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Annual California Coastal Cleanup Day at Torrance Beach



Torrance Beach was the site of a local cleanup hosted by Honda and the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce as part of the California Coastal Cleanup Day. Families, students, service organizations as well as elected officials showed up to pick up trash and give their support for this annual event. Pictured left to right: Meav Goodrich, California Legislature Assemblymember Al Muratsuchi, City of Torrance Councilman Kurt Weideman, Tim Goodrich and Jimmy Gow were some of the participants in the Cleanup Day on September 21. Photo by Charlene Nishimura.

Council Approves Two New Fire Engines

By Dylan Little

On Tuesday night, the Torrance City Council approved funding for the Torrance Fire Department (TFD) to purchase two new fire engines. The new engines will cost nearly \$1.1 million.

The new trucks will replace two late '90s front-line fire engines, which will be moved to replace two 1988 fire engines currently utilized as reserve vehicles. Fire Chief William Racowschi said that the City was able to take advantage of special circumstances to get a good deal on the new engines. "We received a very good price on them," said Racowschi. "This is a special opportunity purchase in that we are using the specs from Newport Beach, but our price came in a bit lower than theirs. So this is a great opportunity for us to buy two very modern firefighting apparatus and they will serve the City for the next 20 years."

Typically the City replaces its fire equipment every 20 years, but the recent economic downturn caused the timeline to increase to 25 years. However, equipment cannot be used indefinitely, so Racowschi explained how TFD funds newer equipment via the Fire Apparatus Replacement Fund. "The City of Torrance has a need to replace long-serving fire equipment," said Racowschi. "To accomplish a normal rotation--an out with old, in with new sort of process--we have established with our Finance Department a replacement fund which we put money aside in every year."

Still, Councilmember Bill Sutherland thought the community might have questions about why the new trucks are so expensive. He explained that the TFD isn't just buying two more trucks, but also two new sets of firefighting tools. "I know everyone thinks this is a lot of money [for] buying two trucks," said Sutherland. "But we're also buying two pumps, two sets of hoses, two sets of everything... Those are the things that have a lesser life expectancy."

Another factor in bringing the price of the new engines down was that the TFD received a \$7,035 trade-in credit for the old engines. However, Mayor Frank Scotto thought that the TFD could've found a better way to maximize the value of the retired apparatuses. "We're only getting \$7,035 for each one," said Scotto. "I almost believe that there may be a better, higher use than trading them in for \$7,000. I almost think that we maybe could find a place to give away equipment to places like Mexico or something. Seven-thousand dollars isn't very much to be getting for

them and I almost think the value would be more than that."

Racowschi explained that the TFD hadn't received any requests for equipment donations, although he does expect to have some requests when it retires its next engine. "We haven't seen any requests lately," said Racowschi. "I think by the time we get around to replacing our third 1988 fire engine we have remaining, we'll bring forward an item to your body here to do something like that."

The Council also approved a concept for a donor wall for the newly acquired sports

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Weekend Forecast

Friday
Sunny
73°/60°



Saturday
AM Clouds/
PM Sun
79°/62°



Sunday
Sunny
76°/60°



Chevron Helps South Bay Teachers Through 'Fuel Your School' Program

By Brian Simon

Drivers who purchase eight gallons or more of gas at a time during the month of October will not only fill up their vehicles, but also the coffers for various area school projects. As part of Chevron's 'Fuel Your School' program, educators in 14 regions nationwide (up from nine last year) will receive up to \$500,000 cumulatively for important classroom supplies and other needs. The list also includes for the first time 22 South Bay communities, with El Segundo, Hawthorne, Inglewood, Lawndale, Manhattan Beach and Torrance among the recipients. Under the program, Chevron will contribute \$1 towards eligible classroom projects with each eight-gallon purchase at participating Chevron and Texaco stations from October 1 to 31.

"The Chevron El Segundo Refinery is so proud to be participating in the Fuel Your School program this year," said Chevron Products Company External Affairs Manager Lily Craig. "By giving back to local South Bay schools and funding

projects for students' education initiatives, we have the opportunity to demonstrate our commitment to helping to improve our local communities of which we're all deeply invested members."

Established in 2010, Fuel Your School is a collaboration between Chevron and an online organization called DonorsChoose.org that helps students in need—given the fact that cuts in education leave many teachers short in funds to cover even basic supplies. According to DonorsChoose.org CEO Charles Best, the average public school teacher spent roughly \$485 of personal monies on school supplies and other classroom or instructional materials last year. "By using our website, combined with Chevron's community relationships and retail network, we can expand the Fuel Your School program to support more schools, empower more teachers and improve more students' education," Best said.

Craig noted that in past programs with DonorsChoose.org, outside contributors

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Calendar

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

- South Bay Cities Council of Governments: 6 p.m., 20285 Western Ave. Ste 100. For information, contact marcy@southbaycities.org
- South Bay Ostomy Group Meeting: 7:30 p.m., Torrance Memorial, 3300 block Lomita Blvd. For information, call (310) 378-5331.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

- The Squirm Burpee Circus, 8 p.m., Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive. Classic Vaudeville. For information, call (310) 781-7171.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

- 15th Annual Torrance Employee Variety Show: 7 p.m. Armstrong Theater, 3330 Civic Center Dr. For information, call (310) 781-7171.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

- North Torrance Homeowners Association Meeting: Board of Education Elections. October 3, 7 p.m. Toyota Museum, 19600 Van Ness.
- Partners in Policing Community Awareness: Thursday, Oct. 3, 6-8:30 p.m. Police Station, 3300 Civic Center Dr. For information, call (310) 618-5529.
- Bach's Lunchtime Recital: Friday, Oct. 4, 12:15 p.m. First Lutheran Church, 2900 W. Carson St. For information, call (310) 316-5574.

UPCOMING

- Lego Party: Tuesday, Oct. 8, 4 p.m. Henderson Library, 4805 Emerald St. For information, call (310) 371-2075.
- Art Attack Presents: T.R.U.S.T – Oct. 19, 10:30 a.m. Armstrong Theater, 3330 Civic Center Dr. For information, call (310) 781-7170.

ONGOING

- Downtown Torrance Marketplace. Every Thursday, 3-8 p.m., on El Prado Street, from Sartori to the Buffalo Fire Department.
- Art/Design Alumni Exhibition: September 18-October 9. CSU Dominguez Hills, 1000. E Victoria St. For information, call (310) 243-3334. •

Police Reports

The crimes listed are crimes where a report was taken by a law enforcement agency and submitted for investigation. The outcome of the investigation or any criminal court proceedings are not considered when reporting crimes. The crimes listed are as follows: arson, simple assault, aggravated assault-weapon, Auto: Theft: Auto: burglary, Commercial: burglary, Residential: burglary, homicide, strong-arm robbery, robbery with weapon, Theft:, and Vandalism:. The City of Torrance, or its employees or agents, shall assume no liability for: 1. Any errors, omissions, or inaccuracies in the information provided regardless of how caused; or 2. Any decision made or action taken or not taken by reader in reliance upon any information or data furnished hereunder.

