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# **Eagles Make School History, Advance to Northern Divisional Finals**



Jake Barone (El Segundo #35), DeWayne Polk (El Segundo #11), Shane Van Pelt (El Segundo #44) and the rest of the El Segundo Eagles celebrate their 59-40 victory over #1 seed Oak Park to advance to the Northern Divisional Finals of the CIF Southern Section for the first time in school history. Photo by Dirk Dewachter.

# Council Good to Go With Revised Chamber Tax Proposal

By Brian Simon

After disagreeing on key points a week ago, the El Segundo City Council is now ready to move forward with revised business community recommendations on how to put tax increases on the ballot in April. On Tuesday night, a Council consensus (with Dave Atkinson dissenting) instructed City Attorney Mark Hensley to prepare documents in line with a second tax proposal from the El Segundo Chamber of Commerce. Final vote on the matter could come as soon as next week during a special meeting (the date had not been set as of press time), with approval required from four of the five Council members.

Representing the Chamber on behalf of the business community, David Herbst last week presented the initial proposal for a five-year, phased tax hike to net the City about \$30 million over that period through a three percent utility user tax (UUT) increase on businesses and residents in years one through three and dropping to two percent in years four and five, a two percent transient occupancy tax (TOT), and 10 percent parking tax on airport lots. The first three years were frontloaded to generate \$6.9 million in new annual tax revenues to help subsidize various capital improvement/infrastructure projects, while years four and five saw those numbers fall to just over \$5 million annually with the idea that economic development efforts will begin to reap benefits by then. The Chamber also asked for a sunset clause to suspend the

taxes altogether starting in year six and did not want to do away with any part of the business license tax (BLT) credit, feeling it is a critical economic development tool.

In response to that first proposal, four of the Council members (all but Suzanne Fuentes) balked at the sunset clause provision—with Mayor Bill Fisher arguing that the City can't risk tying its hands with an absolute cut-off of funds. Several of the members also didn't

support the annual dollars dropping to as low as \$5 million—or even decreasing at all.

In the Chamber's second proposal also presented by Herbst, the City would net \$6.5 million in years one through three via a 2.5 percent UUT increase on both businesses and residents, the two percent TOT hike, and airport parking tax. Herbst estimated that the UUT bill for a large home in town would

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# Weekend Forecast Friday Sunny 58°/47° Saturday Showers 57°/41° Sunday Sunny 57°/40°

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# Find the Quarterly Recreation Brochure, Activity Guide in the El Segundo Herald

The City of El Segundo Recreation and Parks Department will insert its quarterly Recreation and Parks Brochure and Activity Guide as its own separate section titled, "Spring 2014 El Segundo Insider," in the Dec. 12 issue of the El Segundo Herald. This is an expanded version of the brochure and includes a more comprehensive guide to community events, youth sports programs and city services available to El Segundo residents. Open the Insider to find out how you can be a part of the Rose Parade Excursion, an up-close experience at the Tournament of Roses Parade. Look out for new classes, such as fruit carving and computer education for adults and seniors. Every household within city limits will receive the brochure, and it will be available at any of the 55 El Segundo Herald newspaper racks located throughout the city. If you would like more information, please contact the recreation and parks department at (310) 524-2700.

# Calendar

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

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

• Holiday Tree Lighting Celebration. 5-9 p.m. City Hall Plaza. For more information call (310) 524-2700.

#### Saturday, December 7

- ES Concert Band "Winterposium", 12-4 p.m., ESHS Quad, 640 Main St. For more information email pennann64@gmail.com.
- 50th Annual Holiday Parade. Starting at 1 p.m. along Main St. For more information call (310) 322-1220.

#### Saturday, December 14

• Tree Musketeers' community tree care group

10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Memory Row on Imperial Ave. Contact volunteers@treemusketeers.org or (310) 322-0263 for more information.

• Betterinvesting Model Club Meeting "Retirement Realities & Social Security," 11 a.m.-2 p.m., El Segundo Public Library. Limited space. RSVP: Jerry Woods at (310)-216-0511.

#### Tuesday, December 17

• City Council Meeting, 7 p.m. City Council Chambers. For more information call (310) 524-2306.

#### Ongoing

- Farmer's Market, Thursdays 3-7 p.m., Main St. between Holly and Pine Avenues. For more information call Val at (310) 615-2649.
- Candy Cane Lane. December 14-23, 7 p.m,. 1200 Acacia St, El Segundo, 90245.

# Letters

#### 'Too Overwhelming to Simply Ignore'

Dear Mr. Carpenter,

I am very puzzled with respect to El Segundo's meager share of our commercial & residential property tax dollar (\$.06 Vs \$.11 for the South Bay average and as much as \$.15 for Manhattan Beach). In Mark McDermott's article in the Nov. 21 Easy Reader, you attribute this huge percentage differential on the "freezing" of El Segundo's then-unusually low property tax rates by the 1978 CA Proposition 13. However, that, in itself, in no way explains the much lower percentage of our property-tax revenue accruing to El Segundo. Each penny per dollar of property-tax revenue represents ~ one million dollars of revenue to our city. Consequently, if El Segundo were afforded the average South Bay rate of \$.11, our projected budget shortfall would be eliminated without benefit of additional tax revenues!

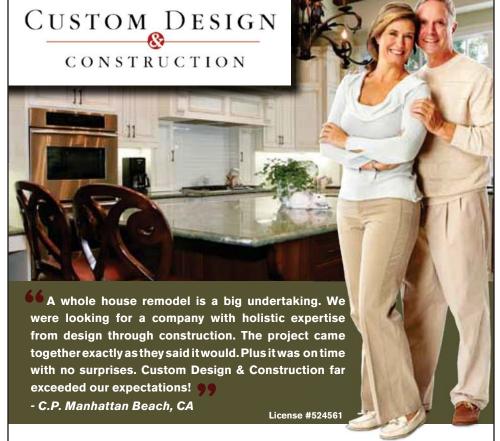
I do not understand the formula, which

renders El Segundo's share of our property tax revenues so shamefully substandard. Please explain this unbalanced distribution in quantitative terms. The subject article asserts that a modification in CA State law/regulations would be necessary to realize an equitable property tax share accruing to El Segundo. Even If so, I suggest El Segundo vigorously pursue this avenue for fiscal relief! The potential monetary benefit to our city is clearly too overwhelming to simply ignore.

## Please advise. C. Richard Johnson Feed Families in Need

Local Life Scout from troop 772 is running a holiday canned food drive for CASE as his Eagle Project. To participate, put any unexpired canned foods that you're willing to donate on your doorstep on Dec. 7 by 8 a.m. If you have any questions, are willing to help volunteer for this project or if your house gets missed on pickup day, email Alex at 777alexdomn777@gmail.com.

- Alex Domnikov •



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# Coles Looks Back on Two Terms on School Board

By Brian Simon

On Nov. 12, Ann Coles bade farewell to the El Segundo School Board after eight years of service, including two stints as President. She decided not to seek a third term and bowed out of the recent election because she felt it was time to move on to the next phase of her life. "After eight years, I felt I had given my

stressful. "The District sends out layoff notices to temporary personnel as a rule every March 15, but that year the layoff notices even went to our probationary staff. We had to do this. Due to the fiscal cuts on the State level, we didn't have a budget from the State and did not know how it would turn out."

During the fiscal uncertainty of 2010-2011,

"I believe both the current and new members will do a great job of working together to move our school district forward."

best—it's time to turn over the task," she said, adding that her husband Glenn's retirement from the El Segundo Police Department was also an incentive. "I wasn't ready to leave after four years, but it was the right move to hand off the baton after eight."

Coles feels the School Board is in good hands moving forward. "I believe both the current and new members will do a great job of working together to move our school district forward," said Coles. "It's nice as an outgoing member to know there are people in the community who have an interest in our schools and are willing to step up to the plate. Change is not a bad thing. Of course, the challenges they [successors on the Board] will have are different."

The challenges Coles speaks of came as a result of funding cutbacks imposed by the State of California that forced the Board to make a number of difficult decisions. As such, financial concerns proceeded to dominate both her terms. "It was definitely the pivotal point for us as a board since much of what we wanted to accomplish was put to the wayside--we were bailing the water out of the boat as quickly as it was coming in," Coles explained. "We were thankful to the previous boards for their stewardship in maintaining our reserves for a rainy day, because it was pouring. We came together and made difficult decisions."

