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Weekend Forecast

Friday
Sunny
59°/43°



Saturday
Sunny
63°/41°



Sunday
Sunny
59°/45°



Frosty Sends Season’s Greetings



A snowman and his elves greet visitors. Photo by Greg McMullin.

State Instruction Administrator of the Year Works For Hawthorne School Board

By Cristian Vasquez

Dr. Brian Markarian began his career at the Hawthorne School District in 2004 as an assistant principal and today he serves the district of approximately 10,000 students as the Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services; however, this year he was able to add an honor to his resume: recipient of the 2015 Curriculum and Instruction Administrator of the Year.

Every year the Association of California School Administrators [ACSA] receives nominations from all 19 regions in the state for a variety of awards, including one for curriculum instructor. A team of Hawthorne School District administrators decided to work together and nominate Dr. Markarian for Region 14, which covers 18 other school districts. After the regional award winners are named, a state committee selects a state winner. Nominees are kept in the dark about the process during the regional nominations.

“I was surprised to win the region award but I was even more surprised to win the state award,” Dr. Markarian said. “It was really an incredible honor.”

While Dr. Markarian was kept in the dark about the nomination process, both he and his colleagues were surprised when ACSA named him the regional and state winner.

“Brian found out he won the state award before the district because he was at the ACSA meeting, but the district knew about his winning the Region 14 Award before he did,” Hawthorne Superintendent Dr. Helen

Morgan said. “The nice part of it is that they have so many different awards for different categories, so Brian is very involved in ACSA and that’s why he never gets nominated, so it was important for me to make a conscience effort to nominate him this year.”

“We are always progressing and always learning and ultimately that is what you want from your kids.”

Dr. Markarian’s work and commitment to education has not only been felt at the Hawthorne School District but has left an impression on ACSA which describes him as a “standard-bearer for ACSA Student and Associate Charters, becoming an aspiring leader group coordinator in Region 14.” Despite the academic success achieved by the Hawthorne School District’s students, Dr. Markarian is proud of his colleagues commitment to continue providing the best education for the students that they serve.

“We are always progressing and always learning and ultimately that is what you want from your kids,” Dr. Markarian said. “One of the things that we have embraced as professionals is that we know that the expectation of learning applies to us as well, so we constantly try to improve what we are doing in the classroom with our kids.”

In addition to providing a top-quality

education, the district is committed to making the education and all resources necessary to provide it, accessible to every child in the district.

“It is also about equal access for everyone and providing the support to ensure that the access exist,” Dr. Markarian said. “It is a great time to be in education because the feeling is that everyone of our kids should have access to the richest education possible and to the same set of standards and expectations.”

While the award does speak volumes to the work and impact that Dr. Markarian has accomplished in his position with the Hawthorne School District, he is quick to acknowledge the quality of work done by his colleagues on a daily basis.

“Any type of award like this is just so humbling, that if anything it is truly a reinforcement of how strong the team is around me, not only within Hawthorne but the collaboration that we have with neighboring districts and throughout the South Bay,” Dr. Markarian said. “If anything, I think it is a testament as to how great the work is around this area and the ability to collaborate with so many incredible people inside and outside the classroom.”

The award sits on a high shelf in his office and is a small reminder of the appreciation and recognition that not only the state has for him, but it’s a token of appreciation from the colleagues that work at his side on a daily basis.

“It was an incredible honor at any level and it was a great surprise,” Dr. Markarian said. •

Police Reports

Mon 12/7/15 to Sun 12/13/15
ROBBERY 2800 W 120TH ST GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORE Mon 12/07/15 18:18
ROBBERY W ROSECRANS AV/S YUKON AV STREET, HIGHWAY, ALLEY Tue 12/08/15 15:28
Property Taken: 18" 14 Karat Gold With "E" Pendant.
ROBBERY 4100 BLOCK 118TH ST STREET, HIGHWAY, ALLEY Tue 12/08/15 19:59
ROBBERY W 120TH ST/S CEDAR AV OTHER Wed 12/09/15 15:37
Property Taken: Blk Lenovo Laptop., Black Laptop Carrying Case, Black Mp3 Player, Black Push To Hear-Headphones
ROBBERY 13100 S HAWTHORNE BL VARIETY STORE Wed 12/09/15 18:54
Property Taken: XL Chambridge Suitcase, Unknown Amount Of Miscellaneous Clothing
ROBBERY 3500 W ROSECRANS AV CONVENIENCE STORE Thu 12/10/15 18:09
Property Taken: Approximately \$400-\$500 Dollars Misc US Currency, Several Cartons Of Misc Brand Cigarettes
BURGLARY 4400 W 137TH ST Mon 12/07 13:21
Property Taken: El Salvador Passport, California Driver's Permit, El Salvador Citizen I.D., Vehicle Key
BURGLARY – RESIDENTIAL 13400 S DOTY AV GARAGE DETACHED Mon 12/07/15 13:54
Property Taken: PS4 With Two Controllers Star Wars, Xtreme Speaker Blue
BURGLARY – COMMERCIAL 4800 W ROSECRANS AV STORAGE SHED, PUBLIC Mon 12/07/15 18:15
Property Taken: \$350 (350x\$1) In US Currency, Wells Fargo Bag Containing Money And Passport, US Passport Belonging To Kenneth Fujita, Panerai Watch: Brown Leather Band/Chrome Face, Panerai Watch: Black Face/Black Band, Panerai Watch: Stainless Steel Face And Band
BURGLARY – RESIDENTIAL 4100 W 141ST ST HOUSE Mon 12/07/15 19:30
BURGLARY – COMMERCIAL 4900 W 147TH ST OTHER Tue 12/08/15 12:30
Property Taken: Black Leather Wallet, Misc. Bank Credit/Debit Cards W/Vic Name On Front, Victim's Ca. Driver's License (Unk Number), Us Cash Currency
BURGLARY – RESIDENTIAL 13000

