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## Torrance High Schools Celebrate Class of 2012



West Torrance senior Joshua Meadows delivers an inspirational speech outlining the class' past accomplishments and future expectations during the graduation ceremony. See more photos on pages 7 to 10. Photo by Dirk Dewachter. For more photos, visit [www.dewachter.net](http://www.dewachter.net)

## Council Celebrates Centennial Soccer Invitational Tournament Winners

By Dylan Little

The Torrance City Council congratulated eight Torrance-based American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) soccer teams for their strong finishes in the Torrance Centennial AYSO Invitational Tournament during the body's June 19 Council meeting. The Council Chambers at City Hall were packed beyond capacity with soccer players and their proud parents, with some parents standing in the aisle for lack of seating. The Council called up each team to award certificates of recognition and gave each coach and assistant coach a Torrance Centennial pen (Mayor Frank Scotto joked that his fellow Council members were jealous, as they hadn't received their commemorative pens yet). The players' parents were extremely proud, with one father exclaiming, "That's my son, that's my son!" when the boy's name was read aloud.

Not only were the parents in the audience proud, but the Council (some of whom were involved in the beginnings of AYSO) were also proud of Torrance's young athletes. "We applaud all of you for the extraordinary achievement," said Scotto. "You've done an outstanding job of representing our community with pride."

The tournament consisted of teams from all over Southern California playing over two weekends (June 9 and June 10 for the girls and June 16 and June 17 for the boys) on the field at Columbia Park. Each division was diverse, with 29 girls' teams and 47 boys' teams facing off in seven divisions broken down by age and gender. Scotto was proud to announce that Torrance had teams in the championships of every division. "The tournament was a remarkable success," he said. "I'm very proud to announce that of all the teams that participated in the tournament, eight of our own Torrance AYSO teams won championship titles and brought home the championship for U10, U12 and U14 girls'

division titles and U10, U12, U14, and U19 division boys' titles."

While such a strong showing for Torrance AYSO teams fits well into the Torrance Centennial narrative, it was far from a given. In another Centennial-related competition, Torrance's bid to be an All-American city for 2012 was ultimately unsuccessful. But due to the dedication and hard work of the players and coaches, Torrance's AYSO teams were successful on the soccer field despite facing stiff competition from Beverly Hills,

Woodward and Chatsworth teams that all made high-placing finishes in the girls' division (boys' results weren't available at press time). Even Scotto seemed a little surprised about how well Torrance's teams fared in the Centennial Tournament. "Who would've thought that if you held a tournament that the Torrance teams were going to dominate?" Scotto asked.

Along with medals, certificates and recognition from the Council, these kids will also

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## Partnerships of the Year Recognized at State of Education Address

By Cristian Vasquez

In the presence of City leaders, School Board officials, teachers, students, parents and business partners, the Torrance Unified School District gave its State of Education address. While District officials used their time to address issues such as the ongoing budget cuts, the tone was positive and the outlook for schools was hopeful. School Board President Terry Ragins and District Superintendent Dr. George Mannon both highlighted the growth of Torrance's educational system as well as its ongoing success. In particular, there was much pride in the high schools' 98 percent graduation rate and their ongoing and successful partnerships with local businesses through the City's Adopt-A-School program.

"I just wanted to begin by saying how honored I am to have been a part of this Adopt-a-School effort for the past three years," Vice Chair of the Torrance Chamber

Foundation Sherry Kramer said. "My position on the board of directors has been so gratifying and fulfilling not only because of overseeing so many wonderful adoptions that we saw last year, but because of the turnout, I was able to partner with some of the schools myself and it is so rewarding. As we continued to hear about State cuts in public education, it is so vital for these businesses to continue to stand up and support our schools' need."

In 1982 the Torrance Unified School District, along with the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce, has been involved with Adopt-A-School. Through this partnership program between local schools and businesses, school and company representatives develop mutually beneficial and manageable programs that seek to stimulate the minds of students in a way that will have a direct impact in the private sector, industry and

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## Weekend Forecast

**Friday**  
Chance of  
Drizzle  
69°/61°



**Saturday**  
Chance of  
Drizzle  
68°/60°



**Sunday**  
Patchy  
Fog  
68°/60°



# FOOD & DINING

## David Schat's Bakery Café: Tasty Treats Go Beyond Just Sweets

By Brian Simon

I can recall few business openings as eagerly anticipated in El Segundo as when David Schat's Bakery Café debuted late last year. Not only did Downtown finally have a bakery again, but it also fulfilled the dream of a longtime El Segundo resident who happens to hail from a celebrated family in the wonderful world of baking. "People had been asking me forever, 'Why don't you open your own place?'" said David Schat. Once the former Blockbuster site became available, he jumped at the opportunity to transform the space. And yes, Schat's was worth the wait.

The Schat family boasts seven bakeries—each independently owned and operated by different members of the clan. The most famous of the bunch is the landmark operation in Bishop just outside of Mammoth owned by David's uncle Erick that is particularly renowned for its signature shepherder breads.

Though not part of a franchise other than by kinship and with only a few shared recipes, David Schat's Bakery Café does justice and then some to the family name. A sixth-generation Dutch baker who learned the craft as a teen at the hands of his grandfather Jack (who came to the States in the late '50s from the Netherlands), earned a master certification from the American Institute of Baking in Kansas and paid his dues working for the likes of King's Hawaiian Bakery, Van de Kamp's and Pillsbury among other industry luminaries, David carved his own niche as a technician skilled in the science and technology of baking. "I can make a recipe work on whatever kind of equipment there is," he noted.

At King's, David oversaw an operation that chugged out 6,000 pounds of dough per hour. The output is decidedly smaller scale in El Segundo, where the kitchen produces a "mere" 100 dozen rolls a week. But as good as those rolls are there is more to Schat's than baked goods. In fact, it offers some of the tastiest, highest quality and most unique breakfast and lunch options in El Segundo.

The kitchen offers up a diverse menu of sandwiches, salads, soups and sides. Schat's roasts most of its own meats in-house—it even pickles its own pastrami on the premises for five days, making the end result as lean, tender and flavorful as you'll find in the area.

This is also the only place in town you can get hand-carved, house-roasted turkey—and what an upgrade over the processed variety! The sandwich, served on shepherder bread, includes Swiss cheese, avocado, red leaf lettuce and a sweet and tangy cranberry chutney.

Schat's may be the first spot in El Segundo to jump on the "Banh Mi" bandwagon—the Vietnamese sandwiches served on French baguettes. The stellar version here includes house-braised pork belly, pickled carrots, daikon, cucumber, green onions, cilantro, jalapeno and Sambal (chili-based) aioli.

You can also get a pressed Cubano with smoked ham and Genoa salami, as well as sandwiches featuring roast beef, roasted vegetables, garlic chicken or ham and cheese.

The sandwiches may be ordered a la carte and average in the \$8 to \$9 range, which seems reasonable given the freshness, quality and ample portions at hand. You can create a combo for an additional \$3.25 by adding a side and a 16-ounce soda. Side choices include sweet potato fries (especially recommended) with several dipping sauce options, cole slaw, chips, mac and cheese with or without spiced salami, fresh fruit or house salad.

Speaking of salads, Schat's has five of them, including the "Carrie's Salad," named after David's wife Carrie Watkins Schat—the daughter of well-known couple (School Board President) Bill and Carol Watkins—who

particularly enjoys the mix of butter lettuce, Fuji apples, candied walnuts and goat cheese topped with a champagne vinaigrette. And all the dressings are made in house. So yes, you can manage to eat a healthy meal at a bakery.

As far as soups, the roasted butternut squash is to-die-for with toasted pumpkin seeds, panera cheese and herb pesto, while the French onion soup featuring a healthy dose of Dutch gruyere cheese is another winner.



Schat's offers breakfast all day Friday through Sunday and the menu has grown over the last few months. For \$8.50, you can build your own omelet with three eggs and a choice from among different cheeses, veggies and meat. French toast is a must on either the shepherder or raisin walnut bread, as is the corned beef boxty (similar to corned beef hash with a homemade Irish potato pancake and a couple of eggs on top). There is also a breakfast burrito, a BLT egg sandwich and the "Bishop Bowl" (David was born in Bishop and briefly managed the bakery there in his younger days before moving to El Segundo in the mid-'80s) that mixes hash browns, scrambled eggs and country sausage gravy.

Schat's also features Peet's Coffee & Tea, all-natural smoothies, wine and beer—including El Segundo Brewing Company's popular Blue House Ale and a few boutique-style vinos not typically carried elsewhere. A license to sell beer and wine to-go is also in the works.

And finally for the lil' ones, Schat's offers a "kindermenu." Choices include such classics as grilled cheese and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches.

