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Richmond Street Staff Start New Year with Big Thank You to Ed!



Richmond Street Elementary School staff members show off their school spirit and support of The El Segundo ED! Foundation by wearing their ED! shirts. They know every student wins by supporting the ED! Foundation. Photo Provided by Alisa Lister. ♦

School Board Hears and Views Next Generation Science Presentation

By Duane Plank

One of the tent-poles of 21st Century learning across the country has been the implementation of an educational approach to schooling that utilizes Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) as entry points for guiding and stimulating student inquiry and dialogue, as well as opening the doors for critical thinking.

Tuesday evening's El Segundo Unified School District School Board meeting featured one major presentation, helmed by the District's Executive Director of Educational Services, Marisa Janicek. The 45-minute presentation and question and answer period, which was buttressed by Janicek's team of District lead science instructors, was entitled "Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS): Charting a K-12 Plan to Develop Scientific Literate Citizens." It detailed a three-dimensional scientific learning triangle encompassing science and engineering practices, disciplinary core ideas and cross-cutting concepts.

Janicek and her team initially noted a timeline, beginning in September 2013 when the State Board of Education implemented the NGSS agenda, to 2015 that included collaboration between the District office, El Segundo High School and El Segundo Middle School featuring the establishment of a STEM committee; having the Project Lead the Way program begin to incorporate NGSS standards; adopting a science course sequence; and integrating a three-year roll-out plan at the Middle School.

The District's 2015-16 NGSS plan included high school teachers attending Los Angeles County of Education roll-out meetings; developing the scope and sequence of the program at the Middle School; and professional development days that included teachers from Center Street and Richmond Street elementary schools.

Moving toward the K-12 implementation of the NGSS standards, the 2016-17 immersion in the plan included multiple opportunities for

District instructors to receive extra training in the program, with high school science teachers attending another roll-out hosted by LACOE; and the integration of sixth grade classes into the program.

The presenters covered the District's "next-steps" in program implementation, including having K-12 lead teachers participate in the NGSS Performance Task Development Project;

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Longtime First Baptist Church Pastor Gears Up for Next Chapter

By Brian Simon

On October 1, John Svendsen will address the congregation at El Segundo's First Baptist Church for the final time. After 27 years in town and well over 1,000 Sunday sermons, the venerable pastor is retiring and moving to Portland, Oregon with his wife Susie.

Saying goodbye to El Segundo will be bittersweet for Svendsen, but he hopes to make a difference at his new locale. "We have family in Salem, which is 45 minutes south, and Portland is a cool city," he said when asked why he and Susie chose that particular town. "Plus the rain will drive me indoors to write."

Writing is one component of Svendsen's

plan to embark on something he calls "WPTM Portland." While it may sound like a radio station, it actually stands for "Writing, Preaching, Teaching and Mentoring." His goal upon arrival will be to check out various congregations and eventually land in one spot where he can help out the pastor. In some ways, it will be an extension of what he already does at First Baptist, only without the burden of all those administrative responsibilities. "I'll offer my services to preach if the pastor's sick, on vacation or needs a break," Svendsen said. "Or I can conduct a class."

At the age of 61 and two and a half years removed from a stage four cancer

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Weekend Forecast

Friday
Sunny
79°/63°



Saturday
Sunny
75°/63°



Sunday
Partly
Cloudy
75°/63°



Pastor John Svendsen

from front page

diagnosis, Svendsen feels it is time to lighten his daily load a bit. He also believes First Baptist could use some fresh direction moving into the future. “I’ve sort of been a chaplain and they need more of a captain,” he said. “Every pastor brings to the table a certain skill set and that leadership may be better served by someone else going forward.” While nothing is set in stone, the church is currently in talks about a possible partnership with another congregation. For the time being, a rotating team of speakers will deliver the sermons upon Svendsen’s departure.

Since his diagnosis, Svendsen’s life has been somewhat of a “rollercoaster,” but he is pleased to report that he’s doing fairly well overall. Nonetheless, the illness was a pivotal part of his decision to make a change. “I realized that if I don’t have as long to live as I might have thought, I wondered, ‘What do I want to do with this next chapter?’” he said. “I love teaching and preaching, and I want to help mentor young men to be the next generation of pastors.”

In addition to settling in at a new church, Svendsen also plans to travel to China in February as part of a teaching excursion. He has made similar trips in the past to areas as diverse as Georgia (the country) and the Dominican Republic. “There’s a great need in many parts of the world that don’t have as many theological opportunities,” he explained. “Your garden-variety pastor can make a contribution by going to those developing world situations and teaching the pastors there. It’s a rewarding experience.”

