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Annual Parade Welcomes 2012 Holiday Season to Town



The City of El Segundo hosted the 49th Annual Holiday Parade on Sunday. Seen here is the El Segundo Youth Cheer. See more photos on page 12.

El Segundo Considers Car-Sharing Program

By Brian Simon

El Segundo is one of a number of South Bay cities considering a car-sharing program in which drivers can pick up a vehicle at a moment's notice and use it for however long they may need it—even if just for a few minutes. A representative from the automaker Daimler recently pitched the El Segundo City Council about the Car2go concept that conveniently places “smart cars” throughout the community and allows program members to rent by the minute, hour or day.

Launched by Daimler in Europe in 2008 and brought to the United States the following year, Car2go is now in eight North American cities, including Miami, Washington, D.C., Portland and San Diego. Under the program, applicants can register online by paying a one-time membership fee of \$35 that's good for life. Assuming a DMV check passes with flying colors, signees receive their membership card within three to five days. A special phone app provides a map of where the nearest car is. In the proposed South Bay system, Daimler would provide 300 to 350 cars in a geographical area bounded by the ocean to the west, Western Boulevard to the east, 105 Freeway to the north, and PCH to the south. Through even distribution, no one should have to venture more than four or five blocks to find a vehicle—so ideally, a car is always within walking distance. To secure the rental in advance, members can put a hold on the car for 15 minutes.

The compact, two-seater smart cars come equipped with computer systems and a center-dash touch screen. Doors remain unlocked with the key in the dash, but the car can't start until the member punches in a four-digit code to legitimize the rental. Drivers then pay only for the time they have the car, based on 38 cents a minute, \$13.99 per hour and \$72

a day. However, the fee includes all fuel (the program includes a fleet gas card members can use to fill up the tank), insurance, maintenance and even parking—cities with meters get reimbursed. Though members may take the car anywhere, they must return it someplace within the program's prescribed geographical area. “You can pick up the car in El Segundo,

drive to Redondo and Torrance, end the rental and walk away without bringing it back where you got it from,” said Car2go Business Development Manager Walter Rosenkranz. “It gives you the ability to rent a car on a very short-term basis...It's another mobility option for those without cars.”

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Challenge Day Helps Students, Grown-Ups Connect

By Cristian Vasquez

For a third consecutive year, Challenge Day leaders visited El Segundo Middle School (ESMS) with their workshops and programs aimed at helping students and grown-ups connect through the celebration of diversity, truth and full expression. The three-day, energy-filled event was hosted at ESMS November 27-29. Challenge Day leaders and adult volunteers from the community dedicated one day to students from each grade level separately in order to carry out the workshops' activities.

“This is the third year of Challenge Day at El Segundo Middle School and I do think that Challenge Day continues to benefit children and our school climate,” El Segundo Middle School Counselor Lori Klein said. “As we continue Challenge Day year to year, I believe it has even a greater impact. So far, this was the best year ever and I anticipate it only growing.”

Challenge Day has been reaching out to schools across the country and around the globe since 1987. The program is designed to create empathy for children to better connect with each other so

that they can feel safe. This nonprofit has a unique approach that goes beyond traditional anti-bullying efforts.

“Calling it anti-bullying is the easiest way to describe it, but it is so much more than that. It is about workshops for people to come together, which is a really humanizing experience for an adult and for students to go through,” Challenge Day leader Michelle Arias said. “It helps break down those barriers that exist among students so that they realize that we are all actually together on this planet and that a lot of us are going through the same things, a lot of the same pressures and a lot of the same issues. It is a really wonderful experience for them to be able to see that someone that they maybe thought they had nothing in common with, are actually going through the exact same things. I think that that is the point of Challenge Day—to create a more loving, create a more accepting environment at school and among students so that they can feel empowered.”

Since coming to ESMS, Challenge Day
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Weekend Forecast

Friday

Partly Cloudy
58°/47°



Saturday

Partly Cloudy
58°/50°



Sunday

Few Showers
57°/50°



People

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Brooklyn Paige Rouzaud was born on November 29, 2012, 7 lbs, 9 oz. and 20 1/2 inches long. Parents are Dominic and Amy Rouzaud, the proud



parents and sister Bailey, welcomed their new addition. Proud grandparents are Robert and Lisa Mescher, Luann Fabian and Leonard and Dee Rouzaud.

ANNIVERSARY

Ron and Sylvia Bitters will celebrate their "Silver" 25th wedding anniversary on Christmas Eve, along with their two children, Bethany and Dalton. Mr. and Mrs. Bitters were married December 24, 1987 in Torrance, California. •



Business Briefs

SNOW FELL AS MUSIC PLAYED AT WINTER WONDERLAND

Rain threatened to cancel the third annual Winter Wonderland event presented by the



El Segundo Concert Band and the El Segundo High School Band that took place on Saturday, December 1 but the sun came out brightly at 2 p.m. so the music played and the people came. Although, it did not rain, it definitely snowed. Presented on the El Segundo High School Grounds, there was music, food, activities, shopping, pictures with Santa and more all bringing a delightful holiday event to the community. The decorations provided and designed by the band parents were remarkable. In the daylight it was Toyland and at night it looked like a Fairyland. The award winning High School Band was one of the highlights with their performance along with the Elementary and Middle School bands. Keeping the music playing in our schools is supported by Winter Wonderland. Donations are appreciated. www.esconcertband.org.

