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Fire Station Remodel, Retrofit



The crews from Engine-31 and Rescue Ambulance-31 recently returned to the bolstered Fire Station 1 on Main Street. They were displaced due to a significant remodel and earthquake retrofit project that is now complete. Photo Courtesy of El Segundo Fire Department.

Police Chief Reports Drop in Local Crime Compared to Last Year

By Brian Simon

The news was good out of the El Segundo Police Department (ESPD) last week, with a report from Chief Bill Whalen that overall crime dropped by 7 percent in town from 2016 to 2017. Violent crime decreased 20 percent and property crime was down 6 percent. “In terms of overall numbers, the most notable decrease in violent crime was in the aggravated assault category at nine fewer offenses, and the most notable decrease in property crime was in the larceny category with 49 less,” Whalen noted. The one homicide recorded in El Segundo in 2017 was the only increase in violent crime, as there were no such incidents the prior year. In property crime, the department reported eight more motor vehicle thefts compared to 2016.

The ESPD report provided an overview of total part 1 crimes in El Segundo over a seven-year period starting in 2011. Part 1 crimes encompass the violent crimes of homicide, rape, robbery and aggravated assault; as well as property crimes that include incidents of burglary, larceny, motor vehicle thefts, and arson. Total part 1 crimes reached their low in 2013, with 581 total (down from 589 and 638 in 2011 and 2012 respectively). Then they started to rise, going from 599 in 2014 to 664 and 784 the next two years before falling back to 727 in 2017.

Two major reasons for a general crime increase in recent years -- not just in El Segundo, but elsewhere in the South Bay and across the region -- were pieces of legislation that resulted in more offenders out on the

streets. First was the passage of AB 109, the prison realignment bill of 2011 that put the burden of supervising those sentenced for “triple-non” (non-violent, non-serious, non-sexual) crimes on counties instead of the State of California. This led to prisoners getting released earlier from their terms due to overcrowded jails -- and with little or no supervision by parole or probation officers. A regional effort to curb the impacts of AB 109 paid dividends and El Segundo benefited in 2013 and 2014 with lower numbers. But the next wave of problems evolved after

Proposition 47 went into law in 2014. The initiative reduced crimes such as shoplifting and possession of narcotics and firearms from felonies down to misdemeanors. As a result, repeat offenders could no longer be put away in the State Penitentiary. Ultimately, they made their way here as well as other South Bay communities. The upshot was a crime spike in El Segundo of just over 11 percent in 2015 and more than 18 percent in 2016. The latter year also saw 50 violent crimes. That number dropped 20 percent (down to

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Council Updated on Fees, Budget, ADUs

By Brian Simon

In the coming months, the El Segundo City Council will decide whether or not to raise certain fees for services. During its Tuesday night meeting, the group heard from a consultant who recently completed a city-wise cost allocation plan and user fee analysis. It was El Segundo’s first comprehensive fee study in nearly a decade -- though according to Finance Manager Joseph Lillio, best practices dictate updating cost allocation plans every five years and reviewing user fees and charges annually to keep up with consumer price index upticks.

Eric Johnson, the vice president of Revenue & Cost Specialists, LLC that conducted the study, said his firm recast the City’s budget “as if it were a business.” It looked at the cost of services provided to customers and matched

revenues to those costs. To zero in on the numbers, Johnson and company met with department heads to establish services and time spent by City staff. The calculations figured in salaries and wages, employee benefits, maintenance and operational costs, overhead and departmental administration. The methodology also distinguished between community-supported services automatically provided to all versus personal choice services that only benefit a specific group or person. The study did not include analyses of Recreation and Parks services.

The study found \$1.4 million in City-subsidized monies for personal choice services, of which Johnson indicated \$602,000 could realistically be recaptured depending on if the Council opts to assess additional fees.

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Weekend Forecast

Friday

Sunny

72°/56°



Saturday

Mostly

Sunny

66°/55°



Sunday

Partly

Cloudy

69°/54°



Community Briefs

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Local Photographer Receives National
Service Award from Professional
Photographers of California



Marcy Dugan of Marcy Dugan Photography in El Segundo was presented the Professional Photographers of America National Award by Michael Collins; the President of the Professional Photographers of California (PPC) on Jan. 27, 2018. Marcy has been awarded this coveted honor in recognition of her outstanding service to professional photography performed by an individual. For information on the Professional Photographers of California go to www.ppconline.com.

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Letters

Doesn't Like Mr. Plank's Views

I don't understand why the Herald publishes the totally uninteresting rants of Duane Plank. His latest was entitled "One Year In, Trump Seems To Be Doing a Darn Good Job... If You're a Legal Citizen". Not surprisingly, as is usually the case when it comes to Trump supporters voicing their pro-Trump opinions, the article listed not one thing Trump has accomplished that could fall under the "doing a darn good job" category. Instead, it's just a bunch of rambling about his son's Honda hybrid, his house undergoing renovations, the

fact that he has two jobs, and a lot of insults, name calling, and mean spirited jibes at Hillary Clinton, Maxine Walters, Joe Biden, the entire Democratic Party, Amazon, the concept of "girl power", Dreamers (or "illegals or whatever"), and protesters. What was the point? I enjoy hearing from people that hold different views from myself. I find it very interesting. But not when their "view" is really nothing more than thinly veiled contempt for people on the opposite end of the political spectrum.

– Miriam McMahan •

Obituaries

Robert (Bob) Lee Lipton
Dec. 2, 1956 – Jan. 23, 2018

Survived By Mother, Carla-Jane Lipton, Brother Bill and Sisters Lori and Robin. Viewing at Holy Cross Cemetery (Mortuary) Culver City, CA. on Feb. 21, 2018 from 5:00 PM. to 9:00 PM. Funeral Mass at American Martyrs Catholic Church in Manhattan Beach, CA. on Feb. 22, 2018 at 9:30 AM. Celebration of Life to follow service. •



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- THURSDAY, FEB. 8**
- El Segundo Farmer's Market, 3:00 PM. – 7:00 PM., located on Main Street, Downtown El Segundo.
 - Bay Cities Coin Club, 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM., everyone welcome, refreshments /raffle, kids receive a small gift, El Segundo Public Library, 111 W. Mariposa Ave.
- FRIDAY, FEB. 9**
- Bingo, 1:00 PM. - 3:00 PM., 50 Plus, \$3.00 minimum, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Diane: 310-640-9577.
- SATURDAY, FEB. 10**
- Saturday Night Dance, 7:00 PM. – 9:45 PM., Cost: \$3.00 Per Person, Adults of all Ages Welcome, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call: 310-524-2705.
- SUNDAY, FEB. 11**
- Bridge & Pinochle Groups, 11:30 AM. – 3:45 PM, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.
- MONDAY, FEB. 12**
- HAPPY PRESIDENTS' DAY!! (Lincoln's Birthday)– NO SCHOOL FOR ESUSD Students.
 - Library Drop-In Program - Photo Frame Decoupage, 12:00 PM. – 1:00 PM., El Segundo Public Library, 111 W. Mariposa Ave., Call: 310-527-2728.
 - Canasta Group, 12:00 PM. – 3:00 PM., 50 Plus, Free, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.
- TUESDAY, FEB. 13**
- Pinochle, 11:30 AM. – 3:30 PM., Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.
 - Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 PM., District Administrative Offices –Board Room, 641 Sheldon Street.
- WEDNESDAY, FEB. 14**
- HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!!

- Bowling, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, 50 Plus, Senior Club of El Segundo, Gable House Bowl, 22501 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, Cost: \$8.25 for 3 games, Call Joyce at: 310-322-7621.
 - El Segundo High School Prospective Students Tour, 3:00 PM., ESHS PAC. 640 Main Street, Call: 310-615-2662.
- THURSDAY, FEB. 15**
- El Segundo Farmer's Market, 3:00 PM. – 7:00 PM., located on Main Street, Downtown El Segundo.
- FRIDAY, FEB. 16**
- Bingo, 1:00 PM. - 3:00 PM., 50 Plus, \$3.00 minimum, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Diane: 310-640-9577.
- SATURDAY, FEB. 17**
- Saturday Night Dance, 7:00 PM. – 9:45 PM., Cost: \$3.00 Per Person, Adults of all Ages Welcome, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call: 310-524-2705.
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 - Free Computer Class: PowerPoint Basics, 8:30 AM., seating is limited and registration is required, El Segundo Public Library, 111 W. Mariposa Ave., Call: 310-524-2728.
- SUNDAY, FEB. 18**
- Bridge & Pinochle Groups, 11:30 AM. – 3:45 PM, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.
- MONDAY, FEB. 19**
- HAPPY PRESIDENTS' DAY!! (Washington's Birthday) – NO SCHOOL FOR ESUSD Students
 - El Segundo Public Library – CLOSED – All Day.
 - Canasta Group, 12:00 PM. – 3:00 PM., 50 Plus, Free, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.
- TUESDAY, FEB. 20**
- ESMSPTA Meeting, 7:00PM., ESMS Library, 332 Center Street, Call: 310-615-2690.
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To appear in next week's paper, submit your Classified Ad by Noon on Tuesday.

