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## Lawndale Residents Enjoy Annual Visit from Santa



Santa's Sleigh made numerous nightly stops in Lawndale to the delight of local youngsters and the rest of the community. Photo provided by the Lawndale Community Services Department.

## Undetectable New Cars Told to *Make Some Noise*

By Rob McCarthy

We can't hear you!

That's the message the federal government has sent to car companies that make electric and hybrid vehicles. Alternative fuel vehicles are so quiet when the motor's running that 2,400 pedestrians a year are struck in crosswalks, streets and parking lots, according to estimates.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration just added a sound requirement for new hybrid and electric light-duty vehicles. The safety standard, put in place to protect pedestrians who are blind or have low vision, will help prevent as many as 2,400 pedestrian injuries per year once all hybrids on U.S. roads are properly equipped.

Protecting pedestrians is near the top of the agency's to-do list now that vehicular deaths are on the rise, ending a 50-year decline in the nation. Drivers are more distracted than ever, and cell phones and mobile devices are getting most of the blame. Pedestrians play a role in traffic safety, and it just makes sense they should be looking out for danger instead of at their phones.

"This is a common-sense tool to help pedestrians — especially folks who are blind or have low vision — make their way safely," said NHTSA Administrator Dr. Mark Rosekind. "With pedestrian fatalities on the rise, it is vitally important we take every action to protect the most vulnerable road users."

Under the new rule, all hybrid and electric passenger vehicles will be required to make audible noise when they're moving at speeds below 20 mph, either forward or in reverse. The government says tire and wind noise would drown out the engine's sound at higher speeds.

Carmakers may choose to install external speakers in the front grill. When an electric or hybrid is in motion, a recording of a car engine would begin to play. The lack of sound made by electric cars especially has been discussed since the early 2000s, which

Edmunds.com noted in a January 2015 article titled "The Danger of Too-Quiet Car."

The website, used by car buyers looking for pricing and reviews about car models, admonished the automakers and the driving public that "you can have too much of a good thing. Take silence."

Three studies were done and each one confirmed the dangers to pedestrians of silent cars driving at low speeds. A 2009 study found that at low speeds, hybrids and electrics were twice as likely as non-hybrids to be involved in a pedestrian crash. A 2011 federal study reported that pedestrian crashes were 35 percent higher with hybrids and electrics versus combustion-engine cars.

A third study by the Highway Loss Data Institute concluded hybrids are up to 20 percent more likely to be involved in injuring pedestrians than other cars. Not all automakers waited for the government to come to the foregone conclusion that an approaching vehicle should make a familiar sound. Nissan installed a vehicle sound warning for pedestrians on its electric Leaf, starting last year.

The plug-in hybrid Chevrolet Volt also has an alert noise, which the driver can activate, Edmunds.com reported. The government wants the sounds coming from electrics and hybrids to be recognizable—not a jumble of noises like phone ringtones.

Carmakers have until September 1, 2019 to equip all new hybrid and electric vehicles with sounds that meet the new federal safety standard. Half of new hybrid and electric vehicles must be in compliance one year before the final deadline.

Advocates for the blind say the noise requirement on cars is needed because Americans who can't see are living active lifestyles nonetheless. More than 20 million Americans, close to 10 percent, say they have trouble seeing or are blind.

"This regulation will ensure that blind Americans can continue to travel safely and independently as we work, learn, shop and engage in all facets of community life," said Mark A. Riccobono, president of the National Federation of the Blind.

What about current owners of these too-quiet cars who want to give bicyclists and pedestrians warning that a car is approaching? The National Highway Traffic Safety agency isn't recommending that electrics and hybrids on the road now install any noise devices.

The experts at Edmunds.com said not to expect to find aftermarket sound-making devices anytime soon. Alternative fuel cars represent a small fraction of U.S. vehicles in use today, though that number was expected to reach four percent this year. California is leading the charge, so to speak.

Governor Jerry Brown's administration has set a goal of 1.5 million electric cars in the state by 2025 as part of a pledge to reduce emissions and slow the effects of global climate change. Assemblywoman Autumn Burke, D-Inglewood, is pushing the auto industry to make that happen.

There are more than 200,000 electric vehicles being driven in California, according to a group calling itself the Union of Concerned Scientists. "Unless we take action, the state won't come close to meeting this goal," Burke said. "That's why we need to reform the rules to require that 15 percent of all cars sold in California have zero emissions by 2025."

