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Friday Sunny 81°/62°







Sunday Sunny 81°/60°



Special Recognition Ceremony for Men and Women in Uniform



Sunrider International in Torrance was the site of the Sept. 20 "Tribute To American Heroes" ceremony which gave special recognition to men and women in uniform. Included was a formal lunch and award presentation to members of the U.S. Army, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Navy, U.S. Air Force, Bob Hope Hollywood USO, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles County Fire Department, Los Angeles City Fire Department and U.S. Astronauts. Assemblyman Al Muratsuchi was present to introduce former NASA Astronaut Dr. Garrett Reisman, who is a resident of Torrance and gave the keynote speech. The Harbor City Harbor Gateway Chamber of Commerce presented the program, and the award presentations were made by Major General Ret. Peter Gravett, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, California. Chef Geo and the Culinary Club of Los Angeles Harbor College provided the gourmet lunch buffet. Pictured left to right are Assemblyman, 66th District Al Muratsuchi, Astronaut Dr. Garrett Reisman, U.S. Army Major Justin Babcock, Secretary of Veterans Affairs Major General Ret. Peter Gravett and Master of Ceremonies Lou Baglietto. Photo by Van Ha, Los Angeles AFB •

No New Clothing Donation Bins in the City of Torrance

By Dylan Little

The Torrance city council approved a 45day moratorium on new unattended donation collection bins during the Council's October 1 meeting. The moratorium won't remove existing collection bins, but will give the Council and city staff time to come up with rules to govern the increasing number of bins.

These unattended clothing and textile donation bins have been causing consternation with some Torrance residents concerned about blight. The city is also concerned as none of bins have gone through the permit process, in fact Council members aren't even sure how many bins are in the city. Mayor Frank Scotto asked city staff to look into a moratorium on the bins during last week's Council meeting to allow the city to address the issue.

"This is a new anomaly for the city of Torrance that we didn't have a year ago," Scotto said. "A year ago, we probably couldn't find 10 bins like this in the city. But now we know there's a huge number of them, and they seem to be increasing as we speak. The moratorium just give us the window of time so we can put together an action plan."

That action plan isn't necessarily an outright ban. Planning Manager Gregg Lodan said neighboring cities have come up with a variety of ways to manage the bins.

"Some of them regulate them with administrative permit, which is a staff level permit with a minor fee," Lodan said. "Some cities do require them to obtain a conditional-use permit, through that process they have to meet development standards and performance standards in order to allow them to be placed in the city. Other cities prohibit them outright."

What Torrance's eventual solution will look

guidelines in its recycling bin ordinance and requires bin operators to obtain a conditional use permit. Only one company filed an application for a permit, which was denied, but the trend of unattended donation boxes isn't receding. Lodan said the city is working with

property owners to remove bins that lack a conditional use permit, and some property owners were unaware that bins had be placed on their property.

"We've had shopping centers that wanted to update their architecture and through that pro-

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TerriAnn in Torrance

We Are All Artists

We are all artists. I read that statement on a piece of art and although I scoffed at the notion when I first read it, I have come to believe it is true. Every single person has a talent--the trick is finding that particular talent. Walking among us in Torrance and the other South Bay cities are artists galore. Some use oil or acrylic paint, and some use watercolor, but all of them have a passion for their art. Useful art, practical art, art that soothes the senses or changes the world must be first imagined in a person's heart. Maybe art flows from a meeting between the heart and the mind. Books are filled with hypotheses of how someone creates a work of art, whether it's a simple chair or a glorious sculpture. Often, I have seen artists portrayed in movies painting on canvases with a flourish only equaled to that of a conductor leading a large orchestra. I always think of Simon Rattle before the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra.

Right now, the Torrance Art Museum is

By TerriAnn Ferren seeking applications for the Annual South Bay Focus Exhibition. This exhibition will be held in conjunction with the South Bay Watercolor Society and the Torrance Artists Guild. Artists must reside in the South Bay and have their applications in by Saturday, Oct. 12, 2013. This will be a juried exhibition. That means the art hung will be selected by a judge. This year, the juror is James MacDevitt, the curator at Cerritos College Gallery. The art exhibit will run from Nov. 23 until Dec. 21. If you are an artist and would like to submit your art for judging to be part of the exhibition, just access www.torranceartmuseum.com for all the information. You must live in the South Bay or have a current membership in either the Torrance Artist's Guild or the South Bay Watercolor Society. Frankly, send in those art entries!

> Today I spoke with Max Presneill, museum curator of the Torrance Art Museum, to find out more about this

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<u>Calendar</u>

· Partners in Policing Community Awareness: 6-8:30 p.m. Torrance Police Station, 3300 Civic Center Dr. For information, call (310) 618-5529.

Friday, October 11

· Peninsula Seniors' Annual Fashion Show: 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Doubletree, 21333 Hawthorne Blvd. For information, call (310) 377-3003.

Saturday, October 12

• A Tribute to the King: 8 p.m. Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive. For information, call (310) 781-7171.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 13

- · South Coast Cactus & Succulent Society Meeting: 1:30 p.m. South Coast Botanic Garden, 26300 Crenshaw Blvd.
 - The Depot Restaurant 18th Annual Hal-

loween Ball: 4-9 p.m. 1250 Cabrillo Ave. For tickets, call (310) 328-0276 ext. 202.

Wednesday, October 16

· Calif. Retired Teacher's Association, Division 46: 11:30 a.m. Hometown Buffet, 3520 W. Carson St. For information, call (310) 375-2492.