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- City Council Meeting, 7:00 PM., City Hall, 350 Main Street, Call: 310-524-2306.
 - El Segundo Kiwanis Club Meeting, 12:10 PM., The Lakes at El Segundo, 400 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Contact: elsegundokiwanis.org.
 - Pinochle, 11:30 AM. – 3:30 PM., Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21

 - Join us for our first Yappie Hour of the Year, from 5:30 PM. – 8:30 PM., Free parking, 475 N. Sepulveda Blvd.,
- El Segundo. ** Dogs are always welcome at Aloft Hotels. •
 - CSS PTA Meeting, 7:15 PM., CSS Library, 700 Center Street, Call: 310-615-2676.
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See Answers Next Week

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11				12			13		14
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49				50				51	
52				53			54	55	
	56		57			58			59
	62					63			64
			65			66			67

Across

1. Aardvark's lunch
5. Limited number
8. Overweight
11. Source
12. Pupil's place
13. Etcher's medium
16. Bothered
18. Move stealthily
19. Partner of starts
20. Call in poker
21. Distant
23. Sketch
26. Single guy's home
27. Digital promotion center
28. Scattered
29. Fraction
31. Narrow country roads
32. Like Death Valley
33. Of yore
34. Ride
35. Pick up
36. Stage set
38. Money cup
41. Catch
43. It's next to nothing
44. Entree add on
45. Times ____, font type
47. Hardly genteel
48. North or South
49. Once more

50. Trash can
51. Wrinkled
52. Track action
53. Keaton flick: "Mr. ____"
54. Match up
56. More pleasant
58. "House" setting
62. Horrify
63. Flood escape vessel
64. Shot
65. Resting place
66. Cry of success
67. Apple contents

Down

1. Fauvism, Surrealism, etc
2. Choice word
3. As well
4. Gorged
5. Fedora fabric
6. Scrutinizes
7. Married
8. Fronted
9. Israeli city
10. Father's Day gift
14. Meaning
15. Rash
17. Took the bait
20. He ____ for the bar exam
22. Thing, legally
23. Use a trawl

24. Priceless
25. Grade school subject
26. She, in grammar
27. Part of a jazz combo
29. Get ready for a trip
30. Paleontologist's estimate
31. Nonprofessional person
34. Redwood, for one
36. George Jr. to George Sr.
37. Termination
39. Engine purr
40. Must have
42. Propel, in a way
44. Hard drink
45. Steal from
46. Brick kilns
47. Edge of the universe
50. In a rut
51. Freshness
53. Nothing more than
54. Minute opening
55. Questions
57. Transport
58. It's cut and dried
59. Water tester
60. "The best things in life ____ free"
61. Was out in front

Last Week's Answers

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50
51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70

SUDOKU Medium

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

Each Sudoku puzzle consists of a 9X9 grid that has been subdivided into nine smaller grids of 3X3 squares. To solve the puzzle each row, column and box must contain each of the numbers 1 to 9.

Sports

ES In-Line Hockey Crowns Champions

Story and Photos by Gregg McMullin

On a sun-drenched day, a standing-room-only crowd watched and cheered as Championship Saturday for the El Segundo In-Line Hockey Association crowned champions in three divisions. The Mite, Squirt and Pee Wee divisions played for the right to place the champions' names on a replica of the Stanley Cup.

Mite Division Flying Tigers vs. Black Widows

During the regular season, both teams ended with the same record and tied head to head. The top seed for the playoffs came down to penalty minutes. When both of these teams weaved their way through the playoffs to reach the final, this championship game had all the makings of a great matchup.

The Flying Tigers started fast and were aggressive as soon as the puck dropped. They took advantage of a power play early on, but in the end the Black Widows prevailed 6-4. Samuel Forthurber took a pass and drove it past Black Widow goalie Donovan Finney 30 seconds into the game. Not long after that, the Flying Tigers scored another goal

on a power play. Aran Clinton scored a goal with an assist from Brayden Le to give the Flying Tigers a 2-0 lead.

Black Widow forward Gavin Vanek, who had a hat trick with three goals, took a pass from Rishi Nair and hit the back of the net for a score. With 3:19 remaining in the first half, Xavi Avalos passed to Nair who guided the puck into the goal to tie the game at 2-2. With time winding down in the opening half, Forthurber scored on a breakaway to give the Flying Tigers a 3-2 lead at halftime.

In the second half, the Black Widows found their rhythm. They peppered shot after shot towards Flying Tiger goalie Declan McRoberts, so it was just a matter of time before the puck found the back of the net. The Black Widows were denied until Donovan Finney took a lead pass from Nair and found an opening for a tying 3-3 goal. Not a minute later, Vanek scored off an assist from Finney to make it 4-3. Vanek then scored another goal when he found an errant puck and sent it to the back of the net.

See ES In-Line Hockey, page 19



The Classic Kings, the Squirt Division champs, pose with their championship trophy. Team members include Jacob Light, Connor Hitzig, Mason Smith, Landon Aubert, Brendan Wilson, Zach Patterson, Samantha Patterson and Ellee Mueller.

Trade of Griffin Signals End for Clippers

By Adam Serrao

If being a fan of the Los Angeles Lakers has taught anyone anything over the course of the past few years, it's that if you're not going to field a competitive team, at least try to field an entertaining one. Perhaps it's fitting to begin an article about Blake Griffin and the Los Angeles Clippers by talking about the Lakers. The Lakers have, incidentally, always been L.A.'s team, no matter how much relative success the Clippers have gained. With the trade of Griffin to the Detroit Pistons just over one week ago, the Clippers did once again what the Clippers seemingly always tend to do – shoot themselves in the theoretical foot. Now, a team that was already struggling to compete in a loaded Western Conference not only just got worse, but also lost the face of the franchise that a dwindling Clipper fan base still came to the Staples Center to see.

First it was Chris Paul and now Blake Griffin? After Griffin signed a five-year contract for \$173 million in July, it was clear that the Clippers were trying to make a statement. Griffin would be the face of the franchise

not only now, but also in the years to come. Well, somebody in the organization changed his mind and it caught Griffin off guard just as much as it caught fans of the NBA off guard. "Basketball is a business, the NBA is a business and they made a decision," Griffin told ESPN after finding out that he had been traded by Clippers through Twitter. "The only thing, I just wish I had known or had the opportunity to talk to somebody beforehand. Finding out through Twitter, through other people, is a tough way to find out when you've been with a franchise for so long."

Well, that's the Clippers for you and now, besides DeAndre Jordan and maybe Lou Williams, the rest of the roster is somewhat unrecognizable. That's before the likes of Avery Bradley, Tobias Harris and Boban Marjanovic arrived through the trade. Those players and first and second round draft picks were all part of the return for the Clippers, who fittingly lost their first game after the trade to the Portland Trailblazers. It's rather difficult to evaluate trades in the

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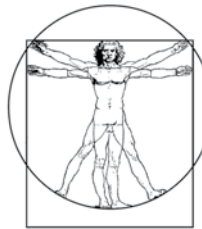
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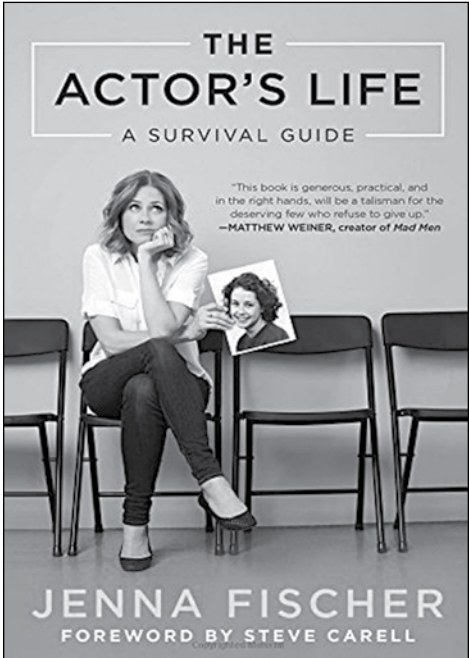
Entertainment

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The Actor's Life: A Survival Guide

Reviewed by Jeff Huttinger, Library Assistant, El Segundo Public Library
“Success is the ability to go from failure to failure without losing your enthusiasm.”
-- Winston Churchill

It is quotes like this scattered throughout actress/author Jenna Fischer’s debut book *The*



Turtles All the Way Down by John Green.

Actor's Life: A Survival Guide that make it such an upbeat, yet realistic look at the life and struggles of a professional actor.

How many of us, at one point or another, dreamed of becoming a star one day? Strutting down the red carpet, your name illuminated on the marquis above, while fans clutching your latest magazine cover scream your name? But how many of us actually had the guts to pursue it?

Well, Jenna Fischer did, and her dogged efforts paid off in spades. After nine seasons on the top-rated sitcom *The Office*, plus numerous movie roles, Fischer has amassed an incredible resume and a level of success many only dream of. It didn’t happen overnight, however. Part memoir, part how-to guide,

Fischer outlines every step of the journey, beginning with her own humble roots in high school theatre. With a healthy sense of naiveté guiding her along, Fischer headed to Hollywood where she went on to garner eight years-worth of amusing anecdotes and embarrassing setbacks, including a humiliating encounter with a casting agent that left her in tears.