Burke introduced last summer what she calls the "15 by 25" plan. It would direct the California Air Resources Board to require at least 15 percent of all new passenger cars sold in California be zero emissions by 2025. Burke's bill is currently inactive, having been heard in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee and in the Senate Rules Committee. No action has been taken on the South Bay lawmaker's bill since August 17. •

## Weekend Forecast

**Friday**  
Cloudy  
63°/57°



**Saturday**  
Mostly  
Sunny  
64°/56°



**Sunday**  
Mostly  
Sunny  
65°/54°



# Community Briefs

## Airport Commissioners Approve New LAX Concourse

With current and future passenger growth at record levels and an objective to provide a "top tier" passenger experience, the Los Angeles Board of Airport Commissioners recently agreed to fund a Midfield Satellite Concourse (MSC) and related Baggage Optimization Project (BOP). The concourse, an addition to the Tom Bradley International Terminal (TBIT), will include 12 gates in phase one of construction. The MSC will provide needed flexibility and gate space, while reducing reliance on LAX remote gates where passengers are currently bused to board aircraft. Construction of the MSC North and the BOP will improve capacity to handle baggage at both the MSC and TBIT.

The North Gates phase of the MSC will include two gates for Group VI aircraft (Airbus 380 super-jumbo, Boeing 747-8 In-

tercontinental) while the remaining 10 gates will handle Group V aircraft (Boeing 777 and 787, Airbus 330). The concourse will also include food and retail options, plus space for airline clubs.

The concourse will connect to TBIT via a 1,000-foot-long passenger tunnel that will start in a gateway facility built adjacent to the terminal. The tunnel will feature 42-inch-thick walls and a roof designed to withstand 660 tons-plus.

The concourse design specifies LEED Silver certification and CAL Green Tier 1 status, with substantial completion slated for late 2019.

A second phase will add gates on the terminal south end. Site preparation has begun with demolition of the former TWA hangar, with demolition of the former U.S. Coast Guard hangar to follow.

## Hawthorne's Cougar Theatre Fall Production of *Olé for Hollywood!*

On December 9 and 10, Cougar Theatre of Hawthorne High School will present *Ole' for Hollywood!* Written by the nation's premier Latino improv group, Latins Anonymous, *Ole' for Hollywood!* is a searing social satire and hilarious cultural commentary on the contemporary American-Latin experience in the guise of an irreverent, over-the-top, Tinseltown awards show. L.A. critics christened *Ole' for Hollywood!* as "a comedic bulls-eye" and Edward James Olmos called the play "a scathing indictment of the Latinos' ever-precarious relationship with Hollywood."

Directed by Estella Church and featuring a talented ensemble of Cougar Theatre's most talented thespians, this smart spoof offers a fertile launching pad for educators, students

and community members to begin dialogues about a variety of subjects and current events, including: immigration, Spanglish, civil unrest, racism, border militias, Latina body image and the media's stereotyping of minorities.

This premier of *Ole' for Hollywood!* features all-new material written especially for Cougar Theatre members by Latins Anonymous. This production is made possible by the amazing partnerships and collaboration with the following organizations: El Camino Colleg, Latins Anonymous, Media Done Responsibly, MEChA, ASB, AMA Productions (Lawndale High School) Purchase tickets at [www.hhssole.bpt.me](http://www.hhssole.bpt.me) <<http://www.hhssole.bpt.me/> •

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# Hawthorne Happenings **Police Reports**

## News for the City of Good Neighbors from City Clerk Huber



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now delivers Amazon orders on Sundays. How things have changed.

### HOLIDAY MUSIC

Yes, KOST 103.5 has been playing wall to wall Christmas music for the past month already. Yes, by listening to it you do feel like the Christmas season has arrived. But, I just can't take too much of that ho, ho, ho stuff. It gets old after 30 minutes or less. I love music of all sorts. It can be uplifting. I love to listen to music rather than the talk shows, the news, or commercials during my 30 minute commute to and back from LB (Long Beach). I love Christmas and I do love music, but it has to be just the right kind of Christmas music. Here is my take on some of my favorite Christmas songs: Silent Night (Something unheard of in Hawthorne). I'm dreaming of a White Christmas (It did snow in Hawthorne for five minutes 65 years ago, so there is a chance.) Blue Christmas (Here's hoping that our guys and gals in Blue have a safe Christmas season. Our Hawthorne Police need our prayers for protection.) Joy to the World (Real joy comes from knowing the reason for the season.) Enjoy this merriest of seasons! •

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(If you do enjoy my weekly column, please shoot me an email. I love to hear from my readers.)