STROKE, OSTEOPOROSIS SCREENINGS COMING TO EL SEGUNDO

Residents living in and around El Segundo can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke or bone structure. South Bay Masonic Lodge #421 will host Life Line Screening on January 25. The site is located at 520 Main Street in El Segundo. Screenings identify potential cardiovascular conditions such as clogged arteries and irregular heart rhythm, abdominal aortic aneurysms, and hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is strong predictor of heart disease. A bone density screening to assess osteoporosis risk is also offered and is appropriate for both men and women. Packages start at \$149. All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule and appointment, interested persons may call 1-877-237-1287 or visit www.lifelinescreenings.com. Preregistration is required.

TREAT YOUR TREES: KNOW YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE

This is the season when trees come indoors to make our holidays festive. There are environmental arguments for and against any tree you may choose. If you opt for an artificial

tree, be certain you will use it for years to come since nonrenewable resources were used to produce it. There are two ways to minimize the environmental impact of cut trees. Try to get a locally grown tree to reduce pollution associated with transporting it, and be sure it gets recycled after the holidays. The other choice is a living tree that, instead of becoming trash, can be planted after the holidays. There are precautions to be taken to ensure this noble outcome. Check the species before you buy. Will it live in a Southern California coastal area? Is its eventual size practical for your yard or other spaces should you donate it to a nonprofit such as Tree Musketeers? Many living trees are Italian Stone Pines that reach 80 feet in height and crown width at maturity. Ignore labels boasting that living trees can be in the house longer. That is true only if tree survival is unimportant. Ten to fourteen days is about all of the warm indoors time a tree can tolerate. Keep a saucer under the pot before, during and after its time inside. These trees are root bound meaning there is little soil in the pot, and water runs straight through. The saucer will collect that water allowing the roots to drink at their leisure. Learn to identify trees by species at Tree Musketeers' Treat Your Trees workshops on Saturday Dec. 15 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. People who participate in each of five free Treat Your Trees workshops can earn a Tree Caregiver Certificate. Interested Children and adults may call Tree Musketeers at 310-322-0263 or email volunteers@treemusketeers.org to register.

CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATS SEEK DELEGATES FOR STATE CONVENTION

California Democrats who were involved in the 2012 campaign victories are invited to help select delegates for the California Democratic Party's State Convention, which will take place in April 2013. The California Democratic Party is convening Assembly District Meetings (ADEM) to select delegates in each of the state's 80 Assembly Districts on January 12 or 13, 2013. All Democrats residing in California and registered to vote by October 22, 2012 (unless the person turned 18 or was naturalized after the deadline, and is registered to vote or registers onsite) may participate and vote in the ADEM. Eighty Assembly Districts will elect 12 people (six women and six men) to be members of the Democratic State Central Committee. These 12 people will represent their Assembly District for both the 2013 and 2014 State Convention. Anyone wishing to run for Delegate, please go to the CADEM website for more information: <http://www.cadem.org/page?id=0080>. The deadline to apply for

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November 2012 Winner

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Challenge

from front page

Day has earned a strong reputation and has become an event that students look forward to with workshops at full capacity every year. "The first year, students and families were a bit apprehensive--but as we have continued, there has been an ongoing popularity for the program," Klein said. "We are getting more students signing up earlier and more parents requesting that their students participate."

While the goal of Challenge Day is to get children to open up their lines of communication between themselves and with adults, the day's activities are tailored to keep the children fully engaged while promoting the message of love, respect and tolerance. "The important thing is to have fun at the beginning of the day. We are acting goofy together and we're having fun together to kind of create that safe environment with each other," Arias said. "That way when we share parts of our lives and our stories, it begins the humanizing factor. It initiates the realness and the dynamics of a human being. It shows that we have such a range, beyond what we are showing every single day. There is no such thing as just a happy person all time. I think that is what kind of sets the mood for the students to feel safe in a way to discuss what is real for them and to discuss what is actually going on with them."

The program also has a strong impact on the adults who take part since they too participate just like the students and share

their thoughts and past experiences. "A lot of times, the students see the adults as strong pillars where life is perfect and everything is fine, as if they were all born at age 25," Arias said. "They [kids] don't realize that we were 12 and 13 as well at some point, that we have our own experiences and that we have been through some things as well. I think it kind of helps the students and shows them that there is light at the end of the tunnel and that you can get through things even if it is feeling very hard at the moment."

Arias walked away from a career in advertising and merchandising in San Francisco after volunteering for a Challenge Day event. It has since become her passion. "I remember how I was feeling when I was 14--you understand everything that is happening around you, you are really in your emotions and you are really in your feelings," Arias said. "I remember feeling that appreciation when an adult was real with me and when they spoke with me at the same level, instead of talking down at me. I truly think that is the beauty of Challenge Day. None of the adults are talking down to you."