S DOTY AV GARAGE ATTACHED Tue 12/08/15 06:54
Property Taken: Matted Black Bike
BURGLARY – RESIDENTIAL 11500 S GALE AV HOUSE Tue 12/08/15 17:55
Property Taken: Imac Desktop Computer, Mac Laptop, Intel Laptop, Black Digital Camera, \$200.00 In Cash
BURGLARY – RESIDENTIAL 13800 S CERISE AV APARTMENT/CONDO Tue 12/08/15 17:45
Property Taken: (1) Pair Adidas Shoes Blue W/Blk Stripes, Blue H&M Sweat Suit, (2) Pair Hollister Blue Jeans, (3) Hollister T-Shirts, Sim Card
ATTEMPT RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY 13600 S CORDARY AV APARTMENT/ CONDO Wed 12/09/15 07:00
BURGLARY 11800 S OXFORD AV Wed 12/09/15 06:20
Property Taken: VA Medical Center Work Badge And Fob.
BURGLARY 3700 W ROSECRANS AV BAR, LOUNGE, TAVERN Thu 12/10/15 02:46
Property Taken: \$205 In US Currency
BURGLARY – RESIDENTIAL 3100 W 139TH ST APARTMENT/CONDO Thu 12/10/15 12:43
Property Taken: Closet Of Clothing, 6 Pairs Of Shoes, Wallet Containing Cdl, Credit Cards, Ss Card
BURGLARY – RESIDENTIAL 13300 S KORNBLUM AV APARTMENT COMMON AREAS (LNDRY, CLB HSE, ETC) Thu 12/10/15 05:30
Property Taken: Playstation 4, (2) Playstation 4 Controllers, Playstation Game, Destiny
BURGLARY – RESIDENTIAL 11500 S GALE AV HOUSE Fri 12/11/15 09:40
Property Taken: 40" Samsung Television., White Apple Ipod., Black Mini Apple Ipod., Coin Jar Full Of \$300 In Coins.
BURGLARY – RESIDENTIAL 5300 W 139TH ST HOUSE Fri 12/11/15 20:08
Property Taken: Blk Apple Ipad 32GB W/ Blk Case, White Apple Iphone 4S W/ Crack Screen & Pink Case
BURGLARY 11800 S GREVILLEA AV Sun 12/13 17:23
BURGLARY – RESIDENTIAL 5000 W 147TH ST AUTO/VEHICLE Sun 12/13/15 19:20
Property Taken: Apple Lightning Cable And Wall Charger, White Apple Watch •

Community Briefs

Chevron's Fuel Your School Program Benefits 40,089 Students in Select Cities in and around the South Bay Area of Los Angeles County

Chevron U.S.A. Inc. announced today that its 2015 Fuel Your School program generated \$500,000 to help fund 538 classroom projects, including 223 focused on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), to help connect real world experiences to classroom learning for 40,089 students at 151 public schools in select cities in and around the South Bay Area of Los Angeles County.

Students at the Da Vinci Innovation Academy received a Physics Fun Park Electronics Discovery Kit. The kit will be used to help students gain a better understanding of the laws of physics and how these concepts are used to create and run an amusement park.

"Children remember concepts best when they have the opportunity to discover why something works," said Darlene Wonggaew, recipient teacher at Da Vinci Innovation Academy. "The items Chevron's Fuel Your School program helped fund will allow my students to create their own Physics Fun Park by building games and rides that incorporate magnets and electricity, while learning the laws of physics behind the games."

Through the Fuel Your School program, Chevron contributed \$1 when consumers purchased eight or more gallons of fuel at participating Chevron and Texaco stations in select cities in and around the South Bay Area of Los Angeles County during the month of October, generating \$500,000 to help fund eligible classroom projects at local public schools.