September 7

Burglary-Residential: 2800 BLOCK 235TH ST. Suspect(s) cuts garage door lock and takes bicycles.

September 6

Auto Theft-All: 2500 BLOCK SEPULVEDA BLVD. Stolen vehicle: 2013 Mercedes Benz C250.

Vandalism: 17000 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD. Suspect(s) throws brick at victim's window, smashing same.

Burglary-Auto: 2200 BLOCK DEL AMO BLVD. Suspect(s) disables alarm underneath hood, pries door for entry, ransacks and takes stereo.

Auto Theft-All: 17500 BLOCK FALDA AVE. Stolen vehicle: 1998 Honda Odyssey.

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Business Briefs

LE' UNIQUE BOUTIQUE OPENING



Le' Unique Boutique celebrated its grand opening in Old Town Torrance on September 7. Located at 1415 Marcelina in Downtown, Le' Unique Boutique is a French-style boutique featuring one-of-a-kind antiques, jewelry, vintage clothing and gift items. Owner Nancy Freytes-Gomez and her husband Eddie Gomez set up a festive opening celebration that included refreshments and live entertainment provided by The Starlight Productions. For information on Le' Unique Boutique, please contact Nancy at (310) 218-2626 or Facebook.com/LeUniqueBoutique.

HERITAGE SOCIETY GATHERING



Heritage Society members gathered on June 4 for the group's annual luncheon. (L to R) Keiko and Allen Hochstein, Yoichi Sumi and Eric Harris.

The Heritage Society is designed to recognize individuals who want to give something back to their community through a financial planned gift to the hospital. Its members provide an endowment that will serve South Bay residents for generations to come. Examples of such gifts included bequests, charitable trusts, gift annuities and gifts of insurance policies. Sharmone La Rose, a certified memory impairment specialist, was the event's speaker. She currently teaches memory enhancement and caregiver's education – a collaborative effort between Torrance Adult School and Torrance Memorial's Advantage Program. To learn more about the Heritage Society and how you can contribute to the future health of your community, contact Sandy VandenBerge, director of Gift Planning for the Torrance Memorial Health Care Foundation, at 310-784-4843 or sandy.vandenberge@tmmc.com.

GO ECO EXPRESS CAR WASH



Vehicles were wrapped around the block at the September 10 kickoff of the Go Eco Express Wash free car wash promotion. Located at 17111 Hawthorne Blvd. on the border of Torrance and Lawndale, Go Eco Express Wash is "environmentally proactive" – it recycles 90 percent of wash water, uses all low horsepower motors to conserve energy, prints receipts only by customer request, uses 100 percent biodegradable chemicals and even its bumper curbs are made from recycled rubber. Co-Owners Abe Mathalon, Bryan Swindle and Isaac Assia, seen posing in front of Go Eco, will partner with local schools and donate a portion of earnings to school programs, as well as team up with the local scuba and surf communities to promote safer and environmentally cleaner practices. Additional info can be found at www.goecoexpress.com or (310) 371-2700. •

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Looking Up

Japan Launches Epsilon-1 with SPRINT-A Aboard

By Bob Eklund

Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) launched its first Epsilon Launch Vehicle (Epsilon-1) with the Spectroscopic Planet Observatory for Recognition of Interaction of Atmosphere (SPRINT-A) onboard at 2 p.m. on September 14 from

Uchinoura area (the cape at the tip of the Tsushiro Peninsula). It is the first brightened point by the rising sun in the Uchinoura area. Thus the place is a symbol of a new day in Uchinoura. It is also a place for local fishermen to pray for safety and hence it is a symbol of safe navigation for boats leaving

at the Kagoshima facility and at a public viewing location in Tokyo.

Over 900 space enthusiasts gathered to watch the liftoff in the Japanese capital, clapping and snapping cellphone photos as the 79-foot-long, 91-metric ton Epsilon-1 lifted off. The vehicle then successfully deployed SPRINT-A at an altitude of approximately 620 miles.

"The successful launch moved Japan a step closer to its goal of cashing in on the international satellite launch industry," Reuters reporter Leika Kihara explained. "The rocket's smaller size and a computer system that allows it to perform its own systems checks means it can be assembled quickly, enabling operators to cut personnel and equipment costs."

In fact, JAXA officials told reporters that the Epsilon—the nation's first new rocket design since the introduction of the H2A in 2001—costs about one-third as much as its

predecessor, at 3.8 billion yen (\$40 million). It is also half the size of the H2A (Japan's previous major launch vehicle) and can be assembled and prepared for launch in just one week's time.

"Japan hopes the rocket, launched with just two laptop computers in a pared-down command center, will become competitive in the global space business," AFP noted. It also pointed out that a crew of just eight people is required to complete launch procedures, compared to a staff of 150 for the H2A.

"The small-sized rocket is equipped with artificial intelligence 'for the first time in the world' that allows autonomous launch checks by the rocket itself, JAXA has said," the news agency continued, adding that the agency has described the SPINT-A payload it carries as "the world's first space telescope for remote observation of planets including Venus, Mars and Jupiter from its orbit around Earth." •

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the Uchinoura Space Center. An hour and 49 minutes after launch, deployment of its solar array paddles was confirmed and the satellite is currently in good health.

The SPRINT-A's nickname was also decided. It is "HISAKI." The name was chosen for the following reasons:

(1) "Hisaki" is the name of a cape in the

Uchinoura. As it is a tip shape, it reminds us of the satellite configuration.

(2) The observation targets are beyond ("saki" in Japanese) the Sun ("Hi" in Japanese).

The launch was coordinated and controlled by two laptop computers from a nearby command center and drew spectators both

Fuel Your School

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would kick in funds towards a project and then Chevron would provide matching dollars for the other half—though in many cases, the refinery ended up covering the majority of the costs. "For this year, matching grants are not necessary and we're going to fund 100 percent of the projects up to that half-million-dollar limit for the entire South Bay," said Craig.

Through Fuel Your School, teachers post classroom project requests for a wide variety of

Shelton-Rich's first grade class at William Green Elementary in Lawndale; two sets of leveled grade one and two books for independent reading purposes in Ms. Wagner's classroom at Grand View Elementary in Manhattan Beach; Paddles, microscopes, slides and weather materials for various science studies in Ms. Cowlshaw's fifth grade class at Van Deene Avenue Elementary in Torrance; and a new music CD library to teach adaptive physical

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wish list items that range in price from a few bucks to thousands of dollars. In addition to South Bay campuses, Chevron also contributes to many other schools in communities where it has a business presence. Since its inception, Fuel Your School has helped fund 8,915 classroom projects at 1,924 schools.

