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Weekend Forecast

Friday

Partly
Cloudy
74°/58°



Saturday

Partly
Cloudy
69°/56°



Sunday

Partly
Cloudy
68°/55°



Team Rubicon Wins \$250,000 Heinz Humanitarian Award



Former U.S. Marines William McNulty and Jacob Wood, founders of El Segundo-based Team Rubicon, received the Heinz Award for the Human Condition for their leadership and for uniting the skills of veterans with emergency first responders, creating both a formidable team of disaster relief agents and a global community of purposeful, connected veterans. Team Rubicon has created a unique bridge between military and civilian life, demonstrating that veterans, with their spirit of service nurtured in the military, are powerful assets with skills to be harnessed. Photo by Dave Lauridsen for USAA. ♦

El Segundo to Host Special Olympics World Games; Volunteers, Donations Needed

By Brian Simon

The Special Olympics World Games are coming to town and William Yarroll wants you to know that they'll be bigger than you think. Much bigger. The founder of the local charity got Kids? is also the chair for Host Town El Segundo, leading an expansive outreach effort to secure \$50,000 in financial donations and in-kind services to welcome 100 special needs athletes planning to visit the community this summer. The contingent from Barbados, Uzbekistan and Macedonia will arrive in El Segundo on Tuesday, July 21 and spend three days in the city partaking in recreation, entertainment and cultural exchange.

As part of El Segundo's role as one of nearly 100 host towns across Southern California, the city will provide accommodations, transportation, food and beverage, medical, security, training, and various social activities for the group. Yarroll, who also spearheaded a fundraising campaign for an Australian delegation during the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles, has launched partnerships with local schools, churches, restaurants and other businesses. While many opportunities exist for youth and service organizations to help raise the needed dollars, the Host Game Committee also hopes to secure additional volunteers to lead planning efforts and to directly engage major corporations to get involved.

Though a number of activities will take place in El Segundo during the visit, the athletes will not actually be staying in town. "They'll be sleeping in dorms at Loyola Marymount University [LMU] in Westchester," Yarroll said. "This is because most hotel rooms are already booked solid because of the Special Olympics. Guests are filling up hotels as far away as Santa Barbara and San Diego. People

have no idea of the scope of the event. It's a big, big deal—much bigger than what you may imagine. As it stands, this will be much larger than the 1984 Olympics and it will be the largest sporting event in the world in 2015." With the influx of visitors and the majority of them flying in and out of LAX, it will also provide a unique opportunity for El Segundo businesses to showcase their services to potentially thousands of people over the course of the nine-day event.

The Special Olympics World Games take place every two years and Los Angeles won a bid four years ago to host the 2015 program. The actual festivities will take place between July 25 and August 2 with a total of 7,000 athletes and 3,000 coaches from 177 countries coming to the Southland—along with 30,000

volunteers and as many as a half a million spectators. Competitions will include aquatics, gymnastics, track and field, basketball, soccer and many other summer sports. Opening ceremonies will take place at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum (the site of the 1932 and 1984 Olympic Games). Various venues ranging from the Los Angeles Convention Center to Pauley Pavilion will host the different events.

To kickstart the El Segundo fundraising campaign, several local businesses pledged their help. The Lakes at El Segundo offered its facility to hold bi-weekly meetings on Mondays at noon for volunteer discussions. Those who can't make the daytime gathering can convene the same Mondays at 7 p.m. at Valentino's Pizza. During the athlete stay,

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School Board Recognizes Outstanding District Employees

By Duane Plank

The Tuesday night meeting of the El Segundo Unified School District School Board featured special presentations made by District Human Resources Executive Director Dylan Harris recognizing campus Educators of the Year, as well as showcasing the achievements of valuable Classified (Non-credentialed) employees.

Harris, in his first-year on the job, recognized the achievements of educators Susan Harry (Eagles' Nest, special education), Sabrina Reilly (Center Street Elementary, 2nd grade), Alisa Lister (Richmond Street Elementary, 1st grade), Del Retta Seth

(Middle School, mathematics), and Steven Eno (High School, science).

Harry wrote in an email prior to the meeting that she "feels honored to be recognized as one of the Teachers of the year in this great district. I work with such an amazing team and the families are wonderful, but mostly I am touched daily by the kids. They truly are special. I'm very lucky to have found this fulfilling career."

Reilly, who has been teaching at Center Street for 11 years, was selected as District Teacher of the Year. Said Reilly in her email: "I feel truly honored to receive an

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Obituaries

Jenny Soto

Jenny Soto Sifton was a 1970 El Segundo graduate and long time resident before settling in the Salton Sea area. Jenny was affectionately called the Acacia Street Gang Queen growing up and will always be fondly remembered by us all. She valiantly battled an illness that ultimately overcame her and she entered eternal life peacefully. She is survived by her brother Tom Soto, sister Jody Soto Schneider, sister Judy Soto Brindle, niece Jill Horne and nephew Tyler Soto. Our loss means Jenny will be reunited with her husband Randy Sifton who passed



away, after a long battle with bladder cancer, in 2005. A reflection of her life and a time to celebrate the dash in her life, that began on October 30, 1952 and ended on March 21, 2015, will be celebrated this Saturday, May 2. The reunion and celebration starts at 2pm and runs until 6pm at the El Segundo Moose Lodge, 514 West Imperial Avenue. Please come and share your memories and reflections of our friend and make this, a time to reminisce and remember what a great friend Jenny was to us all.

Jon LaMar

August 18, 1946 to April 7, 2015. Jon was born in Santa Monica, the first child of Frances and Harry LaMar. He grew up in El Segundo, California, where he played sports and was active in the Boy Scouts. He graduated from ESHS in 1964. Jon graduated from Stanford University in 1973 with a degree in Anthropology. While at Stanford he volunteered for the Army and became a medic. He served in Vietnam with a Medivac helicopter unit stationed along the DMZ. Jon eventually returned to the South Bay where he worked in construction, building maintenance and air-freight transport. He was a backyard inventor and folk-artist who

was always keen to try out his new ideas. Jon loved long backpacking trips in the Grand Canyon and exploring the mountains and deserts around Southern California with his friends. Jon devoted the later years of his life to caring for his mother. He would not spare time or effort to make sure she was well taken care of. Jon is survived by his mother Frances, brothers Corey and Guy, sister-in-law Bärbel, niece Iris, nephew Evan, many cousins on both the LaMar and Smith sides of his family, and the many good friends he made throughout his life. A memorial service is planned. •

Police Reports

Monday, April 20, 2015

A found property report was taken at 1354 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. Found were seven Visa gift cards and two credit cards

A found property report was taken at 1355 hours from the 500 block of Sheldon Street. Found was a black canvas bag containing miscellaneous items

One female adult was arrested at 1551 hours from Imperial Highway and Selby Street for misdemeanor DUI

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

One female adult was arrested at 0231 hours from Imperial Highway and Douglas Street for one outstanding Torrance PD misdemeanor warrant

A vandalism report was taken at 0709 hours from the 400 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) wrote graffiti on a sidewalk

An identity theft report was taken at 0940 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) used the victim's personal information to establish phone, internet and

cable service

One male adult was arrested at 1215 hours from the 700 block of East Grand Avenue for plain drunk in public

A grand theft report was taken at 1714 hours from the 1500 block of East Palm Avenue. Unknown suspect requested and received money from the victim by posing as a relative. Total loss was \$3,600

An annoying phone call(s) report was taken at 1840 hours from the 2100 block of East El Segundo Boulevard. Victim received annoying and profane text messages from an unknown suspect

A violation of a domestic violence restraining order report was taken at 2216 hours from the 100 block of Virginia Street. Suspect violated a restraining order by calling the victim and going to the victim's residence

Three male adults were arrested at 2309 hours from the 400 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard for theft by false pretenses and conspiracy to commit a crime •

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Sports Shorts

ESHS swims against Culver City

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Lauren Mattise in the breaststroke.



