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Sun Shines in El Prado Park



El Prado Park, the first parkland set aside in Torrance, was designed by Fredrick Law Olmstead, Jr., and dedicated in 1912. In 2012, Centennial Plaza was dedicated and a time capsule was installed, to be opened in the 22nd century. Photo by Peter Thornton, jp.thornton58@gmail.com.

High-Tech Teaching in the Works

By Dylan Little

The Torrance School board approved three new technological tools to assist teachers, in order to keep up with the demands of the Common Core State Standard, during its September 2 meeting. The first new system is a series of grade appropriate academic research library databases from Proquest. Chief academic officer Tim Stowe said these resource which will address a common teacher concern. "One of the things we heard from teachers last year in almost every professional development session is 'We want more materials that are aligned to Common Core,'" said Stowe.

Proquest's databases has already been accessible at three of the district's high schools (Torrance, North and West) in order to meet the demands of the Common Core literacy standards requiring more non-fiction texts. However, the databases are also useful for younger students. "When you look at a variety of services, this seemed to be the best one for students K-12," said Stowe. "For a small cost, we are able to provide unlimited access for all our students."

Teachers and administrators will also be to access these libraries through eTUSD, just like students can. Stowe is hopeful that these databases will help teachers in all subjects provide their students engaging non-fiction resources. "We're really excited about this because we think it bridges a gap with all of our teachers as we approach the Common Core literacy standard and they are asking for different things," said Stowe. "We think that this, for a relatively low cost, meets a lot of needs of providing a lot of teachers in all disciplines, with the informational non-fiction text they've been asking for." Finding digital solutions for reading material is especially important in English Language arts as, according to Stowe, the state of California isn't approving a new Common

Core aligned textbook until 2015.

The Board also approved a contract with SchoolCity for online student and school data collection services. The district has been working with the company for about five years. SchoolCity formerly provided TUSD with analytical tools to review the California Standards Test (CST) results. Stowe said their services had been "very useful," but with the CST being replaced by Common Core's Smarter Balanced assessments it was unclear what they could offer the district. However, Stowe said the company has made a convincing offer for what they can do for the district in the post-CST world. "He basically made us an offer we couldn't refuse," said Stowe.

The new offer cuts the district's cost in half while still providing access to historical

CST data and analysis of science CST results as the science test is – for now – still being continued. It would also allow the district to track progress for English learners. However, the new feature Stowe is most interested in is that it would allow the district to conduct a practice performance task on their Chromebooks just as though they were completing them as part of the Smarter Balanced assessment.

"What we're most intrigued with, is the opportunity to test out some of the performance tasks," said Stowe. "They're going to take what we created and digitize it using their system. We want our students to take these performance tasks . . . online with their Chromebooks, like they will

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Weekend Forecast

Friday
Sunny
77°/66°



Saturday
Sunny
82°/67°



Sunday
Partly
Cloudy
84°/66°



Brown to Consider Legislative Bills

By Brandon Matson, Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce

The 2013-2014 legislative session is winding down as California legislators began their final recess period following the August 31st deadline to pass all bills. A crescendo of policy decisions mounted into what turned out to be a climatic finish. The dust is still settling after a hectic final week where hundreds of bills were considered leading up to the deadline. Amongst the final issues decided in the legislature were: mandatory paid sick leave for all California workers, a ban on California grocery bags, and an increase in tax incentives to entice the entertainment industry to film in-state.

AB 1522, a bill that requires all employ-

ers to provide three days of mandatory paid sick leave for all employees, to include part-time workers, surprisingly faced late opposition from a major labor union. Late amendments to the bill excluded caregivers, from the In-home Supportive Services program, from receiving the paid sick leave benefit. The late amendments may have stirred the pot a little too much as the Senate refused passage of the measure.

Plastic bags will no longer be available in large California grocery stores starting next year. SB 270, prohibiting large grocery stores from providing single-use carryout bags to customers, was passed by the legislature in an effort to promote recycling. The bill allows grocery stores

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Looking Up

NASA's New Horizons Spacecraft Crosses Neptune Orbit

By Bob Eklund

NASA's Pluto-bound New Horizons spacecraft has traversed the orbit of Neptune.

It is due to make a close encounter with distant Pluto on July 14, 2015. The sophisticated piano-sized spacecraft, which launched in January 2006, reached Neptune's orbit on Aug. 25, 2014, in a record eight years and eight months. New Horizons' milestone



This dramatic view of the crescents of Neptune and Triton was acquired by Voyager 2 approximately 3 days, 6 and one-half hours after its closest approach to Neptune (north is to the right). Photo credit: NASA/JPL.

matches precisely the 25th anniversary of the historic encounter of NASA's Voyager 2 spacecraft with Neptune on Aug. 25, 1989.

"It's a cosmic coincidence that connects one of NASA's iconic past outer solar system explorers with our next outer solar system explorer," said Jim Green, director of NASA's Planetary Science Division. "Exactly 25 years ago at Neptune, Voyager 2 delivered our 'first' look at an unexplored planet. Now it will be New Horizons' turn to reveal the unexplored Pluto and its moons in stunning detail next summer on its way into the vast outer reaches of the solar system."

"NASA's Voyager 1 and 2 explored the entire middle zone of the solar system where the giant planets orbit," said Alan Stern, New Horizons principal investigator at the Southwest Research Institute in Boulder, Colo. "Now we stand on Voyager's broad shoulders to explore the even more distant and mysterious Pluto system."

Several senior members of the New Horizons science team were young members of Voyager's science team in 1989. Many remember how Voyager 2's approach-images of Neptune and its planet-sized moon Triton fueled anticipation of the discoveries to come.

"The feeling 25 years ago was that this was really cool, because we're going to see Neptune and Triton up-close for the first time," said Ralph McNutt of the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory (APL)

in Laurel, Md., who leads the New Horizons energetic-particle investigation and served on the Voyager plasma-analysis team. "The same is happening for New Horizons."

Voyager's visit to the Neptune system revealed previously unseen features of Neptune itself, such as the Great Dark Spot, a massive storm similar to, but not as long-lived, as Jupiter's Great Red Spot. Voyager also, for the first time, captured clear images of the ice giant's ring system, too faint to be clearly viewed from Earth. "There were surprises at Neptune and there were surprises at Triton," said Ed Stone, Voyager's long-standing project scientist from Caltech. "I'm sure that will continue at Pluto."

Many researchers feel the 1989 Neptune flyby—Voyager's final planetary encounter—might have offered a preview of what's to come next summer. Scientists suggest that Triton, with its icy surface, bright poles, varied terrain and cryo-volcanoes, is a Pluto-like object that Neptune pulled into orbit.

"There is a lot of speculation over whether Pluto will look like Triton, and how well they'll match up," McNutt said. "That's the great thing about first-time encounters like this—we don't know exactly what we'll see, but we know from decades of experience in first-time exploration of new planets that we will be very surprised."