When asked about any particularly memorable rewarding experiences or highlights during his tenure at First Baptist Church, Svendsen preferred to look at the whole rather than single out any moment. “I like to think of just the regular teaching, preaching, counseling and shepherding of the people week-in and week-out,” he said. “It is the steady stream that I enjoy, so I like to think of my legacy as having an even-keeled ministry.”

Svendsen maintained a small (about 50 people on average) but loyal congregation over the years. “It’s always been a family community in El Segundo and also insulated-in a good way--because it allows for families to grow and thrive here,” he said.

While describing himself as “low-key” on the administrative side, Svendsen emphasized that he is passionate in his preaching. “Even if you don’t agree with me, you will say, ‘I can tell he believes what he preaches,’” he said. And his message has remained the same over his 36 years as a pastor. “I want people to see their need for a savior and that Jesus is that savior. If I’ve gotten them to see that need and have that faith and have their lives shaped by that, then I’m very well-satisfied that I’ve done my job.”

That job was something Svendsen knew he wanted to pursue from an early age growing up in La Canada. Both his dad and grandfather

were pastors, as were other family members. But he is quick to point out that his chosen career path was not a matter of simply following in prior footsteps. By the age of 16, he knew in his heart that the ministry was his calling. After completing college and seminary, Svendsen had stints at churches in Queens, New York and Connecticut before returning to the West Coast in 1990. Still unmarried at the time, he noted that he was able to live on “a smaller salary” or in a “dicier location.” When he got to El Segundo, he realized this could be a good place to finally get hitched. “I was an old bachelor until Susie rescued me when I was 39,” he said. The couple have now been married for 22 years. Moving back to Southern California also allowed Svendsen to take care of his aging parents who have since passed away. And though he and Susie did not have any children, they did take in two youngsters for 10 years.

While excited about the move, Svendsen said he will miss the “great weather” and “friendly people” of El Segundo. “And most of all the loving congregation I’ve spent more than a quarter-century living amongst,” he said. He literally has lived amongst them, as his home is in the parsonage on the church property. “It has been a good run,” he added. “I’ve enjoyed it and been honored to be here.”

The congregation will miss him as well. “Pastor John has been an integral part of my life and my families’ lives for the past 18 years,” said First Baptist Associate Pastor Lisa Lait. “He is more than a pastor. He’s a friend, mentor and an example of what it means to be a Christian.”

Mary Beth Wong noted that when her husband Frank was on hospice care, “Pastor John came every Sunday in between morning and evening services to read and pray with him. Even when Pastor John was/is fighting cancer himself, he never neglected any opportunity to find out how the members of his flock were doing. He is a true example of a good shepherd and we have been so blessed to be under his care.”

Meanwhile, Svendsen’s faith has helped guide him through his own challenges. “I know this is a secular newspaper and not a religious forum, but it’s important to mention that as I face my cancer and earlier death... what has gotten me through it is that cancer is not my greatest problem. It’s the penalty of sin--and I’ve already solved that. The Gospel has been the best medicine--more so than chemotherapy or radiation—and it has been nothing but good news for me. It puts life’s problems in their proper perspective. I want to continue spreading the message in Oregon.”

Those who would like to stop by and wish Pastor John Svendsen well will have the opportunity to do so on Sunday, October 1 during an open house at the First Baptist Church’s Fellowship Hall (591 E. Palm Avenue) at noon. The community is invited. •



Pastor John Svendsen. Photo Courtesy of First Baptist Church.

Community Briefs

Local Weatherman Fritz Coleman to Perform South Bay Comedy Benefit



Fritz Coleman is DEFYING GRAVITY to benefit South Bay Auxiliary CHLA! September 30, at 7 p.m. at Hermosa Beach Community Theater, 710 Pier Avenue. For tickets, call 310-710-7035 or brownpapertickets.com. •

Calendar of Events

Deadline for Calendar items is the prior Thursday by noon. Calendar items are \$1 per word. Email listings to marketing@heraldpublications.com. We take Visa and MasterCard.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 28

- El Segundo Farmer’s Market, 3:00 PM. – 7:00 PM., located on Main Street, Downtown El Segundo.
- R.O.A.D. Meeting, 4:00 PM., El Segundo Public Library, Rose Garden Room, 111 W. Mariposa Ave., Call: 310-322-1513.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 29

- Bingo, 1:00 PM. - 3:00 PM., 50 Plus, \$3.00 minimum, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Helen at: 310-416-9181.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 30

- 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, OCT. 1

- Bridge & Pinochle Groups, 11:30 AM. – 3:45 PM, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.

