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El Segundo Boys U10 All-Stars **Headed to Sectional Tournament**



The El Segundo Boys U10 All-Star team won the regional tournament Feb. 6. The team won every game and will go on to represent El Segundo at the Sectional Tournament in Riverside on Feb. 21. Back row from left to right: Coach Geoff Lister, Mateo Heredia, Conrad Herring, James Baldino, Danial Gomez, Jacob Delfino, Coach Ron Heredia. Bottom row left to right: Gavin McKinnon, Benji Kerin, Judson Lister, Michael Seversen, Dominik Kopecky. Photo by Ryan Baldino.

Council Candidates Weigh in on Issues at Woman's Club Dinner

By Brian Simon

The five candidates vying for three open seats on the El Segundo City Council presented their views on several issues of local importance at a forum last Wednesday night during the El Segundo Woman's Club's annual potluck dinner. The event was not open to the general public. After providing information about their backgrounds, why they chose to run and their goals should they be elected in April, the group of hopefuls fielded questions from the audience. This year's candidates are incumbents Dave Atkinson and Marie Fellhauer, former Councilmember Don Brann, Economic Development Advisory Council Chair Drew Boyles and Education Foundation CEO Carol Pirsztuk. Helen Bell served as moderator for last week's program.

Touching upon their general priorities, Pirsztuk spoke of making the City prosperous and maintaining a balanced budget. Brann identified the four biggest issues as the increase in crime, noise pollution from the airport, City employee morale, and an assessment of benefits/compensation to ensure the City is competitive. Boyles' top goals are to keep El Segundo safe so that people outside of the community never think the town isn't safe, bring more businesses here, and treat the City more like a business through fiscally prudent decision-making. Fellhauer listed the need to be fiscally solvent, keep the town's "wonderful services" such as police, fire, libraries, parks and public works that exemplify El Segundo's

self-reliance as a "truly independent city," and to continue to build relationships with legislators as the only feasible way to force the County to increase El Segundo's low share of each property tax dollar (a situation that goes back to the time of Prop 13 when the City had other now-defunct revenue sources). She pointed out that the City only receives 6.3 cents of each property tax dollar compared to 26.2 for Los Angeles and 14.6 for Manhattan Beach. Atkinson said it is critical that voters pass the upcoming Measure B that would increase the

tax on local hotel patrons from the current 8% up to 12%. "Everyone thinks the City of El Segundo is in tremendous shape—we're not," he said, noting that the City will be on the hook for an additional \$1.6 million next year in CalPERS retirement costs. He added, "Measure B costs us nothing and the City will get \$3-4 million."

Asked what one thing they would want to change if elected to Council, Pirsztuk spoke of the need to fix the morale problem at City Hall

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Forecast Friday Sunny 65°/51° Saturday Sunny 67°/53°

Sunday

Sunny

72°/56°

Weekend

City Council to Adopt Ban on Marijuana Facilities

By Brian Simon

At its Tuesday night meeting, the El Segundo City Council introduced an ordinance that will expressly ban medical marijuana dispensaries in town as well as any commercial cannabis activities. The need to clarify the City's policy came in the wake of legislation (Assembly bills 266 and 243 and Senate Bill 643) signed by Governor Brown last fall that establish State licensing parameters for commercial medical marijuana uses while still protecting local control. According to Planning and Building Safety Director

Sam Lee, the City's three options were to set up licensing and permitting for such businesses in the community; expressly prohibit any such activities; or do nothing at all. Taking no action would give the State sole licensing authority so that a medical marijuana business could set up shop without a City permit.

Staff recommended proceeding with the ban—an action also taken by 100 other cities across California--with Lee explaining that the move will help fight rising crime. Police Chief Mitch Tavera

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<u>Obituaries</u>

Laurence "Craig" Cooley

Laurence "Craig" Cooley passed away on Sunday 2/14/16. He was a friend to the El Segundo community since 1959. He was the owner of Craig's Automotive. He is survived by his wife Barbara, and Sons, Robert, Larry, Byron and David. Memorial Services will be Saturday, February 20th at Douglass Mortuary in El Segundo. He will be sorely missed.



Timothy Ernest Domann

Timothy Ernest Domann, 58, a long time resident, died Wed. February 3, 2016 from complications of kidney disease. He was born on January 22, 1958 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. A 1976 graduate of El Segundo High School, Tim went on to graduate from El Camino College and worked for Pacific Bell/AT&T as a Service Tech for 31 years. He retired in 2009. He is preceded in death

by his parents, Ed and Ethel Domann, two brothers, Larry and Steve, and his mother in law, Betty Goodman. Tim is survived by his wife of 30 years, Kathy Domann (Goodman) (ESHS class of 82), father in law, William Goodman, and brothers in law, Mike and Terry. Funeral and burial to be held in Herington, Kansas. A memorial to be held at a later date. •

Herald in Oahu, Hawaii



Marc "Squid" Magid at the Sony Open Golf Tournament in Oahu, Hawaii.

Correction

In the February 11, 2016 edition (vol. 105 No. 7) of the El Segundo Herald, "School Board Honors ESUSD High Achievers".

Ian Hurd, was left out of the list of member names of the Zero Robotics group. We regret the error. •

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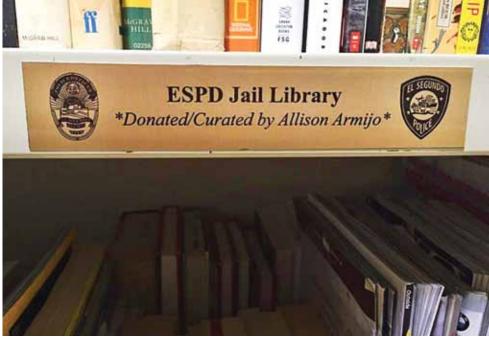
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Community Briefs

Student Creates Rolling Library for ESPD

Middle School student, Allison Armijo created a rolling book cart for El Segundo Police Department's new jail library. She was interested in improving the education level of those housed in our jail in hopes it would curtail future criminal behavior. She worked tirelessly to gather books (education,

fiction, non-fiction, etc.) and working with Lieutenant Ray Garcia put together a book cart for their jail facility. Lieutenant Garcia stated "To me, this is a great example of compassion and forward thinking that may be the kind gesture someone in our custody may need to turn their life around."



A placard on the cart gives credit to Allison and her hard work.



(Left to right) Allison's proud parents, Mr. and Mrs. Armijo, Captain Bob Turnbull, Allison Armijo, Lieutenant Ray Garcia and jailer, Larry Harrington admire the rolling library.

Sidewalk Saviors



Pastors Lee Carlile of El Segundo United Methodist Church and Dina Ferguson of St. Michael's Episcopal Church offered "ashes to go" to passerby who wanted ashes to mark the beginning of Lent last Wednesday on Main Street in front of Banner Stationers.

Police Reports

Monday, February 8, 2016

A grand theft (motorcycle) report was taken at 0810 hours from the 300 block of Indiana Street. Unknown suspect(s) entered a motorcycle repair storage yard and removed two motorcycles.

A vehicle theft recovery report was taken at 0810 hours from the 200 block of Indiana Street. Recovered were two Suzuki motorcycles.

A missing person (locate) report was taken at 0929 hours from the 600 block of Nash Street. Located was a male adult who was reported missing out of LASD (Century Station) on 01/16/2015.

A burglary (residential) report was taken at 0931 hours from the 300 block of West Grand Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) removed a bicycle from an attached carport.

A traffic accident (without injuries) occurred at 1116 hours in the 100 block of Sierra Street. An unoccupied vehicle rolled into a building.

