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Friends of El Segundo Library Donation to Help Preserve Community Newspaper



The Friends of the El Segundo Library has voted to make its largest contribution to the El Segundo Public Library in history by donating \$20,000 for the preservation of copies of the community newspaper, the "El Segundo Herald". Interested persons may donate to this project by making a check to "Friends of the El Segundo Public Library", (memo: Herald conversion). Sending it to Friends of the El Segundo Public Library, 111 West Mariposa Ave., El Segundo, CA 90245. Photo courtesy of the Friends of the El Segundo Library.

Sequestration Cuts Pose Threat to Defense, Social Programs, Jobs

By Brian Simon

As a longtime aerospace employee in town, Mayor Pro Tem Suzanne Fuentes understands the devastating impacts job losses in that sector can have on El Segundo, as she witnessed first-hand how layoffs ravaged the local economy in the post-Cold War late 1980s and early '90s. Despite a recent period of relative prosperity and stable employment numbers, the defense industry could be in a world of hurt again if Congress does nothing to avert the \$1.2 trillion in across-the-board spending cuts (referred to as "sequestration") over the next decade that will otherwise automatically kick in on January 2, 2013.

Calling sequestration awareness her "third job" after her work at Northrop Grumman and on the City Council, Fuentes has issued numerous warnings on the topic at public meetings over the last few months. Most recently, she asked her colleagues to approve (which they did unanimously) a resolution urging Congress to pass and the White House to sign legislation to halt the sequestration process. "I am really concerned about the effects of sequestration on El Segundo and on the region," Fuentes said. "If it happens, our city's budget problems will be a lot worse than they already are."

Fuentes is by no means alone in the effort, even though El Segundo was the first municipality to sign such a resolution. Last month, the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation formed a strike team, the L.A. Jobs Defense Council, to work with state and local governments to "implore members of Congress to put aside their differences and political motivations to find a solution to ward off these automatic cuts" and to call on the President to sign the Sequestration Transparency Act to help the County prepare for the impacts of those cuts. The South Bay Cities Council of

Governments (SBCCOG) also identified the issue as a major priority, along with keeping the dreaded Base Realignment and Closure Commission (BRAC) dormant next year.

While sequestration could mean another \$500 billion in military cuts over the next 10 years, those are in addition to \$489 billion in defense reductions already included in the proposed 2013 US Senate budget. According

to an LAEDC statement, California would stand to lose \$2 billion in defense contract revenue—with LA County especially hit hard given that Northrop Grumman and Boeing alone employ nearly 30,000 people in the region. "The thought of California losing another 135,000 private-sector jobs and \$11.7 billion in gross state product [GSP] from

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School Board Hears Info about Imperial Avenue Property

By Duane Plank

Tuesday night's El Segundo School Board meeting was gavelled to order by President Bill Watkins, who asked the gathered members, administrators and audience to observe a moment of silence for the victims of the horrific events that occurred on September 11, 2001. School has been in session for a little more than two weeks, with a non-traditional school kickoff prior to the Labor Day holiday.

The initial special presentation of the 90-minute meeting was made by Jim Goodell, who spoke about his company, Public Private Ventures (PPV), which will be assisting the El Segundo Unified School District in marketing and dispositioning the valuable and long-underutilized property located at the old Imperial Avenue School site. Goodell talked about what PPV has been commissioned to do to aid the District in moving the process forward, including helping to optimize the number of qualified potential offerors; structuring a clear and transparent, credible, objective and fair process for selecting the preferred developer; and seeking the highest value versus the highest price. Goodell spoke of a

process that could yield an approved lease agreement with the District in about a year.

Superintendent Geoff Yantz then gave his annual year in review presentation for the recently concluded 2011-12 school campaign. Yantz detailed many of the accomplishments and highlights of the past school year, including new and forward-thinking course offerings; implementation of new technologies both inside and outside of the classroom, including iPads; and the increase in workforce and college readiness programs as well as internships for El Segundo High School students.

Following Yantz was Arena High Principal and Assistant Superintendent Janice Hickey, who used her time to inform the Board members about the 2012 STAR testing results. STAR stands for Standardized Testing and Reporting, and Hickey spoke about how the District's top-notch scores illuminate student achievement and help teachers refine and improve their lessons and instruction. She noted that over the course of the past few years, the District has made some "pretty impressive gains" in the all-important categories such as English

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Weekend Forecast

Friday
Sunny
83°/69°



Saturday
Sunny
82°/69°



Sunday
Sunny
78°/66°



Obituaries

“Monte” 1938-2012

Frank Montecalvo lost his battle with prostate cancer on September 9, 2012. He was a 50-year resident of El Segundo. Monte was not only a former Marine; he gave 28 loyal years to El Segundo as a Police Motor Officer. He retired to work another six years with the Los Angeles Raiders when they



were in town. He finished out his career by driving the El Segundo Dial-a-Ride and Lunchtime Shuttle. He is survived by his beautiful wife Kathy of 53 years, two children, five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Those who knew him will miss a wonderful gentleman with a heart of gold.

Center Street Elementary School Site of Eagle Scout Project

By Cristian Vasquez

When Alexander Arroyo joined the Boy Scouts, he knew little about what it meant and what was expected of them. “I didn’t really know a lot about the Boy Scouts when I first started. I thought that they always

was giving back to the school. My mom was really happy and my dad was even happier because he has seen the map when we walk around and also thought it needed fixing up, but he never thought it would be done.”

The final step to becoming and Eagle Scout



“I not only wanted to leave something for the kids to both remember and learn from, but also fix something that was in serious disrepair,” Alexander Arroyo said. Photo courtesy of Alexander Arroyo.

went camping.” Alexander Arroyo said. “But when I came to the troop, I realized that they obviously do a lot more than that. They practice leadership and engage a lot in group activities.”

His two-and-a-half years with Troop 762 have finally led him to the completion of his Eagle Scout project: a 16-foot by 27-foot continental US map with national monuments and curriculum artwork drawn and painted on it on the fifth grade playground at Center Street Elementary School.

“I first talked to the principal and she was really happy for me, but the biggest response was from my elementary school teachers when the principal told them what I was going to do,” Alexander Arroyo said. “Some knew me really well from when I used to be a student there, so they were kind of shocked but really happy. They hadn’t seen me in a long time and they were really glad that I

was a challenge that required the participation of 18 people and a total of 365 hours of work in a span of eight days. “It was tough because the week that I completed this project was also the week of Boy Scout Camp, which is usually when all the troops in L.A. County go on this big campout--so I didn’t have many of the younger Scouts,” Alexander Arroyo said. “I was able to coordinate with the oldest Scouts that are my age and with some friends. I also had a lot of Cub Scouts helping. I was also able to coordinate with family and family friends, but what made it hard to do so was that the project took place during the work week, so I wouldn’t really get people around until 3 p.m.”

Seeing the project completed was also a big reason to celebrate for his family, which was just as involved with the effort as Alexander. “It is amazing. He is my oldest and I have

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Herald In Death Valley National Park



The Herald traveled with Carol and Jim Hatton, and Dave Turner to the summit of Telescope Peak, the highest point in Death Valley National Park. From the 11,331’ summit, the lowest point in North America Badwater Basin (-282’ el.) can be seen to the right next to Mt. Whitney (14,505’ el.), the highest point in the lower 48 states. Telescope Peak is also notable for having one of the greatest vertical rises above local terrain of any mountain in the contiguous United States, rising from Badwater to its summit in only 15 miles.

“The attacks of September 11th were intended to break our spirit. Instead we have emerged stronger and more unified. We feel renewed devotion to the principles of political, economic, and religious freedom, the rule of law and respect for human life. We are more determined than ever to live our lives in freedom.”