MONDAY, OCT. 2

- 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, OCT. 3

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

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 4

- National Walk to School Day – walk to school, get some exercise, have fun.
- Bowling, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, 50 Plus, Senior Club of El Segundo, Gable House Bowl, 22501 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, Cost: \$8.00 for 3 games, Call Joyce at: 310-322-7621.
- Drop-In Lobby Event: Wine Cork Pumpkins, 12:00 PM. – 1:00 PM., free, El Segundo Public Library, 111 W. Mariposa Avenue, Call: 310-524-2728.

THURSDAY, OCT. 5

- El Segundo Farmer’s Market, 3:00 PM. – 7:00 PM., located on Main Street, Downtown El Segundo.
- El Segundo Historical Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM. – 8:00 PM., El Segundo Public Library, 111 W. Mariposa Avenue, Call: 310-640-8923.

FRIDAY, OCT. 6

- Bingo, 1:00 PM. - 3:00 PM., 50 Plus, \$3.00 minimum, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Helen at: 310-416-9181.
- Free Computer Class: Email Attachments, 8:30 AM., free, seating is limited and registration is required, El Segundo Public Library, 111 W. Mariposa Ave., Call: 310-524-2728.

SATURDAY, OCT. 7

- Celebrate: A Fireworks Spectacular, 7:30 PM., Library Park, Main Street, For more info: centennialfireworks.com. (3:00 PM – Concert in the Park)
- 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, OCT. 8

- Bridge & Pinochle Groups, 11:30 AM. – 3:45 PM, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.

MONDAY, OCT. 9

- 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, OCT. 10

- 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 St.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 11

- Bowling, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, 50 Plus, Senior Club of El Segundo, Gable House Bowl, 22501 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, Cost: \$8.00 for 3 games, Call Joyce at: 310-322-7621.

THURSDAY, OCT. 12

- El Segundo Farmer’s Market, 3:00 PM. – 7:00 PM., located on Main Street, Downtown El Segundo. •

Drivers Flunk at Safety Around Area Schools

By Rob McCarthy

South Bay schools rank dangerously low in traffic safety because of distracted driving and parents’ refusal to use designated drop-off zones, according to a data-analytics firm recently featured on the *CBS Evening News*. San Francisco-based Zendrive gave the majority of South Bay campuses a “D” in its “School Safety Snapshot,” which the company released as students and teachers headed back to school in August. Zendrive compiled data taken from phone apps of drivers using roads near public and private schools in South Bay and Los Angeles County, and gave each campus a letter grade ranging from “A” to “F.” Cell phone use by drivers, hard stops and quick acceleration in the vicinity of a campus resulted in a lower grade on the Zendrive scale.

“The roads around your kid’s school aren’t as safe as you think,” the Zendrive project

team said after studying driver performance data around 1,768 schools in Los Angeles County.

Three schools in Inglewood received a “C minus”—the highest grade given to any South Bay campus. ICEF Inglewood Middle and Elementary Charter academies topped the list of local schools, along with Inglewood Christian School. St. Bernard in Westchester also got a “C minus” and each school benefited from nearby drivers not using cell phones while behind the wheel, according to Zendrive.

Zendrive says it embarked on the project to protect children while making drivers aware of the consequences of not paying attention to the road. “As kids are increasingly getting to school on foot, bike, and bus, it’s on us to take responsibility for their safety when driving near schools,” it said.

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DRIVERS SHOW UNSAFE PICK-UP OR DROP-OFF BEHAVIOR IN SCHOOL ZONES.¹

Cell phone data showed South Bay drivers being dangerous around schools. Credit: Zendrive.

Prevention, Testing Key in Addressing Heartworm Disease

By Dr. Greg Perrault

A Long Beach dog recently tested positive for heartworm disease. The dog had been on and off heartworm prevention medicine over the last couple of years. His last heartworm test was about two years ago and was negative at that time. This means the dog was infected sometime between that negative test and six months ago. The earliest a test will detect the disease is approximately six months after the initial infection. We suspect this dog was infected during our extremely rainy winter this year. Heartworm disease is a serious parasite infection caused by small worms that migrate through the body, molting and growing, until they end up in the heart and lung of dogs, cats, ferrets and several other mammals. It can cause serious pulmonary and cardiac damage and is often fatal if not treated in time. Animals contract the parasite from an infected mosquito. Mosquitos reproduce and thrive in standing water.

As is often the case with recent infections, this dog did not exhibit any abnormal signs at all. The testing was part of a routine annual exam. According to the American Heartworm Society, annual testing is necessary—even when dogs are on heartworm prevention

year-round—to ensure that the prevention program is working. Heartworm medications are highly effective, but dogs can still become infected. If you miss just one dose of a monthly medication—or give it late—it can leave your dog unprotected. Even if you give the medication as recommended, your dog may spit out or vomit a heartworm pill—or rub off a topical medication. Heartworm preventives are highly effective, but not 100 percent effective. If you don’t get your dog tested, you won’t know your dog needs treatment.

