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Scotto Ends Last Term as Mayor



Torrance Mayor Frank Scotto presented his wife Cindy a beautiful bouquet of flowers as appreciation for her support over the past eight years. Mayor Scotto will step down next month after two terms as mayor and delivered his final State of the City address at the Torrance Marriott on May 1. Additional photos on Page 2. Photo by Charlene Nishimura.

‘Students and Government Day’ Give Kids a Chance to Be the Boss

by Dylan Little

The upcoming election will be sure to change the makeup of The Torrance City Council, but during the May 6 meeting every single member of the Council was replaced -- by students from the city’s middle schools. The switch was part of the city’s eighth annual Student and Government Day, which has given 170 students a peek inside city operations.

Students and Government Day allows eighth graders to shadow the mayor, a Council member, or a city department head for a day in order to learn about that person’s role in city government. Students learn what issues different departments respond to and which projects are currently in development. During that night’s Council meeting, these students swapped seats with the city official they shadowed and ran a portion of the meeting in their place.

This year’s students were selected based on essays they wrote on their ideas for projects that would “pay it forward” to their communities. In total about 1,100 essays were received and Mayor Frank Scotto said many had clever ideas. “You can tell some of these students have been very creative,” said Scotto. “Believe it or not, some of the Council people have gotten some great ideas for some of these students by reading them.”

The students involved said they learned a lot about city government. Student Mayor Matt Abracosta said he hopes the program continues to provide this opportunity to students. “This has been a fun and enlightening day for all of us,” said Abracosta. “Today has

shown me the hard work that it takes for a city such as Torrance can keep a community safe and continue to offer vital services and great programs that enrich everyone’s lives. I hope this program continues in the future and I strongly encourage other students and young people to continue learning about our government’s roles and to be involved in its future.”

After leading a packed Council chamber in the Pledge of Allegiance, the student

City Council introduced themselves as well as introduced the department they worked with, mentioning upcoming projects and events, like presenting the results of the city’s Strategic Plan update survey, next week’s budget hearings and the environmental fair being held at the city yard. On top of describing what each department was working on, the student City Council also handled some of the business the elected City

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Weekend Forecast

Friday

Mostly Sunny
69°/57°



Saturday

Sunny
71°/59°



Sunday

Sunny
78°/61°



Parents Attend Common Core Information Night

By Charisse Kubr

It was standing room only at the Common Core Parent Information Night hosted by Seaside Elementary School. Nearly 150 parents came to Seaside’s sun-filled cafe auditorium to learn how to help their children reach the new state standards.

“It is not as scary as it sounds,” said Ben Egan, Director of Special Programs for the Torrance Unified School District. “There are some basic nuances that have changed.” Egan’s warm and informal presentation gave parents a practical guide to what has changed and how to help their children at home. After the discussion, Seaside Principal Michele Bauer-Bean

and staff offered breakout sessions where parents went into classrooms to receive common core instruction in language arts and math at their children’s grade level. A sample exam was also offered in the computer lab for the new state Smarter Balanced Test.

Egan explained the major shifts in the approach to learning and testing. In English and language arts, there are three major shifts. First, students will be reading more non-fiction in the form of biography, magazines and newspapers. Secondly, reading and writing and speaking will be more evidence based: speaking and story telling might come into play, instead of

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Calendar

THURSDAY, MAY 8

• South Bay Republican Women Monthly Luncheon, 11:00 a.m., Double Tree Hotel, 21333 Hawthorne Blvd. For more information call (310) 326-9349 or (310) 320-1431.

• Bubblegum Bonanza, 4 p.m., Henderson Library, 4805 Emerald St. For more information please call the Henderson Library (310) 371-2075.

SATURDAY, MAY 10

• 15th Annual Senior Faire, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Ken Miller Recreation Auditorium, 3341 Torrance Blvd.

• Mother's Day story and craft program, 2 p.m., Southeast Library, 23115 S. Arlington Ave. For more information call (310) 530-5044.

SUNDAY, MAY 11

• Mother's Day Concert (Palos Verdes Symphonic Band), 5 p.m., South Coast Botanic Garden, 26300 Crenshaw Boulevard. For more information call (310) 792-8286.

TUESDAY, MAY 13

• City Council Meeting, 7-10 p.m., City Hall, Council Chamber, 3031 Torrance Bl. For more information call (310) 618-2870.

• Torrance Artists Guild Meeting, 7 p.m., Ken Miller Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd. The meeting is open to the public.

THURSDAY, MAY 15

• Beach Cities Republicans monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Sizzler Restaurant, 2880 Sepulveda Blvd. For more information email plagrelius@aol.com.

• South Bay Amateur Radio Club Monthly Meeting, 7:30-9 p.m., Torrance Memorial Hospital, West Tower, Room B.

SATURDAY, MAY 17

• 27th annual Walk For Life, "Every Step Matters" (The Pregnancy Help Center), 8:30 a.m., south side of Veterans Park in Redondo Beach. For more information call (310) 320-8976 or email info@phtorrance.org.

• Classical Crossroads presents Korean Pianist Somang Jeagal, 3:30 p.m., First Lutheran Church of Torrance, 2900 W. Carson Street.

• Landscaping With Native Friendly and Drought Tolerant Plants, 10-11:30 a.m., Henderson Library, 4805 Emerald St. For more information call (310) 371-2075.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21

• Miracle of Living Health Educational Lecture Series: Act FAST: the Key to Stroke Survival, 7 p.m., Torrance Memorial, Hoffman Health Conference Center, 3330 Lomita Blvd. For more information call (310) 517-4711.

FRIDAY, MAY 23

• The Beach Cities Symphony's last free concert of its 64th season, 8:15 p.m., Marsee Auditorium at El Camino College in Torrance. For more information call (310) 379-9725 or (310) 539-4649.

ONGOING

• Downtown Torrance Marketplace. Every Thursday, 3-8 p.m., on El Prado Street, from Sartori to the Buffalo Fire Department. •

Letters

No On Prop 218

Regarding "Notice of Public Hearing" for proposed rate increases for sewage treatment called Proposition 218, I strongly vote "NO" under any uncertain terms.

At least for the last 12 years and possibly longer, the Mayors of the City of Torrance and their City Council Members have all levied fees and taxes upon its residents every single year that they have been in office.

These are some of the individuals that have been responsible for these fees and taxes: Ashcraft, Barnett, Brewer, Furey, Numark, Rhilinger, Weideman, Sutherland and Scott.

As a side note, with the upcoming election, I would not vote for any of these individuals that are currently running for office, because they have all been a part of taking money out of the pockets of City of Torrance residents.

These increases have included or have been partly included on a yearly basis: Refuse, Water, Sanitation and Sewer.

We residents pay enough taxes to the city, the county and the state and still are asked for more. Property taxes, Utility taxes, Gasoline taxes and Sales taxes and that is just for residents and does not even include what businesses pay in taxes.

Every time I open up a utility bill, there is a "Notice" of some sort for yet another rate increase and the CPU always grants the increase I would say enough is enough!