~ Rudolph Giuliani, former mayor of NYC

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

• Complimentary Easybridge! Class. Everyone welcome. You play in a game your very first lesson. Bring a partner or come alone. You won't be alone long! 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the El Segundo Woman's Club at the south end of the High School where Mariposa meets Standard;

Any questions, call Jeff Grotenhuis 600-4275, email jeffgro@gmail.com or visit www.agilebridgeclub.com.

School

from front page

Language Arts, freshman Biology and fourth and seventh grade writing scores.

The consent agenda portion of the meeting included approvals of the popular El Segundo Middle School Challenge Days, more internship opportunities for El Segundo students with the iconic entrepreneur Mattel, a couple of assemblies that will take place at the Richmond Street and Center Street schools, and an internship opportunity with Grand Avenue company Sweettoof Studios.

The Sweettoof Studios internship will be a new partnership with the District. Sweettoof manufactures a cutting-edge line of peel and press stickers called Ticings. The pre-printed designs and custom products have been made available for online ordering. Internship students will have the opportunity to gather hands-on experience as the niche company works to establish a viable and profitable Internet presence.

The Mattel internship will allow District students to utilize specified corporate space at the toymaker's headquarters east of Sepulveda. The ongoing program has allowed numerous high school students the opportunity to experience real-world work challenges close to home, as well as provide important mentoring relationships with talented working professionals in the highly creative field of product development and marketing.

The Board approved assemblies at both Center Street and Richmond Street schools that will take place on October 3. The special events will be presented by Obediah Thomas from Razzle Bam Boom, who is expected to enchant the youngsters with a presentation that "uses

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

• Custom Design & Construction is hosting a remodeling seminar from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. A light lunch will be provided for all attendees. To attend, homeowners must RSVP online at www.RemodelWithUs.com/seminar or by calling (310) 815-4815

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

• The meeting of the Friends Of the El Segundo Public Library will take place at 6:30 p.m., in the "Friends of the Library Room" at the Library, located at 111 West Mariposa Ave., El Segundo. The business meeting is open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend to discuss library related activities. For further information please call 310-524-2722. •

story, songs, humor and audience participation to educate and inspire elementary students about the concepts of trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, citizenship and anti-bullying."

Not to be left behind, the Middle School will offer a three-day program to its students starting on November 27. Labeled "Challenge Days" and in the third year of existence, this will allow students to take part in a "powerful, high-energy program in which youth and adult participants are guided through a series of experiential learning processes," with the goal being to increase personal power and self-esteem, and foster tolerance and understanding.

Later in the meeting, the action items featured approval to enter into a formal agreement with PPV to move forward the process of helping the District with marketing and disposition of the Imperial Avenue School property. The Board approved a stipend not to exceed \$160,000 that includes utilizing the services of PPV to prepare a disposition package; create a prospect list; work with the District's IT staff to build a website dedicated to the project that will be the primary means of posting critical information; address questions that arise during the solicitation process; review proposals that will be submitted; manage developer negotiations; and serve as the program manager and primary communications link with the District team.

In his report at the end of the meeting, Yantz noted that "we really have a special place, we are alive and well, and I am looking forward to getting through this November [election], come out on the good end of the stick." •

Letters

PARENTS, COMMUNITY INVITED TO JOIN PTA

With school beginning, I want to write and invite all parents and community members to join PTA.

PTA (Parent Teacher Association) is the largest national organization dedicated to advocacy for children. The School Lunch Program is just one of the projects sponsored by PTA. Recently a state bill to stop bullying was sponsored by PTA for the safety of our school children.

This last year over 48,000 volunteer hours were logged by El Segundo PTA volunteers, saving the school district hundreds of dollars in programs. PTA sponsors the art programs at both elementary schools, as well as P.E. program. This year both Richmond and Center St. Schools will enjoy new computer labs mostly supported by PTA fundraising. The Middle School received over \$10K in school gifts, such as smartboards. Each year the elementary schools receive PTA funding for grade level assemblies and field trip busses for each classroom. High School received 6 projectors that work with the teacher's computer, binder reminders, and funding for the website. These strides in improving our schools simply can't be made without PTA efforts and fundraising, as well as community donations.

Memberships in PTA are \$10 per person this year, and \$4.50 will directly to the school site of membership. Envelopes will be available through the school disbursement to parents, as well as in the offices of every school.

Also, please consider volunteering to support sports and activities in high school, fundraising, reading in class, volunteering as a tutor in the schools. There are many opportunities for the community to support our children. PTA thanks you, El Segundo!

Beth Muraida, El Segundo PTA Council President

STOCKTON SYNDROME FOUND

El Segundo like many other cities in California appears to have some of the symptoms of an affliction now common throughout California. It has been observed in Vallejo, San Jose, San Diego, San Bernardino County and Stockton. I will refer to this malady as the "Stockton Syndrome". Some of its symptoms include the lack of a balanced budget, loss of revenue from sales and real-estate taxes, investment income and electric utility tax. Other symptoms include unexpected personnel costs. Annual budgets that must also cope with ever increasing yearly growth in salaries, pension and medical costs is common. Moody's has taken notice of this in their recent announcement to review the bond ratings of all California cities.

Other symptoms include problems and debt associated with failed city investments in economic development programs meant to attract new businesses and entrepreneurs in spite of the fact that California State anti business climate is driving them out of the state.

I am certain that our mayor, council members and other city officials are aware of these complicated issues as are the citizens of our city and that the avoidance of bankruptcy is very possible if action is taken while we still have the time to do so as did Rancho Cucamonga. I therefore respectfully request that in this era of transparency periodic progress reports on this subject be included in the city council's meeting agenda or published in The El Segundo Herald and The Daily Breeze.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Douglas Heitkamp

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Police Reports

Compiled by Cristian Vasquez
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

One male adult was arrested at 0104 hours from the 1500 block of East Rosecrans Avenue for possession of a controlled substance.

One male adult was arrested at 0106 hours from the 1500 block of East Rosecrans Avenue for receiving stolen property.

A hit and run report was taken at 1117 hours from the 2000 block of East Mariposa Avenue.

An identity theft report was taken at 1542 hours from the 500 block of Richmond Street. Unknown suspect(s) used the victim's driver's license to rent a vehicle.

A grand theft report was taken at 1537 hours from the 700 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard. Unknown suspect(s) took golf clubs without permission.

A traffic accident with no injuries occurred at 1634 hours at Mariposa Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard, vehicle versus vehicle.

One male adult was arrested at 0007 hours from Franklin Avenue and Standard Street for possession of concentrated cannabis.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

No report sent for this date.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

A traffic accident (with no injuries) occurred at 1618 hours from Center Street and Mariposa Avenue, vehicle versus vehicle.

A lost/stolen plate report was taken at 1817 hours from the 300 block of West Grand Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) took the rear license plate without permission.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Burglary (commercial) report was taken at 1055 hours from the 300 block of South Aviation Boulevard. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry into the business. Suspect(s) attempted to break into a safe and sprayed the office with a fire extinguisher.

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1130 hours at Sepulveda Boulevard and Hughes Way, three vehicles involved.

Grand theft report was taken at 1517 hours from the 500 block of East Imperial Avenue.

A catalytic converter was removed from the victim's vehicle.

An online petty theft report was taken at 1355 hours from the 2000 block of East El Segundo Boulevard. Taken was a Blackberry cell phone valued at \$200.

An online petty theft report was taken at 1240 hours on 09/02/12 from the 2200 block of East Park Place. Taken was a Schwinn bicycle valued at \$380.

An online petty theft report was taken at 1048 hours on 09/02/12 from the 500 block of West Maple Avenue. A purse containing a \$6.00 in cash, a drivers' license and a checkbook was taken from an unlocked vehicle.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Traffic accident (no injuries) occurred at 0539 hours from the 1400 block of East Palm Avenue, vehicle versus parked vehicle.

Petty theft report was taken at 0310 hours from the 1400 block of East Palm Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) access victim's unlocked vehicle and steal a checkbook.