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: Until October 9. CSU Dominguez Hills, 1000. E Victoria St. For information, call (310) 243-3334.
- 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. •

DI Roma Cucina Ribbon Cutting

DI Roma Cucina, located at 23863 Hawthorne Blvd., celebrated a full-house ribbon cutting and party for its grand opening on Sept. 18. Specializing in Italian salads, gourmet sandwiches, pastas, pizzas and desserts like tiramisu, family and friends and other guests were treated to an impressive array of food and other refreshments. For additional info, call (310) 378-9999 or www.diromacucina.com.



Di Roma Cucina Owner Jessica Shippy is surrounded by her family (left to right) Kyle, Alex and Nicole Nahabedian at the grand opening celebration.



The ribbon cutting ceremony drew family and supporters, including Former Torrance Mayor Dan Walker, Mayor Frank Scotto, Councilman Tom Brewer, Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce Board Chair Sherry Kramer and TACC President & CEO



(L to R) Christine Karageuzian and Ashley Brahm congratulate DI Roma Cucina Owner Jessica Shippy at her restaurant opening.

The Depot's 18th Annual Halloween Ball will Benefit **Special Needs Children**

The 18th Annual Halloween Ball, sponsored by Toyota Motor Sales, USA, Inc., will be attended by over 700 costumed guests and will feature Chef Shafer's dinner buffet, hosted martini bar, live music, a costume contest, and both live and silent auctions. All proceeds go to support Pediatric Therapy Network's programs and services for children with special needs and developmental delays. Tickets are \$125 per person or become a table host for \$1500. The evening will also feature an exciting opportunity drawing for a chance to win an exotic trip to Tahiti for two.

Pediatric Therapy Network (PTN) is honored to be the beneficiary of The Depot's 18th Annual Halloween Ball hosted by Chef Michael Shafer of The Depot and Buffalo Fire Department restaurants. PTN is excited to announce that this year's Halloween Ball will feature a live performance by Dez Duron from NBC's hit show, "The Voice." Dez was a top-8 finalist on season 3 of "The Voice" and is currently taking time off from Yale University to pursue his lifelong dream of music. The Ball will take place on Sunday, October 13, 2013 from 4 to 9pm in front of the Depot Restaurant at 1250 Cabrillo Ave in Torrance under a ghostly white tent.

Teams of Auction **Experts Back on the Hunt** for Bigger Profits

Let's get ready to rumble! Auction specialists Billy "The Dealer" Leroy," Mark "The Hustler" Meyer, and Laurence & Sally Martin - "The Wild Cards," are back for a new season of Travel Channel's original series "Baggage Battles" premiering with back-to-back episodes on Tuesday, October 15 at 9:00 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. ET/PT. In season three, the popular weekly half-hour series continues to give viewers a glimpse into the very profitable business of bidding, buying and reselling of unclaimed items from auctions around the world including airport, freight and shipping, estate, police and seizure, and specialty auctions. The stakes are higher for the expert teams of savvy buyers who still don't know if it's junk or jackpot until they win the bid. •

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<u>Community Briefs</u>

California Coastal Cleanup Day at Torrance Beach



Coastal Cleanup Day Captain Sunny Lai (left) and City of Torrance Councilman Tom Brewer welcomed participants to the 2013 California Coastal Cleanup Day at Torrance Beach. The event captains included Sunny Lai, Cyndy Rosell and Jeff Kidd from the City of Torrance. For info on future events, please go to: www.healthebay.org.



Peninsula High School volunteers included (left to right) Daniel Cervantes, Brian Le, Matt Fairchild, Bryce Golida and Donald Morton.



3-year-old Lucas Polo takes a break after doing his share to clean up Torrance Beach as part of the California Coastal Cleanup Day.



The South Bay Junior Women's Club volunteers, still looking glamorous after a full morning's work cleaning the beach, pose at the end of their shift.

Torrance Girl Scouts Meet Mayor Frank Scotto

Mayor Frank Scotto met with members of brownie troop 16185, second and third graders from Seaside Elementary School, to talk







about what it takes to be a great leader and the value of service to our community. Troop Leader Adela Estrada Lai was recognized by the City for her service, as well.

Mayor Scotto told the girls that in order to be a leader, they must always do their best, and said that a future mayor or president may even be in the troop. "If someone told me in third grade that I would be mayor of Torrance, I would never have believed them," Scotto said. •

City Council

owners to have them removed," Lodan said. "We've found out that some property owners aren't aware that they've been placed on their property and have not permitted them to have them located on their private property. We've sent letters to property owners and tenants to encourage them to remove [bins] or get them to enter the permit process."

The potential moratorium brought out representatives of three textile-recycling operations -- Planet Aid, Angel Bins and USAgain. All three textile recyclers brought forth sample ordinances for the Council to consider. Peter Kelly spoke on behalf of Planet Aid, a non-profit that collects 50 thousand tons of clothing a year. He supported the moratorium, and hoped to reach an agreement to allow textile recycling to continue with city oversight.

"We understand the city's desire to impose a 45 day moratorium on approving new bin placement and we do not oppose that," Kelly said. "Moving forward we favor your conscientious review of smart regulation of donation collection facilities. It is our goal that we can

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cess we've been able to encourage the property partner with the city and deliberate over the best approach making this decision. We support a variety of approaches to regulate bins while still allowing non-profits and the people they serve to benefit from textile recycling."

> Several representatives from the Southern Los Angeles Country branch of Goodwill spoke in opposition to the unmanned bins. Chief operating officer Julie Dover said the bins create a possibility for hazardous conditions when people dispose of paint, batteries and other toxic waste, while Carl Kemp, another representative for Goodwill called them "mobile blight magnets." CEO of Southern Los Angeles County Goodwill Janet McCarthy touted the benefits of having employees handle donations and explained why her organization doesn't run unattended drop off locations.