One of these days the cities, the counties and the State of California are going to wake up before it is too late and quit taxing and spending our money. They all think they have a right to what a person earns. They do not!

— James C. Cox Jr.

Remembering Aurelio Mattucci from Years Ago

My husband Chuck and I have agreed our selection for Torrance City Councilman is Aurelio Mattucci. As senior citizens, we first met Aurelio many years before he thought of politics. When we met Aurelio he had recently purchased a building of apartments, while he was refurbishing them, each evening Aurelio would stroll throughout our neighborhood, eventually meeting all of his neighbors. Chuck and I were removing a dying peppertree, we had planned to rent a large dumpster; Aurelio

offered the use of his dumpster, and with his large flatbed trailer he hauled off the tree trunk, he was just that kind of a kind man.

We learned later that we were among other residences; Aurelio did small, yet, very thoughtful favors. There are those types of people who have that rare quality of being able to add a polished touch onto an already shiny day.

My husband and I, though seniors, we are accomplished artist who donate our art to fundraisers; therefore, we were all the more impressed by a young man like Aurelio Mattucci donating his valuable time doing many helpful errands such as taking his truck to pick-up a water-heater for a neighbor. After Aurelio sold his apartments, being an astute real estate broker, well studied in Torrance's most recent codes permits, zoning purposed for various businesses Aurelio worked extensively bringing lucrative businesses into Torrance's magnificent area of real estate.

One Saturday morning while riding our bicycles, we re-discovered Aurelio he was as helpful as ever to Torrance, he had started his community improvement service called the Mattucci Project which helps folks volunteer to have their property cleaned up. Aurelio considered his volunteer efforts as a wise investment to build relationships between residents and business owners. He and his fellow-volunteers have bagged over 10 tons of trash. Chuck and I had problems finding out who's in charge to fix our street light, Aurelio had the information from a prior street light problem, without hesitation he called the number, after a quick conversation our 8 month blackout, the light is now lit. Through wisdom Aurelio has evolved his comprehensive education completely in the field of public relations, and Torrance real estate. The essence of his enthusiasm is perpetually adding the most recent information for solutions to Torrance's on-going complexities, immensely increasing his abilities as a prominent real estate broker. Such a man would be a valuable asset to Torrance's future City Council; therefore, that is why Chuck and myself two active seniors citizens are peddling our bicycles throughout Torrance campaigning for our longtime friend, Aurelio Mattucci for "City Councilman".

— Chuck and Dora Meyer

City Council

from front page

Council would have dealt with. The students presented two proclamations: first, to Fire Chief William Racowschi for Fire Service Day. Racowschi took the opportunity to remind people to check their smoke alarms twice a year before taking a photo with Abracosta.

The second proclamation declared the week of May 12 as Bike Commute Week. Community Development representative Jill Crump and Torrance Transit representative Ashley Koger were questioned by the student Council about what the city is doing encourage

workers to ditch their cars for pedal power. The pair responded by informing the public that next Thursday the city will be hosting a "pit stop" in front of City Hall from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. with snacks and shirts for bikers and directed the public to metro.net to find out other incentives for bikers.

Before handing back their positions to the city's executive staff, the students presented one more proclamation, this one honor to Mayor Scott for his role in creating Students and Government Day. Frank Scott remarked

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Scott Gives Final State of the City Address

By Charlene Nishimura

Torrance Mayor Frank Scott gave his final "State of the City" address on May 1 to a crowd of well-wishers which included family, city colleagues and many business leaders and professionals from the South Bay. The Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce organized the farewell dinner event, where Mayor Scott received several commendations and was able to reflect on accomplishments made during his eight-year tenure as mayor. Even in a challenging economic downturn period, Mayor Scott noted many areas of improvement including increased city government transparency, adoption of a strategic and general plan, establishment of a "blue ribbon" committee to promote ethics and integrity as well as an unemployment rate which has dropped significantly.

Mayor Scott also pointed out that Torrance continues to be one of the safest cities in America

and credited the outstanding police and fire personnel, many of who were present. He touted the Torrance Unified School District which continues to excel and congratulated the community and business volunteers who enabled the city's 100th Anniversary celebration and Torrance Armed Forces annual event to be so successful. The city's green waste recycling, funding for a new Transit Center, Downtown Torrance revitalization, Del Amo mall expansion and the new Toyota Sports Complex were also notable accomplishments mentioned. He also addressed the recent announcement of Toyota Motor Sales' move to Texas by the end of 2017 and said that the Toyota has pledged to continue their involvement with local charities and that the city is already talking to companies who have expressed interest in filling the void. Mayor Scott expressed his thanks to his colleagues and all who have made this "an incredible journey which he will cherish for a lifetime." •



Mary Hoffman, Shirley Pe and Torrance Councilman Pat Furey.



Mike Griffiths and Debi Price. Photos by Charlene Nishimura.



(L to R) Mike Goguen, Aaron Alcides, Torrance Councilman Bill Sutherland and Geoffrey Rizzo.



(L to R) Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce Chairwoman Sherry Kramer, Senior Deputy Steven A. Napolitano representing LA County Supervisor Don Knabe's office and TACC President and CEO Donna Duperron.



(L to R) Craig Shiosaki from the Torrance Police Officers Association, Torrance PD Detective Lucas Ryono, Leilani Kimmel-Dagostino and Eric Dowell from TPOA.

Sports

Up and Adam

Warriors In the Hunt

By Adam Serrao

North vs. South

The West High Warriors have the task of competing in what is perennially an extremely tough and competitive division, and it is no different this year in the baseball season. This year, the Warriors' toughest competition is against Palos Verdes, Peninsula and Redondo Union. Having already split a series against Peninsula, Redondo was up next on the slate for West. Things didn't start off so well for head coach Juan Cueva and his Warriors when the team took a 9-5 loss in the opening game of the two-game series, but last Friday night in Redondo, West was able to rebound nicely behind Taylor Myers with a 4-3 victory, enabling them to stay in the hunt for this year's Bay League crown.

Myers took the mound for the Warriors, going up against Redondo's Danny Zimmerman in what began as a perfect pitchers' duel. Each team remained scoreless until the bottom of the fourth when Redondo struck first. A pair of doubles brought home a pair of runs for Redondo to make the score 2-0 going in to the top of the fifth. "We caught a couple breaks when we were down and stayed focused," Cueva explained. "We've done a good job of rebounding and coming back when we're down, we just haven't done as well holding on to leads." The Warriors did both of those things in this one as they came out aggressively in the fifth, leading off the inning with two singles by Josh Williams and Cody Wissler. Masata Okawa later walked to score a run and cut Redondo's lead to 2-1. Santiago later came in to score the tying run and another walk and a grounder to third base scored two more runs to complete a four-run inning for West to give them the lead.