While it may be a pleasant surprise that Schat's is a great breakfast and lunch spot, it's impossible to forget that you are in a bakery given the amazing aromas and the visually appealing display cases in constant view filled with various cookies, pastries and cakes, not to mention racks lined with ready-to-go loaves of bread and rolls pulled out of the oven that morning.

Pastry chef Rebecca Kerper has built quite an assortment of goodies. Among the highlights on the sweet side: the chocolate peanut butter pretzel cupcakes, mini-cream puffs, key lime tarts, cinnamon coffee cake, lemon rosemary cookies, butter spritz cookies (from a family recipe David says has "been around forever"), chocolate chip cookies and Danish pastries, just to name a few. Custom cakes are also available for any occasion.

Open, airy and spacious with a small outdoor patio to boot, Schat's is a comfortable place to hang out. With a number of El Segundo residents among the 23 employees, including Schat daughters Amanda and Eden, it is truly a home town family operation. Carrie is also a fixture at the bakery handling community outreach and social media. Thank goodness for technology to spread the world about old school baking!

David Schat's Bakery Café is open seven days, with Monday to Friday hours 6 to 6, Saturday 7-6 and Sunday 8-3. The kitchen is open for lunch weekdays 10:30-4, for breakfast and lunch Friday and Saturday from 7-4 and 8-3 on Sunday. Patrons can take advantage of free Internet access. Catering with delivery is available and you can also order picnic packs. David Schat's Bakery Café is located at 131-A West Grand Avenue. For more information, call (310) 524-9895 or go to [www.schatselsegundo.com](http://www.schatselsegundo.com).



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# People

## Graduates

**Katherine Cerrito and Julie Haydel**, both of Torrance, graduated from the University of San Diego on May 27. Katherine earned a bachelor's degree in marketing and Julie earned a bachelor's degree in psychology.



# Calendar

### THURSDAY, JUNE 21

- Beach Cities Republicans Meeting, 7:00 pm (in private room), Sizzler Restaurant, 2880 Sepulveda Blvd. Visitors welcome. For more information email David Hadley at davidfhadley@gmail.com.

- Free Lecture: "Holistic Health: Blending the Best of Eastern and Western Medicine", 6:30- p.m.-8:30 p.m., 22925 Arlington Ave Suite 10. For more information call (310) 517 9262.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 22

- Downtown Torrance Antique Street Faire, 8:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m., Downtown Torrance. For more information call Julie Randall at (310) 328-6107.

- Walking Tour of Downtown Torrance. Tour leaves from Torrance Historical Society & Museum, 1345 Post Avenue promptly at 1:30 p.m. For more information call (310) 328-5392.

### SUNDAY, JUNE 24

- Annual Filipino Heritage Celebration, 9:15 a.m., First United Methodist Church of Torrance, 1551 El Prado Ave. Following the service, there will be a luncheon program featuring Filipino songs and traditional dances. For more information call the church office at (310) 328-3242.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 26

- Free "Fun In The Sun" Program, 12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m., Alta Loma Park, 26126 Delos Drive. For more information call Vic Arevalo at (310) 618-2930.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27

- Teen Summer Reading Program: Own the Night: Night at The Movies, 3:30 p.m., Katy Geissert Library, 3301 Torrance Blvd. For more information please call (310) 618-5964.

### THURSDAY, JUNE 28

- South Bay Ostomy Support Group Meeting, 7:30 p.m., at Torrance Memorial Medical Center West Tower building, 2nd floor in #7C, 3300 Lomita Blvd.

### FRIDAY, JUNE 29

- Movies in the Park, show begins at dusk (approx. 8 p.m.), McMaster Park, 3624 Artesia Blvd. For more information call (310) 618-2720.

### ONGOING

- Diabetes Support Group meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month, 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m., Torrance Memorial Health Conference Center, Rm 1. For more information call (310) 370-3228.

- Caregivers Support Group meets every Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.- 8:00 p.m., Torrance Memorial Conference Center, Rm 5. For more information call (310) 517-4666.

- Overeaters Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday, First Christian Church, Room 8, Maple & El Dorado. Free.

- "Retired Guys Only" Join fellow retirees the first Wednesday of each month, 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m., Torrance First United Methodist Church, 1551 El Prado. For more information call (310) 328-3242.

# Letters

## Torrance Unified

Another successful school year has ended. Even with all the budget cuts we have endured due to the State's economic woes, the District continues to show gains. Our API increased to 856 this year, two of our elementary schools were recognized as California Distinguished Schools, and recently three of our high schools were included in Newsweek's list of best high schools in the Nation. Our administrators, teachers, and support staff continue to pour their heart and soul into educating our students. With a 98% graduation rate District wide, our students take what they have learned at TUSD to pursue their higher education and professional dreams beyond TUSD.

While students and teachers are off for their summer vacation, the District is looking forward to the completion of another five

construction projects this summer. South High will be the first high school to be modernized under Bond Measures Y and Z. Other school projects expected to be completed this summer are Fern, Seaside, Wood Elementary Schools, and Calle Mayor Middle School. This past year we saw the completion of the brand new Hull Middle School and modernization projects completed at Walteria Elementary School, as well as at Bert Lynn and Magruder Middle Schools.

Whether your summer plans involve a great adventure to a new locale or you plan on enjoying the summer at the beach right here in the South Bay, I hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe summer vacation. See you in September.

Dr. George Mannon  
TUSD Superintendent

# Community Briefs

## Torrance Memorial OR Show and Tell

Kelly Swartz, R.N., Surgery, Torrance Memorial Medical Center, demonstrates how to do a laparoscopic procedure using jelly beans at the recent Operating Room Show & Tell event at Torrance Memorial Medical Center. More than 850 community members attended for the opportunity to get "hands on" knowledge about Torrance Memorial's latest operating room technologies.



## Walking Tour of Old Torrance

In celebration of 2012 being the City of Torrance's Centennial year, the Torrance Historical Society is hosting a free Walking Tour of historic Old Torrance on Sunday, June 24th. This docent-led tour begins at the Torrance Historical Museum, located at 1345 Post Avenue, at 1:30 p.m., and will point out a number of historic sites and landmarks of Old Torrance. The tour is an easy, but brisk

walk, approximately 90 minutes, covering eight blocks. It's open to the public, requires no reservations, and is hosted on the fourth Sunday of every month, May - October. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. For additional information, please contact the Museum at (310) 328-5392 or visit [www.TorranceHistoricalSociety.org](http://www.TorranceHistoricalSociety.org).

## Evening Under the Stars

The 26th annual "Evening Under the Stars," Gourmet Food & Wine Festival will take place on Saturday, July 28th. The annual Festival, presented in partnership with the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce, will take place from 6 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. on the grounds of American Honda in Torrance. Funds raised from the event will benefit Torrance Memorial's new Patient Tower

and Pediatric Services. This marks the sixth consecutive year that Honda has chosen Torrance Memorial as the event's beneficiary. Tickets are \$125 per person or \$200 per pair and can be purchased by calling the chamber at 310-540-5858, the Torrance Memorial Health Care Foundation at 310-517-4703, or by visiting [www.TorranceMemorial.org](http://www.TorranceMemorial.org).

## Centennial Photo Contest

In celebration of the City's Centennial, the 2012 Class of Leadership Torrance is coordinating a Torrance Centennial Photo Contest - *Our Torrance Photos: A Family Album*. The Leadership Torrance Class seeks to collect images depicting the various transformations Torrance has experienced over the past 100 years, including Community, Business, Schools, Recreation and Commerce. Bring your photos to the free scanning event at the Torrance Historical Society & Museum, at 1345 Post Ave., on Sunday, June 24th, from noon - 3 p.m.

For more information call 424-999-5138 or email [LeadershipTorrance2012@gmail.com](mailto:LeadershipTorrance2012@gmail.com). The contest will conclude on June 30th at 11:59 p.m. For a listing of the rules, visit <http://www.ourtorrancephotos.com.php53-26.dfw1-2.websitetestlink.com/contest-rules/>. To enter, visit [www.OurTorrancePhotos.com](http://www.OurTorrancePhotos.com). Contest winners will be awarded in the following categories: *People, Landmarks, and Business*. A collection of these photos will be on exhibit on Sunday, July 22nd, at the Toyota USA Automobile Museum, 19600 Van Ness Ave., from Noon 4 p.m.

## Congressman Waxman Welcomed



Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce and Pelican welcome Congressman Henry Waxman. seen here (front row) Lyndon Faulkner, President & CEO, Pelican (right) (left to right back row) Lisa Pinto, District Director; Donna Duperron, President and CEO, Torrance Area Chamber

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# SMILE awhile



Nathan shows Karate move used to earn his white belt. Photo submitted by Yvonne Riethmeier.

Sanjai, so happy at home in Redondo Beach. Photo submitted by Bruce Watson.



