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## Major Crime Drops 26.7 Percent at Los Angeles International Airport In 2012



The number of major crimes which are inclusive of all Part I Crimes reported at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) dropped 26.7 percent last year, and overall crime continues to decline as well, according to 2012 statistics released by Los Angeles Airport Police. The drop in crime occurred while passenger volume is estimated to have increased almost 2.5 percent to nearly 63.4 million passengers last year from 61.8 million passengers in 2011. Photo courtesy of Ls Angeles World Airports.

## El Segundo School Board Kicks Off 2013 with Concise Meeting

**Duane Plank**

The first meeting of the El Segundo School Board in 2013 moved at a breakneck pace and wrapped up in about 20 minutes. With no special presentations on the agenda, President Ann Coles gavelled in the meeting a couple of minutes after 7 p.m. and pronounced the gathering over a bit before 7:30. District students had been on a two-week hiatus for the holiday break, heading back to their campuses on Monday morning.

The consent agenda portion of the quick confab featured the approval to host a follow-up family night to the "Astronomical Journey" assembly that took place on Tuesday night at Richmond Street School. The January 23 gathering will allow students and their parents the opportunity to study the night sky through the usage of powerful telescopes pointed at the stars and share and discuss the information that the students discerned at the January 8 assembly.

Also approved was a Center Street School assembly scheduled to take place on January 29, featuring "Arithmetickles," which is touted as a "one-of-a-kind, interactive math game show that involves students in making the connections between classroom math and their daily lives." The assembly will inform and entertain students from kindergarten through fifth grade.

The Board also approved a three-year program that has proven to be very popular in the District. The people from Play-Well TEKologies have been offering their program to the District students for the past two years. Slated to take place in the months of May and June, the classes will entail two sessions per week, introducing students to

concepts of engineering while enforcing California Science Content Standards with hands-on learning. The program will teach basic physics and engineering concepts using projects constructed with

iconic LEGO components. The Play-Well TEK instructor will explain concepts verbally while demonstrating them with fully or partially constructed projects and

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## Nonprofit, D-League Basketball Team Partner to Help Families During Holiday Season

**By Cristian Vasquez**

Toys, books and professional athletes were all part of the festive holiday setting that Connection For Children's annual toy drive provided for South Bay families in need. "Every year here at Connections we collect toys from the community and invite all of the families that we provide financial assistance to, to come in and shop for their kids," Connections For Children Executive Director Patti Oblath said. "We have about 20 child care centers that host toy drives, donate the toys to us and then we distribute them. Mattel has donated toys to us as well as other toy manufacturers. The Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce and the Torrance Chamber of Commerce gave us some toys as well."

Connections For Children, a non-profit child care resource and referral agency, serves child care providers, educators and parents in the West Los Angeles and South Bay areas. The toy drive has been organized for at least 15 years, and during last year's toy drive it is estimated that 700 families and 1,000 children were served "This year because we are serving Torrance and Lomita, that number should

be significantly greater. It is kind of a well-kept secret, not intentionally, and it does make a difference for a lot of families," Oblath said. "It is heartbreaking that in our communities like in Santa Monica and Torrance where people have plenty, that there are still families who still don't have enough to give as much to their children as they would like to. We are grateful that we have the resources from the State and the County to make a difference in their lives. This is just something extra that we like to do."

During this year's effort Connections For Children was able to partner with the Lakers' D-League affiliate, the D-Fenders and their players who spent a few days before Christmas wrapping gifts, signing autographs and taking pictures with children and families. "It is unbelievable and I love it. Me personally, I have been doing things like coming out, wrapping presents and helping families provide presents for their kids who usually couldn't since I was a young kid," D-Fenders' center and former UCLA player Anthony Stover said. "When I was 10, I would go down

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## Weekend Forecast

**Friday**  
Sunny  
54°/40°



**Saturday**  
Sunny  
55°/39°



**Sunday**  
Few  
Showers  
55°/41°



## Obituaries

### William H. Botting

**William H. Botting**, 87, passed away on December 16, 2012 at 3:50 a.m. at Life Care Center of Skagit Valley in Sedro-Woolley, WA, after a brief illness. William was born on February 17, 1925 in Weymouth, MA to Eugene and Ruth Botting of Hingham.

William served this country as a Navy/Marine medic during World War II and was stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA. He briefly worked as a meter reader for Southern California Edison. He went on to work for Eastern Airlines in Hartford, CT and then moved back to California working for Scandinavian Airlines Systems until he

retired in 1984.

While a 22-year resident of El Segundo, CA, he was involved with Boy Scout Troop 267. After retiring to Pine Cove, CA, he and his wife enjoyed many trips in their RV providing camp hosting services to many state parks in OR and WA.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Fred and survived by his wife, Elizabeth, four children, eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held at Bay View Methodist Church in Mount Vernon, WA on January 13, 2013. •

## Calendar

There is a limited word count of 20 words and fees will apply. Email to [escalendar@heraldpublications.com](mailto:escalendar@heraldpublications.com). Deadline for submissions is Thursday at 9 a.m.

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 11

• Complimentary Easybridge! Class, 1-3 p.m., at the El Segundo Woman's Club, 541 Standard St. For more information call Jeff Grotenhuis at (310) 600-4275 or email [jeffgro@gmail.com](mailto:jeffgro@gmail.com).

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

• Family Energy Day, 11 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Plaza El Segundo Shopping Center, 760 S. Sepulveda Blvd. Admission is free.

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

• Sunday Breakfast, 8 a.m.-12 noon, Gold Crest Rebekah Lodge #347, 406 E. Grand Ave. For more information call (310) 322-7359.

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

• Concerts in the Library: Aquarius-The Music of Woodstock & Monterey Pop, 2 p.m.,

111 W. Mariposa Ave. Programs in the series will take place the third Sat. each month from January to May. For more information call (310) 524-2728.

• Tree Musketeers' Treat Your Trees Series- Free Pruning Workshop, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. For more information contact [volunteers@treemusketeers.org](mailto:volunteers@treemusketeers.org) or (310) 322-0263.

### ONGOING

• Farmer's Market is held every Thursday on Main Street between Holly and Pine Avenues from 3-7 p.m. For more information contact Farmers' Market manager, Val Patterson, at (310) 615-2649.

• January "Back to Basics" series- Science of the Mind: The Thing Itself, The Way It Works, What It Does, and How to Use It., Sunday services at 10 a.m., Living the Inner Light Foundation, 112 East Grand. For more information call Rev. Bonnie Wulff at (310) 364-3155. •

## People

### CONGRATULATIONS

**Lindsey Provencher**, a resident of El Segundo, has been named to the Dean's List at Providence College for the Fall 2012 semester. •

## Community Briefs

### COUNCIL SELECTS CRISTA BINDER AS NEW CITY TREASURER

In a special El Segundo City Council meeting on Tuesday afternoon, the members interviewed seven applicants for the open City Treasurer position and unanimously selected Crista Binder for the job. She replaces Chris Powell, who resigned last month for personal reasons. Binder, a chief management analyst with Los Angeles World Airports and former assistant treasurer for the City of Los Angeles, will be sworn in during the next Council meeting on Tuesday, January 15. As of that date, she must vacate her seat on the City's Capital Improvement Program Advisory Committee. The other applicants interviewed during Tuesday's two-and-a-half-hour session were Michel van Biezen, Don Brann, Milan Cvejic, Kevin Haggerty, Samantha Lee and Matthew Robinson.