From shopping around for the best headshots to dealing with your first time getting fired, Fischer is there with advice, tips and -- most importantly -- reassurance. In fact, this book is so full of encouragement that Fischer’s writing could easily come across as the literary equivalent of a kitten clinging to a branch with the words, “Hang in there, baby!” scrolled beneath. While that may be too saccharine for some, I found it to be a refreshing reminder that life isn’t a zero sum game. Fischer genuinely wants the reader to find success, and that is the mark of a true professional.

To check out *The Actor's Life: A Survival Guide*, also available in eBook format, or browse any of our other nonfiction titles, please visit the library to apply for your free library card. •



Jeff Huttinger.

Film Review

The Original Story of the Irreverent National Lampoon Finally Gets Its Due

By Ryan Rojas for www.cinemacy.com

While you’ve likely heard the name National Lampoon, or may count *Caddyshack* or *Animal House* to be among your favorite movies, do you know who Doug Kenney is? Until now, Kenney – the comedy genius who co-created National Lampoon – has remained mostly unknown, while the comedians who were launched from it (among them Bill Murray, Gilda Radner and Chevy Chase) have come to overshadow Kenney’s own fame. The new movie, *A Futile and Stupid Gesture* (now streaming on Netflix) highlights the life of Kenney and the wild rise of this new school of comedy. Both a silly send-up as well as a sentimental tribute, *Futile* is sure to delight both the purist comedy nerds looking to get their history fix of the birth of National Lampoon as well as those just looking for some low-stakes laughs.

Based on the novel of the same name by Josh Karp, the story begins back in Doug’s (Will Forte) undergrad years at Harvard, where he meets fellow wisecracking slacker Henry Beard (Domhnall Gleeson). Together, the duo would create the first iteration of the Lampoon – a comedy collective that was “really just an excuse to party.” It’s Kenney who wants to keep the party going post-graduation, convincing the more levelheaded Beard to create a national magazine of their irreverent comedy for all juveniles. As it turns out, there was a counterculture of college-aged kids waiting to embrace a publication like this, whose shocking magazine covered politics and culture through raunchy comics and cheeky nudity.

It’s around this time in the movie that we start to meet the people who would form National Lampoon’s original writing staff (Thomas Lennon, Natasha Lyonne, Tony Hendra). One of the hilarious devices that *A Futile and Stupid Gesture* utilizes is a clever use of meta-awareness, especially when it comes to commenting on the actors who are playing the real-life comedians of Christmas past. It’s this level of self-reflexive non-seriousness that director David Wain (*Wet Hot American Summer*) wonderfully incorporates into the movie, which conjures the anarchic and playful spirit of the Lampoon and back into the movie itself.

As a biography movie, Wain does service to both Kenney and the story by hitting every major milestone of the Lampoon’s successes

and wobbly setbacks, straddling the balance of funny and worry. The flighty Kenney moves on to bigger and grander ideas: a National Lampoon radio hour, which introduces new players Bill Murray (Jon Daly), John Belushi (John Gemberling) and Chevy Chase (Joel McHale), who would go on to star in such films like *Animal House* and *Caddyshack*.

It’s around this time that *A Futile and Stupid Gesture* explores Kenney’s darker period. It doesn’t shy away from showing his crippling anxiety and growing competition (a certain late-night weekend sketch show is accused of stealing all of his players). But not to bring down the mood, as Wain and Kenney and the rest of his wild team would surely object if they felt their story was getting too sentimental. adding further delight to the movie is a smattering of visual sequences that bring iconic Lampoon magazine covers to life right before our eyes. If Wain was attempting to tell the purest and most honest form of Kenney’s story, then he wildly succeeded. If he was looking to make a silly, wacky comedy with a little bit of heart for audiences everywhere, then he did that too. With *A Futile and Stupid Gesture*, we finally see the merry madness that Doug Kenney went through in search of a laugh – however futile and stupid it may have seemed.

For our red carpet interview with the cast of *A Futile and Stupid Gesture*, visit www.cinemacy.com

A Futile and Stupid Gesture is not rated. 101 minutes. Now streaming on Netflix. •



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There Has Been a Bump in Motherhood

By Rob McCarthy

More women are having children, though it's too early to call it a baby boom, says a new report about motherhood. And while the bump in babies isn't huge, it halts a steady 20-year decline that had economists and employers fretting.

The Pew Research Center compared how many women by age 44 had become mothers, using 2006 and 2016 data. What they found dispelled the myth about a post-recession "baby bust" -- the assumption that couples and single women couldn't afford children after the financial collapse in 2008 that claimed jobs and homes. "Not only are women more likely to be mothers than in the past, but they are having more children," the Pew report found.

A sizable 86 percent of women by 2016 had become mothers -- higher than before the crisis. Ten years before, 80 percent of women had given birth by the time they reached age 44, U.S. Census data showed. The great majority of women bear children before age 45, even though medical technology has extended fertility.

Women of all ages are waiting longer to have their kids, too. That includes what Pew calls "never-married" mothers, a lifestyle choice of 15 percent of American women. Matrimony isn't the barrier to motherhood it once was either: Pew found that a majority of women -- 55 percent -- who never wed choose to become mothers. "This marks a dramatic change from two decades earlier, when roughly a third ... of never-married women in their early 40s had given birth," Pew researchers noted.

Motherhood rates have soared among Caucasian never-married women in their early 40s. In 2014, 37 percent were mothers, compared with just 13 percent two decades ago. Rates also ticked up among their African-American counterparts: 75 percent were mothers in 2014, compared with 69 percent in 1994.

Teens pregnancies are falling and women are delaying having children until well into

their 20s, a change that is behind the drop in U.S. fertility rates. In the mid-1990s, the median age of women giving birth was 23. Today, women aren't becoming mothers until age 26. They're also putting off marriage for school and careers.

Not only are more women deciding to have children, but they're having bigger families, too. Three children is closer to the norm now, compared to a decade ago when family size was closer to two -- a record low for the country. School districts with declining enrollment could soon find themselves adding classrooms and teachers.

New arrivals throughout Los Angeles are being born at full term, too, and with fewer premature complications, according to another report from the University of Southern California. Premature births and low birth weights are leading causes of infant death in the United States, according the USC Children's Data Network.

Infants born too early or too small are at increased risk of serious long-term health problems. Using the latest available data from 2012, USC officials found that full-term births barely exceeded 50 percent. Physicians, clinics and social service agencies have done a commendable job getting women -- especially teens -- into prenatal care. "Public health efforts to decrease preterm births and improve birth weights appear to be working," the network said, crediting programs and policies put in place to address health pregnancies in the county since 2012.

Gains came between 2007 and 2012 when more than half of the expectant mothers countywide carried their babies to full term more than half the time. Physician and public health outreaches were credited with raising the number of healthy deliveries by teens -- 56.6 percent -- and women overall.

Fertility rates follow a healthy economy. More babies now means more school kids in the short term, plus more working adults later to pay taxes and keep the nation's retirement safety net (Social Security) properly funded. •

Police Reports

Thursday, Jan. 25

A traffic accident (without injuries) occurred at 0232 hours in the 500 block of Concord Street, vehicle versus parked vehicle.

One female adult was arrested at 0305 hours from the 500 block of Concord Street for misdemeanor DUI with a BAC of .08% or above.

Found property report was taken at 0911 hours in the 2100 block of East El Segundo Boulevard.

One female adult was arrested at 1027 hours from the 400 block of West Imperial Avenue for vehicle theft.

One female adult was arrested at 1602 hours from Main Street and Franklin Avenue for child endangerment and public intoxication.

Friday, Jan. 26

A lost/stolen license plate(s) report was taken at 0129 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. Unknown suspect(s) removed the rear plate from the victim's vehicle.

One female adult was arrested at 0321 hours from Aviation Boulevard and Rosecrans Avenue for one outstanding LASD felony warrant.

A traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1341 hours at Douglas Street and Mariposa Avenue, three vehicles involved.

An identity theft occurred at 1312 hours in the 700 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard. Three suspects attempted to purchase items using a fake credit card.

A found property report was taken at 1535 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. A maroon coin purse containing \$1.45 in U.S. currency was found.

A burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 1602 hours from the 1400 block of East

Imperial Avenue.

A petty theft occurred between 0700 hours and 1807 hours in the 300 block of East Imperial Avenue. A bicycle was stolen.

Saturday, Jan. 27

A petty theft report was taken at 0839 hours from the 200 block of West Imperial Avenue. A tool bag containing a power drill set was taken from an unlocked vehicle.

A petty theft report was taken at 0832 hours from the 400 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. Taken were two backpacks containing miscellaneous clothing.

A burglary (commercial) report was taken at 1221 hours from the 200 block of East Grand Avenue.