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# Crime Reports



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**JUNE 3-9 2012**

**Compiled by Cristian Vasquez**

**JUNE 9**

**Vandalism:** 2400 BLOCK CARSON ST Suspect(s) fires pellets at window, breaking same.

**Theft:** 600 BLOCK CALLE MIRAMAR Suspect(s) enters open garage and takes property/bicycle.

**Battery-Simple:** 16500 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD Suspect punches victim in the face.

**Theft:** 3500 BLOCK NEWTON ST Suspect(s) takes property from victim's porch/potted plant, fire extinguisher.

**JUNE 8**

**Vandalism:** 2300 BLOCK SIERRA ST Suspect(s) etches message on victim's garage door.

**Auto Theft-All:** 3100 BLOCK 182ND ST Stolen vehicle: '08 Jackpot M/C.

**Robbery-Strong Arm:** 2200 BLOCK CARSON ST Suspect asks to use victim's cell phone then chokes victim when he tries to get it back.

**Auto Theft-All:** 23300 BLOCK WESTERN AVE Stolen vehicle: '99 Honda Civic.

**Battery-Simple:** 19800 BLOCK PIONEER AVE Suspect(s) bumps victim with his vehicle, attempts to take her cell phone and pushes her all in an attempt to prevent her from taking a picture of his license plate.

**Auto Theft-All:** 1900 BLOCK 180TH PL Stolen vehicle: '68 Chevrolet P/U.

**Vandalism:** 4000 BLOCK BLUFF ST Suspect(s) cuts bolts on security gate for entry, carves message in living room wall.

**Burglary-Auto:** 2800 BLOCK SKYPARK DR Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/bag, cell phone, jewelry.

**JUNE 7**

**Vandalism:** 16400 BLOCK HAAS AVE Suspect(s) attempts to enter garage by unknown means/no entry, no loss.

**Theft:** 20800 BLOCK TOMLEE AVE Suspect calls victim, convinces her he is her grandson and to wire money to him.

**Vandalism:** 1500 BLOCK AMAPOLA AVE Suspect(s) tears screen, smashes window and flees.

**JUNE 6**

**Theft:** 22000 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/ third row seat, medication.

**Burglary-Auto:** 2900 BLOCK SEPULVEDA BLVD Suspect(s) punches door lock for entry and takes property/stereo/GPS unit, wallet.

**Theft:** 23200 BLOCK LADEENE AVE Suspect(s) takes property from victim's front

yard/Bird of Paradise plant.

**Burglary-Auto:** 4200 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD Suspect(s) punches door lock for entry and takes property/bag, laptop, checkbook, papers.

**Burglary-Auto:** 2600 BLOCK AIRPORT DR Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/backpack, shoes.

**Burglary-Auto:** 4200 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD Suspect(s) defeats door lock for entry, forces open console and takes property/cell phone.

**JUNE 5**

**Burglary-Auto:** 4800 BLOCK BINDEWALD ROAD Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/cash, laser device.

**Robbery-Strong/Arm:** REDONDO BEACH BLVD & VAN NESS AVE Suspect orders victim off of victim's skateboard, swings at him with his fist and takes his property/skateboard.

**Burglary-Residential:** 2400 BLOCK 239TH ST Suspect(s) removes screen on second story window for entry, ransacks and takes property/TVs, shoes, jackets.

**JUNE 4**

**Burglary-Auto:** 5000 BLOCK ZAKON ROAD Suspect(s) enters possibly unlocked vehicle and takes property/cash.

**Burglary-Commercial:** 17500 BLOCK WESTERN AVE Suspect(s) defeats lock and takes property from victim's storage unit/computer, DVDs, TV, DVD player, boots.

**Auto Theft-All:** 20900 BLOCK ANZA AVE Stolen vehicle: '96 Nissan Sentra.

**Battery-Simple:** 171ST ST & ATKINSON AVE Suspect punches victim in the face.

**Theft:** TORRANCE BLVD & VILLAGE LANE Suspect(s) takes property from location/shopping cart.

**Vandalism:** 2700 BLOCK SKYPARK DR Suspect(s) scratches victim's vehicle's paint.

**Vandalism:** 1200 BLOCK EL PRADO AVE Suspect(s) tags awning on exterior of building.

**Burglary-Auto:** 2600 BLOCK SKYPARK DR Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and ransacks/unknown if property loss at time of report.

**Burglary-Residential:** 100 BLOCK VIA BUENA VENTURA Suspect(s) removes screen, enters partially open window, ransacks and takes property/cash, laptops, iTouches, Xbox console.

**JUNE 3**

**Theft:** 2800 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY Suspect(s) takes property from stroller compartment as victim stands in line/cell phone.

**Vandalism:** 16400 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD Suspect(s) enters restroom and smashes toilet cover.

**Burglary-Auto:** 3500 BLOCK CARSON ST Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/third row seat.

**Vandalism:** 2000 BLOCK SANTA FE AVE Suspect(s) graffiti's interior and exterior of park restroom.

**Theft:** 24400 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD Suspect(s) takes property from bed of truck/saw. •

## State of Education

from front page

government involvement.

"Thirty years ago this program got started and was initially just a few schools," Kramer said. "Now we have 31 schools and all of them are very, very wonderful active partners. We would really love to accept everyone, but we do have a process that requires a multi-year commitment."

There is a Partnership of the Year Award for elementary school, middle school and high school. This year's winners are Arlington Elementary School and the Miyak Hybrid Hotel in Torrance; Madrona Middle School and Raytheon from El Segundo; and West High School and American Honda Motor Co., Inc. in Torrance. The Adopt-A-School partnerships provide role models for students for career awareness and experiences, and assists teachers by expanding the curriculum to make it more relevant to current employment demands.

"The kids are able to learn about things like alternative energy," Arlington Principal Vicki Hath said. "They [students] were able to go to the top of the Miyako Hotel and check out the solar panels. The staff has been on campus judging science fair projects and looking at all of the science and math programs we have, so we are just very thankful to Miyako Hotel and to the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce for keeping this program going."

The partnership also benefits the businesses and their volunteers who get an opportunity to work first-hand with students who are yet to determine what career path to take. By sharing their expertise, volunteers hope that they can influence students to challenge themselves academically while setting goals they had never before considered.

"We have been doing a lot of work in the South Bay and it is great to have a formal relationship [in Torrance]," Raytheon representative April Johnson said. "I couldn't be happier to be with Madrona Middle School and meeting all the wonderful group of people there and the volunteers who are so amazing. We need everyone in this room to make sure that our relationships do help education. For Raytheon, STEM education [Science, Technology, Engineering, Math] is a main focus, so we try to make it as tangible and as fun and as inspirational as possible."

For West High School Principal Ben Egan, who addressed everyone in attendance by initially defining what a partnership is and then naming several of the world's most successful partners in areas like sports and business, partnerships are a force that can produce some of the world's most successful stories. "As we consider these definitions, as well as the benefits of the previously mentioned partnerships that have provided for our world, today I would like to share a success story partnership worthy of celebrating and it includes West High School and American Honda Motor Corporation," Egan said. "Honda has been a partner of West High School for eight years and their contributions to our school have been financial in nature and have included scholarships, departmental awards, as well as the funding to develop entire series of engineering courses."

The partnerships have been going strong for several years and everyone involved feels confident that the success will continue. "They have been active to the continuance of excellence to education in West High School in ways that extend far beyond our school," Egan said. •



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# Politically Speaking

## One Man's Opinion

By Gerry Chong

Our good friend, Bill Steagall of El Segundo, said it most succinctly: "I weep for America."

If President Obama told us the true state of the union, would he tell us what the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office (CBO) said on June 5? Specifically, in 2008 the national debt stood at 40 percent of our nation's GDP, but by 2012 it had leapt to 70 percent of GDP. If the fiscal path of the nation continues, it will reach 109 percent of GDP in 2027 and the country will be bankrupt. Continuing, however, the debt would reach 200 percent of GDP by 2037 and the country's economy would simply cease to function.

That debt is growing at a rate of \$4 billion a day and will end the fiscal year (September 30) with another deficit of \$1.17 trillion. That will make four consecutive years of deficits of more than \$1 trillion. When Obama took office, the national debt stood at \$10.6 trillion, but by the end of calendar year 2012 it will have swollen to 16.4 trillion...nearly a 60 percent increase! Yet the President and his economic guru Paul Krugman say we need to spend more.

Or would the President tell us what the Federal Reserve said in its annual report on June 11? The report said American wealth had declined 38.8 percent between 2007 and 2010. But if calculated on an after-inflation basis, the decline would have been 41.8 percent! While there have been modest adjustments after 2010, their impact is minimal. In this three-year span, all the financial gains of the last 20 years have been erased and the wealth of American families is back to where it was in 1992!

In the three years from 2007 to 2010, the median family wealth fell from \$126,400 to \$77,300, with African-Americans and Hispanics who lost 60 percent of their net worth having borne the brunt of the damage.

