.

Vandalism report was taken at 2348 hours from the 700 block of West Imperial Avenue. •

**Richmond**

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least 100 shares of any stock they chose to purchase. They also had to sell at least one stock during the initial weeks, with all sales and purchases charged a virtual 2 percent fee. The entire New York Stock Exchange was in play at current rates, with the exception of stocks valued under \$5.

Feinbloom's students, divided into groups of four, spent portions of ten weeks using classroom iPads to monitor stock rankings, check trends, and choose the stocks they wanted to buy or sell. Students could log in to check their team ranking from home, but could not purchase or sell stocks without their group.

"They were so excited on stock market days," Feinbloom says. "Part of the excitement was they used their background: 'my dad works for Chevron,' or 'my dad rides a Harley, let's take a look.' That made it meaningful to them, and some of the group discussions were heated. At Easter some kids were saying, 'we have to buy Hershey's,' but other kids were arguing, 'But Easter is going to end, Hershey's could crash.' Just listening to that conversation was fantastic."

Richmond principal Dickie Van Breene credits Feinbloom's enthusiasm and financial support from the El Segundo Educational Foundation for creating an opportunity for the school's students to perform so well in the game.

"What a great way to teach financial literacy!" Van Breene says. "The students were so excited to learn more about the companies that make some of their favorite products, such as Apple, Hershey, Chipotle, and our neighbor, Chevron. This was a wonderful experience for our students."

That experience extends well beyond mathematics and economics. Feinbloom, who plans on incorporating The Stock Market Game into her math classes again next year, says one of her students asked a parent to visit the floor of the New York Stock Exchange while traveling over spring break.

"I asked her whether she would have wanted to get to the floor had we not played the game, and she said she had never even heard of the Stock Exchange before we played the game," Feinbloom says. "That tells you the difference this makes." •



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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF EVAN IRA ESCOBAR Case No. BP134883

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of EVAN IRA ESCOBAR.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by ALISE LONGYEAR in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that ALISE LONGYEAR be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on JUNE 25, 2012 at 8:30 AM in Dept. 9 located at 111 NORTH HILL STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012.

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YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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**ACROSS**

- 1. Aug. follower
- 5. Some Olympians, nowadays
- 9. Foreword, for short
- 14. "Aquarius" musical
- 15. Hair colorer
- 16. Apple gizmo
- 17. Blame unjustly
- 20. Clipped
- 21. "Felicity" star, familiarly
- 22. "What are the \_\_\_?"
- 23. Islam's global gathering
- 25. Inner: Prefix
- 27. Seth's father
- 30. Georgian, for one
- 33. Lots
- 37. \_\_\_ Strip
- 38. Flowering shrubs
- 40. \_\_\_ grass
- 41. Arrogant and inflexible
- 44. Moistern flax
- 45. Eurasian grass
- 46. Freshman, probably
- 47. Guru's pad
- 49. "To Autumn," e.g.
- 50. Home of Vigeland Park
- 51. Arabic for "commander"
- 53. Bro's sib

**DOWN**

- 1. Word with "up" or "out"
- 2. "\_\_\_ on Down the Road"
- 3. Dock
- 4. Collector of detritus
- 5. School grp.
- 6. Classic board game
- 7. Fraction of thrice
- 8. Gawk
- 9. "Rocks"
- 10. Shot
- 11. Put one's foot down?
- 12. Go through
- 13. Crumbs
- 18. Caribbean, e.g.
- 19. 40-point melds
- 24. Kentucky county

- 26. Brit's "Baloney!"
- 27. Ancient assembly area
- 28. Copenhagens
- 29. Alchemical solvent
- 31. Essen basin
- 32. Kind of group, in chemistry
- 34. Traditions
- 35. Atelier item
- 36. Court figure
- 39. Ancient
- 42. \_\_\_ cheese
- 43. Medical device
- 48. Nickelodeon staples
- 52. Chopper blade
- 54. An end to sex?
- 55. Arctic native
- 56. "Cast Away" setting
- 57. Band with the hit "Barbie Girl"
- 59. Be different
- 60. Fishing, perhaps
- 62. Archaeological site
- 63. Fungal spore sacs
- 64. "Beowulf" beverage
- 66. Mamie's man
- 67. Balaam's mount

**Last Week's Answers**

A	D	A	M	S	G	A	B	S	A	C	T	S		
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**SUDOKU Medium**

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Each Sudoku puzzle consists of a 9X9 grid that has been subdivided into nine smaller grids of 3X3 squares. To solve the puzzle each row, column and box must contain each of the numbers 1 to 9.

## Frankly

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Sunday, that the Cheetah Woods racked up another golf tournament win. Good for him, won the Memorial tournament, the one that Jack A. Nicklaus runs. Sorry, I know it's not A, but have always not been a Nicklaus guy. Back in the day, you either were an Arnold Palmer guy or a Nicklaus guy.

