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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 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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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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<u>Calendar</u>

- 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

City Council

 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@ phctorrance.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. •

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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 Scotto for his role in creating Students and Government Day. Frank Scotto remarked

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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 Scotto.

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 shinny 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

Scotto Gives Final State of the City Address and credited the outstanding police and fire personnel, many of who were present. He touted the

By Charlene Nishimura

Torrance Mayor Frank Scotto gave his final "State of the City" address on May 1 to a crowd of wellwishers 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 Scotto 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 Scotto 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 Scotto also pointed out that Torrance continues to be one of the safest cities in America



Mary Hoffman, Shirley Pe and Torrance Councilman Pat Furey.



Mike Griffiths and Debi Price. Photos by Charlene Nishimura.



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 Scotto expressed his thanks to his colleagues

(L to R) Mike Goguen, Aaron Aalcides, 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.

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Questions for the Mayoral Candidates

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What are your Leadership skills?

Tom Brewer: I have an engaging personality that makes people feel comfortable approaching me to talk about the issues that are important to them and knowing that I will follow through. I take the time to listen to what they say, regardless of where I am approached. I joke that it takes me an extra hour to shop at the grocery store because of how often I am approached by residents to talk about things. I really do enjoy listening to people and working with them to address the issues in our city that are important to them. I have a demonstrated ability to bring people together. When overdevelopment faced our city I formed a coalition of homeowner associations to stop it. The reason that I'm so proud of that is because I was able to bring so many people together that had never been involved in government issues before. Our coalition was able to get people to not only turnout for meetings, but many of them spoke up about their concerns in public for the very first time. We taught people that by working collaboratively we could be more effective and actually make a difference. That campaign helped me win my current seat on the city council.

Pat Furey: Even before I was elected to the Torrance City Council, I took leadership in our community. I served eight years as president of the North Torrance Homeowners Association, where I advocated on behalf of the residents of our local neighborhood. I was also intimately involved – serving as the

spokesperson on a number of occasions – in fighting against overdevelopment of our city. I also served as president of the Torrance Education Foundation for four years where I led the efforts to raise funds for our local schools. I am proud of the funding streams that I put into place during my tenure. They include a successful car raffle and summer school programs, which continue to provide income to the foundation and, ultimately, to TUSD programs. As a councilmember, I have chaired or served on almost all standing council committees, including the Federal Legislative Advocacy Committee. I am a 6 year member and immediate past president of the county vector control board. And, as an Army veteran, I proudly serve as a member of the City of Torrance Armed Forces Day Parade committee, which will be celebrating its 55th consecutive celebration in just a couple weeks.

Bill Sutherland: My business and my employees are a reflection of me and I believe the reason I have had a successful Torrance business for over 30 years. I am honest and hardworking and I believe those are valuable assets of a Leader. I lead by example. My 3 years as Regional Commissioner for AYSO serving 1200 children demonstrated my ability to delegate. I consider the ability to delegate a key in bringing together about 75 volunteers to provide a fun experience for our Torrance youth. I believe I have the ability to get people to see the big picture and can come together on projects such as when I was the President of Rotary with our charitable endeavors such as the Christmas dinner, tree and presents for 2 underprivileged families. In my 6 years as Chairman of the Government & Finance Committee, I have shown my ability to take charge and lead discussions to find creative ways of balancing our budget. I am totally committed to

Torrance and its best interest and I believe that is a key in being the next Leader of Torrance.

How did you become interested in local politics?

Tom Brewer: My beginnings in city politics really began when I saw my mother become involved with a committee to stop the planned 405 freeway from being built. She felt that it would cut off North Torrance, where we lived, from the rest of the city. I watched my mother work on Ken Miller?s mayoral campaign. From that, I learned how important it was to be actively involved in your city. I have been involved in our community for over 30 years. I worked on Katy Geissert's first city council campaign. When my wife and I bought our home, I became involved in my homeowners association as a board member, then as an officer, before serving as president for eight years. My involvement in my homeowner's association eventually lead to my appointment by the City Council to the Environmental Quality Commission. From the Environmental Commission I was appointed to the Civil Service Commission. I served as chairman of both commissions. I have also served on the Torrance Education Foundation for over 15 years and was the president for 2 years.I am committed to not only addressing issues, but leading the process as well.