The national debt now stands at \$1,047,264 per taxpayer. The reason it is so high is that only half the country pays any income tax at all, so the bill doubles for those that do pay. That's their "fair share."

Noted sports talk host Jim Rome airs a show in which guests try to out-shout each other, claiming one team or one star is superior to the other. Rome frequently ends the arguments with the shout, "SCOREBOARD!"

The point is that, regardless of opinions, the scoreboard is the ultimate arbiter.

So too is it in politics. Republicans and Democrats can each blame the other for the state of our economic union, but the scoreboard has just been described by the CBO and the Federal Reserve. Bill Clinton and James Carville have both advised Obama to stop claiming the economy is growing, because that is simply not true and no one believes it. The numbers speak for themselves. SCOREBOARD!

If this is the current state of the union, what is the path to the future? In the closing months of the year, Obama should expect the Supreme Court to rule all or part of Obamacare as unconstitutional, thus having two effects: First the health care industry will be in turmoil, and second, employers will be reluctant to hire until their healthcare responsibilities are determined--thus ensuring continued stunted job growth.

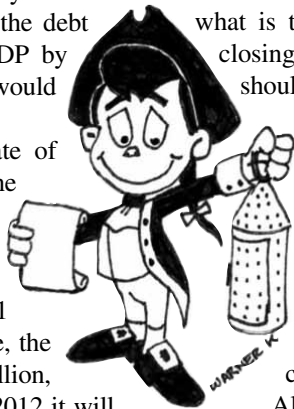
Also in June, the Supreme Court is likely to rule the Arizona immigration law is constitutional, spawning a series of copycat laws across the country and moving immigration responsibility from the federal government to the individual states.

Third, the nation's debt ceiling debate that nearly shut down the government last summer is reappearing as an encore when the ceiling of \$16.4 trillion is reached this fall. Neither the President nor Congress is willing to broach this subject again.

Fourth, in January, 2013, the Republican-demanded spending cuts and the Democrat-demanded tax increases will take effect, shrinking the economy by \$400-\$500 billion, and reducing the projected GDP to a minus 1.3 percent. That is, we could well be in a recession in early 2013.

And what of our leadership? The Democratic Senate has not passed a budget in over 1,200 days. The President's budget was rejected in the Senate by a vote of 99-0 and in the House by 144-0. In both houses of Congress, not one Democrat and not one Republican voted with the President. The President has therefore given up governing and is attending instead four to six personal fundraisers per day to boost his reelection bid, since he believes his successes deserve a reprise.

And that, my friends, is the state of our union. Read 'em and weep, Bill Steagall. •



## Political Penguin

By Duane Plank

Start off with an interesting political tidbit that occurred during the recent elections. Seems that in Webster, Texas, in the all-important city council elections the top two candidates ended up in a runoff after both collected the monumental total of 111 votes. Which is a few more than the engaging gentleman received who showed up at the school board meeting last Tuesday in Gundo, shaking hands, introducing himself to the meeting attendees.

Wish that I could have a little more info on the gentleman, but he shook hands, pleasantly smiling at the folks who apparently had no clue who he was. He said that he had received three, 30, or 300 votes in the election that took place a couple of weeks ago. Guess that he didn't win, but he was trying to build up the vote for the next time.

He shook my hand, was very engaging, but quickly moved on. I was there, fortunately, to cover an incredibly long, but riveting school board meeting. Part of the deal. If I want to get paid and help defray some of the costs of sending the Kid to college, I must work. So be it.

Think the last meeting lasted about 40 minutes or so and allowed me to sneak out at the conclusion and watch the last period of the soon-to-be-winning-the-Stanley-Cup Los Angeles Kings oust the Phoenix Coyotes and move on to the Finals.

Sorry to blur the line between politics and sports, but so be it. Anyway, good for the gentleman politician who entered the meeting and introduced himself to a somewhat captive audience. Nothing ventured, nothing gained. Better to do something than sit on the sidelines and let this parade of life pass by, right?

So back to the Texas bumpkins who decided to decide the council race with a roll of the dice. The combatants in the dice roll: the lovely Diana Newland and the debonair Edward Lapeyre. Neither one of them apparently was interested in wasting money to campaign for another election, so they decided to roll the dice. High-roller wins.

Not sure if they first nixed the idea of playing rock, paper, scissors--a game which I have never played and am confused by. Shocker there. Especially for those of you who know me, who have been granted access to the Plank inner circle. Privileged and proud. And able to read and discern the fading art of innuendo and sarcasm.

Anyway, the Texas pols decided to roll the dice--see who would get to serve on the council in Webster, a city, according to semi-reliable reports, of 10,000 folks. Nice to see the winner in this election garnered 111 votes. Good to

see political apathy is alive and well in Texas, much as it is in California. Proof of that is the pathetic and paltry turnout a couple of weeks ago for the Prez primary election, in which the tobacco zillionaires Bolshoied the few of us who took the time, as real Americans, to brave the vagaries of casting a ballot, and actually went to the polls to vote.

Men and woman have fought wars, given up their freedom and, more importantly, their lives to give us the opportunity to vote, and I am going to make a pretty well-informed guess that a heck of a lot of you couldn't fit the voting duty into your all-important day of texting, chatting or iPad watching. Or wasting \$5 at the local rip-off coffery establishment.

Guess that I should finish the Texas story. So the two city council wannabes decided to roll the dice to see who the winner would be. First time, they both chucked the dice off the end of the table. Which can happen. Remember the old fun game "dice for drinks?" Probably not. Re-roll. Second time, they both rolled the same number.

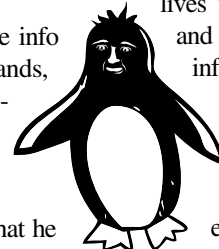
Wow, must have been cutting the tension with a knife in the Webster trailer park where they finally settled the deal when Newland rolled a five and the loser Lapeyre choked big time and rolled a four. Which made Newland the winner.

Talking to the throng of reporters after the roll-off for the council seat, the winner said that she was "frayed around the edges" prior to rolling the lucky die. And that the good folks of Webster were all atwitter in anticipation of the roll-off.

Now, maybe the 10,000 folks in Webster, which is a town that may or may not have been named after the diminutive sitcom star on the ABC television network back in the day, were fired up. But if they were so really fired up, cared about the council election, how come only 222 of the good folks deep in the heart of Texas cast ballots?

So, was going to pontificate a little more about the joke that apparently is/are the results of the Prop 29 on the ballot a couple of weeks ago. When some of you allowed the tobacco murderers to somehow convince you that a tax on the death sticks was a bad thing. But I shall demur. Guess that I have said my piece there. But it was heartwarming to see a couple of the bright faces of Mayberry, maybe kids who will be graduating from the high school tomorrow evening, smoking their cigs as they sat in front of City Hall...

As the best coach in town, the Stanley Cup winner from the Great White North, would say, "Awesome." •



## City Council

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have their names and photographs interred with the City's Centennial Time Capsule that will be buried for 100 years in the yet-to-be-constructed Centennial Plaza at Del Prado Park. Scotto told the young athletes that when the capsule is reopened, people will be interested in their accomplishments. "One-hundred years from now, people will read your names," said Scotto. "And maybe your children or grandchildren will read your name and say, 'Gee, my mom or my grandfather was in that tournament and won.'"

The Council members weren't the only ones handing out awards during the meeting. Event Director for the Invitational Tournament and AYSO Area Director Fred Silver had some awards for the City. In addition to thanking the numerous volunteers who make AYSO soccer possible, he thanked the City for its involvement and for maintaining soccer fields in local parks. Silver presented the City with a replica of the AYSO coach's award, plus another award to John Jones of the Parks and Recreation Department due to the importance of Torrance's park infrastructure to AYSO.

"Without the City's support, we wouldn't be able to have places like Columbia Park or Wilson Park to practice in and have games," said Silver. "We wouldn't have fields that are groomed and maintained by John Jones and his department--the Parks and Recreation Department."

Along with the awards, Silver announced that the Torrance Centennial AYSO Invitational Tournament would be held yearly, hopefully growing into a bigger and more competitive event that will draw in teams from all over California. "We are going to continue this tournament for years to come," said Silver. "We're going to have it next year and the year after. We started with approximately 80 teams and hope to get up to 200 teams to come to our beautiful city and see what Torrance is all about."