### SUSTAINABLE EL SEGUNDO PRESENTS FAMILY ENERGY DAY

Sustainable El Segundo, a City of El Segundo initiative sponsored by NRG Energy, is sponsoring Family Energy Day on Saturday, January 12, to help local residents learn about ways to reduce energy use, make their homes more comfortable and save money on utility bills. Family Energy Day will feature displays, kids events, live music and more from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Plaza El Segundo Shopping Center, 760 South Sepulveda Blvd. Admission is free. Participants will hear from experts about alternative energy

sources, such as solar power, that can lower their energy costs while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

### TREAT YOUR TREES: DON'T TOP YOUR TREES

Trimming is for bushes, pruning is for trees and topping is for hacks! Topping is cutting off the top or ends of branches. It can cause problems:

**Starvation** when a tree can't make enough food, because too many leaves are lost.

**Shock** from losing too many leaves at once may permanently weaken or even kill a tree.

**Insects and Disease** may set in from the many large, open wounds.

**Weak Limbs** that are potentially hazardous sprout from mutilated branches.

**Ugliness** is permanent as a topped tree will never regain its full grace and beauty.

Cost may be less for topping, but more frequent care, liabilities, perhaps removal and reduced property values can cost you big!

When done properly, pruning is the strategic removal of branches using professional cuts at appropriate points for tree structure, health, safety and to eliminate conflicts.

Whether you are interested in pruning your own trees or being more knowledgeable when you hire someone else to do it, you should attend Tree Musketeers' Treat Your Trees workshop on pruning. Mark your calendar for Saturday Jan. 19th 10am-1pm. Kids and adults can call Tree Musketeers at 310/322-0263 or email [volunteers@treemusketeers.org](mailto:volunteers@treemusketeers.org) to register. •



**sustainable**  
El Segundo  
an NRG Initiative

Join us for  
**Family Energy Day**  
Sponsored by NRG Residential Solar Solutions

**Saturday, January 12, 2013**  
**11:00 am - 3:00 pm**

Plaza El Segundo Shopping Center  
760 S. Sepulveda Blvd., El Segundo

Enjoy a day of sustainable energy fun with:  
• solar displays • kids' activities • raffles and giveaways • music

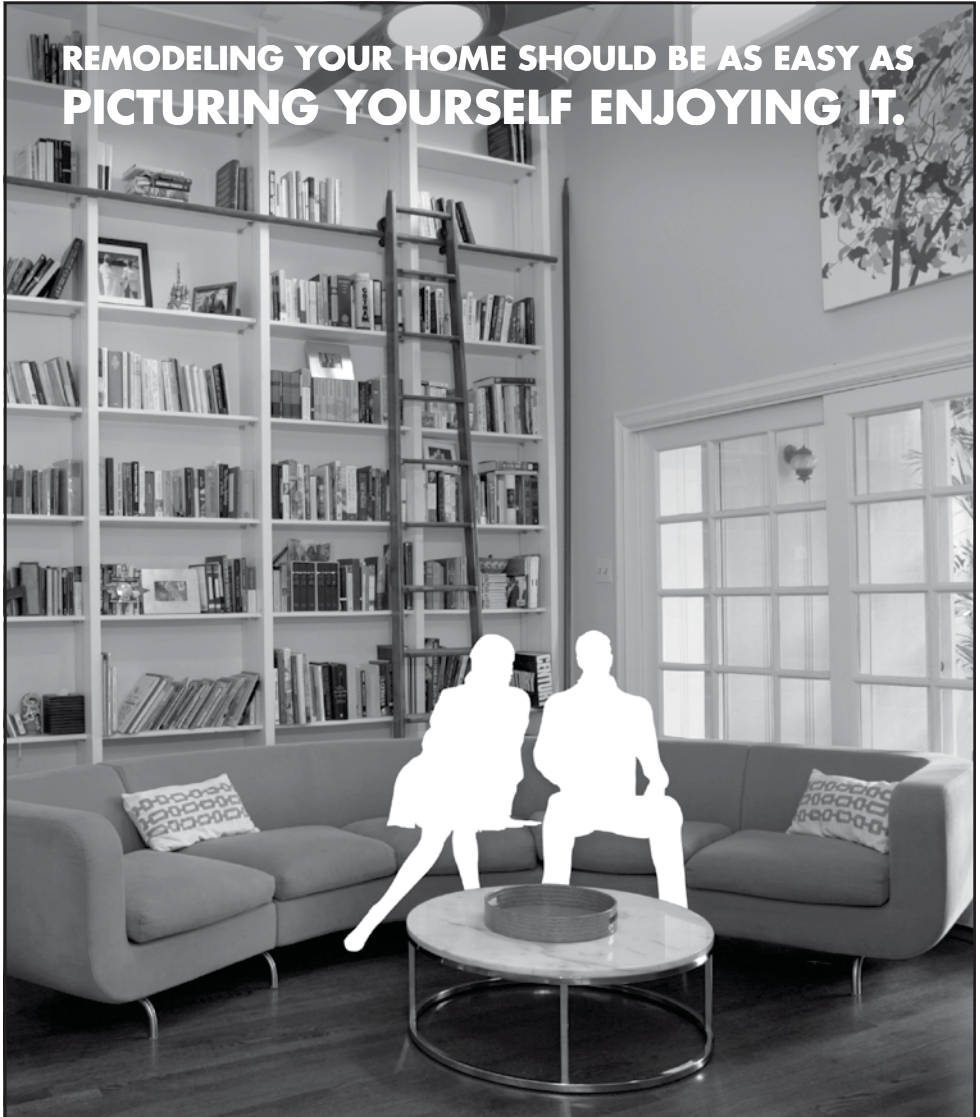
Hear from experts about alternative energy sources and learn how these solutions can be an affordable, easy and environmentally friendly way to manage your home's energy usage.

Admission is free! You can RSVP at  
[www.facebook.com/SustainableElSegundo](http://www.facebook.com/SustainableElSegundo)





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# Police Reports

## FRIDAY, JANUARY 4

An illegal dumping report was taken at 0658 hours from the 400 block of Maryland Avenue.

A vandalism report was taken at 0841 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) broke the fire extinguisher glass case and sprayed the halls with the fire extinguisher.

Traffic accident occurred at 0854 hours in the 300 block of East Walnut Avenue, vehicle versus vehicle.

A forgery report was taken at 1131 hours from the 800 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) used stolen checks.

One male adult was arrested at 1642 hours from Imperial Highway and Vista Del Mar for driving without a license and one LAPD misdemeanor warrant.

## THURSDAY, JANUARY 3

A Petty theft report was taken at 0915 hours from the 800 block of Apollo Street. A license plate was reported missing.

A burglary (commercial) report was taken at 0915 hours from the 2200 block of East Park Place. Unknown suspect(s) broke into a locker and took miscellaneous objects.

On-line lost property report was taken at 1100 hours from the 700 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard. A Canadian passport was reported missing.

One male adult was arrested at 2229 hours from Aviation Boulevard and Imperial Highway for burglary and possession of stolen property.

An illegal dumping report was taken at 2239 hours from the 300 block of Maryland Avenue, dumped where ten Christmas trees.