Pat Furey: While serving as the president of my local homeowners association, part of my responsibility was to monitor what was happening at city hall. In doing so, I saw an opportunity to assist our community by service on a city commission. I offered my time and was appointed to the Torrance Civil Service Commission and ultimately, because of my expertise and community

involvement, I was also appointed to the Torrance Unified School District Personnel Commission. Serving on local commissions and other volunteer organizations brought me into intimate contact with city issues that affect all members of our community. And, because of my efforts and the many relationships that I made throughout the years, I was encouraged to "throw my hat" into the local political arena. I was fortunate enough to be elected to the city council in 2008 and reelected in 2012 without opposition. Many of the same people who urged me to seek a seat on the city council have encouraged and supported my efforts in seeking the mayoral position.

Bill Sutherland: I have been involved in the community most of my adult life, mostly in service organizations and organizations revolving around our children. As our children grew into adults, that part of my volunteering went away (until grandkids). While the service organizations are a constant in my life, I looked to the City for something different. I was appointed to the Civil Service Commission and serviced 8 consecutive years, twice as chairman. I enjoyed this interaction with the governing body of Torrance. From the time I was termed out from the Civil Service Commission until 2006, I saw the direction the governing body of the City was going with the overdevelopment and the distain towards the residents. I wanted to be part of the solution in bringing the City back to the balanced and ethical City we have all come to expect in Torrance. Now as your next Mayor of Torrance, I want to continue the example of ethics and integrity set by our current Mayor.

Thank you Candidates! •









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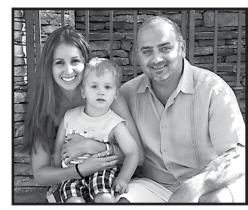
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This is why I'm voting for my husband Aurelio Mattucci

on June 3.

"Aurelio Mattucci is NOT a politically connected candidate. He is the only candidate I can truly say is connected with the people of Torrance. He is accessible and ready to hear your concerns and ideas at all times of day. He is part of the community and has a hands on approach. He always says, 'A little less conversation and a little more action'. * Aurelio is a loving husband and father.



A few years ago he founded the Mattucci Project, a local volunteer service helping residents and businesses improve their curb appeal. He is the owner of a small business here in the city of Torrance. He is also a fiscally conservative candidate, one that will make sure your tax dollars aren't spent on programs or projects that benefit a few, but burden most. His loyalty stands with the residents and businesses of Torrance. If you want to take Torrance to a higher level, bring a higher standard of living and ensure a bright future for the many residents and businesses of this lovely city, then you must vote for Aurelio Mattucci in the June 3, 2014 Torrance election. • Find out more about my husband at www.voteformattucci.com " — Celeste Mattucci

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What are your leadership skills? **Heidi Ashcraft:** When my 4 children were growing up I volunteered with AYSO Region 14 Board, West Torrance Little League Board, Boy Scouts and as a Girl Scout Leader to a troop of 18 girls. Being involved in PTA I had the opportunity to serve as PTA President and Vice President at Bert Lynn Middle School and West High School. There was an issue with a change in math curriculum in T.U.S.D. in 1995 and a group of parents asked me to run for a seat on the school board, which I did and was elected. I was elected to 3 separate terms on the Board of Education. During that time I was Clerk, Vice President and President several times. I also served on the Southern California Regional Occupational Center (SCROC) Board of Education for 11 years, serving as Clerk, Vice President and President numerous times. In 1999 I was appointed to the Torrance South Bay YMCA Board of Managers. In 2007 I was elected by that 52 member board to lead the organization as the first woman chair in their history, serving in that capacity for 3 years. Our Y serves approximately 32,000 youth, seniors and others in programs and is the most successful in the nation with raising funds to help those in need of financial assistance. I was instrumental in creating the Chinese American Parent Support Group of Torrance to help the Chinese American community become more involved in their children's education. In 2000, with a couple of friends, established Visions of Unity Literature and Art Contest. The purpose of this contest is to encourage youth to reflect on their role in resolving critical community issues and enhance unity among diverse groups through literature or

of my church's women's organization also. **Tim Goodrich:** I've learned a great deal about leadership while serving in the military, earning my Masters in Public Administration and serving as a City and County Management Fellow at USC, and serving in leadership positions with various organizations here in Torrance. These include the ability to work with a team, strategic planning, facilitation, communication, and the ability to anticipate problems. I also believe one of my strengths is civic engagement, which is important to get more people involved in our City. I could

art. This year we had 245 entries with over

100 people attending the awards ceremony.