Matt Marak wins his race.



Molly Nolan swims the backstroke in the 200 individual medley.

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Letters

Is It Worth It?

Unless the citizens of El Segundo act quickly, the Lakes Golf Facility will be lost. The analysis made by an independent consultant, as a result of Top Golf sweetening its offer to the city after widespread community outrage over its proposal, has concluded the project will generate an additional \$250k in annual revenue for the city and has gained momentum as a result.

The question for El Segundo residents is: is this small increase worth the sacrifice of this jewel of a community asset for FIFTY years? Does this reflect your values and aspirations for your Parks and Rec facilities? What happens if your baseball fields attract a similar kind of offer? Do you prefer to have a bar instead of a place where kids thrive safely?

The City sees an easy solution. It is not a good solution. It solves very little of the City's woes. There are significant assumptions in the financial analysis that should be challenged that lead to its rosy conclusion. There is considerable risk

in the Top Golf business model. It is a fad that will fade quickly just as Lucky Strike, a similar business model in bowling, is closing stores now that the novelty has worn off.

The Citizens voted out Mr. Fisher, the lead advocate for the project. They now need to be clear, loud and unambiguous in their opposition to this bad idea.

– Chuck Schreiner

Fond Memories

On April 7th friends, family and community gathered to remember David Paul Nordquist. The "relational magic of David" was wonderfully apparent as people laughed, hugged and shared stories of their friend. David's family would like to once again extend a heartfelt thank you to Kevin Mortesen, Brenda Newman, Air Tahiti Nui, and the Standard Station for organizing, sponsoring and hosting this wonderful event. And to all of the special people that took time to celebrate the life of David Paul Nordquist with us, thank you for your memorials, kind words, and for sharing memories.

– Laurie Cullen •

Meet the Director of the Eagles' Nest Preschool

By Melissa Moore, Ed.D., Superintendent of El Segundo Unified School District

In December 2014, El Segundo Unified School District successfully obtained a license from the State of California for the Eagles' Nest Preschool. The preschool program originally

preschool (Mattel Child Development Center), with at risk parenting youth (St Anne's), and low income families in the San Fernando Valley and greater Los Angeles area. In addition, she has managed the resource and referral program of one of Southern California's 10 resource agencies (Children's Home Society of CA).



Guadalupe Grijalva, director of Eagle's Nest Preschool

operated under the umbrella of a parent-cooperative preschool under adult education regulations. Over time, the program gradually evolved into a regular preschool program. As part of the restructuring, Eagles' Nest Preschool will now have a preschool director who will supervise the preschool program and be readily available to meet with parents throughout the school day. The addition of the preschool director is a welcome addition to our District program. Erin Goss, President of the Parent Teacher Organization at Eagles' Nest shared: "the director position at Eagles' Nest Preschool

Her philosophy about children and families in preschool programs is that the preschool experience should be fun and memorable. Children should build school readiness and lifelong educational joy through play and meaningful attachments and interactions with the teachers in their programs. Guadalupe indicated, "Eagles' Nest is a dearly loved preschool by the local families and we have a great service reputation so most of our enrollments are from family referrals. The children enjoy a beautiful campus that enhances the creative experiences provided by caring teach-

"Children should build school readiness and lifelong educational joy through play and meaningful attachments and interactions with the teachers in their programs."

is an added bonus for students and parents. While we can always receive feedback about our individual students from the wonderful teachers, Eagles' Nest now has a unifying voice for the entire program."

The District feels fortunate to have hired a new preschool director who has vast experience and expertise working with young children. ESUSD's new preschool director Guadalupe Grijalva was born and raised in Los Angeles. She attended and earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Child Development from Mount St. Mary's University. She has been working in the field of Early Childhood Education for over 18 years. She began her experience as the primary caregiver of infants and toddlers and worked her way up to varying supervisory and management positions throughout her career. She has worked for a corporate sponsored

ing professionals. Families become involved in their children's learning by participating in Eagles' Nest events and celebrations. The PTO group is dedicated to supporting Eagles' Nest Preschool through their planned social events and fundraisers. We have all the ingredients needed to give preschool children in our community a strong jump into learning through play and school readiness."

Parents should feel a genuine partnership with the program and set goals and seek assistance with the knowledge that we are all working together for the success of each child as an individual. Every child has a special gift to share and it is a great privilege to support and nurture that gift. PTO President Goss stated, "Guadalupe has already been very responsive to suggestions from parents and staff, but she also

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School Spotlight

El Segundo Host Town for the Special Olympics World Games

By Cece Stewart, Sophomore at ESHS

Something exciting is coming to El Segundo this summer. We are going to be a host town for the 2015 Special Olympics World Games. What does this mean? It means we will be hosting 100 athletes in our town prior to the launch of the games. We will be hosting the athletes around the clock from July 21-24, and the games officially start Saturday, July 25th at The Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum.

The Special Olympics were founded in 1958 by Eunice Kennedy Shriver. The Special Olympics is a global movement to empower those with intellectual disabilities to feel accepted and valued in their communities. Eunice created the games in the 1950s and 1960s to show how unfairly people with special needs were treated. She created a summer day camp for kids with intellectual disabilities, and she observed what they could do in sports, instead of what they could not do. The first Special Olympics were held in Soldier Field in Chicago, Illinois. 1,000 athletes were participating at this brand new important event.

The Special Olympics mission is to create a better world where acceptance is possible. People with intellectual disabilities can discover their strengths and abilities, and can reach the confidence they deserve. They can inspire people through their success.

There are about 20 million people with intellectual disabilities in the world. Hopefully, through this event, the athletes can inspire everyone to feel confident and reach their goals. The Special Olympics focus on what

their athletes CAN do, not what they can't do.

The people at the Special Olympics believe that sports can teach important lessons. That their athletes can train for a goal, and it will help them dream. Struggling helps lead to determination. Through support of families, coaches, volunteers, and many more, the athletes are able to reach their dreams. The purity of sports is explicit in this event. The athletes train themselves to truly give it their all.