> "We currently do not have bins in the city and we current don't have attended donation center in the city, which we do have in a couple of other cities," McCarthy said. "Personally, we don't believe in the bin system. We would only operate . . . with an attendant there because

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A Student's Perspective Police Reports

The Most Important 800 Words of My Life

By Glen Abalayan, **Torrance High Student**

College apps are here and on top of filling out resumes and receiving recommendation letters, most applicants will also submit essays and personal statements. The prompts for these essays are broad and ask students what separates them from the rest of the applicants. Most students see this section as the most difficult in the entire college application process because of how they have to consolidate 18 years of life into an essay with 800 words or less. For a class bred into writing essays reflecting on the actions

It's ironic how difficult it is for the "Igeneration" to write an essay about themselves. It's even more ironic how the same generation, which boasts about their interesting lives on social media, stumbles when the prompt asks for a personal event that shaped their individuality.

The admissions essay is definitely timeconsuming. There's a reason why college applications are open for months. A successful essay usually goes through at least three revisions before it is sent to the college. It's a certainty that the essay worthy for admissions counselors will be miles ahead

"The admissions essay truly will be the most important 800 words a student will write so far. For a simple introspective question, it's startling how much power a simple essay can have in the great road to acceptance."

of other people, it is ironically difficult for students to write about themselves.

Perhaps it is the essay's pure importance in any college application that makes writing it so difficult. In the very competitive applications process, the essay may be the one piece that vaults one applicant over another and gets him or her accepted to a university of choice. When the stakes are this high, a simple essay has suddenly become the final barrier a student must overcome before seeing their dream come into fruition. This fact makes students feel as if their future depends on the few hundred words they decide to write. Unfortunately, the need for students to have the perfect essay sometimes results in them not submitting one at all.

from the first draft. The fact that most essays require a gauntlet of revisions makes dedicating enough time for the essay of the utmost importance.

The admissions essay truly will be the most important 800 words a student will write so far. For a simple introspective question, it's startling how much power a simple essay can have in the great road to acceptance. The essay can be what puts an aspiring applicant over someone else and, on the contrary, can also place an applicant below another. The amount of power 800 words holds to a student's future is staggering, which makes it crucial for students to dedicate time on the essay to ensure that it will put them closer to realizing their dream. •

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.

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Auto Theft-All: 2800 BLOCK 182ND ST. Stolen vehicle: '95 Honda Accord

Vandalism: 2700 BLOCK SKYPARK DR. Suspect(s) scratches victim's vehicle's paint Theft: 600 BLOCK PASEO DE LA PLAYA. Suspect(s) takes secured property from parking garage/ bicycles

Burglary-Auto: 200 BLOCK VIA LOS ALTOS Suspect(s) enters unlocked vehicle and takes property/ wallet

Auto Theft-All: 3700 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD Stolen vehicle: '95 Acura Integra

Burglary-Residential: 23200 BLOCK JUNIPER AVE Suspect(s) smashes rear sliding glass door for entry and ransacks/ unknown loss at time of report

Burglary-Auto: 4200 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD. Suspect(s) defeats door lock by unknown means and takes property/ camera, cell phone, wallet, backpacks, laptop, sunglasses

September 20

Burglary-Residential: 2400 BLOCK 234TH ST Suspect(s) removes screen, enters open window for entry, but flees without taking any property when detected by victim inside residence

Theft: 2500 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD. Suspect(s) takes unattended property from location/ purse.

Auto Theft-All: SARTORI AVE & EL PRADO AVE. Stolen vehicle: '09 Toyota Camry

Burglary-Commercial: 24000 BLOCK MADISON ST Suspect(s) enters business via open window, ransacks and takes property/ cash, coins

Burglary-Auto: 1800 BLOCK DEL AMO BLVD Suspect(s) enters unlocked vehicle and takes property/ blazer, jacket

September 19

Theft: 22000 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD: Suspect(s) takes property from employer during course of employment/ cell phones, tablets, cell phone cases

Theft: 2700 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY. Suspect(s) cuts lock securing property to pole and takes same/ bicvcle

Burglary-Residential: 100 BLOCK VIA RIVIERA Suspect(s) enters residence by unknown means and takes property/jewelry, cash

Burglary-Residential: 1900 BLOCK 237TH ST Suspect(s) enters residence by unknown means and takes property/ duffel, laptop, MP3, electronic scales, wallets, cologne

Burglary-Residential: 1900 BLOCK 235TH ST Suspect(s) removes screen, forces open window, ransacks and takes property/ cash, laptop, cell phone, pillowcases

Auto Theft-All: 2800 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY. Stolen vehicle: '04 Infiniti G35

Burglary-Commercial: 4400 BLOCK TORRANCE BLVD Suspect(s) pries open door for entry, pries open jukebox and takes See Police, page 10

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Politically Speaking

One Man's Opinion

By Gerry Chong

OMG! OMG! Or as they used to say, "pre-tweeters" – Oh my God! The scientific Chicken Littles have given us the bad news. We 'gonna' die! Of course, the day of reckoning is a little ways off--between 1.75 and 3.25 billion years away--but that doesn't change the fact that we are doomed. Scientists in Australia, the U.K. and the U.S. seem to agree that the Earth today is in a comfort zone that supports life. But in about 2.25 billion years, that won't be the case. Earth will become too hot to support life, so we should start preparing our great, great, etc, grandkids to meet their maker.