Voyager 1 and 2 were launched 16 days apart in 1977. Voyager 1 is now the most distant human-made object, about 12 billion miles away from the Sun. Voyager 2 is 9 billion miles from the Sun. Similar to Voyager 1 and 2, New Horizons also is on a path toward potential discoveries in the Kuiper Belt—a disc-shaped region of icy objects past the orbit of Neptune—as well as other unexplored realms of the outer solar system and beyond. •

Business Briefs

Realism Without Borders

The California Museum of Fine Art presents our Fall Exhibition 2014, which will feature 25 of the world's leading artists from Russia, the Ukraine, China, Europe and the United States all side by side. Visit our link for a digital brochure: <http://issuu.com/realismwithoutborders.com/docs/calmuserwbcatalog>

Hope to see you for a fine evening of art, music, and light refreshment at the California

Museum of Fine Art, September 20, 2014 from 6 PM to 9 PM. There will also be a book signing of Dali Higa's latest book, *Painting Poetry*.

If you are an art history buff, join us for a lecture on Van Gogh by Dr. William Havlicek from 4 PM to 5 PM. Book signing will also be available for his book, *Van Gogh's Untold Story*. The museum is located at 1421 Marcelina Avenue.

Metro Fare Change

On September 15, 2014, Metro is changing its bus and rail fares. Under the new fare structure, a 1-Way Trip purchased using a TAP card will include transfers to other Metro lines for up to two hours to complete a one-way trip. If the fare is paid using cash, transfers will not be included.

Complete details on the new fares can be found at metro.net/fares. Visit the Fare Change FAQ or call 323.GO.METRO for more details on the transition to new fares. To learn more about available fare assistance programs, please visit Metro's reduced fare and subsidy programs.

Gallery of Fine Art 2014





Torrance Artists Guild presents the Gallery of Fine Art 2014, held from Saturday, September 13 through Friday, November 7, 2014. Over 200 works of art by more than 80 local artists will be on display, including the above painting, "Wall of Green" by Richard Stephens. A public reception and awards presentation will be held Saturday, September 20, 2014, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at the South Bay Lexus Service Center, 24777 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance.

Alcoa Makes an Impact in Torrance



Alcoa Foundation partnered with the Center for Climate and Energy Solutions to host a Make an Impact "Green Fair" at Alcoa Fastening Systems Torrance Operations. Nearly 300 employees learned about small, yet meaningful actions to protect the environment, reduce energy use and save money. Torrance businesses and nonprofit organizations, including: City of Torrance - Public Works Department, Friends of Madrona Marsh, GRID Alternatives, Home Depot, South Bay Environmental Services Center, Sprouts Farmers Market, and Tree Musketeers, were on-site to share useful tips, resources and volunteer opportunities that promote sustainability. Photo credit: Marilyn Politakis.

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Small Business Development Center Helps Achieve Dreams

By Duane Plank

For many people, the ultimate American dream involves owning a home. For those possessing the entrepreneurial spirit, the American dream may also involve starting and succeeding in profitably running their own business. No bosses to answer to, and making your own work-hours, even if those hours might initially be 12 hours a day, six or seven days a week. Sounds like a great way to earn a living, right? If only if it were that simple.

The fact is, according to published studies, nearly 50 percent of planned small business endeavors, if they ever actually come to fruition, fail in the first the first couple of years. And that is where the Small Business Development Center (SBDC), and Center Director Star Van Buren, can help. Hosted by El Camino College, the local SBDC is located on Hawthorne Blvd. in Hawthorne, and their staff is ready, willing, and able to assist up-and-running small business owners, or to be a cost-effective resource for a start-up small business entrepreneur, all at little or no cost to the small-business owner.

Van Buren said that the SBDC is funded, in part, by the Small Business Administration, and that El Camino College provides support and the office space. Their mission statement notes the SBDC's goal is to make an economic impact locally, through the growth and continued success of their small business clients. Van Buren said that sometimes people assume that the "small-business" connotation denotes a Mom-and-Pop venture, but, in reality, the SBDC and related resource-centers categorize "small-business" entities as those supporting up to 750 workers, with a firm-revenue ceiling of up to \$35 million dollars, depending on the industry.

Interested entrepreneurs are required to fill out an online questionnaire so that the SBDC professionals can gauge where the would-be business owner is at that point in the process. Questions include: What is your product or service?; How developed is your

idea--do you have a business plan?; Who is your target customers or markets?; What issue would the business be meeting or solving?; What is the basic business model, whether it be online, retail, or a hybrid model?; What is your industry expertise?; and, always a very key question: Where will your initial funding come from?

Each prospective client is different, Van Buren said. Some have already launched their businesses; others have a concrete idea in mind, and have mapped-out a business plan or viable strategy; and some have just a gleam in their eye, some money in their pocket, but no real idea how to make their dreams become reality.

Van Buren, who worked in the financial services industry as a marketing and operations executive until she decided "it wasn't fun anymore," said that she then went back to school, taking graphic design classes, which she noted "come in handy" in her current position. She also helped her husband start his tax and accounting practice.

She said that she was looking for work at the time, and El Camino College was looking for help in growing their SBDC program. At that point, the SBDC program was regrouping, with a new director, and was looking for a relaunch and a marketing and operations person.

Van Buren initially split the job with a second candidate, continuing to utilize her marketing background. After some turnover in the program administration, Van Buren became the interim director six years ago. She applied for the director's job at that point, and has been the director ever since.

She wants people to know that the SBDC is available to help make a difference for entrepreneurs, and is a very viable resource for those willing to embrace the challenge of small-business ownership. "We are a great resource that people don't realize is out there," she said. "Someone said that 'you

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Calendar

There is a limited word count of 20 words and fees will apply. Email to calendar@heraldpublications.com. Deadline for submissions is Thursday at 9 a.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

• Torrance Public Library Presents "Sneaky Math" Attendees will see introductions to Fractions, Algebra and Geometry and make several fun Math Gizmos they get to keep. A Q & A session will follow. 2:00 PM at Katy Geissert Civic Center Library ~ Community Meeting Room, 3301 Torrance Blvd., Torrance, 310-618-5959 ~ www.library.TorranceCA.gov.

• On Saturdays, the Buffalo Fire Department (BFD) will host BFD LIVE - Free Summer Concert Series. The featured band is South Bay Country--- just follow the sound to down town. September 6 - Cover Me; September 13 - Flying Utensils; September 20 - Flashbacks; September 27 - Pheasant El Prado Ave. & The Courtyard - 1261 Cabrillo Avenue, Torrance, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM. Info: 310.320.2332.

Grab a to-go order from one of the local downtown restaurants, bring your family and your lounge chairs, and enjoy live entertainment! P.S. Please note that alcoholic beverages are not permitted in public.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

• The Torrance Rhythm & Brews Family Festival will be held on Sunday, September 7th, 2014 at Alpine Village from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Festival will combine Art & Craft Vendors, music from local bands including headliner The Hollywood Stones, a craft beer garden, and kid's activities for a day of fun and community celebration. The event has a \$5 admission fee. Kids 12 and under are free. The event is open to the whole community. The Rhythm & Brews Family Festival will benefit the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce and local South Bay non-profit charities, as well as bring the South bay community together for one unforgettable event. Presale tickets available at torrancechamber.com.