According to Coles, one of the toughest decisions she and the Board had to make was employee furlough days during the 2009-10 school year. After considering up to six days annually like some neighboring districts had instituted, the Board ultimately decided on three furlough days—and the situation only lasted that one year. "Working with our teachers union and classified union to get those three days was very difficult because we were taking money out of people's pockets—out of their lives," said Coles, who added that issuing layoff notices to full-time employees in 2009 (the first time it had happened in decades) was equally

the Board was hit hard with the loss of one of its members when Tammy Tagami Reeves succumbed to cancer in July 2010. "Having a colleague pass away during a term is something we never could have imagined we would be faced with," said Coles. "It was hard for morale. We knew we needed to move forward, but it was hard to—especially as close as the Board members were."

Looking back on the Board's accomplishments during her tenure, Coles said she is most proud of the group's ability to keep El Segundo Unified School District solvent despite the State funding cuts. "We did borrow down our reserves, but the goal was not to go under three percent," she reported, pointing out that running below that level would have prompted a credit rating downgrade from the County. "We also managed to reinvest our bonds and save taxpayers some money." As far as her own contributions to the cause, Coles believes she brought to the Board a strong desire to work as a team and to put personal feelings aside in order to make decisions as a group to move objectives forward. "I learned to make decisions on facts and not feelings, which is hard to do since I'm a people-pleaser by nature."

Among the highlights over the last eight years, Coles was especially encouraged to see the long-awaited process to rezone the Imperial Avenue School site take shape. "The idea of moving forward on this site has been floating around for 20-some years, so it will be great to move forward on generating revenue for the District—and the next board will hopefully be able to close the deal in the future," she said. Coles also pointed to increases in academic scores at all District campuses, completion of the Performing Arts Center and athletic fields at El Segundo High, and implementation of the International Baccalaureate program at El Segundo Middle School. "Through the fiscal downturn, we've been so thankful for the support of the Ed Foundation, PTAs and

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# **Community Briefs**

# Community Band Raises Funds to Operate Instrumental Music in Schools

The El Segundo Concert Band (ESCB) is a community organization in El Segundo that does more than just operate a community concert band. It is also the main instrumental band music program operator for the El Segundo Unified School District.

On Dec. 7, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. the El Segundo Concert Band, in conjunction with the El Segundo High School Band, will present "Winterposium" at the El Segundo High School Quad (640 S. Main St, El Segundo, CA). The holiday celebration with feature seasonal shopping, crafts, activities,

food and great holiday music performed by El Segundo school ensembles and the El Segundo Concert Band. Shopping options include Wooden Treasures, Origami Owl Jewelry, Jamberry Nail Wraps, Yogi's Accessories, DK Soy Candles and Barnes and Noble. Make "Winterposium" part of your holiday season tradition this year and help ESCB keep music alive in El Segundo. Admission is free. Crafts and food at cost.

"Winterposium" is a sister-event to "Winter Wonderland" created to enhance the El Segundo Holiday Parade weekend and is operated as a fundraiser for the El Segundo Concert Band in coordination with the El Segundo High School Band. •

#### **Ann Coles**

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our community businesses," Coles added. "We couldn't have made it without their support. We would have had to cut really deep and they kept us afloat with PE, art, music and other programs that would have been lost. I am humbled by their desire to give back."

Though no longer part of the School Board, Coles hopes her successors will continue to work as a team towards common goals. "It's going to be a completely different ballgame now that they get to add things back into play," she said, alluding to an improved State funding outlook. "It becomes we need this or that and deciding which school needs what the most. That will take a lot of time and discernment." Still, Coles cautioned that the Governor's Local Control Funding Formula may present stumbling blocks down the road as some neighboring districts will be able to garner more State dollars in comparison. "We have an awesome product, our schools speak for themselves and we offer programs in STEM, Advanced Placement, athletics, performing arts, music... that these other schools don't have," she said. But Coles cautioned that districts such as Wiseburn do have a funding advantage. "We have very high-performing schools here, but from a financial outlook Wiseburn will have more dollars to pay their staff and their teachers. El Segundo is not going to have that. I want to be able to pay our teachers competitively and offer competitive benefit packages. The surrounding communities get more money from utility taxes, passing a parcel tax... Those are things they have in play that we do not. The future board is really going to have to look at that and pull together a strong game plan. What are other ways can we generate revenue?"

Though she will now be able to take vacations with her additional free time (including trips to visit her two now-grown children who live in Nebraska), Coles plans to remain involved with local education by continuing her volunteer work with the Ed Foundation. She also hopes to devote more hours to El Segundo Rotary Club and C.A.S.E. projects in the future. While it was time to move on, Coles admitted she will miss her School Board colleagues and having her finger on the pulse of local education issues. "In the eight years I served, I have worked with wonderful people and I have learned a lot" she said. "Certainly we didn't agree on everything, but we were able to set it aside and move forward. That's part of the job.'

Coles went on to praise District staff, describing them as consummate professionals who care about the students and each other. "They work as a great leadership team who want what's best for the students, have integrity, are smart, great communicators as well as forward-thinkers," she said. "You have to be able to look forward, especially when rolling out mandated programs like Common Core."

While faced with many difficult votes over the years, Coles was happy to report that she left the School Board with no regrets. "There were definitely decisions I wrestled with and I had some sleepless nights, but the motivations were always clear," she said. "And for anyone who wants to get involved, being on the School Board is one of those local positions where you can be in the trenches and see things come to fruition in a relatively short amount of time. I will miss being part of that process." •

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# **Entertainment**

## **Reel Review**

A Handful of Not-Horrible Holiday Movies on Netflix

#### By Liana Whitehead

If you're an avid Netflix viewer like me, you know that the wonderful world of cheap, in-home moviegoing isn't without its cheesy moments. It's probably less tedious to list the movies on Netflix that *don't* completely insult Christmas. Most Netflix holiday features are unbearable and must be stopped mid-watch – titles like Christmas Cupid, Black Christmas, A Halfway House Christmas. The curiosity often gets the best of us, and we unknowingly welcome into our homes these horrendous, wannabe holiday hits.

So, I took it upon myself to weed through the unbearable movie mishaps and compile an unfortunately short list of films that won't bore you into a pre-Christmas death or cause you to regrettably reach for the remote. They also happen to be some of my all-time favorites. Click and enjoy.

The Polar Express (2004): So many emotions. This movie is a living portrait of computer-animated colors, characters and Christmas spirit. I remember seeing The Polar Express as a recently turned 16-year-old, though I was as excited as the toddlers beside me. I remember a magical experience detailing the adventure of child in danger of losing his Christmas imagination - a film that would make your grandpa believe in Santa again. Tom Hanks, who assisted in producing the film and did voices for six characters, was the man for the job. It seems he can pull off any role he's given, even if the entire movie features Hanks screaming at a volleyball on a deserted island. A film that shows just how technologically advanced we were in far-back 2004, the Polar Express will not disappoint. And make your kids watch it -- they'll be glad you did.

**Elf (2003, Netflix DVD):** Hilarious -- I don't care what its critics claim. Elf is nothing

short of cheerful and comedic and is crafted to cater to adults and children, which is does wonderfully. Buddy the elf was born among humans and lives the life of a Christmas elf -- until he suddenly realizes that the North Pole isn't his birthplace. Thus begins his journey to New York City. Former Saturday Night Live star Will Ferrell plays the endearing elf man, and I think his over-the-top style of humor is fitting. Unless you have issues with a man in electric green tights, roaming the streets of the Big Apple, it's a must-watch family movie. Love Actually (2003): Such a breath of fresh air in the romantic comedy genre. Unlike any movie before its time (and so much better than copycats created after), Love Actually presents 10 separate love stories, in one film, between friends, family and couples. Although separate, each of these stories meets in the middle at some point, and everybody is intertwined in this lighthearted, witty comedy starring some of England's most endearing actors - Hugh Grant, Emma Thompson and Colin Firth, to name a few. Each love story within the story has its own joys and sorrows. And all of them have issues. Hilarious.

Jack Frost (1998): OK – so this one is a tad cheesy, but a heartwarmer despite its title. I sniffled during several scenes, and I'm not a crier. It's not your everyday nose-nipping tale of Jack Frost, nor is it related to that hideous horror remake released the year before. In this version, the likeable Michael Keaton plays a harmonica-toting musician who finds himself disconnected from his family at Christmastime. His wife (Kelly Preston) and son can only reconnect with Jack after a fatal car accident. Although it'll never live up to holiday classics, like "A Christmas Story," it does tug at the heartstrings and puts you in the dreaded shoes of a family at loss at Christmas. •



# Politically Speaking

#### **One Man's Opinion**

#### **By Gerry Chong**

Somewhere in The Cloud, they held the annual Dead Dictators' Reunion (DDR). The gang was all there...Hitler, Mao, Tojo, Khrushchev, Kim, Mussolini...all the boys. Cognac and Cuban cigars were the lubricating

been starving the way Iran is now, but no one rescued us the way Obama is rescuing the Ayatollah's regime in Iran. He's giving the dictator's economy a six-month reprieve from the impact of severe economic sanctions. The Ayatollah got \$8 billion in assets returned

"What if FDR had said the U.S. was sick of war and gave us a date for withdrawal of his troops from Europe."

medium, reviving and revising stories of past victories and lamenting past defeats. "If only..." seemed to be the wistful theme of the night.