Among the projects recently requested from area schools for this year's program are critical-thinking dry erase boards for Mrs. Munger's math class at El Segundo High; Magna-Tiles for Mrs. O'Brien's kindergarten class at Richmond Street Elementary in El Segundo; a laptop and audio hub to help Ms. Grajales' first grade class at Ramona School in Hawthorne learn how to use technology; two iPads and new pencil sets for Ms. Tran's second grade class at Kornblum Elementary in Hawthorne; a laptop to guide students in math and history studies in Mr. Sterrett's class at Environmental Charter High School in Lawndale; new journals for Mrs.

education to kindergarten through fifth grade special education students in Ms. Schreiner's class at Arlington Elementary in Torrance.

Teachers and other educators can post eligible classroom project requests at www.DonorsChoose.org through the end of October and donations earned can be used towards chosen projects starting on October 2 and continuing through November 30, 2013 (or until program monies run out). Chevron will begin reviewing funding opportunities at the beginning of October. Those interested may also independently fund classroom projects on the DonorsChoose.org website by making separate, individual donations.

"Our hope is that more teachers will continue to post projects while consumers support them at the pump through October," continues Craig. "That way, we can maximize our investment in the program this year and continue this great work with local schools in the future." •

City Council

from front page

fields at 555 Maple Avenue. The concept includes the possibility for corporate naming rights for the facility as well as six levels of sponsorship attainable by non-profits, service clubs, small businesses and large businesses. The wall will be located just inside the entry plaza. Scotto said the initial designs meet his expectations. "I personally think this is well done. I really am happy with how you laid this out," said Scotto. "I hope the finished product looks like this no matter how many people donate." With the Council's approval, the design will be vetted by the Parks and Recreation Commission before a final approval.

Bob Chiota and Joel Massa with the South Bay Bocce Court Project asked the community to enjoy some pizza and help handicapped athletes. The group will be holding a fundraiser on October 24 at California Pizza Kitchen where 20 percent of all sales (including take-out orders and catering) will help fund the required \$50,000 to start converting the unused basketball courts at Columbia Park

into handicapped-accessible Bocce courts. Chiota explained that all the public needs to do is bring a flyer (or an image of the flyer on a smart phone) to have the Bocce Court Project receive a cut of the bill. More information is available on the group's website www.southbayboccecourts.org. Chiota also mentioned that next April, the group is planning another comedy night fundraiser at the Comedy and Magic Club.

Lastly, Councilmember Tom Brewer provided a brief recap of last Saturday's beach clean-up event. He said that about 300 volunteers helped remove 24 pounds of trash and another 18 pounds of recyclables from the beach. Brewer explained that the declining amount of trash is part of a multi-year trend resulting in cleaner beaches. He said he looks forward to when there isn't a need to remove any garbage from the sand. "It'll be nice when we go out there and use it as an educational experience to teach kids why we don't throw trash on the beach," said Brewer. •



Police Reports

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Theft: CRENSHAW PL & CRENSHAW BLVD. Suspect(s) unbolts and takes aluminum freeway sign from post.

September 5

Burglary-Auto: 2400 BLCOCK ANDREO AVE. Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means, ransacks and takes tablet.

Battery-Simple: 2500 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY. Suspect pushes victim to the floor then kicks and punches her.

Auto Theft-All: 165TH ST & PRAIRIE AVE. Stolen vehicle: 1995 Dodge Ram.

Theft: 2900 BLOCK ROLLING HILLS RD. Suspect(s) takes property from victim's purse as she shops/wallet.

Theft: 5300 BLOCK CARMELYN ST. Suspect(s) takes property from victim's front porch/delivered parcel.

Burglary-Residential: 4700 BLOCK 191ST ST. Suspect(s) cuts screen, enters windows, ransacks and takes cash, computer, speaker, camera equip, TV.

Burglary-Auto: 18500 BLOCK GRAMERCY PL. Suspect(s) enters unlocked

vehicle and takes wallet.

September 4

Burglary-Auto: 2100 BLOCK 236TH PL. Suspect(s) defeats lock on truck shell and takes drill infrared camera.

Theft: 3700 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY. Suspect(s) takes property forgotten by victim/purse.

Battery-Simple: 100 BLOCK VIA LINDA VISTA. Suspect punches victim in the face.

Auto Theft-All: 220TH ST & MARTINA AVE. Stolen vehicle: 2006 Toyota Tacoma.

Battery-Simple: 22900 BLOCK WADE AVE. Suspect repeatedly pokes victim, uses a belt to his victim's arm and punches out residence window.

Auto Theft-All: 19900 BLOCK PRAIRIE AVE. Stolen vehicle: 2013 Kia Sol.

September 3

Robbery-StrongArm: 2500 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY. Suspect employs ruse of repairing scratches on victim's vehicle for pay, then blocks victim's path and threatens

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Politically Speaking

One Man's Opinion

By Gerry Chong

"There is no serious evidence that Obamacare is holding back economic growth"

– Barack Obama, September 16, 2013

Oh, sweet Lord – when his constituents find out not only what he's done to them, but also what he's about to do to them, he'll think Republicans are his best friends. His followers will come after him with tar and feathers. Time Warner, Stryker Medical, Sea World, Trader Joe's, Marriott, Lands End, Regal Entertainment, New England Motor Freight, Kroger Supermarkets and Wal-Mart, to name a few, are terminating current employees, curtailing hiring, reducing hours, eliminating spousal medical coverage, and creating new approaches to avoid the ravages of Obamacare.

Unfortunately Obama supporters – young voters, single women, those with a high school education or less, Blacks and Hispanics have borne the brunt of corporate cost-reduction policies.

In Obama's first term, single women saw their income fall by seven percent. Youths under the age of 25 saw their incomes fall by 9.6 percent and carry an unemployment rate of 11 percent.

Blacks' income fell by 10.9 percent and had an unemployment rate of 12.6 percent. Hispanics saw their income fall by eight percent and had an unemployment rate of 9.4 percent.

For union members, the Obama Administration said it could not exempt unions from its ravages – so the Teamsters and AFL-CIO are in full-scale revolt, advocating fixing or repealing the act entirely.

Having done all the predictable cost protection actions, companies are becoming more creative. For example, a company by

the name of AON Plc has been established to privately absorb corporations' medical insurance plans. Walgreens, Sears and Darden have already enrolled hundreds of thousands of their employees into AON and an additional 600,000 employees are projected to join by 2014.