One male adult was arrested at 0030 hours from Sepulveda Boulevard and Valley Drive for possession of marijuana for sale, transportation of marijuana and possession of marijuana.

## WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2

One male adult was arrested at 1901 hours from the 400 block of Kansas Street for domestic battery.

A stolen vehicle report was taken at 1932 hours from the 1500 block of East Maple for a Chevy Malibu that was taken while the vehicle owner was away on vacation.

One male adult was arrested at 2200 hours from 130<sup>th</sup> Street and Inglewood Avenue for grand theft and possession of burglary tools.

## TUESDAY, JANUARY 1

One male adult was arrested at 0113 hours from Franklin Avenue and Main Street for plain drunk in public.

One male adult was arrested at 0211 hours from the 800 block of Loma Vista Street for one outstanding ESPD misdemeanor warrant.

One male adult was arrested at 0716 hours from West Imperial Avenue and Virginia Street for misdemeanor DUI.

Two male adults were arrested at 1334 hours from East Mariposa Avenue and North Sepulveda Boulevard for possession of concentrated cannabis and possession of marijuana.

One female adult was arrested at 0024 hours from West Imperial Highway and Sepulveda Boulevard for an outstanding Palos Verdes PD misdemeanor warrant.

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 31

One male adult was arrested at 0239 hours from Sepulveda Boulevard and Walnut Avenue for misdemeanor DUI and driving without a license.

One male adult was arrested at 0432 hours from the 300 block of Main Street for one outstanding ESPD felony warrant.

One female adult was arrested at 2332 hours from the 100 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard for possession of a controlled substance and possession of less than an ounce of marijuana.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 30

One female adult was arrested at 2020 hours from Aviation Boulevard and Imperial Highway for three outstanding LAPD misdemeanor warrants, one outstanding LASD misdemeanor warrant and one outstanding HBPD misdemeanor warrant.

One female adult was arrested at 2020 hours from Aviation Boulevard and Imperial Highway for one outstanding LAPD misdemeanor warrant.

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

One male adult was arrested at 0244 hours from Rosecrans Avenue and Continental way for misdemeanor DUI.

A robbery report was taken at 0303 hours from the 300 block of Concord Street.

Burglary occurred between 0930 hours and 1030 hours in the 2200 block of East Park Place. A gym locker was broken in to and miscellaneous personal items were taken.

One male adult was arrested at 1445 hours from the 800 block of Main Street for one outstanding ESPD misdemeanor warrant.

One male adult was arrested at 2101 hours from Aviation Boulevard and Utah Avenue for possession of a deceptive identification, providing false identification to an officer, and driving a suspended license. •

# Connections

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to the Salvation Army with my mom and do the same exact thing. Throughout my life I enjoyed doing this, so when it comes to these opportunities and people in the D-Fenders organization asking me to help out, I'll jump at the opportunity. I love helping, meeting people and helping the community."

The connection between both organizations took place at last year's Torrance Business

a house full of basketball players. My kids love basketball and I wanted to help more people know about them [D-Fenders] as well. So it was a win-win for all of us."

The toy drive ended with the four-day effort to distribute all the toys to kids and families from the Connections For Children office in Santa Monica. Families were scheduled to come in between December 19-22 so



Expo and the willingness from both sides to work together was almost instant. "I didn't know much about the D-League, so I started asking questions and connected with them. Then I started thinking about what a great thing it would be for them to learn about us and for us to learn about them with our Holidays Angels Programs," Connections For Children Director of Development Lisa Daggett said. "So I connected with Allison Tolladay, their Community Affairs Director, and she was just lovely--so we invited some of the guys to come here to wrap gifts, meet the kids and it was wonderful. They were on board right away. They [players] are all about the kids and you can just tell. I am an El Segundo resident and we have

that everyone's toys were wrapped in time for Christmas.

"We used to gift-wrap everything ahead of time and the parents would come in and pick stuff, but then we realized that every parent wants something that is just right for their child--so we switched it around," Oblath said. "The parents get to shop for items ranging from infant all the way up to teenagers. The logistics of getting everyone on board have become easier and the parents who have been on our child care financial support programs for a while anticipate this and look forward to it every year. We have built a good support network. We always bite out fingers about whether we will have enough toys or not, but we always do." •



The D-Fenders players spent a few days before Christmas wrapping gifts, signing autographs and taking pictures with children and families. Photo courtesy of the Los Angeles D-Fenders.

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## PUBLIC NOTICES

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: Thursday, January 24, 2013

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

PLACE: City Council Chambers

350 Main Street

El Segundo, California

TAKE NOTICE that the El Segundo Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at the time and place indicated above on the following:

**Environmental Assessment No. EA 1008 and Coastal Development Permit No. 13-01**

**Address: El Segundo Beach, directly west of the Lifeguard Station at 105 Vista Del Mar**

**Applicant: arlib 21 (Brian Sweeney)**  
**Property Owner: City of El Segundo**  
**Application Filing Date January 7, 2013**

## Project Summary

The proposed project is a temporary art installation located at El Segundo Beach, directly west of the recently constructed of El Segundo lifeguard and restroom facility (operated by the County of Los Angeles Lifeguard service) and the existing beach bike path. The art installation is proposed to be located a minimum of 10-feet west of the existing bike path. The proposed art installation consists of two 40-foot long by 8-foot wide by 8-foot tall steel freight shipping containers and two 20-foot long by 8-foot wide by 8-foot tall steel freight shipping containers placed in the sand west of the lifeguard station. A 15-foot long by 4-foot tall polar bear sculpture will be mounted to the top of one of the 20-foot long shipping containers. A 4 foot-tall sculpture of a sitting female figure, "a siren", will be mounted to the edge of the other 20-foot long shipping container. The sculptures will be bolted to the steel shipping containers and are constructed of steel reinforced Styrofoam coated with paint and resin.

The applicant proposes to install the temporary exhibit from February 8, 2013 to April 8, 2013. The initial installation of the project and initial two-week viewing period (February 8 to February 22) is proposed to be permitted as a temporary special event on City-owned open space (El Segundo Beach) and is exempt from coastal development permit requirements for that time period. As the installation is proposed to be installed for longer than two weeks, the time period proposed to be covered by the proposed Coastal Development Permit is February 22 to April 8.

Installation will occur on Friday, February 8 between 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. The components of the art installation will be transported by flat-bed truck to the County of Los Angeles parking lot directly north of the new lifeguard station. A 90-ton crane on rubber wheels will be set up 25 feet west of the bike path and be used to hoist the containers from the parking lot to the installation location on the sand on the west side of the bike path. The sculptures will be hand-carried to the installation location and mounted to the containers.

The project site is on El Segundo Beach, which is City of El Segundo property with an Open Space (OS) Zoning designation. The City has an adopted Local Coastal Plan and thus has permitting authority for uses and structures in the Coastal Zone in areas within the City's jurisdiction. The project site is located within the "shoreline area" of the City's Local Coastal Zone and the project requires a Coastal Development Permit. The City's decision is appealable to the California Coastal Commission.

The proposed project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 14 California Code of Regulations § 15304 as a Class 4 categorical exemption (Minor Alterations to Land). The project is a minor temporary use of land which will have negligible or no permanent effect on the environment. The project is not anticipated to have any significant impacts with regard to traffic, noise, recreational access, air quality, or water quality.

