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U.S. Ship Patrols the Ocean



The guided-missile destroyer USS Stockdale (DDG 106) transits through the Pacific. Providing a ready force, supporting security and stability in the Indo-Asia-Pacific, William P. Lawrence is operating as part of the John C. Stennis Strike Group and Great Green Fleet on a regularly scheduled 7th Fleet deployment. U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Emiline L. M. Senn.

Council Appoints Two Workforce Investment Board Representatives

By Cristian Vasquez

A recommendation by Torrance City Manager LeRoy J. Jackson to appoint Kirk Rossberg and Glen Grindstaff to represent the City of Torrance with the South Bay Workforce Investment Network Board was approved by the mayor and city council during the July 26 council meeting.

Rossberg [owner of Torrance Bakery] and Grindstaff [from L-3 Communications] will represent the city via the two business sector seats on the South Bay Workforce Investment Board. At the moment the Board is made up of 50 members, who represent the cities of Carson, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, Lomita and Torrance.

“For the past year, efforts have been underway to realign the City of Torrance employment and training services with the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB), and to allow for continuity with the other cities in the South Bay,” states the staff report signed by Economic Development Director Fran Fulton. “The Torrance City Council voted unanimously on Sept. 9, 2014 to approve a transfer to SBWIB, and staff coordinated the request to the State of California Employment Development Department to approve the transfer.”

The EDD approves such transfers based on the policies and procedures that oversee and govern the statewide operation of Eligible Training Provider List (ETPL). Through the policies established by the Workforce Investment Act, the EDD has the authority to address all local workforce investment boards, as well as the America’s Job Center of California, and any training providers seeking to offer “services to individuals whose training is funded by the Workforce Investment Act (WIA),” states the WIA rules and procedures.

The SBWIB is dedicated to providing policy guidance that will lead to the creation of an environment conducive for individuals to fulfill their maximum career potential. In addition, the SBWIB aims to overcome all and any workforce development challenges that may arise in the cities it represents, and their respective labor pool.

“Central to this objective is collaboration among a wide range of stakeholders including business, labor, education, social services, philanthropic organizations and community-based agencies,” states the SBWIB website.

These efforts include working with the SBWIB, Inc., a 501 (c) 3, that was established in 2000 as a non-profit corporation that functions behalf of the South Bay Workforce Investment

Board. SBWIB, Inc. administers training and employment opportunities through the four One-Stop Business & Career Services centers, one of which is located in Torrance, at 1220 Engracia Ave. [Carson, Gardena and Inglewood host the other three office locations].

Serving the cities of Torrance, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach and Lomita, Torrance One-Stop offers career services such as: assessments, career counseling, computer workshops, training, career workshops, job club, Internet job search, career resource library, job placement assistance, labor market information as well as phones, faxes, computers and copiers.

Also available are business services such as: help with developing recruitment strategies, **See City Council, page 3**

Council Approves Contract for Transit CNG Modifications

By Cristian Vasquez

A unanimous vote of approval by the Torrance Mayor and City Council awarded a contract to EFS West of Valencia for Design Build Services Transit Compressed Natural Gas Garage Modifications in the amount of \$865,333, from July 19-July 18, 2017.

The approval, which took place during the July 19 council meeting, includes as 5 percent contingency in the amount of \$43,267, as well as a 10 percent project management fee [\$86,533].

“The Torrance Transit Department maintains and operates a fleet of 63 active buses,” states the staff report signed by City Manager LeRoy J. Jackson. “These

operations serve both the City and throughout various surrounding communities.”

At the moment the City of Torrance Transit Department is in the process of replacing all of its diesel-powered buses with alternate-fuel vehicles. The effort is part of an on-going Fleet Modernization program that selected to use Compressed Natural Gas [CNG], which also necessitates the retrofitting of the maintenance facility in order to allow for the onsite maintenance of the new CNG buses. With 29 CNG buses in its fleet, the Transit Department is preparing to add 24 more CNG-powered buses for a total fleet of 53.

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Weekend Forecast

Friday
Partly
Cloudy
71°/64°



Saturday
Sunny
71°/64°



Sunday
Sunny
72°/64°



Film Review

“Don’t Think Twice” Finds Both Heart and Humor in the Creative Struggle

By Ryan Rojas and Jasper Bernbaum
for www.cinemacy.com

Mike Birbiglia’s first feature, 2012’s “Sleepwalk With Me,” was one of the more interesting and promising directorial debuts of the former half of the decade. Birbiglia, who also starred in the film, buoyed the adaptation of his own stand-up routine with rare honesty and awkward charisma that made for one of the better examinations of comedy and the creative process of recent filmography. Relentlessly charming, but perhaps too slight for its own good, “Sleepwalk With Me” cemented Birbiglia as a triple threat to watch. His newest film, “Don’t Think Twice,” finds him diving deeper into the comedy world with a wider appeal, but with the same wonderful perspective of life on the outskirts from stardom intact.

Birbiglia stars as Miles, a longtime Improv

of visual confidence. While “Don’t Think Twice” does not call for anything fancy itself, there is an understated beauty and softness to the cinematography that enhances its tonal tenderness. Birbiglia, as it seems, is less concerned with cinematics and more concerned with chemistry, and the characters’ said chemistry sure does pop. While the film isn’t as particularly laugh-out-loud funny as may be expected, the dialogue is extremely punchy and in perfect tempo. Much of the humor comes not from jokes, but from very authentic, marvelously played situations. Again, Birbiglia proves he has a very keen knack for finding both heart and humor in the creative struggle. He and his cast have a rare understanding of the comedy in strife that always steers the poignant beats away from any puddle of schmaltz. For a comedian, a professional more often expressing their



(L-R) Mike Birbiglia, Tami Sagher, Keegan-Michael Key, Gillian Jacobs, Chris Gethard, and Kate Micucci in Mike Birbiglia’s “Don’t Think Twice”

101 teacher and ringleader of his mildly popular NYC improv troupe, The Commune, including the spunky Samantha (Gillian Jacobs), who has to confront the professional drive of her TV-minded boyfriend Jack (Keegan-Michael Key); the gawky Bill (Chris Gethard) who is dealing with his elder father’s waning health; Lindsay (Tami Sagher), a thirty-something stoner still living with her wealthy parents, and the quiet Allison (Kate Micucci) who is struggling to complete a graphic novel she has been working on for the better part of a decade. The Commune is both their getaway and the anchor in their anxious lives. But, after Jack gets a regular role on “Weekend Live” (an uncanny satire of “SNL”), each individual in the troupe begins to rethink their life’s trajectories and the meanings within their friend circle.

One of few disappointments of Birbiglia’s “Sleepwalk With Me” was his lack

melodramatic feelings in words, Birbiglia and his actors create drama through the emotions his characters hold in—a technique that pays off immensely in later beats.

At its surface, “Don’t Think Twice” may be about comedy, but just below the surface, one will find it is really a snapshot of a very familiar period in the lives of not only creatives, but all types of people confronting a certain kind of adulthood and responsibility. It is refreshing to find a movie that looks at showbiz—a smaller corner of showbiz, at that—and doesn’t try to satirize itself too much (which can often feel alienating to the audience). In “Don’t Think Twice,” the Improv world is the glue that holds the characters together, but it is Birbiglia’s characters and their hopes and anxieties that are the glitter that makes the film sparkle.