What's the AON program? Typically, it costs an employer 10-20 percent of insurance costs to administer their plan. The remaining 80-90 percent is a benefit to the employee. By shifting insurance responsibility to AON, the employer saves 10-20 percent of insurance costs, but pays 80-90 percent to employees as a bonus. The employer will have satisfied its Obamacare responsibility while limiting its future liability. Obamacare requires employers to subsidize employee insurance costs, but does not identify the level to which the subsidy must occur. The benefits to the employer are therefore clear.

But what does it do to employees? First, their 80-90 percent benefit will be taxed as ordinary income. Second, the employer subsidy may be reduced in the future. Third, the employee will be responsible for all Obamacare compliance requirements. Fourth, the AON coverage may change.

So, Obama supporters, you took the income hits as corporations restructured their personnel roster to reduce costs. Joining a union has not protected you from Obamacare, so unions themselves will lose membership appeal. Finally, the private sector is proving to be far more nimble and creative than lawmakers envisioned, so employees will be worse off than if Obamacare had not been enacted. Query: Now would you vote to repeal a law that so blatantly discriminates against the poor, young, women, and those of color? •

Another Man's Opinion

In Desperate Need of Becoming a More Peaceful, Respectful Society

By Cristian Vasquez

Usually this space is used to support some piece of legislation proposed by the Democratic Party, but this time I would rather reflect on another tragedy that has struck our nation – the Navy Yard shooting in Washington. While news anchors, politicians and expert pundits hammer away at how this proves that we need gun control, or how we should have more access to guns, the tragedy of it all is once again lost in political rhetoric.

The reality is more than a dozen families have had their lives altered forever. Whether Aaron Alexis suffered from mental illness, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) or any other mental condition that might have led him to commit these acts, there are several things that we should be reminded of through this tragedy.

For one, as a nation, we must become more effective at treating people with mental health issues. Whether from birth or because of a traumatic experience, people afflicted with mental health issues need the resources to help them overcome their conditions and not just cope with it.

Second, we need to stop stigmatizing people with mental conditions. The shame associated with mental illness or similar conditions many times keeps the person afflicted from seeking help. The ridicule or lack of credibility given to people suffering from such conditions, especially from the people they know, is a major reason that treatment is not sought. As a society we have to start treating these individuals with compassion, in addition to

making the resources for treatment available.

Compassion and respect alone won't eliminate the violent acts committed by people like the Navy Yard shooter, or the Fort Hood shooter back in 2009. However, we have become so desensitized as a society that we have come to accept these incidents as tragic, random events that just happen. I don't have a solution as to how to avoid these tragedies from happening. Nor do I have a plan that could possibly prevent such acts of violence. What I do know is that when we begin to treat mental illnesses with more seriousness, when we stop stigmatizing people afflicted with mental illness and when we become more compassionate and respectful toward other people, maybe then we will see fewer violent outbursts that cost so many people their lives.

This is not an issue that we can throw money at to fix. It isn't a problem that enhanced policing, stricter gun laws or more access to gun laws will eliminate. We have to treat these ill human beings as patients.

A friend of mine posted something interesting on his Facebook that got me thinking about this issue:

"If terrorists kills a massive amount of people, we will dump billions of dollars into preventing future attacks –but if a mentally ill person does it, everyone is all, 'Hey what can you do?'"

There is a lot we can do, and it all begins with proper treatment, respect and compassion for those afflicted. If we do that, maybe, just maybe, we will no longer have to mourn the loss of innocent lives because of another mass shooting. •

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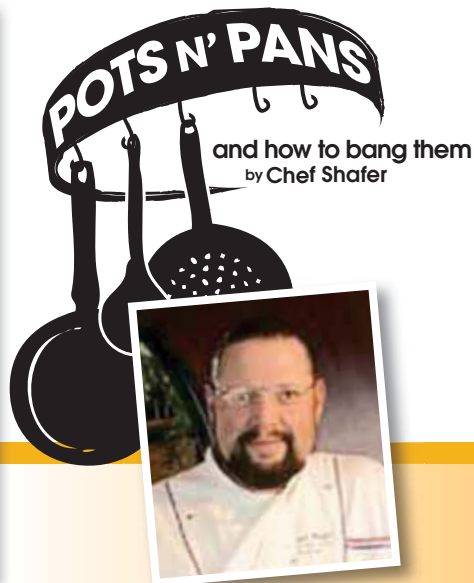
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 2 cups BBQ sauce - Use your favorite
 1 to cups chicken broth to keep it moist
 Salt and pepper to taste
 Garnish
 Lots of cheese
 Soft rolls or tortillas
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In a large, hot sauce pan, sauté the onions in the oil for 2 to 3 minutes or until golden brown

Add the chili powder and coriander and stir together for 30 seconds

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Spartans Start the Year Slumping

By Adam Serrao

Ever since the 2010-'11 season, wins have been relatively hard to come by for the South High Spartans. Maybe it's still a hangover from their six-point loss to Lompoc in that year's championship game that head coach Joshua Waybright and his team is still dealing with today. Maybe the Spartans are just having trouble finding the right players for their system. Whatever the true reason is, however, the Spartans have had trouble in the near past getting wins. Coming off of a losing season last year, the Spartans have unfortunately picked up where they left off. After losing the last three games of the season last year, the Spartans have come out bland this year once

he also showed what he could do on defense while returning an interception for a touchdown as well. In the first half alone, Costa used that interception and more to score 19 points off of turnovers only. Needless to say, it was a long night for the Spartans en route to their eventual 60-7 nonleague loss on the night.

Despite the beating, South High and coach Waybright remain optimistic. "Playing as great an opponent as Mira Costa, hopefully, is going to make us better come league," Waybright said. "We ran into a great team tonight." The Spartans will run into another team playing great football this week when they take on their inner-city rivals, the West High Warriors. After that, there is one game left against a



Tight end Spencer Kovacs (Torrance #88) sprints towards the end zone for Torrance's first score in their game against Palos Verdes Peninsula. Photos by Dirk Dewachter Photography.

again. Perhaps no game was a better indicator of that than last Friday night's contest at Mira Costa. South High managed just one touchdown all night long as it watched the Mustangs run away with the easy victory to send the Spartans record to 0-3 to start the season.

If the Spartans thought that their Pioneer League schedule was already tough enough, they have also been scheduled to play many of the Bay League teams before their own league play gets started in one week. One of those tough Bay League teams happens to be the Mira Costa Mustangs. The Spartans learned that first hand last Friday night as they watched Harrison Morrow run all over the field in Manhattan Beach. Morrow not only scored touchdowns on four straight possessions, but

tough Palos Verdes Peninsula team before league play finally begins for South High. The one bright spot of the game for the Spartans (0-3) was Brandon Chavez, who rushed for a team-high 83 yards on 14 carries. The Spartans and Waybright will hope to ride him to their first victory of the season next week as they take on West.