A burglary (commercial)/identity theft report was taken at 1348 hours from the 800 block of South Douglas Street. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry into the victim's locker through unknown means. Suspect(s) removed credit cards from the victim's wallet and made unauthorized purchases.

A found property report was taken at 1700 hours from the 200 block of West Mariposa Avenue. A watch was found.

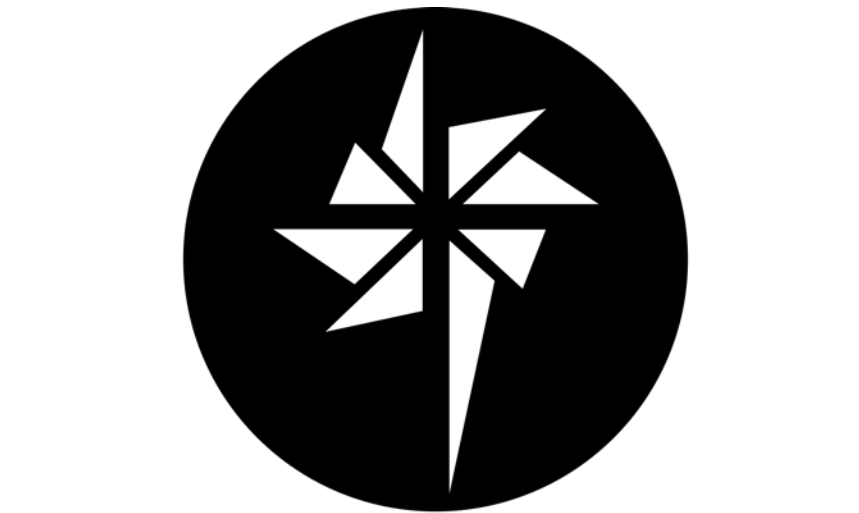
Sunday, Jan. 28

Traffic accident (no injuries) occurred at 0104 hours at the southeast corner of Maple Avenue and Nash Street, vehicle versus traffic pole.

Grand theft (auto) occurred on 01/27/18 at 1000 hours to 1030 hours from the 300 block of West Imperial Avenue. Taken was a 2000 Chevy van.

One male adult was arrested at 1601 hours from the 700 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for shoplifting, possession of stolen property and possession of burglary tools.

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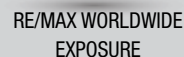
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End of Clippers

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NBA these days, but as of last weekend the Clippers were positioned narrowly outside of playoff contention in the Western Conference standings with now seemingly little hope of ascending up the ranks.

Even with Griffin on their side – and Chris Paul, for that matter – the Clippers weren’t getting anywhere near sniffing the competitive levels of the Golden State Warriors, Cleveland Cavaliers or even the San Antonio Spurs. Likely, that was the main reason in the team’s front office changing its philosophy so hastily. Whether the pieces that the Clippers received in return for Griffin pan out or not, getting a team to take on the humungous salary that was given to Los Angeles’s former first round pick less than a year ago opens things up, if you’re an optimist. Now, the Clippers have enough cap space to go out and sign LeBron James, Paul George or any other big-name free agent in the offseason. With that flexibility, it may not be long before the team returns back to the rim-rocking “Clip City” team of years past that formerly (almost) filled the arena to capacity on a night-in and night-out basis.

The one flaw in that reasoning or philosophy change comes in understanding the fact that most, if not all, big-name free agents who want to come play in Los Angeles will likely choose to play for the Lakers (who will also have enormous amounts of cap space) instead of the Clippers. Unfortunately for the Clippers, aside from Jerry West now having some unknown role in the front office, there is nothing alluring about the team. Sure, unloading an injury-prone player in Griffin who was owed a ton of money may have been the best thing that the Clippers could have done from a business perspective. From a fan and team perspective, however, the move could have just locked the Clippers into becoming a team that will now be stuck in mediocrity for years to come.

Speaking of mediocrity, ever since the Pistons beat the Lakers in the 2004 NBA Finals, the former team has failed in multiple attempts to set the rest of the league on fire. In this latest attempt, it is clear that the Pistons received the best player in the trade, but even in a less talented Eastern Conference, Griffin’s arrival may fail to do more than move Detroit up a spot or two in the standings to the eighth seed, at best. While the Pistons may not all of a sudden transform into a championship team overnight, though, they’ll at least have a player who is worthy of putting fans in the seats.

As it currently stands, Clipper fans are clinging to optimism and cite Jerry West as their savior. Hopes filled with Paul George and LeBron chants ring eternal. George did, after all, root for the Clippers as a child, right? But why play in a dimly-lit Staples Center on Clippers game nights when you could don the purple and gold and have movie stars from all over Hollywood in the stands watching your every move under the bright lights of “La La Land?” Why go out of your way to say that Jerry West will save the day when just down the hallway, Magic Johnson is showcasing that bright-eyed smile and the promise of “Showtime” returning to the Staples Center floor as he stands in front of 16 polished and glistening championship trophies?

Now that all of the dust from the trade that caught everyone off guard has officially settled, Clippers fans can continue banking on the future. That’s what true fans do. An increased amount of cap space now brings with it the hope and opportunity of landing a prized free agent to come and represent the Los Angeles Clippers. With that hope better also come faith that the Clippers can do something that the franchise has seemingly never done before, even with Griffin in Paul sporting the logo across their chests. That one thing the team has never done is succeed.

– Aserrao6@yahoo.com •

Monday, Jan. 29

One male adult was arrested at 0049 hours from the 200 block of East Grand Avenue for possession of a tampering device, shop-lifting, one outstanding misdemeanor ESPD warrant and one outstanding misdemeanor MBPD warrant.

One male adult was arrested at 0400 hours from Main Street and Mariposa Avenue for public intoxication and one outstanding LASD misdemeanor warrant.

A burglary report was taken at 0907 hours from the 600 block of Lomita Street. Unknown suspect(s) entered the victim’s unlocked garage and stole tools.

Tuesday, Jan. 30

A petty theft report was taken at 1812 hours from the 300 block of Richmond Street. Taken was a wallet.

One female adult was arrested at 2332 hours from the 300 block of West Imperial Avenue for grand theft auto, possession of paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance and one outstanding LASD misdemeanor warrant.

One male adult was arrested at 2354 hours from the 300 block of West Imperial Avenue for grand theft auto, possession of a controlled substance and one outstanding LASD misdemeanor warrant.

Wednesday, Jan. 31

One male juvenile was arrested at 0635 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for attempt carjacking.

One male adult was arrested at 0900 hours from the 200 block of North Douglas Street for driving with a suspended license, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

A grand theft report was taken at 0915 hours from the 2300 block of East Imperial Highway. Taken were wood pallets and metal fittings for tents.

A vandalism report was taken at 0958 hours from the 1400 block of East Imperial Avenue.

An online lost property report was taken at 1224 hours from the 2000 block of East Roscreans Avenue. A black wallet containing \$60 in U.S. currency and several credit cards were lost at the location.

An online lost property report was taken at 1226 hours from the 500 block of Richmond Street. A gold ring was lost at the location.

Felony hit and run occurred at 1512 hours from Grand Avenue and Sierra Street, vehicle versus pedestrian.

One male adult was arrested at 1530 hours from Mariposa Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard for identity theft and possession of burglary tools.

Criminal threats report was taken at 1627 hours from the 400 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. A known suspect made threats to the victim.

A grand theft (vehicle) report was taken at 1648 hours from the 700 block of Euca-lyptus Drive.

Burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 1657 hours from the 600 block of Illinois Court. Unknown suspect(s) broke into the victim’s vehicle.

Traffic accident (no injuries) occurred at 1758 hours from the 2200 block of East Imperial Highway, vehicle versus vehicle.

Felony hit and run occurred at 1843 hours from Imperial Avenue and Sepulveda Bou-levard, vehicle versus vehicle.

Burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 2222 hours from the 300 block of Indiana Street. Unknown suspect(s) broke into the victim’s vehicle. •

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Case No. YS030107**

Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES
Petition of: CANDACE LEE TURNER for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner CANDACE LEE TURNER filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
CANDACE LEE TURNER to
CANDACE LEE DERRICK
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 3/9/2018, Time: 8:30 AM., Dept.: M.
The address of the court is:
825 MAPLE AVE.
TORRANCE , CA 90503
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: EL SEGUNDO HERALD
Date: NOV. 6, 2017
ERIC C. TAYLOR
Judge of the Superior Court
El Segundo Herald Pub. 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22/18

H-25880

**Order to Show Cause
for Change of Name
Case No. NS034160**

Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES
Petition of: JESSICA KATHERINE RIENECKER for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner JESSICA KATHERINE RIENECKER filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
JESSICA KATHERINE RIENECKER to JESSICA KATHERINE MARTINI
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 2-21-2018, Time: 8:30 AM., Dept.: 526, Room: 5500
The address of the court is:
275 MAGNOLIA AVE.
LONG BEACH, CA. 90802
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: EL SEGUNDO HERALD
Date: JAN. 10, 2018
MICHAEL P. VICENCIA
Judge of the Superior Court
El Segundo Herald Pub. 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8/18

H-25864

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**ABANDONMENTS:
\$125.00**
**ABC NOTICES:
\$125.00**
**DBA
(Fictitious Business Name)
\$75.00**
**NAME CHANGE:
\$125.00**
Other type of notice? Contact us
and we can give you a price.