The Fuel Your School program is part of Chevron's total commitment to education. Chevron has invested nearly \$250 million since 2013, supporting programs that focus on STEM education initiatives designed to arm students and teachers with the critical skills and resources needed to succeed in jobs of the future.

"As a company full of engineers, we are happy to help encourage our local students to explore STEM education and possible future careers requiring STEM-based skills," said Frank Semancik, general manager of the Chevron, El Segundo refinery. "The impact this program has already made on our students is incredible and we're proud to help provide with the materials needed to help make learning fun and engaging."

This year, Chevron's Fuel Your School program generated more than \$8.8 million for local classrooms in 21 U.S. communities and benefitted more than 1 million students by providing them with needed supplies. Chevron fully funded the traditional Fuel Your School program in 16 U.S. markets and local Chevron and Texaco marketers helped fund five additional markets.

Since its inception in 2010, Chevron's Fuel Your School program has helped fund 33,685 classroom projects at 5,155 schools in the U.S. The program's impact has grown each year to support students in many communities where Chevron has business operations. •

Film Review

The Poignant Stop-Motion Anomalisa is One of the Year's Best

By Morgan Rojas for www.cinemacy.com

He is the mind behind some of cinema's most creative and original films, such as 1999's *Being John Malkovich*, 2002's *Adaptation*, and 2004's *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* – now, screenwriter-turned-director Charlie Kaufman is back with his second feature film, *Anomalisa*. In similar Kaufman fashion, the protagonist is a middle-aged cynic crippled by the mundanity of modern life, only to come to life when a



gether, Michael and Lisa embark on a personal journey of love and heartbreak that makes for one unforgettable experience.

Despite the inherently childlike quality of a stop-motion animated film, *Anomalisa* is definitely not for children. The animated format includes adult subject matter, including scenes of sexual content, which only serve to highlight the film's mature themes.

The stop-motion production is a marvel, taking a full day's work for animators to create just two seconds worth of screen time. Because of the tedious nature of the job and close attention to detail, no second in *Anomalisa* is wasted. The quirky mannerisms exhibited by everyday people that otherwise go unnoticed in daily life are so carefully captured here, playing as some of the film's most inspired laughs. Composer Carter Burwell creates a minimal but beautiful soundtrack to emphasize Michael's desires, resonating with and affecting all.

Kaufman originally penned this longing-for-love story for the stage (released under the pseudonym Francis Fregoli) and cast David Thewlis, Jennifer Jason Leigh, and Tom Noonan to be his principal, and only, actors. With growing interest of turning this "sound play" into a film, Kaufman hesitated, afraid that the movie adaptation would lose authenticity. Those who backed the film's production on Kickstarter had other thoughts, however, as the film raised over \$400,000 of its \$200,000 goal and proved that the interest was there and ready. With support from Starburns Industries and co-director Duke Johnson, Kaufman recruited his original cast of three to create the film.

Anomalisa is a transfixing, thoughtful, and touching film that goes deep into the viewer's psyche and stirs up emotions of introspective thought. Critics are highly praising the film's ability to transcend reality. *Anomalisa* has been nominated for an Oscar for Best Animated Feature Film, and there is no doubt that Kaufman's latest masterpiece stands out as one of the year's best.

Anomalisa opens with a limited release at The Landmark on December 30. Rated R for strong sexual content, graphic nudity and language. •

Characters voiced by David Thewlis and Jennifer Jason Leigh in *Anomalisa*. Courtesy of Paramount Pictures.

stranger opens his eyes and ears to the beauty of human connection, if only for a moment.

Michael Stone (David Thewlis) is a customer service businessman, unhappy while constantly traveling to speaking engagements across the country. As the author of a highly successful book detailing the way to victory in the field, Stone finds himself a semi-celebrity, ever-reluctantly. Despite his outward successes, the married father of one longs for more – something, anything, to snap him out of his melancholy existence. Everyone he meets literally looks and sounds the same, a clever ruse in which the third billed Tom Noonan voices every other character (credited as "Everyone Else"). It's on a trip to Cincinnati when everything changes, when he meets the quirky Lisa (Jennifer Jason Leigh), different from anyone he has ever met, with a liveliness that awakens a passion inside him that he had long thought was gone. To-

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Seniors

Best Holiday Gift For Seniors?

Teach Them How To Use Tech To Stay Connected



(BPT) - If you're thinking of buying Grandma her first ever smartphone or tablet for the holidays, but aren't sure she'll be able to handle the technology ... make that purchase! Studies show technology can lead to the deeper levels of social engagement associated with improved mental and physical wellbeing in older adults. But there's a catch - you need to help Grandma learn how to use that mobile device in order for her to reap the full benefits of social technology.