Moreover, our predicted death will be a long and painful one. As published in the Washington Post on Sept. 24, overheating of the Earth will cause "evaporation of water from the Earth's oceans. Once this begins, an irreversible feedback takes place where high temperatures lead to humidity, which leads to higher temperatures and more evaporation, etc."

So take that, Al Gore. The oceans won't rise. They'll evaporate and Atlantis will rise up again.

With the death of the planet moving so rapidly and inexorably, President Barack Obama has decided to not approve the building of the Keystone pipeline so the life of the planet can be extended for, oh, I don't know, maybe several decades. Whoopee.

The president's decision to end the construction of all coal-fired electrical power plants would extend Earth's life a while

longer, too. But this is a cost/benefit analysis of the first order. Since 40 percent of our electrical power is derived from coal-fired plants, their elimination would extend Earth's life by some measure, but will cause the demise of our economy. Hmm. That means today's jobholder might want fossil fuel-fired electrical plants for a while longer yet, but those born in about 2.25 billion years might object. I wonder whom should we satisfy?

As for alternative sources of renewable power, since they provide only three percent of today's energy, perhaps they can come online sometime within the next two billion years, but too far out in the future to save our economy from returning to one of wandering tribes of desert nomads (perhaps Palestinians are Earth's futurists).

As for our scientific geniuses, they suggest we study further a planet named Gliese 581d, which has had an extremely long habitable life--eight billion years and still counting. But if things go badly for Earth, Mars would be the next best bet for us to colonize, since it will stay in the habitable zone until the sun dies in about six billion years.

"Mars would be a great place to watch the Sun go through its death throes," say the geniuses. No mention was made of what life on Mars would be like *after* the Sun dies (uh, oh).

Now, since we've been told Earth's future, stop your fossil fuel burning. Lower your standard of living. Stop driving. Stop flying. Stop air conditioning your home. Prepare your will – and most importantly, pray for rain.

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Another Man's Opinion

Senate Rules Must be Fixed

By Cristian Vasquez

Last week, we saw Texas Senator Ted Cruz rally for 21 hours against government funding of the controversial Obamacare. The senator's opposition to the Affordable Care Act was the unifying factor between Cruz and a group of Tea Party conservatives committed to blocking all Senate considerations dedicated to spending legislation. With Democratic Majority Leader Harry Reid making it clear that his caucus would remove any provision that defunded Obamacare, Cruz went on his Senate floor rant. So what's the problem? Cruz's next action was voting "yes," along with 99 other senators, to move ahead with the spending plan.

Cruz lacked support for his tactics. Not even Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky supported the Texas senator. Other influential Senate veterans such as John McCain and Bob Corker of Tennessee agreed to this hypocritical shenanigan.

In the end, the rare 100-0 vote from the Senate on a procedural step signifies that the spending measure will avert a partial government shutdown next week. It will now be amended by Senate Democrats, hence restoring funding for President Barack Obama's Affordable Care Act, which had been eliminated by House Republicans. I do not question nor condemn Senator Cruz for his beliefs or commitment to small government. It is his view and I respected it because to a certain degree, I agree with the senator. What I do not agree with and will not accept is any elected official wasting an entire day of the legislative process and defending his or her position and ideals based on political rhetoric, only to have him or her vote against their own position. It is already hard enough for Congress to get anything done, and with shenanigans like the ones Senator Cruz pulled, we will only see our already slow elected officials move at a slower pace. •

From the Source

Political Q & A

By Assembly Fact Sheet

Assemblymember Muratsuchi Applauds Governor Brown's Decision to Sign AB 754, Coastal Contribution Check-off Bill

Assemblymember Muratsuchi (D – Torrance) released the following statement on Wednesday, September 23:

"I am pleased that Governor Brown signed my Assembly Bill 754 which helps support coastal conservation, coastal education and outreach programs. AB 754 creates the Protect Our Coast and Oceans tax donation checkoff box for the Coastal Commission's grant programs that support efforts like Adopt-A-Beach. This legislation is a step in the right direction to protect our coast without raising taxes by giving taxpayers an opportunity to donate their tax returns to support successful programs and preserve our coasts without impacting the state's general fund." This law becomes effective January 1, 2014.

Summary

AB 754 would allow Californians that file a state income tax return to make a contribution to support coastal conservation and coastal education and outreach programs.

Background

The California Coastal Commission's Whale Tail License Plate was established as a mechanism through which the public can contribute funds to coastal and marine education programs in California. A portion of the funds are distributed pursuant to the California Vehicles Code 5067 to the Coastal

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Need for the Bill

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SPOPES

Up and Adam

Spartans Run Into Warriors' Brick Wall

By Adam Serrao

Whenever two teams from the same city get together, you're usually going to get a good matchup. The West High Warriors and the South High Spartans, though not in the same league, have been inner city rivals for as long as anyone can remember. To highlight just how heated their series has been of late, in the last four years each team has won two games apiece. This year

quarter alone, the running back rushed for 84 yards and two touchdowns before Holt sat him for the rest of the game with a total of four touchdowns and 154 yards on just 16 carries.

Ojiyi wasn't the only one producing, though. West's starting quarterback Zach Heeger efficiently went 9-for-13 on the night for 107 yards and a touchdown. Heeger also ran for 55 yards on six carries, including a 26-yard

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was going to be the tiebreaker. The Warriors made a point to make sure that the tiebreaker was going to be decided heavily in their favor. In a game that was pretty much decided after the first quarter, it became evident that one team came to play and the other simply looked intimidated the entire time. Last Friday night at South High, the Warriors used their rushing attack to show the Spartans that they owned the inner city rivalry, at least for this year, and left that night with a 48-13 road victory.