### HOLIDAY HOME DECORATING CONTEST

If you have spent some time decorating your home this holiday season then here is your chance to show it off to the community. The Recreation and Community Services Department of the City of Hawthorne is sponsoring a Holiday Home Decorating Contest. The contest is free and open to all Hawthorne residents. Awards will be given to the first, second and third place winners. The deadline for entry is Tuesday, December 13th. Entry forms can be picked up at the Recreation Department's office at the Memorial Center or you can download a copy off of the City's website. For more information please call 310-349-1640.

### CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE

Mayor Pro Temp Angie English and the City of Hawthorne invite you to a Christmas Open House event to be held on Thursday, December 22 at the Memorial Center. More details will be included in next week's column. Just mark your calendars for this special holiday happening taking place for the first time this year.

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4100 W. BROADWAY APARTMENT/ CONDO. Crime Occurred: Mon. 11/21 22:44. Method of Entry: Broke glass. Vehicle: Stn-CA 2008 SCIO XB 4D grey.

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4600 W EL SEGUNDO BL. DUPLEX/ FOURPLEX. Crime Occurred: Fri. 11/25 06:43. Method of Entry: Broke glass.

14000 S CERISE AVE. APARTMENT/ CONDO. Crime Occurred: Fri. 11/25/16 01:14. Method of Entry: Pried.

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### Herald Publications Holiday Schedule

Our offices will be closed the following days for the holidays.

Friday, December 23 | Monday, December 26 | Friday, December 30

## Seniors

### Four Creative Ways to Tackle Rising Health Care Costs When Planning Retirement



(BPT) - No matter how hard you worked or how much you saved, the sad reality of today's economic landscape is that the rising cost of health care can quickly eat away at your retirement fund.

Health care expenses have inflated to the point that the average American couple over the age of 65 will pay \$240,000 in medical

needed. If your medical bills have gotten too high or you can no longer afford to pay the premiums, consider selling your life insurance policy through a life settlement. Essentially, you sell your policy to an investor who usually pays seven to eight times as much as the cash value of the policy. For many, this can be a quick way to relieve financial strain and

*Periodically, you should review your policy to see whether or not it's still needed.*

bills, according to AARP. When paired with the sobering statistic that roughly a third of Americans over 65 rely entirely on Social Security for their retirement income, these findings underline an urgent problem that needs to be addressed.

Rather than wait for Washington or the health care industry to come up with a solution, many are taking a proactive approach and tackling the problem head on. Often, they succeed through some surprising and unconventional strategies. Make sure to always talk to your trusted financial advisor or other professionals before taking any action, but here are four creative ways you can tackle rising health care costs in your retirement years.

Maximize your social security benefits. It might be tempting to start claiming your benefits as soon as you're eligible, but if you can, wait. The longer you wait, the more you and your spouse will be paid. Especially if you're currently healthy, try to defer your benefits until you're 70. If you do, your payments will increase by as much as 75 percent. This will put you in a good position to meet any unexpected costs in the future.

Sell your life insurance. Just like stocks and bonds, a life insurance policy is an investment. Periodically, you should review your policy to see whether or not it's still

deal with health care bills.

Consider a reverse mortgage. This is a loan available to homeowners that allows them to convert part of the equity in their homes into cash. The loan is called a "reverse mortgage" because instead of making monthly payments to a lender, as with a traditional mortgage, the lender makes payments to the borrower. The borrower is not required to pay back the loan until the home is sold or otherwise vacated.

Buy long term care insurance early. The costs of living in a nursing home or hiring a home caretaker can be staggering. Long term health insurance can be cost prohibitive, and for many healthy individuals, it's hard to imagine a time when they will be in a situation when they will need full or assisted care. This can make it hard for them to justify paying the premiums. But if you start during your early to mid-50s, you can buy in at a lower rate and defray the expenses that you might not be able to afford.

Of all these, many people don't realize that selling their life insurance is a viable option. In fact, 90 percent of seniors who allowed their policies to lapse without knowing that selling their life insurance was an option, would have considered selling if someone had told them about it. To learn more if this is right for you, visit [www.lisa.org](http://www.lisa.org). •

## Finance

### Pension Plan Funding Shortfalls Threaten Retirees in All 50 States

(BPT) - Everyone knows it is important to save for retirement in order to build a nest egg and enjoy the "golden years." So why is it that state and local governments many times act irresponsibly when it comes to saving for the future of public employees?

Government pensions are the way in which state and local public employees like teachers, police officers and firefighters receive retirement benefits. Typically both the employee and the government set aside money each year to be invested. The investments will hopefully grow over time, and both the annual contributions and the investment growth is understood to form the pool of money public employees will be able to use once they reach retirement. That's the theory.