Left untreated, a heartworm infected dog can eventually show signs such as coughing, weight loss, swollen belly and heart failure—and will often die from the disease. Cats can have asthma-like signs, periodic vomiting and anorexia, and weight loss, but can appear healthy just before sudden collapse and death.

Prevention of the disease and treatment for the disease require different medicines. Monthly prevention medication will kill the immature parasite in the larval stage as it enters the dog or cat’s body from a mosquito bite. However, once the larva begins to molt into the larger adult worm, which is thought

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Letters

Appreciates the ES Sports Organizations

As many here in El Segundo are aware, the AYSO youth soccer program has had field challenges this season. The delayed replacement of the turf at the Campus El Segundo facility removed the two primary fields we use from service for at least the first third of the season. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the other youth sports organizations who have generously adapted their schedules and offered their field space to allow us to run the season for our 930 players.

We are especially grateful to El Segundo Softball, El Segundo Babe Ruth Baseball, El Segundo Pop Warner Football, and El Segundo Flag Football for their cooperation and understanding in modifying their programs. These organizations are great examples of groups focused on what is best for the kids.

To these groups, and any others we may have overlooked, thank you! We strongly encourage the City and residents of El Segundo to support these great organizations.

– Roger Steele, AYSO Region 92 Commissioner

Remembering Kelly McDowell

Thank you to Brian Simon for an excellent article on Kelly McDowell.

Every action Kelly took was rational and logical. He worked tirelessly for a better El Segundo. He was openly proud of his Republican heritage and of being a Republican. Yet he worked graciously and seamlessly with Democrats like his close friend Mike Gordon and Ted Lieu.

In his final years, Kelly was impaired by severe pain and serious side-effects

from prescription drugs he used trying to stop the pain. Yet his dignity and integrity never wavered.

Kelly McDowell was an outstanding man and an outstanding mayor.

– Steve Haxton

Writing Common Sense

In two recent columns, I noticed a trend of Duane Plank writing common sense, specifically that the illegal aliens labelled DACA children are in fact here illegally and that the Left (i.e. Democrats) support the Antifa terrorists. I also noted that George Funk saw fit to spout the usual talking points of the exploiters in the US Chamber of Commerce. The net effect of those talking points is that anchor babies aren’t good enough for the exploiters. They want anchor toddlers, anchor children, and anchor teens. And they want the middle class to pay for their health care and other benefits. The basic question to ask about DACA is if we wish to encourage or discourage the immoral act of parents sending lone children over the border to jump the legal immigration line. If we amnesty the DACAs, then we will get many more unaccompanied children sent over the border. If we send them back so that there is no benefit to such an action, then they won’t send them and just perhaps, they will get in line and follow our existing immigration laws. Given Mr. Funks usual disagreement with Mr. Plank, I look forward to his defense of leftist terrorists using clubs and bike locks to beat citizens wishing to exercise their first amendment rights to free speech and assembly for the sole crime of saying something the Antifa do not like.

– Kip Haggerty

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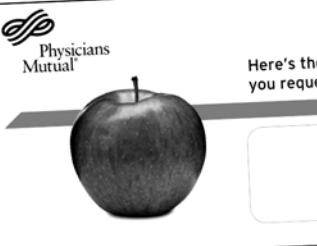


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1. Admits, with "up"
5. Sanctions
9. Davenport
13. Calorie counting requirement
14. Harry Potter's expertise
15. Microwave, e.g.
16. Aware
17. A deadly sin
18. Get together
19. Answer
21. Abandons
23. Value
24. Mega rock group
25. Borghese need
28. Oozy stuff
30. Smooths
33. Me ___!
34. Tabloid fodder
37. A ___ pittance
38. Audience
39. Real
41. Cow, maybe
43. Disfigure
45. Bender
46. Employees
47. Wee hour
49. Kind of story

51. Put two and two together
52. Number
53. Bit of sunshine
55. Furniture piece
59. Summons
63. Operates
64. Lassoes
66. Virtual's opposite
67. List
68. Super
69. Computer information
70. Takes in
71. Leap ___
72. Degree

Down
1. Sensory input
2. Pinot Noir, for example
3. New Jersey five
4. Ceases
5. Come down
6. Chocolate in oval shape
7. Bound
8. Guards
9. A human being
10. Through
11. Podiatrist's concern
12. Picnic scavengers

14. Created by human hand
20. Kayoed
22. Embarrassment
25. Picniced
26. Traditional Sunday fare
27. Medieval light
29. Skating arena
31. Play making
32. Stitched
35. Escape
36. Father's day bane
39. Chartreuse
40. ___ and dearest
42. Boundary
44. Performers
48. Power
50. Hydroelectric project
54. Football field divisions
55. Nice looking
56. Globe section
57. Safety precaution
58. Bolted
59. Darling
60. Like some drinks
61. Take out
62. Dig
65. Split soup

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

Eagles Football Continue to Roll with Win Over Torrance

By Gregg McMullin

The El Segundo Eagles continue to dominate their non-league opponents. With their 41-10 win over Torrance, it marked their 21st consecutive non-league win going back to the 2013 season.