"Simply having technology isn't what leads to greater life satisfaction for older people," notes Dr. Kevin O'Neil, chief medical officer of Brookdale Senior Living, and a clinical professor of aging studies at the University of South Florida. "Using technology for meaningful social engagement is what counts, and the rewards can be life-altering for many seniors."

Ample research shows social interactions are good for older people, yet more than a third of Americans older than 80 don't use technology for social networking, a study by Brookdale and the Stanford Center on Longevity found. Sixty-three percent of seniors do use technology to stay connected to loved ones. Seventy percent who use technology, such as cell phones and computers to stay connected, say it improves their communications with loved ones. And those who do use technology say they feel happier, more satisfied and their health is better, the study found; 85 percent said they were satisfied with life, and 72 percent said they were in good or excellent health.

"Feeling overwhelmed by the complexities of new technology was the top reason older people said they didn't try new technologies," O'Neil says. "Fortunately, that's a fairly easy fix. All that's really required is some assistance from more tech-savvy younger loved ones to help seniors learn how to use new technologies to enrich their social and intellectual lives."

Brookdale, America's largest provider of senior living communities, has developed

programs to help residents learn to use new technology so they can stay socially connected to their loved ones as part of the company's efforts to use technology to enrich the lives of seniors known as "Rewiring Aging." O'Neil and the aging experts at Brookdale offer some tips to help seniors overcome barriers to technology use:

- If you're buying technology for an older loved one, remember simple is better and less is more. Forty-one percent of older people polled in the Brookdale study said new technology is too complicated. If you want Grandma to be able to make calls, text and access her Facebook account, she probably doesn't need a smartphone with all the other bells and whistles. Look for a device that does only what she needs and not much more.
- Look for devices that are larger, with screens that will be easier to see, such as a tablet versus a smartphone, or a laptop with a larger screen.
- Assist with setup of the device. Increase the on-screen font size and use bold to help older eyes more easily see text on small device screens.
- Screen colors can affect readability, so pay attention to the color of the font and background. Avoid pastels and light colors that are difficult to see. Adjust the device's background theme to be minimally distracting.
- Help your older loved one create user names and passwords, and write them all down to be stored in a secure location. Be sure to address security settings on social media accounts. Limit who can contact your loved one through social media, and make sure your older loved ones understand why they must never accept online invitations or interactions from people they don't know in person.
- Show your loved one how to use email and text messaging, attach or open photos. Again, stress the importance of never opening an attachment in an email from someone they don't know.
- For seniors with dexterity challenges, a separate, larger keyboard can make device use much easier. Or, consider showing your loved one how to use voice-to-text applications so typing is unnecessary.
- Load some fun brain games onto the device to help stimulate your older loved one's mind.

"Technology can be a wonderful way to enrich older people's lives, allowing them to stay connected with loved ones regardless of distance and mobility," O'Neil says. "Helping your older loved one learn how to connect with their loved ones via technology can be a wonderful holiday gift that will benefit them all year long!" •

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Sports

Leuzinger Breezes Past Hawthorne

Article and photos by Joe Snyder

Under first year head coach Arturo Jones, who spent the past 10 seasons assisting current Redondo High head coach Reggie Morris, Jr. at Leuzinger, Playa del Rey St. Bernard and Redondo, the Olympians’ boys’ basketball team has played well through three quarters but, on several occasions, was unable to make it through the final period.

In a non-league rivalry on December 15 against Hawthorne, the Olympians appeared to be headed for a blowout win over the Cougars through the first three quarters. Leuzinger ran off to leads of 45-25 at halftime and 61-33 after three periods. The fourth quarter, though, saw Hawthorne wake up as it got as close as within 10 points. Damani Washington, who led the Olympians with 15 points, converted on four key free throws to help Leuzinger secure a 76-62 victory. Leuzinger, which improved to 5-5, looked impressive as it scored 25 first quarter points to 14 for Hawthorne, which fell to 5-6 after losses to Vista del Lago in non-league and Granite Bay in the Sacramento Tournament.

The Olympians continued to dominate the smaller Cougars. In the fourth period, though, Leuzinger’s defense let up and Hawthorne made a last ditch effort with 29 points to 15 for the Olympians, due to its effective full-court press defense. A basket by Christian Brown cut Leuzinger’s lead to 72-62 with 52 seconds left in the game. The Olympian lead seemed to be still comfortable but Jones knew he had to make the team be able to play a full four quarters. “We’re not playing 32 minutes of basketball,” Jones said. “We’re just learning. We are a young team. It’s been that way, so far this season. We don’t play well in the fourth quarter.”