Unfortunately, according to Unaccountable and Unaffordable 2016, a new, state-by state analysis from the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC), government pensions are being massively underfunded across the states, and now hardworking taxpayers are on the hook. What is the price tag? Across the 50 states, unfunded pension obligations now total \$5.6 trillion. Now, that number sounds large at a national scale, but what does it mean for the average American? To be exact, this state pension debt equates to an average price tag of \$17,427 for every man, woman and child in the United States.

There are numerous reasons why pension liabilities are so large. For one, the stock market is not growing as quickly as many assumed it would, exiting the recent economic downturn. Therefore, investments for many pension funds are not meeting expectations. The average pension fund assumes they will earn a whopping 7.37 percent on their investments over the long term. These overly-optimistic assumptions fly in the face of what many financial experts are calling a

"new normal" of lower than expected investment earnings in the future.

Another inconvenient truth is that many state governments have failed to deposit the annually required contributions into pension funds every year. The urge to spend more money on other government projects, however well intentioned, has diverted much-needed contributions away from pensions and has contributed significantly to unfunded liabilities.

When pensions are unstable, millions of Americans are faced with an uncertain retirement. However, this is not only a problem for government workers - it affects all Americans. Without a sustainable solution to underfunded pensions, higher taxes will be the reality for all hardworking taxpayers.

What's more, an increasing percentage of state budgets are being drained to pay pension benefits, with less money available for important functions like funding public schools and fixing roads. One especially sobering story comes from Illinois, where since 2009, this trend is so extreme that 89 cents out of every new dollar of education spending has gone to teacher pensions, leaving just 11 cents for salaries, textbooks, building costs and the various in-classroom costs of education. And by 2025, Illinois will spend more on teacher-retirement costs than it will spend on the classroom.

Pension funding is not a Republican vs. Democrat issue. It's a retirement issue that affects all Americans. Unfunded pension liabilities will be harmful to the future of workers, retirees and taxpayers alike, if forward-thinking policymakers do not tackle pension reform in a timely fashion.

To find out more about how prepared your state is and to see the full report, Unaccountable and Unaffordable 2016, is available at [Alec.org/PensionDebt2016](http://Alec.org/PensionDebt2016). •



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# Sports

## Hawthorne Revving up for Ocean League Basketball

By Adam Serrao

The Hawthorne Cougars head basketball coach may be nicknamed “Jello,” but he’s looking for his team to be anything but floppy this season. In what has traditionally been an extremely competitive Ocean League, David “Jello” Gray is looking to guide his team where it hasn’t been since he took over the club in 2013—to the top of the Ocean League standings. With a great core group of returning seniors, aided by a few young stars on the team, Gray and the Cougars will look to improve on a season from a year ago that failed to yield even one victory in Ocean League play.

It has been a rough go for Gray since he assumed head coaching duties for the team. When he began his tenure, it was the 2013-’14 season and he took over a team that wasn’t necessarily supposed to compete against the superior lineups of the Ocean League like Beverly Hills, Santa Monica and Lawndale. His premier season yielded an overall record of 7-17 with only one win in league play (1-9). Things didn’t get much better for Gray in the 2014-’15 season. The Cougars went from 7-17 to 5-21 and still only mustered one victory in league play. That brings us all the way up to last year. Gray’s team produced seven wins again—but instead of attaining one victory in league play, the team fell to 0-10. Needless to say, Jello is looking to get things shaking in his fourth year with the team.

If there is anything true to say about Gray and his Cougars, it’s that they are consistent. The team is clearly looking to improve on its last place finish from a year ago, but hasn’t gotten started on the right foot so far in the early going this season. Two straight losses to Leuzinger and Westchester Secondary Charter School have gotten Hawthorne out to an early 0-2 start. Anyone looking at the team from a macro point of view must be readying themselves for another disappointing year. Coach Gray is out to prove everyone wrong, though, and has a lot of season left to do it.

Despite his team’s 42-point opening day loss that included only a five-point output in the fourth quarter, the Cougars remain optimistic. Gray will look to two returning seniors to lead his club in forward Justin Moore and guard De’Sean Oliver. Aside from those two players, Gray has an entirely new team. Clearly, all of the blame can’t be placed on Jello’s shoulders with a team that experiences so much turnover on a yearly basis. Even still, you won’t hear Gray making any excuses. He’ll look to get things turned around for his team as soon as possible, beginning with a positive showing in this year’s El Segundo Tournament.