**For DBA's email us at:
dba@heraldpublications.com**
**All other legal notices email us at:
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**Any questions?
Call us at 310-322-1830**

**NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS
FOR THE
POLICE DEPARTMENT
FLOOR REPLACEMENT
IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO PROJECT
NO.: PW 18-02**

The City of El Segundo is accepting sealed bids in the City Clerk's office, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California 90245, until 11:00 a.m. on:

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2018

at which time they will be publicly opened. Bids will not be accepted after that time.

As described in the Bidding Documents, the bids are for a Public Works project ("Project") which consists of FLOOR REPLACEMENT at the Police Department and related work as shown on the plans on file with the City's Public Works Department. The project location is at 348 Main Street. Construction shall include but not be limited to the removal and replacement of modular carpet tile, vinyl flooring, and base cove. Work on the Project must be performed in strict conformity with Specifications No. PW 18-02 as adopted by the El Segundo City Council on February 6, 2018, which is filed with the Public Works Department. Copies of the Plans, Specifications, Contract Documents and Engineer's estimate are available from the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department, City of El Segundo, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California, 90245. Plans and Specifications are alternately available electronically via http://www.elsegundo.org/depts/works/project_request_contact_form.asp. A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at 10:00 AM, at the City Hall Council Chambers at 355 Main Street, El Segundo, CA 90245. Bidders' attendance at this meeting is mandatory. Questions regarding the bid shall be submitted by 6:00 pm on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 to http://www.elsegundo.org/depts/works/project_request_contact_form.asp. The terms and conditions for bidding on the Project are described in the attached Bidding Instructions. This project requires payment of State prevailing rates of wages for Los Angeles County. The Contractor must post copies of the prevailing schedule at each job site. Copies of these rates of wages are available from the State of California Department of

Industrial Relations Prevailing Wage Unit, Telephone No. (415) 703-4774. The website for this agency is currently located at www.dir.ca.gov.

The Contractor to whom the Contract is awarded must assist in locating, qualifying, hiring and increasing the skills of minority group employees and applicants for employment, as set forth in Executive Order 11246 and 11375.

Any Contract entered into pursuant to this notice will incorporate the provisions of the State Labor Code. Compliance with the prevailing rates of wages and apprenticeship employment standards established by the State Director of Industrial Relations will be required.

Affirmative action to ensure against discrimination in employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, or religion will also be required.

The City of El Segundo hereby affirmatively ensures that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this notice and will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, or religion in any consideration leading to the award of Contract.

Note that the Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the California Department of Industrial Relations. Pursuant to California law, the City must find bids failing to comply with all applicable Labor Code requirements including, without limitation, Labor Code §§ 1725.5 and 1771.4, to be non-responsive. Five percent (5%) will be deducted from each progress payment and retained by the City. The remainder less the amount of all previous payments will be paid to the Contractor. Pursuant to Public Contracts Code ("PCC") § 22300, the Contractor may substitute securities for retention monies held by the City or request that the City place such monies into an escrow account. The Contractor is notified, pursuant to PCC § 22300, any such election will be at the Contractor own expense and will include costs incurred by the City to accommodate the Contractor's request.

In entering into a Public Works Contract, or a Subcontract, to supply goods, services, or materials pursuant to a Public Works Contract, the Contractor, or Subcontractor, offers and agrees to assign to the awarding

body all rights, title and interest in, and to, all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. Section 15) or under the Cartwright Act (Chapter 2 [commencing with Section 16700] of Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code), arising from purchases of goods, services, or materials pursuant to the Public Works Contract or the Subcontract. This assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the awarding body tenders final payment to the Contractor, without further acknowledgment by the parties.

Bids must be prepared on the approved Proposal forms in conformance with the Instructions to Bidders and submitted to the City Clerk, 350 Main Street, City of El Segundo, in a sealed envelope plainly marked on the outside:

**"SEALED BIDS FOR PROJECT NO.: PW 18-02
POLICE DEPARTMENT
FLOOR REPLACEMENT PROJECT
IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO
DO NOT OPEN WITH REGULAR MAIL"**

The bid must be accompanied by a bid bond, made payable to the City of El Segundo for an amount no less than ten percent (10%) of the amount bid for the base Contract.

No bid will be accepted from a Contractor who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of the State Business and Professions Code. For these projects, those acceptable classes of license shall be "A," "B" or "C-15". The successful Contractor and his Subcontractors will be required to possess the correct license for their project classifications, and valid City Business Licenses from the City of El Segundo.

The City of El Segundo reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularity, and to take all bids under advisement for a period of ninety (90) calendar days.

Any Contract entered into pursuant to this notice shall become effective or enforceable against the City of El Segundo only when the formal written Contract has been duly executed by the appropriate officer(s) of the City of El Segundo.

DATED this 8th day of February, 2018.

CITY OF EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA
Tracy Weaver, City Clerk
El Segundo Herald Pub. 2/8, 2/15/18

H-25890

“I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.”

— *MAYA ANGELOU*

Police Chief

40) in 2017. Still, crime is up 21 percent versus the year before Prop 47 took effect.

The department received a boost when the El Segundo City Council in 2017 allocated funding to hire a part-time crime analyst – a position Whalen feels will be key to local crime-fighting. “We also restructured our patrol schedule, which I think will help,” the chief added. “To begin with, officers will be assigned to a team. I believe by assigning the same officers/supervisors to work the same days and same shift, it creates a sense of accountability and ownership over the problems that occur during their watch.” Special patrols helped address the aforementioned swell in auto thefts last year. At the same time, Whalen reminded residents to make sure they lock their vehicles and not leave any visible valuables inside.

A department restructure in 2017 freed up three positions that Whalen reallocated to other areas. He reinstated the Community Lead Officer program with two officers at the helm who will be detached from patrol in order to address crime and quality of life issues. They will also be ESPD’s point people on the growing homeless problem impacting the South Bay. To that effect, the department received a \$30,000 grant last year to develop a homeless response plan for El Segundo.

The restructure will also provide a motor-cycle officer to the Traffic Division. “Traffic safety in El Segundo is a tremendous priority of mine and having this additional officer focused on traffic education and enforcement will be a tremendous asset,” Whalen said.

Maintaining a full workforce through recruitment and retention is also a major objective for Whalen. The City budget authorizes up to 62 sworn officers, but the present number on board is 56 – including three trainees and two academy recruits. Meanwhile, over 30 percent of the authorized sworn will have reached retirement age within the next three

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years and may leave El Segundo. “Every city is hiring and we are all competing for a shrinking pool of applicants,” Whalen explained. “I don’t know why there are less people wanting to become a police officer. However, I suspect is has to do with the negative press over the last several years. I am continuing to urge staff to find new and creative ways to find quality people.”

While the department remains aggressive in its recruitment, new technology and equipment can help the overall cause tremendously. Whalen listed major projects now in the works. The Regional Communications Center will implement a new Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD)/Records Management System (RMS), which should be online this year. ESPD will also transition to a new, digitally encrypted radio system. Meanwhile, the City Council last year approved purchase of an Automated License Plate Reader. Whalen also anticipates replacing the current body-worn camera and in-car video systems in 2018, as those items have reach end of life.

“We also look to our residents as our first line,” Whalen said. “We continue to preach the mantra, ‘See Something, Say Something.’ We will continue to remain heavily involved with the community through programs such as Neighborhood Watch and through events like Coffee with a Cop. And this week, we are proud to announce that we’re starting the third class of the Citizens Police Academy –and we’re at full capacity. This is an incredibly successful program that we plan to offer as often as possible.”

Whalen remained cautiously optimistic by the latest statistics. “I am encouraged by our 2017 numbers, but am also aware we remain above our all-time low from several years prior,” he said. “Crime fighting remains an organizational priority and will guide our efforts over the coming year.” •

City Council

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Meanwhile, a comparison report listed current City fees for dozens of services with a recommended adjusted fee. While the report suggested raising many fees, it also looked to lower others. “Some planning fees are higher than they ought to be,” Mayor Pro Tem Drew Boyles commented about the City’s current charges. Lillio indicated that the City will be obligated to reduce those particular fees. While Tuesday’s review was strictly informational with no action taken, the Council and Johnson will dig more deeply into the numbers in a future study session.

Also on Tuesday, Lillio provided a 2017/18 first quarter financial review and reported that revenues and expenditures are on track with the adopted budget. Revenues are \$1.7 million above the same time last year, thanks to higher business license tax collections now that people can renew online (and many did so in December); an increase in utility user tax dollars bolstered by higher natural gas prices and more power plant activity; and upticks in real property transfer taxes, property taxes and transient occupancy taxes (with new hotels online). Sales tax, which Lillio said is always volatile, dropped \$330,000 due to a negative audit adjustment. Expenditures are \$1 million lower, primarily due to police personnel vacancies for six sworn and three non-sworn positions. Additional reductions came from reduced consultant contracts in public works and a couple of fire personnel vacancies.