West High

The West High Warriors are making their case to be the best team in the city of Torrance this year. Undefeated so far this season, the Warriors kept their winning streak going last Friday night in their home opener as they shellacked the El Segundo Eagles by a final score of 49-0. So far, in just three games so

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First to Clinch

By Adam Serrao

They certainly didn't make it look easy, but after a rough month of September in which the Dodgers lost 10 of 15 games, they have become the first team in all of baseball to clinch a playoff spot. Magic? Maybe so. After being 9.5 games out of first place in June, the Boys in Blue have rallied on an epic comeback trail that landed them in no other city than Arizona, where last Thursday afternoon they finally tore down the door to the playoffs for the first time since the Mannywood and Joe Torre era. With hopes that this time around will be more successful than the last, manager Don Mattingly and company will begin preparations for their first round opponent, whoever that may turn out to be. The team that hasn't won a championship in 25 years is ready to make a splash in this year's postseason. As Chavez Ravine prepares itself to become packed with fans as it hosts an atmosphere that will indeed be more wild than any that the 51-year-old stadium has ever experienced,

pull themselves from out of the depths of baseball to within games of becoming the league's very best team. "We're a veteran ballclub," Gonzalez said. "We understand it's not how you start--it's how you finish." Gonzalez, certainly speaking in terms of just this season, is clearly correct. But in the grand scheme of things, his statement rings true as well. With a new ownership group taking over the brand of the Dodgers beginning on May 1 of last year, the entire organization has been turned upside down. Or maybe right side up, if you will. A team that was headed absolutely nowhere, that was more known for its raucous fans than its play on the field, that had lost almost an entire fan base that has been statistically known as the most loyal fan base in baseball history, started in the gutter and now, as Gonzalez says, is looking to finish high on top.

A World Series victory won't come easily, though. The Dodgers have many things to worry about before the playoffs even get started. Primarily, Mattingly has to manage

"One thing that is clear about these Los Angeles Dodgers is that when healthy, they are clearly a team that is built for the postseason."

Dodger fans everywhere believe that this year's team may be as good as any that the city has ever seen.

There wasn't one dry spot in the visitors' locker room at Arizona's Chase Field after the conclusion of the game last Thursday afternoon. As champagne flowed, echoes of laughter and hilarity traveled down the hallways and team chemistry built even more so, Mattingly stood in the background and watched as his team celebrated the achievements of a successful season. "I'm a guy that doesn't show a lot of emotion," Mattingly explained. "I really try to keep it kind of even. But this is a great accomplishment for these guys. We put a great team together and big payroll with huge expectations. A lot of times that falls apart and it had a chance to fall apart during the season, I thought." Many critics of the Dodgers' triumphs express the fact that with a payroll so large (\$214 million-plus on opening day), the team has only done what it was expected to do from the start so far. It won't take long to realize, however, that those who like to rain on the parade can simply look back to four months ago and watch a Los Angeles Lakers' team that shared the same city, exorbitant payroll and expectations fail miserably. Not all teams that put a bunch of All-Stars on the roster succeed. In fact, oftentimes they do not. This roster, however, is full of a different kind of player.

The types of players that comprise this team are ones who can begin the season with a horrific record of 30-42, sending them to the very bottom of their division in dead last place, and yet still not give up. These types of players, with Yasiel Puig, Hanley Ramirez and Adrian Gonzalez, put together a 58-23 record since then (including their horrible September), including an epic 42-8 run, to

the team in such a way that he keeps them healthy, yet warm enough to pick up right where it left off come game one of the National League playoffs. The Dodgers have already been battling health problems with the likes of Ramirez, Matt Kemp and Carl Crawford, just to name a few. There is no question that in order to make a deep run into the playoffs and to even reach the World Series, Mattingly will need his entire squad healthy and ready to go. The Dodgers' record of late is also somewhat of a cause for concern. Sure, they've had first place in the NL West comfortably in hand for some time now, but the team has been making mistakes and losing games at a pace that is almost similar to that of the team that began the year in last place. Though these last few games no longer matter in the standings, the Dodgers should be looking to get hot in order to bring an intense momentum with themselves into the tournament.

One thing that is clear about these Los Angeles Dodgers is that when healthy, they are clearly a team that is built for the postseason. It includes a pitching staff that statistically has the best one, two and three punch in the league; a lineup that is similar to any "murderers' row" that the Yankees have ever put forth; and a bullpen that has completely turned itself around and, aside from a few stray sheep, is lights out, to say the least. Once the stakes become higher and it is time to play real playoff baseball, Dodger fans everywhere should be happy with the product that they will see on the field. Until that time comes, appreciate the year that this team has put together and don't hesitate to look forward to these Los Angeles Dodgers making a splash in the playoffs similar to the one that they all made into the outfield pool in Arizona after clinching the West title. •

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far this season, the Warriors have outscored their opponents by a 131-22 margin.



David Aros (Torrance #4) takes a hand-off upfield from the backfield against Palos Verdes Peninsula.

The Warriors have their no-huddle offense clicking on all cylinders, as starting quarterback Zach Heeger used it to its full potential all night long, leading his team to a 36-0 advantage at the half. Heeger and the Warriors scored on each of their first four possessions of the game, as he went 19-24 on the night for two touchdowns and a total of 206 yards. Another bright spot on offense for the Warriors has been starting

running back Brett Ojiyi. Ojiyi, carrying the ball only 13 times on the night, finished with 103 yards and three touchdowns to help his team on its way to the rout of the Eagles. The Warriors will bring their fast-paced offense to South High this week looking to stay undefeated and keep the Spartans without a victory.

Torrance High

The Torrance Tartars are another Torrance team, like the Spartans, still looking for their first victory of the young season. After a disappointing loss to Banning in the season opener, the Tartars were rolled over by the Warriors before losing to Palos Verdes Peninsula in a close game last Friday night at Zamperini Stadium by a final score of 25-22.

The Tartars hung in the game early on despite getting scored on with a 54-yard touchdown run to begin the game by Peninsula's Rory Hubbard. Torrance came right back, however, as starting quarterback Gabe Gonslaves hit Spencer Kovacs for a 32-yard touchdown. Hubbard answered right back, though, galloping for a 67-yard touchdown score on the very next possession



Peninsula's Tobi Ibraheem (Peninsula #5) reaches for David Aros (Torrance #4) for a short gain.

to put Peninsula up 13-7. Hubbard rushed for 199 yards in the first half to help his team to a 22-14 lead at the break. Torrance tried to come back in the third quarter, driving 68 yards on 13 plays for a touchdown and two-point conversion to cut the lead to 25-22--but unfortunately, neither team could get anything going in the fourth quarter and that's where the final score stood. The Tartars will look for their first win of the season this week as they take on Leuzinger before starting league play against the Spartans on October 11.