The file for the above mentioned proposal is available for public review, Monday through Thursday, between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the City of El Segundo Planning and Building Safety Department, located at 350 Main Street, El Segundo CA 90245. Any person may give testimony at the public hearing at the time and place indicated above. Please contact Masa Alkire, Principal Planner, in the City Planning Division at (310) 524-2371 for further information. The Coastal Development Permit may be appealed to the California Coastal Commission within 20 calendar days of receipt of notice of final local action on the project by the Executive Director of the Coastal Commission. The Executive Director of the Coastal Commission may require an appeal filing fee of \$300. The appeal must be filed with the South Coast District Office, phone (562) 590-5071, located at 200 Océangate, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Long Beach, CA 90802-4416.

Sam Lee  
Planning and Building Safety Director;  
and,  
Secretary to the Planning Commission  
City of El Segundo

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T.S. No.: 11-41391 TSG Order No.: 33-80187903 A.P.N.: 4132-003-016  
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## NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Date of Filing Application: JANUARY 2, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

The Name(s) of the Applicant(s) is/are: STAR RESTAURANTS INC

The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at:

223 RICHMOND ST  
EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245-3719

Type of License(s) Applied for: 47 - ON-SALE GENERAL EATING PLACE

Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control  
3950 PARAMOUNT BLVD, STE 250,  
LAKEWOOD, CA 90712 (562) 982-1337LA1257863 EL SEGUNDO HERALD 1/10,  
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# Politically Speaking

## Political Penguin

**Duane Plank**

Long time, no see. That's what my mom, the beloved Lupe, used to say to me when I occasionally returned to the Manhattan Beach estate to visit the family after I was unceremoniously exiled to the far reaches of Torrance many, many moons ago.

So a couple of weeks into 2013 and apparently the fiscal cliff has been averted. Now, did you really think that all of those self-important bureaucrats that we sent off to Washington, D.C. to cavort in the hallowed halls of the nation's capital would let this money-grubbing, capitalistic country slide further into the financial abyss?

Like almost all complex negotiations, the deal went down to the last day, with the CNN pontificators, as well as the incredibly biased honks on the Fox News Network, braying that the world as we know it would end unless a deal was struck.

Why, it was such a big deal that the POTUS cut short another one of his extended Hawaiian vacations to oversee his "victory" in the negotiations. Tried to stay abreast of the poli sci issues as much as possible over the holidays, but will admit that occasionally my attention may have strayed.

How much of this doom and gloom were we expected to take as we opened our wallets and swiped our credit cards to buy more mean-nothing Christmas electronics for family members who probably already have more of these desensitizing toys than they will ever need?

Was a scant three weeks or so ago when the world was supposed to end, at least according to some type of Mayan calendar? Will opine that I am too intelligent to put much stock into what a bunch of dead Mayans prognosticated eons ago... Back in in the December of 1999,

prior to the end of the world when Y2K struck, did not stock up my cellar with water and weapons and ammo to protect myself against not sure who when the world was going to end because the clock struck 12.

Think that I went upstairs in the Grand Avenue mansion, hung out with my sister and her significant other and played board games 'til I got bored and crashed on the floor prior to the clock striking 12 and the still-alive Dick Clark making his tape-delayed Times Square ball-dropping countdown. Cuz we all know, it's all about Times Square and New York, right? Unless you live in California, where you don't give a hoot about the Empire Staters who lemming-like jam in to Times Square to somehow get noticed by the light-in-the-loafers Anderson Cooper or the queen of facelifts and plastic surgery, alleged comedienne Kathy Griffin.

So haven't had this bully pulpit available recently, but look forward eagerly to 2013 and pontificating on the body politic, whether it be the events unfolding many miles away on the shores of the Potomac, or up in Sac Town where the rejuvenated Gov. Jerry Brown seems to be hanging in there. With the November passing of his Prop 30 to help out the schools in Cali and hopefully forestall another gouging of my wallet to continue financing the Kid's education at UCSB, Brown seems to be on a roll.

Oh, and in case that you are interested, the last Governor of Cali prior to the Brown resurfacing, the actor and serial philanderer Schwarzenegger, apparently has a new movie hitting the big screens. I, for one, doubt that I will pony up the outrageous 15 or 20 bucks to watch the roided-up action hero try to raise enough cash to pay off his lovely wife, Maria Shriver... •

## One Man's Opinion

**By Gerry Chong**

In 1961, Robert Heinlein wrote the sci-fi cult classic *Stranger in a Strange Land*. In this tale, Valentine Smith was born on Mars to human parents on an exploratory mission. After all the space travelers die, Valentine is raised by Martians until some 20 years later when another expedition from earth rescues him. Upon his arrival on earth, of course, he is a stranger in a strange land.

Heinlein never wrote a sequel, but if he had, his hero Smith would have written a diary with these entries:

January 1: The President appeared on *Meet the Press* and exclaimed he had cut government spending by \$1 trillion in fiscal

will only be \$1,027B short of bringing our revenue and spending into balance. Wheeee! For such an achievement, the President has earned his \$7 million vacation in Hawaii.

January 2: While infinitesimally small, that debt reduction down payment would appear to constitute progress, but it's not. The Tax Policy Center says over 10 years the tax increases should generate \$620B in revenue. Unfortunately, the bill also included \$330B in new spending, so only about half of the new revenue will go toward deficit reduction. The CBO says, on balance, this bill will add \$3.9T to the national debt over 10 years...an increase that would not have been there if the bill had not been passed.

*"The President says keeping tax rates the same for the middle class constitutes a tax cut....but that's not true."*

2011. In fact, however, the Congressional Budget Office said spending in 2010 was \$3.465T and increased to \$3.603T in 2011, a jump of \$147B. In Mars, our press would have castigated him for a bald-faced lie, but here the press is silent. It is a strange land.

January 2: After months of partisan haggling, Congress and the President bragged about a compromise spending accord. Again, according to the Congressional Budget Office, the compromise resulted in \$15B in spending cuts, but \$620B in tax increases, a 41:1 ratio of cuts to tax increases. Yet the President calls this a "balanced approach" to deficit reduction. I struggle to understand these political leaders.

January 2: In 2013, the CBO projects the deficit will be \$1,089B, while the tax increase will be \$62B. The good news is that we

This is strange arithmetic in a strange land.

And it gets worse. The President says keeping tax rates the same for the middle class constitutes a tax cut....but that's not true. The Social Security tax will increase by nearly 50%. As a result, 77% of tax payers will see a tax increase in 2013. Those earning \$40,000-\$50,000 will see a tax increase of \$579. Those earning \$50,000-\$75,000 will lose \$822, and so forth. So a tax reduction for the middle class is not a tax reduction at all.

All this arithmetic makes my head spin, but it is much ado about nothing. The Washington leadership assumes the super rich will docilely pay the increased taxes. Is there any doubt they will restructure their income and avoid the tax increase?

I think I'll return to Mars where people are rational. •

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# Sports

## Frankly Plank

### Duane Plank

Lotsa water under the bridge recently since we last met... Kid came home from and returned to the beachfront college escapade at UCSB, the NFL playoffs took shape after wild card weekend, and the new year was rung in triumphantly by some and met with a nonchalant shrug by others. Like Plank.