"If only we hadn't faced the America of prior years, but had faced Obama's America instead, the world would be a different place. Ahhh, that disappointment just breaks our hearts."

"What if FDR had said the U.S. was sick of war and gave us a date for withdrawal of his troops from Europe," dreamily envisioned Hitler and Mussolini in tandem. "We would have sat on our hands like the Taliban are doing, waiting for the American armistice. What a gift Obama would have been to us."

"Huh," said Tojo, "Japan sucker-punched America at Pearl Harbor and got our heads handed to us on an atomic platter, but when Libya sucker-punched America at Benghazi, Obama made up lies and left his people to die."

"Speaking of Syria," said Kim, "when Korea engaged in its civil war, America reacted and saved the South from North Korea and China. But in Syria, the Americans hid behind the Russian skirt and skulked away. What would the map of Asia look like today without American strength?"

Mao spoke and said, "Our country had

to them and an additional \$7 billion in trade agreements, rescuing their economy and squelching demands for democratic reform. In exchange, Iranians did not have to stop enriching uranium, nor did it have to dismantle centrifuges. They only promised to work toward a longer-range agreement within six months. Fifteen billion dollars in real money was given in exchange for a six month's efforts at negotiating a better agreement? 'If only' we had Obama to negotiate with.'

Khrushchev said, "With us, America built up its military forces in a non-shooting Cold War, but in a hot-shooting series of wars in the Middle East, it built its defenses down. This year alone, Obama has fired nine commanding generals and admirals in every branch of the service."

"If we had been in power in the Age of Obama, we would have brought him to this reunion as a guest of honor. We would have given him a Nobel Prize. We would have built a Parthenon with faux Greek columns in his honor. We would have...oh...if only..."

As the reunion wound down, all the celebrants stood and raised a glass, bowing to a giant mural of Obama--and in a cynical burst of admiration sang, "Oh, what a friend we have in Jesus." •

## **Another Man's Opinion**

# Agreement with Iran is First Step in Right Direction

#### **By Cristian Vasquez**

The issue of Iran's nuclear program has been a lingering concern for Washington for years. Nuclear-related sanctions were the primary response when dealing with the Middle Eastern country's reluctance to cease the development of its nuclear capabilities. However, the new deal reached is a huge step in what hopefully will be a turning point in the relationship between Iran and America.

While there are concerns about the agreement, the United States, the UK, Russia, China, France and Germany all reached this consensus in the short term with hopes of establishing a more long-term deal. Despite Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's "it's a historic mistake" comments, the deal is a benefit to all involved. There are three significant areas in the agreement that reinforce the argument that this is a good deal.

For one, Iran has agreed to stop enriching uranium beyond five percent, while neutralizing its stockpile of uranium enriched from this point forward. This alone makes the deal something to celebrate. For years Iran has refused to even consider reducing its nuclear capabilities, let alone ceasing the program and neutralizing its current stockpile. Arguing that Iran's leadership can easily ignore the agreement is a legitimate concern, but every other nation involved has the ability to do the same. Deals only work when all parties act in good faith and rather than bashing this agreement from the start, people should give all sides involved a

chance to fulfill their promises.

The second reason to be hopeful about this agreement is the fact that Iran has also agreed to provide greater access to inspectors. This will include daily access at the Natanz and Fordo nuclear sites. Again, this is a huge sign that Iran is willing to play by the terms of this new deal. It is easy to assume that the historically reclusive and secretive nation will back out on this part of the deal, but the truth is it has six months to agree to these terms while a more permanent and long-term agreement is reached. The fear from world powers that Iran was developing its nuclear program to secretly develop a nuclear bomb has always been denied by the nation's leaders. Allowing inspections is an encouraging sign that there is nothing to hide.

Lastly, the elimination of new nuclearrelated sanctions for six months if Iran sticks by the accord is a token of good will from the superpowers. The truth is that the United States and all the other superpowers involved with this agreement are giving up very little in exchange for a whole lot. Iran is agreeing to reduce production and neutralize stockpiles in exchange for no sanctions. If these leaders were able to convince Iran's leadership to these terms in the short run, then there is a very good chance that the long-term agreement reached in six months can be just as favorable. It is early in the process and there is still much that can go wrong, but for once in a long time things seem to be going in the right direction. •

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## **City Council**

amount to about \$75 a year. The Chamber also put the BLT back in play, agreeing to support a reduction of the credit from the current 40 percent down to 20 percent in years one through three. In year four, the UUT increase would drop to two percent and the BLT credit would rise back up to 30 percent—in all yielding the City about \$5.9 million annually. Most significantly, the Chamber dropped the sunset clause. "We hope that this new tax base combined with these economic development efforts will ensure the financial stability of El Segundo for decades to come," said Herbst, adding that he hopes a future Council might choose to suspend or lower the tax rates if the City's prospects improve.

Under the plan, the tax increases will appear as a single ballot item—which Herbst said sends a message that "we are all in this together" and makes it easier for voters to digest than a menu of choices. The Chamber will also be able to recommend two members of the City's Capital Improvement Program Advisory Committee (CIPAC). Additionally, the Council agreed to draft a resolution prior to April indicating its intent to use a portion (about one-third) of the tax dollars towards capital improvements. Discussion ensued about going the resolution route versus including an actual advisory measure on the ballot to engage voters (the Chamber was fine with either approach), with the Council divided on the matter but ultimately choosing the resolution option.

Concerned about escalating costs that could offset economic development gains, Atkinson felt that dropping the tax amounts after three years makes no sense from a business standpoint. "It should be at \$6.5 million perpetually," he argued, adding that he is "dead against lowering it." Atkinson also pointed out that growing development in town will require more police personnel and drive up the City's expenditures. "[The

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Chamber's] offer is tremendous, but it's not enough," he said. Last week, Atkinson asked for \$7.4 million annually to provide a cushion for the City, but then offered to accept the \$6.5 million figure as a bare minimum.

Fisher emphasized the need for all five Council members to back the tax measure and felt that not doing so "sends a bad message" to residents. "It's a poor position to put this city in," he said to Atkinson. "Council and government is all about compromise—we're facing a disaster here." Fisher also reasoned that as economic development brings more business into town, the City may realize more tax revenues than the original projections. Later, Atkinson said he could support the proposal if the \$6.5 million could at least stay put in years four and five before the decrease to \$5.9 million.

According to the latest forecast, the City will face a budget deficit of \$5.8 million in 2014/15, followed by \$5.7 million and \$5.5 million respectively the following two fiscal years. The amounts include a \$2 million annual expenditure to maintain facilities, streets and equipment at acceptable levels. Staff also identified a need for \$4.4 million annually over five years, plus another \$3.8 million in one-time monies, just to catch up with deferred infrastructure projects.

Asked if the Chamber would still support and campaign on behalf of the tax measure if the Council veers from the proposed numbers, Herbst emphasized that the Chamber is not in negotiations with the City and that it doesn't plan to reconvene again and come back with a third proposal. "Now is the time for decision," he said, later adding that while the Chamber wouldn't run a negative campaign if the Council asked for a much greater tax, the business community would likely "just be silent" in that case. At that point, the Council told Hensley to move forward with the documents on a 4-1 consensus without Atkinson in tow.

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# Eagles Make it a Magical Night, Will Play for CIF Title

#### By Gregg McMullin

It was another incredible high school football game that saw the fourth-seeded El Segundo Eagles defeat the top-seeded Oak Park Eagles 59-40 in the CIF-SS Northwest Division semifinals. El Segundo was playing its third-ever semifinal and was trying to punch its ticket to its first CIF final in school history. The Eagles advanced to the semifinals in 1987 and 2008 and the third time was charm for the Eagles to get to the big dance.

These two teams were no strangers, having played each other in a non-conference game the game while allowing 24 points per contest. But El Segundo has steadily become a team to be reckoned with as the season progressed. The Eagles were on a seven-game winning streak of their own and had scored 139 points in their past three games--a 46-point per game average.