One thing that pleased Jones was Leuzinger’s depth as five players scored in double figures. Washington led with 15 points. Kavian Fair added 14 points. Terrell Williams chipped in 13 points, followed by Davion Crowder with 11 and Tyler Ridley with 10.

Hawthorne, on the other side, had the game’s two highest scorers. Christian Brown led with 27 points, followed by Deris Gibbons



Leuzinger High’s Kavon Fair dribbles the ball down court in last week’s non-league boys’ basketball rivalry against Hawthorne. The Olympians defeated the Cougars 76-62.

with 17 but no other player scored in double figures. “We have a young team with mostly juniors and one sophomore,” head Cougar coach David Gray said. “We had too many turnovers. We’re a little nervous. The kids got to believe in themselves. Everybody has to score. I need to teach these guys to compete, then we’ll be in a lot more games.”

Last Friday, Hawthorne played a non-league game against Vista del Lago from Moreno Valley but lost 48-42. Brown led the Cougars with 15 points. The Cougars, then, traveled about 550 miles north for the

Sacramento Tournament but was routed in the first round by Granite Bay 67-32 on Saturday. Hawthorne started out well leading 12-9 after the first quarter and was down 26-22 at halftime. Granite Bay, located east of Sacramento, outscored the Cougars 41-10 in the second half.

Leuzinger played in the Oaks Christian Tournament in Westlake Village from last Saturday through Wednesday but results were unavailable. The Olympians will not play, again, until January 2 when they face Brentwood, which they lost in the 13th

place final of the Beverly Hills Tournament 59-55 in overtime on December 5, in the Jordan Brand Showcase. Hawthorne’s next game will not be until January 13 when it begins the Ocean League at home against Santa Monica.

Morningside Wins Consolation: After losing its opening game of the Titan Pride Classic to eventual champion Dana Hills on December 14 at Pioneer High in Whittier, Morningside High’s boys’ basketball team came back with three consecutive wins to capture the consolation title. The Monarchs won the consolation final over Montebello 62-57 last Saturday. Brandon Anyanusi, who was all-tournament, led with 16 points and 10 rebounds. In the consolation semifinal last Thursday, Morningside rolled over Lakewood Artesia 72-53. The Monarchs started off well with a 19-4 first quarter and were in command all of the way. In the consolation quarterfinal on December 15, Morningside stifled Bell 55-34. Anyanusi led the Monarchs with 14 points and 10 rebounds. Camairi Smith also chipped in 14 points. Charles Akano contributed 10 points and a team high 18 rebounds. Despite 17 points, 12 rebounds and three blocked shots from Anyanusi, Morningside lost to Dana Hills 68-60. Khabar finished with 11 points and Charles Akano had 13 rebounds and seven points. The Monarchs begin the San Pedro Pirate Classic against South Torrance Saturday at 4:45 p.m.

Sents Win Two in Hawaii: Inglewood High’s boys’ basketball team won two of its first three games in the Maui Invitational last week. The Sentinels began last Thursday by falling short of Robert E. Lee High from Huntsville, Alabama 66-63, but came back with wins over South Anchorage from Alaska 60-28 last Friday and Lahainalula of Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii 55-35 on Saturday. In non-league action at Inglewood on Dec. 11, the Sentinels recorded a 59-46 win over small schools power Price Christian from South Los Angeles and, shortly before leaving to Hawaii, defeating Taft High from Woodland Hills 64-50 on December 15. •



Hawthorne’s Derek Banks goes for a basket in last week’s boys’ basketball cross town rivalry against Leuzinger.



Leuzinger High’s Kavon Fair dribbles the ball down court in last week’s non-league boys’ basketball rivalry against Hawthorne. The Olympians defeated the Cougars 76-62.

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Fleur is a friendly adventurous and lovely kitty. Her coat is so soft, so we always want to cuddle with her. Her mom and her siblings were rescued when she was one week old, in September. Her brother “Casper” is also available for adoption; he is also Siamese. Their mom Luna is a very sweet 2 year old tabby who is used to children of all ages. Consider adopting one or more of this darling family to bring some holiday cheer to your home.

Mira is one of those kitties you wish you could just clone and all cats would be like her. Looking for a kitty who craves human attention and always wants to be by your side, cuddling and getting pets? Mira delivers above and beyond. Once you start to pet her, she begins to purr loudly and

flops around asking for more and more. Mira loves cuddling and if she finds a comfortable spot she will just stay there all night. She is one year old with a shiny, silky black coat. As a one-year-old she has grown out of the kitten habits (chewing on wires, waking you up in the morning, etc.), but still has playful energy and will definitely play if you are in the mood.