“Don’t Think Twice” is rated R for language and some drug use. 92 minutes. Now playing at the Landmark Theatre. •

Police Reports

Burglary-Auto 7/23/2016 4:00:00 PM
3600 BLOCK FASHION WAY

Suspect(s) pries window for entry and takes property/third row seat

Battery-Simple 7/23/2016 2:53 PM 19500
BLOCK INGLEWOOD AVE

Suspect uses his fist to punch victims

Auto Theft-All 7/23/2016 4:50:00 AM
20300 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD

Stolen vehicle: ‘07 Toyota Camry

Burglary-Auto 7/23/2016 3:50 AM PLAZA
DEL AMO & WESTERN AVE

Suspect(s) forces door handle for entry/ no loss

Battery-Simple 7/23/2016 2:20:36 AM
2200 BLOCK 171ST ST

Suspects push victim to the ground and kick him in the body and head

Burglary-Auto 7/22/2016 9:00:00 PM
3800 BLOCK MERIT PL

Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means, ransacks/unknown if property loss at time of report

Burglary-Auto 7/22/2016 9:00:00 PM
PLAZA DEL AMO & WESTERN AVE

Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means, ransacks and takes property/ backpack, jewelry, cologne, headphones, ID, sunglasses, gift cards, MP3,

paperwork

Burglary-Auto 7/22/2016 8:35:43 PM
3400 BLOCK CARSON ST

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/parcel

Burglary-Auto 7/22/2016 8:15:00 PM
21500 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/jewelry, watch, clothes, speaker

Burglary-Auto 7/22/2016 6:00:00 PM
24200 BLOCK OCEAN AVE

Suspect(s) enters unlocked vehicle and takes property/charger, cable, registration, license plates

Battery-Simple 7/22/2016 4:36:37 PM
3300 BLOCK CIVIC CENTER DR

Suspect places victim in a choke hold and punches her in the stomach

Burglary-Auto 7/22/2016 1:00:00 PM
1300 BLOCK BORDER AVE

Suspect(s) smashes vehicle window, forces open cargo container door for entry/no loss

Theft 7/22/2016 10:40:00 AM 5500
BLOCK NORTON ST

Suspect(s) takes property from front porch/ delivered parcel

Theft 7/22/2016 9:30:00 AM 3800 BLOCK
242ND ST

Suspect(s) enters possibly unsecured garage and takes property/ bicycle, lock, bell, helmet

Burglary-Auto 7/21/2016 11:30:00 PM
6100 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry, ransacks and takes property/sunglasses, cash

Burglary-Auto 7/21/2016 10:40:00 PM
3400 BLOCK DEL AMO BLVD

Suspect(s) enters unsecured vehicle, ransacks and takes property/wallet

Battery-Simple 7/21/2016 9:30 PM 18200
BLOCK VAN NESS AVE

Suspect uses a heated spoon to burn victim’s neck

Burglary-Commercial 7/21/2016 6:30:00
PM 2200 BLOCK CARSON ST

Suspect(s) enters unsecured campus buildings, damages a mural, floors, windows, books and a printer, tags walls

Auto Theft-All 7/21/2016 5:09 PM 3700
BLOCK 190TH ST

Stolen vehicle: ‘05 Chevrolet Silverado

Theft 7/21/2016 3:07 PM 2800 BLOCK
COLUMBIA ST

Suspect(s) takes property from business/ scopes

Theft 7/21/2016 2:20:00 PM 3500 BLOCK
DEL AMO BLVD

Suspect(s) takes property off of parked vehicle/ wheel, tire.

Burglary-Residential 7/21/2016 12:00:00
PM 17300 BLOCK DELIA AVE

Suspect(s) takes property from victim’s garage/motorcycle engine, parts

Theft 7/21/2016 11:30:00 AM 20800
BLOCK HIGGINS CT

Suspect(s) attempts to take wheels / tires off of parked vehicle

Burglary-Auto 7/21/2016 1:00:00 AM
23700 BLOCK WESTERN AVE

Suspect(s) takes property from bed of truck/ tools

Burglary-Auto 7/20/2016 10:58 PM 2600
BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/ wallet, backpack, laptop

Auto Theft 7/20/2016 9:30:00 PM 1800
BLOCK CARSON ST

Stolen vehicle: ‘94 Toyota Tercel

Burglary-Auto 7/20/2016 9:30:00 PM
2600 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/wallet, sunglasses

Theft 7/20/2016 9:00:00 PM 21800 BLOCK
HAWTHORNE BLVD

Suspect(s) takes unsecured property from exterior of business/plastic trays

Burglary-Auto 7/20/2016 8:30:00 PM
4200 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/purse

Burglary-Auto 7/20/2016 7:30:00 PM
18400 BLOCK VAN NESS AVE

Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/GPS, MP3, cord

Burglary-Residential 7/20/2016 9:30:00
AM 2200 BLOCK CABRILLO AVE

Suspect(s) removes screen, enters open window and takes property/computer, speaker, cell phones, blanket, cash

Theft 7/20/2016 8:40:00 AM 19800
BLOCK WESTERN AVE

Suspect(s) takes property off of parked vehicle/wheels, tires

Burglary-Residential 7/20/2016 8:30:00
AM 18300 BLOCK GLENBURN AVE

Suspect(s) pries two window screens/no entry, no loss

Theft 7/20/2016 6:00:00 AM 4100 BLOCK
TORRANCE BLVD

Suspect(s) takes property from locker in employee lounge/wallet

Theft 7/19/2016 11:30:00 PM 2700
BLOCK 175TH ST

Suspect(s) takes property off of parked vehicle/ tailgate

Theft 7/19/2016 10:00:00 PM 20700
BLOCK LADEENE ST

Suspect(s) takes unattended property/ wallet, keys

Burglary-Residential 7/19/2016 6:00:00
PM 2000 BLOCK 171ST ST

Suspect(s) smashes glass door for entry, ransacks and takes property/pillowcase, jewelry

Burglary-Auto 7/19/2016 3:30:00 PM
22000 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/backpack, suitcase

Vandalism 7/19/2016 3:00:00 PM 1300
BLOCK EL PRADO AVE

Suspect(s) scratches victim’s vehicle’s paint

Burglary-Auto 7/19/2016 2:25:00 PM
3500 BLOCK CARSON ST

Suspect(s) punches door lock for entry and takes property/third row seat

Auto Theft-All 7/19/2016 11:30:00 AM
235TH ST & CABRILLO AVE

Stolen vehicle: ‘95 Ford van

Theft 7/19/2016 8:00:00 AM 171ST ST
& ARDATH AVE

Suspect(s) takes property off of two parked vehicles/tailgates

Theft 7/19/2016 6:20:19 AM 1700 BLOCK
CARSON ST

Suspect(s) pries open vending machine and takes property/cash

Auto Theft-All 7/19/2016 5:30:00 AM
3700 BLOCK 190TH ST

Stolen vehicle: ‘00 Chevrolet Silverado

Burglary-Auto 7/18/2016 9:00:00 PM
3800 BLOCK 186TH ST

Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means, ransacks and takes property/ third row seat •



CITY OF TORRANCE TORRANCE RESIDENTS APPLICANTS SOUGHT FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSION OPENINGS

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Torrance invite citizens interested in serving their community to apply for unscheduled vacancies on the following:

Boards and Commissions
Civil Service
Traffic Commission

Applications are available in the Office of the City Clerk, 3031 Torrance Blvd., on our website www.TorranceCA.Gov or call (310) 618-2870 for further information or to request an application. To be considered for the next term, applications must be received no later than Tuesday, August 16, 2016; before 5:00 p.m. Applicants must be registered voters living in the City of Torrance and current on their Commission Certification. Applicants are responsible to schedule interviews with the Mayor and Council and provide copies of your application to them. All applications will remain active and on file in the Clerk’s office for one year. Commissioners are paid a stipend of \$10 for each meeting attended. Stipends are paid quarterly.