And Scotto hopes that Torrance can continue its tradition of dominating the Torrance Centennial Invitational Tournament. "It's not often that you get to congratulate eight teams from Torrance," said Scotto. "Hopefully, we can do this again next year." •

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# The Kings Are Crowned

By Adam Serrao

The city of champions. The sound of that is beginning to have a nice ring to it. After all, the city of Los Angeles does seem to be predisposed to bringing home titles, no matter what the sport. The Lakers have 11 of them (in L.A.), the Dodgers have five of them, the Angels have won it once and even the Galaxy and the L.A. Sparks have begun to chip in with one and two titles of their own, respectively. Through all of the winning and through all of the accolades being thrown across town, however, there remained one sport—a sport that had almost been forgotten by the people of Los Angeles. Not ready to bow its head and duck away from sight forever, the sport of hockey made a significant comeback this year by witnessing the Los Angeles Kings dominate the rest of the field in the playoffs. But what made the championship even sweeter for the team and all of its fans was that this was their very first one.

It was becoming more and more difficult for the Kings to live up to their moniker. The crown that has been painted on their uniforms for the entirety of the Kings' existence was beginning to get a little rusty because it hadn't been touched for so long. Through the Wayne Gretzky era as far back to the Miracle on Manchester, the Kings were without their crown for 45 years. Not only were they title-less, but in the same amount of time they had only won a single conference title and a single division title. Those statistics depict a team that is anything but royal and majestic—until now. With a 6-1 Game 6 victory over the New Jersey Devils on June 11, the Kings didn't just win the series four games to two and they didn't just win the Stanley Cup. They changed their history forever.

By now, everyone knows that the Kings won in the playoffs, but not everyone understands the way that they demolished the competition. By winning its first 10 consecutive road games, the team set a playoff record for a winning streak on the road. The Kings also tied the record for most overall playoff wins on the road and miraculously lost only four games all postseason (two in the championship round) to bring their playoff record to 16-4. The only thing that perhaps makes those statistics even more remarkable is the fact that they did it all as an eighth seed, which was also the lowest seed to ever win the Stanley Cup, by far. Ironically, the New Jersey Devils previously held the record for lowest seed to ever win the Cup when they won in the lockout-shortened 1995 season

as a fifth seed.

At the beginning of the season, perhaps no one would have believed it if you were to say that the Kings would be this year's Stanley Cup champions. A group of under-achieving players, the Kings were one of the worst scoring teams in the league before General Manager Dean Lombardi decided to do something about it. Clearly, firing head coach Terry Murray and bringing in Darryl Sutter was the right move to make. Sutter didn't just start winning right away, but he motivated a team that once was underachieving and turned them into the overachievers that hockey fans around the world were made witness to this playoff season. Maybe one of the biggest reasons for the Kings' success after a few trade deadline moves and the acquisition of a new head coach was the arrival of Jonathan Quick. Sure, this wasn't Quick's first rodeo. He had been on the team before. But this was the year that he truly arrived on the scene.

Allowing only 29 goals in 20 playoff games this season, Quick quickly became one of the most talented goalies in the league and earned the Conn Smythe Trophy as the playoff MVP to prove it. Allowing only seven goals in the six-game championship series, Quick was the only reason that a relatively low-scoring team like the Kings stayed in games long enough to get their eighth-seeded playoff berth and eventually win the trophy. Stopping 125 of 132 shots against him in the finals (two of the seven not stopped by Quick were deflected off of teammate Slava Voynov), Quick may have put up one of the best performances by a goalie in a playoff series of all time. At the ripe young age of 26, Kings' fans and players alike can rest assure that as long as the team keeps him locked up in friendly contracts, they will have one of the best forces in front of the net that the league has ever seen playing on their side.

They may not be the Los Angeles Lakers and have all of the glitz and glamour that accompanies the purple and gold, but the Los Angeles Kings took a giant step in the right direction. They don't have 11 championships in L.A. or a total of 17 hanging from the ceiling, but now they have one to don the rafters of the Staples Center that is quickly becoming a more and more iconic building as the years pass by. A relatively forgotten team in what was a relatively unknown sport, the L.A. Kings just put hockey on the map, got rid of their lower-class status and gave their long-suffering fans something to finally brag about. •

# Up and Adam

## The Awards Roll In

By Adam Serrao

While every sports team begins its year with a run at the CIF championship trophy in mind, by the end of the season only one team can succeed in bringing home the much-coveted award. For the South High Spartans boys' volleyball team, success became reality after triumphing as this year's CIF-SS Division III champions. The Spartans weren't the only team to experience accomplishments this season, however. While no other team made it quite as far as the Spartans' volleyball team did, other players on teams across the city of Torrance managed to maintain levels of excellence in order to bring their schools accolades as well. Today, those players (and teams) are honored by the CIF.

Last week, the CIF Southern Section announced its All-CIF teams for baseball, softball and volleyball. For the city of Torrance, the sport of volleyball seemed to garner the most attention. The South High Spartans not only won the volleyball championship this season, but brought home the first championship trophy in school history. Naturally, a feat of such stature was accomplished because of an extraordinary team full of extraordinary athletes. One of those athletes was senior outside hitter Andy Gage. Gage was named Division III Player of the Year for his role in assisting his team in attaining its first-ever CIF championship trophy. Gage, however, wasn't the only Spartan to receive acclaim this year. Head coach Kevin McElwee took home the Coach of the Year award for leading his team to a 30-8 record on the season while going undefeated in league play (8-0) and doing his part to assist his team in taking home its first CIF championship trophy ever. Senior libero Vinnie Rios and senior middle blocker Peter Nordel also were also awarded All-CIF selections for Division III.

South, wasn't the only school bringing in the honors. The North Torrance Lady Saxons experienced a tremendous season of their own this year and Vanessa Gonzalez brought home the hardware to prove it. Gonzalez attained All-CIF honors after leading her team to a 25-8 record this year and a first place standing in the Pioneer

League division. The Saxons made it all the way to the Division III quarterfinals before being knocked out of the playoffs by St. Lucy's.

The Torrance Tartars' softball team also put its name in the mix, led by pitcher Christina Washington. Washington was the workhorse of the Tartars' pitching staff, throwing her way to an All-CIF selection of her own. The junior pitcher led her team to a 26-8 record under head coach Don Glavich, making it all the way to the Division III quarterfinals before being knocked out of the playoffs by Bishop Amat to end the season.

While all schools received praise, deservedly so, for the fabulous years that they exhibited on either the baseball diamond or the volleyball court, the South High Spartans seem to be the big winners of the year. In addition to their volleyball fame and the awards won by Gage and McElwee, the ladies' softball team did its job to take home honors as well. This year's Daily Breeze Player of the Year, Carolyn Snodgrass, earned All-CIF honors after leading the Spartans to an at-large bid and an entrance into the playoffs. The Spartans didn't just stop there, however. Behind Snodgrass, they continued their roll and made it all the way to the Division III championship game. South was unable to beat Chino Hills in the final, but capped off its 23-11 season by making the city of Torrance proud. Snodgrass wasn't the only one who contributed to the team on an All-Star type of level, though. Senior infielder Alex Kossoff also took home All-CIF honors for the Spartans, adding to the list of accolades that the team was able to bring home to the school and its city.

While this year's sports season has been a success for all teams that have taken part in competition, it remains refreshing to see that some of the brightest stars in the game today come from the city that we call home. Whether they take home the championship trophy, make a playoff run or simply give it their best effort to contend on a day in and day out basis, the inspirational play put on display by Torrance's brightest young sports stars is appreciated by all who are lucky enough to watch. •

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## New Family Services Clinic Open

The Switzer Learning Center announced the opening of its new Family Services Clinic located on the Switzer school campus in Torrance. The Clinic will serve the growing community need for effective counseling services and will focus on four primary areas: groups for depressed and anxious teens, social skills, Autism Spectrum and Parent Training, individual therapy for children and adolescents. The Cognitive-Behavior Adolescent Groups will deal with coping with depression, anxiety

and social skills. Social skills group services are also available for children with autism. Active parenting groups will be available for parents with tweens (5-12 years old) and teens (13-17 years old) and will consist of 90-minute group sessions for six weeks. Please feel free to contact, Pam Dobbins at the Switzer Learning Center to learn more about the Family Services Clinic at 310-328-3611. New classes are opening in June and September.

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Above: Torrance Senior in the front row graduated with honors.



Above: Torrance grad is all smiles after receiving her diploma.



Right: Torrance Senior is congratulated.



Above: The Torrance High School Clarinet section and Band playing Pomp and Circumstance.



Right: Torrance Seniors Gabriel Williams (left) and Jonathon Wilson (right) pose for a photo.

# Congratulations North High School Class of 2012



Above: Proud Parents and friends wielded signs to honor their Graduates  
Below: Jasmine Mendoza high fives her classmate.



Right: North Senior can't stop smiling on her big day!



Hats fly as North Graduates are launched into their next phase in life.  
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Above: North Senior marching into the stadium.



Above: North Senior waves to Family in the stands.

Left: North Graduates celebrate after turning their tassels.



# Congratulations South High School Class of 2012

Right: Graduates of South High ceremonially toss their caps in the air as they are conferred as graduates!