Martini is a sweet, playful adorable kitten! At just two weeks old, she, along with her mom and siblings, were on the list to be euthanized at the city shelter. Kitten Rescue rushed out to bring them all to safety and give them a much deserved second chance! Martini, her sister Amaretto and their momma Julep are the only three left of the litter looking for their forever homes. Martini likes to leap into



Fleur



Mira

your arms for a hug and a kiss! She has been known to enjoy a little nap on shoulders as well! She has a very sweet temperament and loves to play. Martini is a great climber and thoroughly enjoys wrestling and chasing after her sister Amaretto as well as her momma Julep. She is very bonded to her sister and mom, so at the very least, she needs to be adopted along with one of them. Seeing the three of them cuddle and play is the cutest thing ever! They had a rough beginning in life and our now ready to find their forever home and family.

Maggie is a very independent kitten with medium length fur and big golden eyes. She loves to play with her brother and sister, but she is usually the first one out of the den when the door is opened. After all, there



Maggie

is always something new and exciting to explore. Her favorite toys are wiffle balls and strings with feathers on the end which she could play with the feathers for hours. Her biggest wish though is to find her forever home so she can curl up under the covers and sleep with you every night.

These kitties 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 kittens and cats, 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 cats and kittens can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to Kitten Rescue, 914 Westwood Blvd. #583, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

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. •

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NOTICE OF SALE
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The following includes a general description of the property, the name of the person on whose account the property is being stored (occupant), and the space number of the occupants:
Name of Occupant
Description of the Property
Space Number
J. Taylor Jr.
Vacuum, floor lamp, 2 speakers, 5+ bags, plastic container, clothes, Hot Wheels for kids.
Unit 2
J. Patterson
Chair, sofa, boxes, wood planks, shredder, laundry hamper, frame.
Unit 114
A. DeVille
Refrigerator, stereo, 8 bags, kid's basketball, kid's kitchen set, 3 wardrobe boxes, 5 board games, red purse, 2 totes, black cabinet.
Unit 115
A. Mack
20+ boxes, 4 chairs, 5 Christmas bins, 4 green Naval bags, 11 plastic totes?, 3 luggage bags, 2 laptop carrying cases, possible end table, futon frame, rug.

Unit 193
G. Harris
King size headboard, 2 end tables, 2 lamp shades, DVD?, sofa or chair, 5 bags, 4 boxes, artificial plants, something for knick knacks, 2 suitcases, statue.
Unit 205
C. Reed
Refrigerator, 10+ bags, 20+ boxes, tire, rugs, clothes, trophy, remote control car, books, game boards.
Unit 207
G. Harris
King size bed, 5 bags, 8 storage bins, comforter and pillows, large mirror.
Unit 266
M. Carmichael
Bag, box, clothes, 2 notebooks, top ramen.
Unit 309
N. Viotor
Box, large portraits, surf boards, guitar in case, desk and office chair, 3 bar stools plastic tote, portrait holder, ski's
Unit 328
G. Veal
Computer tower, 13 boxes
Unit 382
Ms. M. Turley
Trash bins, iron board, hair dryer, purse, basket with wheels, 3 bags, suitcase.
Unit 414
R. Victor
14+ bags, 9 boxes, 6 bar stools, large ladder, office chairs, partitions, kids toys, drywall sheets, folding chair, mic stand.
Unit 426
N. Viotor
23+ boxes, some green thing, rocks, wood(Ikea furniture), step ladder, possible end tables, possible futon frames.

Unit 460
M. Alexander
Refrigerator, appliance dolly, coat rack with coats, unit blocked.
Unit 57
L & C. Williams
10+ bags, 10+ boxes, 2 bicycles, fish tank, 2 pots, weights and bar, 4 plastic drawers(tower), shelving.
Unit 209
R. White
5+ bags, 2 plastic containers, backpack, leather jacket, Nike shoes, shoe box.
Unit 354
L. Humbelbaugh
25+ boxes, tire, 2 plastic containers, backpack, 2 tote bags.
Unit 390
L. Humbelbaugh
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NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS
December 22, 2015
City of Hawthorne, CA
4455 West 126th Street
Hawthorne, CA 90250
(310) 349-2976
On or about January 12, 2016 the City of Hawthorne will submit a request to the HUD Los Angeles Field Office for the release of CDBG funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), as amended, to undertake the following projects known as:
Housing Rehabilitation Program – Grant – Provides low interest loans to low and moderate income homeowners for the rehabilitation of their homes to preserve the City's existing affordable housing stock. The amount of CDBG funding is \$180,480. Location: Community-Wide
The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulation at 24 CFR Part 58 from the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the City of Hawthorne Department of Human Resources at 4455 West 126th Street, Hawthorne, CA 90250 where the ERR can be examined or copied weekdays (closed alternating Fridays) from 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENTS
Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the Environmental Review Record (ERR) to the City of Hawthorne Human Resources Department at the above stated address. Please submit all comments by January 7, 2016.
RELEASE OF FUNDS
The City of Hawthorne certifies to the HUD Los Angeles Field Office that Arnold