Arias concluded, "Students understand that we are human and we share our experience. We let them know that we can help them in any way and if it helps them, I'm going to pass it along. It has really been the best thing that I have done with my life. I feel really blessed..." •

Car2go

from front page

Rosenkranz noted that according to data, each car-share vehicle takes 15-20 personal vehicles off the road and reduces the need for consumers to own additional cars. Pointing out other benefits of the program, he said the car is fuel-efficient, doesn't take up much space and is easy to park. Additionally, the city itself benefits by recouping a portion of the sales tax.

Car2go approached El Segundo at the behest of the South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG)—a joint powers authority of 16 cities that address issues of common interest such as energy and water conservation, advocacy, land use and transportation. Realizing the South Bay is a relatively dense area without an extensive transit system and limited travel options, the SBCCOG looked at strategies to handle growth and improve mobility. "We studied transportation behavior in the South Bay for the last five years and found that other than the commute trip, most trips are under five miles," said SBCCOG Executive Director Jacki Bacharach. "We also learned that there are 266,000 secondary vehicles in households in the South Bay—second, third and fourth vehicles in a household. We piloted a slow-speed neighborhood electric vehicle project—our LUV project for local use vehicle—for the last two years and it was very successful with the households that participated. It

highlighted that almost all of the trips other than the commute trip were local."

With that data in mind, the SBCCOG contacted several car-sharing companies to determine interest in offering service within the South Bay. Car2go studied the area and agreed to come into a nine-city block. "They were the only company that has expressed an interest in serving the South Bay since most other companies prefer to start in a campus atmosphere," said Bacharach.

While Car2go prompted initial positive feedback from a couple of Council members (Mayor Pro Tem Suzanne Fuentes described the program as "very exciting," noting that it gives people access to a car to "just zip around town and do their errands"), City staff will first study its viability in the community and the matter will return for final consideration at a future date. Some of the logistics may be a bit complicated, such as a request to waive existing two-hour parking limitations—although Rosenkranz indicated that the program is designed so cars won't remain stationed in one spot for that long. Even so, ultimate implementation hinges on approval from all nine South Bay cities targeted. In addition to El Segundo, the list also includes Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Lawndale, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach and Torrance. •

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.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15

• The Mighty Echoes perform, 2-4 p.m., Friends of the Library Room, 111 West Mariposa Ave. The 2013 Spring Concert Series opens on January 19, 2013. For more information call (310) 524-2728.

• Tree Musketeers Free Workshop from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Learn how to identify and care for the trees in our local Urban Forest. For more info contact volunteers@treemusketeers.org or (310) 322-0263.

UPCOMING

• Annual Community Christmas Dinner, Christmas Day from 12-2 p.m. at the Joslyn Center, 339 Sheldon Street. Call

(310) 524-2705 for reservations.

ONGOING

• Santa Visits El Segundo, Thurs Dec. 13 Sheldon St. east to Center St. and Fri. Dec. 14, Center St east to Sepulveda St. beginning 5:15-9 p.m.

• Winter Show at the El Segundo Library through Jan. 3 during open hours, 111 W. Mariposa Ave. for more information call (310) 524-2728.

• The Dept of Recreation and Parks accepting registration forms for group swim lessons (first swim session of Winter 2013). Registrants selected for registration by random lottery. Lottery deadline: Dec 29. For more information call (310) 524-2362.

• Evening Service, Sunday nights from 5:30-6:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, 591 E. Palm Ave. All are invited. •

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Letters

IS IT A WONDERFUL LIFE?

As El Segundo celebrated the beginning of the holiday season, the premature end of what El Segundo residents thought was going to be a new tradition in our town has come to a screeching halt. David Schat's Bakery Café has closed its doors. Ironically, just last week they won many categories in the Beach Reporter's annual "Best Of" issue. For three generations, the Schat's/Watkin's family have selflessly served our community in countless ways. Now the hope of bringing their vision and dream to our small town has

ended far too quickly. Is there really a sense of community in El Segundo? Are we actually the town that supports its own? We still believe that somehow, somewhere, a miracle could happen. As a community, are we willing to pull together and help them re-open? With your support, could we pull off a real "It's a Wonderful Life" story? I believe we can! Any ideas or suggestions on how we can make this dream come true are welcome. Please contact Mary Ann at maryann@feelingblocks.com. Can El Segundo get its wings?

— Mary Ann Borders •

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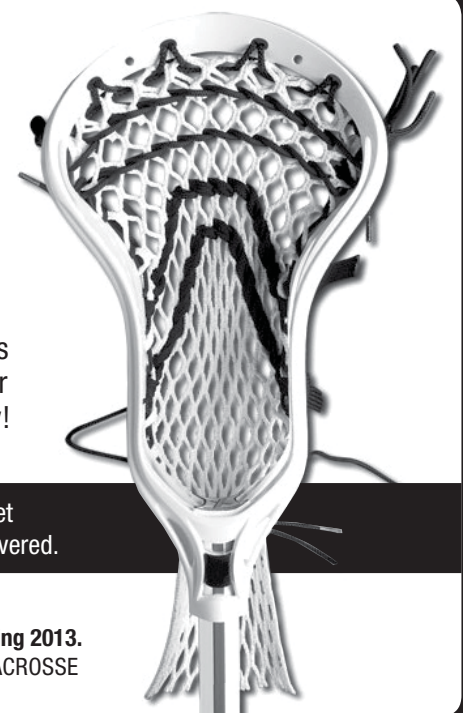
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Police Reports

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8

One male adult was arrested at 0403 hours from 33RD Street and Sepulveda Boulevard for misdemeanor DUI with a BAC of .08% or above.