Rebecca Poirier
City Clerk

Finance

Summer Travel: 3 common Credit Card Myths Busted

(BPT) - As temperatures rise, so do the number of Americans planning to get away. In fact, three-fourths of consumers plan to pack their bags this summer and head out on vacation, according to recent surveys.

If you are like most, you plan to fund at least a portion of your summer travel on a

credit card. According to Experian, credit cards are used more often than cash or debit cards across all types of vacation purchases.



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“When used responsibly, a credit card can be a great way to help keep your wallet secure, reduce fees and make the most out of rewards while traveling,” says Mikel Van Cleve, director of personal financial planning with USAA Bank. “However, there are some common myths about credit cards and travel that may keep some consumers from maximizing their card’s benefits.”

Van Cleve sets the record straight about three common travel-related credit card myths:

Myth No. 1: Don’t notify your credit card company

When it comes to whether you should tell your credit card company you’re embarking on a trip, some banks say yes, others say no. Van Cleve recommends always taking the extra precaution to let your bank know where you will be traveling if it’s for more than just a quick trip, especially if you’re traveling somewhere new or overseas.

Adding travel notifications can help minimize the chances of your account being blocked or flagged for unusual activity. It will also allow your bank to better monitor your account and notify you if there is any suspicious activity while you are away.

Van Cleve explains that several banks, such as USAA Bank, allow you to skip the phone call and alert them of your travel plans through their mobile app or online account.

Myth No. 2: Foreign transaction fees are unavoidable

Most credit cards charge a fee for foreign

transactions when traveling abroad, but Van Cleve says that you do not have to settle for this added expense. Banks, like USAA, and some credit card companies have eliminated foreign transaction fees for some of their cardholders.

Van Cleve recommends checking with your card provider to see if your credit cards of-

fer no foreign transaction fees. While it may seem like a small cost to pay, he notes that these fees - which range from 1-3 percent of your purchase - can quickly add-up during a week-long trip away.

Myth No. 3: Last minute travel changes will always cost you

Nervous that your trip may get canceled last minute? In addition to zero-liability protection in the event your card is lost or stolen, Van Cleve explains that booking travel with a credit card is a smart way to protect yourself from other unpredictable events.

Some credit cards offer trip insurance and will refund you for the cancellation. For example, USAA’s VISA Signature card offers cardholders trip cancellation and interruption insurance that will reimburse you up to \$1,500 for purchases made on the card.

Before booking your trip, Van Cleve recommends familiarizing yourself with your credit card’s full range of perks. You might even be eligible for hotel upgrades, delayed baggage insurance, price protection, priority boarding, rental car discounts and more.

Disclosures:
Restrictions apply. See the USAA Credit Card Guide to Benefits.

Purchase of a product other than USAA auto or property insurance, or purchase of an insurance policy offered through the USAA Insurance Agency, does not establish eligibility for or membership in USAA property and casualty insurance companies.

Credit card program is issued by USAA Savings Bank, Member FDIC. •

Transit Modifications

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“In order for the buses to be properly maintained, the current Transit facility will require several safety retrofits to bring it up to the National Fire Protection association (NFPA) code 52 and code 30 Repair Garage Standards,” states the staff report. “The proposed project will meet current and projected CNG vehicle maintenance needs.”

The city developed and advertised a Request For Proposal [RFP] on Feb. 3 and hosted a job walk of the site on Feb. 9. By March 7, which included nine maintenance bays within the transit maintenance facility. Included in the scope of the work are fall restraints for all of the bays and two, one-ton overhead cranes. The city received three RFPs from different contractor and design groups, including: Clean Energy from Newport Beach with a \$920,000 price tag; Diversified Project Services International [DPSI] from Long Beach at a cost of \$749,000 and EFS West of Valencia [\$566,833].

The selection process for the proper RFP was based on 100-point scale that measured: the understanding of the project and scope of work and completeness [20 percent]; qualifications of proposed project team [20 percent]; relevant projects of proposed project team members [15 percent]; the firm’s qualification and experience with similar projects [15 percent]; the project schedule [10 percent]; and the cost and cost effectiveness [20 percent].

“A three person RFP evaluation panel comprised of vehicle maintenance and facility construction managers from Fleet, Torrance Transit and General Services,” states the staff report. “The evaluation team reviewed each proposal based on a 90 minute presentation from each company, written proposals and

written responses to additional clarifying questions from the initial presentations.”

EFS West was identified as the best proposal because they provided what the panel considered the most thorough methodology to remove gases at ceiling level; EFS also proposed the installation of ductwork into each ceiling pocket in every maintenance bay in order to remove gasses [the panel noted that no other vendor made such a proposal despite the existence of at least 15 pockets in each bay]. The EFS West proposal also assured completion within 130 days, in comparison to 160 and 165 days from the other two proposals. Lastly, the EFS West team has extensive experience in industrial construction, in addition to CNG maintenance facility modifications.

“EFS West has a high level of experience in similar projects in the local area, completing maintenance facility modifications in Montebello, Rancho Dominguez, City of Los Angeles (2), Long Beach, Los Angeles County MTA, San Bernardino, Newport Beach and others,” states the staff report. “The EFS option is determined to have the lowest energy cost. Exhaust fans would operate only when gas is detected.”

The staff report also stated the DPSI proposed a system that provides continuous ventilation instead of exhaust fans, which is expected to raise energy costs by \$15,000-\$30,000 a year. In addition, the panel review believed that the expanded ventilation system proposed by EFS gives the Transit Department a better value. In the 100-point evaluation scale used by the RFP panel, Clean Energy scored 77.6 percent; DPSI earned a 75 percent while EFS West garnished 91 percent. •

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Metro Briefs

SOUTH BAY

Metro Reminds You to Pay Your Fare

Each year, Metro loses hundreds of thousands of dollars to riders who don’t pay their fares. Help us keep our fares low and maintain a balanced budget by remembering to pay each time you ride a Metro bus or train. Failure to pay could result in a fine of up to \$1000. For a list of fares and to apply for a reduced fare, visit metro.net/fares.