As if the Warriors hadn't proven themselves in their first three games of the season, they came out against South High to not only improve their record to 4-0, but to also create an identity for themselves that would hopefully take them to the playoffs and beyond. That identity started with junior running back Bretty Ojiyi. Ojiyi has been brilliant all season long, but it wasn't until last Friday night at South High that the entire game had been planned for his usage. Ojiyi didn't let head coach Greg Holt down. Starting things off early midway through the first quarter, Ojiyi went to work for the first time, taking the ball in from five yards out to score the first points of the game and give the Warriors a lead they wouldn't lose all game long. "I knew I had to step it up," Ojiyi said. He did so again at the start of the second quarter, pushing the ball into the end zone to give West a 21-0 lead before the half.

The Spartans attempted to get something going just before the half, as they went on a monster drive with four minutes remaining in the second quarter to get their first points of the game on the board. After the halftime talks, though, it was back to being all West High's game. Leading 21-7, Ojiyi scored on the Warriors' first two possessions of the half to immediately regain momentum and break the game wide open for good with an upbeat tempo. "The key to our offense is tempo," Ojiyi explained. "This was a good win for us." The first of Ojiyi's two touchdowns scored in the third quarter went for 15 yards out, while he ran the other in from 45 yards out. In the third

touchdown run, leading the quarterback to say, "Between the two of us [Ojiyi included], we have a two-headed monster. Teams will have to plan on how to stop both of us."

The next team in line that will have to try to formulate that plan and send West to its first loss of the season is a North High squad that is coming off a bye week after getting its first victory of the season at home against Bishop Montgomery. The Spartans will take on yet another Bay League foe as they face off against Palos Verdes Peninsula.

Torrance High

The Torrance Tartars were determined last Friday night at Zamperini Stadium and it showed. After three disappointing losses in their first three games of the season, whoever their next opponent was going to be was going to get the short end of the stick if it were up to head coach Rock Hollis and his team. Unfortunately, for Leuzinger, it was the next opponent and never really had a chance from the start. Hollis and the Tartars were finally able to get themselves into the win column as they took it to the Olympians and came away with a 56-6 victory to turn their season around.

The Tartars went to their running game and head back Bobby Wilson to get the victory. Wilson got the team going in the first quarter when he scored three touchdowns to get the Tartars out to a giant lead. If you think three touchdowns in just one quarter is a lot, Torrance wound up putting six on the board before the first 12 minutes ticked off the clock. Those 42 first quarter points were all that Torrance and Wilson would need to cap off the victory almost as soon as the game got started. Believe it or not, Wilson only rushed the ball eight times for 68 yards before he and the rest of the starters were pulled for the reserves. The Tartars will attempt to keep their newly found winning ways alive this week as they take on Inglewood before they get started off in league play.

North High

Bye Week •

'49ers Searching For Gold

By Adam Serrao

Just when you thought that the San Francisco '49ers 2013-14 football season was taking a turn for the worse, and the team was on its way to becoming next in the line of tragic Super Bowl losers, they turned everything around with just one game. In what appeared to be the team's first crisis in quite some time, the Niners lost two games in a row to two playoff contending teams in consecutive weeks--and lost them badly. Starting quarterback Colin Kaepernick looked dismal, to say the least, failing to throw even one passing touchdown in their two-loss stretch while accumulating only 277 yards passing in the same amount of time. Running back Frank Gore wasn't used to his full potential and was almost reduced to a relative non-factor. Combine that with injuries to their passing game and coach Jim Harbaugh, as well as San Francisco fans everywhere, had every reason to begin panicking. Last Thursday night at the Edward Jones Dome in St. Louis, however, the '49ers showed flashes of why they should be considered among the league's elite teams. With their 35-11 beat-down of the Rams, it became clear that Harbaugh and company needed to lose something first before they at once gained it all back.

The 49ers entered last week's game with injuries mounting, a losing streak swelling, a quarterback struggling and a star defensive player (Aldon Smith) battling alcohol issues. The team exited the game with what now seems to be a bright future in front of them

NFL is not to be one-dimensional. Opposing defenses will key in on that and cripple the offense almost immediately. As starting tight end Vernon Davis explained, last week the '49ers showed that they are anything but onedimensional. "We showed today that it's not just about Colin Kaepernick or who's playing wide receiver for us. You can't forget about people like Frank Gore, our other running backs, people like Anthony Dixon," Davis said. "We have a good core of guys there and it's good to utilize them. It's important to let people know we still have other weapons too." Perhaps what's most important is that the coaching staff recognizes that too. It took two horrible losses, one to a divisional opponent and assumed Super Bowl contender (Seattle Seahawks), for Harbaugh and offensive coordinator Greg Roman to realize that Gore should be more heavily utilized in the offense. Gore reportedly even had some "choice words" for Harbaugh on the sideline as the waning seconds ticked off the clock in their last loss to the Indianapolis Colts. Now, however, it all seems to be paying off as Gore (153 yards, 20 carries, one TD), Harbaugh and the '49ers look to be clicking on all cylinders, especially on offense after their week four 24-point victory.

If the '49ers want to gain any sort of continued success, they must first remember what got them there in the first place in recent years past--a dedication to gritty defense, a spirited running game, amazing special teams and a resourcefulness that is almost

"The team exited the game with what now seems to be a bright future in front of them after a victory that may just have boosted every player on the team's confidence."

after a victory that may just have boosted every player on the team's confidence. What the '49ers gained after controlling the game against the Rams was a sense of identity. They didn't just go to St. Louis and beat up a weaker opponent like all of their fans think they should easily be able to do, but they found themselves in the process. The way that San Francisco reached the Super Bowl last season was by combining a bruising offensive line with a ground-and-pound rushing game headed by Gore to simply tire out their opponents. When Gore wasn't toting the rock, Kaepernick was flaunting his gazellelike running ability while Michael Crabtree would occasionally find ways to open himself up in the end zone. Crabtree has turned into Anquan Boldin, Gore rushed for 153 yards and a touchdown, and Kaepernick got back on the board throwing for two touchdowns.