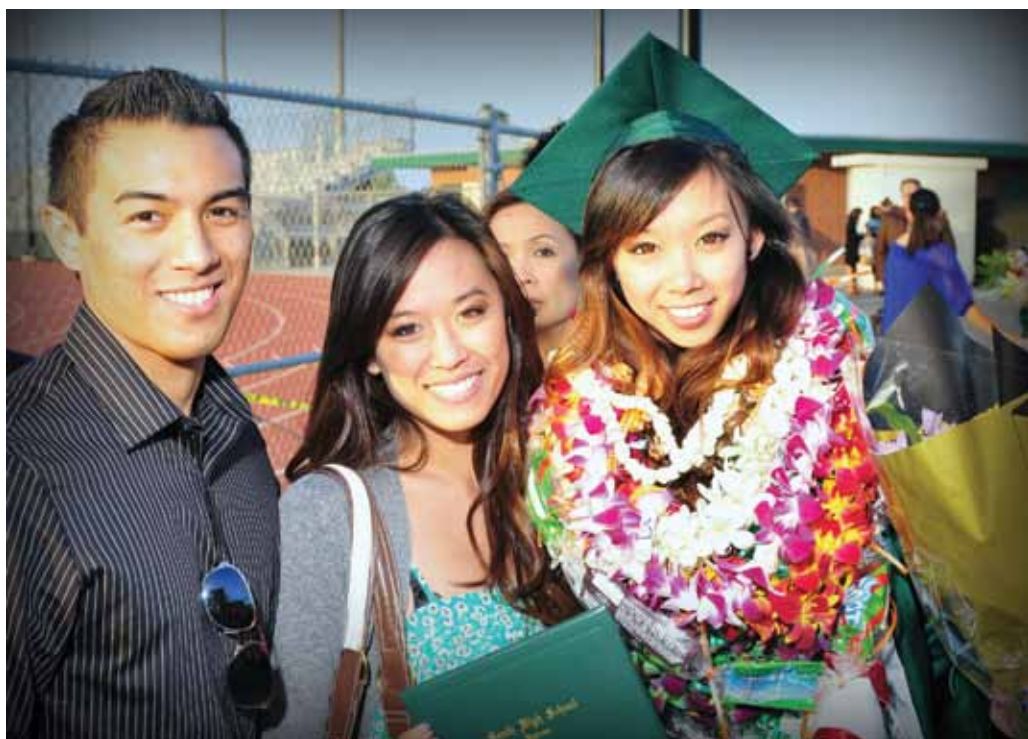


Above: Another South High Graduate raises her hand in victory as she processes to receive her diploma.



Above: Dr. Scott McDowell, South High Principal, congratulates one of the graduating seniors.

Below: Jonathan Mayo, Corinne Sun and graduate Deanna Sun who will attend UC Riverside in the fall and study Art.



Above: Members of the graduating class of South High sing their hearts out.



Above: A graduate shares a look of appreciation while receiving her diploma.



Right: A South High Graduate waves to onlookers.



Above: Thomas Seraydarian II, graduate Thomas Seraydarian III who will attend Chapman U and study screenwriting, accompanied by Father Mark Seraydarian.



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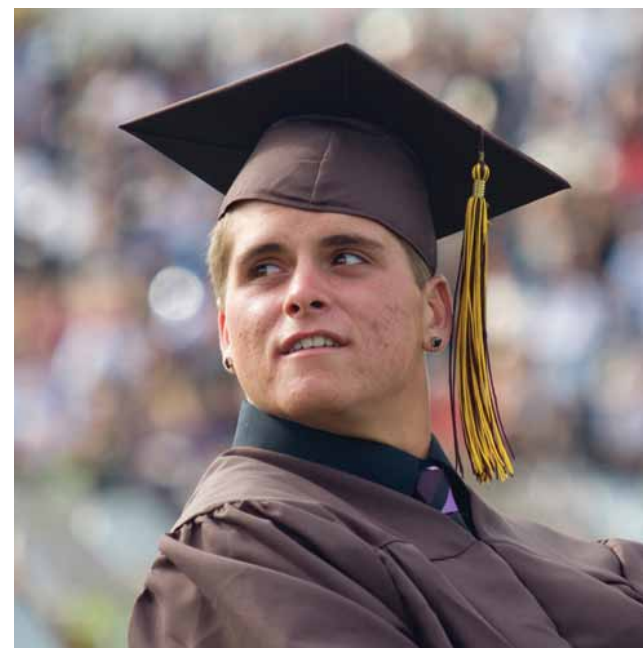
# Congratulations West High School Class of 2012



Above: A group of graduating seniors join in singing their alma mater at the close of the 2012 graduating ceremony at West High School.



Right: West High School Principal Ben Egans presents the 2012 Graduation Class.



Above: Taking it all in, a senior looks towards the grand stand to look for family and friends at the onset of the 2012 West High graduation ceremony.



Above: Big smiles were seen on Fred Petersen's field at West School during the 2012 commencement ceremony.

Left: Under the direction of band director Vince Banim, the West High School band perform the Pomp and Circumstance as the 2012 enter the Fred Petersen Stadium for this year's graduation.



Left: A couple of West High seniors walk toward their seats as they wave at family members in the stands.



Right: Moving the tassels was a long awaited moment in these seniors lives during the 2012 graduation ceremony at West High School.

Below: A 2012 West High School graduate receives a lei as he meets his friends and family following the graduation ceremony at West Torrance High School.



Above: Senior Greg Day and another senior complete one more chest bump on the soccer field during the 2012 West High graduation ceremony.

# TerriAnn in Torrance

## L. Frank Baum and His Wonderful World of Oz

By TerriAnn Ferren

This year to celebrate the centennial of the City of Torrance, John Powers has created a series highlighting influential people who lived in 1912. This series, *Visionaries*, presents great actors in solo performances of important people who tell their story in their own words. Since 1994, John Powers has written and directed *Works in Progress*--contemporary, small cast and one-man shows performed in the George Nakano Theatre at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center. Earlier this season, Jared Sydney Torrance, founder of the City of Torrance; Mother Jones, activist for mine workers; Zane Grey, prolific author of Western novels; and Amy Lowell, Pulitzer Prize-winning poet, came to life on stage through actors who totally immersed themselves into their parts. The final person coming to life in this historic series is L. Frank Baum, author of the much-loved American classic *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*.

Last week I sat down with John Powers to learn how he put together this year's *Works in Progress* series. John began by sharing, "In each of these [people] in this particular series, I wanted the majority of the words spoken on stage to be words that these American artists and activists have actually said themselves and I am adapting a larger work for a specific work. I've learned in this series so much about these five remarkable people I have used that word 'visionaries' for them. They had a strong sense of what they were about and what they could bring into existence to benefit other people and they had really only their own determination, persistence, skill and resources to move things forward." John went on to explain that *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* author L. Frank Baum did not leave a record of what it meant

to be writing his novels, so the former had to scour the stories and take excerpts from the works. L. Frank Baum (Lyman Frank Baum) initially told his stories to his family and received feedback from them.

John went on to tell me the story of Baum and how he began writing. I will give the shorter version of the story that John told me. Baum was born in New York in 1856. He had an aspiration to be in the theatre much to the chagrin of his father. But his father allowed the young Baum to enter a company of Shakespearean actors and paid for beautiful costumes for major Shakespearean roles to be made for his son--which was a caveat of being accepted into the company. As the story goes, the costumes were so well done, other actors "borrowed" them to such an extent that Baum was left with nothing and eventually returned home with his "tail between his legs." His father considered all this a blessing in disguise. Baum's theatrical aspirations continued, so his father purchased small playhouses for his son to manage in various New England and upstate New York towns. But in the course of 19<sup>th</sup> Century theatre, things would catch fire and when they did, there went the show. Eventually Baum married Maud Gage. Baum's mother-in-law Matilda Joslyn Gage didn't exactly approve of him because he didn't seem to have many business prospects. But marry they did and Baum moved his family out to the Dakota

Territory that had just opened up in the 1880s in order to set up an emporium in Aberdeen. But a severe drought coupled with a number of naïve business decisions in an attempt to help develop the town led to failure.