I've had the opportunity to serve as President

go on, but anyone can talk about themselves. Instead, I think it's important how other people perceive my leadership skills. I've been endorsed by former Mayor Dee Hardison, Former Councilmembers Cliff Numark and Hope Witkowsky, School Board Members Martha Deutsch, Mark Steffen, and Michael Wermers, 20 City Commissioners, Torrance Police and Firefighters, the Sierra Club, and the Torrance Chamber of Commerce. I believe having this broad based support is vital to be able to lead our City in the right direction.

Michael Griffiths: My leadership skills are extensive. First and foremost, I founded my own business in 1986 and grew it to employ over 25 people in 3 offices around the country. I created the vision of the business, and lead the company to significant success in the 15 years before I sold it. I have also been a leader with my volunteer work with the Torrance-South Bay YMCA. For each of the last 5 years, I have led a group of over 300 volunteers to go out and raise money in support of the programs that the YMCA offers our community. Each year, work starts 6 months prior to the actual event. I lead by setting goals, recruiting, training and motivating volunteers at all different levels, and ultimately, I lead the group activities for the final 6 weeks where the actual fundraising work is completed. My other significant leadership activity is that I have lead as the chairperson on the Torrance Environmental Commission for 3 years, being elected by my fellow commissioners each year. It was my role as Commission chairperson to conduct orderly meetings each month and interface with City staff, the public and my fellow commissioners in a professional manner. I'm ready to use my leadership skills and experience as a member of the Torrance City Council.

Milton Herring: My personal leadership model is that of a servant-leader. I am a public servant. I have a track record of proven leadership, both within the government and in the community. In the military I started out as a private and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel. I attended and graduated from several military schools including the Army Command and General Staff College. I received the Legion of Merit award, for exceptionally meritorious service. I was deployed in support of the Global War on Terrorism and responsible for the spiritual needs of some 7,000 soldiers throughout the Middle East. I served in the private sector as Executive Director of Stovall Development Corporation in Los Angeles. I led the efforts to secure funding for a 4.1 million dollar 98 unit complex. As a member of the South Torrance Lions Club for 8 years, I served as President from 2007-2008. I served the fairs and for four years as Chief of Chaplain services. At one point I was responsible for twelve Chaplains. As a community pastor, I led a congregation to build a 1.2 million dollar edifice in Los Angeles.

Rahmat H. Khan: Answer not submitted by deadline.

Leilani A. Kimmel-Dagostino: background is in training and I served as the Customer Services Training Manager for USAir for 5 years and the Regional Training Manager for Kinko's Copies for 1 year. I was certified and trained by the American Society of Training Administrators. While I was with USAir I also served as the certified Employee Transportation Coordinator who created and oversaw the Regulation XV Trip reduction program for the company. As an Administrative Assistant for the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles I created and set the Fair Market Rents for the Section 8 housing for the City of Los Angeles. While with American Airlines I founded and led the Asian Pacific Islander Employee Resource Group and also led the transition team in Aircraft Maintenance training Trans World Airlines employees in American Airlines systems and procedures. I have served as the Chair for the Torrance Commission on Aging for four years and as the Vice Chair for two years.

Ryan H. Mand: Answer not submitted by deadline.

Aurelio Mattucci: I have owned and managed my own business my whole adult life. I am the co-founder of Mattucci Plumbing, a plumbing service company that is still in business after 25 years. I am also the founder and current broker of Mattucci Real Estate, a real estate service company that at one time reached upwards of 185 agents and three offices in less than a decade. This can only be accomplished with good leadership and a lot of hard work. As a business owner, I believe you need to lead by example. Be the first one to roll up your sleeves, but most importantly is to allow your team to have a voice. Yes, a good leader listens and must always stay confident that the team he or she picked can get the job done. I am a team builder, a problem solver, a negotiator and a very hard worker. I know how to delegate and motivate. Vote Aurelio Mattucci, a truly Independent Candidate.

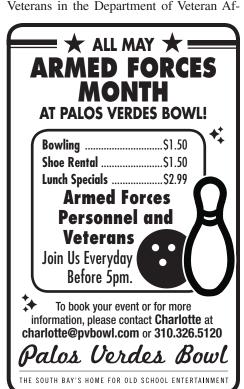
Omar Navarro: When I was very young I was always interested in making a difference in my community. When my family came from Cuba they came here to achieve the American Dream and worked hard to achieve success in this great country. They taught me to always pay attention to issues regarding my community and told me to always have the willingness to keep working for progress regardless of the opinion of the

what the establishment thinks and to lead by example. My first taste in the process was when I was 19 years old, almost 6 years ago to be exact. I worked many notable campaigns and supported candidates which I thought could be efficient in office at that time. In my journey, I acquired a lot of achievements and merits. I graduated with a Bachelors of Science in Criminal Justice. I then attained a Certificate in Information Security and Loss Prevention from USC. In addition, I went on to gain six years of experience working for major companies like Sony and Samsung and even served in working for the Los Angeles District Attorneys Office for the Victim Assistance Program. I have experience in the private sector and public sector and I felt I had allot of success as someone young who cares about his community and wants to give back and then took the decision to decide to run for office.