A grand theft report was taken at 1121 hours from the 600 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. Taken was a backpack containing an Apple iPad, a wallet and other miscellaneous items.

A burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 1506 hours from the 700 block of West Acacia Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry into the victim's vehicle by smashing a window. Taken was a spare tire

A violation of a court order report was taken at 1529 hours from the 200 block of West Imperial Avenue.

A burglary (residential) report was taken at 1650 hours from the 700 block of West Imperial Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) removed a bicycle from an attached carport.

Tuesday, February 9, 2016

One male adult was arrested at 2104 hours from the 200 block of West Sycamore Avenue for misdemeanor DUI and misdemeanor hit and run.

A burglary (residential) report was taken at 2030 hours from the 700 block of West Imperial Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) removed a bicycle from an attached carport.

A misdemeanor hit and run report was taken at 0004 hours from the 600 block of Loma Vista Street, vehicle versus parked vehicle.

One male adult was arrested at 0138 hours from the 800 block of Hillcrest Street for misdemeanor DUI and driving with an expired license.

A property report was taken at 0948 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. A paintball gun was turned in for destruction.

An identity theft report was taken at 1102 hours from the 400 block of Virginia Street. Unknown suspect(s) took out a loan using the victim's personal information.

One female adult was arrested at 1217 hours from the 700 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard for child endangerment.

A burglary (residential) report was taken at 1231 hours from the 300 block of West Grand Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) took a bicycle from an attached carport.

A criminal threats report was taken at 1515 hours from the 2300 block of East Rosecrans Avenue. Known suspect sent victim a threatening letter via USPS.

An identity theft report was taken at 1510 hours from the 1500 block of East Elm Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) used the victim's personal information to establish employment.

One female adult was arrested at 1532 hours from the 4000 block of West Rosecrans Avenue in Lawndale for burglary and possession of stolen property.

Wednesday, February 10, 2016

A burglary (residential) report was taken at 1919 hours from the 200 block of Virginia Street. Unknown suspect took a bicycle from a garage.

A traffic accident (without injuries) occurred at 2355 hours at Alaska Avenue and Aviation Boulevard, vehicle versus a power pole.

One male adult was arrested at 0048 hours from Alaska Avenue and Aviation Boulevard for misdemeanor DUI and driving without a license.

A traffic accident (without injuries) occurred at 0040 hours at Douglas Street and Coral Circle, vehicle versus a tractor trailer.

One female adult was arrested at 0127 hours from Douglas Street and Coral Circle for misdemeanor DUI with a BAC of .08% or above, driving with a suspended license and driving without a required interlock ignition device.

Thursday, February 11, 2016

One male adult was arrested at 1322 hours from the 600 block of West 46th Street (Los Angeles) for burglary.

Hit and run report occurred at 1355 hours the 900 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard, vehicle versus vehicle.

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1432 hours in the 600 block of South Douglas Street, vehicle versus pole.

Warrant- One female adult was arrested at 0010 hours from LAPD 77th Division for one outstanding ESPD felony warrant.

Friday, February 12, 2016

An identity theft report was taken at 0321 hours from the 2500 block of East El Segundo Boulevard. The suspect attempted to pay his bill with a fraudulent credit card and a counterfeit one hundred dollar bill.

An online identity theft report was taken at 1720 hours from the 2300 block of East El Segundo Boulevard. Unknown suspect used the victim's debit card information to make purchase.

Property Report- An online lost property report was taken at 1725 hours from the 2000 block of Rosecrans Avenue. An air card was reported missing.

A petty theft report was taken at 2305 hours from the 2500 block of East El Segundo Boulevard. The known suspect stole the victim's cellular phone and credit cards.

Saturday, February 13, 2016
Petty theft report was taken at 0253 hours

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The Economy You See and the One You Don't

By Rob McCarthy

Los Angeles County's chief economist sees strong evidence that Southern California's economy has rebounded from the abyss of the Great Recession and predicts more bounce through 2016.

Figures and projections from the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation all point to a sustained rebound in employment, household buying power, housing prices, and an influx of venture capital needed for business startups. Chief economist Robert Kleinhenz presented the upwardly trending data to business and community leaders at the LAEDC's annual economic forecast and industry outlook yesterday in downtown Los Angeles.

"Los Angeles County has seen steady improvement over the past three years, a pattern that should continue through 2016. Long-standing segments of the economy have experienced solid job gains," according to LAEDC's 2016-2020 outlook report.

"Wage gains are expected over the next year across many occupations, especially those with the greatest number of job openings." The Economy You See

Underlying data and numbers from state, local and trade groups about Los Angeles County's visible economy show:

-- Significant job growth: Nearly 100,000 jobs added last year and the same number of new jobs expected in 2016.

"With a 2.5% average annual increase during the first part of 2015, the county has consistently outpaced the nation in job growth," Kleinhenz and his team reported in their 2016 outlook.

-- Falling unemployment: California currently has 5.8% unemployment, and Los Angeles County's diversified economy is leading the state in job creation and low unemployment.

"Most major industries added jobs throughout the first part of (2015). The county economy benefited from broad-based growth which pushed wage and salary jobs to a record high, surpassing the county's pre-recession employment peak," LAEDC said.

"Mining and logging was the only major industry to post a significant percentage decrease in jobs ... while both the manufacturing and finance and insurance sectors experienced only slight declines."

-- Rising incomes: Personal income increased by 4.2% in 2014, and was expected to grow at the same rate in 2015 and 2016.

"With negligible inflation this year, households will experience significant gains in purchasing power" of 3.5% this year and 3.8% in 2017, Kleinhenz and his team said. "Since much of the gain in income is expected to be spent, local consumption as measured by total taxable sales will rise by 4.6% this year and by 7.9% next year, following an increase of 7.1% in 2014."

-- Housing: The housing market saw a bounce in 2015. The median sales price of a home in Los Angeles County was \$492,000 in July, up 4.7% compared with a year earlier. Home sales increased 9.6% year-to-date through the first seven months of this year. Affordability went unchanged, with only 30% of Los Angeles County households able to afford to buy a home.

-- Emerging industries: Los Angeles County/ Orange County region was the third largest recipient of venture capital in the nation last year at \$3.1 billion, the LAEDC reported in its 2016-2020 forecast. It found the leading recipients of venture capital funds were software and IT services, medical devices, media/entertainment, and industrial/energy.

"Parts of Los Angeles County have become noteworthy for IT and online innovation, notably the I-405 Corridor from the Westside to the South Bay and Pasadena," Kleinhenz's team found.

The Economy You Don't See

California's economy is larger than reported because businesses that cheat on wages and payroll taxes don't show up in government statistics or economic forecasts. Called the underground economy, this multi-billion-dollar network of businesses underreport payroll and sales tax, don't pay the minimum wage or overtime, and often don't provide their employees with basic workplace protections against injury.

"The underground economy exposes workers to dangerous job conditions and financial abuse," according to the California Department of Industrial Relations. The department regularly sends out a task force of agents to uncover and cite those businesses operating illegally in state.

The state's underground economy is estimated at \$10 billion per year. Authorities admit that's a best-guess estimate, based on unpaid business and personal taxes. Car washes, restaurants, manufacturing, roofing, construction, auto repair and agriculture are considered high-risk industries. Agents with the Labor Enforcement Task Force targets those industries most often.

The underground economy victimizes employees who stay quiet out of fear of losing their jobs and incomes. Employers operating illegally pay wages in cash and keep their actual number of employees off the books, lowering their workers' compensation premiums. This creates unfair competition and hurts legitimate businesses that pay fair wages and overtime, sales and income taxes, and that maintain adequate insurance.