As you can tell through attending an ESHS sports event, sports help people come together. Whether it be being on a team and getting close with those on your team; or being a cheering fan, and meeting other fans; or being a parent, and crying as you see your son catch his first football, and getting close with the other crying mother next to you. This is relevant in the Special Olympics. The athletes respect each other, and there is no negativity.

For those with intellectual disabilities who have been vulnerable, ignored, or neglected, the Special Olympics is a place where they can learn to love themselves, and have hope, and become part of their communities. They are able to reach the acceptance they deserve. So get ready, because the Special Olympics will be in Los Angeles this summer, and El Segundo will play a huge role in their empowerment.

To become a volunteer for the Host Town activities, or to donate to the cost of the Host Town events, please contact William Yarroll at ugotkids@yahoo.com •

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Film Review

The Beautiful Mechanics of Ex Machina

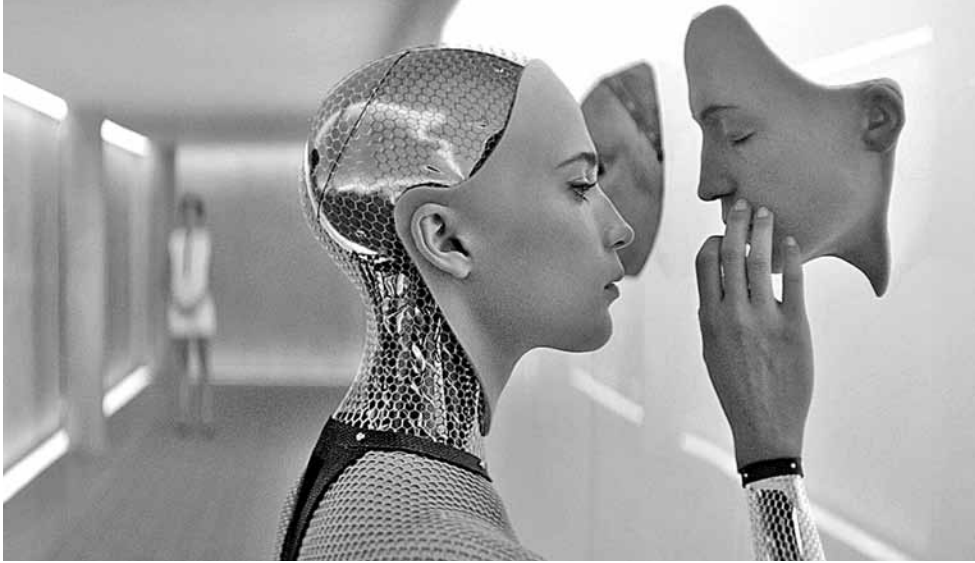
By Ryan Rojas for CINEMACY

“Deus ex machina,” meaning “god from the machine,” refers to an ancient Greek plot device used in storytelling that refers to the inexplicable saving or resolving of an assumedly unsolvable problem by the sudden and unexpected intervention of some new character or event, through miraculous, divine hand.

In the new sci-fi drama *Ex Machina*, humans have evolved highly enough to assume the role of creator of life, assuming the role of God altogether. Yet as writer and director

The Beach that was later adapted by filmmaker Danny Boyle (*Slumdog Millionaire*, *127 Hours*).

“Like the whole thing that set the thing in motion was never, in a strange way, an intention,” he continues. “It actually came from having worked in comic books, drawing rather than writing. And realizing I was never going to cut it. And I’d been writing for stuff that I was drawing, and I essentially ditched the drawings and therefore ended up writing. And if you’re writing without drawing you’re kind of writing a novel, and that’s sort of what happened.”



Alicia Vikander as Ava in *Ex Machina*. Still courtesy of A24.

Alex Garland shows, there can be devastating effects in playing Creator, creating self-aware sentients that show that when all you have left is “from the machine,” the state of “life” itself is one that might not only apply to humans.

English-born Garland, best known for his screenwriting efforts for big-screen event pics, particularly the Danny Boyle films *28 Days Later...* and *Sunshine*, as well as *Never Let Me Go* and *Dredd*, is a revered voice in sci-fi cinema for creating such unique and long-standing films that rile not just imaginations, but so to their more intelligent quotients. Which is why it’s a breath of fresh air to see his first directed feature film hit theaters, as it is already showing promise of one of the year’s best.

Ex Machina tells the story of a young programmer, Caleb (Domhnall Gleeson), who is selected to participate in the opportunity to test an artificially intelligent robot, Ava, (Alicia Vikander) created by tech-wiz recluse and quirk-capitalist Nathan (Oscar Isaac), and discover what qualities make it human enough to possibly pass.

The stylishly beautiful compositions and camerawork might allude to the work of a director with ample film experience. And you’d be right, but not if you thought directing was his plan to do all along – or work in movies in general, for that matter. “I didn’t even really plan to be a novelist,” Garland relays in a phone interview, referring to his hit novel

There are only three characters, and yet any more would throw the whole thing off course, or at least be a different movie. The small dynamic provides, to Garland, a tonal view of how these big ideas could be most effectively understood and related to these very tight characters and relationships: “I did really like the way it was planned to be executed, in this sort of chamber piece vibe, because it’s very exposing. It doesn’t give anyone anywhere to hide. You can’t hide behind sort of action sequences; you can’t hide behind momentum, to push you past an awkward plot point. One of the ways you get past awkward plot points, of the sort we were just talking about, is you just drive past them. But then something like this is too slow and reflective to be able to do that.”

For all of *Machina*’s big ideas and heavy genre, the film is a whole lot of fun. Heck, a surprising portion of it is actually quite funny. But hiding just behind those humorously settling moments are the planted workings of story misdirections, fake-outs, and twists, that give the whole thing increased gains in excitement, as the intoxicating experience becomes clearer.

Machina, as opposed to Garland’s other accomplishments in film, stands out in particular, as only a creative type would acknowledge: “I just feel really good about it. It’s the only project I’ve ever worked on where I just feel a kind of undiluted sense of contentment with it.” *Ex Machina* is in theaters nationwide. •

WEEKLY CROSSWORD See Answers Next Week

Catching Some Rays

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- Weekly delivery
- Wound
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- Distort
- Hallucinogen
- Storage area
- Boxer Spinks
- Learning method
- Is an early bird
- Duds
- Make well
- Broken mirrors, for example
- Eight-time Norris Trophy winner
- Mask

Down

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- Put together
- Acid in proteins
- Ammo belt
- Minded
- Renal, for one
- Center of activity
- Fresh
- Squandered
- Rundown
- Mounted on
- Green gem

Across

- Controversial spray
- Guinness and smart
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Last Week's Answers

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

Sports

Greatest Sports Day
of the Year

Girls' Softball
Pounding Out the Wins

By Adam Serrao

This May 2nd of 2015 may be the biggest day in sports history that you've ever seen. Forget the World Series, forget the Super Bowl; even O.J. Simpson getting chased down the freeway in his white Ford Bronco may pale in comparison to this coming Saturday's sporting day. With three major marquee events, two playoffs, and one historical rivalry all taking place on the same day, May 2nd might, indeed, go down in history as one of the greatest days ever for sports freaks around the world. If that is what you consider yourself to be, get happy, mark the calendar, and grab a bag of chips and some appetizers. All you'll have to do next is sit back and relax as the day unfurls with a variety of different invents that will tickle even the most blasé onlookers' fancy.