A found property report was taken at 0908 hours from the 800 block of East Pine Avenue. A bicycle was found.

One male adult was arrested at 1154 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for possession of paraphernalia.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

One male adult was arrested at 0148 hours from the 400 block of Sheldon Street for burglary, receiving stolen property, possession of burglary tools, a parole violation, and one outstanding ESPD felony warrant.

A battery report was taken at 0155 hours from East Imperial Avenue and Sheldon Street. Known suspect walked up to the victim and punched her in the face.

A petty theft report was taken at 0705 hours from the 700 block of Eucalyptus Drive. Unknown suspect(s) removed the catalytic converter from the victim's vehicle.

A theft report was taken at 1355 hours from the 200 block of West Walnut Avenue. Various vehicle burglary reports were taken from several locations within the city.

A domestic violence report was taken at 1145 hours from the 800 block of Bungalow Drive. •



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

Why Should I Attend Church?

In no other place can one hear:

How much God loves the whole wide world.
The challenging questions of the day.

The power and goodness of grace and kindness.

The need to grow and keep on growing.

The stories of faith: from creation to covenant to cross and the new creation.

The big picture and the place of faith.

Honest dealing with death and sorrow.

Encouragement and hope grounded in the work of God.

In church, the largeness of God's love will make us larger, too, in mind and heart and deed.

Of course, not every church passes the above test. Some are small-minded and full of noise. Not everything that claims to be church is church. If it feels real, than it probably is. If it feels forced, or in any way less than real, trust your instincts.

If one is a Christian, seeking to take Jesus seriously, the company of believers is a vital part of the journey; indeed, essential. Jesus calls us one-by-one, but only to meld us into the community of faith, to fulfill God's original image of creation - to live together well, caring for one another and God's good earth.

This community of faith might be a traditional church with choir and organ; it might be a living room fellowship or a megachurch. But whatever it is, the promise of Jesus seals the deal: "where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am."

The Spirit will not honor those who prefer to go it alone - a contradiction of love. But in fellowship, faulty and frail as it may be, there is always the possibility of love, and where there is love, God is there, too.

—Rev. Tom Eggebeen, *Calvary Presbyterians, Hawthorne*

Allow me, if you will, gently to rephrase the question to "What Kind of Church Should I Attend?" The answer to that question is four-fold.

First, you should attend a church that faithfully teaches the Scriptures as God's authoritative Word. Second, you should attend a church that joyfully worships God as Maker, Savior and Friend. Third, you should attend a church that shares and shows Jesus to the surrounding community. Finally, (and in many ways, most importantly) you should attend a church that is committed to the Good News that God - despite your rebellion against Him - has loved you enough to provide a savior to take upon Himself the full penalty of human sin for all who trust in His sacrifice. That savior is Jesus Christ and His call - indeed, our plea at the church I serve - is for you to bow to Him as your rightful Lord and to believe on Him as your

only Savior ... with the promise that when you do, eternal life will be yours!

That's the kind of church you should be looking for. You will find at the congregation I serve a company of people that is struggling - very imperfectly - to live up to those four marks. But whether you find that church among us or elsewhere (and there are many such like-minded churches!) the important thing is that you find one ... and (most importantly) you find Him, in whom every church should trust, and to whom every church should commit itself.

—John Svendsen, *First Baptist Church of El Segundo*

What was the most beautiful sight you've ever seen? What kind of power could have produced something so achingly beautiful that it reduces a human being to wordless wonder? Surely the sheer wonder of life should raise huge questions for us....

The Bible unashamedly says that all this natural beauty and amazing intricacy is meant to point us towards God, the one who created the extraordinary scale and complexity of the universe we live in, and the bodies we inhabit.

But this is the point at which many people switch off. The may have caught something of the marvel of creation, but Christianity leaves them cold. Many people find Christianity incredibly dull, and entirely irrelevant. You may have already decided the contents of the Bible are untrue. So before we can answer the question why should I attend your church, let's clear away all the misconceptions about Christianity so that you can examine the facts for yourself.

If you think Christianity is all about churches, and rules- leaving your brain at the door and then having all your fun spoiled- you have been misled. That's not what it's all about. The first sentence in Mark's Gospel says that Christianity is about Christ, Jesus Christ.

I have to be honest and say that I understand those who find the Christian faith useless, meaningless, unappealing or unbelievable. But the problem is that, often, what they have written off is not the real thing. Mark says his book is "The beginning of the gospel about Jesus Christ" The word "gospel" means "good news".

Christianity Explored is a course designed by people who once felt the same way as you might be feeling right now. This course exists to clear away all the misconceptions about Christianity so that you can examine the facts for yourself. Look in this paper next week for details about how, when and where you can attend.

You may have had bad experiences of religion. If so, stick around to see how un-religious Jesus is.

—Arthur J Stevens, *Elder*

Submit faith questions to management@heraldpublications.com

Sequestration

from front page

defense-related cuts over Congress' inability to come together is alarming news to a state already facing tepid economic growth, job creation and revenue generation problems," a statement from the LAEDC reads.

The website www.stopsequestration.com (sponsored by Northrop Grumman) further details the burden on the defense industry if the January cuts become a reality. "Should sequestration take effect, the Department of Defense will need to immediately reduce military activities around the world, furlough or lay off civilian employees, and scale back or cancel major acquisition programs," it reads on the site. "These spending cuts would have a significant impact on the size and capability of the military and the defense industrial base."

On the topic of layoffs, several large aerospace firms indicated they will send termination notices anywhere from a month prior to a few days before the November election—as part of the requirement to do so 60 to 90 days before any action is taken. John Parsons, a former Redondo Beach City Council member who is now Business Services and Economic Development Manager for the South Bay Workforce Investment Board as well as a member of the LAEDC committee, noted that the companies in question are essentially operating in the dark. "Because the cuts are across the board and they [aerospace companies] don't know what programs will be affected, they don't know who to issue termination notices to, so they are considering issuing them to everyone," explained Parsons. "That further hurts the economy since those

employees whose job statuses are up in the air aren't buying cars, buying homes and making other major purchases to keep the economy going."

While defense firms may not yet be able to pinpoint the detailed nuts and bolts of the cuts, Frank Kendall, U.S. Undersecretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, gave industry officials a simple formula during his remarks at the ComDef 2012 conference last week in Washington. "If you want to know what will happen to your program, look at how much money you expect to have in your budget next year and cut 11 percent," he said.

Despite the severity of those numbers, defense spending is not the only line item on the chopping block. Sequestration will also impact social service programs, with the potential loss of \$546 million in federal funding for education, health and human services and workforce development, according to estimates from the United Ways of California. Parsons, who also serves as Vice-Chair of the L.A. County Commission for Public Social Services, says that federal cuts to social service programs will have a painful impact on the County's already stressed budget. The impact on California's beleaguered education system could be especially severe, as sequestration will reduce professional development and academic programs while eliminating personnel and increasing class sizes. An economic impact analysis by the Aerospace Industries Association suggests that the overall sequestration process could entail

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Eagle Scout

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heard of boys becoming Eagles, but never thought I would have my own child experience it," Kerri Arroyo, Alexander's mom, said. "He is not quite there, but he will be soon and it is quite an honor and it is exciting. It is a rare thing that happens for boys because it is a big commitment. His whole family is very excited. He will be the first boy to do it both on my husband's side and my side of the families. So it is a great accomplishment."

Other options for the El Segundo High School junior were helping his church, Saint Anthony, since he was baptized there and currently attends mass there. However,

there was not really much he could do at the church that would fit the criteria and requirements of the Eagle Scout Project. "It pretty much consumed all of us. We have a large family--four children with Alexander being the oldest--and we also have three younger boys going through Boy Scouts," Kerri Arroyo said. "Scouting is a big part of it, so having my younger children be a part of his experience that allowed them to say, 'This is what I am going to do' was great."