INGLEWOOD HIGH

The Inglewood Sentinels basketball team is coming off of an extremely successful season in which they battled for first place all year long. Redondo High unfortunately came out on top in a Bay League that competes for every single win. Despite the Sentinels’ second place finish, they went 22-9 on the year and enjoyed a successful 8-2 league play showing. Inglewood was able to defeat Redondo in what was one of the team’s most impressive victories of the season. A 59-55 win helped catapult the team into the playoffs where there was no stopping head coach Pat Roy and his talented roster. The Sentinels pulled out a 66-50 victory over Torrey Pines in the first round of the CIF Division I playoffs, but fell in the second round to Crespi in what was a close 69-62 game.

This year, Roy will look for continued success and hopes to take another step forward in the Bay League standings and playoffs. So far, his team is off to a great start. Led by Miles James, Inglewood gathered its most impressive victory of the season last Friday night when it defeated Serra by a final score of 55-47. James notched 23 points on the night to lead all scorers. Christian Bradford added to Inglewood’s effort with an impressive 13 rebounds and four blocks, while the big man also came through with 11 points. James and Bradford will lead a high-powered Sentinels team all season long that will now turn its sights to a home matchup with Taft before a short Christmas break.

LAWNDALE HIGH

The Lawndale Cardinals share the Bay league with the Hawthorne Cougars, but have been experiencing much more success as of late. A 15-14 season a year ago saw the Cardinals go 5-5 in league play. While it seemed like a relatively average showing, Lawndale was able to muster a third place standing in the Ocean League and make it into the playoffs. The Cardinals used the playoffs as a springboard to go on a run. They beat Torrance in the first round and then Temple City in the second round before finally succumbing to Santa Barbara with an 84-69 loss in the quarterfinals of the CIF Division 2A playoffs.

Lawndale is back this year and looking to improve on the success from a season ago. Head coach Dave Miller and his team entered the Providence Tournament where they began the season with a victory over AGBU of Canoga Park. Since then, the Cardinals have lost two in a row—but in a very young year, there’s time to get back on track. Lawndale will look to get things going again in the Paul Sutton Tip-Off Classic before a brief Christmas break kicks in for all schools. •

## For Clippers, It’s Do or Die

By Adam Serrao

The Clippers have been the best team in Los Angeles for the better part of a decade now. It’s certainly no easy task unseating the traditionally mighty and powerful Lakers. Being kings of the Staples Center is something that carries with it a lot of weight. That weight is something that head coach Doc Rivers and stars of the team Chris Paul, Blake Griffin, and DeAndre Jordan have had to carry on their backs. The team has had bragging rights over the Lakers for what seems to be an eternity now. With a slowly emerging Purple and Gold squad and a quickly aging Clippers roster, it has now become do or die for a team that has seemingly always taken a backseat in L.A.

*“When Chris Paul joined the Los Angeles Clippers five years ago, everyone thought that the team was destined for greatness.”*

When Chris Paul joined the Los Angeles Clippers five years ago, everyone thought that the team was destined for greatness. A trade that was denied by the NBA that could have sent Paul to the Lakers wound up with the All-Star point guard setting up home on the other side of the Staples Center. Paul certainly set a tone of winning in the locker room. The Clippers have made the playoffs every year since his arrival. Despite the team’s relative success, they have always fallen a bit short of expectations and have still failed to make it past the second round of the playoffs.

When teams continuously fall short, things never end well. Either a marquee player gets shipped out or the coach has to go because his message simply isn’t being received any longer. Rivers hasn’t exactly lost the locker room yet, but the guys on the team haven’t necessarily gotten along with each other in the recent past either. With free agency coming up this offseason, the Clippers could face the loss of many of their key pieces to the club. “When you have multiple alphas, multiple guys in a lot of TV commercials, there is always going to be some tension and clashing,” Clipper guard J.J. Redick told ESPN.com.

“We won 17 straight in [2012-13],” Chris Paul said, “but the spirit wasn’t right.” Griffin then chimed in saying, “We had rifts.” He later followed that up by explaining, “I never had a problem with Chris,” meaning that he, and probably many more teammates, have obviously had their share of problems with Paul in the past.

All of those problems that are currently trying to be swept under the rug, combined with a team that is continuously falling short

of expectations, can lead an owner to lean towards shaking up the roster in a major way. Paul, Griffin, and Redick all enter the free agent market this summer, assuming that the first two exercise the options built into their respective contracts. Judging the league by how players now have the propensity to team up in order to win a championship the easy way, it’s simple to see how both Paul and Griffin will certainly go their separate ways in the offseason, even if the team should be fortunate enough to win a championship. Winning a championship isn’t an easy thing to do, though, especially against teams like the Golden State Warriors and the Cleveland Cavaliers. That being said, the Clippers best—and perhaps last—shot at winning a title

is here and now in the 2016-17 NBA season.