ONGOING

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

• "Happy Hats for Kids In Hospitals" hosts workshops to decorate or sew hats for hospitalized children every Tuesday, 12:30-2:30 p.m., 923 Van Ness Avenue. For more information call (310) 787-0970. •

Police Reports

Battery-Simple 8/23/2014 9:05 PM 4000 BLOCK 226TH ST

Suspects strike victim in the face repeatedly

Burglary-Residential 8/24/2014 6:30:00 AM 21300 BLOCK OCEAN AVE

Suspect(s) removes window screen, slides open window and takes property/ jewelry box

Burglary-Auto 8/24/2014 8:30:00 AM 2100 BLOCK PLAZA DEL AMO

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

Burglary-Commercial 8/24/2014 4:00:00 PM 400 BLOCK AMAPOLA AVE

Suspect(s) attempts to pry open roll up door/ no entry, no loss

Burglary-Auto 8/24/2014 5:30:00 AM BORDER AVE & SEPULVEDA BLVD

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry, ransacks and takes property/ tote, cologne

Theft 8/23/2014 1:00:00 PM 5000 BLOCK 190TH ST

Suspect(s) takes unattended property/ bag

Burglary-Residential 8/23/2014 3:00 AM 3500 BLOCK 225TH ST

Suspect(s) enters unlocked garage, ransacks and takes property/ DVD player

Robbery-StrongArm 8/22/2014 11:54 AM 2200 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD

Suspect approaches victim and forcibly removes property from her person/ jewelry

Burglary-Residential 8/22/2014 12:15:00 PM 2400 BLOCK 228TH ST

Suspect(s) enters open sliding door, cuts screen, ransacks and takes property/ cash, passports, bank cards, bank statements, safety deposit box key

Battery-Simple 8/22/2014 7:33:18 AM 4600 BLOCK HIGHGROVE AVE

Suspect spits on victim's face

Burglary-Auto 8/22/2014 6:03 AM 2600 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/cell phones, sunglasses, laptop, leather bag, wedding band, wallet

Burglary-Residential 8/22/2014 6:30:00 PM 1800 BLOCK MIDDLEBROOK ROAD

Suspect(s) kicks door for entry and takes property/ tablet, briefcase

Burglary-Residential 8/25/2014 12:10:00 AM 2900 BLOCK PLAZA DEL AMO

Suspect(s) pries screen, slides unlocked window, ransacks and takes property/ jewelry

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Traveling Tribune in Japan



Torrance students from the Torrance Sister City Association spent three weeks in July in Kashiwa, Japan as part of a cultural exchange program started in 1973. Pictured with Torrance middle school music teacher and alumnus of TSCA program David Gelbaum who served as the Torrance adult leader, students were able to stay with Japanese host families, visit the sites in Kashiwa and learn more about the culture. Photo provided by Torrance Sister City Association.

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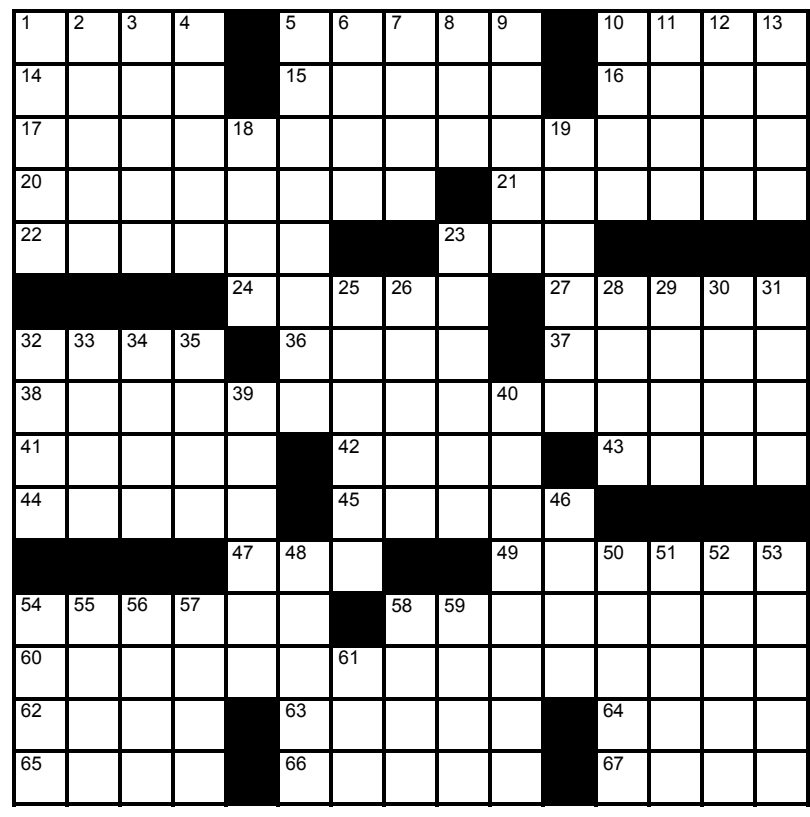
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Last Week's Answers

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9	8	2	7	6	3	4	5	1
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SUDOKU *Medium*

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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.

Texas Pete Red Velvet Cones



Yield: 48 cake cones

Ingredients: Cake batter

- All-purpose flour: 5 cups
- Granulated sugar: 3 cups
- Baking soda: 1 Tbsp.
- Salt, fine: 2 tsp.
- Cocoa powder: 2 tsp.
- Vegetable oil: 3 cups
- Buttermilk: 2 cups
- 4 large eggs
- Red food coloring: 3 Tbsp.
- Texas Pete Original Hot Sauce: 2 Tbsp.
- Vanilla extract: 2 tsp
- Small, flat-bottomed ice cream cones: 48

Ingredients: Cream cheese icing

- Cream cheese (softened, whipped): 36 ounces
- Unsalted butter (softened, whipped): 1 stick
- Powdered sugar: 2 cups
- Vanilla extract: 1/2 tsp.
- Texas Pete Hotter Hot Sauce: 2 tsp.
- Piping bag with small decorative tip
- Shaker, powdered sugar, for garnish

Procedure:

1. Preheat the oven to 350 F.
2. In a large bowl, sift together the flour, sugar, baking soda, salt and cocoa powder. In another large bowl whisk together the oil, buttermilk, eggs, food coloring, Texas Pete Hot Sauce and vanilla.
3. Using a standing mixer, mix the dry ingredients into the wet ingredients until just combined and a smooth batter is formed.
4. Carefully spoon the batter into the ice cream cones, filling them 2/3 of the way up to give them room to rise in the oven. Arrange the cones on a parchment-lined sheet tray standing up and place them into the oven to bake at 350 degrees for approximately 15-20 minutes, or until they have fully risen. They are ready when a toothpick inserted into the center of the cake comes out clean.
5. Remove the cakes from the oven and let them cool completely.
6. While the cakes are in the oven, prepare the spicy cream cheese frosting.
7. Place the softened cream cheese and the softened butter in a medium-sized mixing bowl and whisk together until smooth. Add the powdered sugar and continue to whisk until the mixture is smooth again. Add the vanilla extract and the Texas Pete Hotter Hot Sauce and whisk one more minute. You may add more powdered sugar or Texas Pete Hotter Hot Sauce until the icing is flavored to your liking.
8. Place the spicy cream cheese frosting into a piping bag with a small decorative tip.
9. Using the tip of the piping bag, carefully puncture a small hole into the center of the top of the red velvet cake and pipe approximately 2-3 tablespoons of the spicy cream cheese into the center of the cake, allowing some of the cream cheese to come out of the top for decoration. Continue until all the red velvet cake cones are filled. Use any extra cream cheese icing to frost the tops of the cones.
10. Sprinkle with powdered sugar and serve.