There is no way to start to explain the day of May 2nd without stating the obvious. This Saturday, in what will be the most anticipated boxing match since Mike Tyson bit off Evander Holyfield's ear in 1997, we will finally find out who the best pound-for-pound fighter of this generation will be. Only this fight - now five years in the making - may be even more anticipated. The biggest money fight in the history of boxing, Floyd Mayweather Jr. vs. Manny Pacquiao is said to cost approximately \$100.00 to buy on pay-per-view and will have a \$400 million impact on the city of Las Vegas, all things included. Let alone what the fighters will make. "On Monday morning," Pacquiao's promoter Bob Arum started, "I will hand Manny a check for \$50 million as a down payment, guaranteed." That's just a down payment! And if you think that's a lot, listen to what Mayweather's promoter says: "I will tell you this," said chief executive of Mayweather Promotions, "Floyd Mayweather's check will be a lot more than \$50 million. And then it goes from there."

When all is said and done, Mayweather (47-0) will take the majority of a 60-40 split of a purse that will receive most of its income through pay-per-view revenue. To put it in perspective, when Mayweather defeated Oscar De La Hoya in 2007, 2.5 million households bought the fight at approximately half the price of what this epic battle will cost. Mayweather vs. Pacquiao is expected to be purchased by as many as four million homes at an approximate \$380 million. Mayweather's personal takeaway will amount to almost \$200 million dollars. \$200 million dollars to step into the ring for 12 rounds of three minutes each. Pacquiao's (57-5-2) carry off won't be much less. And if the two decide to go half-strength and battle to a draw, the rematch (which is inevitable either way) will bring in even more money. There are many reasons to watch this Saturday's bout between two of this generations greatest fighters, but the sheer amount of dollars involved is enough to make any person's jaw drop.

On a much lighter, less aggravating note, you can get your day started this Saturday wearing a big "poofy" hat and sipping a mint julep as you watch the Kentucky Derby. What makes this year's Kentucky Derby even more interesting is that, unlike last year with California Chrome, there is no clear-cut favorite to win it all. As usual, however, trainer Bob Baffert will take over Churchill Downs with two horses that are at the top of this year's power rankings. Not that you should be betting on sports - of course not, right? - but if you wanted to throw a quarter into the pot, I would put it on either Dortmund or American Pharoah. My personal choice would be American Pharoah because there's nothing more American than the Kentucky Derby. That and the fact that Pharoah is spelt incorrectly just adds intrigue. If you're of German descent, however, go for Dortmund. It's

a city in northwestern Germany. There, I did all of the research for you. Either way, with these two aforementioned events alone, this Saturday will be one of the biggest gambling days in the history of the U.S., not that I condone it. Rapper "50 Cent" already bet much more than his namesake, putting \$1.6 million on a Mayweather victory. Diddy, formerly known as Puff Daddy, bet Mark Wahlberg \$250,000 that Mayweather takes home the title.

Sporting events that maybe aren't worth betting on will be taking place, too. For instance, the New York Yankees will meet the Boston Red Sox in what will be a baseball battle of the game's oldest rivals. This time, A-Rod will be involved, too. It will also be the third day of this year's NFL draft. While the big names like Jameis Winston and Marcus Mariota will already be off the board, there may still be magic to be had. Don't forget, last year Michael Sam came off the board in the

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By Gregg McMullin
Photos by Gregg McMullin, unless otherwise specified.

The girls' softball team has had a long history of success and that hasn't changed this season. The Lady Eagles, who are ranked eighth in the CIF Southern Section Division 4, are on a ten game winning streak to start the week. With the start of the Ocean League and the first two rounds of the El Segundo Tournament out of the way the Eagles have improved to 15-4 overall.

Though head coach Keith Cameron is happy about the way the team has been playing he downplays any of the rankings. "We've beaten some pretty good teams but there was a stretch of five game where we lost four out of five. Earlier in the season we had some injuries but now that we're pretty much at full strength so things should be different and the ranking part doesn't affect how we play."

It was thought that of any teams in the Ocean League that might give the Eagles a problem it would be Santa Monica which hasn't lost an

Ocean League game in over a decade. But there is another team that has been making strides recently and is making their bid to knock off Santa Monica. Hawthorne has started the year 12-4 and was looking to make sure El Segundo's



Alyssa Pelegrin drives in three runs with a triple against Banning.

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first season in the Ocean League was not a pleasant one.

“Hawthorne has finished second to Samo that past two years and they’re solid again this year,” said Coach Cameron. So when the Eagles faced Hawthorne on the road they knew it would be another test for them. It was a nail bitter



Cierra Kessler comes up throwing from left field.

but the Eagles prevailed winning 3-1 in nine innings. The Cougars’ Alyssa Casillas tripled and scored Hawthorne’s only run in the first inning to take a 1-0 lead. It stayed that way until the seventh inning when Allison Tatnal doubled and scored the tying run with one out in the seventh inning. Monique Benjamin hit a solo home run and Alyssa Pelegrin doubled and scored on a double by Emma Burner for the go-ahead runs in the ninth inning. Shannon Brooker was stellar allowing the first inning run and then baffling the Cougars the rest of the way. She scattered three other hits, walked one and struck out 13 to pick up the win.

El Segundo dominated Lawndale 11-0 in the their next Ocean League game and improved to 4-0 in league play and keep pace with Santa Monica; also 4-0.

The Eagles hosted the first two rounds of the El Segundo Tournament, now in its 30th year. The sixteen team tournament, that started last



Emma Burner applies a tag on Banning's Yasmin Zendejas.

Saturday and wraps up this Saturday, has some of the top teams around including Westlake, POLA, LB Wilson, Redondo and San Pedro.

El Segundo faced Bishop Montgomery in the first round of their tournament. The Eagles started Monique Benjamin in the circle; she looked magnificent. All she did was toss a five-inning no-hitter, walked two and struck out two as the Eagles won easily 8-0. Her only troubled inning was in the second inning but she induced a double play and striking out a hitter after hitting a batter.

On a damp overcast day the Eagles shined with their bats in the first inning against the Knights.

Julie Roach had a two run single followed by Sarah Bergren’s RBI single to give the Eagles a 3-0 lead. Later on Katherine Burner’s RBI single made it 5--0 after one inning.