Mobile Customer Center

Metro recently launched a mobile customer center that will provide services to seniors in underserved areas throughout LA County. Services will include intake of reduced fare applications and selling fare for TAP cards. To learn more about this program, visit metro.net/mobilecustomercenter.

Metro Bike Share Now Open

Metro launched its bike share program July 7, with up to 1000 bikes at up to 65 stations throughout Downtown Los Angeles. Bikes are available 24/7/365 and are a fast, fun and affordable way to get around. Try Metro Bike Share in the months of August and September and get half off each 30-minute ride! To learn more, visit metro.net/bikeshare.

Sign up for TAP Card Balance Protection

Give yourself peace of mind by registering your TAP card to protect its balance. In the unfortunate event that your card is lost or stolen, you can report it and your balance will be restored. To register, visit the new taptogo.net or call 866.TAPTOGO.



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City Council

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marketing/publicizing of position(s), identifying required skills/skills testing, generating qualified applicants, screening resumes and applications, prescreening applicants (interviewing), reference/background checks, referral of finalist and profiling positions.

“On March 16, 2015, the California Workforce Investment Board sent a letter to the City of Torrance and the City of Lomita, formally approving the application for the local workforce investment area modification,” indicates the staff report. “On April 7, 2015, the Torrance City Council, based on recommendations by the City Manager, adopted a resolution to become a member of the SBWIB, and also approved Amendment No. 7 to the Joint Powers Agreement of the SBWIB.”

The Joint Powers Agreement outlines the responsibilities that each member city is held accountable for when part of the South Bay Workforce Investment Area. As of July 1, 2015, the SBWIB has been managing the federal monies that have been distributed by the state in order to provide baseline-services to the City of Torrance.

“With the City of Torrance being part of the South Bay WIB, it allows for continuity with other cities in the South Bay,” concludes the staff report.

For a schedule on resources and workshops available at the One-Stop Center, persons interested can visit the website at: <http://www.southbay1stop.org/#!calendars/c1pv2> or they can call 310-680-3830. •

In order to serve on a City of Torrance Commission, a 2 hour Commission Certification Class must be completed.

The next Commission Certification Class is Offered on:
Thursday, September 15, 2016
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Nakano Theatre

Register online at:
<http://www.torranceca.gov/CommissionerCert.htm>
 Or call the City Manager’s Office at 310-618-5880

Classifieds

The deadline for Classified Ad submission and payment is Noon on Tuesday to appear in Thursday's paper. Advertisements must be submitted in writing by mail, fax or email. You may pay by cash, check, or credit card (Visa or M/C over the phone).

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2BD/1BTH Duplex, Upper, immaculate, remodeled, appliances, 8806 reading st. 945 westchester, 1850.00/month call 310-365-1481

HOUSE FOR RENT

15206 1/2 Avis Avenue, Lawndale, Ca, One bedroom, studio house \$1350.00 a month First and last

month required plus \$500.00 security deposit, One bedroom, one bath and was just fully remodeled. New carpet, paint, tile, stove, cabinets and bathroom. New front door, windows and private community court yard. No smoking No pets Available August 01, 2016. Contact Nick for all questions 661-857-3275

OFFICE SPACE FOR LEASE

Class A Creative office 2 enclosed offices, open space, in-suite kitchen and bathroom, 2 parking-spaces. 750 FS/ \$2400 El Segundo 126 Lomita st. Call Isabella 424-367-9670 for appointment

FOR LEASE

1718 e. Mariposa, Unit A, El Segundo, Ca 90245. 1BD.1 BA \$1650/ mo 1 car enclosed Garage, Available August 15th For Further

information please call: Bill Ruane- 310-322-0000

GARAGE SALE

St. Anthony Church Rummage Sale. Sat/Sun 8-5, O'Grady Hall, 220 Sierra st. El Segundo. Lots of treasures, collectibles, jewelry, etc.

YARD SALE

Yard sale Saturday 8/6/16 7am-1pm All proceeds to benefit church trip to India 947 Cypress St 90245, Free lemonade Also there's a pikachu near nearby!

THANK YOU!

Thanks to St. Rita and St. Jude.

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4 Lines	\$45	\$55	\$65	\$75

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- "The ___ Element" starring Gary Oldman
- Acquiesce
- Drink with ice
- Uncredited actor
- Zealot
- Addressed
- Chow down
- Longing
- Lady's man
- Bawl
- Hatchling's home
- Alternative to plastic
- Porridge
- Best
- Stand for a portrait
- Let go
- Afternoon sleep
- It's just over a foot
- Barrier
- Big jerk
- Knack
- Deuces
- Elder or alder
- Controls

- Bring home
- Make certain
- Fan setting
- Double-crosses
- Fork over
- Expunge
- Identify
- Waldorf salad ingredient
- Appealed
- Rest
- Produce
- Pedal pushers
- Ultimate
- Hear

Down

- Reason
- Sweet fortified wines
- Foot part
- Receipts
- Calculus calculations
- Interference
- Pickle
- In the future
- Leave the straight and narrow
- "Take ___!"
- Boston or Chicago, e.g.
- Race distance measurement
- Nourished
- Break
- Op end piece

- Bugs
- Alters
- Big load
- Mermaid's home
- Amiss
- Make, in arithmetic
- Poker card
- Frisk, with "down"
- Go downhill fast?
- "The Lord of the Rings" figure
- Rent
- Drops on blades
- Wager
- Overcast
- Indivisible
- Agree out of court
- Non-fiction work
- Gymnastics apparatus
- Not out
- Get into shape
- Certain berth
- Good news on the stock exchange
- Regarded
- Book part
- Hospital unit
- Long in the tooth
- Prepared
- Plum's center

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.

Sports

Recognizing the Rams

By Adam Serrao

If you're from Los Angeles, there is almost no reason at all for you to know much of anything about the Rams. If you're from St. Louis or have family ties there, then you may be a little bit ahead of the learning curve, but after a 22-year absence from the City of Angels, the Rams are back in California and ready to try to get you back as a fan. Football is finally right around the corner and with just about one month left to familiarize yourself with the team, now might be a good time to start. In the teams' over- two-decade absence, you've undoubtedly moved on and began rooting for another franchise if you were a Rams fan before. That's okay, too. But if you're like everyone else in Los Angeles, you're hungry for some hometown football. If that truly is the case, then you better be able to name more than just two players on the team.

When a team gets the news that they are moving to another city, there must always be at least some question as to what kind of reception they will get once they get there. If there ever was that question for the Rams, it was quickly put to rest. 70,000 season tickets at the Coliseum sold out in less than six hours. Whether that's because the cities blood is pumping for the Rams or just pumping for football in general remains to be seen. Either way, it must be exciting for the players to come to a city that has such passion for the game. Los Angeles' new team is currently participating in training camp on the campus of UC Irvine. When the season begins, they'll play their home games at the Los Angeles Coliseum until the estimated \$2.66 billion "City of Champions Stadium" is complete in Inglewood when it opens in 2019.