Clint Andrew Paulson: At the behest of many valiant citizens that stood and made their voices heard until nearly 1 AM at a recent City Council meeting, Mayor Scotto and the council reluctantly agreed to postpone the decision on the placement of no parking signs for street sweeping until the new council is elected. I found it interesting that Mayor Scotto warned candidates in attendance that some of us might be forced to decide this issue as if it was some horrible chore that would be thrust upon us. I don't see it that way at all. The opportunity to decide issues like this is exactly what leadership is all about to me. As a leader, I will not cower away from issues that may be controversial. I will relish the opportunity to respond to the concerns of residents and will do everything I can to ensure your voices are heard at City Hall. Right now we have a council that voted yes 499 out of 500 times in 2013. Saying yes to every motion is not leadership. We need leaders on City Council that are willing to stand up and say "No" to recommendations by city staff that are not in the best interests of the taxpayer. I will be that leader. Leadership is also about proactively addressing the problems our city faces. Last week Toyota announced they are leaving town. Did we proactively do all we could to keep them here? Pensions are an issue right now. Is our leadership proactively engaged in resolving this issue? As a leader, I want to ensure we are proactively addressing these and the many other issues our city faces.

Geoffrey Rizzo: I believe what I bring to the table is honesty as an individual and transparency in my actions. In my formative years I learned from my father in addressing family issues that discussion, soliciting input, keeping an open mind, and obtaining different points of view was important See City Council Candidates, page 5







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in building consensus and family unity. It helped my family resolve issue and move forward. These leadership traits and skills are now ingrain in me and have assisted me throughout my entire career on the police department and what I bring with me as a councilman. I take the time to investigate and research the issues, solicit input from stakeholders to look for workable solutions and identify unintended consequences, and build consensus among the parties. Once solutions are implemented I follow-up to ensure a successful outcome. I understand that bringing people together, addressing issues, finding solutions, and building consensus requires diplomacy and decisiveness and the ability to recognize which approach to use in a given circumstance. These are the leadership skills and traits that I possess that will aid me in getting things done for the citizens of Torrance.

Alex M. See: Answer not submitted by deadline.

Norm "Opa" Segal: I was the General Manager of a 200+ employee manufacturing company located in El Segundo. The company was Tetrafluor, Inc. which was purchased by Coors Ceramics just prior to my retirement. As General Manager I was involved with every aspect of the Company's operations such as business development, purchasing, manufacturing, employee benefits and retention, customer service, finance, product engineering, facilities and profitability. The principal thing that I have learned from a career in the private sector is to lead by example. I believe in treating everyone with respect, dignity and honesty. The results you get are directly proportional to what you put out. I believe in letting each employee do their jobs with minimal interferance. I also believe in following up on the work performed by employees to assure that they understand their assignments and are competant to do their jobs. A leader is responsible for the results required and also must build a team that could operate without him (her). Directing this toward the City: I think that the Councilmembers have the obligation to assure that the various City Managers and Chiefs are performing competantly and assessing their employees in the same manner. They should all be treating others with respect, dignity and honesty.

Charlotte Ann Svolos: I have been a leader for a long time. As far back as high school, I was being put in charge of things. I was the stage manager for our productions then. Now, I have a variety of hats that I wear. I am the chair of the School Site Committee at Hickory. I am a Scholarship and Charity chair for Torrance Teachers. I am on the Stewardship committee for First Lutheran. I am assistant treasurer for the 66th assembly district central committee. I served as a statewide representative on the Early Childhood Education committee as secretary and written policy for CTA regarding Transitional Kindergarten. I lobby and donate along with a dozen things I am probably forgetting. But, where my skills are most often tested, are as a special education teacher. It takes a lot of organization and leadership to build an education plan for a child especially when sometimes our visions for the child do not agree. Ultimately, teamwork and sometimes compromise are needed to do what is right for the child. I know I can apply those same skills for the good of the city and its people.