In the second inning Alyssa Pelegrin’s double off the leftfield wall scored Allison Tatnal from first base. Roach drew a walk and then Emma Burner’s long fly ball scored Tatnal from third base to make it 7-0. Amber Coon’s RBI single was all the Eagles needed. El Segundo threatened in the third and fourth innings but came up empty. The game was called after five innings with the eight run mercy rule in effect.

The Eagles faced Banning in the second game in what could only be described as ‘you had to be there to believe it’ game. The El Segundo led 11-0 and then had to hold on for an 11-10 win. In the first inning the Eagles started strong offensively with Pelegrin’s 2-run double. Then Julie Roach clobbered a mammoth 2-run homerun to give the Eagles a 4-0 lead.

With ace Shannon Brooker in the circle the game seemed well in hand. The Eagles scored three more when Pelegrin pounded a bases loaded clearing triple to up the score to 7-0. The Pilots threatened in their half of the second inning but came away empty.

In the third inning the Eagles loaded the bases and Katherine Burner drew a nine pitch at bat RBI walk. An unusual balk was called to make 9-0 and Brooker emptied the bases with an RBI single to make it 11-0. Then the wheels fell off and chaos followed in a bizarre fourth inning.

When the Eagles went quietly in their half of the fourth, the Pilots, trailing 11-1, made some noise. Brooker ran into control prob-



Emma Burner turns a double play at second. Photo by Marcy Dugan.

lems, the defense had a let down and all of a sudden Banning was back in the game. The Pilots scored nine runs on one questionable hit, were aided by three El Segundo errors, five walks and two hit batters and they stranded two runners before the inning was over. The game was called due to a tournament enforced time limit after the fourth inning or they might still be playing. “I can’t even believe what I saw that’s not indicative of how we play,” said Cameron.



Amber Kohn gets on base with a hit. Photo by Marcy Dugan.

The Eagles have a big week having to face Santa Monica on the road this past Tuesday, at Beverly Hills today and hosting North Torrance, the top ranked team in the CIF-SS Division 4 polls, Friday night at 7pm. The Eagles play at 3pm in the semi-finals of their tournament on Saturday and a win would propel them into the third consecutive El Segundo Tournament final at 7:30pm.

Baseball

The Eagles have put themselves in the driver’s seat of winning their first Ocean League title by sweeping Culver City and are 4-0 entering this week’s action with Hawthorne. The Eagles also won a big game against La Mirada in the Redondo Tournament. Trailing 4-1 in the seventh inning Noah Bergren hit a three run homerun to tie it, then the Eagles mauled three pitchers in an eight run ninth inning to win it 12-4.

The Eagles host Hawthorne today at 3:15pm with a special presentation afterwards for long time assistant Chuck Schaffer; something the community shouldn’t miss. The Eagles host Lawndale next Tuesday at 3:15pm.

The J.V. team defeated Long Beach Millikan

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Eagles Boys Volleyball works towards CIF

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Four years ago the El Segundo Boys Volleyball Team knew there would be a bright future down the road. This year's senior heavy team has worked hard to earn the top spot in CIF division 3, led by captains Matt Carter, Teddy Karrer and Nolan Sharp. "The squad is deep in talent," says outside hitter Teddy

Karrer. "We have pin hitters like Brandon Kurke, Nick Rable (Springfield College) and our middle hitters Stephen Moyes and Matt Carter. We have a great ability to put the ball down." This year's team finds their balanced offense run by sophomore setter Joe Kelly, who grows each week playing with a strong junior-senior line up.

"The difference in this year's team is our trust in our strong serve-serve and defense. With these in place we have the ability to run a strong attack on our opponents," states libero Nolan Sharp (Pepperdine). The Eagles remain undefeated (4-0) in Ocean League play as they recently defeated last year's league champion Culver City and past CIF winner

Santa Monica. "We're now looking forward to the Redondo Classic Tournament, this will give us a shot at some of the top teams in Southern California and will help us prepare for the CIF playoffs," states middle hitter Matt Carter. As May quickly approaches the Eagles will work hard under the Bacil- Hovland coaching staff in hopes of bringing the title home. •



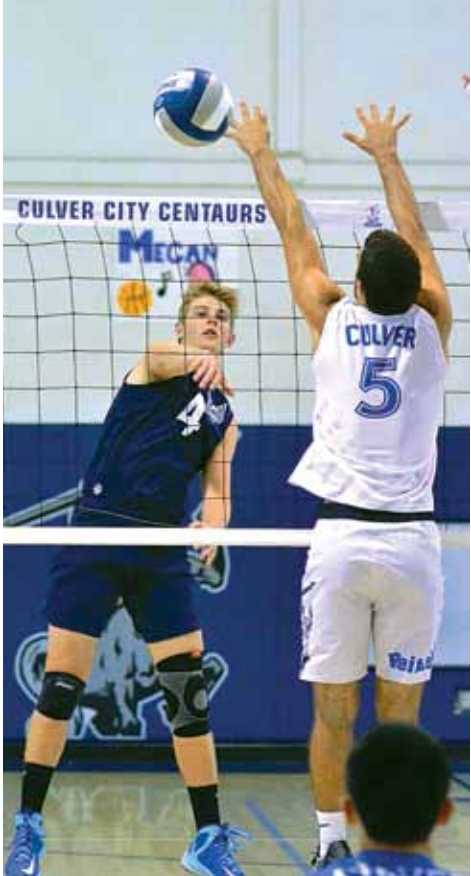
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Middle Hitter Stephen Moyes takes on Loyola.



Middle Hitter Matt Carter goes in for the kill.

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9-5 in a Redondo Tournament game. Ben Saucedo and Garrett Boyce combined to shutdown a potent Ram's offense. The frosh/soph team opened Ocean League play at home against Culver City with a 14-1 victory. Jimmy Galicia had three hits, scored four runs and drove in two. Hunter Lynch had three hits and had three RBIs. Jarod Whitney had two hits and drove in two runs in his first action this season following a back injury. Ryan Maryoung pitched six strong innings to earn his fourth victory.

The frosh/soph improved their record to (10-5, 2-0) with their victory at Culver City 15-0. Galicia improved to 4-1 with five shut-out innings. Galicia, Jake Nichols, and Shane Salzman each had two hits to lead El Segundo.

Volleyball

The Eagles (12-4, 4-0) have quietly made big strides and are the top ranked team in the CIF

Southern Section Division 3 polls. The Eagles have put together a nine match winning streak and haven't lost a set since losing two straight to Buchanan (Clovis) in the Best of the West Tournament on March 14. All four losses this year have been to teams ranked in the top 20 nationally including Loyola (2), Newberry Park (6), Buchannan (16) and Valencia (17).