Lillio next presented the quarterly update of the City’s strategic work plan and key performance indicators (KPIs). Of 30 activities prioritized by the Council last year, 26 are already implemented or underway. The other four are on track to begin at the end of the current fiscal year or early 2018/19. Lillio listed a number of highlights, including new police automated license readers; hiring of an information systems director; refinance of three pension plans and additional payments to save \$2.8 million; and formation of The Lakes Task Force to draft an

RFP for future uses at the golf course site. For KPIs –which track how the City is doing in various areas ranging from public safety response time to filling potholes -- Lillio mentioned that commercial vacancies in El Segundo dropped to under 10 percent for the first time in years, and that the City received over 1,200 online business license renewals.

Planning Manager Greg McClain provided an update on accessory dwelling unit (ADU) activity in town over the last six months. During that period, the City received 16 applications -- with three of them withdrawn, eight in plan check, three under construction and two in the bid process. Of the 13 remaining, six are for units attached to or built above a garage, four are stand-alone, and three are conversions of existing structures (mainly workshops). The size of the ADUs range from a low of 246 square feet up to 1,199, with an overall average of 701 square feet. When the Council voted on ADUs last year, it approved detached structures of up to 1,200 square feet provided those comply with El Segundo’s floor to area ratio (FAR) regulations. The state-mandated minimum requirement was for units of up to 800 square feet attached to existing structures. McClain pointed out that a few of the applications mentioned above actually came in before the six-month period, but staff held those pending the Council’s decision on ADUs. Councilmember Carol Pirsztuk asked for another review in six months. She noted that at this time, many residents may not realize they can build ADUs – so she wants to see if activity ramps up as the word gets out.

At the beginning of the meeting, Senior Executive Assistant Mickie Tagle reported that the City’s e-newsletter is celebrating its one-year anniversary and drawing user traffic at higher rates than the industry norm. Stats mentioned included 7,411 contacts, 1,363 subscribers, 18,644 unique page views, and over two minutes of average article reading time.

A few minutes later, Tagle returned to the podium with an update on a new City logo that will be used for marketing and promotional purposes. The design is identical to last year’s 100th birthday seal, but will remove the word “Centennial,” change “1917-2017” to “Incorporated 1917,” and add the words “City of” to “El Segundo.” The proposed ordinance to adopt the seal will come back to the Council in two weeks for a second reading. The City will then be able to use the seal 31 days after that.

Public Safety Director Ken Berkman reported that Southern California Edison will begin construction this Sunday night along Rosecrans Avenue as part of a project to improve the power grid in El Segundo and Manhattan Beach. Work will be conducted on Rosecrans from east of Sepulveda Boulevard to just east of Village Drive between the hours of 11 p.m. and 3 p.m. In the first stage (Feb. 11-16), one westbound traffic lane will be open from Aviation Blvd. to Village, but all westbound lanes will be closed off from Village to Sepulveda. Eastbound traffic won’t be affected. In the second stage (Feb. 18-23), one westbound lane will be open from Aviation to Village. All westbound lanes will be open after Village, while two eastbound lanes will be open from Sepulveda to Apollo Street. All eastbound lanes will be open after Apollo. B

Before the end of the meeting, the Council unanimously approved adding the names of El Segundo Police Lieutenant Raymond Garcia and Officer Scott O’Connor to the Wall of Honor at City Hall. As recounted on Tuesday by Lieutenant Jeff Leyman, April 11 will mark the 10th anniversary of the incident at then-Pacific Theaters (now ArcLight) when the two suffered serious gunshot wounds at the hands of a combative customer. Even after sustaining their injuries, Garcia and O’Connor managed to pursue the suspect outside and engage in a gun battle in which they eventually prevailed. Leyman described the duo’s actions as “super heroic.” Both officers underwent multiple surgeries and required extensive recovery time before returning to work. “I pray those are the last two names to ever be put on that wall again,” Mayor Suzanne Fuentes said. •

PUBLIC NOTICES

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2018008043

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PUSHER RX, 335 E ALBERTONI ST, UNIT 200-426, CARSON, CA, 90746, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): RICHARD HSU, 335 E. ALBERTONI ST, UNIT 200-426, CARSON, CA, 90746, CA. This business is being conducted by an INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 12/2017. Signed: RICHARD HSU, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JANUARY 10, 2018.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on JANUARY 10, 2023. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to JANUARY 10, 2023.

Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). EL SEGUNDO HERALD: Pub. 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 2/15/2018 **H-1746**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2018017975

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as TYLER HATZIKIAN RACING, 803 HILLCREST ST., EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): CHRISTIAN TYLER HATZIKIAN, 803 HILLCREST ST., EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245. This business is being conducted by an INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: CHRISTIAN TYLER HATZIKIAN, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JANUARY 22, 2018.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on JANUARY 22, 2023. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to JANUARY 22, 2023.

Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). EL SEGUNDO HERALD: Pub. 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 2/15/2018 **H-1747**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2018018699

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1) BREWPORT MARKET 2) BREWPORT TAP HOUSE, 204 MAIN ST, EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): THE BREWPORT GROUP, 741 REDWOOD AVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245, CA. Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI#ON 3911697. This business is being conducted by a CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 05/1917. Signed: THE BREWPORT GROUP, TREASURER, PATRICK COX. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JANUARY 23, 2018.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on JANUARY 23, 2023. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to JANUARY 23, 2023.

Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). EL SEGUNDO HERALD: Pub. 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 2/15/2018 **H-1748**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2018016095

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BRINK COMMUNICATION SOLUTIONS, 1800 MARTINA AVE, TORRANCE, CA, 90501, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): JEREMY MARKUS BRINKERHOFF, 1800 MARTINA AVE, TORRANCE, CA, 90501. This business is being conducted by an INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: JEREMY MARKUS BRINKERHOFF, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JANUARY 19, 2018.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on JANUARY 19, 2023. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to JANUARY 19, 2023.

Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). TORRANCE TRIBUNE: Pub. 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22/2018 **HT-1749**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2018014351

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as EVAN'S POOL SERVICE, 429 26TH STREET, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA, 90266, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): EVAN ORTEGA, 429 26TH STREET, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA, 90266, CA. This business is being conducted by an INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: EVAN ORTEGA, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JANUARY 18, 2018.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on JANUARY 18, 2023. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to JANUARY 18, 2023.

Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). EL SEGUNDO HERALD: Pub. 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22/2018 **H-1750**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2018025314

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DRIVEN EXPRESS, 11644 BELLFLOWER BLVD #C, DOWNEY, CA 90241, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): MIKE ROBERT GARCIA, 11644 BELLFLOWER BLVD C, DOWNEY, CA, 90241. This business is being conducted by an INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 01/2018. Signed: MIKE ROBERT GARCIA, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JANUARY 30, 2018.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on JANUARY 30, 2023. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to JANUARY 30, 2023.

Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). EL SEGUNDO HERALD: Pub. 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1/2018 **H-1751**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2018026194

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as QUICKMASTERS WINDOW CLEANING AND POWERWASHING, 1214 RAVENNA AVE, WILMINGTON, CA, 90744, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): 1) JESUS ESTRADA, 4836 W 116TH ST, HAWTHORNE, CA, 90250, CA. 2) RICARDO PIMENTEL, 1214 RAVENNA AVE., WILMINGTON, CA, 90744, CA. This business is being conducted by a GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 01/2018. Signed: JESUS ESTRADA, PARTNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JANUARY 31, 2018.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on JANUARY 31, 2023. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to JANUARY 31, 2023.

Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). EL SEGUNDO HERALD: Pub. 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1/2018 **H-1752**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2018018825

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VILLAGE CASA, 4402 HIGHGROVE AVE, TORRANCE, CA, 90505, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): AI#ON 408633. Registered Owner(s): CASA GLOBAL, INC, 4402 HIGHGROVE AVE, TORRANCE, CA, 90505, CA. This business is being conducted by a CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: CASA GLOBAL, INC, PRESIDENT, SALLY SHIN. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on JANUARY 23, 2018.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on JANUARY 23, 2023. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to JANUARY 23, 2023.

Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). TORRANCE TRIBUNE: Pub. 2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1/2018 **HT-1753**

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
DATE: FEBRUARY 20, 2018
7:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBER
CITY OF EL SEGUNDO
350 MAIN STREET
EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of El Segundo will hold a public hearing on the date, time and place indicated above for the purpose of...

Consideration and possible action to increase Golf Course and Driving Range fees at public property, The Lakes at El Segundo (400 S. Sepulveda Blvd, El Segundo, CA 90245), for greens fees and range ball buckets.

The proposed fee increases have been compared to six comparable facilities in the region and remain competitive market pricing. The increased revenue associated with fees assist to recover operating costs of the facility. Questions please call 310-524-2880.