Redondo was able to get on the board again in the bottom of the seventh behind Duncan McKinnon, but could only muster one run and fell short in the 4-3 loss. "Our backs were against the wall," Myers said. "We had to win this game. We couldn't get swept." The victory keeps the Warriors in the race for the top spot in the Bay League standings as they maneuvered themselves into a tie for second place with the win, now a game ahead of Redondo. "Coming into this game I felt a lot of pressure," Myers continued. "They're a good team with some good hitters so I knew I'd probably need to throw a gem to keep us in it." Myers did precisely that, giving up just four hits and two runs in five innings. The Warriors (12-13, 4-2) now have yet another tough challenge ahead of them as they take on the Palos Verdes Sea Kings in a two-game set this week. West is currently tied with Palos Verdes for second place.

The North High Saxons have been having a rough go of things in this year's baseball season, and the South High Spartans didn't intend to make things any easier for their two-game matchup nearly a week ago. The Spartans, who are in first place barely ahead of the Torrance Tartars, took to the field at North High last Wednesday and got their bats going early. With five runs in the second inning and another four in the fourth, South's nine runs and 11 hits were enough to dismantle the lowly Saxons in game one of two. "We've worked hard on our hitting, you can see our progress in practice, and today we came out and executed really well," South head coach Grady Sain said. Spartans ace Matt Mogollon had another impressive game, throwing a full seven innings of three hit ball with one walk and seven strikeouts.

Things were much closer in game two at South High last Friday afternoon, but the Spartans were again able to pull things out in order to take the sweep. With another impressive pitching performance, this time from Nick Beardsley, South (17-7, 5-1) was able to score two runs in the first inning of play and cruise behind their pitcher for the remainder of the game to get the win. Beardsley threw a two-hitter, striking out 12 batters with only one walk for the Spartans. North's Daniel Cobos got the teams first hit of the game in the sixth inning to break up the no-hit bid. "We have to have more fight, and don't get down on ourselves," North head coach Mike Demaria explained of his team and the way their year has gone thus far. "We split with Lawndale and Centennial to put ourselves in a hole. But we still have five league games left. If we go down, we'll go down fighting." That never-surrender attitude will have to come into play for North in the last two weeks of the season as the Saxons (10-14, 2-4) take on Torrance and El Segundo, the league's second and third place teams, respectively, in their final games of the season.

Torrance High

The Torrance Tartars (17-8, 5-1) are doing their best to be the Pioneer League's top team, but they just can't seem to get themselves past the South High Spartans in the standings. With six straight wins and a recent sweep over Centennial in which they outscored their opponent 23-7 in the two-game set, Torrance sits in a virtual tie for first place with the Spartans, who have won five of their last six outings. The Tartars will get Lawndale (fifth place) and North High (fourth place) in their final matchups of the season while the Spartans get Centennial (last place) and El Segundo (third place) as the race for the Pioneer League title comes to a close. •

Wild Week In Los Angeles Sports

By Adam Serrao

There are some weeks in the world of sports where absolutely nothing happens. You sit around on your hands, flipping through the channels, numbly searching for something to watch that, as a sports fan, will give you some minute form of entertainment. On weeks like these, you may find yourself watching a bowling match or a pool tournament, forcing yourself to root for a player to get a strike or clear off the pool table as a form of what will have to pass as excitement. And there are other weeks like the one that we just experienced: from baseball to basketball to hockey and back, sporting news was being made across the board, and since the majority of it took place right here in Los Angeles, it is easy to see why we are in one of the best cities in the world to experience true sports excitement.

The biggest news this week wasn't exciting at all: it was actually a sad reminder that there are people in this world who still adhere to racist ways of living and thinking. In an audio recording, Clippers owner Donald Sterling was heard making a series of racist remarks to his girlfriend, V. Stiviano. NBA commissioner Adam Silver conducted a full investigation in to the matter and issued Sterling a lifetime ban from his team and the NBA and fined him \$2.5 million. Acknowledging the backlash that arose from players and coaches around the league started Silver's new tenure as NBA commissioner off on the right foot. For an owner in such a diverse sport to have racist views about those who play for his team and attend his games is unacceptable. Sterling knows that now and will have to deal with the repercussions for the rest of his life. There is no place for racism in sports, or in the world anymore and the ex-Clippers owner will be reminded of that every time he sets foot out of his house.

On a lighter note, those same Los Angeles Clippers put the news behind them to beat the Golden State Warriors in game seven of a best-of-seven series. After what was perhaps the longest week of their lives, the Clippers advanced to the Western Conference semifinals for the second time in three years and earned themselves a second-round matchup against the Oklahoma City Thunder, after an extremely exciting series against the Warriors. "I just thought with all this stuff, this team just needed this win," Clippers head coach Doc Rivers said. "This was a hard week. It feels like two months. I just needed to be able to smile and laugh and cheer and be proud of something. And I was very proud of my players." These Clippers feel that they have a better chance at

finally arriving in the Conference Finals for the first time ever because of their exuberant head coach. The Thunder will be a hard team to tackle, but something about this year's Los Angeles Clippers feels like they are on the verge of making history.

The Los Angeles Kings just got done doing the impossible. The team that is built for the playoffs came back from a 3-0 series deficit against the San Jose Sharks to complete the reverse sweep and win the series 4-3. The Kings became only the fourth team in NHL history to win a series after trailing 0-3 and now advance to take on their rivals from down the highway in Anaheim. The Kings and Ducks have never met in a playoff series before but the Ducks won the regular season series handily. That didn't stop Jonathan Quick and Marion Gaborik, who scored with just seven seconds left in regulation to send the game to overtime and then scored again in overtime, from getting the win in game one of the best of seven series. That was only game one, however, and there is no questioning that this series will be yet another long, hard-fought series between two teams that call the Los Angeles area home.

Lastly, what every Los Angeles Lakers basketball fan wanted to happen finally did: Mike D'Antoni finally got fired, or "stepped down," as the organization called it. Whichever way they want to put it, D'Antoni is out and the Lakers can finally get back to playing some defense again. Don't expect the Lakers to name a new head coach soon; it figures to be a long and drawn out process. First, the Lakers will focus on the NBA draft, getting a decent pick and trying to attract big-time free agents to play for the team who might even give their input as to who they would want as coach. Thus far, Kevin Ollie of the NCAA champion UConn Huskies, John Calipari of the Kentucky Wildcats and Tom Thibodeau of the Chicago Bulls have all been linked to the job. All are currently under contract with their respective teams, so it may take a lot of convincing and a long time to finish the process. But who wouldn't want to coach the Lakers?

It has been an amazing week for Los Angeles sports history and it only figured to get better as time goes on. Whether it's baseball, basketball, hockey or even bowling or pool, sports has never been better here in L.A. If you haven't been paying attention recently, I feel bad for you: but it's not too late. Follow your hometown teams throughout the playoffs, regular season and even offseason right here with the Torrance Tribune all year long. •

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2014 AYSO Region 15 Player and Volunteer Walk-In Registrations



Opening Day is September 6 and runs for 12 weeks, until November 22.

Any player between the ages of 4 and 18, as of July 31, 2014, can play AYSO.