Not long after that Baum sold his business and bought a small newspaper. In the midst of all this, the native population under Sitting Bull was under threat by the US Army. Eventually, Sitting Bull was murdered by two Native American Agency Police and what followed was the tragic Wounded Knee Massacre of 1890. After that, Baum moved Maud and their sons to Chicago. The 1893 Chicago World's Fair featured an exhibit called the *White City* that greatly influenced Baum. John told me, "Baum took the notion of this new wonderful fresh city and it became the Emerald City to him that was so bright that you had to wear glasses to shield yourself. So he went from an awful situation, came to Chicago and became a traveling salesman in addition to writing for a newspaper and other jobs." During this period Baum continued to travel extensively as a salesman, but missed his family very much. To lessen the pain of his homesickness, he began writing stories inspired by the people he met and the land he saw on his travels. When he would return home, he would read his stories to his family--including his mother-in-law (a suffragette and feminist), who spent much time visiting with the grandchildren and her daughter. It was Matilda who influenced her



Ruby slippers in the Smithsonian Institution. Photo from Website.

son-in-law a great deal and coaxed him to publish his stories. So he did. After his first success with *Father Goose*, he published *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* in 1900. This was a huge success. Baum was a prolific writer and wrote many books with the Oz theme as well as many non-Oz books, short stories and poetry in addition to other works written under several pseudonyms. Between 1902 and 1908m a successful stage production of *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* toured the country and the cry of, "More Oz!" soon coaxed a sequel/prequel from Baum. He wrote a successful sequel show, but it was so expensive to produce that he lost money on it and in the end went bankrupt and surrendered his rights to the Oz story to his creditors.

At this point, I couldn't believe the story John was telling me. This talented man had been through a lot and I wondered what would happen next.

"He wanted to get away from it all," continued John, "and came out here to the orange groves of Hollywood in 1910 and built a home at 1749 Cherokee Avenue and named it Ozcot. Baum loved Hollywood and was most happy when he was able to awaken, have a hearty breakfast, write a few hours and then go outside and garden. When he was riding high, he and Maud would come out to San Diego and visit Coronado. They loved the vistas of the Pacific Ocean." This was just before the first motion picture by Cecil B. DeMille was produced in Hollywood. It is in this period of time in Hollywood that we will meet the "living" version of L. Frank Baum in the upcoming *Works in Progress* performance through the actor Mark L. Colbenson.

In 1912 Baum wrote *Sky Island*, which is

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This adorable little gremlin is **Linus**, who is as cute as a button! He is around one to two years old and weighs 12 pounds. Linus uses his good looks and charm to get whatever he wants. He is a master manipulator, so he is currently enrolled in a basic obedience class to learn who's the boss! Linus is very smart and food-motivated, so he is a quick learner. Linus needs a home where his owner will be the pack leader, set limits and be consistent with him so he learns to live a more comfortable, less stressful life. Linus is currently learning how to sit and stay and meet people correctly. He would probably be best placed as an only dog or with a female dog in an all-adult home. Linus is neutered, current on vaccinations, de-wormed and microchipped.

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Rosey



Linus

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Zany

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**Zany** is 50 percent fairy princess and 50 percent rough-and-tumble tomboy, which equals 100 percent adorable. She is a beautiful, medium-haired Dilute Tortoiseshell baby girl with a playful, melt-your-heart personality and a bushel full of love to share! Zany was bottle-fed and hand-raised, spoiled rotten along the way. In case you don't know, bottle babies are the sweetest and most loveable kitties on earth. She has been raised with lots of other kitties (all ages) to play with, as well as three kitty-lovin' dogs who enjoy her silly kitten antics. Zany just loves everybody! Now she's ready for her own family and forever home. Zany definitely must either go to a home that already has another playful kitty to romp and frolic with, or be adopted with another kitty. She would greatly miss the kitty companionship and interaction that she's used to having.

**Trent** was rescued when he was barely more than two days old, along with his siblings. Life as a bottle baby has its perks and Trent took advantage of every one of them! He's the outgoing adventurer of his litter. When not checking out his surroundings, Trent can be found playing with toys and finding little things he can carry around in his mouth. He also will walk around purring for no reason at all! And this handsome little guy loves to be right up by your face. His favorite morning activity is rubbing his face on yours. Trent would love to be adopted with his sister Kuder, though any home with



Kuder and Trent

another young kitty would be just as great!

**Kuder** is the sweetheart of her litter, very quiet and easygoing. She loves to play and wrestle with her brother Trent, but never causes any trouble or mischief. Kuder loves to snuggle and spends every night tucked up against her foster mom's back. Her purr is a soft little rumble that comes out when she's being petted. Kuder is definitely one sweet little angel.

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## Happy Tails

### Daisy's Happy Ending

Daisy is a sweet girl whose story was not so sweet. Her owners decided they did not want her anymore and tied her to the trashcan in the alley behind the apartment complex they managed. They discarded her like trash. They would feed her cornflakes and the other thugs in the building would kick her and punch her in the face as they walked by. A very nice couple in their 70s caught wind of this and started looking out for Daisy and protecting her. They got her away from the apartment manager and brought her to us, with tears in their eyes they told us Daisy's story. Now Daisy has a happy ending to her story with her new forever family...

"Hi, Daisy has adapted to our unusual family schedule. She sleeps at night, mostly with our 12-year-old (Matt), but sometimes our 16-year-old. She has not met our oldest

yet, but he comes home from college next week. She not only likes to sleep on beds, but prefers to be under covers, which is fine with Matt. Often we don't realize that she is even in his bed because she has burrowed under the covers. He is also the one that feeds her and takes her outside first thing each morning. We also have a comfortable pillow on a chair in our bedroom where she will sleep a few nights a week. She just likes to be near people when sleeping.

She sleeps during the day either on Katherine's bed (when she sleeps after working nights), or outside in the sun on a cement patio or on our grass backyard area. Her main active time is from 3 to 9 p.m. when the kids are home from school. She goes to baseball fields, walks on the trails outside our house or to other family activities. We have taken her to the dog park in Redondo Beach seven

or eight times--she loves this. It gives her some socializing time with other dogs. She fits in well in the small dog section. She is much friendlier and willing to play there than when we meet dogs on walks. At baseball games, she has made several friends with other dogs from other team members who come to every game. (Four other shelter dogs have been recently adopted by families on Matt's baseball team). She does not like getting wet, but puts up with it when we give her a bath. She goes for runs with Katherine two or three times a week and another one to three times a week with me..." -- Mark Miller.

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you will forever make a difference in their life and they are sure to make a difference in yours. •

# TerriAnn

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the story we are going to be hearing about in the production. Briefly, it is a marvelous tale about a distant island called Sky Island. A boy from the East Coast discovers an umbrella in his attic that has magical qualities that takes him anyplace he says. The plot thickens when he meets a girl and takes her along on a ride to Sky Island. You will have to come to the show and hear the rest--it is too long to finish here. But I hope you are as fascinated with this story as I am.

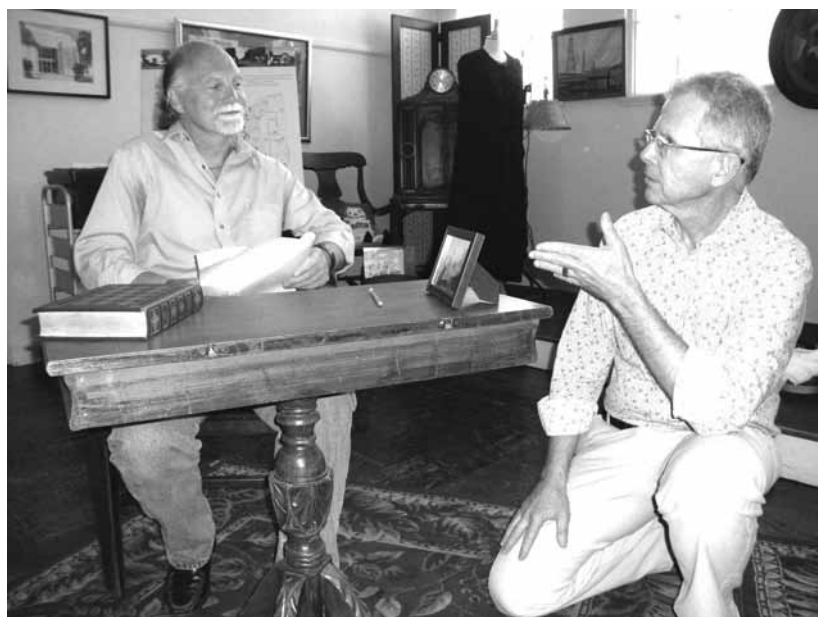
Most of us grew up knowing L. Frank Baum's famous story *The Wizard of Oz*. The first time I saw the MGM 1939 version with Judy Garland and her little dog Toto making their way across Kansas into Oz and then back again, I was hooked for life. Who doesn't remember the wonderful, pure fantasy of this perfect fairytale? Baum died in 1919 at the age of 62. He was a wonderful, unique American storyteller who left us with not only a well-loved classic, but a huge body of work many of us are yet to discover. Maud Baum continued to live at Ozcot, their home in Hollywood, until her death in 1953 and she never remarried. When Samuel Goldwyn was looking to develop *The Wizard of Oz*, he contacted Maud for permission but she told him they had given up the rights years ago when they went bankrupt. Goldwyn directed his lawyer to contact the parties involved and they were successful in re-securing the rights and he gave them back to Maud. One more thing John told me: the original color of Dorothy's shoes in the *Wizard of Oz* was silver, but when the 1939 version was to be made Technicolor was new and they wanted to take full advantage of all the

colors available--so they changed the color of the shoes to ruby red. Frankly, I think L. Frank Baum would approve.