On a cool, windy first day of fall evening, the Eagles looked to torch the Tartars in the first quarter. An early 13-0 lead gave the Eagles the confidence they needed on both offense and defense. When it looked like El Segundo was going to run up a score, the offense came up short but the defense was stellar.

Torrance opened the game with a 41-yard run by Eric Suarez. That woke the Eagles' defense up, as it allowed just 13 total yards

down to make it 27-10.

The Tartars were content believing they could run the ball to get back into the game. The Eagles defense had other thoughts and Tyler Villalobos put a punishing hit on Torrance's Jerome Duhon and recovered his fumble at the Torrance 41-yard line. It took the Eagles just three plays to increase the lead. This time Romero dumped a pass off to Danny McEntee, who took the ball to the end zone for a 30-yard score and a 34-10 lead.

The Tatars seemed content on running the ball and conceding the game. On their seventh play of the drive, Taj Balogun and Dylan Phillips forced a fumble that was recovered by Joey Gorte. Gorte was rewarded with three rushing plays, including one for



From left Devin Bonney, James Amerault and Collin McEwan led an inspired defense against Torrance in the second half.

the rest of the first quarter. Junior quarterback Matt Romero marched the Eagles 80 yards in eight plays to get El Segundo on the scoreboard. During the drive, Romero found Devin Bonney open for a 29-yard pass play and Romero scrambled for 15 yards for a first down. Then after Kyle Freeman picked up six yards running up the middle, Danny McEntee caught an eight-yard touchdown pass.

On Torrance's ensuing possession, El Segundo's defense flexed its muscles. On the first play, Eagle cornerback Tyler Villalobos' tenacious hit on Suarez caused the Tartar running back to lose the football. McEntee easily scooped up the fumble and ran untouched 30 yards for a 13-0 El Segundo lead.

To end the first quarter and start the second quarter the Tartars ran 15 plays and chewed up nearly eight minutes on the their drive. The drive stalled out at the El Segundo 24-yard line and a field goal attempt failed after a mishandled snap was recovered by Jorge Montani. Torrance did manage a 26-yard field goal with 10 seconds remaining in the first half.

El Segundo's offensive first half woes could be traced to dropped passes, too many penalties and Romero being sacked. Those issues were discussed at halftime and changes were made. What really woke up the Eagles was the opening second half kickoff that was fumbled and recovered by Torrance at the El Segundo 12-yard line. The Tartars took advantage four plays later for a touchdown to make it 13-10.

El Segundo's offense, which had struggled, then scored on four consecutive possessions. With four minutes remaining in the third quarter, El Segundo took over at its own 15-yard line. On second and long, Romero found Devin Bonney in stride on a slant route. Bonney slipped two defenders and outran the Tartars secondary for an 85-yard touchdown. Working on a short field on the next possession, Romero essentially did it himself. He rushed for six yards and three plays later scrambled 25 yards for a touch-

Los Angeles Rams Proving They Are Deserving of Fandom

By Adam Serrao

Levi's Stadium in San Francisco was basically empty last Thursday night. That may have been because there was a matchup going on between the San Francisco 49ers and the Los Angeles Rams. Coming into this season, those two teams were pegged to be two of the least interesting squads in the entire National Football League. After everyone was done complaining about yet another boring primetime game put on by the NFL, though, something amazing happened. A total of 80 points were put up on the scoreboard in a 41-39 victory for the Rams in a contest that has the opportunity to go down as the most exciting game played all season long.

When 49ers quarterback Brian Hoyer threw an interception and Rams running back Todd Gurley took the ball into the end zone for a touchdown all within the first 12 seconds of last week's divisional matchup, there was a definite feeling that the crowd on hand--no matter how small it may have been--was in for something special. Even if there wasn't much defense on display, the combined 80 points scored between the two teams set a new record for most ever scored on a Thursday night game. Though San Francisco lost the game, fans of the team may just take solace in the fact that it scored its first offensive touchdown of the year--and for once this season, actually looked exciting on the football field.