Boys' Lacrosse

El Segundo (9-4, 5-0) at Culver City (7-8, 6-1), 6 p.m.: The Ocean League title comes down to the final regular-season game (barring upsets earlier in the week, of course), with Culver City trying to earn a tie for the top spot and a share of the title for the second season in a row. El Segundo, in only its second season as a CIF program and first in the Ocean League, can win the title outright by beating the Centaurs for the second time. The Eagles won 14-9 at home two weeks ago. •

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last round and Tom Brady - now the face of the league - was drafted in the sixth round of the 2000 draft. The NBA playoffs will still be in full effect where you can watch stars such as the likely MVP Stephen Curry, or even LeBron James battle it out. Depending on how the series goes, there may even be a Game 7 showdown between the Los Angeles Clippers and the San Antonio Spurs. What would be better than that? Speaking of Game 7's, the NHL playoffs will also be in effect and there is sure to be a Game 7 or two going on, full of hard hitting and all the trash-talking that you could ask for.

No matter what sport you are in to or what game excites you the most, this Saturday, May 2nd, is sure to have you covered. The day is certain to be a win-win for all those involved, including the fans, the participants, and the major networks carrying the events taking place. If we all can't be like Floyd Mayweather and collect almost \$200 million for what will be at most 36 minutes of work, then we can at least pretend for one day, sit back, relax and enjoy it all. This Saturday is the perfect day to appreciate the game's that we love and the sports that bring us all to life. Just remember that you, the fan, are worth every single penny. •

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(BPT)-For many homeowners the biggest utility bill is electricity. Heating and cooling the home makes up nearly half of electricity costs, but the next biggest source is the water heater. Water heaters can account for up to 25 percent of total household energy use. Taking steps to improve the energy efficiency of a home with better insulation and more efficient furnaces and air conditioners can reduce energy costs significantly, as can making sure water heaters are operating properly.

However, purchasing a high efficiency water heater does little good if the environment in which it operates is not right. The main culprit in reducing the efficiency of water heaters is hard water. Nearly 90 percent of American homes have hard water which contains high levels of calcium and magnesium. These minerals cause scaling, a buildup that clogs waterlines and plumbing forcing appliances to work harder and operate less efficiently. Hard water can reduce the efficiency of water heaters and increase

electricity costs by as much as 48 percent according to the Battelle Memorial Institute.

The problem can be particularly severe with electric water heaters. These can accumulate up to 30 pounds of calcium carbonate, a rock-like scale, eventually damaging the heating element which will have to be replaced. The cost of hard water is not higher just because of reduced energy efficiency and higher electric bills; hard water also damages appliances like water heaters, dish washers, shower heads and faucets. These must be repaired and replaced more often as a result.

To determine if you have hard water, look for spots and scale build-up on fixtures. “A less obvious indication is the lack of that luxury feeling of a hot shower you get at a nice hotel,” says Michael Mecca of Performance Water Products. “That feeling is not because of the nice towels and soaps. It’s because nice hotels use soft water not only for their guests’ benefit but also to protect their investments in boilers, piping and fixtures.”

Kitchens benefit from soft water as well because soft water is up to 12 times more effective at cleaning dishes than increasing the amount of detergent used. Researchers also found that for washing machines, the most important factor in removing stains from clothing was water softness. Reduction of water hardness was up to 100 times more effective at stain removal than increasing the detergent dose or washing with hotter water. In fact, soft water can reduce soap use by as much as half.

Many water treatment companies offer free tests to homeowners to measure the degree of hardness in the water and offer appropriate systems that fit. “Hardness in water can vary widely in some parts of the country and pipe size, number of bathrooms, number of people in the house, types of showerheads and intended use all need to be considered for the right system,” says Mecca.

“Wells in particular are susceptible to hard water since municipal water departments often take care

of the worst offenders such as iron-manganese-hydrogen sulfide. Even if you get municipal water you likely still have calcium and other hard water deposits and can benefit from a water softener. Systems for well water will cost a little more but it is well worth it,” he adds.

The only way to truly remove the calcium and magnesium from household water systems is with a salt-based water softener. These remove the scaling in the pipes entirely by running the incoming hard water through a resin filter that traps the calcium and magnesium in the water - as well as any iron, manganese or radium ions. It then replaces them with sodium ions.

A salt-based water softener is one home improvement that will not only pay for itself but add value to a home. A properly sized quality water softener appliance can save a homeowner thousands of dollars over its life in reduced soap and detergent costs, electricity, efficiency and extended life for expensive appliances. •

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF VELTA LOUISE BRUCE

Case No. BP161622 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of VELTA LOUISE BRUCE

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Robert James Bruce in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Robert James Bruce be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on May 12, 2015 at 8:30AM in Dept. No. 79 located at 111 N. Hill St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections

TITLE NO.: 5920101 T.S. NO.: 14-14110 Reference: CG-OM-305 APN: 4132-0011-048

[PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE § 2923.3(a), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO BELOW IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.]

NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT LIEN

YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A NOTICE OF DELINQUENT ASSESSMENT DATED 7/22/2014. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.

On 5/21/2015 at 10:30 AM,

Best Alliance Foreclosure and Lien Services, Corp. as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Delinquent Assessment Lien, recorded on 7/23/2014 as Document No. 2014-0762110 „Book-- „Page--, and rerecorded on --- as --- of Official Records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, property owned by: Phyllis Laurel Meyers

WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state.) At: AT THE FRONT STEPS OF BUILDING LOCATED AT 17305 GILMORE STREET, VAN NUYS, CA

with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for petitioner: BRUCE R BRANDLIN ESQ SBN 86888 BURKLEY & BRANDLIN LLP DEL AMO FINANCIAL CENTER 21515 HAWTHORNE BLVD STE 1260 TORRANCE CA 90503 El Segundo Herald Pub. 4/16, 4/23, 4/30/15 H-24677

all right, title and interest under said Delinquent Assessment Lien in the property situated in said County, describing the land therein: interest in and to Lot 1 of Tract No. 32951, in the City of El Segundo, Unit 305

The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to 745 Main Street #305, El Segundo, CA 90245.

Title No.: 5920101 T.S. No.: 14-14110 Reference No.: CG-OM-305 AP No.: 4132-011-048

The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, “AS-IS” and “WITH ALL FAULTS” and that no representations or warranties are made as to the legal title, possession, legal condition, location, dimensions of land, boundary lines, legality of boundary line adjustments, compliance with or violations of the subdivision map act, or any other law, rules or regulations concerning the legality of the property or as described, or encumbrances existing or regarding the physical condition of the property, to pay the remaining principal sum due under said Notice of Delinquent Assessment and Claim of Lien, with interest thereon, as provided in said notice, advances, if any, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee, to-wit:

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Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee and the successful bidder

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Date: May 5, 2015 Time: 7:00 P.M. Place: City Council Chamber 350 Main Street El Segundo, CA

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: Capital outlay requests of \$30,000, from the existing Citizens Option for Public Safety (COPS) Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (SLESF) account by the Chief of Police. The grant requires that expenditures be utilized to supplement “front line law enforcement” which includes funding special enforcement details, and purchasing equipment. (Fiscal Impact: \$30,000 from COPS grant fund)

All interested parties are encouraged to appear and be heard on this matter. If you challenge the nature of the proposed resolution in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at/or prior to the public hearing. For additional information please contact the City Clerk's Office, (310) 524-2307, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California 90245. El Segundo Herald Pub. 4/23, 4/30/15 H-24687

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shall have no further recourse. This sale shall be subject to a right of redemption. The redemption period within which this property interest may be redeemed ends 90 days after the date of the sale.