The key to success for any team in the

unmatched. Kaepernick without a doubt is resourceful and he simply must produce. Unless the quarterback is working together with the running game and his receivers, the '49ers simply can't win against the better teams in the NFL. The victory over the St. Louis Rams was a great one and it undoubtedly returned the team a sense of identity that had otherwise been lost. The road is far from over for Harbaugh and company. The Seahawks aren't their only tough competition in the division. If San Francisco wishes to make it back to the Super Bowl for the second time in as many years, they're going to first have to go through teams like the Falcons, Saints, Packers and Bears. The '49ers will have to find a way to build on last week's win and carry their revitalized energy forward--but for now, with just one win, it seems as if they can include themselves in that pack of great NFC teams once again. •





SPORTS 1

North Girls' Volleyball Prevails

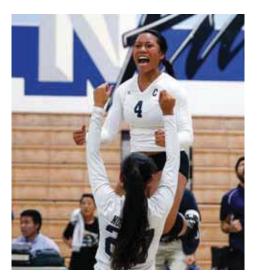
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The Peninsula Panthers were first to take charge by two points at last week's game against the North High Saxons. North bounced back in the second from a six-point deficit to win and take charge from thereon.

North won the match 3-1 in sets behind outstanding play by Senior Team Captain Sabryn Roberts. The team play in games two through four was attributed to a momentum shift with North players exuberant on every victorious play. •



A jubilent North bench erupts after the game-two victory.



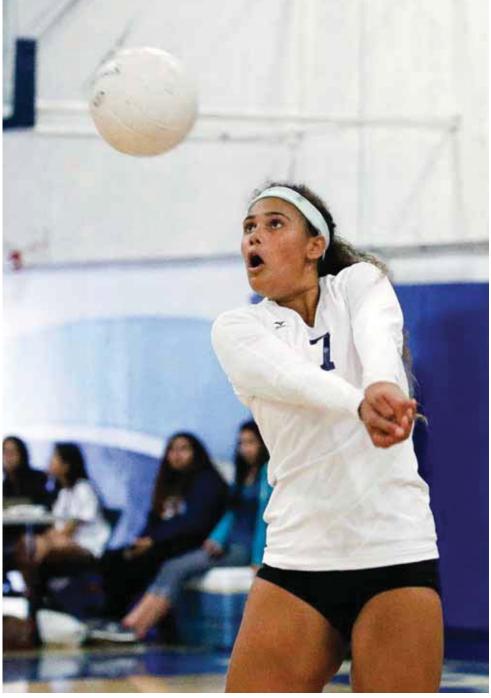
Captain Sabryn Roberts jumps for joy after scoring game point in game two.



Harley Kekauoha sets the ball.



North's Micah Hammond fires the ball for a kill against Peninsula.



Sophia Matheney passes the ball to a teammate.

TerriAnn in Torrance

upcoming-juried exhibition. I asked Max exactly what an acceptable submission is--and what is not--and he said, "It can be paintings, sculptures - the things it can't be are graphics, can't be mass-produced, [must be] made within the last couple of years. There are no size restrictions. We don't accept any kind of commercial work. If you live and work within the South Bay as defined by the Yellow Pages--the zip codes-and the juror is always selected from outside." You may submit up to two pieces to be judged and if your art is selected, it will hang in the gallery. "The Torrance Artist's Guild and the Torrance Watercolor Society act as partners on this event," Max continued. "They [the selected artists] have one day to drop off all work and it is documented by members of the guilds [Artists Guild and Watercolor Society]. The museum hangs the lights and does everything else, and at the end, we have a day to pick it up and that process is taken care of by the groups."

This is the third year the Annual South Bay Focus Exhibition has been held where it includes the entire South Bay. By casting



"I Am An Artist" by Ronnie Kovic

a wider net, more artists are involved and the level of variety increases immensely. I asked Max if he is ever surprised by the entries and he told me, "There are always surprises. Always. There is always an artist I am not aware of that is really good, and there is always works by someone I might have met. That is really good. Just unexpected things--that is always true. There are always gems in there. We take in about 60 [pieces], but it depends upon scale."

I asked Max if he ever had a huge painting or sculpture, and he told me about one sculpture of sponges that wasn't heavy but was huge-five feet across and seven feet high. They do not have size restrictions. On the submission form, it states you must submit your art online for review in a jpeg form along with the fee



by Oct. 12. The only rule is if you are going to submit a piece of sculpture, you must bring your own pedestal. Sounds fair.

"In terms of the quality of the show, it's really strong and it's varied and it's a good show to be in--for a juried show," Max said. "We take pride in making sure it's not just run-of-the-mill. We take care of it in terms of lighting, the hanging...all the installation work is done as good as we can. So it is taken very seriously. We don't ask for resumes, we don't ask for background. It is entirely based on the artwork. If you are a famous artist and it's not such a good piece, it won't get in."