And hot off the press, at least it was smoking when I took to typing on a Sunday afternoon, looks like we will actually have the remnants of an NHL season after all. Word surfaced last weekend that the NHL admin mucky-mucks and the NHL Players Association had finally reached agreement on a deal that would produce a much-truncated 2013 regular season. And Stanley Cup playoffs.

But at least my Kings will get to unveil their Stanley Cup banner sometime in the next couple of weeks. Just to refresh, the Kings will be returning every single player from their Stanley Cup champion team as they attempt to defend their title. Some disconcerting puck news did surface last weekend, though. Super King center Anze Kopitar reportedly suffered a knee injury while playing in Sweden, waiting for the lockout to end. Initial reports were that the injury was "minor."

Was that embattled USC football coach Lane Kiffin spotted at my gym recently? Sure looked a lot like the underachieving coach, sporting nondescript grey sweatshirt attire as he paced the well-worn carpet at the beautiful Spectrum Club.

Not going to pile on local resident Kiffin and his very disappointing 2012 Trojan

football season, which culminated in a very lethargic loss in the recent Sun Bowl to a Georgia Tech football team that was coached by an energetic Paul Johnson--as opposed to the laconic, hoodie-ensconced Kiffin, who was hiding behind his dark shades with his nose buried in his play sheets, apparently oblivious to the fact that his unprepared freshman quarterback, Max Wittek, hadn't a clue on how to run or move the moribund Trojan offense. Or throw a 10-yard pass successfully.

Don't want to leave the powder blue Bruins unscathed. A nice turnaround season under local resident and new coach Jim Mora was tarnished with a season-ending three-game losing streak, including a perplexing 49-26 loss to the Baylor Bears in the Holiday Bowl.

As for the pros, the stage is set for the NFL's version of the elite eight. Best weekend of football, far as I am concerned. Here's what to look forward to this weekend: The Atlanta Falcons gag again and get upset by the Seattle Seahawks in a hard-fought game taking place in Atlanta; the Green Bay Packers will go down to a narrow defeat in San Francisco; the Denver Broncos and the revitalized Peyton Manning will eliminate the Baltimore Ravens; and the Houston Texans will be obliterated by the New England Patriots.

And for you hoop heads, not much new to report about the Clips and Lakers. Other than the fact that the Clips are fresh, energetic and fun to watch, and winning at a very nice pace, while the Lakers are stale, moribund and boring to watch--unless you like to view Kobe Bryant hoist up 30 or so shots a game. •

## Sports

### Eagles Looking Good to Start the Year

#### By Gregg McMullin

December is tournament month for high school winter sports. It's a time for teams and coaches to gauge where they're at before starting league play in January. With the winter sports in full swing, the El Segundo Eagles look to be primed and ready to start Pioneer League play this week. In December, the girls' basketball team won a tournament and the girls' soccer team placed fourth in its own tournament. The boys' basketball and soccer teams improved greatly and the girls' water polo team continued to play top-notch and highly regarded teams.

Girls' basketball coach Kelly Evans has to be extremely pleased with her team's play. After all, it posted a school-best 12-3 record in December and 10 of those wins were against teams with winning records. The Lady Eagles won their own tournament against a highly regarded field. In another tournament, they lost a nail-biter but won the consolation championship.

In the El Segundo Winter Shootout, the Eagles rolled through pool play against Price, South East (South Gate) and highly touted South Pasadena to reach the finals. In the championship game, they faced Centennial--a team that was physically much bigger and stronger than the Eagles.

The Apaches probably weren't expecting such a close game against their Pioneer League rivals. Time and time again, the Eagles came away with defensive rebounds because of inside position. Though their field goal percentage was low, they managed to hit timely shots to take an eight-point advantage in the third quarter.

The Apaches went on a run near the end of the third quarter and into the fourth quarter and held a four-point lead with about four minutes remaining. Kayla Kigawa and Stephanie Gee hit three-pointers and Paige Endo made a key steal down the stretch and the Eagles regained the lead. In the end, the Eagles held off a frantic comeback attempt and El Segundo won 44-39. Endo was named most valuable player, while Gee and Sarah Chang were named to the all-tournament team.

In the Cantwell Tournament, the Eagles fell to the host team in a dramatic 44-42 thriller in the first round. A poor first quarter helped doom the Eagles. The team rebounded to defeat Santa Fe, Palos Verdes and Rosamond to win the consolation championship. The team opened league play last night against Lawndale and is on the road at Centennial Friday at 6 p.m. Next week, they travel to face Torrance on Wednesday and host North Torrance on Friday at 6 p.m.

The girls' young soccer team has played some stiff competition and has held its own.

El Segundo came away with a 2-2 tie against Bay League power Peninsula. Erin Burner and Ashley Barden each scored for the Eagles. They played an inspirational game against Bay League favorite Mira Costa only to lose a thriller 2-1. The Eagles opened up Pioneer League action yesterday with Lawndale and host Centennial on Friday at 3 p.m. Next week, the team hosts league favorite Torrance on Wednesday and travels to North Torrance on Friday.

The boys' soccer record of 2-7 is a bit misleading and should only improve as they head into league play. This is a young team that keeps getting better with each match. Look for sophomore Noah Stone and freshman Lukas Freirichs to help ignite the offense, while senior Mario Castro and sophomore Jake Grundman continue their defensive ways in goal.

The boys' basketball team fell on hard times last year. This year, they have the look to really challenge a competitive Pioneer League lineup that includes five teams ranked in CIF polls.

Playing in its own tournament, the team went 2-2 including an inauspicious loss to Centennial. It may have been a game they likely should have won had they converted free throws and not allowed second-chance points. Still the Eagles didn't look intimidated and may have held back something for their Pioneer League meetings.

The team traveled to the Garces Tournament (Bakersfield) to play against some of Central California's top high school teams just before the holiday break to get ready for the Pioneer League schedule that started last week. El Segundo faced Salesian on Monday and opened league play against Lawndale at home last night. Friday night, the Eagles travel to Centennial and will then go to Mira Costa on Saturday night. Next week, they travel to meet Torrance and host North Torrance next Friday night.

The girls' water polo team, led by offensive threats Lizzie Ginther, Kenzie Leuk and Cameryn Barbee, will look to lead their team to a third consecutive Ocean League title. With a very challenging non-league schedule in the books, El Segundo still looks like the team to beat.