Now that the background for the team has been set, who are the most important players to take note of? Well, if you haven't heard his name yet, Toddy Gurley is certain to be the team's most exciting player. The reigning Offensive Rookie of the Year is coming off of his first season in the league in which he ran for 1,106 yards and scored 10 touchdowns. He was named to the Pro Bowl and was just the second Rams rookie ever to rush for over 1,000 yards and amass 10 TD's. Gurley was taken with the 10th overall pick in the 2015 NFL Draft, and together with Jared Goff, will look to form a young nucleus in the backfield that should be around to drive the Rams toward victories for some time to come. Goff was drafted by the Rams with the first overall pick in the 2016 Draft and is presumed to be the team's Opening Day starter at quarterback.

"It's a little bit of a whirlwind right now," Goff explained of his transition from college

to the pro's and quickly being whisked away to a new city like Los Angeles. "I'm trying to enjoy it. It feels like home, back in California and sunny Southern California," he continued. "It feels like my home and where I belong."

Goff will have the perfect opportunity to make himself a household name when the season begins in just about a month. He'll have the speedy Tavon Austin at his disposal to help him out with the transition. Austin is perhaps the most versatile player in the NFL. He catches passes as a wide receiver, but can also carry the ball out of the backfield and return kickoffs and punts. The speedster recorded career-highs last season in catches, receiving yards and receiving touchdowns. On defense, the Rams All-Star is defensive end, Aaron Donald. The 13th overall pick in the 2014 Draft won the Defensive Rookie of the Year award in his first season with the club and has already been selected to the Pro Bowl twice. Standing at 6-feet, 287 pounds, Donald is a beast that has been dominating the NFL since he's come into the league. Last season, Donald's play earned him a spot on the NFL's First-Team All-Pro list. He recorded 11 sacks, one fumble recovery, and 47 tackles.

"He's like a package of dynamite in there," defensive line coach Mike Waufle explained of Donald. "I feel like I kind of earned the respect from the guys from what I did, and things like that," Donald said. "Just playing my role and trying to do my part."

Naturally, there are other players on the Rams that greatly impact the play on the field, like defensive end Robert Quinn and cornerback Trumaine Johnson, just to name a few. Rather than bombard you with names, however, a short list should suffice, at least for the beginning of the season. Truth is, if you know the names Jared Goff, Todd Gurley, Tavon Austin and Aaron Donald come Week 1 of the NFL season, you should be good to go. As you keep watching and paying attention to Los Angeles' newest sports franchise, you should most certainly pick up on the rest of the team's impact players as you go. The Rams may not be a championship team in their first season in L.A., especially having to play in the NFC West with a total of four games against both the Seattle Seahawks and the Arizona Cardinals. They will, however, be extremely exciting to watch and have the players on a young team that will make football interesting to watch for everyone who calls Los Angeles home. Football is finally back and this year, L.A. has a home team. The Los Angeles Rams are ready to put on the pads and play. Los Angeles is most certainly ready to watch. •

Up and Adam

Let's Get Ready for Football

By Adam Serrao

The beginning of August can only mean one thing in the world of High School Sports. Football is right around the corner and the Friday night lights are warming up to soon shine brightly on the athletes that deserve their radiance so much. Last year's Pioneer League champions, the North High Saxons, are gearing up to attempt to make another run at the league championship this season. While the team, headed by coach Todd Croce, should still be extremely talented, they will be looking to play a different kind of football this season. Dealing with the loss of All-Star player, Mique Juarez, will put the Saxons at a disadvantage when it comes to the beginning of the year projections, but should also open up opportunities across the roster for other players to shine.

Last season, Juarez was the workhorse of the team. Whether it was on offense, defense, or special teams, the 6-foot-3-inch, 220 pound senior was involved in it all. Juarez finished the year with a school-record 36 rushing touchdowns and 60 total touchdowns. "It was a great experience," Juarez described of his time with North High. "It gave colleges an opportunity to see what I can do with the ball in or out of my hands." Now, Juarez will be attending UCLA and the Saxons will be forced to see what they can do as a team with the ball out of his hands.

With the opening of this year's season currently less than three weeks away, the Saxons will be looking forward to duplicating a season that played out so successfully for them one year ago. A season opening loss to the Bay League's Redondo Sea Hawks had everyone a little worried at first, but it wasn't long before North High turned things around for good. Following their initial loss, last year's Saxons rang off eight straight victories and at one point during that streak, shutout four straight opponents. Croce was clearly not only working with a productive offense behind Juarez, but also an extremely tough defense. North wound up losing their final game of the regular season to South High before the playoffs began, but the team outscored all other opponents by a total of 361-31 after their opening day loss.

The playoffs didn't go as successfully as the regular season did for the Saxons. After a first round, 48-14, destruction of Agoura, North ran into trouble against the Mira Costa Mustangs. Pioneer League teams have traditionally struggled against Bay League opponents when it comes to football, and even mighty North High proved that

trend to be true. North's defense stood up to the challenge in the first half, holding Mira Costa to just seven points and a 7-7 game at the break. North even held a lead in the third quarter after an 86-yard touchdown by Juarez made the score 14-7. Unfortunately for the Saxons, the Mustangs would rally. Three touchdowns in less than five minutes would not only regain the lead for Costa, but also led to a 35-14 advantage with just seven minutes left in the game. The Saxons would muster one more touchdown before the end of regulation, but Mira Costa's massive second half rally was too much to overcome. A 35-21 loss to the Mustangs, North's fifth loss to their Bay League opponent in their last five matchups, meant the end of a successful season for coach Croce, Juarez, and the rest of the Saxons.

This year's North High team is back to improve on last year's standing. The Saxons will have to do so without the likes of the aforementioned Juarez, defensive linemen Owen Canady and Ryan Tobias, and wide receiver Justin Allmond, just to name a few. While the team will lose a number of players, though, there is also a good group of returning seniors. Malik Welch, Rj Albert, and David Colclasure highlight the upperclassmen of this season while North should return a good deal of its offensive line, as well. This year's new seniors will look to make names for themselves as they begin the regular season against non-Bay League opponents. The Saxons open the year with matchups against Banning, Bishop Montgomery and Morningside, to name a few, before league play starts and all of the rivalry games will see the season come to its climax with the Pioneer League crown on the line.

Croce and his club will have a lot of work to do if they wish to match the intensity and the electrifying qualities of last year's squad. A different style of play is surely in order, but North should be ready to rely on their defense and beefy offensive line to get things done again this year. The Saxons biggest competitors this season are sure to be the West High Warriors and maybe to a slightly lesser extent, an underrated South High Spartans team. North knows what it takes to win, though, and has the players and coaching staff necessary to get it done. Now, all the team has to do is execute. The Saxons took a couple of major hits with the losses of some very skilled seniors from last year, but look for Croce's club to be in contention for first place in the Pioneer League once again this season. •

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Bear

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Bear is a unique looking tortie kitten, with beautiful big eyes! She is particularly fond of her little brother, Peel, with whom she plays and cuddles most of the time. She is energetic and daring and loves to explore. She is also very loving and affectionate with her human companions. Little Bear loves belly rubs while lying on your lap, and she relaxes and falls asleep in your hands. She hilariously meows when you kiss her little head.