John Paul Tabakian: I do not sugarcoat issues for political gain. Leaders tell the truth, regardless if it upsets someone. I am a straight talking pragmatic person. Torrance political elites lie to voters about the economic health of our city, rising pension liabilities, and the threat of extremist anti-business organizations. I am the only candidate who has worked hard to inform voters that the

city is planning to install parking meters in Old Torrance. I was the first candidate to warn voters of plans to install a .25% sales tax to fund rising pension obligations! This city has a spending problem. Torrance Police and Fire Department Unions are engaging in extortion by supporting candidates who push for higher and higher salaries and benefits to provide excellent service, which is their job! Torrance pays its police officers more than Secret Service officers who serve on President Barack Obama's detail! Now ask yourself, "Which department gets sued the most? The United States Secret Service or the Torrance Police Department?"

Kurt Weideman: There are many skills that combine to make what I would consider a Leader. A leader takes inputs from all sides of a question and decides how it all fits according to the vision. A leader sets an example. A leader must have a certain charisma - qualities that other people are drawn towards, trust, look up to, and feel comfortable with. I believe that I possess these skills and more: For example, I think that I display emotional maturity – not reacting to tough situations by displaying frustration or bursting out in anger. I believe that self-confidence is a sign of leadership that I display, as I do not require the approval of others for the decisions I take. A leadership skill that is particularly important is the capacity to work hard, with high levels of energy – something that anyone who has worked with me knows my capacity for hard work. One need only look at my record of service to the community to see that I possess the skills described above. I have served our community for many years in positions of leadership responsibility – I served 7 years on the Planning Commission, during my tenure, we passed the current General Plan while I was Chairman and my views on the Hillside Overlay and "Mansionization" are on the Public record. I served 10 years on the local Workforce Investment Board distributing Federal Funds to provide resources and train disadvantaged and dislocated workers, as well as the youth of our area. I was the first Chairman of the El Camino College Bond Oversight Committee reviewing and auditing the expenditure of \$395 million of taxpayer approved Bonds. In addition, I have served 3 terms as President of the Torrance Historical Society, and 2 terms as President of the Torrance Cultural Arts Foundation.

How did you become interested in local politics?

Heidi Ashcraft: My interest in politics evolved with my volunteering in Torrance, evidenced in question #1. I am proud to have been elected to the Torrance Board of Education. Torrance School District is recognized nationally for excellence with Blue Ribbon and California Distinguished Schools. The high school drop out rate in Torrance is lower than Manhattan Beach and Redondo Beach High Schools. Torrance Schools and safety are the main reasons people choose to live in Torrance, keeping real estate values consistently high.

Tim Goodrich: Ten years ago, I wasn't political at all. However, after three deployments to the Middle East and seeing real poverty and what life was like under dictatorship, I came home and resolved not to take life for granted. Ever since then, I've been involved in my community and have really enjoyed working with others to improve it. As I've worked in our city by serving as a Board Member of the Torrance Education Foundation, volunteering with the Police and Fire Departments, and serving as a Member of the School Bond Oversight Committee, I've learned a great deal more about the internal workings of Torrance. We're at a critical junction right now as the economy improves and the revenues start to return. I hope to make a difference as a Councilmember by making sure that those revenues are directed to where it's needed most: our roads and infrastructure, public safety, and ensuring open transparent, and efficient government. I believe this "Back to Basics" approach is what our City needs.

Michael Griffiths: Since selling my business in 2000, I've become increasingly more involved in community service. I have volunteered for over 17 years with the Torrance-South Bay YMCA where I receive great personal satisfaction providing my time to help in whatever ways they needed. That led me to get more involved in this community that has been so good to me. I applied to, and was appointed to the Torrance Environmental Commission where I served 2 four-year terms. And I was then appointed by the City Council to the Torrance Planning Commission. All those positions have given me the introduction to local politics. Combining my business experience, community service experience, and my City Commission experience, I felt that I really do have right mix of experience and length of service, to serve our community as a City Councilmember. After living here in Torrance for 31 years, raising my family here, founding and growing my business here, I want to give back. Torrance has been a great City to live, and now I have the time, passion and experience to do that.

Milton Herring: I come from a family whose members have been involved in local government for many years. Consequently, all of my adult life I have been interested in local politics and I have voted in almost every election. During my studies in college, I learned the importance of getting involved in local politics and have volunteered on a number of local campaigns. As a resident of Torrance for 24 years, I have watched our elected officials

make important decisions affecting generations and have been concerned about the motivation for some of those decisions. Our City will only be as good as those leading our City. I believe it is essential for those serving the public to be people of integrity and high morals. As a commissioner, I consider it an honor to serve my City and I desire to serve in an even more responsive way as Councilman.