North High

The North High Saxons are quickly beginning to turn their season around. After a rough two losses to start the season, the Saxons rolled over Leuzinger last week by a final score of 61-0 and then trounced Bishop Montgomery at home by a final score of 56-6. The Pioneer League has had trouble with the Bay League from top to bottom. The Saxons' two losses on the season have come against Peninsula and Redondo, both in the Bay League. North

will really be tested this week as it takes on its cross-town rivals, the Bay League's West High Warriors. The Saxons will either keep their winning ways rolling with a three-game winning streak or West will remain undefeated on the year. •



Sean Luna (Torrance #5) intercepts a long Palos Verdes Peninsula pass intended for Jason Burr (Peninsula #7) in the third quarter.



Tyree Harris (Torrance #8) is tackled by Mike Pettis (Peninsula #75) as he emerges from the backfield in a non conference game at Torrance High School. Peninsula held off Torrance 25-22.



The Torrance Tartan and Palos Verdes Peninsula Panther captains observe the head referee perform the coin toss at the start of their game. Photos by Dirk Dewachter Photography.

TerriAnn in Torrance

Oktoberfest is Here

By TerriAnn Ferren

According to the *Old Farmer's Almanac*, fall began on September 22 at 1:44 p.m. West Coast time. We have officially entered the last season before winter. October will be here before we know it, and the Southern California version of fall begins. That crisp air in the morning with the coolness blowing off the ocean sweeps across Torrance and reminds us that cooler weather and shorter days are coming.

Oktoberfest is a festival that began in Bavaria on October 17, 1810 to celebrate the royal wedding of Crown Prince Ludwig I and Princess Therese of Saxe-Hildburghausen. Originally, a horserace was held in their honor. A few years later, the horserace was said to have been replaced by beer carts and a festival atmosphere. City officials decided *Oktoberfest* would be held for 16 days instead of one. Seeing as everyone enjoys a party, it is no surprise the tradition continues to this day all over the world. Even here in Torrance, we have our own version of *Oktoberfest* nearby at Alpine Village.

My neighbor Frank Buchwald lived in Germany for nine years with his wife Beverly. Maybe he would have time to tell me what *Oktoberfest* was like in Germany. Luckily, Frank agreed to speak with me and share his memories. I was excited because I had never asked him about his time living abroad.

Frank and Beverly left for Germany in 1984. He began by telling me that *Oktoberfest* in Germany begins the last week in September and goes through the first week in October.

"My wife was a schoolteacher for the Department of Defense, so we decided to go to Europe [Germany] so she could finish up her time before retirement," Frank began. "Prior to that, I was in the Air Force."

Then he told me he served as a Colonel in the Air Force, entering the service in 1953 right after college. He served for 30 years as an environmental engineer. The Buckwalds first settled in Badkreuznach, Germany – a town of 40,000 people located 100 kilometers southwest of Frankfurt, which was near Beverly's school. Frank told me he didn't speak German, but he took 20 semester hours of the language at the university level and learned. He got to the point where he was quite fluent in German.

"Actually," Frank told me, "my goal was to read German because there is a lot of very good German literature. There are a lot of famous authors and as happens with most languages, you lose a lot in translation – so I wanted to be able to read it as they wrote it."

Frank and Beverly went to every single *Oktoberfest* while living in Germany. Frank

told me *Oktoberfest* is called "Wiesen" in Germany. To begin *Oktoberfest*, there was a parade with big beer wagons representing the different breweries. The parade would end at

A yearly commemorative beer stein is always issued, and Frank said Beverly bought one each year they attended. I asked where they dance (since you can't dance on the tables)

Frank. He told me some bands were made up of brewery workers.

One of the funniest things Frank said was, "They get up and do what Americans call the 'chicken dance,' which is interesting because that song is called *Derententanz* – which means 'duck dance.' Somehow, over the years, Americans called it the chicken dance, which the Germans think is hilarious because if you think the way you do it – you wiggle your backside – a duck does that, not a chicken!" With this, Frank made me laugh.

But it isn't all about the beer. Apparently, it is customary to roast a whole ox on a spit. Really? There are also several other "delicacies" like pig knuckles (which is really a ham hock), and one of the traditions is to take radishes and cut them in long spirals and eat them sprinkled with salt. Frank also told me each of the tents was set up by a specific beer company.

"There is one tent that serves wine – nobody is in that tent," Frank said. I found that interesting because there are so many vineyards on the hills alongside the Danube.

After hearing all about *Oktoberfest* in Germany, I am looking forward to finding a place to check out the festivities for our own Southern California *Oktoberfest* to usher in the fall and say goodbye to summer.

Beverly passed a few years ago and I miss her a lot, but visiting with Frank brought back memories of special times the two of them shared. He shared with me memories of attending *Oktoberfest* with his wife and sharing those not only helped me understand this festival, but glean a bit more of that sparkle that is Beverly Buchwald. •



Frank Buchwald's collection of 9 German beer steins.

the festival grounds where the mayor of the town would draw the first beer and declare *Oktoberfest* open.

"It is like a big fair and interestingly enough, the local people don't go to it because there are so many foreigners," Frank said. "It is rare when you see somebody local. The Germans prefer a festival in Stuttgart called Cannstatterfest – it's not as big as *Oktoberfest*, but what we would do – there are massive beer tents and the [oompah] band plays right in the middle of it. They're people all around. It is hard to find a place to sit, so we would ask one of the waitresses to find us a seat. We always sat with German people so I could practice my German."

It has a big carnival and a festival atmosphere. Usually, Frank and Beverly would take a bus to the festival because like anything that large, parking is scarce. Frank shared with me that there are rules at *Oktoberfest* that state what you can and cannot do.

"You cannot dance on the tables – that will get you thrown out quicker than anything," Frank said. "You can't steal the beer mugs – there is a big, hefty fine. They'll sell you the beer mugs. As happens when people drink too much, it tends to get into problems. They have people patrolling all the time. If somebody drops out, they come along and grab 'em, put 'em on a stretcher and they take them away to an infirmary to have them sober up."

and Frank told me they don't dance. That is a surprise to me because I would want to stand up and polka! He said that the oompah music is great and the people sing, sway and swing their beer mugs around. I can imagine that one. Alongside the grounds is a big carnival where most of the children spend the day. They are not allowed into the tents.