The task force last year inspected two South Bay businesses last year, according to department records. Someone called a hotline to complain about a Torrance construction business, which was inspected and not cited. A Torrance automotive business was visited, too, and not cited.

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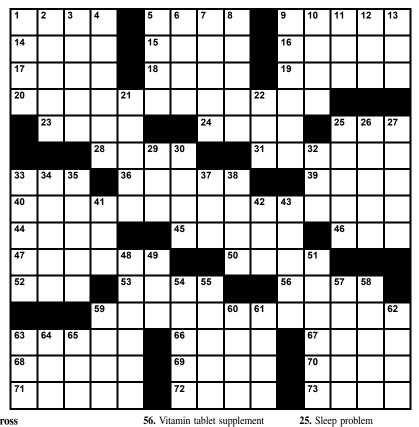
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See Answers Next Week



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- 5. Facebook button 9. Putdown
- **14.** Fuel
- 15. Once more
- 16. The pinball wizard from The
- 17. Ocean bird
- 18. Cake with a kick 19. Wake up
- 20. Spring season concept 23. Initiation, e.g.
- 24. Fail miserably
- 25. Vatican vestment
- 28. Rope fiber
- 31. Letter writer
- **33.** Dilly-dally 36. French soldier
- 39. Second word of many
- limericks 40. Spring beauties
- 44. Creole vegetable
- **45.** It may be bid
- 46. Long-eared beast 47. "Me. _ and I" Beyonce
- 50. Portable shelter
- 52. Short order? 53. Contents of Pandora's box
- 12. Rescue squad, for short
 - 22. Sitter's handful

10. "High" time

13. Highball ingredient 21. Vice presidents (sl.)

59. Spring flowers

66. Decant

69. Goals

Down

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71. _ up to

67. Opera star

63. Get off the ground

70. Group with Bee

73. Miscalculates

1. Genus of maples

6. Author Turgenev

7. Meat on a stick

8. Muse of love poetry **9.** Flash light?

11. Australian runner

3. Japanese style writing

4. Sherlock Holmes was one of

2. More tender

5. Brain area

68. Privately owned (business)

72. Word processor command

30. Cotton fabric 32. Neighbor of Swed.

26. Ties

27. Sanctify

33. Cold war threat

29. Farm remark

- 34. Ethyl and propyl
- 35. Defeat **37.** Top
- 38. Dwelling
- 41. Postal abbr.
- 42. "You don't say!"
- 43. Frock
- 48. Sung with cheer 49. Cold. sort of
- 51. Walk laboriously
- 54. Persona non grata
- 55. Teatime treat
- 57. Willow twig
- 58. At no point
- **59.** Spirit
- 60. European freshwater fish **61.** Once in a while
- 62. Insolence
- 63. Relative
- **64.** Explosive letters **65.** Big fuss

Last Week's Answers

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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.

<u>Film Review</u>

Oscar-Nominated A War Examines Morality of Combat in War

By Morgan Rojas for www.CINEMACY.com

One of the Oscar nominees for Best Foreign Language Film at this year's Academy Awards (just over a week away on Sunday, February 28th) comes from Denmark, and with a delicate sensitivity and commanding presence, A War tells the story of one soldier's dealings with the repercussions of a life-changing, split second decision and its effects on the people he loves and supports. It is an unglamorous, yet extremely truthful, look at everyday life exterior is a sensitive soul who just wants to make it back home to his family.

Meanwhile, back in Denmark, Pedersen's wife Maria (Tuva Novotny) struggles to take care of their three young children alone. The middle son acts out at school, a direct result of not having his dad around, and she relies heavily on her eldest daughter to help out with the toddler. Balancing both the maternal and paternal roles have Maria exhausted and her patience wearing thin; the sporadic phone calls from her husband are the only things



Pilou Asbæk in A War. Courtesy of Magnolia Pictures.

during wartime and how some of the toughest battles begin after the fighting has ceased.

Setting up the first scene with extreme intensity, a young soldier's legs blown off by an IED during a routine outing near their base in an Afghan province. Blood is everywhere, body parts lay amongst the desert sand, and company commander Claus M. Pedersen (Pilou Asbæk) is informed shortly after that the man has bled out and died. A young man himself, Pedersen is deeply affected by the loss but as the leader, he shoulders the emotional outcry from his fellow soldiers. Behind the tough

keeping her going.

Claus and Maria are both looking forward to his return home, which is only weeks away when a routine safety patrol of the local Afghani civilians turns into an unexpected crossfire, which forces Claus to make a difficult decision that results in unimaginable consequences for both his family on the battleground and his family back home.

Director Tobias Lindholm brings the intensity both physically and emotionally in A War with the parallel dramas unfolding

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Previewing the NL West

By Adam Serrao

Now that the football season has come and gone, it's time to lace up the cleats and break out the balls and bats. The sun is beginning to shine again, the grass is getting greener and that warm, crisp breeze in the air is telling us all that baseball is on the way. As Zack Greinke stayed in division and moved

"The Los Angeles Dodgers have had a strangle hold on first place over the last three seasons in the division, but will this year bring devastating changes to the land of L.A. and the NL West?"

the season hastily approaches, it is quickly becoming clearer that the National League West will have a much different look this year. The Los Angeles Dodgers have had a strangle hold on first place over the last three seasons in the division, but will this year bring devastating changes to the land of L.A. and the NL West?

Naturally, we here in Los Angeles want to jump the gun, fast forward all the way to October, and predict that the Dodgers will be the lone team surviving from the NL West, on their way to the World Series. Not so fast. This year was a year of big changes for the Boys in Blue - some good and some bad. Despite having Major League Baseball's biggest payroll, however, former manager Don Mattingly and the Dodgers have failed to get past the Championship Series in the last three years. A loss to the Cardinals in the NLCS in 2013 was then followed with two straight losses in the NLDS in 2014 and 2015. Sure, the Dodgers won their division all three years, but the goal has been and always will be the World Series.

The Dodgers haven't been to the World Series since 1988. Naturally, that's a position that the team is going all-out to try to get back to. So, out goes Mattingly and in comes Dave Roberts; a well-regarded coach who has never managed a day in his life. It sounds bad on the surface, but Mattingly never managed a day before taking over the Dodgers, either. Fans can only hope that players like Yasiel Puig, for instance, are more receptive to Roberts than they ever were to Mattingly. Roberts wasn't the only change.

over to the Arizona Diamondbacks. The move was a huge blow to the Dodgers, losing a player who combined with Clayton Kershaw to form a dominant one-two punch at the top of the rotation that went a combined 104-34 with a 2.10 ERA over the last three seasons.

Lefty Scott Kazmir joined the team and will now be looked upon to fill Greinke's roll as a No. 2 starter, which will undoubtedly be difficult to do.

Aside from Kazmir, the Dodgers failed to make a significant splash this offseason, as they have been accustomed to do under their new ownership. Youngster Corey Seager will finally get a full season in the Major's to prove himself at shortstop, while Joc Pederson will look to rebound from a rollercoaster year in center field that saw him riding the bench come the end of last season. There is a lot yet to be written about this new-look Dodgers club in what will be an extremely long and trying 162 game season. Though anything can happen throughout the course of that time, L.A. looks to have third place written all over them in this year's NL West.