All new players, ages 7 to 13, are required to have their skills evaluated. **Evaluations** will take place at each registration day. Shin guards and saucer cleats are required for participating in the evaluation process.

Questions? Please email us at registrar@ayso15.or call 310-817-4700 and someone will get back to you asap.

2014 Registration Dates and Locations

Saturday, May 10	Torrance Farmers Market, 2200 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance	8:30am-1pm
Saturday, May 31	J.H. Hull Middle School, 2080 W. 231st St., Torrance	9am-3pm
Saturday, June 21	J.H. Hull Middle School, 2080 W. 231st St., Torrance	9am-3pm
Saturday, July 19	J.H. Hull Middle School, 2080 W. 231st St., Torrance	9am-3pm

2014 Fall Season Registration Fees

	Early Bird Free (thru May 31)	Regular Fee (from June 1)
First Child	\$105	\$150
Second Child	\$90	\$125
Additional Children	\$75 each	\$100 each

Bring in a new player to Region 15 and both of you get a 20% Discount when you both register at the same time!

Registration Instructions

1. Pre-Registration is done on-line only. If you are unable to complete the pre-registration prior to registration day, laptops will be available when you arrive.
2. Go to www.easyo.org to register your player(s).
3. Go to the Region 15 website at www.ayso15.org and click on "Registration" for instructions on how to use **easyo**.
4. Make sure all your information is current and correct.
5. Provide an email address that is checked frequently.
6. Bring three (3) copies of the registration form and payment with you to registration. *Your player is not registered until the pre-registration form is turned in with your payment at one of the walk-in registration days.*
7. If you are new to Region 15, you are required to bring a copy of your player(s) birth certificate or passport for age verification.

Payment

- Registration fees can be paid by cash, check, credit or debit cards.
- **Checks** - make payable to AYSO Region 15.
- **Credit or Debit Cards** - for use only at walk-in registration. There will be a \$5 transaction fee added to the registration fee.

We Need Volunteers!

- All volunteers must submit a 2014 Volunteer Form. Go to www.eayso.org and use the same login you used to register your player
- **Returning Volunteers** - click on "Apply as a Returning Adult Volunteer" and update your information. *Be sure to verify your drivers license matches the information on your volunteer form.*
- **New Volunteers** - click on "Apply as a New Adult Volunteer" and fill out the form. Bring two (2) copies of the 2014 Volunteer Form, and your drivers license to any walk-in registration day. *Your drivers license must be verified before we can accept your volunteer form.*



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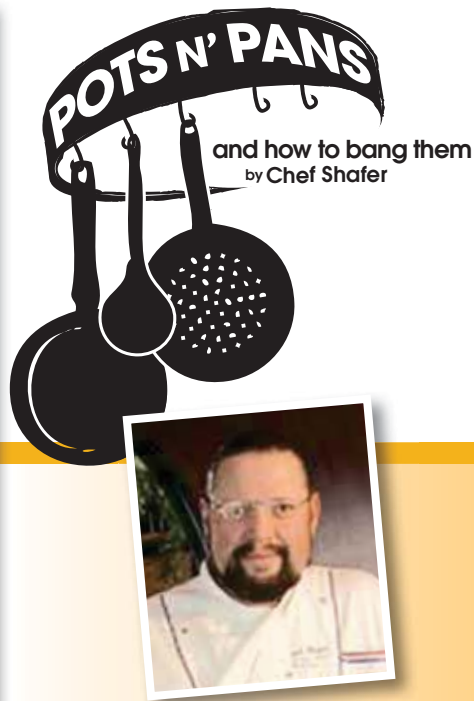


When I was working in Austria in the early 1980s we had a house version of Chicken Cordon Blue.

This classic dish has nothing to do with the famous cooking school in Paris that Julia child studied at in the 50s.

It is attributed to the Austrian or German culinary legend. At the Bristol hotel we had our own version of the dish "Gefullte Huhner Schnitzel Bristol"

The Chef



Stuffed Chicken Breast Bristol

Stuffing:
 6 chicken breasts 6-ounce each, skinless and boneless
 6 slices mozzarella cheese about 1.5 oz each
 12 fresh basil leaves
 2 large tomatoes, diced into 1/4 inch size
 1/2 a large red onion, diced fine
 3 cloves of garlic, chopped
 3 tablespoons olive oil
 1/2 cup white wine
 Salt and pepper
 2 cups vegetable oil for frying

- Take each breast of chicken and place it on a clean surface then using a meat mallet flatten the chicken breast out till it is thinner by 1/2 the original size. Do not over beat it or it will tear.
- Repeat for each breast.
- Season the breast with salt and pepper.
- In a hot sauté pan add the olive oil, onions and garlic. Brown off slightly 1 minute.
- Add the tomatoes and wine. Let it reduce till almost dry.
- Cool.
- Layer each breast with a slice of cheese, 2 basil leaves a tablespoon of the tomato mixture. Fold in half. Make sure the chicken is touching chicken and the stuffing is all in the center



Coating:
 1/2 cup flour
 2 eggs
 1.5 cups breadcrumbs

- Take the eggs and beat the slight in a bowl.
- Start by dredging the stuffed breasts in the flour then dipping in the eggs then coating thoroughly with the breadcrumbs to make sure the chicken breast is sealed at the folded edge. Set aside on a sheet pan with wax paper on it. Repeat.

Sauce:
 1 pound mushrooms, sliced
 1/2 red onion chopped fine
 3 tablespoons of olive oil
 1/4 cup white wine
 1 15 oz. canned dice tomatoes
 3 tablespoons unsalted butter
 6 to 8 basil leaves, chopped coarsely
 Salt and pepper to taste

- In a 2-quart sauce pan sauté the onions and mushrooms in the olive oil about 2 minutes.
- Add the wine and tomatoes and simmer for 10 minutes stir in the butter salt pepper to taste and basil leaves. Serve with your crispy chicken.

How to Cook the Chicken:

- Heat the 2 cups of vegetable oil in a high-sided fry pan or Dutch oven. The oil should be a medium heat. If too hot it will burn the chicken; if too cold it won't cook quickly. Check the oil by dropping a drop of sliced bread in the oil if it toasts slowly its ok. Place the chicken breasts in the oil and brown carefully. Repeat till the all the breasts are browned off on all sides. Be gentle as to not open the side of the fold. Place on the sheet pan again and finish cooking in a 350 oven for 15 to 20 min. or till the breast is firm and bubbly.
- Set cooked chicken on a platter and serve with the sauce. •

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TerriAnn of Torrance

Mother's Day 2014



Yvette Ferguson is a mother of four and looks forward to celebrating Mother's Day with her family.

By TerriAnn Ferren

We all have a mom and whether we call her 'Mother,' 'Mom,' or 'Mommie,' that person influences us for the rest of our lives. Every year on the second Sunday of May, we set aside time to publicly honor our moms. Mother's Day became a national holiday in 1914 under President Woodrow Wilson. This year I decided to get on top of things, so I headed to the card shop to peruse the stacks of cards to find the perfect one for my mom. Surely all of us at times have found ourselves panicked at the last moment, looking through the leftover cards at a shop the Saturday before Mother's Day. That wasn't going to happen to me, I hoped.