The real story of the night did not revolve around the 49ers, though. Jared Goff, the ex-Cal graduate and first overall pick in the 2016 draft, came back home to Northern California and put on a show. In this one game alone, Goff showed why he was so highly touted coming out of college as he threw for 292 yards through the air and three touchdowns while only throwing six incomplete passes (22 of 28) throughout the course of the night. With their 41-point output last week, the Rams already have more 40-point games this season than they had in Jeff Fisher's entire tenure as head coach of the team.

“That was scary,” the young 22-year-old Goff explained after the game. “But man, it was fun. There’s something about being back in the Bay Area that gets me going. Honestly, it felt like we were in Berkeley scoring all the time and needing to score some more. They kept coming at us. I thought I was gonna have to go out and score one more time to win it.” Goff’s impressive effort was good enough, but may not have stood out as much if it weren’t for Gurley, who looks to have shaken off his shaky output from one season ago and has finally regained elite running back status.

Gurley finished the game with 28 carries

for 113 yards and two touchdowns on the ground, but also caught five balls for another 36 yards and a touchdown. The running back out of Georgia already has as many touchdowns this year (six) as he had throughout the entire 2016 regular season. An elite running back in the backfield certainly does its part to open up an offense that looked horrific just one season ago. Elite wide receivers never hurt that cause either--and although there have been some questions in the past about the health of Sammy Watkins and the ability of Robert Woods, both looked legitimate last week against the 49ers. Watkins finished the night with six catches for 106 yards and two touchdowns while Woods hauled in six catches for 108 yards.

"Since I've been here, we haven't been able to do that," Gurley said of the production of his new-look offense. "Hopefully we can keep putting points together, keep working together and keep learning from this." If they do, they can expect to stay in first place in the NFC West where the team currently resides. But it wasn't all terrific play for Los Angeles. The team still gave up 39 points on the night and almost blew a 15-point lead that would have lost them the game against a team that literally fell to the worst record in all of football.

There is always time for optimism after a great, high-scoring win. By season's end, however, the Rams will still have to deal with the Arizona Cardinals and the Seattle Seahawks--two teams that both look pretty horrible right now. The good news is that Jared Goff is finally in a position to succeed and with his new-look, explosive offense, the Rams just might be an exciting team to watch once again. Whether football fans in Los Angeles finally come out of their dark, dreary holes to watch a game at the Coliseum that doesn't feature the USC Trojans is another question altogether.

For now, the Los Angeles Rams are on top of the world and on top of their division with a 2-1 record. The offense looked good and with Aaron Donald back, the defense is slowly coming back together. There is actually a reason to watch games played by a Los Angeles team in the NFL once again. Whether this momentary success is short-lived because of who their opponent happened to be or becomes prolonged is something that only time will tell. Next up for the Rams is a game on the road against the Dallas Cowboys that once again everyone expects Los Angeles to lose. If Los Angeles can somehow pull out a win in "Jerry World," then it might just be safe to say that this Rams team is the real deal.

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Entertainment

Film Review

mother! is a Stunning and Provocative Gut Punch That Will Divide Audiences

By Morgan Rojas for www.cinemacy.com

By now, I'm sure you've heard the polarizing reactions to Darren Aronofsky's horror/freakout film, *mother!* and you may have already drawn your own conclusion about whether or not you'll be seeing the Jennifer Lawrence-starring film in theaters--if at all. It has been the cause of audience confusion, offense and walkouts, and even earned a rare "F" Cinemascore (a rating of audience's reactions leaving the movie). So clearly, people are divided on the film.

However, one can argue that the sign of any good film is the impression it leaves on its audience, whether it be one of love or even hate. To this standard Aronofsky has succeeded in not only making a successful film, but having written and directed one of the most polarizing and divisive movies of recent times. It proves the power that cinema has to elicit debate, physical reactions and psychological head trips that last far beyond

then hordes of unwanted guests. The guests idolize Him: as fans of his writing, they worship his every word, even if it comes at mother's expense. This becomes too much for her. Her generosity and kind spirit are abused, disrespected and all-around disregarded at times, even subconsciously by her own husband. As she nears her breaking point, mayhem becomes imminent and what ensues is the most shocking and head-spinning of circumstances seen onscreen this year.

Allegorical themes and symbolism run rampant throughout the film, yet are best left to be discovered organically. That is the gift of *mother!* It goes far beyond just the surface. Bardem gives a performance that is captivatingly creepy with mystery lurking just beyond his signature stare. Lawrence is a subtle thunderstorm, starting off restrained and building towards a crescendo that only she could create. Her performance is nothing shy of phenomenal.



Javier Bardem and Jennifer Lawrence in "mother!" Courtesy of Paramount Pictures.

the film's two-hour run time.