El Segundo's first possession to start the game went nowhere and the Eagles punted to Oak Park. On Oak Park's first play from scrimmage, Brandon Coppel was met with a vicious tackle by Dwayne Polk after a short gain. Coppel fumbled the ball and Isaac Luna scooped up the ball and ran it back 28 yards



#45 Ryan Kelly breaking out of the pack for a first down. Photo by Marcy Dugan.

past four years including this season. Coming into the playoff game, the Eagles were 0-4 against Oak Park. El Segundo did give a solid performance on Sept. 20, but Oak Park won 49-35--so the fifth time was magic.

This game would be decided on epic, long pass plays that resulted in a plethora of scoring opportunities. There were seven individual scoring plays of 45 yards or more. Going into the game, nobody could imagine 99 points being scored or that the losing team would put up over 600 yards of offense.

El Segundo's offense wasn't too shabby either, rolling up 468 yards of total offense. Lars Nootbaar threw for 268 yards and three touchdowns and Ryan Kelly rushed for 84 yards and scored twice. Nick Karsseboom has taken much of the pressure off Jamie Stewart at the receiving spot. All Karsseboom did was catch four passes for 219 yards and three touchdowns.

Two publications had El Segundo as much as a two-touchdown underdog. Oak Park was coming into the game riding an 11-game winning streak and averaging 45 points per

for an Eagle touchdown.

From that point on, the game and plays went at a dizzying cadence. Oak Park's Chandler Whitbored found Eric Corsello on a screen pass that went for 71 yards and a touchdown to tie the game at 7-7. The Eagles countered with a drive that stalled out at Oak Park's nine yard line. Gabriel Rocha, who has connected on 9 of 11 attempts on the season, drilled a 26-yarder to give El Segundo the lead for good.

Oak Park isn't accustomed to punting, but that's what the Eagles' defense caused on the next possession. It didn't take long for El Segundo's offense to make another statement as Nootbaar found Karsseboom open behind the secondary for a 68-yard scoring play. Oak Park responded with a 10-play drive covering 80 yards that ended with a six-yard screen pass to Coppel to make it 17-14--still in the

On the ensuing kickoff, Stewart took the ball 63 yards to the Oak Park 31 yard line. That set up another touchdown six plays later

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# The Battle for Los Angeles

#### By Adam Serrao

For the second year in a row, the battle for Los Angeles runs blue. Perhaps no one person deserves more credit for the second consecutive win by the college from Westwood than head coach Jim Mora. Since he has taken over the regime, the UCLA Bruins have been a completely different team than in years past. For USC, the days of Pete Carroll, Matt Leinart, Reggie Bush and the great recruits that have come and gone has seemingly come to an at least brief halt. As athletic director Pat Haden and the rest of the staff begin to figure out if Ed Orgeron, or some other highly-touted name with coaching experience, should lead their team into the future, the UCLA Bruins take solace in the fact that they have found a leader of their own. Jim Mora is the new face of the Bruins and his "Bruin Revolution" is giving recruits all around Southern California and beyond something to stop and think about before they commit to play the game of college football.

The Bruin Revolution that Mora speaks of became more than real last Saturday night at USC's Coliseum as the Bruins basically dominated the entire way through and ultimately defeated the Trojans by a final score of 35-14. The win over SC was Mora's (and the Bruins') second consecutive victory over their cross-town rivals and marked a changing of the tides of sorts. "When you win two in a row in this town, things start to change," Mora explained. "That's going to help us in recruiting. If I'm a high school player, I want to play at UCLA right now. I don't know if that's legal. Is that legal to say?" Whether it is or it isn't, Mora has said it both literally with words and figuratively with actions as he has certainly begun to catch potential recruits' attentions. Two wins in a row may not be enough to capture complete dominance and overtake a decade of USC supremacy, but it certainly is a start and it has the high school players that Mora speaks of at least scratching their heads before they make any decisions.

Mora's exuberance is certainly understandable considering that the Bruins have not won a game at the Coliseum since the 1997 season. Nowadays 1997 seems just like yesterday, but in actuality that was a long 16 years ago.

Likewise, it has also been since 1998 that the Bruins have won consecutive games against their rivals from the same city. To put things in perspective, the Bruins had beaten the Trojans only once since 1999 before Mora's tenure. Since Mora has taken over, however, the team has not lost in the series. "It's nice to have it now for two years in a row," Mora stated. Those two years haven't just been your run-of-the-mill victories--they have both been victories by double-digit margins. "It tells you what's going on at UCLA," Mora continued. "It's an exciting time at UCLA. It's an exciting time to be a UCLA Bruin. You want to play for a fun, tough, hard-nosed football team that can go and win games everywhere? Come to UCLA because it's brewing over here."

Some might say that Mora could be getting ahead of himself with that quotation. After all, the Bruins have lost three times this year already to powerhouses in the BCS standings. If UCLA wants to be a team that can go anywhere and win, they will have to first turn the losses against Stanford, Oregon and Arizona State into Ws. But Mora is certainly right that he has a winning formula brewing and in the works.

More than anything, the second consecutive win over USC validated a turnaround of fortunes for the UCLA Bruins. One victory over their rivals last year meant a lot in the moment, but didn't mean much in the grand scheme of things. Two wins in a row, however, proves that this revolution, as Mora puts it, is not a fluke. "Last year after the win over SC, nobody gave us credit for it," Bruin starting quarterback Brett Hundley explained. "This win really validated what we did last year and what we're doing this year. The one thing that's funny to me is that I've never thought of this as a battle. I thought of this more as a takeover. UCLA runs L.A., and let's have some fun saying it because we have another year to say it."

Perhaps Hundley is right, but for his sake and for his school's sake, he had better hope that the winning ways continue with such lofty comments. Before Mora arrived in Westwood, however, nobody on the team could even fathom making comments like that. Since he has arrived, all of a sudden such confidence doesn't necessarily seem so far-fetched. •

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# **Police Reports**

#### Monday, November 25

One male adult was arrested at 0216 hours from the 200 block of Loma Vista Street for public intoxication.

One male adult was arrested at 0448 hours from LAPD 77th Division for one outstanding El Segundo PD felony warrant.

A vehicle tampering report was taken at 1456 hours from the 1300 block of East Franklin Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) removed the front license plate from the victim's vehicle.

A traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 2102 hours in the 2000 block of East Park Place, vehicle versus tree.

#### Tuesday, November 26

One male adult was arrested at 1320 hours from the 300 bock of Main Street for illegal possession of tear gas and illegal dispensing of tear gas.

A lost property report was taken at 1424 hours from the 700 block of Redwood Avenue. A wallet was lost at the location.

One male adult was arrested at 1540 hours from One World Way in Los Angeles for one outstanding El Segundo PD felony warrant.

An online lost property report was taken at 1709 hours from Imperial Avenue and Cypress Street. A camera bag containing miscellaneous camera equipment was lost at the location.

One male adult was arrested at 2345 hours from Los Angeles International Airport for one outstanding El Segundo PD felony warrant.

#### Wednesday, November 27

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1254 hours from the 2400 block of East El Segundo Boulevard, three vehicles involved.

Grand theft (residential) report was taken at 1343 hours from the 500 block of Maryland Street. Known suspect(s) removed items from the victim's residence.

An elder abuse theft report was taken at 2119 hours from the 600 block of East Holly Avenue. Known suspect stole \$400.00 from the victim's residence.

A missing person report was taken at 2250 hours from the 800 block of Sheldon Street. A male adult was reported missing.

#### Thursday, November 28

One male adult was arrested at 0550 hours from 120th Street and Aviation Boulevard for possession of stolen property, possession of a tampering device and possession of drug paraphernalia.

A forgery report was taken at 1027 hours from the 500 block of Penn Street. Unknown

suspect attempted to pass a counterfeit check on the victim's account.

A domestic battery/criminal threats report was taken at 2235 hours from the 2100 block of East El Segundo Boulevard. Suspect hit the victim with a water bottle and made verbal threats.

#### Friday, November 29

One male adult was arrested at 0107 hours from the 100 block of Main Street for petty theft. Vandalism report was taken at 0945 hours from the 2300 block of East Imperial Highway. Unknown suspect(s) used a firearm to shoot office window.

Burglary (commercial) report was taken at 1011 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard.

Suspect entered a grocery store, broke into a locked liquor cabinet and removed several bottles of liquor. Suspect then hid the bottles behind other merchandise.

Petty theft report was taken at 1125 hours from the 700 block of South Allied Way.

Taken was a red beanie hat.

One male adult was arrested at 2252 hours from Eucalyptus Drive and El Segundo Boulevard for misdemeanor DUI.

#### Saturday, November 30

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1109 hours in the 100 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard, vehicle versus vehicle.

One male adult was arrested at 1706 hours from Culver City PD for one El Segundo PD misdemeanor traffic warrant.