Rahmat H. Khan: Answer not submitted by deadline.

Leilani A. Kimmel-Dagostino: When I started my Financial Consulting business 10 years ago, I noticed the fraud that was being perpetrated on senior citizens in that they were being sold non-appropriate products for their age and income levels. I felt that there was a way to foster awareness in this area so I applied for a position on the Torrance Commission on Aging. While serving on the Commission I have been able to educate seniors through the "Seniors Don't Be Scammed" seminars offered by the Torrance Police Department and also by bringing to light new scams and fraud activities. There is only so much that can be accomplished on a Commission level, however. Real change happens at the City Council level. With the big changeover in City Council leadership I thought this was my time to throw in my hat and continue the legacy of good governance and be a part of real change.

Ryan H. Mand: Answer not submitted by deadline.

Aurelio Mattucci: I grew up in a politically active household. Politics have been a common topic at the dinner table as far back as I can remember. As a child I always admired individuals that made things happen. My father is one of those people. Even though he is 76

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City Council Candidates`

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years young, he goes to work six days a week. He always tells me that hard work is the only way to ever make things happen. I always wanted to be part of government, make things happen and represent the people. One of the phrases that stick most with me is "government of the people, by the people, for the people", I truly believe in those words. When I heard that two council seats were going to be vacated I immediately started thinking this is a sign. I asked my wife what she thought about me running and she told me go for it. So I am going for it and hope I can get your support. Vote Aurelio Mattucci, a truly Independent Candidate.

Omar Navarro: I have always led and worked hard everyday for the tax payers in Torrance. Back in 2012 I saved the city of Torrance \$200,000. I have also led in creating groups that give youth the opportunity to voice themselves. I have led to fight against cronism and redtape in the city. This June 3rd I want to continue fighting for the tax payers as a watch dog in the city to make sure the tax payers money is being used to better our community, not the special interests or poltical insiders. I will continue growing as a leader and uniter and uping comer. My vote on the

council will not be a wasted vote. I will be a fresh new voice that is strong for the future of Torrance.

Clint Andrew Paulson: I became interested in local politics because I wanted to connect with and support the thousands of Torrance residents that are truly making a difference for the better in our community through their volunteer efforts. We have groups like the citizens for quiet helicopters and the Torrance Rose Float association. We have church groups are working together to feed the homeless and take care of those in need. In our schools, we have the PTA and groups like the Anza Eagle Education Alliance that have opened their checkbooks and put their hearts and souls into fundraising for our struggling schools. The opportunity to support all of the wonderful Torrance volunteers in their many different endeavors is what thrills me about local politics.

Geoffrey Rizzo: I've always been interested in politics inasmuch as I believe it is our duty as citizens is to stay informed and be engaged in the political process - the means vote! the question for me is not how I became interested in local politics but why I entered public service. The short answer is that I am

honoring my father, paying my debt to my community, and paying it forward for my children. When I was 19 I lost my father to cancer. He died from and inoperable brain tumor. Prior to his passing he called his children home and talked to us about, for lack of a better term, his death sentence and why he was at peace with it. To understand why, it is important to understand my father and what he had experienced. He was a WWII combat veteran who had seen significant action during the war in North Africa, Sicily, and Omaha Beach on D-Day. He had known many young men, some close friends, who didn't make it home. Like them he didn't want to be there. What they wanted was to go home, get married, find a job, and raise a family. This was the dream - he survived but many didn't and he felt he owed it to them that the dream be realized.

Alex M. See: Answer not submitted by deadline.

Norm "Opa" Segal: Six months ago, if you would have asked me if I would ever run for City Council, I would have questioned your sanity. This would not only not make my bucket list, it would not even be something I would want as a booby prize. More

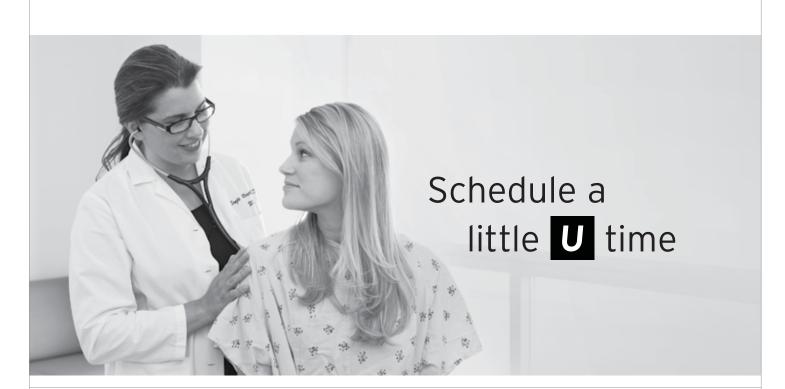
recently a couple of my neighbors and I went to City to address the Council regarding a health and safety issue on our street. After several presentations and the assistance of one of the Councillmembers, we did prevail and had the item added to the City's 5-year capital expenditure program. I not only was able to see the Council in action, but also learned where the funds come from for the various types of expenditures. City government is different from the private sector. I am a career accountant with extensive managment experience and would like to volunteer my skills to the City.