Later in the week, I was privileged to catch a rehearsal for the upcoming production at the Torrance Historical Society on Post Avenue in downtown Torrance. It was there that I met Mark L. Colbenson who will be playing L. Frank Baum. Originally from Minnesota, Mark began his acting career at the age of 17 on a bet that won him his first leading role in *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder. Although recently locating to Los Angeles, he comes with vast theatre experience as a director and actor and is familiar with one-man shows. "What attracted me to this [show] was that it was a one-man show, which I happen to love--and it was about somebody I didn't know a lot about," said Mark. I asked him what brought him out here and he said, "The energy...I don't know if it's the entertainment industry or what it is, but there is such a vibrant energy and I just love coming out here."

Next week, L. Frank Baum will come to life as a truly gifted American storyteller. *The Wonderful World of Oz* was a thread that wove through Baum's life and I can't help but imagine that his days as a salesman on the road as he longed for his family back in Chicago prompted him to write those eternal heartwarming words, "There's no place like home."

I look forward to "meeting" L. Frank Baum at 7 p.m. in the George Nakano Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive, on Wednesday, June 27. Call the box office at 310-781-7171 or access [www.TorranceLive.us](http://www.TorranceLive.us) for more information. •



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John Powers and Mark L. Colbenson.



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## WEEKLY CROSSWORD See Answers Next Week

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
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61						62				63		
64						65				66		

**ACROSS**

- \_\_\_ Eaters
- Mail place (abbr.)
- Barely enough
- Auld lang syne
- Billy or night
- Dungeon & Dragons creature
- "Our Time in \_\_\_" (10,000 Maniacs album)
- Mercury, for one
- Absinthe flavoring
- Fast airship
- Egyptian fertility goddess
- An end to sex?
- Follower of Dionysus
- "\_\_\_ Loves You" (1964 hit)
- Far from ruddy
- Accused's need
- Civil rights org.
- "MS. Found in a Bottle" writer
- Devoted astrologers
- Charlotte-to-Raleigh dir.
- \_\_\_ Pudding
- Cotton fabric
- "Buona \_\_\_" (Italian greeting)
- Doris or Alice
- Polish rolls
- Hawaiian dish

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- Energetic scientists
- Give extreme unction to
- Ace
- "O Sanctissima," e.g.
- Conundrum
- Phone connection
- Circular course
- Arrogant ones
- Ground cover
- Beach, basically

author Berlin

- Allotment
- Confusing places
- "\_\_\_ in the Dark"
- Downy duck
- Off-color
- Unclear
- Pamper too much
- With intensity
- Pro votes
- Discovery grp.
- Applying tar
- Spain's Gulf of \_\_\_
- Millstones
- Computer term
- Aqua vitae, e.g.
- Bond inspections
- \_\_\_ Melon
- Nukes
- Knowing, as a secret
- 100 centavos
- Hooters
- Its quarter says "Birthplace of Aviation Pioneers"
- \_\_\_ bean
- Beach bird
- Coaster

**DOWN**

- Court call
- Birdbrain
- Sundae topper, perhaps
- Chinese currency
- Gurgling sounds
- Idiot
- "O" in old radio lingo
- Comes (to)
- Auteur's art
- Angle between the stem and the leaf
- Not yet final, at law
- Stripling
- Jackal, e.g.
- "Four Essays on Liberty"

**Last Week's Answers**

L	U	S	T	S	P	R	I	G	U	N	D	O		
A	R	I	A	L	O	I	R	E	S	E	E	P		
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C	A	P	I	T	O	L	B	U	I	L	D	I	N	G
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A	C	A	I		A	F	I	L	E		A	L	T	O
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**SUDOKU Medium**

			1	3	2		6	5			
			9	6			5				
							9	4	3		
9	4			1							
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		9	7	4							
				9			1	5			
		5	4			8	6	7			

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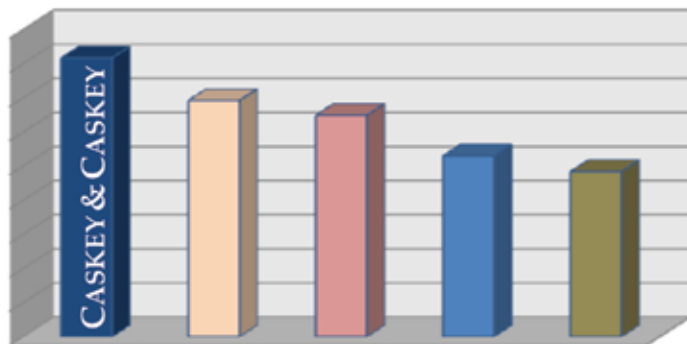
## Manhattan Beach May Closed Stats

Sales data May 1, 2012 through May 31, 2012. Property types include single family homes, condos and townhomes as reported in the MLS.

Stats by Market Area	Sand Section	Trees	Hill Section	Village	Heights/ Liberty	Mira Costa
<b>Closed Sales</b>	18	11	3	5	4	10
<b>Avg. Days On Market</b>	97	58	41	30	81	73
<b>Avg. Sold Price</b>	\$2,274,618	\$1,482,090	\$2,166,667	\$1,018,200	\$1,185,725	\$1,505,790

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## Five Basic Steps to Making A House Your Home

(ARA) - Owning a home remains a key element of the American Dream. In fact, a recent survey by TD Bank revealed that 84 percent of young renters (ages 18 to 34) intend to buy a home in the future. While it is exciting, home buying can be overwhelming and complicated if you don't have a general knowledge of the process.

Equipping yourself with the right tools will allow you to navigate the complexities of the home-buying process. Here are five helpful steps to follow on your way to homeownership.

**Step 1: Learn the home-buying ABCs:** Build your homeownership knowledge by participating in a first-time homebuyer class at a local non-profit agency in your community to answer any questions you may have. Staying well-informed will help you feel confident and in control of this major financial decision and nip any initial questions in the bud.

**Step 2: Get out your calculator:** Owning a home requires a large investment of time, energy and money, so make sure you are careful when making the decision to buy. If you're like 43 percent of survey respondents, staying within budget is the top consideration. It is important to determine how much you can afford - you don't want to fall in love with a house out of your reach. When applying for a mortgage, the bank will assess your debt to income ratio. By looking at your income and current monthly debts, you can determine your ideal monthly payment. From there, you'll be able to narrow the focus of your house search to homes in your price range. Be sure to include down payments and other upfront costs in your calculations.

A few free, helpful online tools can help you determine just how much you could potentially afford. For example, visit [TDBank.com](http://TDBank.com) and check out its mortgage calculator.

**Step 3: Shop wisely:** Condo? Single-family home? A fixer-upper or new construction? Once you know how much you can afford, determining your housing needs - and selecting a qualified real estate professional - before you start looking, will help make finding your perfect home much less time-consuming. In addition to being able to answer any questions that come up during the process, a real estate professional will work on your behalf to pre-screen houses and guide you through

negotiations.

**Step 4: Pick your perfect match:** According to the survey, acquiring a mortgage and making a down payment is the most preferred method of payment for those who intend to own a home. With the variety of mortgage products that exists today, it's essential you choose the right one for your needs. How long do you plan on living in this house? Do you

plan on making improvements to the home? Answering these types of questions will help you hone in on your financial strategy. Finding the right mortgage is about more than a rate and terms - it's about finding the right financial partner. Don't get led down the wrong path by choosing a bank that doesn't provide flexible options. Look for a bank that offers a hassle-free mortgage guarantee to ensure your first home purchase is as smooth and worry-free as possible.

"As a portfolio lender, we are able to set our own lending guidelines and interest rates," says Michael Copley, executive vice president for retail lending at TD Bank. "This allows us to provide our customers with the most adjustable and affordable financing options to suit their borrowing needs."

**Step 5: Sign on the dotted line:** Once your home has been inspected, your contingencies have been met and your mortgage has been approved, it's time to close the deal. In most cases, a closing officer and your attorney will be present during closing. As the buyer, you should make sure to bring a binder for homeowner's insurance (document proving you have adequate homeowner's insurance), a paid receipt for the first year's premium and a certified or cashier's check for your down payment and closing costs. Before the closing begins, review your mortgage, mortgage note and settlement statement documents to ensure there are no errors or red flags. Remember to ask questions during the closing, as the closing officer is there to help.

After you've signed all documents and paid your closing costs and down payment, the closing is finished. Congratulations and enjoy your new home.

To get more information and to download your free TD Bank First-Time Homebuyers' Kit, visit [esecure.tdbank.com/net/firsttime-homebuyers/default.aspx](http://esecure.tdbank.com/net/firsttime-homebuyers/default.aspx).



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