Grand theft (auto) occurred between 1700 hours on 11/29/13 and 1911 hours on 11/30/13 in the 400 block of Hillcrest Street. Taken was a 2005 Chevrolet truck.

One male adult was arrested at 2256 hours from El Segundo Boulevard and Douglas Street for misdemeanor DUI.

#### Sunday, December 1

Burglary (vehicle) occurred between 0500 hours on 11/22/13 and 2330 hours on 11/30/13 in the 200 block of North

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2013227818
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County on November 04, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on November 04, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to November 04, 2018. 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). Torrance Tribune: November 21, 28, 2013 and December 05, 12, 2013. HT-1009.

#### Order to Show Cause for Change of Name Case No. YS025460

Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES

Petition of: JAMES HALE GACK by KRISTAL LYNNE TRAPANI for Change of Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner JAMES HALE GACK by KRISTAL LYNNE TRAPANI filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

JAMES HALE GACK to JAMES HALE TRAPANI GACK

The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

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HT-24042



#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013228345

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as A&J DUMP TRUCK SERVICES. 4740 W.  $133^{\rm RD}$  ST, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. Registered Owner(s): Jose Henriquez, 4740 W. 133<sup>rd</sup> St, Hawthorne, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: November 4, 2013, Signed Jose Henriquez, Owner, This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 04, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on November 04, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to November 04, 2018 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).

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#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013236095

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Inglewood News: November 21, 28, 2013 and December 05, 12, 2013. **HI-1008.** 

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as TICO SUPER STORE. 4717 W 152<sup>nd</sup> ST, LAWNDALE, CA 90260. Registered Owner(s): Ernesto Ujueta, 4717 W 152<sup>nd</sup> St, Lawndale, CA 90260. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: October 23, 2013. Signed: Ernesto Ujueta, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on

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#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013238744

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VIOLET MUSE ENTERPRISES. 446 MAIN STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. 1913 RUHLAND AVE #B, REDONDO BEACH, CA 90278. Registered Owner(s): Yuchin Liou, 1913 Ruhland Ave #B, Redondo Beach, CA 90278. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Yuchin Liou, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 19, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement

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(562) 982-1337

(362) 982-1337 El Segundo Herald Pub. 12/5/13

#### Fictitious Business Name Statement

2013245336 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as JJ AND M COLLISION CENTER/TOWING. 4963 ALHAMBRA AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90032 Registered Owner(s): Kimathi Sweeney 2401 W. Caldwell St. Compton, CA 90220 This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed Kimathi Sweeney, Owner. This state was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 27, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on November 27, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name State must be filed prior to November 27, 2018 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). Torrance Tribune: December 05, 12, 19, 26, 2013. HT-1012.

#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013243089

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MODERN TWIST BARBER SHOP. 4563 W. ROSECRANS AVE., HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. Registered Owner(s): Adrian Saldaña, 720 Stepney Place, Inglewood, CA 90302. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Adrian Saldaña, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 25, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement

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#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013244102

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as THE CHESS SHOPPE. 1915 VOORHEES AVE. #1, REDONDO BEACH, CA 90278. Registered Owner(s): 1. Allan Kelemen, 1915 Voorhees Ave. #1, Redondo Beach, CA 90278. 2. Susan Garza-Kelemen, 1915 Voorhees Ave. #1, Redondo Beach, CA 90278. This business is being conducted by a Married Couple. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Allan Kelemen, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 26, 2013.

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#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013230543

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as NAX (USA), INC. 5343 W. IMPERIAL HWY #100, LOS ANGELES, CA 90045. Registered Owner(s): Nakamura Air Express (U.S.A), Inc., 5343 W. Imperial Hwy #100, Los Angeles, CA 90045. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: 2003. Signed: Nakamura Air Express (USA), Inc., Yumi Kimura Pegel, Treasurer. This state was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 06, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on November 06, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name must be filed prior to November 06, 2018. 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 Inglewood News: November 14, 21 2013 and December 05, 2013. HI-1003.

**Fictitious Business** 

Name Statement 2013244289

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CARRIAGE HOUSE MODELS. 5237 W. 138<sup>TH</sup> PLACE,

HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. Registered Owner(s): Patrick Strong, 5237 W.

138th Place, Hawthorne, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by an

Individual. The registrant commenced

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Strong, Owner. This statement was filed

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#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013221483

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as EAGLERIDER. 11860 S. LA CIENEGA BLVD, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. Registered Owner(s): J.C. Bromac Corporation, 11860 S. La Cienega Blvd., Hawthorne, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: J.C. Bromac Corporation, Jeff Brown, V.P. Operations. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on October 24, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement

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#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013227701

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CALL CENTER SERVICES. 909 N. Sepulveda BOULEVARD, 6™ FLOOR, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. Registered Owner(s): Mazarine Enterprises, Inc., 909 N. Sepulveda Boulevard, 5™ Floor, El Segundo, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Daryl Okimoto, Corporate Secretary. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 04, 2013.

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#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013231393

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as THE BIBLE CHURCH OF HIS WILL. 1. 2000 E. MARIPOSA AVE. EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. 2. P.O. BOX 91603, LOS ANGELES, CA 90009. Registered Owner(s): The Bible Church of His Will, 2000 E. Mariposa Ave, El Segundo, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. business under the fictitious business name listed: November 12, 2003. Signed: The Bible Church of His Will, e.uche nveche president This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 7, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on November 7, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to November 7, 2018. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of

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26, 2013. **H-1014.** 

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# **Get Crafty with Edible Holiday Appetizers**

(BPT) - Don't worry, Mom. In this case, it's OK to play with your food. The latest online social media craze features aweinspiring galleries of edible art, showcasing everyday ingredients transformed into munchable holiday masterpieces.

This season, whether you're looking to revamp the relish tray or simply keep the kids occupied with a fun project, a few holiday-friendly staples are all you need to let your creativity take flight.

Take, for instance, California black ripe olives. Known for their versatility and mild flavor, black olives are a party favorite for a reason. And with 95 percent of the nation's ripe olives grown on family farms in California, they're truly an all-American ingredient. They're also the perfect building block for edible holiday treats.

Get in on the fun with an easy and adorable-to-look-at recipe that uses black olives, cream cheese, pretzels and a few other common ingredients to create an unforgettable herd of holiday cheer. In fact, this is one reindeer game anyone can play.

## California Olive Reindeer

Makes 8 reindeer



#### **Supplies**

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Cooking spray

2 Sandwich-sized re-sealable plastic bags

4 ounces cream cheese

Scissors

8 colossal California Black Ripe Olives 8 large California Black Ripe Olives

1 bamboo skewer 16 pretzel sticks

Paring knife

Tiny pieces of carrot and raisins

Powdered sugar (optional)

Kale (optional)

Mushrooms (optional)

#### **Directions**

With a small, sharp knife, cut wonton wrappers into "antlers." Place on a baking sheet and coat with cooking spray. Bake for 3 to 5 minutes at 350 F, or until lightly browned. Place cream cheese into two sandwich-sized resealable bags. Snip 1/8-inch off the corner of one and 1/16-inch off the second. With the bag and the 1/8-inch hole, squeeze cream cheese into colossal olives. Using a bamboo skewer, make a hole in the large olives. Break a pretzel stick in half and press into hole and into colossal olive. Press together to form the head. Make four holes in the colossal olive with a bamboo skewer and push four broken pretzel sticks in to form legs. Squeeze cream cheese with the small-hole to form eyes. Make tiny slits with a paring knife in the top of the head and insert wonton antlers. Make a hole in the large olive (head) and insert a small sliver of carrot for the nose. Use a small piece of raisin to create pupils.

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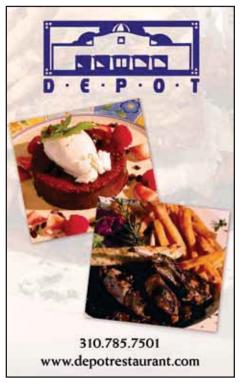
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# Sports

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when Nootbaar scored by running a bootleg and diving for the end zone pylon to make it 24-14. Oak Park responded with a 59-yard pass play from Whitbored to Matt Byer to close the gap to 24-20 after the missed PAT.

With 8:06 left in the second quarter, Nootbaar scrambled on third and nine and found Karsseboom behind the secondary once again. This time the play covered 55 yards for another score to make it 31-20.

El Segundo's defense came up with a big stop to force another punt. Stewart picked up 28 yards on the return to midfield. Consecutive completions to Stewart for 14 yards and another to Connor Underwood for 19 yards gave the Eagles a first and goal from the eight yard line. Three plays later, Nootbaar dove for another score with 2:04 left in the first half. Whitbored found Byer open for another 59-yard touchdown pass that helped cut El Segundo's lead to 38-26 just before the end of the first half.