My mom and I have always been close. I can remember when I was with my mom at an event when I was about fifteen years old and someone asked me to introduce myself and I remember saying, "I am my mother's daughter." We all laughed but I have come to discover that that introduction is very true. We are all 'our mother's daughter/son'. And whether that mother is our natural one or one we 'adopt' or claim, we become a lot like our mothers. There are things about me that remind me of my mom. The expressions that come out of my mouth are directly influenced by my mom, even the ones I wish weren't. As I thought about the upcoming Mother's Day celebration, I began noticing the mothers all around me all over town. From children content to be pushed in a stroller, to the teenager lagging behind walking into a department store with his/her mom, to the middle aged mom helping her aged mom into a restaurant, the moms that take care of us, nurture us, and love us certainly deserve a day of recognition. And that includes the moms that are no longer with us. Especially on Mother's Day, those who miss their moms because they are deceased remember the special celebrations on that day especially. My friend lost her mom several years ago and she told me it

left a hole in her heart. Every Mother's Day she remembers, as she does all through the year, how special her mom was.

While at dinner at a nearby restaurant, I asked my happy, ebullient server, Yvette Ferguson, how she spends Mother's Day and she was so happy to share. "I am a mother of four and they do something special for me and it varies from year to year. I have an eighteen year old, a fifteen year old, thirteen year old, and a five year old. I work full time so sometimes they will make me breakfast in bed, they will clean the whole house for me, and last year they got me this little vase with a flower that blooms and it says, 'I love you' in the middle and

a card. They always try and do something nice for me. One year when they were younger, they made me little coupon books for like - to do the laundry - really cute stuff." I remember when I was a teenager, one night while I was babysitting the Smiths next door, I wrote a corny poem about my mom. Really corny. But she loved it. Go figure, that's a mom for 'ya.

During high school, I knew my mom was a sort of 'fill-in' mom to many. You see, she is a nurse and with her nurturing, loving, tender spirit she connected with many. Often she would have stories of those who thought of her as their mom. It never bothered me a bit. Maybe because the

love she gave to the three of us kids never faltered or was lacking. There was always enough to go around. There must be many 'fill-in' moms today as well, and to them, I give a special bow. And even the mothers who had 'challenges' served as an example of how not to be a mother. Well, I suppose that is a blessing too.

Some people say Mother's Day is a 'Hallmark Holiday' but my reply is, "What if it is?" It seems to me, mothers do much more for their children than they could possibly know. My girlfriends talk about their mothers and tell me how very special each one of them is. Dennis McGoldrick always goes to Easter services with his mom, Mary. I see them. Dennis dressed up in his sport coat and his beautiful mom, standing straight as a board - and so proud of her son. The bond they share is evident.

When I was growing up, I remember Mother's Day was the day my mom and daddy would put the three of us in the car and we would visit our grandparents after church. We would drive to Burbank and then drive to Orange County, eating at all the stops. My mom seemed to acquiesce and was content to share her day with her mom, daddy's mom and all the family. I never really thought about it until much later, when I married and became a mother myself. Quite unselfish for my mom to spend her day with my dad's mom and her mom (my grandmothers) instead of focusing on herself, but that is the way she is.

I thought again of the poem I wrote for my mom years ago and decided to search for it in my garage. It was written in a blank book that I haven't looked through in years. Along the north wall in the garage, I have two tall bookcases and spotted the book near the top. Reaching over all the clutter below, I grabbed the blue book, dusted it off and looked through it for the poem written long ago. I found it, and even though time has passed, the words still ring true. •

My Mother

The most wonderful person in all the world,
Is a mother who is loving and kind,
A person who cares - and takes care of you,
And always has you in mind.

Her eyes are always open, her ears always ready to hear
and listen to your enchantment with her understanding eyes,
knowing that she hears.

No one could replace her, no one even try,
Because she's sweet and loving,
Yes, loving, tender and kind!

Her eyes are like stars, her beauty is of a goddess,
oh, what made me worthy enough to have her for my own?

Things like this to wonder, things like this to ponder,
things like this you always say,
because she is my own. No one any greater, no one quite so wise -
No one could mistake her, because of her big brown eyes!

And to every mother who gives love so unselfishly every day - a very
Happy Mother's Day!

TerriAnn Ferren

Politically Speaking

One Man's Opinion

By Gerry Chong

An honorable man, the Prime Minister of South Korea resigned because the ferry disaster occurred on his watch and his government reacted too slowly. If that were the basis for national leadership's resignation, think of how many times he would have resigned if he had headed a government in which:

Government Benefits: The Census Bureau reported there are 167 million non-veteran Americans receiving some form of government benefits, but only 103 million full time workers. Therefore there are 64 million more people taking out than putting into the system.

Welfare: The government has spent \$3.7 trillion on welfare over the last 5 years, yet 46 million live below the poverty level.

Food Stamps: When Obama took office, there were 32 million on food stamps. Today, there are 49 million who cannot feed themselves.

Jobs: The Bureau of Labor Statistics disclosed that in 20% of the families in the country, no one . . . not one person . . . works . . . either full time or part time.

Income Taxes: The top 40% of income earners pay 106% of all income taxes. The other 60% are along for the ride. Who is paying their fair share?

Economic Growth: During the first quarter of this year, the economy stagnated, growing at 0.1% . . . that's right, not one percent, but one tenth of one percent.

Medicaid: There are 70 million on government-paid Medicaid, but as the country sinks into poverty, it is anticipated that Obamacare will add 16 million more to the

rolls, a 22% expansion.

Defense: The Federal and State governments spend over \$1 trillion per year on entitlements, excluding Social Security and Medicare: a sum nearly twice that of national defense. This spending equals \$50,000 per year for a low income family of three.

Bureaucracy: There are over 200 Federal and State welfare programs, including 27 low-income housing programs, 30 employment training programs, 34 social service programs, 13 food programs, and 24 child care programs . . . all run by bureaucrats.

Obamacare Update: As of April 28, the Obamacare back-end programs required to run the system are not functional. As a result, the Administration has no knowledge of the number of enrollees who have paid their premiums, the percentage of young people who have enrolled, and the financial subsidies to which enrollees are entitled. Some have blamed the administration for stonewalling information from the public, but the fact is that it doesn't know. Moreover, Accenture, which is charged with completing the back end programs, has no projection as to when its work will be done.

National Debt: Before Obama, the cumulative national debt stood at \$10.6 trillion, and he pledged to cut it in half before the end of his first term. Today, it stands at \$17.5 trillion, and the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office projects it will rise another \$7.6 trillion over the next decade.