Aronofsky (*The Wrestler*, *Black Swan*) is a modern father of unconventional storytelling and *mother!* is no exception. The story centers on a young woman (named lowercase "mother" and played by Lawrence) and her older husband (named uppercase "Him" and portrayed by Javier Bardem), an acclaimed poet. The couple lives alone, isolated from the rest of society in his childhood home that she willingly renovates while he works on his writing. Their quaint life of solitude comes to an abrupt halt when a man (Ed Harris) shows up at the couple's door with more baggage than just his belongings.

The couple's life turns upside down as their sacred space gets encroached upon by the man, then his wife (Michelle Pfeiffer)--and

To say *mother!* has been grossly misunderstood by the masses is an understatement. It should be applauded for its unwavering commitment to breaking the stereotypical and formulaic Hollywood tropes. It is a punch to the gut. It will push you out of your comfort zone and will make you question humanity and the true intentions of your neighbors and friends altogether. *mother!* will unnerve you and shock you, and the best part is it will reaffirm your faith in the magic and power that movies still hold in serving as a reflection of the equally shocking times in which we live.

mother! is rated R for strong disturbing violent content, some sexuality, nudity and language. 121 minutes. Now playing in theaters. •

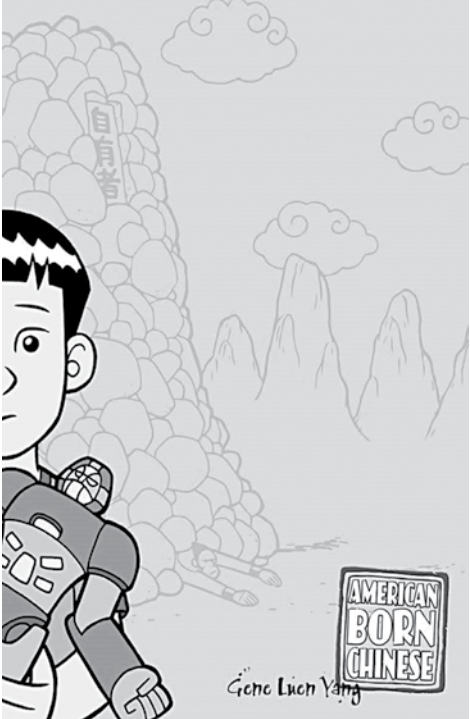
Check It Out

American Born Chinese

By Gene Luen Yang

Reviewed by Katrena Woodson, Teen and Young Reader Librarian, El Segundo Public Library

This week's review is for an award-winning graphic novel called *American Born Chinese* by Gene Luen Yang. When this



American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang.

was first published, it broke boundaries by winning the 2007 Printz Award and by becoming a 2006 National Book Award finalist. No graphic novel had ever received either award before. Since then, it has gone on to win many other awards as well as having become a school reading staple in many communities.

Yang does an amazing job portraying the difficulty, prejudice and hardships that can come as a result of being different. He does a spectacular job blending Chinese and American cultures in each of the three competing stories told over the course of the graphic novel. The first of these stories is a well-known Chinese tale called "The Monkey King." The second involves Jin

Wang, who is one of only two Chinese students in the class. The third story is about a kid named Danny who has a Chinese relative come to visit named Chin-Kee--basically the embodiment of every Asian based stereotype. Yang goes back a forth between these three stories, but they end up colliding in an unexpected way. This story gives a genuine and honest look into what it is like not only to grow up as a Chinese-American, but what it is to grow up as a first generation American, being a minority and being different. The graphic novel is well-written and illustrated with simple yet expressive images keeping true to the story's origin as a web comic. Yang's message is clear: you need to accept who you are and where you come from. Once you do that, you will have already reached out and connected with others.

The El Segundo Public Library offers access to its collection of titles in a variety of formats, including traditional hardback, e-books and books on CD. To check out, *American Born Chinese* by Gene Luen Yang or any other title on your to-read list, please visit the library to apply for your library card, or please contact the reference staff for further assistance. •



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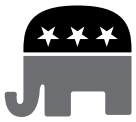
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Politically Speaking



One Man's Opinion

President's Ignorance Has Moved Past Laughable

By Cristian Vasquez

Personally I wouldn't kneel during the National Anthem, but I have no problem with athletes that do as a form of silent protest. What I do have a problem with is the false equivalencies and flat-out lies that critics of these athletes use to attack these actions, including the President's recent campaign rally comments. It's no surprise at this point that this train wreck of a president would call peaceful protestors "Sons of B..." while giving Nazi sympathizers the benefit of the doubt as some of them being "very fine people." However, it is disgusting how many of his supporters have distorted the truth regarding this peaceful protest in order to make villains of people infinitely more decent than the tiki torch-carrying cave-dwellers in Charlottesville.