Eagle coach Steve Shevlin was uneasy about the first half, even with a two-touchdown lead. "That's a good team, so we needed to play keepaway from them. I think we were wearing them down on defense a little bit too," Shevlin said. "A key turning point of the game in the first half was forcing a punt after we scored--that was huge."

To start the third quarter, Oak Park took an inauspicious calculated risk on fourth and five at its own 44 yard line. Isaac Luna batted away a pass intended for Byer. The Eagles took advantage two plays later on a 47-yard touchdown catch by Karsseboom to extend the lead to 45-26. The lead went to 52-26 on a 15-yard touchdown run by Ryan Kelly with 1:12 remaining in the third quarter.

The Eagles would score once more off another turnover. Karsseboom intercepted Whitbored and returned it five yards to the El Segundo 39 yard line. On fourth and four



Isaac Luna (El Segundo #7) opens the scoring with an El Segundo following an Oak Park turnover in the first quarter of play. Photo by Dirk Dewachter.

from Oak Park's 38 yard line, Stewart faked the punt and picked up 31 yards to the Oak Park seven yard line. The ball was moved to the two yard line after a major penalty against Oak Park. From there, Kelly punched it in to make it 59-32.

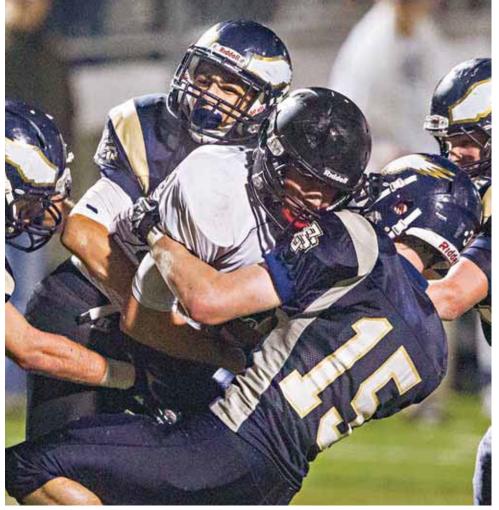
Oak Park, which was in a hurry-up offense, would score once more with 5:37 left in the game to make it 59-40. The 59 points the Eagles scored are the most that Oak Park has allowed since giving up 59 to Oaks Christian five years ago.

Afterwards while the coaches, players and fans were in jubilation mode, Shevlin said it was one of the most satisfying coaching moments he has ever experienced. "I can't even begin to try and explain the effort that these kids have put in the last five to six weeks, and they just keep getting better and better," he said. "This journey is not over and we need to finish it off."

The Eagles have played three of the five teams from the Tri-Valley League and will play a fourth one for the CIF title on Saturday at 7 p.m. The Eagles travel to Ojai to face second-seeded Nordhoff, the defending CIF champions. These two teams have faced each other once before in the playoffs back in 2009 when the Eagles won 24-7. In that game, Jimmy Quinones had three interceptions and Mike Bundy threw two TD passes.

Nordhoff is a ball control team that thrives on running the ball. It has scored 35 rushing touchdowns this season. Matt Woodcock (935 yards and 15 TDs) and Tayler Livingston (801 yards and eight TDs) do the bulk of the running. Tanner Workman runs the offense and has thrown for over 1,800 yards and 17 touchdowns.

The Eagles are running down history with the school's first appearance in a football CIF **See Sports, page 16** 



Oak Park's Matt Byer is left little room for gaining yardage as he is tackled by four El Segundo defenders. Photo by Dirk Dewachter.



#7 Isaac Luna, #20 Connor Underwood making the tackle to stop Oak Park. Photo by Marcy Dugan.



Lars Nootbaar (El Segundo #8) leaps into the end zone to register his rushing touchdown in the third quarter during El Segundo's 59-40 victory over #1 seed Oak Park to reach the CIF Southern Section Northern Division finals for the first time in school history. Photo by Dirk Dewachter.



Nick Karsseboom caught four passes for 219 yards and three touchdowns and one interception. Photo by Dirk Dewachter.

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# Tips to Spruce Up Your Home for the Holidays

(BPT) - Holidays are when most people open their homes for friends and family. Sharing the season's greetings is always the priority but these gatherings are also an opportunity to show off improvements made during the year.

This is one of the reasons that autumn is a popular time for home improvements. Fifty-two percent of homeowners plan to make home improvements this fall, according to the leading real estate website Zillow. It is also a great time of year for deals as retailers unload inventory to make room for new styles.

Creating a warm and inviting atmosphere includes much more than just poinsettias and Santa Claus centerpieces. There are a number of affordable steps homeowners can take to add a real "wow factor" to their holiday entertaining.

#### **Kitchen Updates**

The kitchen is commonly one of the busiest rooms during the holidays. Since guests often gather there, it makes sense to make the space the focus for a few improvements before the holidays. Simple and inexpensive updates, such as adding new knobs and handles to cabinets or installing a new backsplash, will make a big difference. Stylish new light fixtures can also give your kitchen a quick facelift that will impress your guests.

#### **Install Hardwood Floors**

The warmth and beauty of hardwood floors can transform the look and feel of your home to create a space that will stun your guests. And unlike carpet, hardwood floors do not



stain or wear as easily from inevitable spills and foot traffic that the holidays bring.-Moreover, carpet traps dust, pollen and other particles that can cause allergies and respiratory issues. Visually unique flooring options bring together both the aesthetic and practical advantages of hardwood flooring.

#### **De-clutter**

It's important to create inviting open space for guests to enjoy. De-cluttering bookshelves

and removing miscellaneous furniture can help make a room feel larger and more open, and will allow room for festive seasonal decor. Spending time to organize the refrigerator will make space for any holiday dishes a guest brings.

#### **Improve the Entry**

The front entry provides the first impression of a home, so it's important to create a stylish, cared-for and welcoming look. Homeowners

can complete small projects outside, such as updating house numbers, painting the front door and creating holiday-themed arrangements. Simple decor updates just inside the door - such as adding family photos and new rugs - will add a warm and personal feel. •



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## Don't Let Cyber Grinches Ruin Your Holidays

#### By Jason Alderman

I'm usually in too much of a Thanksgiving food coma to hit the sales on Black Friday, but millions of other Americans somehow find the energy. Last year, 89 million people took advantage of Black Friday sales (57 million of them online), while an

estimated 247 million shopped throughout the four-day weekend, as stores increasingly have opened their doors on Thanksgiving itself.

In addition, millions of bargain hunters spent another \$2 billion on Cyber Monday, so it's clear that online holiday shopping is here to stay. Unfortunately, cyber criminals have zeroed in on this trend and are redoubling their efforts to separate shoppers from their hard-earned cash.

Whether you're shopping online by computer, smartphone or tablet, here are some common cyber scams to watch out for and security precautions to take:

Tips for buying gift cards:

Only buy from secure websites of trusted retailers (look for an "s" in the "https://" web address and a lock symbol).

At walk-in stores, only purchase cards from employees who have them locked up. Avoid cards at unattended display racks, since thieves can scan the card's unique serial number; then, after you've loaded it with cash, drain its value with online purchases before the recipient has a chance to use it.

Never purchase deeply discounted cards or event tickets from online marketplaces like eBay or Craigslist – chances are good that the cards are counterfeit or were stolen.

Most retailers offer holiday sales as a way to boost their year-end bottom line. If you've "liked" a product or store on Facebook or Twitter, or have signed up to receive their emails, you may well get genuine offers for steep discounts or last-minute sales.

But beware of bogus offers from sites that

mimic those of legitimate retailers.

They could be:

Trying to harvest your credit card number and other personal information to make illegitimate charges to your account or open new accounts in your name.

Attempting to sell you counterfeit or stolen goods.

Trying to gain access to your social media profile to log into other accounts tied to it, or to post illegitimate offers purportedly endorsed by you to lure in your friends.

Another common scam is to send an email claiming a courier is trying to deliver a package or there's a problem with your order. You'll be told to click on a link to get details and will likely be asked to reveal account or other personal information to verify. Unless you previously provided them your email address, this is probably bogus.

A few additional holiday-related security tips: When shopping online, avoid pop-up ads touting incredible deals. If you think it might be real, log into the retailer's website yourself to see whether the deal is posted.

Hackers create realistic-looking web addresses that, when clicked, take you to a bogus site that can infect your device with malware or install a Trojan Horse program to steal your personal information. To be safe, let your cursor hover over web addresses you didn't type in yourself and look for misspelled or weird-looking sequences of characters.