That brings us to the San Francisco Giants. The hated San Francisco Giants, who seemingly win the World Series every other year. This may be their year again. Bruce Bochy, in his 10th year as manger of the Giants, will boast one of the strongest pitching attacks in the entire league. Any baseball fan knows of the prowess of Madison Bumgarner. He will now be joined by World Series winner Johnny Cueto, right-hander Jeff Samardzija, and a back-end of the rotation that will feature Matt Cain, Jake Peavy and Chris Heston, who won 12 games last year in his rookie season. With the re-signing of Brandon Crawford, the arrival of Denard Span to play center field, and the usual steady hands of Buster Posey behind the plate and

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Eagles Playoff Ready?

Story and photos by Gregg McMullin

The high school regular season winter sports schedule is in the books. It's now time for the playoffs after a long, and at times, challenging season. It was expected that all five El Segundo high school teams that participated including girl's and boys'

Though the offense showed more stamina, grit and determination than their opponents make no mistake it was the defense led by Daniel Gutierrez, Zach Franco, Zach Skwarek and Knoll as well as goalkeeper Tyler Hollick's five saves, that set the tone for the shutout. Head coach Andrew Kelly

"It was expected that all five El Segundo high school teams that participated including girl's and boys' soccer, girls' and boys' basketball and girls' water polo would advance to the post season."

soccer, girls' and boys' basketball and girls' water polo would advance to the post season.

The boys' soccer team repeated their Ocean League title by going 8-2 this season. A year ago the Eagles were co-champs along with Lawndale but this season the Eagles won it outright. They did it with a stingy defense that allowed a league low six goals against while scoring a league high 25 goals. After a somewhat sketchy start to the season, where the Eagles were just 2-5-1, they turned it all around to finish 11-7-1 overall.

Facing Lawndale for an opportunity to win their first league title outright since 1990 seemed all too appropriate and the players were looking forward for redemption for sharing the title last season. "We've been pointing to this game all year long. We knew what could be at stake if all went the way we were all focused on,"

The defense has played inspired soccer all year long but against Lawndale they stepped it up a notch. The end result was an inspired 3-0 victory for the Eagles that had players ecstatic afterwards.

Justin Knoll took a free kick from midfield and Tyler Villalobos headed the ball to Cortez, who was fouled in the penalty box. Cortez scored on the ensuing penalty kick to give the Eagles a 1-0 lead.

The Eagles made it 2-0 in the 56th minute when Julian Cantinia scored on a header off a long throw-in from Grant Bemis. Then offense put the game out of reach when Cortez sent a pass to Villalobos, who scored on a breakaway in the 67th minute to give the Eagles a 3-0 lead.

said it was a total team effort and a league championship to be proud of.

The Eagles will enter the CIF-SS Division 4 playoffs and host Temecula Valley at 3pm on Friday. The Golden Bears placed second in a rugged Southwestern League. Should the Eagles win they'll most likely face fourth seeded Bellflower on Wednesday at a site TBD.

Girls' Soccer

The girls' soccer team finished a disappointing third place in the Ocean League. Disappointing because of the close games they lost including a 2-1 loss to Lawndale, a 3-2 loss to Santa Monica and a 1-0 loss to Culver City. As head coach Tony Hobbs explained there were injuries and illnesses the past few games that prevented his strongest lineup to be on the field.

In the 3-2 loss against league champion Santa Monica, the Eagles took a 2-0 lead in the first half with goals by Cate Post and Carlee Brasher. The Vikings would score off a long rebound in the first half and then managed two second half goals to pull out the win.

Still the Lady Eagles (11-6-4) have had a wonderful season having won more games than last season and winning 10 or more games for the third consecutive season. The Eagles face Marlborough on the road today at 3pm. The Mustangs snuck into the playoffs with a 5-4-7 record but still drew a home game. Should the Eagles win they'll most likely face a daunting task in hosting fourth seeded Royal on Tuesday at 3pm.

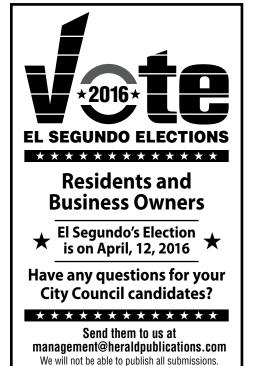
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Ask the Vet

Behavioral Issue or Bladder Stones?

By Dr. Greg Perrault

Accidents happen. Pets sometimes urinate inappropriately in the house. There are many reasons for this including behavioral issues, lack of training, urinary tract infections and sometimes bladder stones also known as cystic calculi.

As you can guess, bladder stones occur in the urinary bladder. They develop in the urinary bladder and may cause irritation, inflammation of the bladder lining or simply take up space where urine is normally held causing the pet to feel pain and urinate more frequently or inappropriately. This differs from kidney stones that are more common in people. Kidney stones form in the kidney and travel to the bladder by a very painful trip down the ureters.

Bladder stones may occur spontaneously or for a number of reasons, such as chronic urinary tract infections, liver disease and improper diet. There are several types of stones that can develop and some stones can consist of more than one type. Some stones have a smooth surface and may not cause clinical signs until they are quite large while others are jagged with sharp points and often cause problems much sooner. Stones comprised of struvite usually form in high pH urine and many cases can be dissolved and controlled with diet change. However, most bladder stones will not break down with medicine or diet change and will need to be taken out surgically. Calcium oxalate stones are a type that requires surgical removal and has become one of the most common bladder stones seen in practices today. Because of anatomical differences, male dogs and male cats are more at risk for one of these stones becoming lodged in the urethra causing a urinary outflow blockage. This is a life threatening medical emergency and can occur seemingly without

warning. If your pet is straining to urinate (which may be mistaken for constipation), call your veterinarian right away.

There are steps that you can take to reduce the risk of your pet developing bladder stones. Encouraging water intake can dilute the urine and reduce the likelihood of stone formation. Feeding canned food will help increase water intake because it will have about 80% water content compared to 10% to 15% in dry kibble. For small dogs and cats, getting a little water fountain bowl will encourage them to drink more water. There are several diets and supplements which claim to promote urinary health. They may help in certain conditions but actually worsen others. For instance, diets promoting urinary health may lower the pH of the urine to discourage one type of stone only resulting in the formation of another. Check with your veterinarian before starting one of these diets or adding supplements.

Take your pet out for more walks. A sedentary lifestyle can lead to prolonged urine retention which can contribute to bladder stone formation. Plus, we can all use a little extra walking for our own health. It's a win-win.

Pets with a history of bladder stones should be monitored a few times a year with a simple urinalysis and sometimes a radiograph. Urine pH changes, microscopic crystals and bacteria can be early warning signs that a stone may develop. Intervention at this stage is much easier, less painful for your pet and your pocket book.

Contact your veterinary team if your pet is having accidents in the house. It may not be simply a behavioral issue.

Dr. Greg Perrault owns and operates Cats & Dogs Animal Hospital in Long Beach and is a Commissioner on the Board of Health and Human Services. •

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The Eagles closed out their regular season with losses to Lawndale and top ranked Santa Monica. Though the loss to Santa Monica was anticipated the 61-56 defeat to Lawndale was frustrating. It marked the second time this season in Ocean League play that the Eagles came up short after coming close to defeating the Cardinals.

El Segundo played with inspirationally against Lawndale. In the first quarter Justin Ostler blocked a shot and passed to Chase Ali-Watkins who led Eli Chaney perfectly who unselfishly passed to Ali-Watkins for a layup.

What has been the team's Achilles heel has been their lack of defensive rebounds and it haunted them against Lawndale. The Cardinals, for the most part, took advantage of second, third and fourth shot attempts. So the Eagles relied on long range jumpers to stay close. Back to back three-pointers by Sebastian Hebert and Ostler gave the Eagles a five point lead but trailed by two points at the half.