Peel will steal your heart with sweetness! He particularly loves to play with his sister Bear, and to learn from her. He has very expressive eyes, and they are magnetic when he looks into yours. He loves human companionship. He enjoys being held close to you, and sometimes he falls asleep tucked in under your chin.

Beautiful **Mia** was trapped by management at DWP and taken to a county shelter. The person who had been feeding her asked for Kitten Rescue's help in getting her out of the shelter. Because Mia was deemed "feral", she could only be adopted by a rescue group. The plan was to spay her and find a place where she could be a barn cat and live out her life as a feral. But something happened when her rescuer put her in a cage for recovery after being spayed.... Sweet Mia meowed. Feral cats do not meow. Meowing is a cat's way of communicating with humans. It was Mia's way of saying "I want a home". Mia is a sweet, lovable cat with captivating green eyes, who likes to be petted and held. A



Peel

quiet home with a kitty companion would be an ideal choice for her.

Bonnie is a gorgeous, very curious and very playful Tabby cat that loves to be on camera. She is also very loyal and cuddly. Bonnie is great with children and will follow you everywhere. Her favorite things to play with are pipe cleaners, toilet paper rolls, paper towels, and tinfoil. She also loves to wrestle and pounce on her brother, Clyde and meows when he is out of her sight. She is a good eater, and is very healthy! Bonnie is very soft, fun to pet and doesn't scratch or bite. She and her brother will make a wonderful addition to any loving home!

Clyde is a super playful, super loving, snuggly boy who is a joy to have around. He loves people and his sister Bonnie. He wants lots of love and attention. Clyde loves to chase and be chased and to wrestle and pounce on his sister. He is always ready for the next game or adventure. He often comes up to your leg to nuzzle so he can get a nice pet and also loves to be picked up and turned upside down. Bonnie and Clyde should be adopted together as they are so bonded. This playful pair will add a wonderful energy and joy to any loving home.

Audi was rescued from the engine of a car (an Audi) after crying for 3 days. He was terrified, covered with grease and fleas, and skinny. After a bath, good food and loving care, he tamed immediately and now is a loving, playful, adventurous little guy. Audi started eating nonstop and soon gained weight and lengthened out, but he may always be on the small side. He sleeps on his foster mama's neck at night. A couple



Mia

of weeks later, we found Chevy who may be his brother. They're now bonded, playing and sleeping together, so they should be adopted together. Another foster cat, Anabel, served as the foster mama too, giving both Audi and Chevy love, care and discipline. He's accustomed to adult cats, kittens and small dogs.

Chevy appeared in our front yard, several days after we heard him crying. He must have been on his own for many days. When caught, he was terrified, very thin, and covered with fleas. It was decided that he's probably Audi's brother, as he was found close by. He's a calm, quiet and affectionate little guy who loves to play gently. His fuzzy coat will be handsome when he's grown. Chevy loves to sleep on his foster mama's neck with Audi. Chevy is also accustomed to adult cats, kittens, and small dogs.

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Bonnie



Chevy



Clyde

TerriAnn in Torrance

Fly Me To The Moon

Story and Photos by TerriAnn Ferren

Two weeks ago, I attended the ribbon cutting of Argos Funeral Services in the City of Torrance. It was the very first funeral business ribbon cutting I had ever attended. What surprised me was the overall tone of the event. It was joyful. Owner of the company, Judah Ben-Hur, and Shawn LaValleur-Adame, Managing Funeral Director, hosted a rooftop patio celebration complete with white doves,

connected with Shawn LaValleur-Adame, who was working at another mortuary when they met.

It was the innovative spirit of Ben-Hur and LaValleur-Adame that has made Argos the *only* funeral company in California that offers Lunar Burials on the moon through Memorial Spaceflight Services provided by Celestis, Inc. You heard me right. Burials on the moon! "Our first launch, Luna 2, is

in interment, so to speak.

But wait, there's more! Shawn then showed me mourning jewelry offered by closebyme Jewelry, located in Huntington Beach. Although mourning jewelry has been around for thousands of years - Queen Victoria brought it into the mainstream after her husband, Prince Albert died. The queen wore his mourning ring and dressed in black for the remainder of her life.

history, whenever it was taken, the citizens never abandoned the city. They stayed and rebuilt for centuries. So we never leave our customers. We have friendships with many of our clients," said Judah.

Talking with Judah Ben-Hur and Shawn LaValleur-Adame was eye opening on many levels. I am still wrapping my mind around the whole 'moon launch thing'. Did I mention you also have the option of having remains



Judah Ben-Hur and Shawn LaValleur-Adame - burials on land, at sea and on the moon.

which were released from attendee's hands simultaneously as the ribbon was cut. My interest in this company was peaked when I noticed a video on one of the tables showing a rocket launching into space. What could that have to do with a funeral business? I was about to find out.

A week later I met with owner, Judah Ben-Hur at his offices at 22750 Hawthorne Boulevard, Suite 230. I was eager to find out more about the people behind this unusual, but necessary business. Born in Ohio, Judah traveled the world with his military parents, ending up in San Francisco, and eventually making his way to Los Angeles. Judah told me, "About fifteen, sixteen years ago, [I] decided to get into the funeral business by way of mortuary transportation. Mortuary transportation is where a transport company contracts with the area funeral homes in Los Angeles or Orange County - we then go into peoples homes, hospitals, convalescents, and we remove the loved one...we do the transport. We gave the company as a gift to the drivers when we started Argos Funeral Services in October of last year. Rather than selling it, or abandoning it...we let the drivers have it as a gift because of their good work ethic." (Little did I know at the time that his idea of transport went much further than I imagined.)

I asked Judah what prompted him into the funeral services business and he candidly told me, "I realized things mortuaries were doing didn't really fit with what they were advertising. Making a long story short, I now know what not to do - overpricing, pre-need - and overcharging for services...our cremation is \$590, which includes death certificate and a permit...we also work with peoples budgets." In 2010, Judah served as President of the Orange County Funeral Directors Association and currently, Shawn LaValleur-Adame, serves on the board of the Association.

But it was Portuguese-born and raised, Maria Costa Rodrigues, Judah's wife, who encouraged Judah and Shawn into business. Judah told me that integrity is the cornerstone upon which his business is founded. Prices are listed for everyone to see, and there are no hidden costs. Judah excitedly ticked off the information, although not new to me, resonated because usually funeral costs are quite steep. "Argos Funeral Services is an innovative mortuary that is creating a paradigm shift in funeral service planning and unique personalization," said Judah. His passion for truth and turning the industry upside down

scheduled for the fourth quarter of 2017. This launch will become a historic moment for us all here in Torrance and the state of California and will change the funeral industry forever," Judah said.

Judah quoted John F. Kennedy's 1962 speech given at Rice University, "We choose to go to the moon! We choose to go to the moon in this decade and do the other things not because they are easy but because they are hard..." Okay, I know what you are thinking. How much would this cost? I checked out the brochure and if you would like the 'Lunar Service/Launch to Lunar Orbit or Surface', where you travel via Moon Express and Astrobotic Technology, Inc., where launch payloads containing 'Human Cremated Remains' that are dug into the surface of the moon - that will cost you \$12,500. Of course the price rises if you choose more than 1 gram of cremated remains for the flight.