Before completing an online order, visit the site's "Contact Us" and "Terms and Conditions" pages for their phone number, mailing address, return policies, etc. Phony sites often either don't have such pages or they're filled with easy-to-spot errors.

Don't let the prospect of getting a great deal on Black Friday allow you to drop your guard against scammers who would love to fill your stocking with coal. •

#### **Police Reports**

Sepulveda Boulevard. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry into the victim's vehicle by smashing a window. Miscellaneous items were taken.

One male adult was arrested at 0620 hours from Rosecrans Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard for public intoxication.

Vandalism report was taken at 1530 hours from the 700 block of Redwood

Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) scratched the

at 1717 hours at Douglas Street and Park

victim's vehicle.

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred

Place, vehicle versus vehicle.

Traffic accident (without injuries) occurred at 1719 hours at Sepulveda Boulevard and El Segundo Boulevard. The vehicle hit the center median and rolled over.

#### **City Council**

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"It says something that the business community in this town is willing to pony up and that they're asking the residents to just help a little bit," said Councilmember Marie Fellhauer. Fisher was equally impressed and commented, "Where in this country does a business community come to a city and say, 'We support what you are proposing—we're going to increase what you want by a million dollars,' and say, 'We'll partner with you on the promotion and campaign of this because we're in this with you?""

#### Holiday Festivities, Lanphere Recognized

During presentations, the Council recognized this Sunday, Dec. 8 as the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the annual Holiday Parade. This year's theme will be "A Golden Holiday" with the proceedings kicking off at 1 p.m. at the corner of Imperial Avenue and Main Street and wrapping up at Main and El Segundo Boulevard at 3 p.m. Prior holiday events include today's Santa's Village at City Hall Plaza at 3 p.m., the Farmer's Market and Holiday Craft Fair, the annual Tree Lighting Celebration at the Civic Plaza from 4 to 5:30 p.m. and the El Segundo Chamber of Commerce Holiday Mixer at Citizens Business Bank from 5:30 to 7:30.

Another proclamation announced that the annual Candy Cane Lane festivities on the 1200 block of East Acacia will kick off at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 14 and continue every evening through Dec. 23. Started by resident Ken Bailey in 1949, Candy Cane Lane attracts thousands of visitors each year to see how homeowners decorate and light up their

properties to showcase a winter wonderland. Other highlights include Santa Claus arriving on top of a horn-blowing fire truck, a snow-covered Christmas village at the end of the cul-de-sac, and music from the El Segundo Community Band. The proclamation also singled out Mattel, Spring Cleaners, South Bay Vital Signs, RSVPs, El Segundo High School volunteers and the participating homeowners for their contributions to the event.

The Council issued a commendation in honor of the annual El Segundo Community Christmas Dinner that will take place on Dec. 25 at noon. Originally conceived by Old Town Music Hall co-founder the late Bill Coffman in 1983 to provide a holiday meal for those less fortunate, the dinner will again take place at the Joslyn Center as it has for the past 25 years. This year, KJ's Diner and Restaurant will donate food and preparation, with additional cuisine from the DoubleTree Hotel. Natural Simplicity will again provide floral arrangements. The commendation also noted the volunteer efforts of Mark and Marcia Marion and the Recreation and Parks Department Outreach Office. The dinner will feed 125 people.

In another commendation, the Council honored former City Treasurer Ralph Lanphere as the RSVP of the Year, for his contributions to the El Segundo Police Department's Retired Senior Volunteer Program. Lanphere served as an RSVP from 1995 to 2000 and then resumed his duties in May 2012 working not only the required three hours a week but also assisting the Crime Prevention Unit. •

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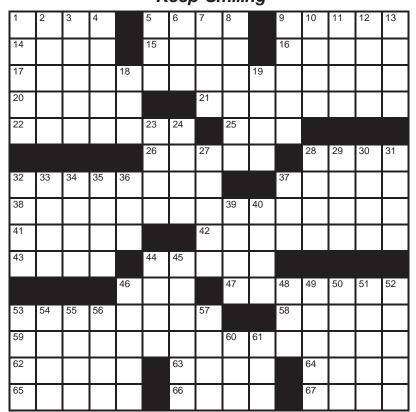
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#### Across

9. Jerk

- Passage
- 5. Tropical starchy root
- 14. Prefix for scoliosis
- 15. Kind of number
- 16. Like some fiction?
- 17. Accepts with aplomb 20. Watch word?
- 21. Waterproof fabric
- 22. Trattoria order 25. Not only that but also
- 26. Synthetic fiber
- 28. City on the Yamuna River
- 32. Support beam
- 37. Composer Albéniz
- 38. Wins out in the end
- 41. Table-top design
- 42. Murder, e.g. 43. Christian name
- 44. Manufactured fiber 46. Criticize harshly
- 47, 1976 satirical film
- 53. Brunch order
- 58. Atlas, e.g. 59. Tune from "Bye, Bye Birdie"
- 62. About-face

- 63. Son of Rebekah
- 64. Prayer pronoun 65 Parisian flower
- 66. Mare's-nest
- 67. Variety of chalcedony

#### Down

- 1. Star in Perseus
- 2. Skin layer
- 3. Penn and others 4. South Seas kingdom
- 5. Chapter in history
- 6. Kind of mother
- 7. Carpenter's groove
- 8. White rat, e.g. 9. Stupefied
- 10. Ripple, as water
- 11. Therewithal
- 12. Kind of curl
- 13. Ragnarok, e.g.
- 18. Wilt 19. Valley in Wales
- 23. Bill
- 24. Husk
- 27. Like spinach salad
- 29. French person
- 28. Chop-chop

- 30. Indian music
- 31. In need of a massage
- 32. Scolded
- 33. Punjabi princess
- 34. Home of Vigeland Park
- 35. Principal
- 36. Lacking
- 37. Down
- 39. Directly
- 40. Adjust a violin 44. Figure in Maori mythology
- 45. Hymn of praise
- 46. Tubular pasta
- 48. Your, once
- 49. Fabric threads
- 50. Siouan language
- 51. Snake genus
- 52. Injured, in a way 53. Work
- 54. Speechless
- 55. Needle holder
- 56. Desolate
- 57. Mollify 60. Dance bit
- 61. Hindu month

#### 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.

# **Classifieds**

The deadline for Classified Ad submission and payment is Noon on Tuesday to appear in Thursday's paper. Advertisements must be submitted in writing by mail, fax or email. You may pay by cash, check, or credit card (Visa or M/C over the phone).

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#### APARTMENT FOR RENT

1BD/1BA. Pets OK! Downstairs unit., lg kitchen, fireplace, 1 car garage, w/d in unit, ALL UTILITIES PAID, W. of Main. \$1,900/mo. Avail. 12/13/13 (310) 880-8420

#### APARTMENT FOR RENT

1BD/1BA. Large Apt. In ES quiet gated building. W/swimming pool, laundry facility, pond w/ water fall \$1,275/mo. No pets. Call Mike at (310) 322-7166.

#### CARE GIVER SERVICES

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#### CONDO FOR LEASE

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#### **EMPLOYMENT**

Display Ad Sales Position. We need an experienced Display Ad Salesperson for Herald Publications. Territories include Torrance, El Segundo and Hawthorne. Full or parttime positions are available. 20% commission on all sales. If interested please email your resume to management@ heraldpublications.com. No phone calls please.

#### GARAGE SALE

Holiday Boutique Sat Dec 7 9-4 317 W. Maple Ave. Jewelry, candles, scarves & more.

#### GARAGE SALE

Saturday Dec 7. 7am-noon. 711 W. Sycamore Ave. Fashion clothes, large pieces of furniture and household items.

#### House for Rent

1BD/1BA. Cozy Cottage house for rent, w/beamed ceilings, updated kitchen cabinets, hard wood floors in living room, small yard and patio, laundry facility, includes water and power. \$1,500/mo. No pets/ No smoker. Call 310 335-6099 or 310 343-8654.

#### TUTORING SERVICES

Former teacher available for math tutoring. www.caseys.org Call Terry @ (310) 322-2223. \$25/hr.

To appear in next week's paper, submit your Classifed Ad by Noon on Tuesday.



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## **COMMUNITIES COUNT**

For your convenience you can fill out this form and fax it (310-322-2787), email (class@ heraldpublications.com) it or bring it into the office at 312 E Imperial Avenue, El Segundo.

#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS FOR THE TRENCHLESS SEWER IMPROVEMENT 2013-14

IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO PROJECT NO.: PW 13-23

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, December 17, 2013 at which time they will be publicly opened.