A dead body report was taken at 1354 hours from the 700 block of West Oak Avenue. An elderly female passed away at the location.

A burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 1942 hours from Pine Avenue and Indiana Street.

One male adult was arrested at 0039 hours from the 100 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for misdemeanor DUI.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7

One male adult was arrested at 0256 hours from Imperial Highway and Selby Street for misdemeanor DUI and DUI with a 0.08% or above.

One male adult was detained at 0535 hours from the 1800 block of East Sycamore Avenue and transported to HGH for a 72-hour psychiatric evaluation.

One male adult was arrested at 0757 hours from Nash Street and Mariposa Avenue for criminal threats and assault with a deadly weapon.

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1055 hours in the 700 block of South Allied Way, vehicle versus building.

One male adult was arrested at 2109 hours from the 200 block of East Grand Avenue for burglary.

A missing persons report was taken at 2214 hours from the 900 block of Main Street. A male adult was reported missing.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6

An identity theft report was taken at 1328 hours from the 400 block of Sierra Place. Unknown suspect(s) took out a loan using the victim's information.

One male adult was arrested at 1836 hours from Imperial Highway and Sepulveda Boulevard for misdemeanor DUI.

A stolen plate report was taken at 1853 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. Stolen was a rear license plate.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5

One male adult was arrested at 1029 hours from LASD (Cerritos Station) for residential burglary.

One male adult was arrested at 1354 hours from the 100 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for identity theft, burglary, forgery, possession of a counterfeit access card, and use of a forged access card.

Petty theft report was taken at 1857 hours from the 700 block of South Sepulveda

Boulevard. Taken was a white beach cruiser bicycle valued at \$300.

One male adult was unresponsive at 2037 hours from the 800 block of McCarthy Court. He was transported to the hospital where he was later pronounced dead.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4

Burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 0602 hours from the 300 block of North Continental Boulevard. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry into the victim's vehicle by smashing a window. Taken was a Garmin GPS unit.

Burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 0602 hours from the 300 block of North Continental Boulevard. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry into the victim's vehicle by smashing a window. Taken were miscellaneous personal items.

Sexual battery report was taken at 1123 hours from the 100 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect groped the victim from behind.

Burglary (residential) report was taken at 0006 hours from the 900 block of Pepper Street. Tools were taken from a carport at the victim's residence.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3

Two male adults were arrested at 0504 hours from Hillcrest Street and Acacia Avenue for possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 0751 hours from the 1100 block of East Walnut Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry into the victim's vehicle by smashing a window. Taken were a bucket of hand tools.

One male adult was detained at 0931 hours from the 100 block of West Imperial Avenue and transported to Harbor General Hospital for a 72-hour psychiatric evaluation.

Petty Theft report was taken at 1703 hours from the 1600 block of East Grand Avenue. Money was taken from an unlocked vehicle.

One female adult was arrested at 2336 hours from LAPD 77th Division for one outstanding El Segundo PD misdemeanor warrant.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

Grand theft report was taken at 0525 hours from the 800 block of Hillcrest Street. Two surfboards were taken from an unlocked vehicle.

Grand theft report was taken at 0955 hours from the 900 block of Virginia Street. Tools were taken from an unlocked vehicle. •

School Board Elects New Officers

Duane Plank

In its only meeting scheduled for the month of December, the El Segundo Unified School District School Board recognized outgoing President Bill Watkins and elected new officers who will serve students in the upcoming year. Ann Coles was selected as the new President, with Robin Funk taking over Vice President duties and Jeanie Nishimie appointed to serve as Clerk.

Watkins has been a Board member since 2005 and has been active in overseeing the passage of and implementation of

a 10-day period to upgrade the electric grid and components at the District's campuses and the Sheldon Street District Office. Lubs noted that the Edison labor and materials were valued at \$200,000, with no cost to the District. The NRG grant, valued at \$225,000, featured energy-saving projects at El Segundo Middle School involving Bulldog Hall as well as the North and South gyms at El Segundo High School.

The consent agenda portion of the meeting included approval for three assemblies at Center Street School, as well as approval

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significant bond measures used to finance the modernization of some of the aging campus facilities. He had just concluded his third tour of duty as President.

Coles has also served on the Board since 2005, just finishing up her term as Vice President. Funk has likewise been a Board member since 2005 and recently served the District in the past year as Clerk. Nishimie joined the Board after her election in November 2011.

After the members tackled the reorganization issues, Funk then read from prepared notes, detailing some of the various duties and responsibilities of the elected Board and noting that the members were selected to represent the students of the District and could only be replaced due to death, resignation or by being voted out of office.

Next up was a State of the Schools address for the Eagles Nest Preschool, and an Edison/ NRG grant report. The Preschool address highlighted the evolving curriculum as the District diligently works to prepare its youngest students for matriculation into kindergarten and beyond. The PowerPoint presentation noted that numerous support services are currently available for the students and that the Preschool continues to receive "robust" support from parent groups.