Judah told me that, although this isn't for everyone, some people really want to gaze at the moon from anywhere on earth and remember their loved one, "Celestis has been shooting cremains into space for up to 30 years and there is another company in San Francisco that has started up and they are also catching the bandwagon. These are two companies that contract with a launch company, like NASA, and then they put their payload on the payload that goes into space. What Celestis is doing is putting a payload on a rocket, I don't know if it is a Saturn 4 or 5 or not, and then that payload, goes to the moon, lands on the moon, then a rover comes up to the capsule, pulls out the cremains and inserts it into the ground as an interment. Our first launch is next fourth quarter of next year...and we give you a telescope so every full moon you can look up and see your loved one. How romantic is that?" Argos Funeral Services is the first funeral home in the state of California to have a death certificate state: 'memorial space flight to the surface of the earth's moon'. So next year, Torrance, California will go down in history as having Argos Funeral Services in town as the first funeral home to launch cremains to the moon and bury it. Wow.

Judah went on to tell me about his full body burial at sea. This company aims to please. "We also have the option to put remains in fireworks, a summit - like a volcano in Hawaii. There are so many different options you can choose," said Shawn. They also offer a Nordic burial. You will have to ask them about that. It sounds like adventures



Modern Mourning jewelry.

Both Judah Ben-Hur and Shawn LaValleur-Adame are of the same mind when it comes to customer service. They are open 24/7 and lend an ear to all their clients. More than best friends, Judah and Shawn together are changing the funeral service business. Argos Funeral Services don't advertise - they rely on word of mouth exclusively. "The reason we chose the name, Argos is because - Argos is a city in Greece, and during all its

shot into space - and then returned, or launch into the earth's orbit and then vaporized like a shooting star as you reenter the atmosphere? The possibilities are endless. Argos Funeral Services pride themselves on old-fashioned customer service.

Torrance is a very special place, but who knew we would go down in history as the city having the company who sent the first documented 'loved one' to the moon! •

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Looking Up

Ancient Eye in the Sky

By Bob Eklund

Light from a distant galaxy can be strongly bent by the gravitational influence of a foreground galaxy. That effect is called strong gravitational lensing. Normally a single galaxy is lensed at a time. The same foreground galaxy can—in theory—simultaneously lens multiple background galaxies. Although extremely rare, such a lens system offers a unique opportunity to probe the fundamental physics of galaxies and add to our understanding of cosmology.

One such lens system has recently been discovered—and the discovery was made not in an astronomer's office, but in a classroom. The lens system has been dubbed The Eye of Horus, and this ancient eye in the sky will help us understand the history of the universe.

Classroom Research Pays Off.

Subaru Telescope organizes a school for undergraduate students each year. One such session was held in September 2015 at the National Astronomical Observatory of Japan (NAOJ) headquarters in Mitaka, Tokyo.

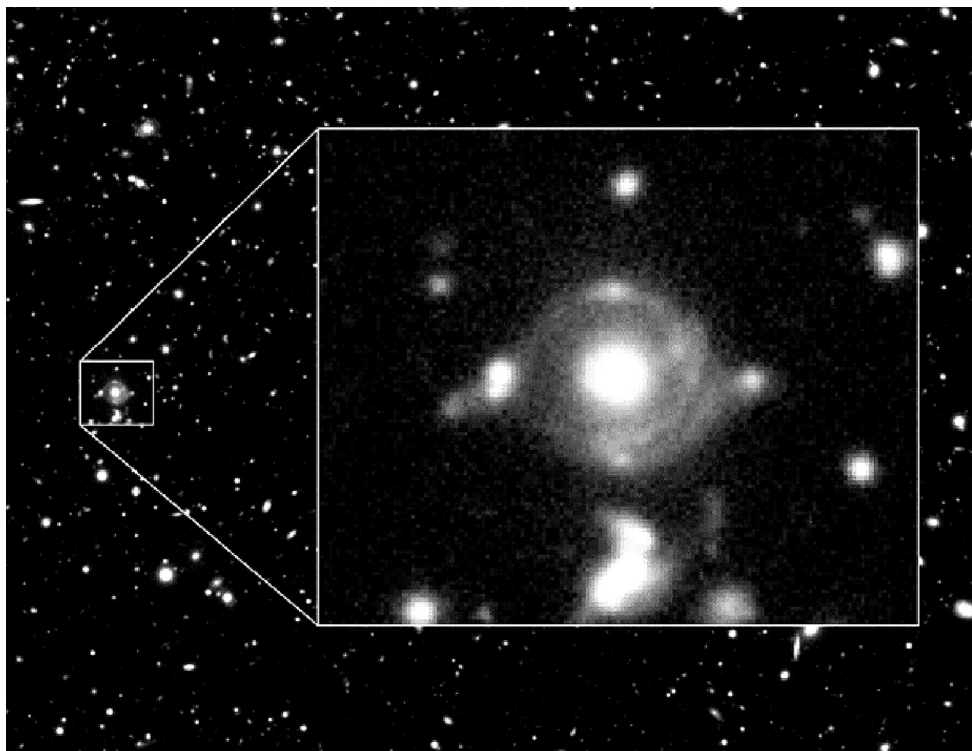
Subaru is currently undertaking a massive survey to image a large area of the sky at an unprecedented depth with the Hyper Suprime-Cam (HSC) as part of the Subaru Strategic Program. A group of astronomers and young students were analyzing some of that HSC data at the school, when they found this unique lens system. It was a classic case of a serendipitous discovery.

"When I was looking at HSC images with

the students, we came across a ring-like galaxy and we immediately recognized it as a strong-lensing signature," said Masayuki Tanaka, lead author of a science paper on the system's discovery. "The discovery would not have been possible without the large survey data to find such a rare object, as well as the deep, high quality images to

detect light from distant objects."

Arsha Dezuka, a student who was working on the data, was astonished at the find. "It was my first time to look at the astronomical images taken with Hyper Suprime-Cam and I had no idea what the ring-like galaxy is," she said. "It was a great surprise for me to learn that it is such a rare, unique system!"



Enlarged image to the right show two arcs with different colors. The inner arc has a reddish hue, while the outer arc has a blue tint. These arcs are lensed images of the two background galaxies. Photo credit: NAOJ.

What They Saw.

A close inspection of the images revealed two distinct arcs/rings of light with different colors. This strongly suggested that two distinct background galaxies were being lensed by the foreground galaxy. The lensing galaxy is seven billion light-years away. Follow-up spectroscopic observations of the lensed objects using the infrared-sensitive FIRE spectrometer on the Magellan Telescope confirmed that there are two galaxies behind the lens, lying at 9 and 10.5 billion light-years away.

"The spectroscopic data reveal some very interesting things about the background sources," said Kenneth Wong from NAOJ, the second author of the scientific paper describing the system. "Not only do they confirm that there are two sources at different distances from us, but the more distant source seems to consist of two distinct clumps, which could indicate an interacting pair of galaxies. Also, one of the multiple images of that source is itself being split into two images, which could be due to a satellite galaxy that is too faint for us to see."