The Eagles kept their slight advantage throughout most of the third quarter when the Cardinals went on an 8-0 run and took the lead for the first time since the first quarter.

Lawndale stretched their lead to as many as 11 points midway through the final period before the Eagles started to chip away. Mike Lynch buried a jumper and Ali-Watkins scored

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Zach Franco heads off a pass. His defensive effort has helped the Eagles to seven league shutouts.



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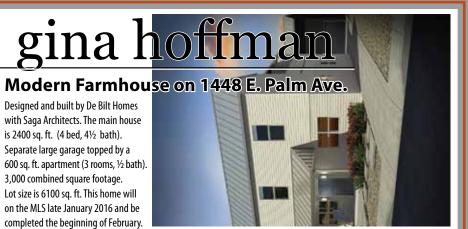
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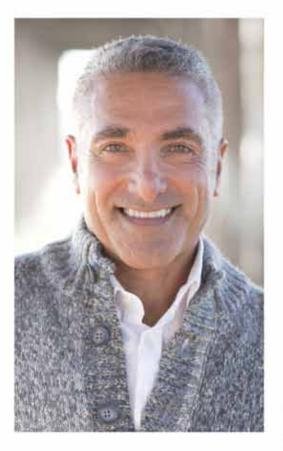
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emphasized that the issue is not about being against medical marijuana—but rather to avoid the ancillary crime that inevitably occurs in and around facilities that sell it. Tavera pointed out that marijuana usage and related offenses take place at or close to these locations in other communities—and didn't think this potential problem is something El Segundo wants.

Looking at background context, Lee explained that California voters approved Prop 215 (known as the Compassionate Use Act) in 1996 that exempted certain patients--such as individuals with cancer or AIDS--from criminal liability if they use marijuana. Additional legislation in 2003 further clarified components of Prop 215. At the same time, neither of the laws actually legalized marijuana in California and it is still otherwise unlawful to cultivate, distribute or possess cannabis.

While El Segundo already prohibits all medical marijuana-related activities, the new ordinance adds teeth to the City's stance. The Planning Commission previously gave its blessing for the ban and the Council will formally adopt the ordinance at its next meeting on March 1.

Also on Tuesday, the Council allocated additional grant funds (from Measure R monies) to look at two more crossing options to connect Park Place from Plaza El Segundo to Continental Park. City Manager Greg Carpenter noted that the Park Place Grade Separation and Gap Closure project will help relieve traffic in the Rosecrans and Sepulveda area while also opening up a property between the railroad tracks that is currently landlocked.

The Union Pacific Railroad and BNSF tracks stand in the way of the Park Place connection—prompting the City to previously analyze five design alternatives to remedy the issue. Each of these involved moving the tracks in some fashion, but also entailed going over property with contaminated soil—an unwanted impact.

The two new options will be added to the environmental impact report (EIR), with staff's preferred solution to relocate and consolidate the tracks so that only one underpass will need to be built. But to do so will require use of a piece of land not owned by the City and referred to as the Kramer Property. The catch is that the City can't actually acquire that property until after the EIR is complete—although a third party could potentially step in and facilitate a transfer. A second alternative involves creating a bridge for the Union Pacific tracks and an at-grade (same level) crossing for BNSF. Doing this takes the Kramer Property out of the equation, but may be more expensive. Another complication in the entire process is that the City will also need the blessings of both BNSF and Chevron for any new track alignment.

Mayor Pro Tem Carl Jacobson and Councilmember Marie Fellhauer said that the Public Utilities Commission doesn't typically allocate grant monies to at-grade projects. Carpenter reported that the agency indicated it might to do under certain circumstances, but must assess the environmental data first. Though too early to make any determinations, the City Manager suggested the best current course of action is to move forward with the EIR to see if the new options are feasible. If not, those will be removed from the study. Once the analysis is complete, the Council will select an alternative, certify the EIR and authorize construction and engineering drawings. The item will come back to Council next spring.

The Council officially accepted Chevron's \$200,000 donation to bolster the local economic development campaign. Carpenter indicated that the cash will go towards marketing and branding, particularly as it relates to the upcoming City Centennial. Chevron spokesperson Rod Spackman said the company was happy to support the effort and thought that it is "bearing a lot of fruit"—with El Segundo's recent Most Business-Friendly City award proof in the pudding. The City received similar grants from Chevron for the same amount in 2013 and for \$175,000 in 2014.

At the beginning of the meeting, the Council welcomed new Police Officer Brian Slover to the force. The 27-year-old, the nephew of Acting Fire Chief Breck Slover, graduated from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Basic Academy on January 15. •

Finance

5 Tips For Businesses To Cut Energy, Save Money



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3. Pay attention. Take note of the natural energy sources specific to your geographic location. Sun or wind energy technologies may be great money-saving solutions. If the sun sufficiently lights your office or meeting room, make a point of keeping the blinds open and the electric lights off.

4. Look at lighting. Lighting retrofits are a simple and effective solution that do not interrupt regular operations and often offer a short return on investment.

5. Encourage employees. Turning off computers and other office equipment when not in use is an easy way employees can make an impact.

These tips can start your business on a journey toward becoming a more efficient and eco-friendly organization. The benefits start at protecting the earth and extend to enhancing the bottom line. •

Council Candidates

by means of open and clear communication. She also noted that 12 percent of already approved positions remain vacant and felt those should be filled to bolster staffing. Boyles said the City ought to be treated more like a business. He pointed out that of the annual \$60 million in general fund revenues, 98.4 percent derives from businesses. He thought the City should be less reactive and more proactive in partnering with the business community to ensure the latter thrives since the resulting revenues drive all the local services. Brann emphasized that public safety tops the list of issues today and more officers ought to be out on the streets to address the increase in crime stemming from recent legislative changes. He called for more police department staffing as well as additional cameras at community entry points and technology such as license plate readers. Fellhauer said the Council could have done a better job last year of educating the public on the impacts of AB 109 that put more criminals on the streets due to prison realignment and Prop 47 that re-categorized some former felonies as misdemeanors. She emphasized that staffing should not only increase in the Police Department, but also the Fire Department--which she indicated does a great deal of work (e.g. inspections and training) with businesses. While granting that "we do need more police" and that the current Council did actually authorize more positions, Atkinson explained that it takes longer (about two years) to bring a new officer into the department since El Segundo has tougher qualification parameters than other cities. At the same time, he warned that with each new hire comes not just salary that the City

must pay for, but also additional retirement expenses. He stressed the importance of trying to "slow down the retirement train" and pay police and fire what the City reasonably can.

Asked if the City should give additional dollars to El Segundo Unified School District (ESUSD), Boyles reported that past annual cash contributions ranged between \$250,000 and \$750,000 but is currently at zero—though the City subsidizes crossing guards and library staffing. While he said he doesn't know if any funds are currently available for the City to help, Boyles lamented that El Segundo has fallen behind other communities and should be teaching more technology and foreign languages to stay at the educational forefront and maintain academic leadership. He added that having great schools is what brought him to El Segundo in the first place. Pirsztuk said that realtors confirm the school system is one of the main reasons families move here. She confirmed that local schools need additional money, especially with the Governor's funding formula reducing the per-child allocation to \$8,000 here versus \$10,000 elsewhere and that the District had to make up the loss of the City's \$250,000. She also reported that the City and District have lately maintained a collaborative partnership and dialogue that needs to continue. Fellhauer explained that she voted against giving ESUSD money because the City is in a "critical financial bind," though she would support funding if the City were flush. She reiterated the desire to have more police visible in the streets to allow schools to flourish since kids will feel safe walking to school or to friends' houses afterwards. Atkinson reported that he

recently met with Wiseburn Superintendent Tom Johnstone about a program allowing students from that district and Culver City to go between campuses in order to take courses not available at their own facilities. Atkinson saw this as a great opportunity to enhance educational options for El Segundo Unified. He also mentioned that ESUSD recently sold land for \$23 million--and that he would "choose the City over the School District" since there are no schools without the City. Brann confirmed that school support has varied over the years and ranged between \$250,000 and \$400,000 during his Council tenure (2008-2012). He indicated that schools are doing better now compared to that time and added that he would put City business first and then help schools if there is leftover money to do so depending on the City's future good fortune.