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 alternately available electronically via http://www.elsegundo.org/depts/works/project\_request\_contact\_form.asp

A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 10, at 10:00 am, HR Conference Room in City Hall, 350 Main St., El Segundo, CA 90245. Bidders' attendance at this meeting is mandatory. Questions regarding the bid shall be submitted by 11:00 pm on Tuesday, December 10, 2013 to 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 five percent (5%) retention from all progress payments as specified in Section 9-3.2 of these Specifications.

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 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), 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:

TRENCHLESS SEWER
IMPROVEMENT 2013-14

"SEALED BIDS FOR PROJECT NO.: PW 13-23 IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO

DO NOT OPEN WITH REGULAR

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 these projects, those acceptable classes of license shall be "A". The successful CONTRACTOR and his SUB-CONTRACTORS will be required to possess the correct license for their project classifications, and to possess a valid City 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 ninety (90) 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,

Tracy Weaver City Clerk City of El Segundo El Segundo Herald Pub. 11/28, 12/5/13 NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Municipal Election will be held in the City of El Segundo on Tuesday, April 8, 2014, for the following Officers:

For Two (2) Members of the City Council -Full Term of Four Years

If no one or only one person is nominated for an elective office, appointment to the elective office may be made as prescribed by § 10229, Elections Code of the State of California.

The polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Tracy Weaver

El Segundo Herald Pub 12/5, 12/12/13

#### NOTIFICACIÓN DE LA ELECCIÓN

POR LA PRESENTE SE DA AVISO de que se habrá de llevar a cabo una Elección Municipal General en la Ciudad de El Segundo el martes, 8 de abril de 2014, para los siguientes Funcionarios:

Para 2 Miembros del Consejo Municipal (Período completo de cuatro años)

Si no se nomina a nadie o solamente a una persona para un cargo electivo, se puede realizar el nombramiento al cargo elegido según lo prescrito por la §10229 del Código Electoral del Estado de California.

Los centros electorales estarán abiertos entre las 7:00 a.m. y 8:00 p.m.

Secretaria Municipal El Segundo Herald Pub 12/5, 12/12/13 H-24059 "If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and man."

— Mark Twain

Enjoy a good read with your morning coffee... Subscribe to one of Herald Publications weekly newspapers. El Segundo Herald, Torrance Tribune, Hawthorne Press Tribune, Lawndale Tribune or Inglewood News

Call 310-322-1830

# PETSPETSPETSPETS

# **Pets Without Partners**

In addition to our regular Saturday adoption event, you can also meet us and adopt a



Iris

precious pet at the seventh annual Home for the Holidays pet adoption fair at the Irvine Animal Care Center on Sunday, Dec. 8 from 10 am to 3 p.m. Admission is \$1 and parking is free. Adopt a "pet without a partner" and receive unconditional love when you give a homeless pet a second chance in life.

Beautiful **Shilo** is two-year-old Spaniel mix who weighs 13 pounds. Shilo is a very soulful and sweet boy. He has a beautiful golden coat with a white blaze down his chest and dark brown eyes. He loves his toys, as you can see in his video on our website, and loves to fetch whatever you throw for him. Shilo has great play manners with all the dogs at



Zoey

the rescue and loves the other little dog in his foster home. He's a professional lover and snuggler who loves to sit with you. With his tenderhearted personality, Shilo is sure to make a great connection with all the females in the family. For his comfort, it would be best that children in the household be over the age of 10. Shilo is neutered, current on vaccinations, de-wormed, microchipped and fine with other dogs.

Two adorable kittens snuck into our all-dog rescue. **Zoey** is a sweet, 12-week-old, long-haired, brown Tabby with white bits who

will make an excellent addition to any family situation. **Iris** is a darling eight-week-old kitten who is extremely well-socialized and quite loving. Please help them each find a good home. Both are vaccinated, de-wormed and will be spayed when of age.

Tanner is a beautiful little Basenji pup--he might even be a purebred. He is a ball of laughs, loves to play with other dogs and is perfectly content on your lap. Tanner rides well in the car and is just the cutest little guy. Thus far, he's your normal little playful puppy. Tanner is neutered, current on vaccinations, de-wormed, microchipped, fine with other dogs and cat-safe.

To learn more about these and other wonderful dogs, visit our website at www.animalsrule.org.



Shilo

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. •



Tanner

# **Purrrfect Companions**

For the month of December, we're offering 50% off adoption fees for all kitties 12 months



Tristar

and older in our "Home for the Holidays" adoption drive. Bring a little love into your holidays when you adopt your purr-fect partner.

Carmen is a beautiful ginger cat who found herself at a high-kill shelter along with her beautiful ginger kittens. Carmen was lucky she got out alive, but not until after the trauma of having her five-week-old kittens taken and killed a day before Kitten Rescue was able to save her. Carmen is now safe in a foster home and would love a home of her own. She is a bit reserved, yet she loves to strut around and play with her toys or lounge about decorating the room with her majestic presence. If you're looking for a cat to keep you company but don't desire a clingy one, Carmen is the girl for you.

**Tristan** is a handsome two-year-old boy who is harness and leash trained. He is very easygoing, loves belly rubs and can't get enough petting. With his loud purr and adorable soft green eyes, Tristan would be perfectly happy as a single cat or in a home with another kitty. He is good with dogs once he gets to know them, other cats and gentle children.

**Arwen** is a gorgeous little brown Tabby and white girl with soft, golden eyes. This sweet girl was rescued from death along with her four newborn kittens. Time brought healing and as Arwen began to put on weight, she also began to take an interest in life once again.

This poor girl wants so desperately to be loved, but at the same time her trust had been broken and she was afraid to accept love. Arwen will rub against your legs, winding about your feet with a playful youthfulness that is extremely endearing. She adores playing with toys that she can bat and swat at, nuzzling her face against them from time to time as well. Arwen would be best suited in a calm, quiet adult household where she can feel secure and safe.

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, 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



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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 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.  $\bullet$ 



Lucy

# **Bunnies Without Homes**

Bunnies aren't *just* for Easter. They're ready to share their love the whole year through. Rabbits are wonderful companion animals. They're clean, sociable, and once neutered can easily be litterbox-trained. Want to give a bunny a "hoppy" holiday? There is a wide selection of rabbits waiting for homes, so please don't shop-*adopt* one of these beautiful



Powder Puff

bunnies or one of their friends.

**Powder Puff** is unbelievably cute, weighs less than two pounds, was about three months of age in early October and has a friendly disposition too. With her beautiful coat, be aware that she will require daily combing and summer haircuts.

Alice is a petite girl with chocolate eyeliner. As she warms up to you, she is an all-around good girl with excellent house habits! Alice prefers cats and humans to other rabbits.

All these orphaned bunnies are available for adoption through Los Angeles Rabbit Foundation. To see more of their rabbits, please visit www.larabbits.org. The group holds weekly adoption events on Saturdays from 12:30-3:30 at 3860 S. Centinela Avenue, Los Angeles 90066 (two blocks south of Venice Boulevard). All the rabbits are neutered and box-trained prior to adoption. Adopters receive a care packet, a bag of oat blend hay and advice for the life of the rabbit. If you can't adopt, the organization always needs

foster homes, volunteers and, of course, donations. Make this year a positive one for a rabbit in need. •



Alice

# **Lost Dog**

Long Hair Chihuahua, male, ten-years old, 6 lbs 5 oz. Last seen Thanksgiving night on 600 block of Center St. wearing zebra print body leash. Dog named Mickey. Needs surgery. REWARD offered. Please contact (310) 956-2562 or (310-322-0098.



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title game. Directions to Nordhoff High School: Take the 405 to the 101 north for approximately 54 miles. Take the CA 33-N exit towards Ojai and merge onto CA-33 N/Ojai Fwy for

approximately 13 miles. Turn left on Church Road for approximately 150 feet. The school will be on the left. The weather forecast is for no rain, but the temperatures are expected to be in the lower 40s.

Another way to follow the game if you aren't planning to go is to follow it through Scorecast on the Internet by going to the

website http://football.iscorecast.com with the log-in D18EFED633. Additionally, the game might possibly be viewed via live streaming at www.NFHSNetwork.com •



El Segundo quarterback Lars Nootbaar (El Segundo #8) completed eight of 17 passes for 268 yards and three touchdowns. He rushed for 27 yards on 14 carries, which included one touchdown. Photo by Dirk Dewachter.



El Segundo's Shaman Moore (El Segundo #6) jumps over Oak Park defenders Zach Fowler (Oak Park #7) and Brandon Myden (Oak Park #74) adding another touchdown during the CIF Southern Section Northern Divisional semi-final game. Photos by Dirk Dewachter.



 ${\it Coach Steve Shevlin congratulates the team. Photo by Marcy Dugan.}$ 

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