And the King is still the King. Have to give *America's Guest* his due--he was clambering for attention earlier this year, said that Woods would win four tournaments and a major. Kinda halfway there. *Guest* raced into the research spot after another crummy day on the links and was beside himself cuz golf apparently wasn't on the tube. Pointed out to him that no one cares about golf. More people were watching women's softball and car racing than golf.

Which was true. He regaled in Woods' win and then departed, saying he was going to return to start up some illegal horserace betting. Had to leave before I could partake, but maybe he did return to waste more time there. Just not able at this time to sit and stare at a TV ad nauseam all weekend. Not my agenda. But that's just me.

And I will hold a couple of alleged stories that I heard about a recent Palm Springs excursion that included some folks who you may know until I can substantiate some of, any of the facts. And I am really itching to add a new character here, but I think I shall demur at this point. Discretion, for many reasons.

Speaking of the horseracing, plant your butts down for a few minutes this Saturday and cheer

a California horse, I'll Have Another, as he tries to win the very elusive Triple Crown. Race takes place at the venerable Belmont racetrack in New York--should go off somewhere around 3:30-ish. Watch and cheer, take a couple minutes out of your super Southern California Saturday to maybe see history made.

Hopefully the hoop semis have ground to a halt. Because as soon as the travel fest that is the NBA is over, I will unleash my entire column previewing the wonderful hoops played way below the rim by the lovely ladies in the never-watched WNBA. Much like the Memorial golf tournament.

Guess I spoke a little early last week, crediting Los Doyers for their great start. Still a great start, but with superstar Matt Kemp on the shelf again, and this time it may be awhile, wonder how long miracle-worker Don Mattingly can cobble together victories with this minor league line-up that he is scribbling on his card?

Per usual, sat down with *Dodger Girl* last week for an in-depth probing interview about the first couple months of the ex-Brooklynners season, and she would not gloat. Or barely speak with me. Per usual. Tried to steer the conversation around to my Halos and she resolutely stared me down and said, "Who?"

All about time and space, my friends. May explain that at a later time, maybe not. Some of you are smart enough to understand, right? Right time, wrong space. Or vice versa...This ain't over yet, BTW. •

## Sports

from page 7

all but doomed their championship hopes. With one out, Cameron Dornblaser walked and Shane Salzman followed with a single. With Graner pitching carefully to Long at the plate, a passed ball got behind the catcher and Dornblaser attempted to take third base. The throw was on target to third baseman Cole Stoker and after showing the umpire the ball, Dornblaser was called out.

Long then walked, putting runners on first and second with two outs. With the tying run on second and the potential go-ahead run on first, Ethan Burner was brought in to pitch for the Dodgers. Burner promptly

got the last out with a pop-up in the infield, securing the championship for the Dodgers.

It was another great year of Little League baseball. Through the tears and cheers of the players throughout the year, they all got better, enjoyed playing and most of all had fun doing so. The closing ceremonies for the ESLL 2012 season are set for this Saturday at 10 a.m. The all-star teams will be announced, the home run derby played and championship trophies handed out. On behalf of the ESLL, they wish to thank everyone who attended and supported Little League Baseball this season. •

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## Purrrfect Companions

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**Ralphie** was discovered hunkered down in a rain-drenched and mud-soaked drainage culvert with his mama and five littermates. In spite of his rough start in this world, Ralphie is a sweet and loving fellow. He's very playful and loves people, cuddling, tummy rubs and lots of attention. This adorable boy likes children, having been raised with his foster mom's four-year-old granddaughter. He's a perfectly delightful fellow in every way. Now his quest begins for the loving family that will overlook his slightly imperfect eye (due to his prolonged exposure to the cold and damp as a baby) and love him for the sweet and wonderful little guy he is! Ralphie love other cats so much and wants a home with another kitty so he can be as happy as possible!

**Yin** and **Yang** were rescued as babies from a backyard. Yin is the adventurous half of his brother Yang. He loves to play with strings and feathers, but his favorite game is playing chase and wrestling with Yang. His beautiful smoke-black fur has the markings of a Tabby showing through and he is especially endearing when he looks up at you with his emerald green eyes. Yin enjoys playing with children and is warming up to



Ralphie

his foster mom's little Maltese.

Yang is the sweet and mischievous half of his brother Yin. Yang is very bold and loves to explore new places. His cuddly personality makes him so easy to fall in love with, especially when he crawls up on your lap to take a nap. With his white fur and mesmerizing smoky green eyes, he has an elegant look. Yang loves to play with children and is fine with his foster's Maltese. Adopt Yin and Yang together and create the perfect balance in your life!