The distinct features for the system (several bright knots, an arc, a complete Einstein ring) arise from the nice alignment of the central lens galaxy and both sources, creating an eye-like structure. The astronomers dubbed it "Eye of Horus," for the sacred eye of an ancient Egyptian goddess, since the system has an uncanny resemblance to it. •

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Do You Suffer From A Longevity Disconnect?

(BPT) - They say that age is just a number. For the 10,000 who reach retirement age every day, however, that number may come with a multitude of questions about whether they have done enough to prepare for retirement.

The good news is that Americans today are living longer than previous generations. But too many of us don't realize that this boost in lifespan means we need to fund a retirement that could last for 20 or 30 years. This is what's known as the longevity disconnect.

Calculating how much you need to save for retirement is even more difficult if you don't realize how long retirement can be.

What Concerns Americans The Most?

One of the biggest worries Americans have when it comes to retirement is outliving their money, according to a plan participant survey by Prudential Retirement. A substantial 71 percent of survey respondents fear they may not have sufficient income for their retirement years. Only one in five are highly confident they will have enough to last a lifetime.

"Today we have more financial information, education and planning tools available to us than ever before," says Christine Marcks, president of Prudential Retirement. "But despite the

steady drumbeat of headlines about retirement planning, we're still not getting it right."

Why are people having a hard time saving for retirement? Why are they actually saving less when they need to save more?

Blame Our Brains

The answer to those questions may surprise you. Research shows the reason could lie in how our brains are wired to respond to the environment. Humans are conditioned to focus on

survival in the here and now. Yet, our contemporary life demands that we plan for multiple scenarios and contingencies, often with effects that could shape our lives far into the future.

Behavioral researchers have found that people actually perceive their future selves as strangers, and many find it difficult to understand the financial needs that "stranger" will have in his or her lifetime. That's one reason why saving for many years ahead is difficult for us. This

and further research from Prudential shows us there are five inherent behavioral biases that make us our own worst enemies when it comes to saving for retirement.

Not being aware of increasing life spans (longevity disconnect) Putting off difficult or time-consuming tasks (procrastination) Thinking that bad things only happen to other people (optimism bias) Making decisions based on what other people are doing (herd mentality) Putting today's wants ahead of tomorrow's needs (instant gratification) Smart planning

For older Americans approaching retirement, the greatest advice comes from the people who know best: those already in retirement.

Many retirees agree that, if they had to do it again, they would take advantage of everything available through their employers. Other advice includes maximizing contributions to your workplace-based retirement plan or IRA, and taking advantage of IRS-allowed catch-up contributions if you're 50 or older. Retirees also suggest that those approaching retirement assess all the ways they spend money today, and avoid impulse purchases or peer pressure. Careful planning now can help you to achieve your goals of a secure and fulfilling retirement and make it last a lifetime. •



PUBLIC NOTICES

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016166811

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as AUTO CREDIT EXPRESS, 909 N. SEPULVEDA BLVD. 11TH FLOOR, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LA COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): INTERNET BRANDS, INC., 909 N. SEPULVEDA BLVD., 11TH FLOOR, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, DE. This business is being conducted by A CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 05/01/2016. Signed: INTERNET BRANDS, INC., B LYNN WALSH, SECRETARY. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JULY 9, 2016.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on JULY 9, 2021. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to JULY 9, 2021. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).
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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016170824

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1.) CG ENGINEERING & DESIGNS, 1627 VOORHEES AVENUE, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA 90266, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. 2.) CG ENGINEERING. Registered Owner(s): 1.) VANESSA CAMELO, 1627 VOORHEES AVENUE, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA 90266. 2.) DEAN GRAY, 1627 VOORHEES AVENUE, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA 90266. This business is being conducted by HUSBAND AND WIFE. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: VANESSA CAMELO, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JULY 8, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016171664

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as NATURWELL CENTER, 738 MAIN STREET #202, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LA COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): JANET SHULTZ, 738 MAIN STREET #202, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 07/2001. Signed: JANET SHULTZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JULY 11, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016163628

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1.) G-FILL AUDIO, 11981 S. YORK AVE., HAWTHORNE, CA 90250, LA COUNTY. 2.) GERARDVARGAS.COM. Registered Owner(s): GERARD JAMES VARGAS, 11981 S. YORK AVE., HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 01/2016. Signed: GERARD JAMES VARGAS, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JUNE 29, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016163352

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as NOBOLIFE, 3525 W. 82ND ST., INGLEWOOD, CA 90305, LA COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): PROGRESSIVE MEDICAL INDUSTRIES, INC., 6705 S. GARTH AVE., LA, CA 90056, CA. This business is being conducted by a CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 06/2016. Signed: PROGRESSIVE MEDICAL INDUSTRIES, INC., JANICE M. KNIGHT-COOPER, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JUNE 29, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016169787

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CLAUDIA MASSAGE & BODY TREATMENTS, 432 MAIN STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): CLAUDIA MARIA D'ASSUNCAO, 4730 W. 169TH STREET, LAWDALE, CA 90260. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: CLAUDIA MARIA D'ASSUNCAO, LICENSED MASSAGE THERAPIST. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JULY 7, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016170136

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as EMERALD HEALTH SERVICES, 999 NORTH SEPULVEDA BLVD #700, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LA COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): TEMPUS LLC, 999 NORTH SEPULVEDA BLVD #700, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 12/20/2000. Signed: TEMPUS LLC, MARK SIEGEL, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JULY 7, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016179255

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as KALUCO INTERNATIONAL, 924 MAIN STREET #E, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LA COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): DOUGLAS PHILIP STORK, 924 MAIN STREET #E, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: DOUGLAS PHILIP STORK, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JULY 18, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016182652

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PRIVATE PROPERTY PARKING ENFORCEMENT, 5155 W. ROSCRANS AVE. SUITE 236, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250, LA COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): COMM ENTERPRISE, INC., 5155 ROSECRANS AVE. 236, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250, CA. This business is being conducted by a CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 07/2016. Signed: COMM ENTERPRISE, INC., MICHAEL TIMOTHY JAMES CALLOWAY, CFO. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JULY 21, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016183281

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1.) PRAIRIE LAW FIRM, 14105 PRAIRIE AVE., HAWTHORNE, CA 90250, LA COUNTY. 2.) PRADERA LEGAL, PO BOX 492283, LOS ANGELES, CA 90049. Registered Owner(s): ALI REZA TAJER, 14105 PRAIRIE AVE., HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: ALI REZA TAJER, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JULY 21, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016188551

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as POKEZARD, 22005 ANZA AVENUE, TORRANCE, CA 90503, LA COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): JAMES TAKASHI NAITO, 22005 ANZA AVENUE, TORRANCE, CA 90503. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: JAMES TAKASHI NAITO, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JULY 28, 2016.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2016168213

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BLUE ROD PLUMBING, 3844 W. 106TH ST., INGLEWOOD, CA 90303, LA COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): BULMARO RODRIGUEZ, 3844 W. 106TH ST., INGLEWOOD, CA 90303. This business is being conducted by an INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: BULMARO RODRIGUEZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JULY 6, 2016.

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