If our government were headed by a man as honorable as Korea's Prime Minister, we would be headed in a different direction, but wishes and dreams don't constitute a plan for the future. •

Another Man's Opinion

Automobile Manufacturer Leaving State Showcases Economic Crisis

By Cristian Vasquez

On April 28, Toyota dropped some pretty bad news for California, and in particular for the City of Torrance. The popular car company will be moving its North American headquarters from Torrance to Plano, Texas. Toyota opened its doors in Torrance back in 1982 and employs an estimated 5,200 workers. While the relocation will leave approximately 2,300 employees in California in locations such as Newport Beach and Long Beach, losing a business like Toyota is a big setback for a still struggling California economy.

While Toyota representatives stated that the move will consolidate its operations in Michigan,

enormous black eye. Statements made by Toyota representatives indicated that the move was to better serve their customers and to position the company to enjoy sustainable and long-term growth.

If Toyota had to leave California in search of "sustainable and long-term growth," how dire is the business climate in our state? Are we really in a situation where a business that had called California home for more than 30 years can no longer envision a sustainable future if it stays? That is horrible. If a veteran business in our state is leaving to accomplish better growth, how can we expect to attract new corporate businesses?

"However, <http://www.tax-rates.org/> indicates that Texas does not have a corporate tax rate while California has an 8.8 percent corporate tax rate."

Kentucky and California into a single facility in Plano, I can't help but wonder how much money Toyota will save due to the lower tax rates in Texas. It makes absolute sense for a company to have all of its operations in the same state or city if possible. However, <http://www.tax-rates.org/> indicates that Texas does not have a corporate tax rate while California has an 8.8 percent corporate tax rate. With a gap in the tax rate that big between both states, it is not difficult to believe that Toyota found some inspiration in these numbers to move.

Whatever the reason for Toyota's decisions to pick up and leave, the fact is that California's business climate is in crisis mode and seems to be getting worse. Granted, businesses come and go; it's the nature of the game. Yet, to lose a corporation as large, popular and profitable as Toyota is an

How can we convince current corporations to stay? I wish I was an economist or business guru to provide the answer. Unfortunately, I am not and so I am left with these questions and the frustration that 4,000 Torrance-based Toyota employees will be impacted by the move: that includes 2,000 motor sales employees and an estimated 1,000 in the company's financial and manufacturing sectors, respectively.

I hope that the displaced workers can find something fast that will allow them to continue providing for their families. Also, it would be great if another corporate giant would find the soon-to-be empty building in Torrance an ideal location for its operations. It's discouraging that Toyota is leaving and it is scary that more people will be soon find themselves unemployed. •

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City Council

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that the proclamation was “a first” before coming to the podium and taking a photo with Abracosta. The middle schoolers also recognized the Mayor’s wife Cindy Scotto and former Mayor Dee Hardison for their contributions to Students and Government Day. Cindy Scotto mentioned that this is the last year Hardison will be closely involved with the program. “We will miss her. We appreciate her support and expertise, we couldn’t have done it without her,” said Cindy Scotto. “She’s that teacher that refines everything and makes everything just more fine-tuned.”

Hardison made sure to add, “I’m not leaving town,” before sharing how impressed she has been with not only this year’s students but all the students in the eight years the event has been held. “It’s been wonderful, it’s been a great eight years,” said Hardison. “Our country is in good shape if we have young

people like this leading us in the future.”

The mayor expressed that these students were a positive indicator for the city’s future. “I’m very impressed. We’ve done this for eight years and this group has been outstanding for us,” said Frank Scotto. “It says a lot about of school districts and the other schools in our city. With students like this we know the future of the city of Torrance is in great hands. It truly brings us hope.”

Torrance Unified School District Superintendent George Mannon was among the packed audience. He said it was Frank Scotto’s personal vision that brought this one-of-a-kind program to life. “It gets better every year,” said Mannon. “This is a unique program, I know of no other community that has a program like this. The reason there is a program like this is because of the vision of Mayor Scotto. I don’t know of anyone else who could pull this off.” •

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1. COOKIE ZOMBIE. 2. THE SWEET BAR. 725 SIERRA STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. Registered Owner(s): Natasha Nguyen, 725 Sierra Street, El Segundo, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: February 01, 2013. Signed: Natasha Nguyen, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 09, 2014.
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El Segundo Herald: April 17, 24, 2014 and May 01, 08, 2014. **H-1080.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014098078

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as FUNKY PRETTY DESIGNS. 317 W. MAPLE AVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. Registered Owner(s): Geraldine Anne Dahl, 317 W Maple Ave, El Segundo, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Geraldine Anne Dahl, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 11, 2014.
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El Segundo Herald: April 24, 2014 and May 01, 08, 15, 2014. **H-1081.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014091240

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as FIJI DESTINATION. 1. 3859 W. 116TH ST, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. 2. P.O. BOX 1159, HAWTHORNE, CA 90251. Registered Owner(s): Roslyn Rima Maharaj, 3859 W 116th St, Hawthorne, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: . Signed: Roslyn R Maharaj, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 04, 2014.
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Hawthorne Press Tribune: April 24, 2014 and May 01, 08, 15, 2014. **HH-1082.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014106977

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VICS AUTO SALES. 1. 15425 HAWTHORNE BLVD, LAWNSDALE, CA 90260. 2. 4562 MANHATTAN BEACH BLVD., LAWNSDALE, CA 90260. Registered Owner(s): Ibrahim Indjian, 4562 Manhattan Beach Blvd, Lawndale, CA 90260. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Ibrahim Indjian, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 21, 2014.
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Lawndale Tribune: April 24, 2014 and May 01, 08, 15, 2014. **HL-1083.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014108745

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as HAWTHORNE SMOG TEST ONLY. 3222 W. ROSECRANS AVE, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. Registered Owner(s): Robert Suarez Jr, 4552 W. 164th St, Lawndale, CA 90260. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Robert Suarez Jr, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 22, 2014.
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Hawthorne Press Tribune: April 24, 2014 and May 01, 08, 15, 2014. **HH-1084.**

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Ella Wheeler-Wilcox

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014111483

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VINO AND VIAND. 8224 PERSHING DRIVE, PLAYA DEL REY, CA 90293. Registered Owner(s): Jenifer Antonelli, 8224 Pershing Drive, Playa Del Rey, CA 90293. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Jenifer Antonelli, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 24, 2014.
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El Segundo Herald: May 01, 08, 15, 22, 2014. **H-1087.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014111189

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PEETE'S TRANSPORTATION. 6112 CONDON AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90056. Registered Owner(s): 1. Leonard Peete, 6112 Condon Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90056. 2. Alejandra Roberts-Peete, 6112 Condon Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90056. This business is being conducted by a Married Couple. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Leonard Peete, Co-Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 24, 2014.
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Inglewood News: May 01, 08, 15, 22, 2014. **HI-1088.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014100966

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1. CLUSTER SOLUTIONS. 2. SUNG BOUTIQUE LOS ANGELES. 2281 W. 205TH STREET STE 113, TORRANCE, CA 90501. Registered Owner(s): Timothy Lai, 2281 W. 205th Street Ste 113, Torrance, CA 90501. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: January 01, 2014. Signed: Timothy Lai, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 15, 2014.
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Torrance Tribune: May 01, 08, 15, 22, 2014. **HT-1085.**

2014098684 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

Current File #2013084654
The following person has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: AAA RENT A CAR, 5959 W. CENTURY BLVD. SUITE 118, LOS ANGELES, CA 90045. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County of Los Angeles ON APRIL 24, 2013. Registrants: AAA RENT A CAR, 5959 W. CENTURY BLVD. SUITE 118, LOS ANGELES, CA 90045. This business was conducted by a CORPORATION. Signed: AAA RENT A CAR, OWNER-CEO, SAM HANS KAZEROUNI. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on APRIL 11, 2014.