The Edison/ NRG grant presentation, made by administrator Dave Lubs, highlighted recent energy-related work that has been completed and will continue to take place in the District that will lead to a significant cost reduction in energy bills. At zero cost to the District, Edison provided up to 17 technicians over

of what was termed an "adjustment" for the tuition payments at the aforementioned Eagles Nest Preschool. According to District-provided agenda notes, the Preschool tuition for the 2013-14 school year will increase, by a monthly maximum of \$15 "due to rising personnel and supplies costs." The notes mention "extensive research into fees at neighboring South Bay preschools," and that the "Eagles Nest Preschool remains an impressive value to El Segundo community members compared to comparable preschool tuition in Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach and Palos Verdes."

During the action item portion of the gathering, it was recommended that a positive certification be filed with the Los Angeles County Office of Education, stating that even with the tenuous funding emanating from Sacramento, the District "believes that it will be able to meet all of its financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year and the next two years."

Chief Business Officer Susan Aceves pointed out that while the passing of Prop 30 was a shot in the arm to California school districts, the proposition does not provide any new funds for the District, but rather mitigates pending budgetary shortfalls and cuts.

Action was also taken on a request by Yantz to advertise for bids for a construction company to provide services to complete the installation of a turf practice field at El Segundo High.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will take place on January 8. •

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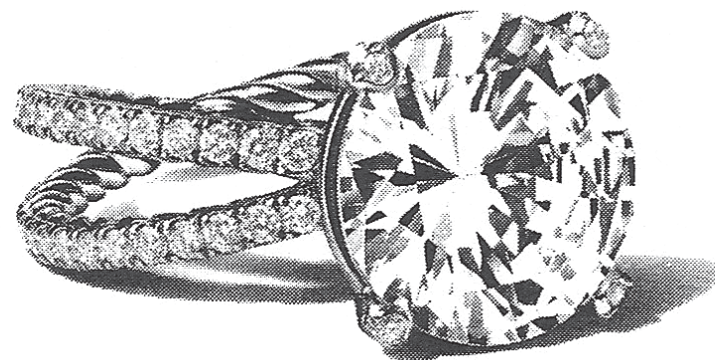


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Girls' Soccer Preview

By Gregg McMullin

The high school soccer season is upon us and the El Segundo girls' soccer team is off to a great start. The Lady Eagles are in a rebuilding year and will have a new look and new coach this year. Juan Mosquera, who guided the Eagles for the past 14 years, stepped down a year earlier than he was expecting for personal reasons. With a head coaching void, assistant coach Tony Hobbs volunteered to take over the program. "I've been the JV coach for four years and I helped Juan [Mosquera] with the varsity, so I feel I know the system and the players," said Hobbs.

Coach Hobbs takes over an established program that has gained respect not only in the Pioneer League, but throughout the South Bay. Hobbs will lend his experience as a player and his method of teaching and coaching to continue the Eagles' respect in the South Bay.

Hobbs comes with an impressive background. He played semi-pro soccer in London and was the British equivalent of an All-American in England. His daughter Courtney was a soccer standout for El Segundo and was highly recruited before concentrating on academics in college. His son, Adam, excelled as the kicker for the Eagles' football team and was a standout soccer player. After being recruited by a number of colleges, he decided to continue playing soccer for Humboldt State.

Hobbs says he decided to ask for the head job because of the timing of Mosquera stepping down. Though it wasn't a last-minute decision

freshman class that could produce other players on varsity, this year's squad looks promising.

Hobbs has high expectations for his team like winning a league title and contending for a CIF title. He believes the team will be competitive and skilled and that the players will have the same high expectations of themselves. He'll be critical if he notices a lack of effort, motivation or desire and expects the players to learn from the mistakes they make.

The game can also be physical and Hobbs will make sure his players are ready for the hard-hitting teams they face. "We'll be a team with speed that dictates the pace of the game and we won't be pushed around," said Hobbs.

To start the year, the Eagles were hit with injuries to a couple of key players. Senior HB Jessea Keller has an injured ACL, and two-sport sophomore sensation Rhianna Rich (softball) is sidelined with an undisclosed injury. Both are out indefinitely. But this 22-player roster will still be geared to make a run at the Pioneer League title.

Hobbs will look to Sydney Trump for the scoring punch. This talented junior led the team in scoring a year ago and looks primed to be one of the team's leaders again. Other juniors who should get plenty of playing time are Bridget Reed, a talented midfielder who possesses good speed and defensive skills, and Kelsey Orseth, who has already demonstrated her offensive passing and scoring skills.

Julia Freeman is just a sophomore, but according to Hobbs she has as much potential



Kelsey Orseth is one of the Eagles who will be counted on to score.

on a coaching change, it was nevertheless surprising. Hobbs noted that he wanted to take over the program so there would be a smooth transition. "Juan had said that next year would be his last no matter what, but something came up that was too good for him to pass up and he stepped down," said Hobbs.

With Hobbs as the head coach, the program will continue to flourish. The team has been to 11 consecutive playoffs and that streak should continue under Hobbs. He concedes that the team is young because a number of starters were lost to graduation, but he believes the cupboard is still full of talent.