#### EAGLES IN THE NEWS

Former Eagle three-year basketball standout Brandon Jawato is steadily working himself into the lineup at the University of Hawaii. The 2011 graduate is averaging just over 14 minutes per game for the Rainbow Warriors and was a key contributor in the win against Cal State Northridge. •

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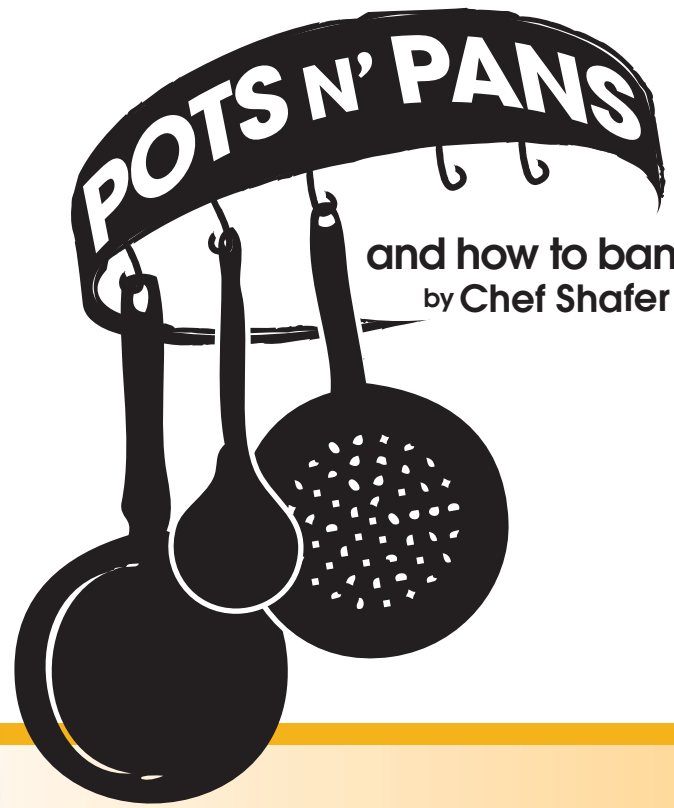
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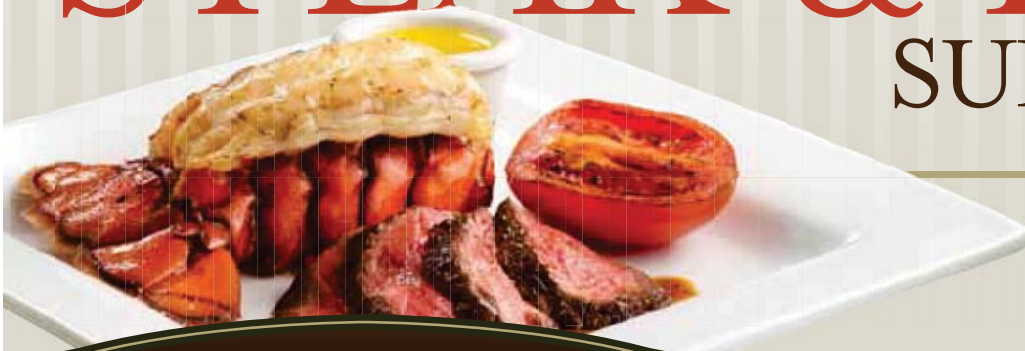
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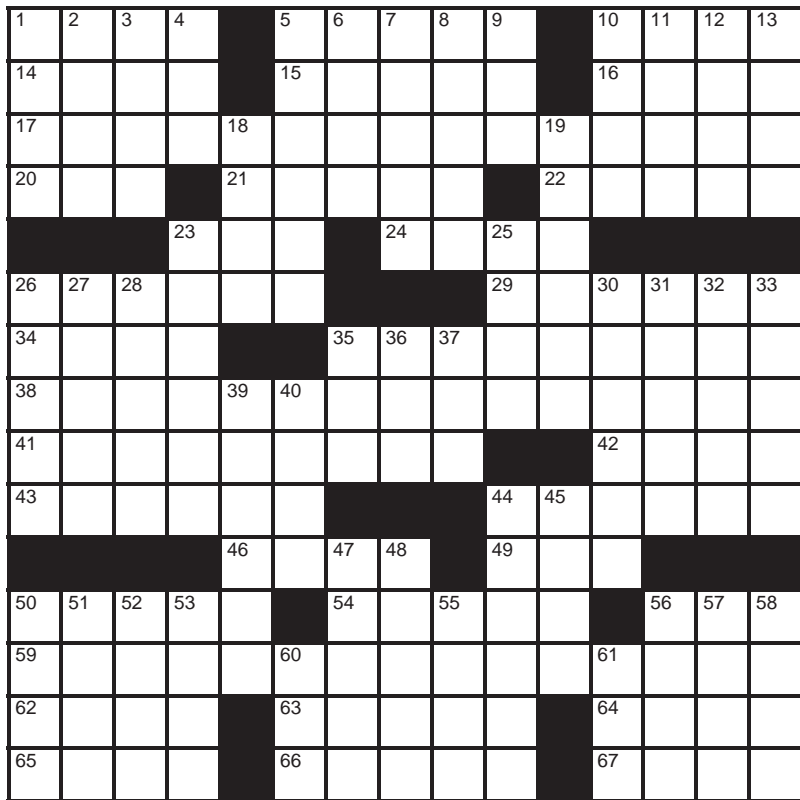
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- ACROSS**
- 1. Habit
  - 5. Ne plus \_\_\_\_
  - 10. Vitreous substance
  - 14. After-lunch sandwich
  - 15. Sweet rice wine
  - 16. Narrow street
  - 17. Let-downs
  - 20. Didn't straphang
  - 21. Come-ons
  - 22. Dostoyevsky novel, with "The"
  - 23. Fish-fowl connection
  - 24. \_\_\_\_ weight
  - 26. 2005 Best Picture nominee
  - 29. Blowhard
  - 34. Available
  - 35. Homegrown artifact
  - 38. Martinets
  - 41. Finnic people
  - 42. \_\_\_\_ frog
  - 43. Geometric figures: var.
  - 44. African grazing areas
  - 46. Many an office has one
  - 49. Grp. involved in "the Troubles"
  - 50. Adjust
  - 54. Handles
  - 56. Garden worker?
- DOWN**
- 1. Hephaestus and Demeter
  - 2. Part of a score, maybe
  - 3. Lie
  - 4. Stole
  - 5. Jocko Conlan, for one
  - 6. Rear half of a griffin
  - 7. Prosecuted
  - 8. Flush
  - 9. Antenna holder
  - 10. Split
  - 11. Punjabi royal
  - 12. Digging, so to speak
  - 13. Feeler
  - 18. Paranoiac's worry
  - 19. Above ground level
  - 23. Sarge, e.g.
  - 25. Old Mogul capital
  - 26. Computer programmer
  - 27. Unoriginal
  - 28. Marinara alternative
  - 30. Old World plant
  - 31. Bleated
  - 32. City in Scotland
  - 33. Short pants
  - 35. \_\_\_\_ maison: Fr.
  - 36. Time div.
  - 37. Starfleet Academy grad.
  - 39. Natural
  - 40. Home to the Palazzo Gambacorti
  - 44. Some organs
  - 45. While lead-in
  - 47. In \_\_\_\_ parts
  - 48. It's located on Lake George
  - 50. Annexes
  - 51. In \_\_\_\_ of
  - 52. Bygone despot
  - 53. De Valera's land
  - 55. Social group
  - 56. Fearless
  - 57. Children's author Blyton
  - 58. Glimpse
  - 60. Tease wool
  - 61. Bump off

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from front page

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brief, with the always well-received Young Americans' performances that will take place in the upcoming days noted by Clerk Robin Funk.