Setting an example to siblings and to his community is also a big source of pride for

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Politically Speaking

One Man's Opinion

By Gerry Chong

Carlos, the neighborhood talking cat, had wrapped his life vest around his chest and had floaters around all four legs. He had tucked his whiskers inside his diving mask and tightened the mini-flippers on both rear paws. He hunched in anticipation, staring at the ocean. "Wazzup, cat?" I asked. "The tsunami is coming," he replied, "and it's gonna be HUGE! The signs are everywhere.

"The Beach Boys are retuning their instruments and warming their voices to sing 'Wipe Out' all over again. Romney has more money now than Obama and is out-raising him by \$25 million per month. Wipe Out!

"The Washington Post/ABC poll shows Obama's popularity among women had been 57-39 in his favor in April, but had fallen to a negative 46-50 by June. His attempt to create a Republican war against women had failed.

"The first to desert the sinking ship was Rahm Emanuel, who has left the Obama campaign during the convention! More Democrats too will distance themselves from Obama as the size and scope of the tidal wave becomes clearer.

"Obama's overall job approval rating has fallen to 43 percent, while Romney's likeability factor now equals Obama's.

"Food stamp participation has risen in the last few months from 45 million to 46.7 million, a record high, and the cost of the program has risen 43 percent in the last two years. There are now as many people on Food stamps as there are living

in poverty.

"The GM bailout story is falling flat too as the company's profits have fallen 52 percent from last year and there is growing fear of another bankruptcy filing. Since taxpayers own 500,000 shares of GM, our loss would be catastrophic, dwarfing Solyndra. Perhaps Obama should have hired Bain Capital to advise him on corporate investments.

"Obama had faced the possibility of not being able to fill the 74,000-seat Bank of America stadium during the convention, so used the threat of a rain to move his speech to the 20,000-seat indoor arena. The wave is building and it's going to be a monster. Sand at the bottom is churning and the wave's peak is growing.

"Gasoline prices at Labor Day were the highest in history as Obama's war on oil and coal have taken their toll.

"With \$16 trillion in national debt, each taxpayer's share of the debt is over \$140,000—almost three times his average annual income of \$50,000.

"Even as Democrats claim we're better off than we were four years ago, the World Economic Forum says U.S.' international competitiveness has fallen for four consecutive years and in fact dipped from fifth to seventh in the last 12 months alone."

Looking forward, the cat said, "Next week, I'm going to put on my Dallas Cowgirls' cheerleading outfit, pull my blonde wig down tight, hike up my four boots and my bra, and start chanting, 'We're number seven, we're number seven!'" •

Political Penguin

By Duane Plank

So proud of the Kid, who has been vacationing in Florida. Not invited on the trip, but that's okay. Sent him a text, which he didn't return all that quickly, querying if he was watching the monotonous game that was opening up the NFL football season.

He said, "No--watching the DNC convention." And the darn good speech by Slick Willie Clinton. Which made a lot of people happy. Clinton is a great speaker, whatever else you may think about him.

Now that the political nominating conventions have come and gone, the real race for the presidency starts in earnest. According to the polls, the incumbent ex-community organizer, the POTUS, Mr. Barack Obama, holds a little bit of a lead over Mitt "The Glove" Romney.

Was looking to the plasma, with the lovely Michelle Obama extolling her husband's virtues on the opening night of the Democratic convention. Shockingly, she notes that her hubby has done a wonderful job in his first three-plus years on the job...as the minions chant in the stands in Charlotte, North Carolina, "Four more years!" Which the POTUS will probably get. Not all too often that an incumbent President, unless he has made a major misstep, gets tossed to the wayside after four years, so help me, Jimmy Carter.

And, incredibly, the very handsome and debonair James Carville, Democratic honk extraordinaire, thought that the first night of the Demo convention was just riveting, as he commented on the left-leaning CNN network. And that, if the next couple of nights went

as well, that the POTUS was on his way to a November cakewalk.

Pathetically, the struggling CNN network just flipped on an interview with some dude named will.i.am. Guess he is in some Pea Band. Why, oh why, does a network like CNN that is struggling for ratings and relevancy turn their cameras and airtime overtime to some nondescript musician? And then inform us that what he says matters?

Democrat, Republican. Doesn't matter what some rich, privileged actor or singer says, does it? Hope none of you out there are foolish enough to be swayed by their pampered pinings.

So while all of this conventioning is going on, where is the erstwhile Mayor of La La Land, the once-named Tony Villar? As the City of the Angels continues to face a heck of a lot of crucial problems? Why, according to published reports, the renamed Antonio Villaraigosa has been freeloading his way through both of the recent convention sites. As even his supporters worry that the City Hall is on the verge of going broke, like a lot of other cities in the Great Bankrupt State of California. Speaking of bankrupt, wonder when the next boffo movie will feature the failed ex-Gov. of California, Arnold Schwarzenegger?

Expendable? Nice. So the battle is now being engaged in earnest. Hope you are paying a little attention to this, more than the time you waste on Facebook or sending a useless text or Tweet out? Grow up, folks. We are electing a President... Which is a tad bit more important than incessantly playing with your cell phone, right? •

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Sports

Frankly Plank

By Duane Plank

Lotsa stuff going on out there in the sports world, and the best thing still happening is the fact that my Halos are continuing to move toward a wild card playoff spot in the American League. Left for dead a couple of weeks ago, the Angels have sported the best record in baseball since August 21 and if they were able to take care of the Moneyballers from Oakland in an oh-so-critical four-game series that concluded this afternoon in Anaheim, may still make it into the one-game crap-shoot with another wild-carder the day after the regular season concludes on September 30.

Sitting down to tap out the *FP* Sunday afternoon around 5-ish, after watching a little NFL football at the research spot. My Rams, shockingly, lost to the Detroit Lions, in the last 20 seconds. My Rams, according to the honks on the tube, will stink again this year and have the youngest roster in the NFL. Which is why Sunday's loss was so familiar and so disheartening.

New Ram Coach Jeff Fisher did what he does, conservatively trying to steal a game against a better team. Didn't work, rarely does, and the Rams went down 27-23. No cojones, no wins. That's what it says here. Rams get to play host to the Washington Redskins and wunderkind quarterback Robert Griffin III on Sunday in their home opener. Good luck, suffering Ram fans, including brother Chris, who sent me a text after the game noting his displeasure with the Rams' prevent pass defense.

Couple of quick notes and kudos before

sporting more of the sports. Shout out to one of the Cubbies, who was nice enough to help out a brother and give him a lift to the local Firestone Saturday morning. Took the Kid's car in to get checked out prior to his journey to Santa Barbara to continue his schooling in about 10 days. Foolishly dropped the car off Friday afternoon without securing a lift home. So I hoofed it home and then decided to go jogging. Bad idea. Not only was the right knee aching, but the left foot started to give me some grief.

Getting old ain't easy, folks. But I did finally move forward and try to get this knee issue taken care of. Saw the doc last Thursday and waited more than two hours to get the stiffie (knee) looked at. Doc was busy, doing the best he could, but gave me a cursory diagnosis of patella femur syndrome, and wanted me to go to physical therapy. Respectfully told the doc that I thought that my knee was bleeped up and needed an MRI. Torn something going on, according to my self-diagnosis.

Doc relented and sent the request over to my primary care medical group to authorize the MRI. We shall see. Promise to keep my wonderful readers in the loop.

Also, speaking earlier as I was about a little research that I was doing, want to welcome the Amazing Amanda back to the local environs. We have missed the lovely Nebraska Cornhusker fan for the past few years, but all is well now.

Plum out of space for more sports. Or some more ruminating personal revelations. Tune in next week. Make it worth your time. And your dime. •

Sports

Eagles Look for Payback Against Cantwell

By Gregg McMullin

The El Segundo football team's 2011 season ended in the first round of the CIF Northwest Division playoffs when it fell to Cantwell 35-28. The Eagles had scrambled back into the game only to see it slip away from them in the minutes.