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H-25889

	WEEKDAY		WEEKEND	
	Current	Proposed	Current	Proposed
9-HOLE PLAY				
Non-Residents				
Regular	\$15	\$16	\$18	\$20
Senior	\$12	\$13	\$18	\$20
Junior	\$11	\$12	\$15	\$16
Twilight	n/a	\$10	n/a	\$15
Residents				
Regular	\$10	\$11	\$12	\$13
Senior	\$8	\$9	\$12	\$13
Junior	\$8	\$9	\$12	\$13
Twilight	n/a	\$8	n/a	\$12
Replay Rate	\$9	\$10	n/a	\$15
MONTHLY PASSES				
Non-Residents				
Regular	\$75	\$100	-	-
Residents				
w/ Rec ID Card	\$50	\$60	-	-
Senior	\$40	\$50	-	-
PUNCH CARDS (5 Rounds + 1 Small Bucket)				
Non-Residents				
Senior	\$50	\$75	-	-
Residents				
Senior	\$35	\$40	-	-
DRIVING RANGE BUCKETS				
	Current	Proposed		
Small	\$6 (35 balls)	\$6 (35 balls)		
Medium	\$8 (70 balls)	\$9 (75 balls)		
Large	\$10 (105 balls)	\$12 (110 balls)		

DRIVING RANGE DISCOUNT KEYS		
	Current	Proposed
Par	\$30 for \$35	no change
Birdie	\$55 for \$75	\$60 for \$100
Eagle	\$110 for \$150	no change
Hole In One	\$250 for \$400	no change
Local Green Fees For Comparison		
Course	Weekday	Weekend
Marriot 9 Holes		
Regular	\$19	\$22
Senior 65+	\$15	-
Junior	\$15	-
Alondra 18 Holes Par 3		
Regular	\$13.75	\$17
Senior	\$8.25	-
Junior	-	-
Rancho Park 9 Holes		
Regular	\$8	\$9
Senior	\$5.50	\$6.50
Junior	-	-
Penmar 9 Holes		
Regular	\$16	\$20.50
Senior	\$9.50	\$13
Junior	-	-
Westchester 18 Holes		
Regular	\$25.50	\$32.50
Senior	\$18.50	-
Junior	-	-
Terranea 9 Holes		
Regular	\$48	\$60
Senior	-	-
Junior	-	-

“Love is friendship that has caught fire. It is quiet understanding, mutual confidence, sharing and forgiving. It is loyalty through good and bad times. It settles for less than perfection and makes allowances for human weaknesses.”
— ANN LANDERS

Seniors

Senior Guest? How To Prepare Your Home For Older Visitors

(BPT) - Whether it's for a special occasion or just because, hosting an older adult in your home can be a wonderful experience with lots of memory-making potential. However, for a safe and successful visit, you may want to make a few adjustments to your home before they arrive to make it more senior-friendly.

"Spending time with aging parents or grandparents is a wonderful experience for all generations," says Sara Terry, Brookdale Senior Living's senior vice president of resident and family engagement. "Creating a welcoming and relaxing atmosphere is the job of any good host and that is no different when entertaining seniors. Considering older adults' varying mobility and comfort levels, there are a few adjustments you can make to your home to meet their needs."

Whether your guest is staying short- or long-term, Terry offers these six tips to help you transform your home into a more senior-friendly environment so you can focus on what matters most: making memories with your entire family.

The walkways to many homes are cracked or uneven, which is a risk factor for falls. Make sure the pathway is cleared and easy to see, shovel snow in the winter and sweep leaves in the fall. Stairs can be tricky to maneuver as well. If possible, add a ramp that leads to your door. If there are stairs, install handrails on each side. Entryways divided by a threshold can be tricky for someone with mobility issues. Eliminate this common tripping hazard when seniors visit.

The easiest thing you can do is remove clutter (especially on the floor) to allow sufficient space for senior guests who may be in a wheelchair to maneuver around rooms. Remove or tape down all cords. Rugs may look nice but they are a leading tripping hazard. Remove all accent rugs from your home, and in areas like the entryway where you must have mats, make sure they are secured with non-slip material.

Seniors need more light than you do in your home, particularly in notoriously dim areas such as entryways, hallways and staircases. Replace existing soft light bulbs with brighter or higher wattage ones and add motion-sensor lights to bathrooms. Adding night lights throughout your home is an easy addition that helps seniors see better, especially at night or on darker winter days.

Ideally, a senior won't have to navigate stairs, but if you have some in your home, you can make the space safer by having railings on both sides. Railings should be at least 1.5 inches in diameter to accommodate seniors with limited dexterity and aging grips. What's more, help each stair be more visible by using contrast strips (available at your local hardware store).

Make bathrooms safer by adding well-placed grab bars next to the toilet and in bathing spaces. In the shower or tub, add non-slip strips and a shower seat for comfort and ease of use. For guests who are staying awhile, consider adding a handheld, adjustable-height showerhead. Finally, set the hot water heater temperature to 120 degrees as to avoid unintended burns.

Whether your loved one is staying one night, one month or more, selecting the right room will increase their comfort and safety. One-level living is key, so if possible use a room on the main floor with easy access to the bathroom, kitchen and living room. Furniture, including the bed and chairs, should be at a good height (neither too low nor too high) to be easily used. Knobs can be difficult, so consider replacing round door handles with lever handles.

"In addition to these tips, I recommend having a conversation with your loved one before their stay," says Terry. "Talk to them about what will make them feel at home in your home. What's most important is enjoying your visit to the fullest and spending valuable time together. •



Finance

Buckle Up For The New Passenger Economy

(BPT) - A hundred years ago, few thought that the clunky automobile that broke down so often would ever replace a horse. In the 1970s, people wondered if the personal computer that a few eccentrics were using would have any use beyond storing recipes. It's safe to say that these innovations, along with many of the technologies we now use daily, were once considered impossible dreams.

Right now, the most-talked-about piece of technological innovation that is poised to transform our lives is the autonomous or self-driving car. As self-driving cars gain widespread adoption, analysts are predicting the rise of what is known as the passenger economy - a term coined by Intel - that is expected to be worth \$7 trillion by 2050 as validated in a new report by analyst firm Strategy Analytics.

The following are five big areas of opportunity that will unfold in the passenger economy era.

Time will be on people's side. One of the most obvious benefits of a self-driving car is the amount of time it frees up. Drivers become passengers, and so will be able to concentrate on other tasks. Not only will people be able to work or watch a movie on their way to work, but the commute itself will be shorter, since traffic congestion will become a thing of the past. With smarter analytics, it's estimated that by 2050, the widespread use of autonomous cars will free up over 250 million hours of commute time per year in the most congested cities.

With self-driving cars, we are poised to see powerful new opportunities that deliver personalized messages to consumers. For instance, algorithms can compute routes and route history to hone in on passengers with specific onboard advertisements from surrounding businesses or attractions. This could be a huge boost to local businesses and will be much more effective than the primitive billboard. Mobility-as-a-service. Imagine ordering take-out, or having your groceries or a package of diapers come to your door via a driverless car. This is something that we're likely to see fairly soon. Shipping and freight companies, local delivery services and internet giants will make use of autonomous vehicles to transport goods across the country. These types of services will likely generate \$3 trillion in revenues by 2050. New business models. Today, many companies offer perks such as work-from-home days or the option for people to leave the office to work in a cafe or wherever is most suitable for them. In the not-too-distant future, the workplace will further transform as the commute evolves. The self-driving car will blend with the office, turning the commute into a productive part of the workday. In turn, this will allow people to go home earlier and spend more time with their families. The advent of the passenger economy will contribute to a safer and more efficient world. Those who can imagine and anticipate the coming changes will be in the best position to get the most out of it. •



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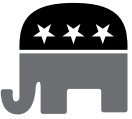
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Politically Speaking



One Man's Opinion

Another Man's Opinion

Speaker Paul Ryan Can Delete Tweets, But Can't Hide His Deceitful Ways

State of the Union Address Shows How Fractured Swampers in Washington Are

By Cristian Vasquez

During the weekend, Speaker of the House Paul Ryan made headlines for all the wrong reasons. Turns out the Wisconsin lawmaker decided to use Twitter to praise the new tax plan approved in Congress. The tweet has since been deleted, but Ryan put out in the Twitterverse that, "A secretary at a public high school in Lancaster, Pennsylvania said she was pleasantly surprised her pay went up \$1.50 a week...she said [that] will more than cover her Costco membership for the year." While it is not surprising that Ryan has since deleted his words, it is infuriating to know that this lawmaker who earns \$223,500 wants to come out and comment on a worker's \$1.50 weekly increase in pay. He wants to tell us how great that is for the worker and the economy. The man is out of touch with reality. He is delusional if he really believes that a \$1.50 raise is going to improve anyone's lifestyle.

If Ryan wants to lower the standard for a better life at being able to afford Costco membership, then how little does he think of our nation? Let's do Ryan's math: A \$1.50 raise a week, multiplied by 52 weeks in a year, will total \$78 a year. With 78 extra dollars, how can anyone improve their quality of life? What big-ticket item that will stimulate the economy can a person buy with an additional \$78 a year? What type of investment can a worker make with \$78 that can provide some financial security? None. There are no viable options with that amount of money. That might be one-week

worth of groceries, but it does not improve the living conditions for the worker. Personally, I would rather keep paying that extra \$78 each year so that the low-cost clinic that saved my life can stay open. The extra \$78 will be of greater benefit to the senior citizen who's waiting on his Meals-On-Wheels delivery. I'm not losing my Costco membership without that money, but many people will be losing their community resources because some weasel in Washington who earns more than \$200,000 a year wants to "save" a receptionist \$78 a year.