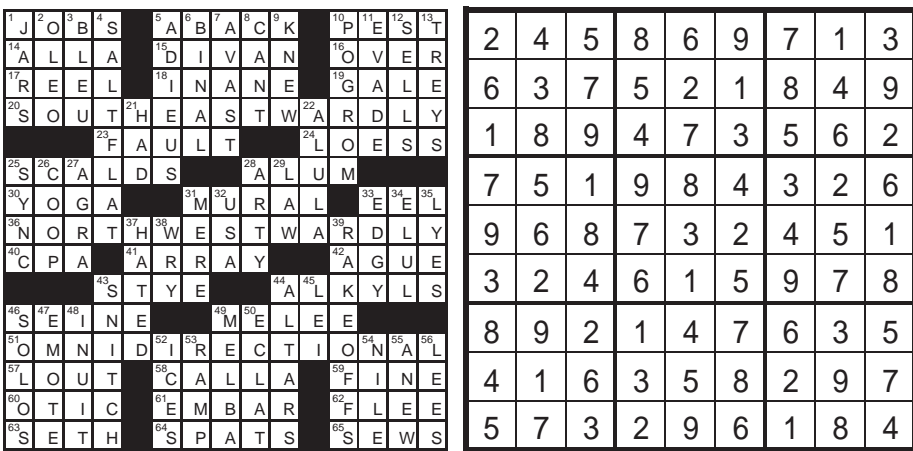
As the meeting quickly moved through the limited agenda without any major special presentations, the Board accepted gifts from community members and businesses. Included in the gifts bestowed on Tuesday night was a \$2,500 grant from the Koran family trust, which is earmarked for the Riley's Farm field trip, as well as a \$15,741 gift from the Center Street PTA.

Superintendent Geoff Yantz gave a brief report, welcoming all in the District back to school and mentioning upcoming events. Coles said of the meeting, "We knew it was going to be quiet." She did note that the Board had held a 45-minute special session prior to the regularly scheduled meeting to discuss budget issues.

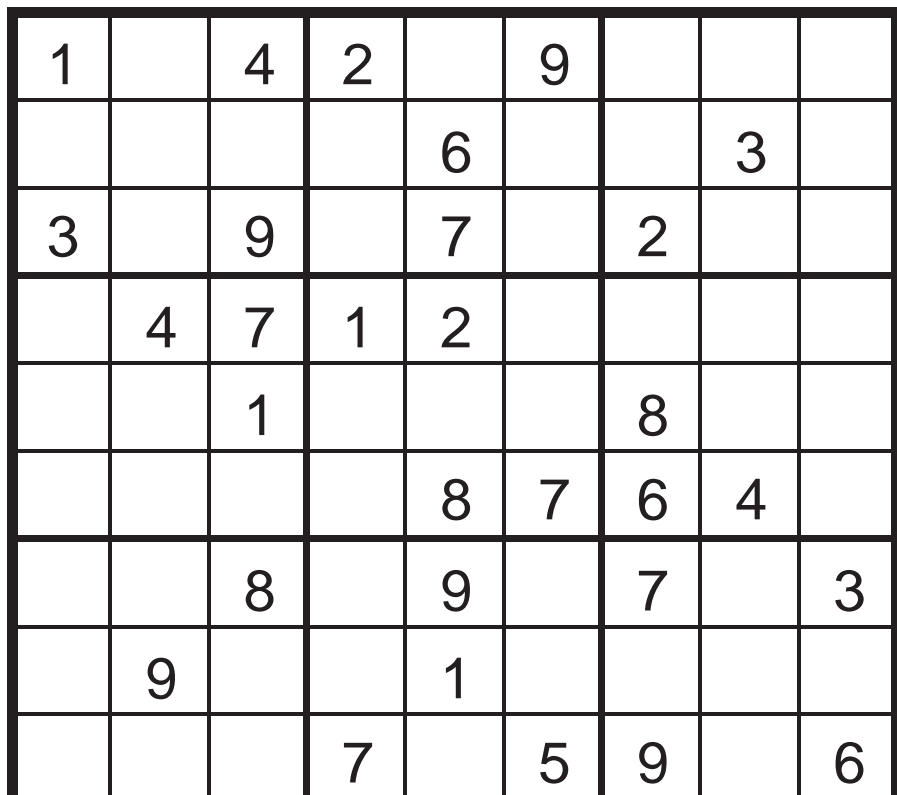
The Board member reports were equally

Despite the quick gathering, Superintendent Yantz said that the members are "still working hard." •

### Last Week's Answers



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(BPT) - It's most likely one of the top reasons you've been putting off that bathroom makeover or remodel - you're not sure where to begin. What should the decor be like? Do you want a pedestal sink or a furniture-style vanity? Will you incorporate any water-saving faucets or fixtures? And, with all the decisions to make, will it all look good together and still perform well?

These questions, and many others, should be at the top of your list when you start mapping out your next bathroom project. Luckily, many manufacturers have made it easier in recent years for you to answer those questions in a painless, affordable way.

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So what should you look for when you're planning your next bath or powder room project? Here are a few things to consider when choosing the key pieces:

**Sink and vanity** - Choices are abundant when it comes to the sink area of a bathroom. For those smaller footprint powder rooms, or where storage isn't as critical, consider a pedestal sink. If a pedestal doesn't match your taste or needs, furniture-style vanities can have a significant impact on a room's decor and add extra storage.

**Faucet** - This can be one of the most noticeable accessories in the room and one that homeowners and guests interact with the most. Make sure you choose a style and finish that is consistent with the overall decor. A soft brushed nickel or warm oil-rubbed bronze finish

can add a distinct detail to the feeling of the room. If environmentally friendly options are important to you, explore WaterSense-certified faucets that can reduce water usage by 30 percent, without affecting performance.

**Toilet** - This is one of the best places to go "green" in your bathroom. High-efficiency toilets use 1.28 gallons per flush (gpf), saving two or more gallons of water during each use compared to many toilets installed in the 1980s and prior. This saves 20 percent compared to more recent 1.6 gpf designs that are standard today. And, just because it's a very utilitarian element of a bathroom, don't skimp on design for this piece. Shape, height, styling and color greatly impact how the toilet can enhance the room's decor.

**Shower system** - Years ago homeowners had a handful of choices for showerheads. Today, there are hundreds of styles, functions, finishes and components that can comprise a home's shower system. This is a recently discovered area of the bathroom that can really show off your personality and can help you create a unique retreat. Tastes range from building a "shower spa" with wall- and ceiling-mounted showerheads, to conservation-minded shower stalls equipped with WaterSense-certified showerheads.

**Bath accessories** - Careful selection of bath accessories is key to creating a finished look to your project. Once again, homeowners have a huge choice. Whether it's the ornate styling of an old-world towel ring, or the sleek lines of a contemporary towel bar, make sure to select accessories that match your room's faucet, sink and other elements (all the way down to the robe hook).



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• **301 Kansas St. #B** - Gorgeous 2,030 sq. ft. 3 Bed + Bonus room / 3 Bath townhome.



• **533 W. Mariposa Ave.** - ES- 2,800 sq. ft. 4 bed/3 Bath home. Prime location!



• **90 W. Palm.** - 3 Bed/3 Bath, 2,500 sq. ft. home. Located on private cul de sac!



• **204 E. Maple Ave.** - 5 Bed/4 Bath 2,673sq. ft. home great for entertaining. Large Backyard!



• **1526 E. Elm Ave.** - 5 Bedroom, 3 Bathroom, 3,328 sq. ft. - Turn key!