Charlotte Ann Svolos: I became interested in local politics as a direct result of watching the effect government has on my classroom. I started getting involved with the political action group that discusses issues with our school board. I have been the chair and currently act as the treasurer. Government at the local level is the most dynamic. I can actually meet with the people who will shape my future. I have lobbied my state representatives and even had the opportunity to travel to Washington DC and lobby there. I have been most heard here at the local level. I usually get an answer even if it isn't the one I want to hear. I know these people are in my community and care about it. I see them at the Rotary fundraiser, Education Foundation, and Relay for Life walk. I might see them at a performance or even in the grocery store. The media actually encouraged me to run for local office. I ran for California Senate with no hope of winning because it was the right thing to do, because I believe we should live in the community we represent to hear what the people want, not just decide without input and first hand knowledge of issues.

John Paul Tabakian: The Torrance political elite, led by empty suit candidates, are doing everything in their power to destroy the local business economy, and poison the overall quality of life. We live in a city where political incumbents claim they are happy that Toyota is leaving, because the city is going to replace them with something better! YAY! These people claim that Toyota left California and Torrance is not to blame. That is a complete lie! Toyota did not leave California! Toyota left Torrance! Toyota is keeping its Long Beach and Newport Beach operations open and 2300 jobs intact! I am running for office, because my generation has to deal with an obscene debt obligation. The Torrance political elite are pushing candidates who have kissed the political ring, have years of experience sitting on a chair, and are advocating policies that will drive the last nail in our city coffin. The Torrance political elite are covering up that one of the Torrance City Council candidates is a war protestor and co-founder of Iraq Veterans Against The War. This individual condemned the United States of America on foreign, and domestic soil, in a military uniform, and threatened the national security of the United States, by inciting hatred towards our country. I am assigning every voter a homework assignment. You need to Google every candidate's name. It is up to you to discover the true intentions of every candidate.

Kurt Weideman: In 1996 I graduated from the Torrance Chamber Program "Leadership Torrance". This 12 week course showed me how satisfying community service could be, and motivated me to get involved in several civic organizations. This involvement has enriched my life tremendously. In 2006 I attended the "Grassroots Academy" presented by the Torrance Chamber of Commerce led by Dee Hardison and Don Lee, which gave me an overview of the local political process. My subsequent involvement in the June, 2006 election gave me an understanding of the "nuts and bolts" of a local campaign.

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Sports

Up and Adam

Warriors In the Hunt

By Adam Serrao

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.

North vs. South

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

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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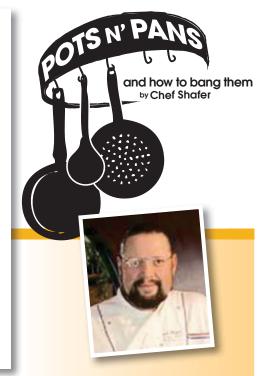


hen I was working in Austria in the early 1980s we had a house version of Chicken Cordon Blue.

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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.
- 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:

1/2cup flour

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.









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 nonveteran 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

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?

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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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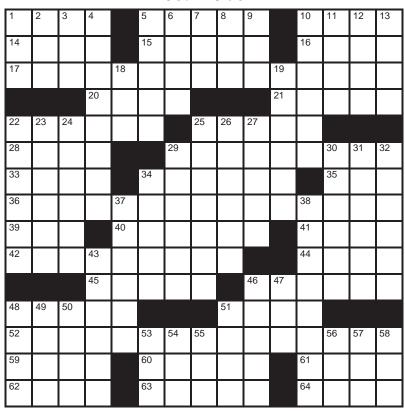
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- 5. More rational
- 10. Combustible heap 14. Above
- 15. Greenish
- 16. Course
- 17. Set in motion
- 20. "See ya!"
- 21. Part of a TV feed 22. Kind of doughnut eater
- 25. Vichyssoise vegetables
- 28. Slender reed
- 29. Health facilities
- 33. Gossip 34. Mellow
- 35. Calendar square
- 36. Discovering some dirt 39. Old English letter
- 40. Charmers
- 41. Complex dwelling
- 42. Puzzling one 44. All alternative
- 45. Allude (to)
- 46. Certain fir 48. Follows
- 51. Arizona tribe