INGLEWOOD NEWS: May 01, 08, 15, 22, 2014. **HI-1086**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014115846

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as GILBERTS COMMUNICATIONS. 301 W ACACIA AVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LOS ANGELES. Registered Owner(s): David S. Gilberts, 301 W Acacia Ave, El Segundo, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: January 01, 2014. Signed: David S. Gilberts, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 29, 2014.
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El Segundo Herald: May 08, 15, 22, 29, 2014. **H-1089.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014116234

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MARVIN'S TRUCKING. 10670 S. LA CIENEGA BLVD SUITE A, INGLEWOOD, CA 90304, LOS ANGELES. Registered Owner(s): Edwin Hilario, 955 E 111th Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90059. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Edwin Hilario. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 29, 2014.
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Inglewood News: May 08, 15, 22, 29, 2014. **HI-1090.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014108073

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as TOOLS FOR THE HOME EDUCATOR. 1. 25202 CRENSHAW BLVD #219, TORRANCE, CA 90505, L.A. 2. 3628 W. 146 ST., HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. Registered Owner(s): 1. Penny S. Ross, 3628 W. 146 St., Hawthorne, CA 90250. 2. Gregory W. Ross, 3628 W. 146 St., Hawthorne, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by a Married Couple. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Penny S. Ross, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 22, 2014.
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Torrance Tribune: May 08, 15, 22, 29, 2014. **HT-1091.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014113758

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1. SHELLEY KEMP PHOTOGRAPHY. 2. SK PHOTO. 3. KEMP FAMILY STUDIOS. 535 BUNGALOW DRIVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LA COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): Shelley Dawn Kemp, 535 Bungalow Drive, El Segundo, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: May 01, 2008. Signed: Shelley Dawn Kemp, Sole Proprietor. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 28, 2014.
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El Segundo Herald: May 08, 15, 22, 29, 2014. **H-1092.**

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014101594

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1. BMG LLC. 2785 PACIFIC COAST HWY 290, TORRANCE, CA 90505, LOS ANGELES. 2. WAREHOUSE 51. 2785 PACIFIC COAST HWY 290, LOS ANGELES, CA 90505. Registered Owner(s): Boardwalk Management Group, LLC, 24210 Ocean Ave, Torrance, CA 90505. This business is being conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: March 26, 2014. Signed: Calvin Francis, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 15, 2014.
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Torrance Tribune: May 08, 15, 22, 29, 2014. **HT-1093.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014120326

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as THE HAIR PRACTICE. 1. 2746 PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY #21, TORRANCE, CA 90505, LA COUNTY. 2. 1735 LINCOLN AVE #39, TORRANCE, CA 90501. Registered Owner(s): 1. Nadia Maaytah, 1735 Lincoln Ave 39, Torrance, CA 90501. 2. Rachel James, 1739 Lincoln Ave 18, Torrance, CA 90501. This business is being conducted by a General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Nadia Maaytah, Owner/Partner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on May 2, 2014.
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Torrance Tribune: May 08, 15, 22, 29, 2014. **HT-1094.**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014099948

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as A NEW CREATION HAIR DESIGN. 2225 SEPULVEDA BLVD #A, TORRANCE, CA 90501, LOS ANGELES. Registered Owner(s): Stanton Kari, 1807 Cabrillo Ave #2, Torrance, CA 90501. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Stanton Kari, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 14, 2014.
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Torrance Tribune: May 08, 15, 22, 29, 2014. **HT-1095.**

Common Core

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restricting language arts to the printed word. Mr. Egan explained that one student might bring in an artifact like a tapestry and explain the cultural tradition and story behind its symbols and images.

Thirdly, students will have more regular practice with complex texts and academic language. This will mean elementary students will become familiar with the way different information is worded and presented: for instance, a biologist might use terms like "life cycle" and present facts by describing color or size, whereas a historian might look for dates, names and places, presenting facts with quotes by a historical figure recorded in a speech or letter.

"Literacy standards reach out not to English class only, but across disciplines," said Egan. Group work and discussion based learning usually associated with social science will be seen in mathematics. Egan noted that five individual students might have five ways at arriving at a math solution. "Now we can celebrate that," he said.

Walking into a common core math class might look different than in the past. "I won't expect to see students with their heads down working out problems alone," said Egan.


"We will see them discussing and working out problems and arguing the different ways to arrive at the correct answer." Elementary students will still learn "two plus two equals four." The common core standard will ask students to write a sentence about how they arrived at the answer. Or, they may be asked to illustrate in picture form how they came up with the answer. Egan pointed out three major shifts in mathematics: focus, coherence and rigor. Focus narrows and deepens the understanding by showing the steps to the answer. Coherence asks students to think about a mathematical problem and link it to other real life topics. Rigor is mostly seen in word problems that require reasoning, planning and presenting evidence.

The "common" aspect of common core is finding a real world application for education. TUSD Chief Academic Officer Dr. Tim Stowe supports the common core. He describes it in a nutshell: "We are moving away from rote memorization and factual tests," says Stowe. "We are getting students to develop better critical thinking skills and solve problems in unique ways." In all subjects, the same skills are put into practice: generating questions, researching, investigating and inventing new


ways to solve problems and support arguments. Field testing of the Smarter Balanced Test is currently going on. This year, since the test makers are testing the test, students will not be graded and their work will not be returned to them. The Smarter Balanced Test will replace the STAR test. In addition to the new standards of testing, students will be taking tests on a tablet computer called the Chrome book. Educators are hoping this practice year will teach the children how to use the Chrome book device.

Ben Egan is also a TUSD parent. Families in the Torrance Unified School District seek to be highly involved in their children's education. Interested parents can view links to the Smarter Balanced Training test on the TUSD website. Mr. Egan also offered

suggestions on how to help at home. He said when reading at home, start a discussion by asking questions about characters, or making predictions, or imagining new scenarios. For younger students, parents can read every other page with their child. To bring the real world into literacy, encourage magazines and newspapers. For math, think of different ways to solve the same problems. Also discuss out loud or illustrate with drawings. Reveal math in everyday life. For instance, if you are driving to soccer practice calculate distance and time. At dinnertime, double a recipe. "Life is different for our children than it was for us," Egan said to a room full of fellow parents. "Information is coming at us all the time. Our part as parents is to take opportunities to teach them to use information responsibly." •



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Victoria is looking for love after her rescue.