A number of players on that El Segundo team return this year and were looking forward to a non-conference game with the Cardinals in the second week of the season. "We're not looking for revenge—we're looking at this game as something to help us prepare for the season," said running back Austin Brasher. The Eagles struck first and the defense came up with a turnover in the final minute as El Segundo defeated Cantwell 25-19.

The Eagles wasted no time scoring when they took their opening drive 65 yards in seven plays to open up a 7-0 lead. Junior quarterback Daniel Zeman directed the Eagles' attack using a mix of runs to set up the passing game. Though the running game would falter as the first half progressed, Zeman looked sharp.

Seth McKenna and Jamie Stewart caught consecutive passes for first downs to get the Eagles to Cantwell's 39 yard line. On second and 10 from the Cardinal 29 yard line, Zeman found Stewart uncovered for a touchdown reception.

The Eagles used a 16-play, six-minute drive to increase their lead in the second quarter. Highlighting the drive was Ryan Kelly, who caught a pass in the flat for an eight-yard pickup and a first down. The key to the series of plays belonged to McKenna, who faked a punt on fourth and three near midfield. He picked up 19 yards. Zeman gained 16 yards for another first down to get the ball to the 18 yard line, but the drive stalled at the seven and Gabriel Rocha drilled a 24-yard field goal attempt to give the Eagles a 10-0 lead.

Cantwell responded with five first downs on its next possession on a 15-play drive. The Cardinals used the same fake punt to pick up a first down to continue their drive. On first and goal from the seven yard line and time running out in the second quarter, Cardinal QB Tim Walsh scrambled into the end zone to cut the Eagles' lead to 10-7 at halftime.

For the most part the Eagles looked like the dominant team, but they had issues running the ball against a smaller but very athletic Cantwell defense. On the other hand, Zeman looked solid on completing 10 of 18 passes for 110 yards and a touchdown.

If the Eagles were the better team, they weren't quite showing it—but El Segundo head coach Steve Shevlin wasn't overly concerned. "We didn't play to our capabilities [in the first half] and we missed out on some key opportunities, but we'll adjust in the second half," he said.

The Eagles' defense stuffed the Cardinals to start the second half and the result was great field position. Using a short field to work with, Zeman let Brasher do the work. All the senior running back did was pick up 45 yards on three plays to set up a one-yard touchdown run by Zeman. And just like that, the momentum had swung in the Eagles' favor after a letdown to end the first half. "It was important to make a statement

during our first series of the second half—to establish a run," said Shevlin.

If the Eagles were trying to make a point, Cantwell refused to listen. The Cardinals decided on some trickery of their own to extend their next possession. On fourth and three from the El Segundo 43 yard line, Cantwell ran a fake punt for a 19-yard pickup. Six plays later Jacob Rock took a swing pass in the flat, broke two tackles and went into the end zone from 25 yards out to cut the Eagles' lead to 17-13.

Early in the fourth quarter, the Eagles fumbled the ball and opportunity struck again for Cantwell. El Segundo's long drive stalled when Zeman, scrambling out of the backfield, fumbled near the Cantwell 25 yard line. Helped along by a defensive pass interference call, the Cardinals' 14-play drive was capped by a two-yard TD run by Jared Freire. After the PAT failed, the Cardinals had a 19-17 lead.

Cantwell attempted an onside kick, but the Eagles' Jack Dulgarian pounced on the end-over-end ball near midfield. On El Segundo's first play, Zeman found Kaylin Franklin open for 23 yards. On the next play, Brasher caught a screen pass and stiff-armed his way 32 yards for a touchdown with 4:35 remaining in the game. McKenna's two-point conversion reception from Zeman gave the Eagles a 25-19 advantage.

On the ensuing kickoff, Elijah Hale and Ryan Porter prevented a long return when they stopped the speedy Bryce Busse near the Cantwell 38 yard line. It appeared Busse had a clear path down the sidelines had Hale and Porter not made the stop.

The Eagles' defense made a huge stop on fourth and one at the Cantwell 45 yard line. Brice Harvey, Michael Rincon and Mike Villa made the stop on Jared Rock just short of a first down, turning the ball over to the Eagles with just over three minutes remaining.

Working on another short field, all the Eagles would need to do is take time off the clock and on fourth down decided on a short field goal attempt. The kick sailed wide and the Cardinals had one final chance to score.

McKenna came up with the defensive play of the game to save the Eagles an embarrassing loss. The senior defensive back picked off Walsh near midfield and returned it to the Cardinal 12 yard line with 31 seconds remaining to ice the game for El Segundo.

Zeman accounted for nearly all of El Segundo's points. He was 16 for 26 for 245 yards and two touchdown passes and rushed for one more TD. Brasher was the workhorse, carrying the ball 18 times for 118 yards.

El Segundo (2-0) takes on Bay League power West Torrance at home Friday night at 7 p.m. The Warriors (2-0) have won six out of the past nine meetings, so the Eagles are looking for a measure of revenge this time around.

Eagle News and Notes

Anna Farello placed third at the massive Don Bosco Tech Invitational Cross Country meet. Katianna Lee (16), Macy Vezina (20) and Mandie Segura (24) also ran well for the girls' team. Conor Forsythe paced the boys' team, placing 19th. The two teams dedicated their run to their teammate Gabriel Moore. Moore, who would have been a junior, died in a tragic swimming accident over the summer. •

Eagle Scout

from page 4

Alexander's mom, who appreciates the impact the Scouts have on the city as a whole. "What is amazing is that the reason Alexander even went to become a Boy Scout was because of a boy who was the same age as him who said, 'I think you should go to Boy Scouts,' and that is a trickle effect in the sense that another boy shared the wonderment of scouts

with my son," Kerri Arroyo said. "Scouting allows you to cover all bases. Not only did he work on scouting as a Boy Scout, but he earned a Religious Emblem which is earned through our church. It was a long endeavor—a nine-month process and only two percent of Scouts earn that Religious Emblem. One

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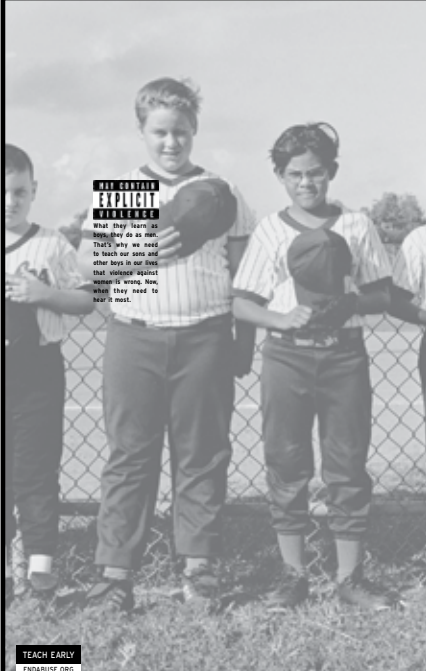
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Directions:

Preheat waffle iron. In a large bowl, combine flour, oats, baking powder, sugar and pecans. In a separate bowl, combine egg yolks, milk and vegetable oil and mix well. Add liquid mixture to the dry ingredients and stir together. The mixture should be a bit lumpy. In a separate bowl whip egg whites to medium peaks with a whisk. Gently fold egg whites into batter. Pour batter into preheated waffle iron and cook until done. Add fresh fruit to waffle and serve. Courtesy of Got Milk?



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(ARA) - Whether it's shopping for groceries or clothes at the mall, we're always on the lookout for the best deal. Though it may be through more subtle means, you can apply the same money-saving principals toward other everyday expenses. The money you spend on gas is a perfect example.