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Sports

Saxons Start Season Superiorly

By Adam Serrao

The High School football season is now officially underway, and what better team to get things started than the North High Saxons. Head coach Todd Croce and standout junior

"With such little time left on the clock, things were certainly looking bleak for North."

wide receiver and safety Mique Juarez took to their home field at North High to take on the Sea Hawks in what was the first game of the year for both teams. While the season is still obviously young and both teams are clearly not quite at their peaks after a long and grueling preseason, this game served to show us what we should be able to expect in the upcoming season for the Saxons specifically.

Not much happened early on in this game between the two teams, who are both expected to finish toward the top of their respective divisions this season. Offenses on both sides of the field moved slowly and struggled to get anything going, as it was obvious that the start of a new season had players a little tense and nervous to take to the turf and, in the Saxons' case, play in front of their hometown fans again for what was the first time in a long time. As both defenses remained stout throughout the night, however, it became clear that this one was going to come down to just a few big plays that would make all the difference in the game. Leave it to Juarez and his teammate and quarterback Chris Kuaea to make those plays, in what turned out to be a 13-10 come-from-behind victory for the Saxons last Friday night at North.

Before all of the action began in the fourth quarter, both teams had to withstand a scoreless first half that saw good defensive play on both sides, but worse offensive prowess. The Saxons were only able to muster 17 total yards of offense in both of the first half quarters combined. Coming out of the gates to start the second half is when the Saxons were really pushed back on their heels, though. The Sea Hawks decided that enough was enough to start the games new half and used a 10 play, 58-yard drive to get on the board first against North. Guy Alford, the running back for Redondo Union, had a couple of nice runs on the drive but finished things off by going 6-yards into the end zone to put his team on top 7-0.

Things settled down a bit until the fourth quarter got started and the Saxons decided that if they were going to win the game, they had better start making some progress now. That's when Kuaea took matters into his own hands and got things going for North. "I saw an opening to my right, I saw a good block

from my tackle, and I saw daylight from there," Kuaea said of his first game-changing play of the night, a 73-yard dash to the end zone that finally got his team on the scoreboard and tied things up against the Sea Hawks. The fourth

quarter suddenly became an offensive frenzy. On the ensuing drive, Redondo went right back to work against the Saxons. With another long, sustained drive, the Sea Hawks drove 68 yards to nail a 30-yard field goal with only a minute and a half remaining in the game to give themselves a 10-7 lead. With such little time left on the clock, things were certainly looking bleak for North. That's when Redondo made their biggest error of the night.

All night long, head coach of Redondo Matt Ballard had his team kicking away from Juarez, who was given the duty of returning punts and kicks for the Saxons. This time, Juarez got his hands on one. From below his own 5-yard line, Juarez received the kickoff, made a few moves, saw daylight and bolted more than 95-yards for a touchdown. Within only seconds, there was more offense on the scoreboard than there had been all night long and the Saxons suddenly led 13-10 after all was said and done. With such a quick strike, however, there was still over a minute remaining in the game for Redondo to make one last comeback attempt.

The Sea Hawks were able to get the ball onto North's side of the field with under 20 seconds remaining in the game, facing a fourth down and short scenario. The ball soared out of Redondo's quarterbacks hands and sailed toward the end zone, but Kuaea came to the rescue once again, batting the ball down to the ground, thus ending the game once and for all as the Saxons secured their first victory of the season. Kuaea ended with a stat line of 11 of 18 for 77 yards through the air and 85 yards rushing on six carries with a touchdown.

It wasn't easy for North, to say the least, and it took some time for their offense to get going, but all that matters is that in the end, the team came away with a win. The victory showed fans that they can expect a heavy dose of Kuaea and Juarez all season long in what should be a successful one for coach Croce and his Saxons. They will be put to the test again next week as North stays at home and welcomes the Palos Verdes Peninsula Panthers into town in what will be their first game of the season. Keep in touch with your Saxons all season long right here as you cheer them on to victory. •

Bruins, Trojans Start The Year Off Right

By Adam Serrao

For the two best football teams that Los Angeles has seen in almost the last 20 years, expectations are certainly at a peak level. Both the UCLA Bruins and the USC Trojans are expected to be amongst the nation's top teams this year, both at the same time, for the first time in a quarter century. While the Bruins are coming off a strong year last year and return star quarterback Brett Hundley to

a quarterback who knows a little something about clutch time play, the Bruins themselves may just be among the great teams in college football this season.

Just down the street from UCLA's campus, the other team from Los Angeles got its season started off on the right foot in what looked to be a much easier fashion than the Bruins did. There was no last-second touchdown to keep the

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play for head coach Jim Mora Jr., the Trojans are looking to rebound not only from a horrible year last season under then head coach Lane Kiffin, but also from the turmoil surrounding the team involving Josh Shaw of two weeks ago. While each of the teams had and will continue to have their hurdles and deficiencies to work through, they both wound up getting the season started off on the right foot. With victories in each of their opening day games, the Bruins and the Trojans kept hope alive for two separate, yet distinctively similar successful seasons.

For the seventh ranked UCLA Bruins, it wasn't Hundley that did most of the damage last Saturday at the University of Virginia. Recognized as one of the nation's top quarterbacks, Hundley was pressured all day long by Virginia's pressure defense, who sacked him five times in the game. While Hundley would eventually find his moment to make an impact on the game, it was UCLA's defense that began the scoring and may have just saved the game for the team. The Bruins scored three defensive touchdowns in the second quarter alone, en route to a 21-10 halftime lead and an eventual 28-20 victory in Virginia. "When you stop the run like we did and put the ball in the end zone three times, that's a pretty special day," coach Mora said of his team.

Since the defense got things started off on the right foot for UCLA, Hundley decided to end things. Late in the third quarter when Virginia was pressuring the Bruins for the lead in the game (21-17), Hundley took to the ground and ran the ball in the end zone himself. From 6-yards out, Hundley met the opposing defense head on and simply overpowered them to keep his team in the lead for what turned out to be the entirety of the game from there on out. "Great players made plays when they need to be made," Mora said. With a defense like the one that showed up last week in Virginia and

USC Trojans in the game in this one. Rather, USC pulled ahead immediately in the first quarter and never looked back in their 52-13 rout of the visiting Fresno State Bulldogs last Saturday at the Coliseum. All of the turmoil of the previous week was instantly put to rest once the No. 15 Trojans took the field. With 21 first-quarter points, it was obvious that the game was already over. Another 10 in the second quarter, followed by another 21-point third quarter, meant the Trojans could relax in the fourth as they cruised to an easy victory.