52. Outfoxes

- 59. Carnival follower 60. Esau's father
- 61. Change the decor
- 62. Ages
- 63. Kind of infection
- 64. Bit of choreography

Down

- 1. Deck (out)
- 2. Mad. 3. Authorize
- 4. Legendary Davy
- 5. As yet
- 6. Middle part
- 7. Fed. agency 8. Christmas
- 9. Coffee order: Abbr.
- 10. French novelist
- 11. Common contraction
- 12. Hindu princess 13. Taro variety
- 18. Cry of disgust
- 19. Gathering leaves
- 22. Bumper car
- 23. The state of existing in space
- 24. Ollie and kin

- 25. Higher
- 26. Book before Job 27. Old weapons
- 29. Immobilize
- 30. Beloved of Aphrodite
- 31. Pretentious
- 32. Modus operandi 34. Tobacco product
- 37. Most aloof
- 38. Deviations
- 43. Assignations
- 46. Bungle
- 47. Disposed
- 48. Gawk at
- 49. Oktoberfest serving 50. Lab item
- 51. Bunch 53. Towel stitching
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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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El Segundo Herald: April 17, 24, 2014 and May 01, 08, 2014. **H-1080**.

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

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El Segundo Herald: May 01, 08, 15, 22,

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,

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

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El Segundo Herald: April 24, 2014 and May 01, 08, 15, 2014. H-1081.

Fictitious Business 2014111189

following person(s) (are) doing business
TRANSPORTATION. as [′] 6112 PEETE'S CONDON AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90056. Registered Owner(s): 1. Leonard Peete, 6112 Condon Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90056. 2. Alecsandra Roberts-Peete, 6112 Condon Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90056. This business is being conducted by a Married The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious 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 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

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on April 28, 2019. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to April 28, 2019. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).

El Segundo Herald: May 08, 15, 22, 29, 2014. H-1092.

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

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Hawthorne Press Tribune: April 24, 2014 and May 01, 08, 15, 2014. **HH-1082.**

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,

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014106977

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VICS AUTO SALES. 1. 15425 HAWTHORNE BLVD, LAWNDALE 4562 MANHATTAN BEACH BLVD., LAWNDALE, CA 90260. Registered Owner(s): Ibrahim Indjian, 4562 Manhattan Beach Blvd, Lawndale CA 90260. This business 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

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and Professions Code).
Lawndale Tribune: April 24, 2014 and May 01. 08. 15. 2014. HL-1083.

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: AA'A 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 AA'A RENT A CAR, 5959 W. CENTURY BLVD. SUITE 118, LOS ANGELES, CA by a A CORPORATION. Signed: AA'A 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 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. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement

expires on April 15, 2019, A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to April 15, 2019. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business

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Torrance Tribune: May 08, 15, 22, 29, 2014. HT-1093.

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Ella Wheeler-Wilcox

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014115846

following person(s) 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. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on April 29, 2019. A new Fictitious prior to April 29, 2019. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).

El Segundo Herald: May 08, 15, 22, 29,

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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and Professions Code).
Torrance Tribune: May 08, 15, 22, 29, 2014. HT-1094.

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.

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.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on April 29, 2019. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to April 29, 2019. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). Inglewood News: May 08, 15, 22, 29,

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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Common Core from front page

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,

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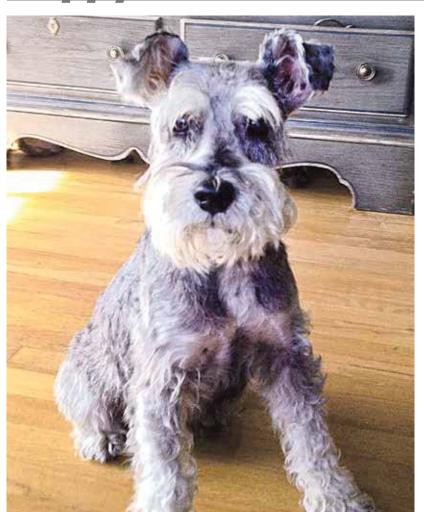
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Five Ways for Borrowers to Keep their Cool in a Warming Mortgage Market

(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:

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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.

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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 oneon-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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