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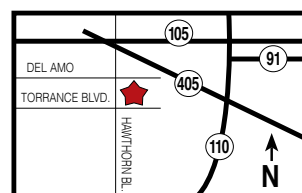
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Measure R Monies Make for Maple Makeover

By Brian Simon

While City officials recognize the need to fix El Segundo's aging infrastructure and renovate aesthetically less than pleasing sections of town to improve local quality of life and attract new business here, limited financial resources hamper the ability to move forward on such projects. With a to-do list of items running in the tens of millions of dollars, figuring out what to fund and where to find the money to pay for it remains a daunting task for a city likely facing sizable budget deficits over the next few years.

But one upcoming community enhancement that will see the light of day won't cost the City a penny of its own general fund monies. The Maple Avenue Roadway Rehabilitation Project will be the first local street improvement subsidized with Measure R monies—the half-cent sales tax passed by more than two-thirds of Los Angeles County voters in November 2008. Measure R committed an estimated \$40 billion towards key transit/traffic relief projects throughout the region over a 30-year period. The list includes Metro's Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor (\$1.2 billion) and the South Bay Green Line Extension (\$272 million) that will impact El Segundo-related transit. While Maple Avenue's \$2.5 million price tag may seem modest in comparison, it's still a substantial chunk of money the City could not have funded from its own coffers anytime soon.

As Public Works Director Stephanie Katsouleas explained, all South Bay cities are automatically eligible to receive funds

specifically dedicated to the South Bay Measure R Highway Program. "About \$900 million has been earmarked over 30 years for South Bay projects as long as the proposed improvements demonstrate a nexus to the region's freeway/highway network," she said. "Maple Avenue qualified in this regard."

The Maple Avenue project will entail a series of arterial improvements to the blocks located between Sepulveda Boulevard and Nash Street. Notable businesses along the way include Boeing, Mattel and Storage Masters, with the still mostly undeveloped Campus El Segundo situated just beyond the easternmost portion. One of the most significant benefits of the project will be to eliminate a longstanding pooling and flooding problem at the Nash intersection. "Every time it rains, the number two [curb] lanes in both directions are impacted," said Katsouleas. "It causes drivers to move out of that lane and disrupts normal traffic flow. It also degrades the surface and street substructure due to the chronic pooling of water that remains after a rain event. With this project, we'll install new storm drains that will connect to the City's existing storm drain network nearby." Katsouleas added that eliminating the pooling will help traffic move more efficiently and allow the street to accommodate the expected future increase in traffic on and off the I-105 freeway.

While the new and improved Maple will continue to contain one travel and one parking lane as it does today, crews will build a center

travel lane with dual left turns into existing driveways as well as several landscaped medians. The two current crosswalks will be consolidated into one safer crosswalk with in-ground warning detectors and a center island pedestrian refuge. The overall goal is to reduce traffic congestion while enhancing pedestrian access and safety. The center medians will also feature drought-tolerant landscaping and trees as well as pavers to beautify the area and create a more appealing business corridor in a part of town expected to grow in exposure in the coming months. "Adding the median is a very important economic development tactic," said Councilmember Bill Fisher. "This is the gateway street to Campus El Segundo, the new hotel [Hyatt Place scheduled for completion in a few months] and access to the 105 freeway from Sepulveda [signage on Sepulveda for this is coming]. Traffic on Maple will increase for all these reasons, allowing newcomers a new view of El Segundo. Beautifying Maple Avenue makes the area a more attractive package, especially for prospective business tenants and clients in the area. The great news is the funds are from Measure R and it's not costing us a dime."

In addition to the improvements noted above, the road surfaces will also be enhanced with rubberized asphalt, and the sidewalks and crosswalks will be made ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant according to current new construction design standards. The City originally received the \$2.5 million


grant award last October and entered into a funding agreement with Metro. In March of this year, the City Council hired APA Engineering, Inc. to draw up the conceptual plans for the project that were eventually approved last month. Potentially impacted businesses received notifications about the project and had the opportunity to attend a public workshop in June to view the final draft design concept. "We met with the property owners and groups to get their input and they've bought in—they are excited about the improvements coming," said Katsouleas.

With overall design now approved, the City will next focus on construction plans and specifications with the hopes of starting the work in April 2013 and completing the project in September of the same year. Meanwhile, the City has also requested future Measure R funds to pay for the extension of Park Place, intersection improvements to Aviation Boulevard and a bike lane between Aviation and Sepulveda Boulevard on El Segundo Boulevard. Also, Aviation Boulevard will be resurfaced this fall through a partnership with the LA County Department of Water and Power using Proposition C local return funds.

Katsouleas and staff have identified El Segundo Boulevard west of Sepulveda, Grand Avenue between Sepulveda and Center Street, and the entire length of Center as their most critical priorities for arterial and local street improvements. The City is currently assessing

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Sequestration

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more than two million job losses nationwide.

Sequestration came about as part of the Budget Control Act of 2011, which committed the \$1.2 trillion in cuts from 2012 to 2011 in exchange for raising the debt ceiling. According to Georgia Congressman David Scott, "Sequestration was created as a measure of last resort in the Budget Control Act. It was designed to be painful so that both parties would be forced to negotiate away from partisan orthodoxy on spending and taxes to find agreement on a balanced budget. Unfortunately, that did not happen and we are left with sequestration."

Though lobbying efforts continue in hopes of resolving the issue, many feel that the threat of sequestration has already begun to hurt the economy. Parsons pointed to what has been termed a "fiscal cliff" by pundits. "The uncertainty about what's going to happen with the scheduled expirations of the Bush tax cuts, the temporary payroll tax cuts, the unemployment benefits extension and special depreciation allowances for businesses along with looming sequestration has deterred businesses from doing expansions or hiring replacement employees," Parsons said. "Sequestration has brought what we've dealt with on a regular basis

to a whole new level and people are using the word 'catastrophic' to describe it."

On August 7, President Obama approved a one-month deadline requiring the White House to issue a report detailing to Congress how the cuts will be implemented. That deadline came and went, but the White House indicated the report would now arrive by the end of this week. Even so, Parsons doubted Congress or the President would be willing to act before the election. "The analysis is that this will be pushed over to the lame duck session of Congress [the period after the election through the end of December] and they will take care of it from there," he said. Meanwhile, Kendall believes that Congress will ultimately delay the process for six months, while TechAmerica Senior Vice President of Global Public Sector Advocacy Trey Hodgkins is holding out hope for a one-year delay.

Regardless, both Parsons and Fuentes urged the general public and the business community to keep the pressure on Congressional representatives to get their acts in gear or else. "Our elected officials need to hear from their constituents that this situation is not acceptable," Parsons said.

Eagle Scout

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of the neatest things is that it lets you try different stuff throughout the community."

For Alexander, the project not only provides a needed service to his former elementary school, but it also allows him to grow and learn more about himself. "Because of my leadership position with the troop, it gave me the capability of being more patient with people in general. It gave me patience with my siblings, at school and at the troop,"

Alexander Arroyo said. "The toughest part was probably the end. The last step was to paint over the whole map again and get any spots that we were missing. Plus, it was really hot and we just wanted to finish. At that point, we also didn't have that many people left. It was just kind of hard getting the last step finished, but the last day we had more people come and were able to finish strong." •

Maple

from page 12

the Pavement Condition Index (PCI) of all it streets, which will be used to establish additional priorities. More details are expected later this year.