This particular show is open to all artists. Max did tell me the only thing they don't do is accept craft items because it is too wide of a field and they can't cover it all. Max gave me a sneak peek of what is coming up at the Torrance Art Museum. On Saturday, Oct. 26 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., a one-night-only show called Mas Attack 2 will feature over 100 emerging and established artists from all over Southern California. Artists are "recommended" for the exhibit, which makes it fun. Just think - if you are recommended, at least one person likes your art! The artist must bring his or her work to the museum, attend the event and then remove his or her work afterward. "The idea is not so much about the artwork so much as it is about a gathering of artists to build community and to have them meet each other. Get them in the same room and meet," Max added. This will be the biggest event of the year. At the same time, another event that will only last two weeks (Oct. 26 through Nov. 9) opens. Sur Biennial II will be in the smaller gallery and the lobby area.

"This is the second Sur which focuses on art from Mexico, Central and South America as a way for young Hispanic kids and upcoming artists to recognize the business," Max said. "It is possible [for them] to be involved in this level of art and show what they can do. We decided to take part in that with Cerritos and Rio Hondo [colleges]. Rio Hondo is actually organizing it. [It's] a small group of artists. I think we are showing eight,"

Interestingly enough, MAS stand for "mutual appreciation society" and was started by Max Presneill. It's where artists appreciate each other and invite each other to a very unique show. I thought that was one of the most generous ideas I ever heard from an artist. "We do firstcome, first-hung," Max said. Can you imagine how much art will be displayed? What fun that night will be!

After that very interesting chat with Max Presneill, I spent time with Janene Ferguson, cultural services supervisor, to find out more about the Annual South Bay Focus Exhibition.

"I think definitely there will be very

an art piece. They were just as artistic in their compositions as the artists," she said. Janene thinks that would be a great idea today and I agree. How wonderful would it be to see the art of a gardener or florist alongside that of a painter or sculptor?

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Talking with Janene, I learned that this particular show has been held for a long time in one form or another. There are artists among us. Pick up a pencil, brush, a lump of clay, or even some marble, and try your hand at art. You never know what you might discover about yourself. Check online for information on submissions for the upcoming exhibition. The Torrance Art Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and located at 3320 Civic Center Drive. Admission is free.

One more thing - a few years ago, I did a piece called "The Green Flash" (that special and rare burst of green immediately after the sun sets over the ocean) in art pens on a

"We are all artists. I read that statement on a piece of art and although I scoffed at the notion when I first read it, I have come to believe it is true. Every single person has a talent – the trick is finding that particular talent."

professional artists that will end up submitting work and the juror ends up selecting it and someone that was out of your radar--didn't even know they were from the area and it sort of instigates and triggers the opportunity to get in touch with them," Janene said. "There was a time when the South Bay Watercolor Society would invite the Riviera Garden Club to come in and those members who chose to would do a floral composition that would complement

thick paper. I didn't think much of what I had drawn. The sky was blue and the green flash was bursting from the horizon and looked to me like what I had heard the green flash looks like. I did nothing with the piece and forgot about it. Weeks later, I was surprised to receive that same picture framed! I was shocked and my friend who gave me the piece said, "You are an artist." I really don't think so, but to him, maybe I am. •



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Flanagan

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Crystal

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Libert



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Police Reports

property/ cash

September 18

Burglary-Residential: 18900 BLOCK CORDARY AVE Suspect(s) removes screen, from page 3

enters open window and takes property/game consoles, games, MP3

Vandalism: 2200 BLOCK ARTESIA BLVD Suspect(s) kicks victim's vehicle, denting same •

City Council

from page 2

of the environmental concerns. Having an attendant there is also putting someone to work. It's also putting eyes and ears in the area and often times they clean up the parking lot in the area."

The Council voted in favor of the moratorium unanimously. Still, Scotto wanted to be clear that the approval doesn't mean the city is looking to ban the bins, only that city staff and the Council would like more control to prevent issues with the bins.

"There are a multitude of problems with this issue," Scotto said. "I don't want people to be mislead and think that any statements made up here means we're going to outlaw bins. Until this item comes back we don't know which direction this is going to go." •



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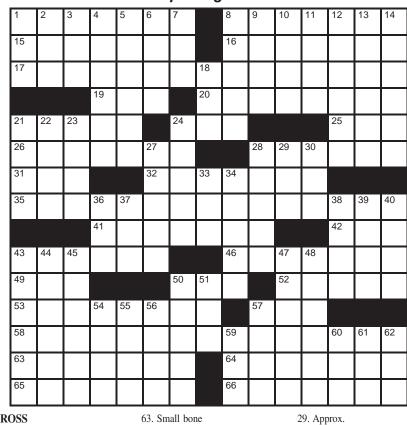
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35. Two-floor dwelling unit

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3. Any doctrine

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11. Delight

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14. Spectacles

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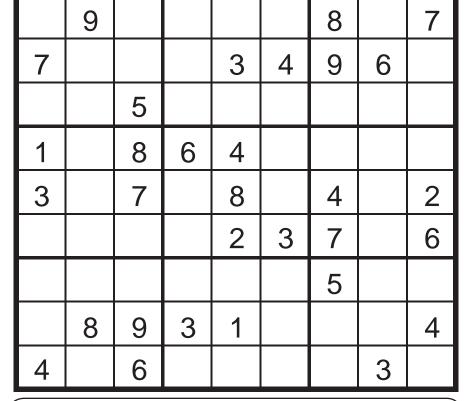
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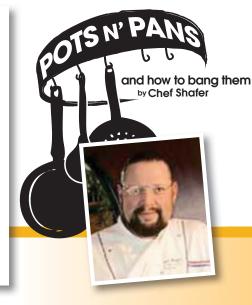
SUDOKU Medium



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.