"We didn't go so much for the beer as for the music because it was happy music," said



The pewter tops are also decorated. Photos by TerriAnn Ferren.

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Karma was found as a stray in a box at a church near death. Yet miraculously six days later, she was up and playing with toys as a puppy should. As she healed and her coat grew back with treatment for her mange, more and more of Karma's sweet and loving personality emerged. Knowing she had been rescued and given another chance, Karma is enjoying the life she was meant to have with her new family. Life is good and with her new life came a new name:

"Hi! Karma has a new name – Tory. We absolutely love Tory! She seems to be adjusting very well. She is sleeping in her crate at night and she sleeps all through the night. She is very good about doing her business outside and has only had one accident. She is doing well at my mom's house and gets along well with my mom's dogs and seems to be having fun with them. She is eating well. So far, there have not been any issues--she is such a good pup! I will definitely keep you posted and let

were unable to locate his owners (another plea to please microchip your pets). T-bone is a

very sweet and loving little pup--a perfect addition for your family. He is neutered, current on vaccinations, de-wormed, microchipped, great with children and all other dogs and is cat friendly.

Shadow is a beautiful nine-month-old, tri-colored Dachshund/Wirehaired Terrier mix. She is such a sweet little gal and a really great puppy. Shadow is passive, quiet and great with other dogs her size. She was surrendered to a local emergency clinic as a small puppy with Parvo. The emergency clinic kept her, made her better and then we agreed to take her in to find her a forever home. Shadow is an active, healthy, happy, no-issue pup that will make a great addition to any family situation. Shadow is spayed, current on vaccinations, de-wormed, microchipped and good with other dogs and with children.

To learn more about these and other wonderful dogs, visit our website at www.animalsrule.org. If a dog is on our website, it's available. Or come to our Saturday adoption events from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 305 North Harbor Blvd. in San Pedro (just off the 110 near the cruise port). We are always in need of donations for veterinarian bills and our senior dogs. Donations can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to: Animals Rule Placement Foundation at 305 North Harbor Blvd., San Pedro, CA 90731. All donations are tax-deductible. We are a registered 501©3 non-profit organization.

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you know if we have any questions. Thank you so much for everything. We are so happy to have Tory." – **Jen and Jeremy**

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Fern is a beautiful, petite black kitten with big, round, green eyes that look right into your heart. She is a very sweet, but a reserved kitty, having started out in life on the wrong side of the hill. Fern is very playful and charges around the house with her brother Terrance and the other foster kittens in the house. She is a striking kitten with short, shiny, silky, black fur, expressive eyes and dainty, slender paws. Fern likes to play with toys and will carry them around in her mouth. She also likes to climb the cat tree and play in her little cube toy with the other cats. Fern is not really a lap cat at this time – she is more independent and just needs someone to take time to talk to her and pet her. She is quite playful and will keep you entertained with her antics. Fern would like to be adopted into a home with her brother Terrance or into a home that has another friendly cat or kitten for companionship.

Terrance is a playful, loving kitten with lots of energy and personality. He plays hard



Terrance

and loves to chase his toys and carry them in his mouth like his sister. He likes to run up the cat trees and always finds the treats that his foster mom has hidden somewhere on the post or around the house for – Terrance

Dr. Greg Perrault

September 28 is World Rabies Day. Rabies is a virus that attacks the nervous system. Virtually 100 percent of those infected with rabies who do not receive a vaccine will die. Rabies illness includes rapidly progressing central nervous system symptoms such as anxiety, difficulty swallowing and seizures. Rabies is transmitted in the saliva from a bite by an infected individual. As many as 50,000 people still die each year world wide due to rabies. We can attribute the United States' relatively low incidence of human rabies in part to the excellent surveillance and prophylaxis of rabies vaccines in our pets and domesticated animals.

In the early part of the 20th century there were hundreds of cases of reported rabid animals, including dogs, in the United States.

Los Angeles saw its first confirmed animal case of rabies in 1898. In response to this case, Los Angeles passed a law that all dogs must be muzzled in public. In 1899 the first human case of human rabies death was confirmed in Los Angeles. The man lived in Pasadena and was bitten in the face by his dog.

In 1906, another rabies outbreak occurred. A rabid dog bit several other animals including horses, hogs, and other dogs, and, finally, biting a man before it was caught, and rabies was confirmed. The dogs that were bitten were immediately destroyed and the other animals were quarantined. Some of the quarantined

has never met a treat he didn't like. He is a loving little boy who enjoys attention and



Fern

will follow you around the house. When you sit down, he will stretch up on your leg so that you can pick him up and nuzzle his head and pet him. Then he will curl up contentedly on your warm lap and purr. Terrance would like to be adopted into a home with his sister Fern, but if that's not possible he needs a home that already has another kitty for companionship.

These kittens/cats are available for adoption through Kitten Rescue, one of the largest cat rescue groups in Southern California. All of our kitties are spayed/neutered, microchipped, tested for FeLV and FIV, de-wormed and current on their vaccinations. For additional information and to see our other kitties, please check our website at www.kittenrescue.org, or email us at mail@kittenrescue.org. Your tax-deductible donations for the rescue and care of our cats and kittens can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to Kitten Rescue, 914 Westwood Boulevard, #583, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

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

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animals eventually developed signs of rabies and were euthanized. In 1885, Emile Roux and Louis Pasteur had developed a new type of treatment called a vaccine. Luckily for the man, he was given the vaccine and survived.

There were several more outbreaks in the early 1900's. Rabies cases continued to climb and in 1937, there were 1730 confirmed cases of canine rabies and three human deaths due to rabies in Los Angeles County.

A rabies vaccine was eventually developed for dogs and in 1956, Los Angeles required rabies vaccination of all dogs in the county as a prerequisite to licensing.

After the vaccine requirement was instituted, rabies cases declined dramatically, and is considered a rare occurrence in our pets these days. However, rabies is endemic in our wildlife. There have been 28 cases of rabid bats in Los Angeles County so far in 2013. Our local wildlife, especially bats, continues to harbor the virus and can be an ongoing source of rabies for our pets and for us.

The reason we don't see outbreaks in our domestic animals is mainly due to dedicated pet owners maintaining current rabies vaccines in their pets. With your help, we can keep the rabies virus in check and continue our country's excellent success in controlling this deadly disease.

Dr. Greg Perrault owns and operates Cats & Dogs Animal Hospital in Long Beach. •

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Police Reports

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to damage her vehicle if she doesn't pay him.

Burglary-Residential: 3200 BLOCK 187TH PL. Suspect(s) cuts screen, enters partially open window, takes check and cashes same.