Starting quarterback Cody Kessler threw for 394 yards and four touchdowns while taking another into the end zone with his feet in head coach Steve Sarkisian's debut for the Cardinal and Gold. USC ran a school and Pac-12 record 105 plays while picking up 37 first downs and accruing 701 yards of total offense on the night. "We went through so much last year, we can handle anything," Kessler said. Certainly, last year was a great learning experience for both the young quarterback and the team alike. With a real head coach at the helm, at last, it looked as if, at least in this game, that USC was back to being the USC of old. In all, 10 different Trojans caught the ball in a newly implemented up-tempo offense of Sarkisian's that looks for the moment as if it is here to stay.

Sure, it was only the first game of the season and there's no telling what the long football year has in store for both teams. UCLA struggled some, but overcome their early deficiencies while USC looks ready and poised to put the last year of football behind them. The real winner in all of this is the college football fan. This year certainly looks as if it will be a fun one to watch as two of L.A.'s teams are poised to have great seasons. Now, we simply must hope that the great play continues until the two teams face off on November 22nd at the Rose Bowl. What a game that is panning out to be. •

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Politically Speaking

One Man's Opinion

American Rashomon

By Gerry Chong

In the Japanese classic *Rashomon*, a killing occurred in a remote location. During the ensuing trial, each witness testified as to the event he had seen, each describing the killing through the prism of his own experiences and prejudices.

On August 9, the American Rashomon took place in a remote location, Ferguson, MO., where a Black youth was killed by a White policeman. Multiple witnesses have reported conflicting versions of the killing but until the

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Grand Jury reports its findings in October, there is no objective truth and Rashomon will have repeated itself.

Nevertheless, without factual basis, the civil rights movement has morphed this singular tragedy into a broader civil rights drama of the highest order. Missouri Governor Jay Nixon (D-MO) has called for a "vigorous prosecution" of the police officer. With fires burning in the streets, state police and National Guardsmen on duty, injuries to bystanders, and looting of stores, the governor proclaimed this "peaceful demonstration as 'uplifting'."

The President sent Attorney General Eric Holder into the fray, who immediately announced that he is not only the Attorney General, but also a Black man who has felt the sting and degradation of White police profiling. He promised "justice to the community."

This President who did not send delegations to the funerals of General Greene, murdered in Afghanistan; beheaded journalist James Foley; or former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, but sent three supporting senior officials to the funeral of the alleged martyr.

Flamethrowers Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton were there castigating police and city officials for alleged misconduct. The New Black Panthers cast an intimidating implied threat, and the City of St. Louis renamed its annual Peace Fest a memorial to Michael Brown.

USA Today elevated the slain teenager into the hallowed halls of martyrdom, describing the scene at the funeral home on the day before his funeral. The newspaper detailed the boyish charm with which the body was attired, and described the tattoos and commemorative

T-shirts the mourners wore. Graphics showed Brown in his high school cap and gown; the young victim splashing in a pool and opening gifts of Christmas past. This innocent child's ascendancy to the heavens has been complete.

Without a factual foundation, the police officer has been tried and convicted in the court of public opinion; will never be allowed to practice his profession again; and could never regain his good name. Have his rights been abrogated?

Like a collective set of witnesses to Rashomon, the Black community saw this tragic event through the prism of its own experiences and prejudices. It did not see a confrontation between law enforcement and a belligerent suspect but saw instead a racially stoked abuse of power. Ironically, the Black community, the press and Liberal politicians have therefore resorted to the Jim Crow-like political lynching it has always opposed. Anything less than a murder verdict of the policeman now would justify their view of discrimination. The ultimate warrior for equal rights, Martin Luther King, would be in tears. •

Another Man's Opinion

Campus Sexual Assault Bill Creates Many Questions

By Cristian Vasquez

Last week, University of California President Janet Napolitano came out in support of the passage of Senate Bill 967. The proposed legislation would make it a requirement for colleges and universities in the state to address campus sexual violence through requiring said institutions to adopt a more "consistent survivor-centered" sexual assault response policies. The bill is also advocating for these educational institutions to follow the best protocols and practices, along with professional "standards for prevention, access to resources, and fair adjudication proceedings."

I will always applaud and support any legislation that aims to prove support for sexual assault victims to help them recover from the physical, emotional and all other types of trauma that stem from such horrific incidents. What stands out from this piece of legislation is the attention to the "prevention efforts" in order to avoid sexual assaults from even happening. The challenge with prevention efforts is that people and institutions have different ideas and methods at achieving prevention.

Educating the public about a certain issue is usually a step taken to address and fix a problem. However, how do we teach young college students not to sexually assault women? Or men in general for that matter? I would think that these grotesque actions are something that a person of average decency would never commit. What do we have to say or do for college students to not sexually assault fellow classmates?

I have never experienced the following but I have heard from friends that there are some colleges and universities that host workshops advising young college women on how to prevent situations that may lead to being sexually assaulted. While this information is useful and has probably led to many women being more

aware and cautious for their own good, this approach suggest that we haven't moved on from the blaming the victim tendencies that our society's history has displayed. It is great that women are being empowered to protect themselves but this certainly highlights the problem at its core: violence against women is expected to happen. That is unacceptable on every level.

If we are going to be teaching the young women in our society how to prevent making themselves vulnerable to sexual assault, then we really have to question the way we are raising our boys. Any form of aggression against other people, especially women, has to be made unacceptable in every social setting. Yet it seems that as a society we simply pay lip service when dealing with violence against women. There are countless cases where athletes, celebrities and high-profile people avoid any type of punishment when caught assaulting women. So what example are we really setting? What message are we actually sending? I can't even imagine what compels a person to commit such a horrendous act; it seems like common sense that you would not want to hurt person in any form or way. While prevention at the UC campuses sounds great I am interested in knowing what exactly that entails; not just for potential victims but for probable offenders.

I am sure that a large number of our state's new high school graduates attending their first semester of college are not inclined to assault anyone in a sexual manner. Sadly, the fact that sexual attacks are still being reported on college campuses across the state every year is disturbing. Even worse is knowing that there are many cases of assault that are not reported. To prevent sexual violence against women we need to reeducate ourselves about violence against women and begin holding offenders accountable for their actions. •

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TerriAnn in Torrance

Torrance – Off We Go

By TerriAnn Ferren

Inevitably, all of us must pack a bag or two at some point in our lives. That chore comes sooner or later when we visit a relative or friend, take a vacation with family, or go off to camp. More complicated packing comes along with college and moving from place to place.

When I was young, the first suitcase I ever owned was a red and black checked heavy fabric bag with a soft plastic handle. It wasn't that big and the gold zipper ran all around the top edge. That suitcase made me feel grown up and I filled it with lots of things I really didn't need to take with me. Often, my travels were no further than my grandparent's house, my cousin's house, or a sleepover or slumber party at a girlfriend's.

As an adult, packing has become somewhat of an art and I am guilty of reading books about how to efficiently pack a suitcase. Shoes on the edges with socks stuffed inside work well for me. My mother-in-law taught me to fold delicate items in tissue paper to reduce wrinkling and girlfriends have gifted me special holders for everything from toiletries to hairbrushes and jewelry. Sometimes, I think I am a bit particular about packing.