When the season began, it looked as if the shot the Clippers had to win that championship had a great chance to come to fruition. A team that had its season ended early in the playoffs once again last year came out strong to start the year, going 10-1 through the first 11 games. The Clippers wound up going 14-2 for one of the best records in the league. Then, the downfall came. A three-game losing streak to the Detroit Pistons, Indiana Pacers and Brooklyn Nets put the team back behind the San Antonio Spurs and the Warriors in the standings. L.A. responded with a nice win over the reigning champions, the Cleveland Cavaliers, but now people’s ears have been raised, waiting to see how the rest of the season might possibly play out.

Twenty-five games is obviously too little a time to judge a team, but when taking away the microscope that focuses solely on this season and this season alone, it’s clear to see that the time that this team has left is minimal at best. Not only will the Clippers have to navigate through a Warriors team that has now been bolstered by the acquisition of Kevin Durant, but they’ll also still have to find a way to get past the likes of Greg Popovich and the Spurs. Should they do that, LeBron and the Cavs will be waiting. If Doc Rivers and the Clippers don’t win it all this year, they’ll have to deal with the departure of key players from their roster and a young, up-and-coming Lakers team that has traditionally owned Los Angeles and is only getting better and even more exciting to watch. This is the year that the Clippers must prove themselves. This is the year for Rivers and the rest of his club to realize that it’s do or die. •

## Looking Up

### Hot Spring in Chile May Show

Press release from Arizona State University, Provided by Bob Eklund

Two geo-scientists at Arizona State University have made a discovery among hot springs in Chile that may spur scientists to revisit a location on Mars explored several years ago by NASA’s Spirit rover. The discovery involves fingerlike structures that form in the hot spring deposits by processes that combine biological and non-biological activity. The Chilean hot springs are at a place called El Tatio and lie at the edge of the extremely dry Atacama Desert, one of the best “Mars analog” sites on Earth.

Co-authors Steve Ruff and Jack Farmer, of ASU’s School of Earth and Space Exploration, report that El Tatio produces silica deposits with structures influenced by living organisms that appear nearly identical to those found eight

years ago by Spirit in Gusev Crater on Mars. Their report was recently published by Nature Communications. The question naturally arises whether what Spirit found on Mars might also have been influenced by life. “Mars exploration has reached a stage where we can start looking for biosignatures,” says lead author Ruff. On Earth, fossils are an everyday example of a biosignature of past life. But biosignatures can take more subtle forms such as organic molecules trapped in rocks. Biosignatures can also include physical structures such as compacted mats of microorganisms called stromatolites, found in various environments on Earth.

No lander or rover on Mars has yet detected any fossils. So scientists assume that any Martian biosignature would be small—think

microscopic—and difficult to identify, let alone even find, on a planet with as much surface area as all of Earth’s land areas.

In 2007, NASA’s rover Spirit was exploring next to an eroded deposit of volcanic ash dubbed Home Plate in the Columbia Hills of Gusev Crater on Mars. The rover’s right front wheel motor had failed, and as the rover dragged the stuck wheel like a plow across the ground, it uncovered a rich deposit of pure silica surrounded by outcrops also rich in silica. This is a mineral commonly found in hot springs and geysers like those in Yellowstone National Park.

Several years later, Ruff learned about the El Tatio hot springs from a scientific journal. The hot springs are among the highest known active thermal springs on Earth (over 14,000

feet). At night, even in summer, temperatures at El Tatio often drop below freezing, and by day lots of ultraviolet light from the Sun comes through the thin, dry air.

“We went to El Tatio looking for comparisons with the features found by Spirit at Home Plate,” says Ruff. “Our results show that the conditions at El Tatio produce silica deposits with characteristics that are among the most Mars-like of any silica deposits on Earth.”