The claimant under said Delinquent Assessment Lien heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation.

Best Alliance Foreclosure and Lien Services, as Trustee or Agent to Trustee is a debt collector and is attempting to collect a debt. Any information received will be used for that purpose.

DATE: 4/28/2015

Best Alliance Foreclosure and Lien Services, Corp., as Trustee

By: Priscilla Quemuel

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Trustee Sale No. : 00000004899880 Title Order No.: 730-1305336-70 FHAA/VA/PMI No.: NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 06/28/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER & WEISS, LLP, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded on 07/06/2006 as Instrument No. 06 1490016 of official records in the office of the County Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, State of CALIFORNIA. EXECUTED BY: NEIL WALLACE, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by California Civil Code 2924h(b), (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States). DATE OF SALE: 05/14/2015 TIME OF SALE: 9:00AM PLACE OF SALE: DOUBLETREE HOTEL LOS ANGELES-NORWALK, 13111 SYCAMORE DRIVE, NORWALK, CA 90650. STREET ADDRESS and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 307 KANSAS STREET #D, EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA 90245 APN#: 4139-028-199 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with

NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS FOR THE WATER main improvement AT VIRGINIA, OAK AND BAYONNE IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO PROJECT NO.: PW 15-08

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, MAY 19, 2015

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 Sewer Main Improvement and related work as shown on the plans on file with the City's Public Works Department. Work on the Project must be performed in strict conformity with Specifications No. PW 15-08 as adopted by the El Segundo City Council on April 21, 2015 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 mandatory pre-bid meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 11, 2015 at 10 AM, at the HR Conference Room, 350 Main Street in El Segundo, CA 90245. Bidders' attendance at this meeting is mandatory. Questions regarding the bid shall be submitted by 6:00 pm on Monday, May 11, 2015 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.

interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, under the terms of said Deed of Trust, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the unpaid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$642,787.42. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property.

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 Sub-Contractor, 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

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 800-280-2832 for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site www.auction.com for information regarding the sale of this property, using the file number assigned to this case 00000004899880. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. FOR TRUSTEE SALE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: AUCTION.COM, LLC 2 ONE MAUCHLY IRVINE, CA 92618 800-280-2832 www.auction.com BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER & WEISS, LLP IS ACTING AS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. BARRETT DAFFIN FRAPPIER TREDER & WEISS, LLP as Trustee Dated: 04/13/2015 NPP0245816 To: EL SEGUNDO HERALD 04/23/2015, 04/30/2015, 05/07/2015 El Segundo Herald Pub. 4/23, 4/30, 5/7/15 H-24680

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 15-08

WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENT AT VIRGINIA, OAK AND BAYONNE

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.” The successful Contractor and his Sub-Contractors 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 23 day of April, 2015. CITY OF EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA Tracy Weaver, City Clerk

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School Board

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award like this from such a dynamic school district; however I do not take this award alone. I would never be able to do what I do without the support and inspiration from all of the incredible teachers that I work with every day.”

Lister emailed that “I feel honored loved and very special to receive the Educator of the Year nomination. I do believe that I could not do the job I do as well as I do without the constant support of El Segundo families, amazing Richmond teachers and fantastic, hard-working students. We are a team working towards the same goal. I am lucky to work in the ESUSD and feel honored everyday!”

“It is a privilege to teach the students of the Middle School and a wonderful honor to be named Teacher of the Year,” emailed Del Retta Seth. “As with most awards, it doesn’t happen in a vacuum. The task is challenging, and it doesn’t happen without the encouragement and support of others. The Middle School has some awesome teachers who have encouraged me at each step of the way and set a fine example.”

Wrote Eno: “I am honored to be selected by my colleagues as Educator of the Year at ESHS. There are a lot of extremely hard-working teachers and they are all deserving of recognition. I know that everything I do is thanks to the amazing teachers that I work with on a daily basis to help move our school towards 21st century learning goals.”

The Classified employees honored were Leilani Talanoa (Child nutrition services), Alfredo Perez (Maintenance), Sandy DeFirmian (Student support services), Kris Sturgeon (Para educator and instructional assistance), and Gigi Thompson (Administrative support).

Talanoa, senior cafeteria worker at Center Street, has devoted 23 years of service in the area of child nutrition in District schools; Perez has served the District for 15 years, tackling myriad positions, including lead custodian, plant foreman, and maintenance and operations worker; DeFirmian, in her 17th year with the ESUSD, is a Health Office Aide at Richmond Street; Sturgeon, a Center Street Instructional assistant, has worked supporting students and teachers in the classroom for 17 years; Thompson has been an administrative assistant at the High School for the past nine years.

Prior to the Harris presentation, High School Principal Jaime Mancilla took to the podium to recognize ten students who had recently participated in the Northrop Grumman 2015 High School Innovative Challenge. The challenge encouraged student teams to compete against each other in Science, Technology,

Engineering and Math (STEM) activities. Tasked to build an engineering solution under the guidance of Northrop Grumman employees, the El Segundo group finished in 2nd place out of 11 competing teams in the South Bay regional. Jennifer Cho served as the faculty advisor for the team.

Students honored were seniors Greta Studier, Noah Fleishman, Christopher Thoman; junior Genevieve Johnson; sophomores Alex Nolan, Cayman Barber, Michelle Crew, Kristin Villanueva; and freshmen Allison Gridley and Emma Raymer.

“These kids never cease to amaze me with their talent,” emailed Mancilla. “They seem to be winning more contests. With their passion and dedication along with amazing teachers, mentors and financial support, there will be no stopping them!”

The only discussion item on the agenda during the 105-minute meeting revolved around the possible formation of a 2x2 Committee that would involve School Board members and Ed! Foundation executive board members.

After the Board took action in the acceptance of gifts to the District, including \$3,000 from the Center Street PTA, they passed a resolution in support of amendments to state Assembly Bill 306, which will ensure that active duty military members, including activated military reservists, are able to choose which public school districts to send their children to regardless of the district in which they reside.

Discussion ensued about the effect AB 306 would have on District enrollment because of the proximity of the Los Angeles Air Force base. Concerns were raised by Vice-President Jim Garza, saying he had issues with the way the bill is currently written, and the possible usurping of District authority. Garza also mentioned that he was interested in “seeing some numbers” about how many students would be impacted by the passing of the bill.

Superintendent Melissa Moore noted that “the Board of Education’s support of AB 306 demonstrates the District’s collective support of active duty military families.” She wrote that if the bill is passed, it “would provide the necessary leverage for active military families to be released from their resident school district and be approved to attend a school district of choice.”