**ATTENTION BUILDERS!**  
Coming soon. Approved 3 unit townhome site for sale!

**FOR SALE! Two 1 Bed+ den/ 1 bath bungalows plus front retail/office space. 6 car parking & 4 car garages.**

**COMING SOON! 4 bed/ 4 Bath SFR located on corner lot. West side of Main Street.**

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Well established Beauty Salon in the South Bay for Sale \$300,000.



• **533 W. Maple** - 4 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, 2,497 sf., 6,695 sq. ft. lot. Great Family Home.



• **1448 E. Maple Ave.** - Two on a lot- Front house is 3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, Backhouse is 2 Bedrooms, 1 Bath. 10,000 sq. ft. Lot!



• **128 Center St.** - 4,970 sq. ft. creative work space with 1,000 sq. ft. roof top deck. 12 private secured parking spaces.



• **Triplex in great location!** - Three 1 bed/1 bath units, each with a 1 car garage. Pride in ownership!



• **ES Condo** - 1,177 sq. ft. unit with 2 Bedrooms & 2 Bathrooms. Located close to pool!



• **8114 Manitoba St. #205** - PDR, 1 bed + loft/ 1 bath unit located in Seagate Village. Located on 2nd story with lots of natural light!

### Invest in El Segundo on Main Street!

Owner User/Investment coming for Sale & Lease!  
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• **136 Main St.** - 4757 sq. ft. - Office Building For Sale! 5 Suites, Owner/User Investment, Private underground parking



• **319 Main St.** - 7500 sf. - Very Modern Office Building for Sale or Lease! All remodeled with a public 200 car parking structure next door



• **426 Main St.** - For Sale - Contemporary construction. Mix of retail, office & large living space on 3rd level. 6,234 sq. ft.



• **529 Main St.** - 1850 sq. ft. - Office/Retail For Lease! Ample public parking adjacent!

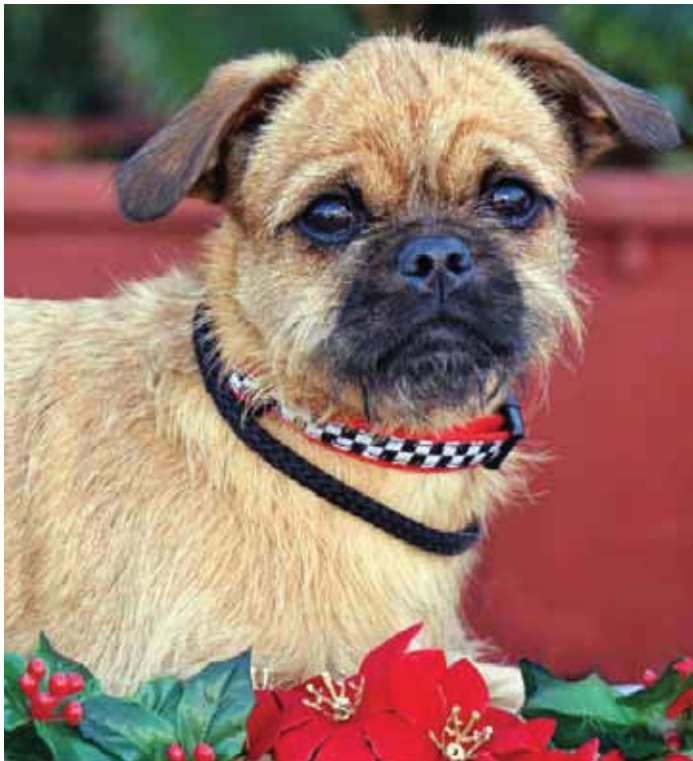
# PETSPETS **Pets** PETSPETS

## Pets Without Partners

Cuddle up this winter with a new friend and adopt a “pet without a partner.”

Little **Celia** is an adorable six- to eight-month-old pup. With her black muzzle and ears and the wrinkles around her soulful eyes and face, we think she is a Brussels Griffon mixed with a bit of Pug. She is the *cutest* little dog and a total love bug. A little shy at first, she warms up quickly and will be great addition to your family. Celia will be spayed soon, is current on vaccinations, de-wormed, microchipped, good with other dogs and good with children.

**Honey** was found down near the docks, terrified, dirty and cold. A kind man befriended her, feeding her daily until he gained her trust. And so the story of Honey begins. Honey Bear, Honeydew, Honey Boo Boo... She has lots of little nicknames. One thing that is consistent with her is that she is



Celia

play and will take any toy, throw it up in the air and chase it around. This little cuddler loves to be up on the couch and snuggle up in your lap—she is a true lapdog. She loves to go for walks and has great energy. Honey is also 100 percent crate-trained and loves her crate. For anyone looking for a little true to the heart companion dog, Honey is your gal! Honey is spayed, has had a dental, is current on all vaccinations, is de-wormed, microchipped and good with other dogs.

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. •**



Honey

definitely a Honey. She never stops wagging her tail and has the most expressive ears. We estimate her age to be about six or seven years old. Honey is wonderful with other dogs, including a Great Dane. She loves to

## Purrrfect Companions

Ring in the New Year with a new best friend when you adopt your purr-fect partner.

**Missy**, adopted as a kitten in 2008 with her sister, was returned when her owner lost her job and apartment. Her sister got readopted shortly and Missy went on a food binge. Whether from missing her former owner or her sister, or eating just out of sheer boredom, Missy put on weight and could do with a diet—which unfortunately is difficult in her current foster home. She may be four years old, but like her small kitten-like face she still loves to play. She especially enjoys feather teaser toys. In spite of her size, Missy is an avid climber and loves cat trees. Coming from a foster house with 13 other cats, Missy would love to go into a home where she can get more one on one loving. Missy's ideal home would have just one or two feline companions. Additionally she gets along with well-behaved dogs.

**Jackson** is a handsome boy with super-silken jet black fur and fantastic, light green eyes. This boy is quite the character and loves people. If you pick him up and put him on your lap, Jackson is quite happy to stay and enjoy pets. Jackson is very affectionate once he gets to know you, but also has a fairly independent streak. He is okay with other cats, but could potentially be an only kitty or a great companion for an older cat who just wants another kitty in the house and not a play pal. Jackson is very laidback and calm, so a quiet household would make him very happy. Jackson prefers to play with his humans. So if you are looking for a single kitty, or a calm companion for an older animal, Jackson would be the purr-fect match!

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



Missy

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,



Jackson

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. •**

## Happy Tails

### Mini Scores Big with New Loving Family

Little Mini scored *big* with a family that loves her “shamelessly...”

“We can't thank you and your team enough for all the love you gave Mini. She is beyond sweet and beyond good, we are so smitten. She's obedient and loving and that's all testament to her time with you and at Cindy's house. She's adjusted exceptionally well. We had one accident the first night home, but now we are all in the routine and she knows her outdoor potty spots. We've taken Mini on long walks each day and discovered her love of running lightning fast laps around the yard. Her aunt gave her a couple sweaters to keep her cozy at night and her neighbor

gave her a variety of chew toys and organic treats. We are not ashamed that we are instantly, shamelessly 'dog people.' We make jokes that she is excited about having us as her owners, but really we won the lottery when we got to adopt Mini. We are going to keep her name 'Mini,' but for some reason it's become 'Mini-Dog!', pronounced as if she's a superhero. Thank you, everyone at Animals Rule – we are so grateful!”

– Carly and Andy.

**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. •**