On a related note, a local teacher complained about reduced revenues from filming due to a past Council vote to cut filming days. Fellhauer emphasized that she was not on the Council when that decision was made and is all for bringing back as much filming as possible. "Let's go back to allowing it," she said, adding that El Segundo should take the lead in showing it is business-friendly in contrast to the State of California itself. Atkinson issued a reminder that the decision (also before he joined the Council) came as a result of concerns from local property owners and the Council of the time prioritized the rights of citizens above the movie industry. He reported that filming has nonetheless been on the rise as of late and that a recent production at City Hall helped refurbish the Council Chambers.

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One attendee directed a question on the status of the planned multi-million-dollar pool at the future Wiseburn High School site to Brann since the latter was the long-time superintendent of that district. Brann noted that he has not worked with Wiseburn since 2008, but provided an update that the new high school is scheduled to open in the summer of 2017 with the pool and gym the next phase. He also said he was proud of the current Council for choosing an upgraded pool option with "world-class extras." Atkinson talked of some structural delays (e.g. moving plumbing underneath) in the process, but said the tentative opening date for the aquatics facility is late 2017/early 2018. Though Wiseburn is kicking in \$6 million towards construction, Atkinson said "we need more money." However, he was hopeful that several large investors will be coming in to contribute to the cause. The facility will include a 54-meter by 50-meter competition pool and 40-meter by 20-meter warm-up pool. Atkinson added that once the new center opens, the goal is then to renovate the existing Plunge.

Other attendees wondered if there are talks of another new food market coming to town (nothing in the works, according to Boyle) and if El Segundo has been asked or told to accept refugees for resettlement (a resounding no). Fellhauer and Atkinson confirmed that the City's arborist makes decisions on what trees get cut down (examples of factors include if the tree has grown too large for its space or if it is damaging sidewalks and sewers), but that residents do have the ability to make an appeal and speak to the Council. •

Seniors

The Hazards Of A Grandparent's Home



(BPT) - It is no secret that grandparents play an important role in the lives of their grandchildren. From giving encouragement and life advice, to helping out as a caretaker, many turn to their grandparents for support. In fact, 72 percent of grandparents take care of their grandchildren on a regular basis, and 70 percent of them see their grandchildren at least once a week, according to the American Grandparents Association.

With an abuandance of grandparents overseeing their grandchildren on an ongoing basis, it is particularly important they are aware of the dangers that lie within their household that may be harmful to children. One of the most common dangers includes leaving out medication that is easy to access. In fact, in three out of four emergency room visits for medicine poisoning, the child got into medicine belonging to a parent or grandparent, according to Safe Kids World Wide, a global organization dedicated to preventing unintentional injuries in children.

Rallie McAllister, MD, MPH, a family physician in Lexington, Kentucky, and coauthor of The Mommy MD Guide to the Toddler Years, encourages conversation, awareness and education-surrounding children's home safety. McAllister says that each year in the U.S., thousands of children are seen in emergency departments for accidental medication exposures, which can be fatal. The typical scenario involves a curious child finding and ingesting unsecured medication.

"In almost 40 percent of cases, the medication belonged to a grandparent, and the medication was left in a purse or bag, a pillbox, or on a counter or nightstand," says McAllister. "It only takes a moment for children to find and swallow medication that can put their lives in danger. Parents and grandparents can protect the lives of the children they love by ensuring that all prescription and over-thecounter medicines in their homes are stored safely and securely."

Families, and grandparents specifically, should consider the following steps to ensure their medications are not available to their grandchildren:

- Keep medication up high and out of sight of children. The orange bottle medications usually come in is bright and appealing to children. To them it may look like a toy that makes noise when shaken, or a fun game with pieces that can easily go straight into their mouth.
- Be absolutely sure the bottle is closed and secure with the safety lock. With a regular schedule of taking meds, it may be tempting for seniors to leave bottle tops loose for easy access each time the medicine needs to be taken.
- Lock up your medication in a designated spot. Med-Master offers a variety of durable, flexible medication storage solutions that feature locking options including a 3-digit combination lock, or a wireless battery operated RFID lock, to maximize security. In addition to being a locking storage unit, once opened, options include a pill-sorting tray for organization, a magnifying glass with LED light for easy label reading, as well as a magnetic dry erase kit for important reminders and notes. •

Police Reports

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from the 2200 block of East Imperial Highway. Unknown suspect(s) stole an emblem from the victim's vehicle.

Burglary (commercial) report was taken at 0531 hours from the 700 block of Allied Way. Unknown suspect(s) smashed the front glass door to a business.

Burglary (auto) occurred between 1800 hours on 02/12/16 and 1030 hours on 02/13/15 in the 1100 block of East Imperial Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) went in to an unsecured vehicle and stole numerous items with a total value of 4,800.00.

Missing person report was taken at 0936 hours from the 2200 block of East Park Place. A female adult was reported missing and was subsequently found.

An identity theft report was taken at 1659 hours from the 800 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. Two unknown suspect's possibly

obtained the victim's passcode and withdrew currency from his account.

Criminal threats report was taken at 1905 hours from the 300 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. Two unknown suspect's attempted to use a fraudulent credit card to make a purchase. When they are denied one of the suspect's threatened the victim.

Traffic accident (no injuries) occurred at 2145 hours in the 800 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard, vehicle versus tree.

Sunday, February 14, 2016

A grand theft report was taken at 0827 hours from the 200 block of South Aviation Boulevard. Unknown suspect(s) took various plants from the front of the location.

A petty theft report was taken at 1434 hours from the 400 block of Center Street. Unknown suspect(s) removed the side view mirrors from the victim's vehicle. •

Economy

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Los Angeles County, with a \$1 trillion economy, drew 169 inspections last year. Agents reportedly found 95 percent of businesses they checked were out of compliance with the law. Restaurants, garment factories, manufacturing, car washes and automotive businesses were cited and fined the most. Agents found violations in those businesses 100 percent of the time.

An inspection at one Los Angeles garment factory led to citations for exposing workers to finger and hand amputations. The employees installed rivets onto pants using a machine with an exposed flywheel and no safety guards, the task force reported. Agents also cited the factory for failing to carry workers' compensation, not paying minimum wage or overtime and not providing workers with an itemized wage statement.

Misclassification of employees as independent

contractors is a huge problem in the state. California estimates it loses \$7 billion a year in payroll taxes because employers underreport staffing. Five women who worked for a San Francisco house-cleaning business turned in their boss in October for not paying overtime and for making them skip lunches and rest breaks. The Labor Commissioner's office uncovered numerous violations and ordered the house-cleaning business to pay nearly \$50,000 in back wages to the five women. Labor Commissioner Julie Su fined the business \$17,384 in an enforcement order announced Feb. 10.