The other night, I was watching TV and saw a commercial for some soup company that had a football player's mom serving him cheese burger soup. I thought, "That must be a strange concoction." But after reflection, I thought, "I love cheeseburgers," and I took on the challenge to make the best cheeseburger soup.





Bacon Cheeseburger and Fries Soup



- 2 pounds ground beef
- 1 large onion, diced
- 2 large russet potatoes, diced
- 6 cups cheddar cheese sauce or nacho cheese sauce
- 4 cups chicken broth
- 3 pints heavy cream
- $\frac{1}{2}$ pound of bacon, cooked and diced Salt and pepper to taste
- 4 hamburger buns cut into cubes, then toasted in the oven with a little salt pepper and a drizzle of olive oil Garnish

Diced tomatoes and chopped green onions can be used to top the soup

Brown the ground beef in a pot. Then, strain the fat.

Add the onions and potatoes and cook for 2 minutes with the beef.

Add the cheese sauce, cream and broth. Bring to a boil.

Simmer 'til the potatoes are tender, 10 -15 minutes.

Add bacon, season to taste and serve. Have fun!

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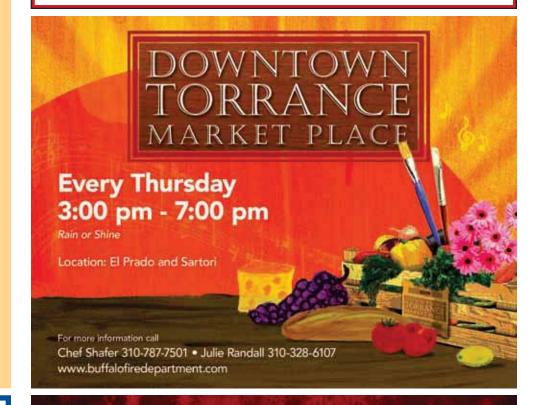
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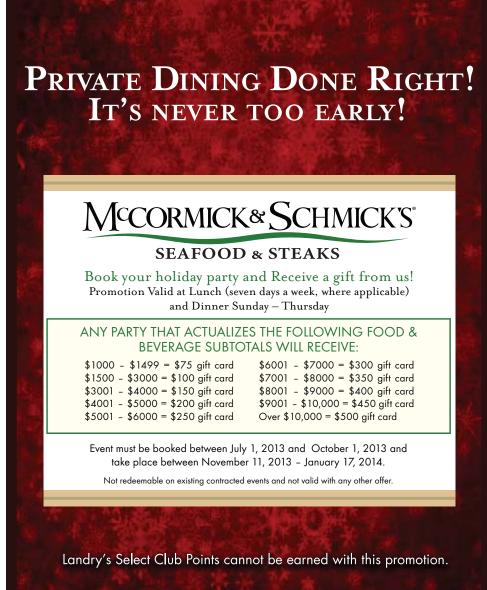
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Renovation Loans Give Homebuyers an Edge

(BPT) - Just a year ago, homebuyers could choose from a bounty of properties on the market. Today things are starkly different. In many locations throughout the United States, inventory of homes for sale is at historic lows, creating a seller's market where multiple buyers get into bidding wars over move-in-ready homes.

"Move-in-ready homes may be selling like hotcakes, but older homes or damaged properties are often passed over," says Margaret Kelly, CEO with RE/MAX. "This is a big opportunity for smart buyers who are willing to overlook cosmetic or other imperfections."

If buyers can look beyond aesthetic characteristics like paint color, hardware and floor coverings, they may discover a diamond in the rough, especially if the home is in the neighborhood where they prefer to live. For example, if they like the overall design of a particular home, but the kitchen is straight out of the '70s and the deck needs major repairs, a renovation loan can help them purchase the property while upgrading the kitchen and outdoor space exactly how they want them.

"Many homebuyers are surprised you don't need a ton of money in the bank to fund improvements," explains Kelly. "A special type of loan called a renovation loan is ideal for these types of homes because it covers both the cost of the mortgage and repairs."

Renovation loans can also help buyers who want to purchase in a particular neighborhood where most home prices exceed their budget. Properties that need work are typically listed at a lower cost and often go unsold, creating

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improvements. Buyers can use a renovation loan to get into the neighborhood of their dreams, quickly build equity and customize a home to their personal preferences.

Several variations of renovation loans are available. FHA renovation loans are called

203(k) loans. How much money you want to borrow and the kinds of improvements you plan to make will determine which of the two 203(k) types you need. Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae have their own specific types of renovation loans.

Requirements for the borrower, the

amount you can borrow, and the overall structure of the loan are different for each program. Typically, the loan is based on the estimated home value after improvements, and buyers will need to get bids from licensed contractors to help determine the total loan amount as well as a timeline for the work to be completed.

Because finding a home and getting approval of a renovation loan can be complicated, it's wise for buyers to work with a real estate specialist who has experience in these types of sales.

"A renovation loan really does give homebuyers an edge in today's competitive market," says Kelly. "It's definitely something to research and determine whether it's right for you." •

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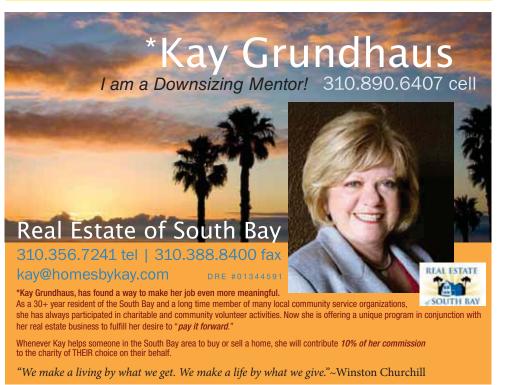
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