Do you ball up everything and hope for the best? Are you the kind of person who likes things 'just so' and enjoys packing? Or do you hate it, pack at the last minute, or not really care about your suitcase or if you happen to



Elizabeth Coral, a packing pro.

take the right clothes or not? Some tell me they don't fret about packing the right clothes because they can pick up whatever they forgot

at their destination. True enough, I suppose.

Last week at the airport check-in counter, I saw one girl squatting on the floor beside her open suitcase rearranging everything before surrendering it to the man behind the ticket counter who threw it on the moving belt right before it disappeared behind the wall. Had she



Cece Cadogan, who works for a travel agency.

forgotten something? Was she taking something out? All I knew was that I empathized with her, thinking that could be me if I didn't have a list. Are you a list maker? Do you keep a general packing list on the computer so when you go away you simply print it off and voila – you are ready to pack?

How do the people of Torrance pack for a trip or holiday? Do most of us wait until the last minute or are there those out there who keep an open suitcase in the corner on the floor for days before a trip throwing things in as needed? I decided to find out how some people in town pack for a trip.

At a local travel agency I spoke with Cece Cadogan, who told me that her first travel experience was to Oakland when she was 12 years old to visit her cousins. "I packed myself. I had my own independent suitcase. I took several different outfits 'cuz my cousins lived in Oakland and I knew we would be going to the park and going to the community swimming pool." Although Cece told me she didn't have the greatest time at her cousin's house, as an adult she now visits a girlfriend in Laguna and enjoys packing for that trip. "I pack all my toiletries, sandals, and tennis shoes in a separate bag, and maybe three outfits,"

said Cece with a big smile.

Priscilla Garibay, age 17, told me, "I am more of a methodical packer. I like to plan because depending upon where I go, I like to plan out my outfits and see how the weather is going to be. I am a very neat packer. I am a neat freak actually. I like to fold my clothes a certain way so that I can have more space." Priscilla told me she wasn't necessarily very neat when she was little but as she grew she didn't want wrinkles in her clothes. "I was 10 or 11 when I started packing for myself," added Priscilla.

Jane Borthwick told me that the first time she remembers packing for a trip was a vacation to visit her aunt and uncle in California. She told me she flew TWA (no longer in existence) from Pennsylvania to California. "I think I had only one suitcase and I just packed! I put my underwear on the bottom and ended up with blouses on the top," said Jane. I asked Jane if she had changed her packing system through the years and she said, "No, not drastically."

Jane must have been a natural packer. My packing has changed a lot from when I used to pack my little red case before leaving for my grandparent's house. Airlines charge for baggage now and I am very conscious about what I pack when I fly.

Only a few years ago, I remember checking my bags at the Honolulu International Airport before catching a flight home and having to pay a huge penalty for the extra weight of my



Priscilla Garibay, age 17. All photos by TerriAnn Ferren.

bags. My brother, Tommy told me about this great Hawaiian barbecue sauce that was only available at the Costco in Hawaii, and so I

obediently bought two big jugs to bring home. Let's just say I won't do that again.

Every person I asked told me how they pack, and lots of people confessed that they had a system. Most of the time, I take much more care packing for a trip than returning from a trip.

Long ago, a travel expert gave me some wise tips about packing. Put your name and number inside as well as outside of the suitcase and never use your home address or phone number. She suggested putting liquids in baggies, but it is the last tidbit I follow most of all each time I take a trip. Take half the amount of clothes - and twice the amount of money that you think you may need.

Elizabeth Coral was happy to tell me she was about 7 years old when she first packed a bag all by herself. "[I packed] every toy I could think of – pajamas, a toothbrush, pants, shirt and underclothes. But I had the bag full of toys. I had an 'overnight grandma bag', believe it or not. It was pastel colors and it had my name embroidered on it and it said, literally 'to grandma's house' on the inside on the tag," said Elizabeth. She also told me she wasn't very concerned with her clothes when she was small but now, "I actually – when I go places and I need something and I forgot it – I have the list on my phone and I add it to the list - I have a camping list and I have a trip packing list also. So, I do make lists - especially after having children." Elizabeth also said she always remembers to take along chargers for her computer and cell phone when she travels. In addition, she throws in an extension cord because with her phone and her daughter's phone, etc., sometimes they run out of plugs in a hotel room. Now that is planning! "I don't leave home without my chargers. I have one at home, I have one in my car, and I have one in my purse. The phone that I use uses a lot of the battery and heaven forbid I am somewhere without phone access," added Elizabeth, laughing.

So grab your bag and take some time planning what you might need for a trip and then be circumspect in your packing. It will pay off when you arrive at your destination. Of course, there are those who don't take time to organize anything before packing and they do just fine. Whatever your packing style – have fun and Bon Voyage! •

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3900 BLOCK SEPULVEDA BLVD
Suspect punches victim in the face repeatedly

Theft 8/22/2014 8:00:00 AM 3500 BLOCK
CARSON ST
Suspect(s) takes unattended property from location/construction equipment

Burglary-Auto 8/21/2014 4:30:41 PM
1300 BLOCK CABRILLO AVE
Suspect(s) smashed window for entry and takes property/headphones, duffel bag, goggles, towel, sandals

Theft 8/21/2014 9:54 AM 4700 BLOCK
PASEO DE LAS TORTUGAS
Suspect(s) accepts and takes property from delivery company employee/delivered parcel

Theft 8/21/2014 7:00:00 PM 20200 BLOCK
WESTERN AVE
Suspect(s) takes property off of victim's vehicle/ tailgate

Theft 8/20/2014 11:45:00 PM 1900 BLOCK
190TH ST
Suspect(s) punches door lock for entry and removes property off of victim's vehicle/ rear window

Burglary-Residential 8/20/2014 5:11:00
AM 2400 BLOCK 237TH ST
Suspect(s) enters possibly open and unlocked garage and takes property/ work boots, firearm

Burglary-Auto 8/19/2014 6:00:00 PM 3600
BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY
Suspect(s) smashed window for entry and takes property/briefcase, bank cards, check-book, camera

Auto Theft 8/19/2014 3:56 PM 2900
BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY
Stolen vehicle: '12 Dodge R15

Theft 8/19/2014 11:29 AM 2700 BLOCK
SKYPARK DR
Suspect(s) takes property from victim as victim looks away/ bag, wallet

Auto Theft 8/19/2014 6:50 AM 2900
BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY
Stolen vehicle: '13 Toyota Prius

Battery-Simple 8/19/2014 3:20 AM 2100
BLOCK 160TH ST
Suspect pushes victim to the ground, grabs her by the throat while covering her mouth and both slaps and punches victim in the face

Burglary-Commercial 8/19/2014 8:58:44
AM 17400 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD
Suspect(s) smashes glass door for entry and uses unknown tool to cut a hole in the wall in attempt to make entry upon the adjacent business/ no loss

Theft 8/18/2014 4:35:00 PM 2300 BLOCK
239TH ST
Suspect(s) takes property from victim's front porch/delivered parcels

Vandalism 8/19/2014 5:00:00 AM 1800
BLOCK SANTA FE AVE
Suspect(s) scratches victim's vehicle's paint

Vandalism 8/18/2014 7:00:00 AM 2800
BLOCK 168TH ST
Suspect(s) throws rocks at victim's vehicle, smashing tail light and window