These kittens/cats are available for adoption through Kitten Rescue, one of the largest cat rescue groups in Southern California. All of our kitties are spayed/neutered, microchipped, tested for FeLV and FIV, de-wormed and current on their vaccinations. For additional information and to see our other kitties, please check our website at [www.kittenrescue.org](http://www.kittenrescue.org), or email us at [mail@kittenrescue.org](mailto:mail@kittenrescue.org). 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, 914 Westwood Boulevard, #583, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

On Saturdays, we have adoptions from noon to 3:30 p.m. in Westchester at 8655 Lincoln Boulevard, just south of Manchester Avenue, and also in Mar Vista at 3860 Centinela Avenue, just south of Venice Boulevard. Our website lists additional adoption sites and directions to each location.

Be kind. Save a life. Support animal rescue. •



Yin and Yang

## Happy Tails

Bruiser, now Brutus, got a great home and he will soon have his own personal

Website. Watch for him at [www.JustBrutus.com](http://www.JustBrutus.com). Our little man wrote his own update that he wanted to share with you:

"My new daddy was going to write to you, but I decided to do this myself. I was adopted with the name Bruiser, but my new daddy and mommy were having problems with the name so I chose an easier name for them. Well, the name I finally settled on is Brutus. My mommy and daddy seem to be able to pronounce this better. Now, I live in a big house with a big backyard and I have four



## Pets Without Partners

You'll have a "fur-ever" friend when you adopt a "pet without a partner."

**Hayden** was born around March 13, 2012 and he is growing like a weed! He is silly, playful, sweet and very loving. This handsome little boy has really long legs and a gorgeous tri-colored coat. He is a sweet little wirehaired hound of some sort. We believe Hayden is your typical no-issue puppy. He is currently in foster care where he has learned to use the pet door and is doing his business outside most of the time. Hayden will be neutered when of age, is current on vaccinations, de-wormed, microchipped, good with other dogs and loves kids.

**Flapper** was found by our vet Dr. Caylor--he was unable to locate his owners. His son named this sweet boy Flapper because his big ears flap when the wind blows. This is a *really sweet* little dog. His tan coat with white accents makes him a strikingly handsome little fellow. Flapper is about two years old and he is full-grown at 11 pounds. Flapper loves all other dogs and is currently kenneled with his new girlfriend, a sweet little Pomeranian named Reba. Flapper is a little



Hayden

shy when you first meet him, but in about two minutes he is all over you. Flapper has good play manners with the other dogs, but his most favorite place to be is on your lap. Flapper will lay or sit with you for hours--he just loves people and children. He is a love of a little dog and will be the best friend to any child looking for a dog of their own. Flapper is neutered, current on vaccinations, de-wormed, microchipped, good with other dogs and loves kids.

To learn more about these and other wonderful dogs, visit our website at [www.animalsrule.org](http://www.animalsrule.org). If a dog is on our website, it's available. Or come to our Saturday adoption events from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 305 North Harbor Boulevard in San Pedro (just off the 110 near the cruise port). We are always in need of donations for veterinarian bills and our senior dogs. Donations can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to: Animals Rule Placement Foundation at 305 North Harbor Blvd., San Pedro, CA 90731. All donations are tax-deductible. We are a registered 501©3 non-profit organization.

Saving one animal won't change the world, but the world will surely change for that animal. •



Flapper

## Cyber Savvy Brutus Now Online

brothers and one sister! Two are dogs like me, but not like me. Ginger is a Golden Retriever. She's big and I'm always jumping to get out of her way when she runs. She keeps me warm when we're sleeping. Junior is a Chihuahua like me. It's taking a little longer to get to know him. I'll win him over, though. I'm good at that. The other three are cats. They don't look anything like me and they say "meow" a lot. I think they're speaking French or something. Spot is the oldest and we get along very well. Spartacus and Morpheus are brothers. We get along well. I found out that they were all rescued like me! I knew we would have a lot in common. Every morning I have been going on walks with Mommy, Daddy, Ginger and Junior. We go to this park that's down the street. We get to see a lot of squirrels and sometimes we get to see a strange animal. I think its Irish 'cause

they call it an O'Possum. After the walks, we get to go home and rest. It's a long way to walk, but it's fun. So to conclude this update to my life so far, I'm doing good and I'm happy. Look for me on Facebook. They wouldn't let me use my chosen name, but look for me as "JustBrutus Brutus." Find me and be my friend. My daddy will be getting me my own website very soon. We're hoping that we will get the domain name [www.JUSTBRUTUS.com](http://www.JUSTBRUTUS.com), so come and visit me and we'll have some fun! Again, I want to thank my foster mom Jen. I miss you and Thanks to Animals Rule. I couldn't have done it without you. You helped me at a difficult time in my life..." -- Brutus a.k.a. Bruiser.

When you adopt a "pet without a partner," you will forever make a difference in their life and they are sure to make a difference in yours. •