Reports of labor law and other violations by businesses suspected in the underground economy can be made by calling 855-297-5322 or emailing LETF@dir.ca.gov. California's whistleblower laws protect employees who report suspected illegal activities in the workplace. •



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Order to Show Cause for Change of Name Case No. SS028556

Superior Court of California, County of Petition of: Patricia Lisa Potts Andrews

for Change of Name TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner Patricia Lisa Potts Andrews filed a petition with this court for a decree

changing names as follows: Patricia Lisa Potts Andrews to Lisa Andrews

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: March 11, 2016, Time: 8:30am,

The address of the court is 1725 Main Street Santa Monica, 90401

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: JAN 15 2016

JUDGE GERALD ROSENBERG Judge of the Superior Court El Segundo Herald Pub. 1/28, 2/4, 2/11,

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO **ADMINISTER ESTATE OF BRIAN KEITH KUTIL**

Case No. BP170397

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of BRIAN KEITH

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Louis Paul Kutil, Jr. in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Louis Paul Kutil, Jr. be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the

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

A HEARING on the petition will be held on March 3, 2016 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 67 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or

file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

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

Attorney for petitioner: BRIAN R. BRANDLIN, ESQ. SBN 132685 **BURKLEY BRANDLIN SWATIK** & KEESEY LLP

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NL West

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Joe Panik at second base, the San Francisco offense will be no worse for wear. If there's one weakness on this club, it may be in the bullpen, but Bochy and company should have no problem addressing the issue before October rolls around.

The Arizona Diamondbacks will most likely be this year's surprise team, although it shouldn't be much of a surprise. The arrival of Greinke will bolster a rotation that also features Shelby Miller (formerly of Atlanta), lefty Patrick Corbin, and Tyler Clippard. While certain offensive positions may be up for grabs in Arizona, don't forget that they have some of the best power in the league with first baseman Paul Goldschmidt being backed by hard-hitting center fielder A.J. Pollock. Offense shouldn't be hard to come by for a team that will now be capable of shutting other teams out with their revamped and formidable pitching staff. Arizona is my pick to take second place behind the Giants.

The San Diego Padres and the Colorado Rockies will battle it out for the bottom of the division this year. The Padres, acquiring veterans like Matt Kemp last year, haven't done much to help their own cause lately. They have now begun to trade away older

talent in order to acquire youth. The Pads won't be viable for a few more years. The Rockies, on the other hand, have no clear ace of their staff and will rely only on shortstop Nolan Arenado and center fielder Carlos Gonzalez to put runs up on the board. The division will most likely be split in half, with the Giants, Diamondbacks and Dodgers taking up the top spots, while the Padres and Rockies flounder toward the bottom.

Predictions aside, there should be another great year of baseball in the works. The Dodgers have made a lot of changes that could either see the team rise to new heights, or take a slight step backwards while they wait for both their young talent to find its way and another giant free-agent splash. Dave Roberts could be the answer to the L.A.'s problems. Seager and Pederson could spark an explosive offense and Puig could finally come into his own. Who knows what will happen, but once the season gets started, we'll all have 162 games to figure it out. No matter how the season finishes, though, this being Vin Scully's last season behind the microphone should give every Dodger fan reason enough to watch (or listen) to as many games as possible.

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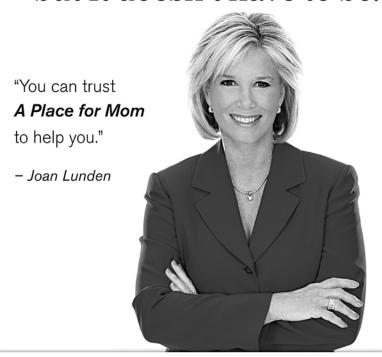
Film Review

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in Claus' and Maria's lives. They are both fighting for their own respective happiness and jointly feel life's devastations when things are thrown into despair. The question becomes "What justifies something as being 'the right thing' or 'politically correct' when your life or the lives of the people you love is at risk?" Lindholm takes *A War* to philosophical depths that asks the audience to actively participate in the viewing experience by pondering the same existential thoughts as the protagonists.

While most films in this genre tend to overdramatize the action, "Hollywoodizing" the experience, A War does no such glorifying. Instead, what we have here is a harrowing and realistic account of what I can only imagine to be heightened tension during battle. In both a very literal and abstract sense, A War represents the universality of the human condition when put under extreme pressure and the lengths one is willing to go to in times of despair. A War is rated R for language and some war-related images and is in Danish with English subtitles. Now playing at Laemmle Theaters and Sundance Cinemas West Hollywood. •

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016025920 following person(s)

doing business as YUNG STARZ ENTERTAINMENT, 3779 CAHUENGA BLVD, LOS ANGELES CA 91604, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): DE'JUAN PARRISH, 1741 EAST HELMICK STREET, CARSON, CA 90746. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: DE'JUAN filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on February 2, 2016. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on February 2, 2021. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to February 2, 2021. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code) Pub. 2/11, 2/18, Torrance Tribune: 2/25, 3/3/2016. HT-1390

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016011209

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1) NOLO, 2) MARTINDALE-HUBBELL, LLC, 909 N. SEPULVEDA BLVD. 11^{TH} FLOOR, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): MH SUB I, LLC, 909 N. SEPULVEDA BLVD. 11™ FLOOR. EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: MH SUB I, LLC, B. LYNN WALSH, Secretary, This statement filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 15, 2016. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on January 15, 2021. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to January 15, 2021 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: 2/11, 2/18/2016.

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2016026712
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as KELLEY'S LITTLE ANGELS DAYCARE, 13715 CERISE AVE UNIT 2, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): SONDRAL KELLEY-GILLIAM, 13715 CERISE AVE UNIT 2, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 02/02/2016. Signed: SONDRAL KELLEY-GILLIAM, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on FEBRUARY 3, 2016. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on February 3, 2021. A new

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SICARIUS VICKATE, 1) 11719 DALESIDE AVE, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250; 2) 2851 W. 120th ST # E163, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): FLOYD NATHANIEL BLUE, 11719 DALESIDE AVE, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 1-29-16. Signed: FLOYD NATHANIEL BLUE, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 29, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016018856

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BE AHEAD IN HEALTH, 3816 VIRGINIA ROAD, LOS ANGELES, CA. 90008. LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): 1) AMON HEAD, 3816 VIRGINIA ROAD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90008: 2) BRITTANY HEAD, 3816 VIRGINIA ROAD, LOS ANGELES, CA 90008. This business is being conducted by a General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: AMON HEAD, PARTNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 26, 2016. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on January 26, 2021. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016022955

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as NATHAN'S TOWING, 12499 GILMORE AVE #3, LOS ANGELES, CA, 90066, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): FRANK FUENTES, 12499 GILMORE AVE #3, LOS ANGELES, CA 90066. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or listed above on: N/A. Signed: FRANK FUENTES, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 29, 2016 NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on January 29, 2021. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to January 29, 2021. 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) H-1389 2/18, 2/25/2016.

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016022348

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PONSEPOL REAL ESTATE BROKERS, 600 LAIRPORT STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): STANLEY MORTON ZIMMERMAN, 600 LAIRPORT STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A.

Signed: STANLEY MORTON ZIMMERMAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 28, 2016.

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<u>Lookina Up</u>

Mysterious, Floating Hills in Pluto's "Heart"

By Bob Eklund

The nitrogen ice glaciers on Pluto appear to carry an intriguing cargo: numerous, isolated hills that may be fragments of water ice from Pluto's surrounding uplands. These hills individually measure one to several miles across, according to images and data from NASA's New Horizons mission.

The hills, which are in the vast ice plain informally named Sputnik Planum within Pluto's "heart," are likely miniature versions of the larger, jumbled mountains on Sputnik Planum's western border. They are yet another example of Pluto's fascinating and abundant geological activity.