As for how to pay for the other much-needed projects, Katsouleas admitted that funding for

local streets has been challenging in recent years due to the City's budget. "We do receive local tax returns for street and arterial improvements, although the allocations only account for five to 10 percent of what is needed to maintain our streets," she said. •

WEEKLY CROSSWORD See Answers Next Week

Animal House

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ACROSS

- 1. Oomph
- 4. Wake Island, e.g.
- 9. It's a snap
- 14. Blvd.
- 15. Female demon
- 16. Traversed a strait, e.g.
- 17. McCarthy quarry
- 18. Elevate
- 19. Rechargeable battery
- 20. Dangerous one
- 23. Cuba's ___ of Youth
- 24. Bad to the bone
- 25. Button material
- 30. New York Times employee
- 34. Bathroom installation
- 37. Excitement
- 39. Auto parts giant
- 40. "Everyone knows the truth!"
- 44. Confess
- 45. One step
- 46. 1965 Ursula Andress film
- 47. Fashioned anew
- 50. Young's partner in accounting
- 52. Lover of Aeneas
- 54. Every which way
- 58. New Guinea crooners

- 65. Ticket category
- 66. Purposeful
- 67. Cacophony
- 68. Big name in grills
- 69. Cut into
- 70. One of 100: Abbr.
- 71. Catch, in a way
- 72. Gunpowder ingredient
- 73. Prosecute

DOWN

- 1. Zoroastrian
- 2. Squares
- 3. Piano part
- 4. Downwind
- 5. Checker, perhaps
- 6. Arabian Sea nation
- 7. Light air
- 8. Carpenter's machine
- 9. Anthropoid ape
- 10. Crack type
- 11. Shamu, for one
- 12. Some are green
- 13. 15 and 23, e.g.
- 21. Grasp
- 22. Twelfth Night, vis-à-vis Epiphany
- 26. Flurry

- 27. French vineyard
- 28. Refuse visitors
- 29. Ham it up
- 31. Checks
- 32. Colorful fish
- 33. Latest thing
- 34. Kind of tissue
- 35. Cover, in a way
- 36. Energy source
- 38. Beginning to cry?
- 41. Restrains an infant?
- 42. Like some ears
- 43. Store posting: Abbr.
- 48. Linux system
- 49. Shogun's capital
- 51. Modicum
- 53. As a rule
- 55. Thick
- 56. Willow
- 57. Rogers or Chesney
- 58. Wail
- 59. Noodle concoction?
- 60. Chafes
- 61. Prefix with scope or meter
- 62. Buckets
- 63. Tease
- 64. Super server

Last Week's Answers

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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.

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS FOR THE

REPLACEMENT OF APPARATUS BAY DOORS AT FIRE STATION #1 (314 MAIN STREET)

IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO SPECIFICATIONS NO.: PW 12-07



**County of Los Angeles
Department of the Treasurer and Tax Collector**

Notice of Divided Publication

Pursuant to Sections 3702, 3381, and 3382, Revenue and Taxation Code, the Notice of Sale of Tax Defaulted Property Subject to the Power of Sale in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California has been divided and distributed to various newspapers of general circulation published in said County for publication of a portion thereof, in each of the said newspapers.

Public Auction Notice (R&TC 3702) Of Sale Of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject To The Power Of Sale (Sale No. 2012A)

Whereas, on June 19, 2012, I, MARK J. SALADINO, Treasurer and Tax Collector was directed by the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, State of California to sell at public auction certain tax-defaulted properties which are Subject to the Power of Sale. Public notice is hereby given that unless said properties are redeemed prior thereto, I will, on October 22 and 23, 2012, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. at the Fairplex Los Angeles County Fairgrounds, 1101 W. McKinley Avenue, Building 6, Pomona, California, offer for sale and sell said properties at public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check in lawful money of the United States for not less than the minimum bid. If no bids are received on a parcel, it will be re-offered at the end of the auction at a reduced minimum price.

The minimum bid for each parcel is the total amount necessary to redeem, plus costs, as required by Section 3698.5 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

Prospective bidders should obtain detailed information of this sale from the County Treasurer and Tax Collector. Pre-registration and a \$5,000 deposit in the form of cash, cashier's check or bank issued money order is required at the time of registration. No personal checks, two-party checks or business checks will be accepted for registration. Registration will be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., starting Monday, September 24, 2012, at the Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office located at 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California, and will end on Friday, October 5, 2012, at 5:00 p.m.

If the property is sold, parties of interest, as

defined by Section 4675 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, have a right to file a claim with the County for any proceeds from the sale, which are in excess of the liens and costs required to be paid from the proceeds. If excess proceeds result from the sale, notice will be given to parties of interest, pursuant to law.

All information concerning redemption, provided the right to redeem has not previously been terminated, will upon request be furnished by MARK J. SALADINO, Treasurer and Tax Collector.

If redemption of the property is not made according to the law before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, October 19, 2012, which is the last business day prior to the first day of auction, the right of redemption will cease.

The Assessor's Identification Number (AIN) in this publication refers to the Assessor's Map Book, the Map Page, and the individual Parcel Number on the Map Page. If a change in the Assessor's Identification Number occurred, both prior and current Assessor's Identification Numbers are shown. An explanation of the parcel numbering system and the maps referred to are available from the Office of the Assessor located at 500 West Temple Street, Room 225, Los Angeles, California 90012.

A list explaining the abbreviations used in this publication is on file in the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector, 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California 90012, or telephone 1(213) 974-2045.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on August 22, 2012.

MARK J. SALADINO

Los Angeles County
Treasurer and Tax Collector
State of California

The real property that is subject to this notice is situated in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and is described as follows:

PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE OF SALE OF TAX-DEFAULTED PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THE POWER OF SALE(SALE NO. 2012A)

2155 AIN 4139-011-038
PANDHIANI,AYAZ LOCATION COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES \$24,549.00

El Segundo Herald: 9/13, 9/20, 9/27/2012
H-23476

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2012162804

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SOUTH BAY LINE-X, 721 E. EL SEGUNDO BLVD., EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed 08/13/12. Signed: Mitten, Inc. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on August 13, 2012.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on August 13, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to August 13, 2017. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: August 23, 30, 2012 and September 06, 13, 2012. H-790.

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2012168170

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ELBOW DEEP, 620 WHITING ST., EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed N/A. Signed: Corey Kelly. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on August 21, 2012.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on August 21, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to August 21, 2017. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: August 23, 30, 2012 and September 06, 13, 2012. H-791.

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2012169717

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SIAM BAY, 130 E. GRAND AVE., #D, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed N/A. Signed: Somsak Maneesaeng, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on August 22, 2012.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on August 22, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to August 22, 2017. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: August 30, 2012 and September 6, 13, 20, 2012. H-792.

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2012176241

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ONE WAY PAINT & DESIGN, 612 WHITING STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed. Signed: Daniel R. Tron, President. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on August 31, 2012.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on August 31, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to August 31, 2017. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: September 06, 13, 20, 27, 2012. H-799.

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2012164313

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ENGAGING WITH ART, 10633 KINNARD AVE., #18, LOS ANGELES, CA 90024. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed N/A. Signed: Mary Carosello, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on August 15, 2012.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on August 15, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to August 15, 2017. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: September 06, 13, 20, 27, 2012. H-800.

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2012175849

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as HYATT PLACE, 1. 750 NORTH NASH STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. 2. 340 E. MAIN STREET, SUITE 300, SPARTANBURG, SC 29302. This business is being conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed N/A. Signed: Charles T. King, Asst. Treasurer. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on August 30, 2012.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on August 30, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to August 30, 2017. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: September 13, 20, 27, 2012 and October 04, 2012. H-803.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of El Segundo invites sealed bids for the above project and will receive such bids in the offices of the City Clerk, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California 90245, up to the hour of 11:00 a.m. on:

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2012

at which time they will be publicly opened.

A MANDATORY PRE-BID JOB WALK FOR BIDDERS TO INSPECT THE JOB SITE IS SCHEDULED FOR **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2012 AT 9:00 AM** AT FIRE STATION NO. 1, 314 MAIN STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245

Copies of the Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents are available from the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department, City of El Segundo, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California, 90245. Plans and Specifications are available electronically at: http://www.elsegundo.org/depts/works/project_request_contact_form.asp

Any contract entered into pursuant to this notice will incorporate the provisions of the State Labor Code. Compliance with the prevailing rates of wages and apprenticeship employment standards established by the State Director of Industrial Relations will be required.