Shadbehr in his capacity as Interim City Manager consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Hawthorne to use Program funds.
OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS
The HUD Los Angeles Field Office will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Hawthorne's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Hawthorne; (b) the City of Hawthorne has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD (Attn: Environmental Officer), Los Angeles Field Office, Office of Human Resources, 611 West 6th Street, Suite 1000, Los Angeles, CA 90017. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.
Arnold Shadbehr, Interim City Manager
City of Hawthorne
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT 2016ZA02
REVISIONS TO R-1 AND R-2 ZONES TO PERMIT SMALL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS ON LARGE PARCELS
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the City of Hawthorne will hold a public hearing on Zone Text Amendment 2016ZA02 as follows:
Day: Wednesday
Date: January 6, 2016
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: City Council Chambers
4455 West 126th Street
Hawthorne, CA 90250
Project: Zone Text Amendment 2016ZA02
Revisions to R-1 and R-2 zones to permit small planned unit developments on parcels of land over certain sizes.
Location: Citywide
Project Description: Amending Title 17 of the Hawthorne Municipal Code related to the regulation of alcohol sales citywide.
PURSUANT TO the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, the application is categorically exempt from the requirements for preparation of a Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report.
FURTHER NOTICE is hereby given that any interested person may appear at the meeting and submit oral or written comments or submit oral or written information relevant thereto to the Planning Department, 4455 West 126th Street, Hawthorne, California 90250 prior to the date of this hearing.
PLEASE NOTE that pursuant to Government Code Section 65009: In an action or proceeding to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul a finding, determination or decision of the Planning Commission or City Council, the issues raised shall be limited to those raised at the public hearing in this notice or in written correspondence delivered to the Planning Commission or City Council at or prior to the public hearing.
Gregg McClain
Director of Planning
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT 2016ZA01
PROHIBITING MARIJUANA CULTIVATION, PROCESSING, DELIVERY AND DISPENSARIES
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the City of Hawthorne will hold a public hearing on Zone Text Amendment 2016ZA01 as follows:
Day: Wednesday
Date: January 6, 2016
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: City Council Chambers
4455 West 126th Street
Hawthorne, CA 90250
Project: Zone Text Amendment 2016ZA01
Prohibiting marijuana cultivation, processing, delivery and dispensaries
Location: Citywide
Project Description: Amending Title 17 of the Hawthorne Municipal Code related to the prohibition of marijuana in the City.
PURSUANT TO the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, the application is categorically exempt from the requirements for preparation of a Negative Declaration or Environmental Impact Report.
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Looking Up

NASA's Fermi Satellite Kicks off a Blazar-Detecting Bonanza



Based on press release from NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center, provided by Bob Eklund

A long time ago in a galaxy half the universe away, a flood of high-energy gamma rays began its journey to Earth. When they arrived in April, NASA's Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope caught the outburst, which helped two ground-based gamma-ray observatories detect some of the highest-energy light ever seen from a galaxy so distant. The observations provide a surprising look into the environment near a super-massive black hole at the galaxy's center, and offer a glimpse into the state of the cosmos 7 billion years ago.

"When we looked at all the data from this event, from gamma rays to radio, we realized the measurements told us something we didn't expect about how the black hole produced this energy," said Jonathan Biteau at the Nuclear Physics Institute of Orsay, France. He led the study of results from the Very Energetic Radiation Imaging Telescope Array System (VERITAS), a gamma-ray telescope in Arizona.

Astronomers had assumed that light at different energies came from regions at different distances from the black hole. Gamma rays, the highest-energy form of light, were thought to be produced closest to the black hole.

"Instead, the multi-wavelength picture suggests that light at all wavelengths came from a single region located far away from the power source," Biteau explained. The observations place the area roughly five light-years from the

black hole, which is greater than the distance between our Sun and the nearest star.

The gamma rays came from a galaxy known as PKS 1441+25, a type of active galaxy called a blazar. Located toward the constellation Boötes, the galaxy is so far away its light takes 7.6 billion years to reach us. At its heart lies a monster black hole with a mass estimated at 70 million times the Sun's.

As material in the disk falls toward the black hole, some of it forms dual particle jets that blast out of the disk in opposite directions at nearly the speed of light. Blazars are so bright in gamma rays because one jet points almost directly toward us, giving astronomers a view straight into the black hole's dynamic and poorly understood realm.

In April, PKS 1441+25 underwent a major eruption. Luigi Pacciani at the Italian National Institute for Astrophysics in Rome was leading a project to catch blazar flares in their earliest stages in collaboration with the Major Atmospheric Gamma-ray Imaging Cerenkov experiment (MAGIC), located on La Palma in the Canary Islands. Using public Fermi data, Pacciani discovered the outburst and immediately alerted the astronomical community. Fermi's Large Area Telescope revealed gamma rays up to 33 billion electron volts (GeV), reaching into the highest-energy part of the instrument's detection range. For comparison, visible light has energies between about 2 and 3 electron volts.