Burglary-Auto 8/24/2014 9:00:00 AM
1300 BLOCK CABRILLO AVE
Suspect(s) uses unknown tool to cut open victim's vehicle's convertible top for entry and takes property/ garage door remote, sunglasses, laptop

Vandalism 8/17/2014 10:42:01 PM
CARSON ST & WESTERN AVE
Suspect kicks victim's vehicle's window several times resulting in damage

Auto Theft 8/18/2014 7:00:00 AM 1400
BLOCK BORDER AVE
Stolen vehicle: '92 Honda Accord

Vandalism 8/17/2014 7:10 PM 24700
BLOCK MADISON ST
Suspect(s) uses unknown tool to cut wires and break bulbs, damaging outdoor lighting in victims backyard

Theft 8/17/2014 12:48:00 PM 3700 BLOCK
PACIFIC COAST HWY
Suspect(s) takes unattended property/ prescription eyeglasses •

Brown

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to still provide paper bags but will require a ten cents charge to customers. The bill limits stores' usage of funds generated by paper bag sales to comply with the costs of the law and further expand recycling efforts.

Politicians have committed to encourage in-state filming by more than tripling the entertainment tax-credit's program for five years. Lawmakers worked closely with California Governor, Jerry Brown, to expand the program.

Although the legislature has completed its curtain call for the year, there is always a chance for an encore. California Governor Jerry Brown still maintains veto authority over all bills that passed the legislature this week. An influx of advocacy effort has descended upon the Governor's office pleading the Governor to veto select measures.

Should the Governor choose to exercise his right to veto, he has 12 days upon receipt of the bill to do so or else the measure will become law by default. However, if a measure is passed but not delivered to the Governor's office prior to the August 31st session deadline, then the Governor will have until September 30th to make the decision whether or not to veto. It is quite common for bills passed by the legislature to take up to several days before being formally delivered to the Governor for final approval. veto decisions are strictly at the Governor's discretion. The likelihood of a bill being veto varies depending on who is in the Governor's seat.

According to a report produced by the California Senate Committee on Governance and Finance on the historical frequency California Governors exercise their veto authority, Governor Brown has vetoed slightly over 12% of the bills delivered to his office during his term (2010-2013) with 2013 being his lowest veto rate, 11%, since returning to office in 2010. Governor Brown's current veto rate is comparatively

lower to many of his predecessors. The most vetoes exercised in one year in California history was made by Governor George Deukmejian with a total of 436 vetoes in 1990; however, Governor Deukmejian also considered the most bills in California history that same year. Former Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger holds the highest veto percentage rate for one year when he vetoed one out of every three (35%) bills proposed in 2008. Governor Brown holds the top three spots for lowest veto percentage in California history when he vetoed only 1.8% (1982), 2.9% (1981), and 3.3% (1978) of legislation during his initial stay in office from 1975-1983.

Even though the legislature has no control over the Governor's veto decision, the legislative branch can always override any gubernatorial veto; however, it is quite unlikely. The California gubernatorial veto right is especially powerful. California's constitution requires an absolute two-thirds majority in both the Senate and the Assembly to overturn a veto; meaning: the percentage of votes required is based on the total number of California Legislators, not just those present and voting. History reflects the supremacy of a California gubernatorial veto, as Californians have not seen a veto overturned in more than a generation. Interestingly, the last Governor to have a veto reversed was Governor Brown himself in 1979. Recently, in 2010, California voters decided to change the absolute majority requirement to pass the state's budget to a simple majority because of the difficulty obtaining an absolute majority can pose.

September will be a busy month for the Governor as he reviews the numerous bills passed by the legislature in late August. The main act may be over, but if history is any indicator, the encore could turn out to be pretty interesting as well. •

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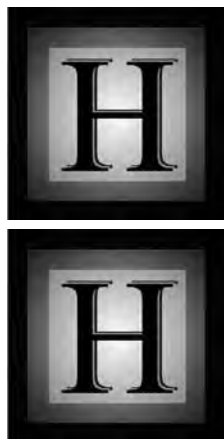
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School Board

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with Smarter Balanced. We don't have the capabilities, manpower, technology, infrastructure and software developer they do. If they are going to use our materials and they can have our students access it in a way that they might in Smarter Balanced, it's a win-win."

The offer also provides the district with a money back guarantee. However, School Board member Michael Wermers was skeptical about whether the finished product would live up to SchoolCity's promises.

"Every piece of software in the world runs really well on PowerPoint," said Wermers. "It'll be interesting to see how it really works."

Lastly, the Board approved a three-year contract with Achieve 3000 to bring their literacy software to more schools in the district. The software provides reading materials at a variety of grade levels and provides questions to assess student understanding of what they've read. It's already run through a pilot program at Torrance High School, MacGruder and Hull middle schools, and Hickory Elementary. Stowe said students gave the program rave reviews when asked about it.

"It was tremendous, students felt it was really engaging and – most importantly – that it helped them," said Stowe.

Achieve3000's software is targeted at under performing students, allowing them to receive extra English practice two to three times a week. Stowe said that by rolling out the program to more schools not only will be reduce the cost per student from \$58 to \$39, but will replace the current patchwork of programs with something that has been proven effective.

"We felt very comfortable. We've used it in enough places with good results," said Stowe. "The only way to standardize is to try something for a period of time. We've had 30 different schools doing 30 different things and they haven't all been working."

While supportive of this software, Wermers was concerned about whether the district has the network capacity to accommodate all the devices students will be using. He estimates there could be 70,000 devices being used through out the district by students ad without proper planning problems could arise. "From an IT standpoint, all my alarm bells went off," said Wermers. •

Small Business

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are a well-kept secret.' Well, we don't want to be a well-kept secret." While the non-profit organization works with a minimal advertising budget, she said that the SBDC "tries to make the most of the dollars that we have."

But even in this frenetic age of social-media, with 24-7 marketing apps, Van Burn noted that the best advertising, many times, is old-fashioned word-of-mouth. Entrepreneurs who have benefited from the SBDC's expertise tout the option to their like-minded business friends, who may not initially have the resources to retain high-priced business consultants.

Three local businesses that have benefited from their association with the SBDC include Planet Bouncy, located in Hermosa Beach; Caban Resources, based in El Segundo; and CTI Environmental, headquartered in Long Beach.

Sergei Sychev, owner of Planet Bouncy in Hermosa, was an employment victim of the recession in 2008. Sychev had worked in business development for a consulting firm, and noticed that a co-worker was working on the weekends delivering inflatable jumpers and bounce houses to children's parties, and that the weekend business was "booming." Sychev decided to buy three inflatables to start

his weekend business, and when he was laid off during the recession six years ago, dove full-time into the Planet Bouncy operation.

He spoke with advisors at the SBDC, who helped him with his loan options and consulted as he devised a feasible business plan. His advisor worked with him to put together that business plan, as well as realistic projections, financials, and cash flow data.

"I probably wouldn't have done that on my own," he said. The SBDC advisor was able to consult Sychev so that he was able to obtain a loan to grow the company, add new employees, and fine-tune his business strategy so that he could target the most profitable customers for his fledgling start-up.