Burglary-Auto: 1900 BLOCK 190TH ST. Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes CDL, bank card, paperwork.

September 2

Theft: 3500 BLOCK CARSON ST. Suspect(s) takes unattended property from location/cell phone.

Burglary-Auto: 2500 BLOCK MARICOPA ST. Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means, ransacks and takes purse, paperwork.

Battery-Simple: 4000 BLOCK 226TH ST. Suspect bites, scratches, punches and spits on victim.

Theft: 3300 BLOCK LOMITA BLVD. Suspect(s) takes property from unattended

stroller/ wallet.

September 1

Burglary-Residential: 18200 BLOCK ROSLIN AVE. Suspect(s) enters residence by unknown means, but flees when victim returns home/unknown if property loss at time of report.

Burglary-Auto: 2000 BLOCK MARTINA AVE. Suspect(s) enters possibly unlocked vehicle, ransacks/no loss.

Burglary-Residential: 23900 BLOCK ANZA AVE. Suspect(s) enters residence by unknown means and takes cell phone.

Vandalism: 2000 BLOCK SANTA FE AVE. Suspect tags sign at location.

Vandalism: 26000 BLOCK CALMHILL DR. Suspect(s) etches victim's vehicle's paint, cuts upholstery, bends gas cap cover, scratches off registration sticker and takes rear-view mirror. •

WEEKLY CROSSWORD See Answers Next Week

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ACROSS

- 1. Handouts
- 5. Tyson, for one
- 10. Mouselike animal
- 14. Lender's protection
- 15. Honey badger
- 16. Caddie's offering
- 17. Gay Talese's "___ the Sons"
- 18. Character
- 19. Divide
- 20. Fundamental
- 23. Apprehend
- 24. Ottoman governor
- 25. Bird ___
- 26. ___ shirt (colorful garment)
- 28. High-hatter
- 30. Datebook abbr.
- 33. Resinous deposit
- 34. Lou Gehrig, on the diamond
- 35. Insect stage
- 36. Building materials
- 40. Lie in the sun
- 41. Food sticker
- 42. Deface
- 43. A Welsh valley
- 44. Ethereal
- 45. Indian nursemaids

48. It's found in banks

- 49. Cooler
- 51. Day break
- 52. Emblem on defunct flag
- 58. Wind up on stage?
- 59. Independent chieftains
- 60. Brook
- 61. Droppings
- 62. Andrea Doria's domain
- 63. Carbon compound
- 64. Greek portico
- 65. Opponent
- 66. Selves

DOWN

- 1. She has a degree
- 2. One-dimensional
- 3. Organic process
- 4. Priggish one
- 5. Davit
- 6. Robust
- 7. Crowning
- 8. Kind of pad
- 9. Political aims
- 10. Connoisseurship
- 11. It comes in black and white
- 12. Kind of wolf

13. Purposes

- 21. Sternward
- 22. Vatican vestment
- 27. Ward-heeler
- 28. Hell's Angel Barger
- 29. Art subject
- 30. Surpassing
- 31. Busy bee in Apr.
- 32. Blacken
- 34. Worth a C
- 35. Beseech
- 36. "Monty Python" ailer
- 37. Cold and wet
- 38. Ship section
- 39. Muscat resident
- 44. It often follows you
- 46. "Go, hounds!"
- 47. Bewitches
- 48. Alpha's opposite
- 49. Storage medium
- 50. Examine
- 52. Bricklayers' equipment
- 53. Adjoin
- 54. Pre-stereo
- 55. Last word?
- 56. Emergency CB channel
- 57. Algonquian Indian

Last Week's Answers

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Each Sudoku puzzle consists of a 9x9 grid that has been subdivided into nine smaller grids of 3x3 squares. To solve the puzzle each row, column and box must contain each of the numbers 1 to 9.



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Real Estate

What's Your Home's Price Tag Now?

(BPT) - As the housing market bounces back in many parts of the country, you may be wondering: What's my home worth now?

There's actually more than one answer, according to Scott Halliwell, a certified financial planner at USAA. He says your home has three potentially very different price tags based on its:

1. Market value
2. Replacement value
3. Property tax value

"Since different values can be used for different reasons, it's important to understand when each applies," Halliwell says, adding that some of these values may move in different directions at the same time.

Market Value

This is the amount homes in your area are bought and sold for. It's the measure most folks think of when they try to estimate their home's worth or value. Determined in part by the going rate for similar houses in your city and neighborhood, market value is not based on what you paid for the home or how much it cost you to finish out the basement, reroof or remodel the kitchen. Many intangibles factor into this figure.

Understanding the market value helps you calculate your total net worth and how much equity you have in your home. To calculate equity, subtract the amount you owe on your home from its market value: That's about how much profit you could receive from a sale.

To strengthen your negotiating position with potential buyers, get an accurate idea of your home's market value. A real estate agent can tell you the selling prices of similar homes in your area, helping you set reasonable expectations.

"If your area is in a buyer's market, your home's market value may be lower than you'd like. You might not have as much leverage



against a buyer who wants to negotiate, so you need to know where you're starting," Halliwell says.

Even if you're planning to stay in your home, market value matters when taking out a home equity line of credit or home equity loan. For example, you may be planning a kitchen remodel and need \$40,000, or you want to

tap your equity to help pay your kids' college tuition. Depending on your creditworthiness, many lenders will allow you to borrow up

to 85 percent of your home's value, less any mortgage or other equity loan on that property.

Replacement Value

If your home is completely destroyed because of, say, a fire or natural disaster, replacement cost is what it would take to remove debris and rebuild the structure from the ground up based on construction costs in your area.

"Our philosophy, which is backed by years of experience, is that homes should be insured for 100 percent of the minimum estimated replacement cost," says Cedric Matterson, a senior staff underwriter with USAA. Unless your insurance covers replacement costs, he says, you run the risk of coming up short if the costs to rebuild your home are more than your coverage will pay.

As building costs go up, homeowners insurance can shield you from rising building costs.

"It's very possible to see local building costs increase while market values decline," Halliwell says. "This can lead to a situation where you actually need more dwelling coverage, despite seeing your home's value drop."

Property Tax Value

This is the number taxing authorities use to calculate your property tax bill. A given home may be taxed by more than one jurisdiction - hospital and school districts, for example - and each may apply its own math.

Typically, property tax values are meant to approximate the home's market value, though sometimes there's a big discrepancy between the two because of outdated assessments or mistakes by assessors. An accurate property tax valuation ensures your tax bill isn't too low or too high and helps to ensure that your entire tax burden is understood.

If the property tax value of your home exceeds the market value, consider contesting the value with your taxing authority. And be aware that certain actions on your part, such as remodeling, could cause a reassessment and result in a larger tax bill. •

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