The Board next approved a resolution designating May 4 thru May 8 as certificated school employee week, and followed up with their approval for the summer reading lists for Middle School and High School students.

There was discussion amongst the Board members regarding the proposed Middle School summer reading list options, specifically the inclusion of the book entitled “A Child Called It.” Middle School Principal Jack Plotkin explained to the Board about the book selection process, and mentioned that parents who had issues with any of the reading options should contact the school for clarification and guidance.

Two of the information pending action agenda items on Tuesday night involved music courses that may be added to the High School curriculum. The proposed Beginning Strings class will teach the students about various string instruments, how to perform on the string

Director

brings many new ideas on how the preschool program might be improved. I’m excited to see how the education of our littlest students in ESUSD will grow with the leadership of Ms. Lupe.”

Her managerial philosophy is that a team is built from the inside out. Teachers also come with passions and abilities that need to be encouraged and challenges that with support can be overcome. Empowering a teacher to her full ability is the best thing any child and family could ask for in a classroom.

Guadalupe is the mother of two children, her daughter Olivia is ten years old and her son Nathan is three years old. Her children

instrument of their choosing, how to develop proper body mechanics, how to read music, and how to perform a variety of pitches and rhythms on their instrument using beginning level music theory.

The proposed Concert Orchestra course will allow students to expand their prior knowledge and experience to focus on bow work to further develop technical skills and body mechanics. Students will be introduced to shifting, vibrato, and other technical skills. Acceptance into the class will be based on auditions and teacher recommendations.

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is slated for Tuesday evening, May 12. •

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are what fuel her to work for a future where all children have fair and equal access to participate in higher education and dream to be whatever their hearts desire, from artists to scientists.

Looking forward, Guadalupe indicated that Eagles’ Nest’s goal is to continue to meet the changing needs of the families in the community through dialogue and focus groups. We want to give our children the best start in their education so that they can see learning as fun and exciting. If we continue to have the children’s success as our goal, we will be lead to grow in innovative ways and prepare the children for a new future! •

Police Reports

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

A forgery report was taken at 1027 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) filed a false IRS tax return

A found property report was taken at 1205 hours from the 1800 block of East Sycamore Avenue. Found was a wallet containing ID cards social security card and blank checks

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1310 hours from the 500 block of South Douglas Street, vehicle versus vehicle

Thursday, April 23, 2015

Property report was taken at 0704 hours from the 2100 block of East El Segundo Boulevard. Drugs were booked for destruction.

Property damage report was taken at 1023 hours from the 1200 block of East Pine Avenue. A window was broken due to cutting of a city tree.

Friday, April 24, 2015

One male adult was arrested at 0212 hours

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from Concord Street and Grand Avenue for misdemeanor DUI with a BAC of 0.08% or above.

One male adult was arrested at 1240 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for possession of stolen property and false vehicle registration.

One male adult was arrested at 2134 hours from Palos Verdes Estates PD for one ESPD misdemeanor warrant.

One male adult was arrested at 2057 hours from Center Street and Grand Avenue for misdemeanor DUI with a BAC of 0.08% or above.

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One female adult was arrested at 0103 hours from the 1800 block of East Sycamore Avenue for prostitution.

One female adult was arrested at 0201 hours from the 1800 block of East Sycamore Avenue for prostitution. •

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Anastasia

Springtime is the purr-fect time to bring home a new feline friend. Kitties of every color and size are waiting to meet you.

Anastasia is a very sweet, cuddly, playful little girl who enjoys the simple things in life, like wet food, mouse toys, and strings. She was rescued from a shelter after her owner passed away, leaving behind Anastasia and 14 of her playmates. She's great with dogs, kids, and other kitties. Can you help her find her forever home?

Margot is a sweet kitten full of sugar and spice and everything nice. With her beautiful tuxedo coat and round golden eyes, she is growing into a lovely little kitty. Margot has a sweet disposition and enjoys being on your lap to have her back and shoulders rubbed while she resonates a continuous purr. She is an active girl who will jump in the air for her favorite toy on a string and enjoys batting the

ball in her blue “donut” toy. Margot will lie at your side, and then paw gently at you, so happy to just to be with you. She is submissive with other cats and makes friends easily at her foster home. Margot has excellent litter box manners and loves to use her cardboard scratching post.

Figaro is a very handsome, four-year-old boy. Just look at his subtle, dark gray spots and wild-cat face which may come from Bengal cat genes. Figaro has a lot of energy, and loves to play! He's also a smart, gentle, nice guy who would love nothing more than to snuggle with you in bed when you wake up, and when you come home! He will always greet you when you get home—ask about your day and tell you all about his. He loves giving hugs, and knows how to do it just like a person, wrapping his paws gently around your neck and rubbing his face against your neck and shoulders. All Figaro wants to do is have someone to love, and someone who will love him back.

Bosco is a devilishly handsome boy who is waiting for a special someone! He would do well someone who has experience with kitties and maybe also be male. Bosco came into foster care with a very classic case of “solo and neglected kitten syndrome,” which unfortunately means he did not know the difference between a “nip” and a bite. But with encouragement and patience, he has learned the error of his ways! This sweet boy is very loving, but lacks proper feline social skills so he tends to intimidate other cats who take his in-your-face approach as aggression. He actually does very well with crabby older females who won’t let him get away with anything! He is not afraid of dogs



Figaro

at all. Bosco thinks its fun to whack the dogs on the side as they pass by, so he would be fine with a confident dog who would ignore his silly antics. The best way to describe Bosco is “socially awkward” - we think that makes him just a touch more endearing.

Mimi is so very sweet and gets along with all the people and other animals in her foster home. She has two awesome brothers, “Zachary” and “Rufus” who are good kitties just like her. As a young teenager (in cat terms that’s about 10 months old), Mimi is super playful, but she also likes to chill out and cuddle. Come meet Mimi; she’s hoping she’ll be your purr-fect match.

These kitties (and puppy) 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



Mimi

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. •



Margot



Bosco

Happy Tails

Handsome **Landau** was adopted at an area shelter and then returned 4 months later because he didn't sit on his adopter's lap at the times she wanted him to accommodate her. However, going back into the system, Landau was re-assigned his original entry date which indicated he had been there for months (not true) thus putting him at the top of the euthanasia list. Kitten Rescue swooped him out of there and waited until the purr-fect match was found for this adorable Maine Coon boy.

Landau was initially a little too rough with his new family, not quite sure what this new transition would bring. But with every passing day and his family's patience, he is settling into his true self, letting go of his built-up anxiety from being shuffled around and having to be around so many different cats. His family loves him and are so incredible in working with him! When Landau got excited, he would sometimes stalk and attack them. But they found just blowing in his face or throwing a toy to distract him, it immediately dissipated his energy, settling him right down into a normal kitty. Each day, Landau continues to unwind more and more. His family truly loves him to pieces. Congratulations, Landau on your purr-fect match! •



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