Hobbs will get plenty of help from his assistant coach. Glyn Rees is not new to the El Segundo soccer program and has a similar soccer background as Hobbs. Hobbs said that Rees adds a whole new coaching dimension to the team that will spell success.

"Every girl in the program should believe they can play varsity and that should be the goal," said Hobbs. With the promotion of players from the JV team and a talented

has as any young player around. With a great soccer IQ and plenty of ability, Freeman could certainly be one of the team's top players. Two sophomores who could do big things are Isabella Gutierrez and Katherine Burner. Both are very competitive on the offensive side of the ball and are definite scoring threats.

The schedule for the Eagles is not a weak one. They opened up the year with a narrow 2-1 loss to Beverly Hills, the Ocean League favorite, and followed that up with a 3-0 win over Hawthorne.

The Eagles hosted their own tournament and came away with wins over Mary Star, 5-0, and Vistamar, 2-0, to advance to the semifinals where they faced Marlborough. Against Marlborough, the Eagles gave up just one goal to the Mustangs and could not mount any offensive threat in a 1-0 loss. In the third place game, the Eagles lost to CIF powerhouse Marymount on penalty kicks after the two teams were knotted at 2-2.

Coach Hobbs was pleased with his team's

See Sports, page 10

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No Heisman for Matt Barkley, privileged fans?

Anyway, have you seen the commercial where the Super Bowl-winning quarterback, the fossil Joe Theismann, tries to sell you prostate stuff? Cuz he has to urinate more often now that he is older? Well, he is right. Guess us olders guys do have to visit the restroom more often than we did in our stallion, youthful days. Stuff happens.

So, have the day-job Christmas Party looming in a couple of days and not sure if I will attend. Asked the wife if she wanted to go, but she demurred. Haven't attended a company Xmas party, but heard that they are quite amusing and well worth the time and effort to put on the fancy duds and linger around the overhanging mistletoe.

But at this writing, may at least have a ride to the party that is scheduled to take place at the Book Bindery in Culver City. Now, will see how this all plays out. Shouldn't infringe on my sports viewing because not a lot will be taking place next weekend. Just another couple of embarrassing Laker losses, I presume.

And I hope that the Dodgers have signed superstar pitcher, the oh-so-scared Zack Greinke for a couple of zillion dollars to strengthen the rotation behind stud lefty Clayton "Koufax" Kershaw. Cuz he has won many playoff games in his career.

Guy is a jumble of nerves, apparently--prone to bouts of self-doubt--but does possess a

winning right arm. But good for him. And I know the column fave, the numero uno *Dodger Girl*, will be happier now that her Dodgers have upgraded the starting staff, though her erstwhile first baseman James Loney is long gone to Tampa Bay.

Anyway, all of that could have all fallen through by now. So I guess I need to pontificate on the sports scene. Really ticked that the NHL season hasn't resumed. Hope that "Dracula Bettman" is proud now that he has put the NHL back to the level of the WNBA. Again. Lose/lose situation for all. Except for the five-foot-two lawyer Bettman, who could not differentiate a hockey puck from a cow-chip when he lucked into his current job.

All of (both of) you NBA fans have to be bored by the garbage that they are throwing our way. Doing the research and happen to notice about 6,000 fans at a lot of these games. Though the league stats will lie, as always. Laker fans expecting 70 wins have now readjusted their myopic views. Old team, has-beens, excuses galore abound in Laker land.

Crummy, boring team, at least in early December. Myopics will say that/when the AARP Steve guys come back, this team will start kicking it. Really? Both of the Stevess are what they are. Never guarded anyone. Kinda of a Nash fan--looking forward to seeing him orchestrate the offense, but we all know that he can't fix all that ails the Purple and Gold.

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First-year head coach Tony Hobbs has high expectations for this year's team. Photos by Gregg McMullin.

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To be published in the El Segundo Herald, December 6, 2012 and December 13, 2012.

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H-23600

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H-23601

**Order to Show Cause
for Change of Name
Case No. NS026133**

Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES
Petitioner of: DANIEL CARLOS for Change of Name

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner DANIEL CARLOS filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
DANIEL CARLOS to DANIEL DEL MURO
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.

Notice of Hearing:

Date: 12/21/12, Time: 8:30 A.M., Dept.: 11
The address of the court is 415 WEST OCEAN BOULEVARD, LONG BEACH CA 90802

A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: EL SEGUNDO HERALD
Date: NOV. 06, 2012

ROSS M. KLEIN
Judge of the Superior Court
El Segundo Herald: 11/29, 12/6, 12/13,
12/20/2012

H-23583

**SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA,
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

In re **PATRICIA ANNE HOWELL TRUST**
created January 14, 2002 by Patricia
Anne Howell Decedent.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(PROB C §19050)**

Notice is hereby given to the creditors and contingent creditors of the above-named decedent that all persons having claims against the decedent are required to file them with the Superior Court, at Los Angeles, and mail or deliver a copy to Catalina Reyes, as trustee of the trust dated January 14, 2002, of which the Decedent was the settlor, at 1351 McCollen Street, Los Angeles, CA 90026, within the later of 4 months after date of first publication of notice to creditors or, if notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, 30 days after the date this notice is mailed or personally delivered to you, or you must petition to file a late claim as provided in Probate Code §19103. A claim form may be obtained from the court clerk. For your protection, you are encouraged to file your claim by certified mail, with return receipt requested.