These characteristics compare favorably with the Martian Home Plate silica outcrops, Ruff explains. “The fact that microbes play a role in producing the distinctive silica structures at El Tatio raises the possibility that the Martian silica structures formed in a comparable manner—in other words, with the help of organisms that were alive at the time.” •



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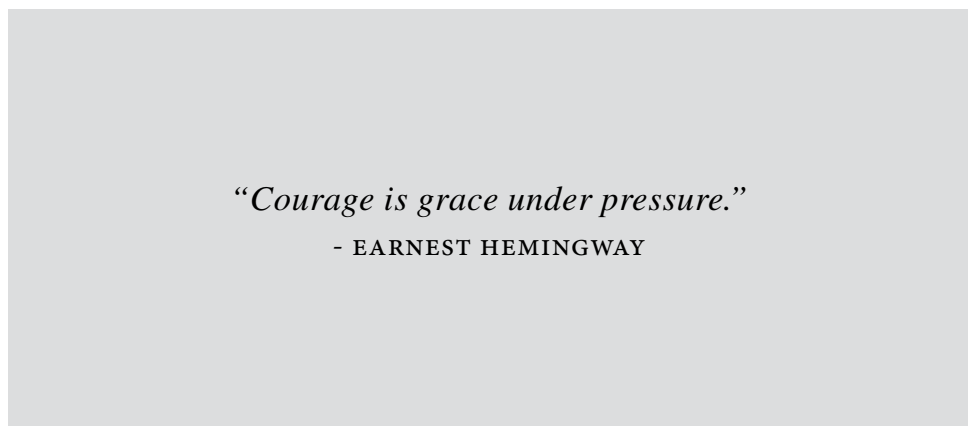
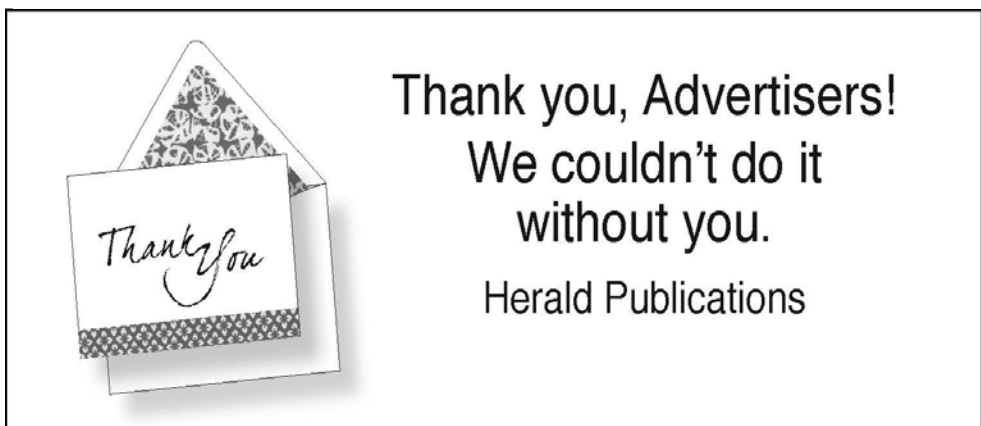
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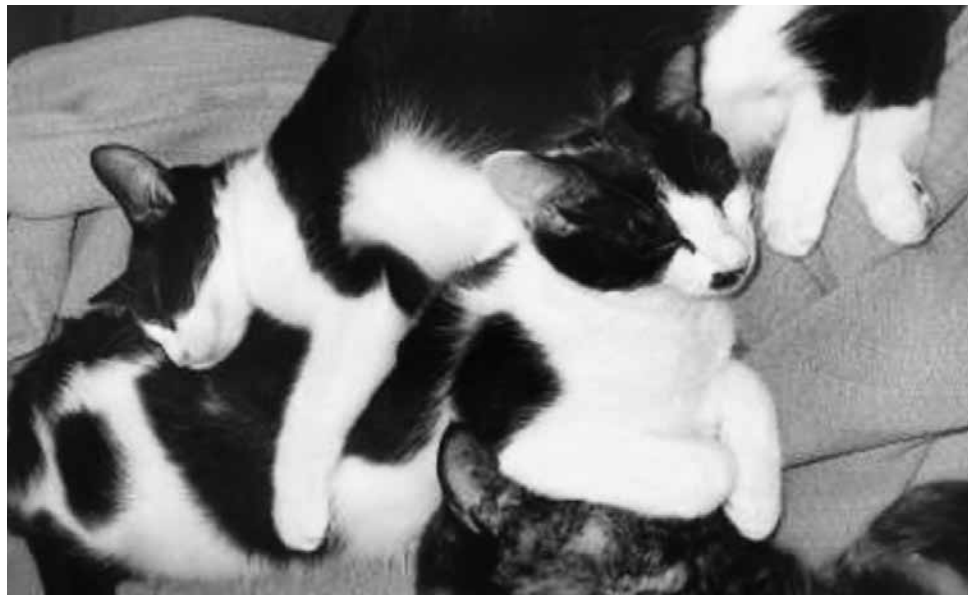


Prince Harry

Have a brighter holiday when you adopt a new feline friend. For the month of December, adoption fees for all kitties six months old and up are half off!