As frustrating as Ryan's tweet is, there is nothing surprising about his out-of-touch comments. The man has proven time and time again that he is no more than a cowardly puppy running in circles in an effort to appease President Trump. Ryan will jump through hoops for a president who described him as a "very weak and ineffective leader." And, like most Republicans under this administration, Ryan has decided to accept each and every belittling comment made by Trump and has gone as far as justifying it by saying, "It's what he does...we've kind of learned to live with it." Maybe Ryan enjoys being the errand boy for Trump who has to convince people that an extra \$78 a year will improve their quality of life. Or maybe he just doesn't have the decency to speak the truth. Maybe, just maybe, he's too much of a coward to call out the tax plan for what it really is. Since Ryan's considering not running for reelection this year, everything indicates that the weasel is running home to hide. •

By Duane Plank

Thanks for putting down your cell phone for a couple of minutes, giving up the all-important checking of Facebook and email for a bit, and reading an incredibly well-thought-out political screed.

Last week, President Trump made his first State of the Union address. Yes, it ran a tad bit long, but seemed to strike a conciliatory pose -- even towards the boycotting libs who did not attend the SOTU address (think Mad Max Waters) or the Dems who did their duty and attended the speech. Think another California lib senator, "Fancy Pants" Nancy Pelosi, made a spectacle of herself reacting to everything Trump said, acting as if she had swallowed a bag of lemons or discovered a skunk running through her NoCal mansion.

Stock market up, said Trump. Pelosi skowered. Not sure what Chuckie Schumer was doing -- probably nodding off. Unemployment down. Dems sat on their hands, or something else. ISIS had their butt kicked. No response from the lefties.

Now, I need to make sure that I have some credibility here. I am not, and have never been, an always-Trumper. He has his faults and some of his comments and decisions stretch the borders of credulity.

And yeah, he probably spends too much time watching the congratulators on FOX News Channel, and jetting off to Mar-a-Lago for golfing and tweeting weekends. As he did last weekend after okaying the release of the scandalous Federal Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) memo that he claimed exoner-

ated him and his campaign in the incredibly tiresome lib-driven and CNN-run Russian collusion Bolshoi.

So, what did Trump opine upon last Tuesday? Well, he somewhat shifted gears on challenges facing the country, teleprompting about the need to ramp up and spend some Benjamins on fixing the incredible deterioration plaguing our country's infrastructure.

Curious, but in Cali, where potholes and gridlock abound, the outgoing Governor Moonbeam, whom I like, by the by, is still doggedly promoting his bullet train boondoggle. Which apparently sends us on some train to San Francisco. For what end, don't know. We can jump on a plane at LAX and get to SF in 45 minutes, for whatever reason one needs to visit the City by the Bay. Never been there.

I have a novel idea. How about we spend a heck of a lot less money and turn the bullet train due south, sending illegal immigrants and their brethren back home? No charge to them? Under the wall, over the wall, who cares? And I say this as a very proud Mexi-Talian. Mom's family legally showed up here more than 100 years ago from Mexico. Prospered, broke no laws that I am aware of and included in their posse the great actor Ramon Navarro, who played the title character in the iconic movie *Ben Hur* in the 1920s.

At one point, Navarro, my great uncle, was the second-highest-paid actor in Hollywood.

So, while the stock market tanked last week and they played some football game that I watched little of Sunday, all is still good in America, eh? •

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- 2 teaspoons Chinese 5-Spice seasoning mix



Preparation

1. Put potatoes in a bowl and toss with the olive oil and soy sauce. Mix to coat well. In a separate bowl, combine panko bread crumbs, sesame seeds and 5-spice seasoning and mix well.
2. In small batches, put the potatoes in the bread crumb mixture and roll around to coat well. Transfer to a cookie sheet. Bake at 450 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes, until cooked through.

Nutrition: Per serving (8 servings; about 5 potatoes per serving): Calories 174, Fat: 5.7 g, Cholesterol: 0 mg, Sodium: 257 mg, Carbohydrates: 26.8 g, Fiber: 2.5 g, Potassium: 485 mg, Protein: 4.3 g, Vitamin C: 7 mg
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With time running out on the Flying Tigers, they pulled McRoberts from goal in an attempt to close their 5-3 deficit. Their shots on goal at Andrew Paxon were deflected and saved by the Black Widow goalie. Avalos then took a long pass from Nair and scored on an empty net to make it 6-3. With 1:32 remaining in regulation, Carter King's goal closed the gap for the Flying Tigers to make it 6-4 and the Black Widows hung on for the win.

The Black Widows' defense was stellar, thanks in part to Hawk Sanders, Aksel Thomas and Peter Carr. The Flying Tigers had some great play from Cole Davidson, Mikey Lambert and Noah Forthurber.

Squirt Division Rue Jackets vs. Classic Kings

The Classic Kings enjoyed a very strong year, going undefeated heading into the last two games of the season. Perfection was not to be when they did some experimenting and were defeated in the last two games, losing to the Kings and then Rue Jackets in the season finale. Then the Classic Kings defeated the Kings and moved on to the championship game where they would face the Rue Jackets. The Rue Jackets were coming off a great playoff game in which six out of their seven players scored. Only goalie Samantha Morales-Diaz was held out of the scoring column. With both teams playing at the top of their game, this was set up for an epic battle between the division's top two teams.

This would be a game controlled at the net. The Rue Jackets were relentless on their attack on goal, but Classis Kings goalie Jacob Light was a wall throughout the game in making 25 saves. The result was a 6-3 Classic Kings win to complete their championship run.

The Rue Jackets weren't intimidated by their counterparts and scored first. Jaiden Rico, who helped lead the Blue Lightning to the championship game last season, scored

five minutes into the game with an assist from Andrew Morales-Diaz to give the Rue Jackets a 1-0 lead. The Classic Kings took advantage of a power play when Connor Hitzig broke through to even the score. Two minutes later, Hitzig stole the puck and went on a breakaway to score on a dazzling shot from in close.

The Rue Jackets scored consecutive goals to take a 3-2 lead. Rico's athleticism was evident with his passing skills. He led Ayden Loiacano, who timed the pass perfectly and pushed it into the net. Ricky Walker showed his passing skills when he stole the puck deep on defense and fed Rico, who went the distance for the score. Before halftime, the Classic Kings evened the score when Ellee Mueller fed Landon Aubert a pass inside and the latter slid the puck past Rue Jackets goalie Samantha Morales-Diaz.

In the second half, the Classic Kings' defense and interruption of passing lanes helped shut down the Rue Jackets. The Classic Kings took the lead three minutes into the second half on Aubert's unassisted score. Four minutes later, Aubert took a pass from Hitzig with another score. The Classic Kings would score another goal with less than five minutes remaining to ice the game.

The Classic Kings' defense was helped along with the play of Mason Smith, Brendan Wilson, and Zach and Samantha Patterson, while Lucas Loiacano helped set up two scoring passes. The Rue Jackets were led defensively by goalie Morales-Diaz, who made 12 saves. She got plenty of help in front of the goal from Riley Abrams, while Brayden Vanek had some great passes on offense.

Pee Wee Division Whitehawks vs. Classic Kings

The Whitehawks won an exciting over-time playoff game 8-6 over the Vigilantes to advance to the championship game. The

Whitehawks had balanced scoring from five different players in the win to advance to the championship.

In the championship game, the Whitehawks trailed 5-2 at halftime only to make a brilliant comeback in the second half to win 8-6. It was a minor miracle with three of their goals coming off of short-handed power plays. Noah Poinsettia-Yoshida led the Whitehawks with four goals, including two of the crucial short-handed plays. Austin Kehl, who was playing in his third consecutive championship game, led the Classic Kings with two goals and two assists.

Girls Water Polo Looks to Run Ocean League

The Eagles swept past Beverly Hills 19-0 and Torrance 19-2 to improve their record to 16-8 on the season. Against Beverly Hills, Christina Mullane had five goals, Claire

Lindsey four and Maya Weiss three. Jenna Olson, Christina Grenke and Tyler Marcel had two goals each and Emily Wilkinson had one goal. The defense was so good that it allowed no shots on goal -- a first for the program.

Lindsey had six goals to lead her team against Torrance. Mullane scored four goals, Wilkinson added three, and Olivia Pederson and Olson netted two each. Tyler Marcel and Maya Weiss also each chipped in one goal. Sophia Caravello and Kaitlin Rourke split time in the cage with Caravello picking up three saves in the first half and Rourke six saves in the second half.

The Eagles look to finish off their Ocean League championship run today at home at 3 p.m. A win would give El Segundo High a perfect 8-0 record and first Ocean League title in years. •



Landon Aubert breaks away on his way to scoring one of his three goals for the Classic Kings.



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