Catalina Reyes, as Trustee of **PATRICIA ANNE HOWELL TRUST**, under Declaration of Trust dated January 14, 2002

3855 Hellman Avenue,
Los Angeles, CA 90032
El Segundo Herald: 12/6, 12/13, 12/20/2012.

H-23602

**Fictitious Business
Name Statement
2012229855**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as XTIONSAX. 1, 612 WHITING STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. 2, POST OFFICE BOX 3324, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed September 1, 2012. Signed: Barbara Tron, Individual. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 16, 2012. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on November 16, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to November 16, 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: November 22, 29, 2012 and December 06, 13, 2012. **H-824.**

**Fictitious Business
Name Statement
2012230889**

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**Fictitious Business
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**Fictitious Business
Name Statement
2012233945**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1. SAGA. 2. SAGA ARCHITECTURE. 333 MAIN 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 February 28, 2006. Signed: Frank Glynn Architect Professional Corporation, Secretary. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 26, 2012. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on November 26, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to November 26, 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: November 29, 2012 and December 06, 13, 20, 2012. **H-828.**

**Fictitious Business
Name Statement
2012236873**

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1. ANGELICA BY TOMASINI. 2. ANGELICA. 1001 E. 60TH STREET, LOS ANGELES, CA 90001. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed N/A. Signed: Tomasini Fine Linens, Inc., President. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on November 29, 2012. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on November 29, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to November 29, 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: December 06, 13, 20, 27, 2012. **H-829.**

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**Fictitious Business
Name Statement
2012233889**

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**Fictitious Business
Name Statement
2012241034**

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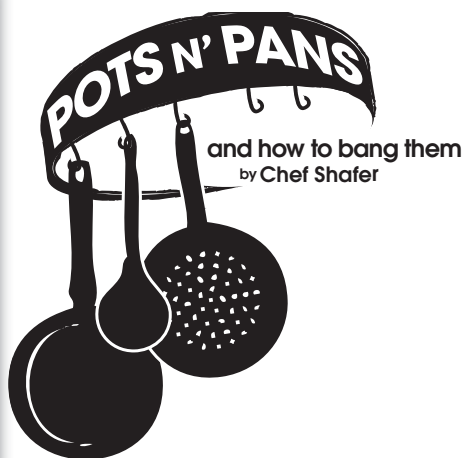
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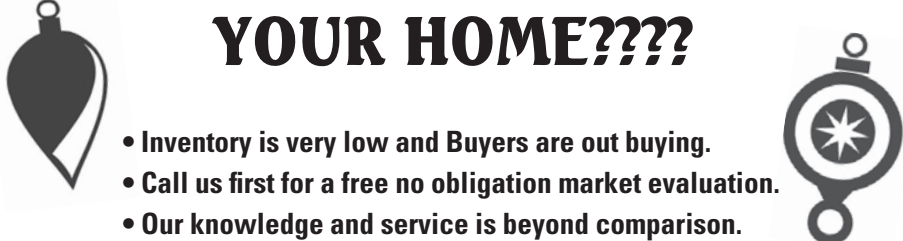


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Sports

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play in a very competitive tournament. He says that he hopes his young team will continue to grow and get better with each game. Facing top-notch teams like Bay League powers Peninsula next Wednesday at home and Mira Costa next Friday on the road should be a nice gauge on where they're at in preparation for league play next month.

Since the team is so young, the Eagles won't be expected to contend for a Pioneer League title but Hobbs has a different opinion. He feels that even though the Torrance schools will be a challenge in league play, his team will be ready to meet that challenge. "There is great team chemistry between the players and that usually leads to success," said Hobbs.