Affirmative action to ensure against discrimination in employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, or religion will also be required.

The City of El Segundo will deduct a **ten percent (10%)** retention from all progress payments as specified in **Section 9-3.2** of these Specifications. The **CONTRACTOR** may substitute an escrow holder surety of equal value to the retention and the **CONTRACTOR** shall be beneficial owner of the surety and shall receive any interest thereon.

The City of El Segundo hereby affirmatively ensures that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this notice and will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, or religion in any consideration leading to the award of contract.

In entering into a Public Works contract, or a subcontract, to supply goods, services, or materials pursuant to a public works contract, the **CONTRACTOR**, or **SUB-CONTRACTOR**, offers and agrees to assign to the awarding body all rights, title and interest in, and to, all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the

Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. Section 15) or under the Cartwright Act (Chapter 2 [commencing with Section 16700] of Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code), arising from purchases of goods, services, or materials pursuant to the public works contract or the subcontract. This assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the awarding body tenders final payment to the **CONTRACTOR**, without further acknowledgment by the parties.

Bids must be prepared on the approved Proposal forms in conformance with the Instructions to Bidders and submitted to the City Clerk, 350 Main Street, City of El Segundo, in a sealed envelope plainly marked on the outside:

"SEALED BIDS FOR SPECIFICATIONS NO.: PW 12-07 IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO

DO NOT OPEN WITH REGULAR MAIL"

The bid must be accompanied by a bid bond, made payable to the City of El Segundo for an amount no less than **ten percent (10%)** of the amount bid for the base contract.

No bid will be accepted from a **CONTRACTOR** who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of the State Business and Professions Code. For this project, those acceptable classes of license shall be "A", "B" or "D28". The successful **CONTRACTOR** and his **SUB-CONTRACTORS** will be required to possess Business Licenses from the City of El Segundo.

The City of El Segundo reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularity, and to take all bids under advisement for a period of **sixty (60) calendar days**.

Any contract entered into pursuant to this notice shall become effective or enforceable against the City of El Segundo only when the formal written contract has been duly executed by the appropriate officer(s) of the City of El Segundo.

BY ORDER OF the City of El Segundo, California.

Tracy S. Weaver
City Clerk
City of El Segundo
El Segundo Herald: 9/13, 9/20/2012
H-23475

Looking to publish your Fictitious Business Name?

HERALD PUBLICATIONS

CALL: 310-322-1830

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name
Case No. VS023626

Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles

Petition of: Diana Lynn Schroeder for Change of Name and Gender
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner Diana Lynn Schroeder filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Diana Lynn Schroeder to Daniel John Schroeder

The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition should not be granted. Notice of Hearing:
Date: 11/7/12, Time: 1:30, Dept.: C, Room: 312

The address of the court is 12720 Norwalk Blvd. Norwalk 90650
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: El Segundo Herald
Date: August 24, 2012
Yvonne T. Sanchez
Judge of the Superior Court
El Segundo Herald: 9/13, 9/20, 9/27, 10/4/2012
H-23474

Does Advertising Really Work?

It must because you are reading this ad.

PETSPETS Pets PETSPETS

Pets Without Partners

Adopt a “pet without a partner” and give a homeless pet a second chance in life.

Rosey is a happy little girl and just about the sweetest dog you will ever meet. She is a fun-loving pup who loves all dogs and absolutely *loves* people. Rosey instantly makes friends with everyone she meets. She was born in March 2010 and weighs about 25 pounds. She is a nice-sized dog and smaller in person



Rosey

than she appears in her photo. Rosey loves to go on walks, will sit for treats and will be a great addition into any home situation. This gentle-spirited little girl has a beautiful red Mohawk of curly hair down her back that’s a great conversation piece along with her extremely long eyelashes. If you have allergies or love Terriers, come meet this beautiful little dog. Rosey is spayed, current on vaccinations, de-wormed, microchipped, good with other dogs, good with kids and cat-safe.

Hurricane Harry got his name because he weathered the storm at his home front. This little bundle of joy was abandoned when his former owners were evicted and simply left him behind in the yard. He was rescued by the neighbor, who got him safely to us. Harry is a Yorkie and a Maltese mix, which makes him a “Morkie.” He is a very sweet and happy little guy who is around 12 months old and fully grown at

six pounds. Harry is very playful like a puppy and craves attention. His tail never stops wagging and he loves the company of other dogs. His eyes light up when he sees children. This precious little guy will be a wonderful addition into your home and would love it if you had another dog with whom he can play. Hurricane Harry is neutered, current on vaccinations, de-wormed, microchipped, good with other dogs, and would be best with children over six due to his small size.

To learn more about these and other wonderful dogs, visit our website at 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. •



Hurricane Harry

Purrrfect Companions

Please join us for our annual Fur Ball fundraiser! This year’s Fur Ball will be at the *historic* Avalon Theater in Hollywood, Sunday, October 7 from 6 to 10 p.m.



In addition to blackjack, craps, roulette tables and our incredible silent auction, the evening will feature a Poker Tournament where you can win fabulous prizes. Supporting animal rescue has never been so much fun! Tickets and information are available on our website. Here are two of the wonderful kitties who will benefit from this fundraiser as they wait for their “fur-ever” family.

Tracy and Spencer were found curled on the UCLA tennis courts, alone, separated

love people. Tracy and Spencer would love to sit next to you or be on your lap. Please give them a home!

Tracy is a terrific little Tabby. She is the sweetest of the sweet. Tracy may be a delicate, adorable little girl, but she loves to play too! She is hoping to share that playtime with you.

Spencer is a fluffy black and white boy who is a total snuggler! On the morning his foster mommy sent in his photo, Spencer awakened her by curling up on her shoulder and rubbing his face into hers. She thought it was the best thing ever. Would you enjoy it too?

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,



Spencer

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, or email us at 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. •



Tracy

from their mom. Matted, covered in fleas and starving to death, they were taken in by Kitten Rescue and bottle-fed every two hours around the clock until they came around. With this devoted attention, these two absolutely

Happy Tails

SIR SPARKLICIOUS: SLED DOG

“Every dog has its day” and Sparky has found his with the breeze blowing through his hair. Keep your eyes open and don’t blink--you might be lucky enough to see him sailing past your home...

“It’s been a bit since we adopted Sparky from you. He is still full of energy and would love nothing more than to be on a continuous walk around the world. Unfortunately we cannot walk him around the world, so I have taken to having him pull me on my skateboard in our quiet neighborhood. I am sure that in his former life he was in the Iditarod dogsled race in Alaska, as he loves nothing more than this. He has become more and more loving by the day and we are very thankful that we somehow one day accidentally stumbled upon your adoption event while waiting for the street car ride.

“It has been a real gift having him. He has really mellowed out a lot compared to when I first got him and he was real nervous and a bit aggressive. I still don’t take him to dog parks, but I do have a few friends’ dogs who he actually gets along with--go figure. He loves the backyard and laying in the sun and getting yard dirt, grass, stickers all over him and then bringing them inside for me to clean up after. He also loves to shed.



Well, here’s to more dogs getting adopted! Best of luck to you guys and your honorable mission and rest assured that Sir Sparklicious

is doing just fine. Keep up the good work.” --Sincerely, Brent and Tracey.

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.

Migrating Canada Geese Find Rest Stop Area in El Segundo



Colder weather looms near as noted by the Canada Geese that flew into town last week and were spotted at Recreation Park. Photos by Laura Stone.

How to get through traffic faster:

A better commute? It's about time.

Starting Fall 2012, Metro ExpressLanes will save you time in traffic on the I-110 freeway. They're toll-free for carpools, vanpools and motorcycles. Solo drivers have the choice to use ExpressLanes by paying a toll.

All you need to use ExpressLanes is a FasTrak account and transponder in your car.

Pre-order your FasTrak® now at metroexpresslanes.net.

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