Sychev touted the SBDC's services. "For an entrepreneur on a budget, finding a free source of business expertise was invaluable," he said. I don't have to hire expensive advisors to help me manage my business. SBDC has everything I could ever need." Not a bad, cost-effective resource, for a would-be or established entrepreneur. The SBDC and Director Star Van Buren can be contacted at 310-973-3177, svanburen@elcamino.edu, or www.southbaysbdc.org. •

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Toby needs a tall fence and a loving owner.

Toby is a stunning tri colored purebred 2-year-old Saint Bernard. He is a lovely boy, loves people, attention and affection. Toby knows tricks such as sit, shake, lay down, will roll onto his side and walks very well on leash. He was surrendered to us because he figured out how to climb chain link and escape his back yard. Toby would wander the neighborhood looking for anyone who would pay attention to him and then always return home when he was done. So, we are looking for some non-chain link fencing in the back yard and at least 6 feet would be good. Toby is neutered, current on vaccinations, microchipped, fine with other dogs, and good with children.

Coco was rescued from a person who was keeping her outside all the time and not treating her nicely. She is 4 years old,

weighs 7 pounds and knows how to sit, lay down and shake. Coco is a little character and likes to sit in her water dish on hot days. This sweet girl is spunky and full of energy. She likes to play and go for walks, crates very well at night and is always happy to see you. Coco does well with other small dogs and it would be ideal to place her in a home with a male dog of her size or a little bigger or she will be just fine as an only dog too. She is not a good match for apartment living and would like to place her in a house with a yard and a doggie door. Coco is spayed, current on vaccinations, dewormed, and microchipped.

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Happy Tails



Simon's microchip helped reunite him with his family. Although you've heard it before, please microchip your beloved pets



Sasha (left) and Mesha.

Add a little love when you adopt your purr-fect partner.

Sasha and **Mesha** are great kitties. They love being around people and will say hello to visitors or check out your bags when you walk in the door. Both are great mousers leaving their toy mice at the bedroom door. Sasha loves to play, especially in the morning before breakfast. You will find her lying in the sun most mornings. She also loves to chase shadows, whether it's laser light or shadows thrown on the wall from passing car headlights at night. She has the loudest purr, but the quietest meow. Mesha is a great shadow following you wherever you go. She hates to be alone, unless she's sleeping. Mesha doesn't really like to be picked up and prefers to snuggle on her terms. However, her favorite time is when you sit or lay down, and then she will be on you in minutes.

Amelie and **Ashton** were rescued from a county shelter along with their siblings and mother. Both kittens are super sweet and love to cuddle. Amelie and Ashton are high energy darlings who love to romp and wrestle with the kittens in their foster home. They get along with everyone they meet, including dogs! Amelie and Ashton would be very lonely on their own, so each of them must be adopted to a home with another kitty. Or if you're looking for two, Amelie and Ashton would love to share their life together with you.

These kittens are available for adoption through Kitten Rescue, one of the largest cat rescue groups in Southern California. All of our kitties are spayed/neutered, microchipped, tested for FeLV and FIV, dewormed and current on their vaccinations. For additional information and to see these or our other kitties, please check our website www.kittenrescue.org or email us at mail@kittenrescue.org. Your tax deductible donations for the rescue and care of our



Amelie would love to have a new home with a kitty partner like her brother Ashton.

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On Saturdays, we have adoptions from noon to 3:30 p.m. in Westchester at 8655 Lincoln Blvd. just south of Manchester Ave. and also in Mar Vista at 3860 Centinela Ave. just south of Venice Boulevard. Our website lists additional adoption sites and directions to each location. •



Ashton and Amelie were rescued together.

Simon was found as a stray. When Animals Rule Rescue scanned him, he had a microchip with current information. They called his owner and informed her that they had her dog. To their surprise, Animals Rule learned that Simon had been missing for two years from the Fresno area. His family was shocked by the phone call and full of excitement in anticipation of getting him back after being gone for so long. Simon remembered his family when they came to get him. Here is an update from Simon's owner:

"Thank you so much for taking the time to e-mail me the pictures of Simon. They made my day and made me even more anxious to see him after all this time. Stark and Simon became great buddies on the ride home from San Pedro. I just wanted to thank you and your team for being so caring to Simon while

he was in your care and for reaching out to us right away when you found our information! After Simon being gone for over 2 years, my family and I had given up hope of ever finding him again. I honestly think I was in a little shock when Stephanie called me on Tuesday. My daughter laid with him in bed last night and said she was so happy to have her "baby" back. LOL. He's almost as big as she is now and she's 13! We'd love to send you updates on how Simon is doing and an updated pic of our family and all of our dogs soon! Sincerely, Renae." •

Pets can get loose or lost through mishaps and travel quickly. Microchip: it works!

Real Estate

How to Trick the Eyes with the Magic of Home Improvement

(BPT) - From disappearing acts to mind games and sensory illusions, the art of magic is all about making your audience believe what they are seeing, taking a seemingly impossible task and making it possible. This timeless art can inspire you to perform some magic of your own using simple home improvement tips to fool the eyes and transform small, drab spaces into ones that will surely astound and amaze.

SEEING IS BELIEVING

Paint color is an easy and inexpensive way to create an optical illusion. When used properly, certain paint colors can actually make a room look larger. Take white, for instance. Using very light colors or whites, like Ultra White from Dutch Boy, can help reflect natural or artificial light, making the walls seem to disappear and creating a space that looks bigger. Picking the perfect neutral can give the illusion that your walls are receding. This subtle DIY secret keeps eyes focused on the colors and patterns of the furnishings and accessories in the room, rather than on the size of the room itself.

EMBRACING YOUR DARK SIDE

Most people believe dark colors shouldn't or can't be used in small spaces, but that's not the case. If you use the color on everything - the moldings, cabinets and walls - the unified, seamless look makes the room appear larger. Paint the room with a dark color, like Dutch Boy's Mosaic Tiles or Chanson Bleu in a semi-gloss finish, and light will bounce off the shiny surface, creating the appearance of a brighter, larger room. Conversely, if you have a room that is overwhelmingly large, the opposite principals can be applied to make it look smaller. Use dark colors, but this time in a flat finish, to minimize the appearance of the room.

An alternative way to trick the eye with paint - and add a level of sophistication and luxury to your home - is by using a faux finishing technique, replicating the appearance of materials such as brushed suede, granite or old world plaster.

A DISAPPEARING ACT

Another way to keep costs and clutter down is by making trim and other decor items vanish. Instead of over-furnishing,

accessorize with multi-purpose pieces like a decorative storage chest that can double as a coffee table or a set of nesting tables that can be easily stored when not in use.

Place large furniture against the walls to open up the space. Paint pieces like armoires and shelving units the same color as the walls and hang matching draperies to help them blend. The room instantly feels larger.

Opt for furniture with open arms and exposed legs to keep your eyes flowing through the room. Introduce glass or glass alternative tables, which are almost invisible. Mirrors are also a great, inexpensive way to open up a space, giving the illusion of depth. But don't overdo it with accessories - keep it simple and clean.

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sleeve, you too can be an interior illusionist. Your friends and family will be left wondering how you did it. •

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