This holiday season, His Royal Highness **Prince Harry** is offering the rare opportunity to cozy up to the crown. Harry was found outside alone and it became clear very quickly, however, that Harry was no ordinary street cat. With his beautiful, fluffy, white and orange markings and upper-class demeanor, it was clear that Harry was the heir to the throne. As such, Harry is always the first cat in the household to dine on his Fancy Feast, and the first to discover and test out new toys. Fitness is important to the handsome Prince, so he likes to run laps around his circular scratching post and climb to the top of the tallest cat tree. At night, the Prince prefers a bed fit for a future king and snuggles up to his foster human, purring loudly to demonstrate how satisfied he is with himself. The Prince requires company and would prefer to go to a home with another kitten or young cat--or better yet, for his foster sibling, the beautiful Lady Anne, to accompany him.

**Lady Anne** of Los Angeles was found alone, huddled under an air conditioning unit outside of a restaurant parking lot. She immediately made her royal presence known and has been purring and playing ever since. The Lady would love to make your holidays cozier and happier by demonstrating her many refined talents, such as climbing cat trees or doing somersaults with her foster sibling, Prince Harry, and then snuggling up on her human's neck for long, satisfying naps. Lady Anne is a Tortoiseshell kitten with fabulous markings that will go well with all your home décor and fashionable attire, as well as with any resident cats.



Miso and Mochi

**Miso and Mochi** are an adorable pair of matching black and white sisters who are waiting to come home with you. Miso is a love. Affectionate and sweet, she loves to be petted and will even let you hold her upside down! With her trademark "moustache and goatee," she makes the most adorable facial expressions. She has a way of tilting her head to the side when she looks at you that will melt your heart. Mochi is a lap cat. She loves to crawl up on your lap for a nap when you're sitting on the couch. She also has a feisty personality and will tell you exactly what she thinks. Miso and Mochi hope to be adopted together. The two love cuddling together and even "nurse" on each other for comfort.

**Vera** is a beautiful calico baby girl who is as loving as she is pretty. Delicate and gentle, she loves to be held and petted and to receive chin scratches and belly rubs. She is outgoing and affectionate with humans and loves other cats and kittens. Vera is also very playful and loves to leap into the air to catch fly toys and to chase her favorite foil ball--growling at any usurpers to demonstrate her clear domination over the shiny toy. Due to her age and energy level, Vera will need a furry friend at her new home, which could be a kitten or cat you already have. Or she has several foster mates with whom she loves to play and cuddle.

**Elsie** is a gorgeous, medium-hair black kitten with just the right amount of cattitude befitting such a beauty. She's an expert at being cute and flirty and will purr if you even look at her! She loves, loves, loves being held and petted. Elsie likes to explore and play too, yet she thinks a snooze on your lap would be amazing. She can be quite amusing, having whole chatty conversations with herself about

how she's using the litterbox, or how she's climbing the cat tree, or how you should be petting her right now! Elsie loves humans, but still needs time to wrestle and play with another kitten, so she would love to be adopted with her sibling Edith. They get along very well and love to play, wrestle, and snuggle.

Perhaps you're a superhero in search of sidekick? **Edith** wants you to know she is very qualified. Smart, funny, fast and nimble and being a super-good cuddler are just a few of her great qualities and she's sure she can see right into people's souls. At least, Edith likes to look deep into people's eyes and really tries to understand who they are. Edith has the personality and look of a Russian Blue, with faint stripes like a tiger. She likes to hide under the blanket and then jump out suddenly! When she sees people, she is so excited that she runs right up to you and instantly starts purring. That is, unless Edith has something very important to do, like play in the tunnel or chase her sister



Edith

around the room. These kitties are available for adoption through Kitten Rescue, one of the largest cat rescue groups in Southern California. All our kitties are spayed/neutered, microchipped, tested for FeLV and FIV, dewormed and current on their vaccinations. For additional information and to see these or our other kittens and cats, please check our website [www.kittenrescue.org](http://www.kittenrescue.org) or email us at [mail@kittenrescue.org](mailto:mail@kittenrescue.org).

Your tax-deductible donations for the rescue and care of our cats and kittens can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to Kitten Rescue, 914 Westwood Boulevard #583, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

On Saturdays, we have adoptions from noon to 3:30 p.m. in Westchester at 8655 Lincoln Boulevard, just south of Manchester Avenue, and also in Mar Vista at 3860 Centinela Avenue, just south of Venice Boulevard. Our website lists additional adoption sites and directions to each location. •



Lady Anne



Vera



Elsie

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