Following up on the Fermi alert, the MAGIC team turned to the blazar and detected gamma rays with energies ranging from 40 to 250 GeV. "Because this galaxy is so far away, we didn't have a strong expectation of detecting gamma rays with energies this high," said Josefa Becerra Gonzalez, a researcher at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland. "There are fewer and fewer gamma rays at progressively higher energies, and fewer still from very distant sources."

The reason distance matters for gamma rays is that they convert into particles when they collide with lower-energy light. When a gamma ray encounters starlight, it transforms into an electron and a positron and is lost to astronomers. The farther away the blazar is, the less likely its highest-energy gamma rays will survive to be detected. •

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What You Can Do To Protect Yourself From Card Fraud In 2016

(BPT) - You may have already received your new credit or debit card equipped with a microchip. If you haven't received your new chip card, you most likely will by the time your card expires. The EMV chip technology is intended to help reduce debit and credit card fraud, and thanks to a collaboration between America's payment networks and card-issuers, you'll see many more merchants using EMV-equipped card readers over the coming months.

Chip-enabled cards store the same basic information that's already in the magnetic strip on the back of your card, such as the card number and expiration date. They add a layer of fraud protection by producing a single-use code to validate every transaction. While EMV technology is intended to reduce card fraud, it's still important to be aware of how fraud happens, what you can do to prevent it and what your card-issuer does to help protect you.

"Fraud prevention is a partnership between cardholders and the bank," said Pam Codisotti, president of Chase Consumer Branded Cards. "By working together, we can help customers keep their accounts safer and more secure."

Chase offers some tips to help you stay alert to fraud while you holiday shop and in the New Year:

- Keep your contact information, including phone number and email address, up to date so the card issuer can contact you quickly if they detect signs of fraud on your account.
- Review your card agreement to be sure you understand what anti-fraud measures the issuer takes. For example, Chase uses specialized monitoring tools to keep an eye on your account 24/7.
- If your card company or bank offers it, sign up for account alerts to monitor your finances and keep your accounts safe. Most issuers will allow you to choose to be alerted to any unusual account activity via text, email or phone call.
- Review your statements every month to ensure all charges are accurate and authorized by you. If you spot a charge you don't recognize, contact the card issuer or bank immediately. With the shift to greater use



of EMV technology, if fraud occurs on your account and you have a chip-enabled card, the merchant will be responsible for the costs in most situations. Also, banks like Chase offer zero liability protection - you won't be held responsible for unauthorized charges made with your card or account information.

• Monitor your credit reports. Although you're entitled to a free report from all three major credit bureaus once a year, checking your report more often can help catch signs of fraud earlier.

• Opt for secure paperless billing. Theft of paper documents, such as from your mailbox or trash, is still a top way fraudsters obtain information. By going paperless, you eliminate an opportunity for someone to steal your statement and get your account information.

• Switch to secure online or mobile payments to help protect your account information. Online payments add layers of security to your transaction and can help ensure you never miss a payment.

• When using your card in a store, never allow the card out of your sight. If you have to enter a PIN number to use the card, be aware of who's standing around you and shield the keypad from view when you type in your PIN.

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- 12 fingerling potatoes
- 2 turnips
- 8 small carrots
- 1 sweet onion
- 3 parsnips
- 2 cups washed baby spinach
- 1 lemon
- 1 lime
- 1 orange
- 4 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil
- 1 teaspoon honey
- sea salt
- fresh pepper

Preparation

THE VEGETABLES

Preheat oven to 375 degrees Fahrenheit. Peel turnips, carrots, onion and parsnips; cut roughly the same size as a halved fingerling potato. Halve potatoes. Place vegetables on oiled sheet pan. Season with salt, pepper and extra virgin olive oil (EVOO). Roast 25 minutes or until fork tender.

THE DRESSING

Juice lemon and lime. Peel orange and segment; add juice from the pulp to the lemon and lime juice. In a metal mixing bowl, use a metal wire whisk to whisk honey, salt, pepper and 1 tablespoon citrus juice. Slowly drizzle 4 tablespoons of EVOO. Fully emulsify the dressing.

THE FISH

Brush lake-raised tilapia fillets with EVOO, season each side with salt and pepper. Place on oiled sheet pan. Roast at 375 degrees Fahrenheit for 20 minutes.

TO PLATE

Place one quarter of the roasted vegetables in the center of each of four plates. Top with the roasted tilapia. Toss spinach and orange in the dressing using tongs. Place small amount of salad alongside fish and vegetables, and serve.
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