Because water ice is less dense than nitrogen-dominated ice, scientists believe these water ice hills are floating in a sea of frozen nitrogen and move over time like icebergs in Earth's Arctic Ocean. The hills are likely fragments of the rugged uplands that have broken away and are being carried by the nitrogen glaciers into Sputnik Planum. "Chains" of the drifting hills are formed along the flow paths of the glaciers. When the hills enter the cellular terrain of central Sputnik Planum, they become subject to the convective motions of the nitrogen ice, and are pushed to the edges of the cells, where the hills cluster in groups reaching up to 12 miles across.

At the northern end of the image, the feature informally named Challenger Colles-



honoring the crew of the lost space shuttle Challenger—appears to be an especially large accumulation of these hills, measuring 37 by 22 miles. This feature is located near the boundary with the uplands, away from the cellular terrain, and may represent a location where hills have been "beached" due to the nitrogen ice being especially shallow.

The image shows the inset in context next to a larger view that covers most of Pluto's encounter hemisphere. The inset was obtained by New Horizons' Multispectral Visible Imaging Camera (MVIC) instrument. North is up; illumination is from the top-left of the image. The image resolution is about 1050 feet per pixel. The image measures a little

over 300 miles long and about 210 miles wide. It was obtained at a range of approximately 9,950 miles from Pluto, about 12 minutes before New Horizons' closest approach to Pluto on July 14, 2015.

A VALENTINE FOR **CLYDE TOMBAUGH**

The light-colored heart-shaped region, estimated to be 1000 miles across, was one of the most prominent features seen when New Horizons began sending close-ups of Pluto. From three billion miles away, Pluto had sent a "love note" back to Earth. Launched on January 19, 2006, the spacecraft had traveled nearly a decade to receive its summer valentine.

Pluto was discovered in 1930 by a young amateur astronomer, Clyde Tombaugh (1906 – 1997), a farm boy without college education who had taken a job as assistant at the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Arizona. It was the first object to be found in what would later be identified as the Kuiper belt. At the time of its discovery, Pluto was considered to be the Solar System's ninth planet, but it was reclassified in 2006 by the International Astronomical Union (IAU)—which has the responsibility for naming astronomical bodies—as a "dwarf planet."

Tombaugh spent much of his later life in New Mexico, where—after the IAU's decision to downgrade Pluto to a dwarf planet—the State Legislature honored him with a proclamation stating that "in New Mexico. •

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JellyBean is a 13 pound fluffy black Maine coon mix. He has long whiskers, big paws, fluffy coat and tufts of fur between the toes and coming out of his ears with the softest coat ever. JellyBean loves being brushed and every morning he follows you into the bathroom and rolls over for you to scratch his belly. He has a lot of energy and loves to play tag, hide and go seek, and play with anything that dangles like the feather toys or can be pushed around with his paws like balls. If you're sitting on the couch to watch TV, JellyBean likes to sit on the top or arm of the couch and just chill. This gorgeous guy is a low maintenance kitty who simply wants to hang out and live life. Jellybean gets along with other cats and would probably enjoy a companion especially if his new parent is out of the house often. Once you have his love and trust, JellyBean blossoms into an amazing kitty. Jellybean has chronic URI that will flare up from time to time with sneezes and watery eyes. For the most part, he does not require any treatment, so a home with fewer allergens would help control his symptoms. He's been overlooked due to his watery eyes and shy at first demeanor, so don't let yourself miss out on this fabulous kitty! JellyBean would be fine as an only kitty or with other cats, he also lived with Chihuahuas previously.

Nutter Butter and his brother Abba Zabba were rescued with their siblings and another litter of kittens from a storage facility. Nutter is a stunning buff-colored Maine Coon mix with a true Maine Coon personality as wonderful as his extremely good looks. He is playful and loving and always on the lookout for a lap to curl up on. He is especially attached to his brother, Abba Zabba, an exceptionally handsome orange tabby. If someone would open their heart and home for two, they would love to be adopted together, but they can be adopted separately. Abba Zabba was a little shy at first but is now a loving, rambunctious little boy who loves to sit on laps and give kisses. He may still be a bit shy at first meeting, but quickly loses that shy side to let out his playful and loving nature.

Bowie is a sweet little black and white tuxie girl who was found in a parking lot with her four siblings. Being the last of her litter, she's craving a special human who will love her as she grows up. Bowie would make a great companion to another kitty, too! A bit timid at first, Bowie loves to roll over in your lap and let you rub her tummy. She also loves sitting next to you and taking a nap in your







arms. One of the most mellow and gentle kittens around, she could use extra playtime to be a little more energetic. Although Bowie just loves cuddling up in a little ball and staying put, but she's happier when humans and other kitties are around!

Little **Jennifer** is beyond adorable. With her wide, bright eyes, silky soft fur, little white mittens and muzzle, she's picture perfect with a personality to match. Jennifer loves to be petted, loved, and snuggled. She has an angelic air about her, but give her a fuzzy toy mouse and stand back as Jungle Jenny takes over. Jennifer would prefer to be adopted with her brother, Kenneth, but she'd be happy in any home where she can snuggle by your side in bed, cuddle up with her human to watch TV, devour fuzzy mice,





and sneak the occasional illicit snack.

Kenneth is quite the little love bug. He is incredibly friendly and spunky as all get out. Kenneth loves to be in the middle of the action; a playful, happy, roly poly kitten who loves to wrestle and chase around like crazy before crashing wherever he happens to be. Kenneth is super sweet, but he can take a little while to warm up to kittens he doesn't know. He'd love be adopted with his sister, Jennifer, but with patience and love, he will be a wonderful companion to any kitty, pup, or human who has an open heart.

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nine points of his game high 26 points in the fourth quarter but the Eagles came up short.

The Eagles suffered a 64-36 defeat to Santa Monica the top ranked team in the CIF-SS Division 1A division. Ali-Watkins led the Eagles with 18 points.

The Eagles who are 13-13 on the year are having their best season in five years. They'll enter the CIF-SS 4AA division playoffs and faced Pomona, the Miramonte League champs, last night on the road. Should they prevail the Eagles would most likely host the second round Friday night at 7pm.

Girls' Basketball

The Lady Eagles lost back to back and three of their final four Ocean League games to fall to third place. Once thought of as an Ocean League contender the Eagles fell on hard times most likely related to poor shooting and shoddy defense.

The 47-35 loss to Lawndale was particularly heartbreaking because of the way they lost. Not only did they give up too many second chance shots but on offense they shot a meager 21% from the field. Still the Eagles had a slight one point advantage going into

the fourth quarter before the Cardinals ran away with it towards the end.

Against Santa Monica poor field goal shot selection led to another dismal night and the Eagles fell 50-38. Free throws didn't drop either which could have turned things the other way. Still Paige Endo scored 18 points and surpassed scoring 400 points on the year.

So the Eagles will enter the CIF-SS 4AA Division playoffs in good shape with a positive draw in their favor. The Eagles 15-11 on the year play host Nipomo, the third place team from the Los Padres League, tonight at 7pm. A win would propel them into the second round against the winner of the Covina/Fillmore game on Saturday at 7pm.

Girls Water Polo

The Lady Eagles soundly defeated Torrance 13-4 and eked out an invitation to get into the CIF-SS Division 6 playoffs as a wild card team. They faced West Valley at home on Tuesday with the winner taking on Cabrillo of Lompoc tonight at 5pm. The quarter-finals are set for Saturday at home (Mira Costa pool) should the Eagles prevail. •



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