My name is **Victoria** and I'm definitely feeling victorious these days. My friend, Mandy, and I were rescued from a terrible hoarding situation. We were certainly headed for a shelter when our owner surrendered us to MSFR. They had already rescued four other dogs from this hoarding situation so I'm very grateful they opened their hearts and took us in too. I'm an 18 pound, 3-year old, purebred, female, Miniature Schnauzer who's very smart. I'm learning how to walk on a leash and I'm looking forward to taking long walks. I love people and get along so well with other dogs, that I'd love to find a forever home that already has a dog to play with. If you are interested Victoria, please email info@msfr.org for more information.

I'm **Mandy**, a 1.5-year old, female, purebred Miniature Schnauzer. My gal pal, Victoria, and I were rescued from a hoarding situation - narrowly escaping a trip to a shelter. I have to admit that since I'm on my own, I'm

pretty fearful and not very trusting of people (can you blame me?). I'm not the least bit aggressive but I give strangers a wide berth. Like Victoria, I'm learning how to walk on a leash so I can take walks with my new family. Since I'm used to being around lots of dogs, I would love to have a doggie pal in my new home to join in the fun. I weigh about 18 pounds - just the perfect size to take anywhere my forever family goes. If you are interested Mandy, please email info@msfr.org for more information.

For a 6-year old, female, purebred Miniature Schnauzer, I've really been shuffled around. Let me introduce myself, I'm **Gwen** and I've resided in at least two - maybe three - shelters in my lifetime. The most recent time when I was brought in as a stray, the LA county shelter contacted my owner. They decided they didn't want me any more so I spent two weeks at the shelter before being rescued. The whole time I was in the shelter, I couldn't figure out why they didn't want me. I love people, have a great temperament, get along great with other dogs and I'm not very big - only 13 pounds. I do have impaired



Mandy was also rescued from an abusive situation and needs lots of love.



Gwen is losing her sight but still needs someone to watch over her. vision due to juvenile cataracts, which is very common in Miniature Schnauzers. The Vet even did a blood panel on me to make certain there were no underlying causes for my vision problems and all the results came back normal. I'm not totally blind, however, the odds are good that I could be in three or four years. If that happens it won't limit my capacity to be the best companion ever because you don't have to see to love. I'm looking for a loving, responsible family to love me and give me a chance to show them what happiness is. If you are interested in Gwen, please email info@msfr.org for more information.

Have you ever seen a beautiful, golden colored

Labrador/Jindo mix? If not, take a look at me! My name is **Cayenne** and I'm a 1-year old female who is crate trained, rides quietly in the car and is eager to please. I've never met a human that I didn't fall in love with immediately. My energy requirements are not super-high but I'll be a fantastic companion for someone with an active lifestyle who's looking for a running companion. I'll even stay right next to you as we run together. I know some obedience commands but I haven't learned how to play with other dogs. That said it would be best if I were an only dog, at least for now. Once I become comfortable around other dogs, we may want to explore adopting a doggie pal for me. Cayenne can be seen anytime at Yellow Brick Road Doggie Playcare in El Segundo Call 310-606-5507.

If you have any questions about a particular dog's availability you can email us at info@msfr.org. Please visit all of our Miniature Schnauzers & Friends rescues at the adoptions fair held every Saturday from noon-3:30 p.m. or check out our website, www.msfr.org. Our adoptions fairs take place at Petco, 537 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Redondo Beach, California. Schnauzers! Bet you can't adopt just one! •



Cayenne is a Lab & Jindo mix and would like to be a single dog with an owner who likes to play.

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Long Time MSFR Adopters Open Their Hearts to a Fifth Dog with Special Needs

Huge congratulations to **Seth** and his new family. Seth is our 10-year old blind mini that we rescued from the Downey shelter last October. Someone turned him in as a stray, but when he was microchip scanned the chip's info led right back to the person who dumped him! Two months ago he had a toe removed that was malignant but a pathology report and X-rays determined it hadn't spread. Seth also has a heart murmur and is on a stone prevention diet. His new parents are long time MSFR adopters. He is the fifth dog they have adopted from us and four of those five were older dogs with special needs. When they heard about Seth's medical issues, they said he was meant for them no matter how much time he had left. Do people really have hearts that big?? Why, yes they do! When they met him they were over the moon in love. Seth joins a 2012 MSFR alumnus named Atticus. •

Seth is an older dog who now lives comfortably with his new family and sibling.

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Real Estate

Five Ways for Borrowers to Keep their Cool in a Warming Mortgage Market

(BPT) - Both the weather and the slump of the previous years' housing markets are starting to thaw. It's an exciting time of recovery and change. Whether you're hitting the open houses, fixing up your home for sale, or just renovating, being fully prepared is key to a low-stress experience.

"Buyers and homeowners in today's market still have historically low rates available to them," says Navy Federal's Vice President, Mortgage Lending, Katie Miller. "But they will need to follow a few steps to ensure they're able to get the best deal possible."

Miller shares her top five recommendations on how to make applying for your home loan a positive, stress-free experience:

Know where you stand

Knowing your credit history, score, and what you can realistically afford are the most important factors in seeing how lenders view you in 2014. It's easy to check up on your own credit worthiness since you're given one free credit report annually at www.annualcreditreport.com. Review it for mistakes, missed payments, and collection accounts and fix them before you apply for a loan. For a small fee, you can also find out your numerical credit score. Scores range from 300 to 850; overall, the higher your score, the better you'll qualify for a loan.

Curb your spending

Remember, lenders are watching your credit

report from the time you apply until the time you close. Sometimes even slight changes will bring up a red flag - so this is not the time to apply for any new credit, rack up balances, or make late payments. Cut unnecessary expenses and boost savings. Lenders like Navy Federal offer free online calculators

to get a picture of monthly payments and how they'll fit in to your budget.

Come prepared

Lenders want to make sure that you have the ability to repay your loan. Getting all your documents in order helps speed up the process when it comes time for getting approved.

Your lender may require more information to complete your loan application, but having the following ready helps get things started: your last two pay stubs/Leave and Earnings Statement (LES), W-2s/tax returns for the past two years, and two months of bank/stock statements. Make sure you keep good records of your finances and can explain all deposits - including that birthday gift from mom and dad.

Know your options

Remember to make sure that the lender who pre-approves your loan is offering you the best deal - some lenders, like Navy Federal, even offer to match competitor's rates. Look into all loan product options. A good lender will consider all of your factors to find a mortgage that's right for you. Compare interest rates at financial institutions - even a half percentage point can lower your monthly payment and can save you thousands of dollars over the life of your home loan. This is also true of unnecessary or unexpected fees. Be sure to shop around.

Get all the hand-holding you need

Whether you're a first-time buyer or you're looking at how best to use your equity, you are considering a major financial decision. Find a lender who can work with you one-on-one from your first call to closing. You should feel confident that they are going to put you in the best loan for your needs. •



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Roger Hart (left) with sons: Kevin; Jeremy and his wife Stephanie; and Bradley with his wife Alannah. The Hart family has used its successful business to promote and preserve pride in the Torrance community through responsible real estate transactions and home ownership.