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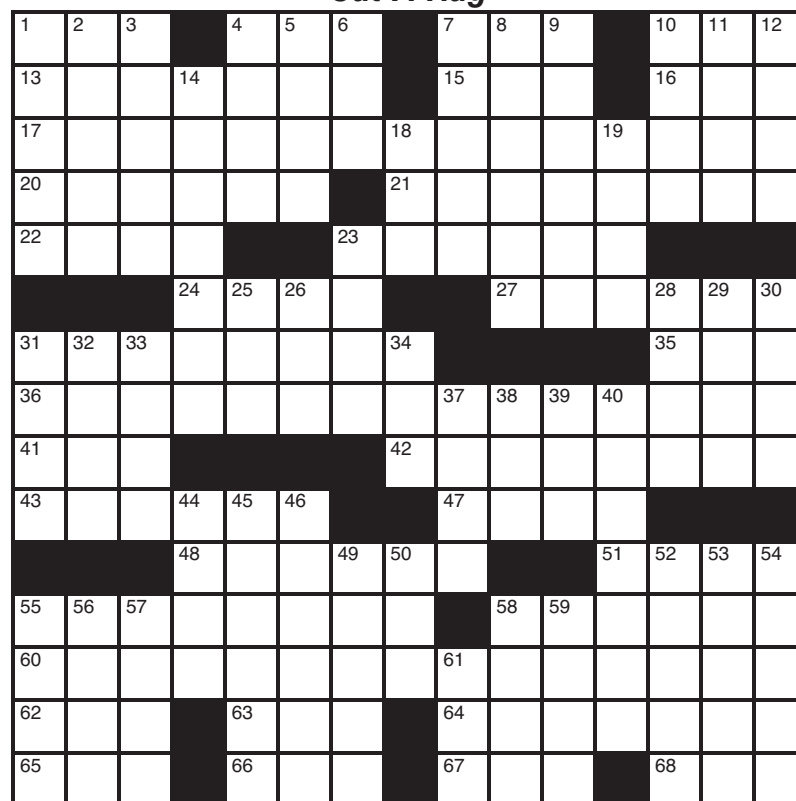
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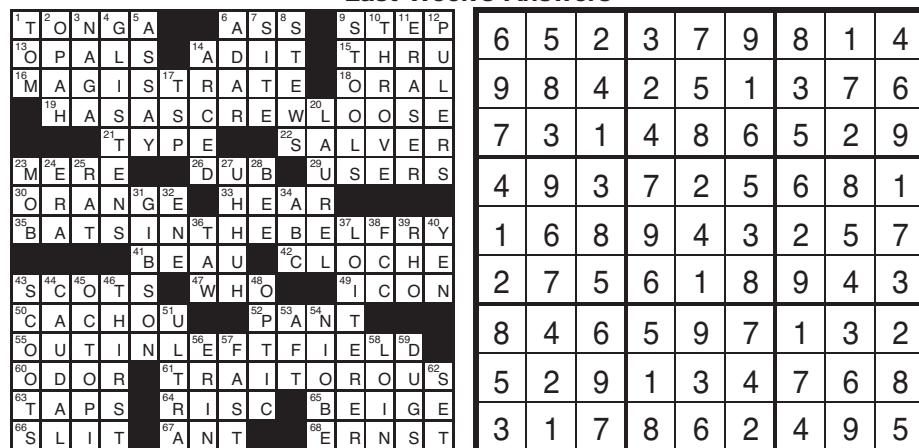
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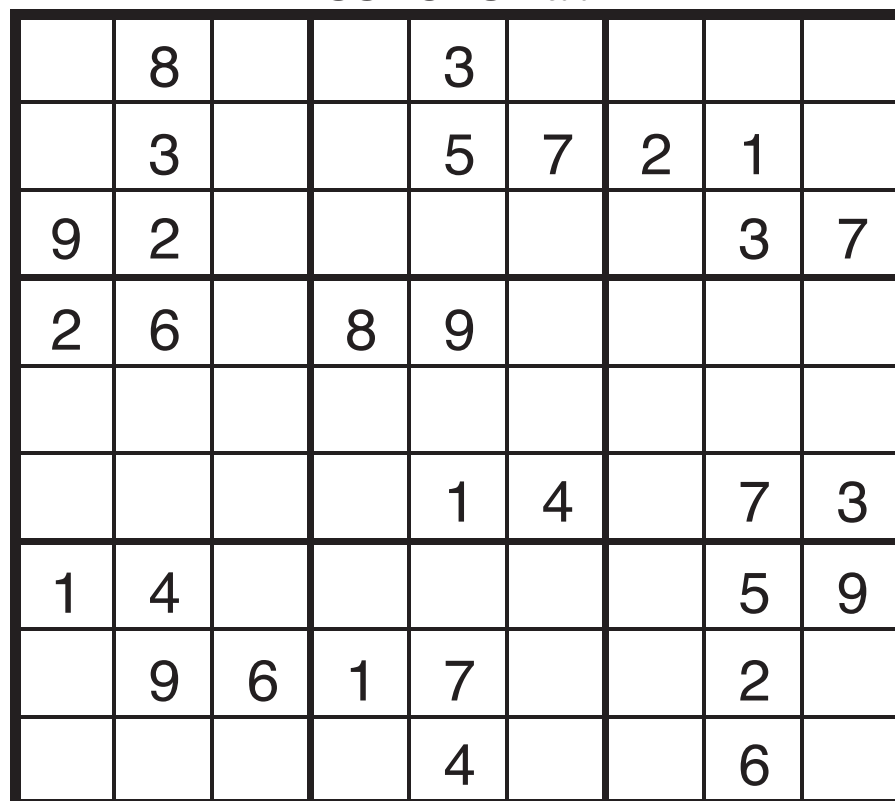
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Last Week's Answers



SUDOKU Medium



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Lady Eagles Soccer Season Under Way

Photos by Shelley Kemp

In a home game last Friday, December 7th, the El Segundo Girls Varsity Soccer Team played a contentious game against the Marlborough Mustangs. The Lady Eagles seemed to be chasing the Mustangs down to their side of the field much of the first half of which Marlborough scored early. In the second period El Segundo had several shot attempts but the Marlborough goalkeeper was able to come up with the saves. The game ended with a score of 1-0.



Katherine Burner attempts an intercept.



Ashely Barden stops Marlborough offensive drive.



Kayla Arjabi heads the ball away from the Goal preventing a point.

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Suzy Ray.



Left to right back row: Mayor Carl Jacobson, granddaughters Lily and Ellen Dull, wife Nancy Jacobson. Left to right, front row: Grandsons Collin and Owen Frank.



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