For starters, the taking of a knee isn't because players feel oppressed. So to the President and his supporters arguing that these million-dollar athletes aren't oppressed, here's a reality check: they aren't claiming to be victims. Colin Kaepernick never said he took a knee because of how much injustice he has suffered. He never claimed that social injustice has kept him from succeeding or that it has personally ruined his life. Kaepernick took a knee for those who are mistreated and who have to live with injustice day-in, day-out. He knelt for the unarmed murder victims and their families who have to live knowing that the murderer who ruined their lives goes unpunished. No matter how much the President and his supporters deny it, there are many people in America who suffer abuse

from authority figures and have no recourse to fix the situation.

Second, accusing these athletes of being unpatriotic is a lazy argument and is further proof that Trump supporters can't see beyond the lies and hypocrisy their cave-dwelling president spews. Let's not forget that NFL players were not required to be on the field during the National Anthem until 2009. Furthermore, these patriotic events prior to kick-off came with a price tag paid for by the Department of Defense and were in part a recruitment strategy. Paid patriotism is more of a slap in the face than a peaceful protest, but again it's 45 we're talking about and we all know his hypocrisy has no limits.

For those who worship Trump, here's a challenge. Go back into the President's Twitter feed and look at how he praised the late Muhammad Ali when the boxing legend died. The President called Ali "a truly great champion and a wonderful guy." He praised one man known for his social activism and defiance of the status quo and now he berates another for the same reason. And just to get ahead of it... no, I am not saying that the great Muhammad Ali and Colin Kaepernick are the same. Their actions, however, are similar. So for the President to call one a great guy and the other a Son of a B is beyond hypocritical. Maybe he and his followers don't understand what being a hypocrite entails. They don't understand why these players are taking a knee. Or maybe in the end, it just does not matter to them because the only thing the President really cares about is vilifying anyone in order to rally his base. •

Another Man's Opinion

The President Demands Respect from Pampered Athletes

By Duane Plank

So the President took direct Twitter and verbal aim at the corpulent midget, NoKo nut job Kim Jong-Un, at a groundbreaking speech to the United Nations, dismissively labeling him "Rocket Man." Not the same Rocket Man the great lefty crooner Elton John sang about back in the day, but a more troublesome little guy with unknown proclivities, with his stubby finger on the trigger of the nuclear button--the man-child with the codes that could someday launch a very bad rocket tipped with nuclear matter at the U.S. mainland.

President Trump fired his salvos at the NoKo dweeb early in the week and then apparently took a couple of days off from playing Twitter, hopefully busily throwing himself into getting something done with the repeal or replace of Obamacare. Or maybe working on the tax cut that he promised. Or rekindling the negotiations and the "Art-of-the-Deal" brilliance to finally get something done with a Congress that his party supposedly, and I say supposedly, controls?

Well, I headed up to the old Easter Sierra fishing hole for a couple of days of alleged reeling with brother Chris, who is a great fisherman, and politically has probably not purchased nor wasted any money on Hillary's money-grab book, *What Happened*.

I was somewhat out of touch, digitally and politically, in the middle of last week when I finally heard about Mr. Trump's speech made in Sweet Home Alabama. That's where he threw it out last Friday that NFL owners should "fire" players who decide to take a knee,

or worse, during the playing of our patriotic national anthem before the start-up of another four-hour commercial fest that masquerades as a sporting event. He used a term that apparently riled up, maybe deservedly so, the showboating, grandstanding players who are incredibly lucky millionaires. Called them "son-of-a-guns," or a similar epithet.

The pampered players, most NFL employees, Richie-rich owners and media elites went into their typical tizzy, calling Trump--shockingly--a racist! First time that term racist has been thrown out there by the liberals who were triumphantly congratulating each other on that election day on the first Tuesday in the early gloaming of evening--swilling Chardonnay and ridiculing those rednecks who had wasted their vote earlier that day on the reality show star from New York.

Whoops! Or maybe Whoppi/Something changed in the darkness of that November Tuesday, with tears being shed and the reality that the political glass-ceiling was not going to be shattered that evening. Too bad, so sad.

Trump, who even in my somewhat red-tinted view, spends a tad bit too much time Tweeting, responded to a league whose ratings and attendance are currently cratering to epic levels that "if NFL fans refuse to go to games until players stop disrespecting our Flag and Country, you will see change take place. Fire or suspend."

A great bromide, Mr. Commander-in-Chief. Now please get back to what your base elected you to do and stop opining on the actions of pampered athletes. •

Safety

from page 3

The dangers of striking a pedestrian or being involved in a crash are higher in the 2-to-5 p.m. drive time, Zendrive reported. Being on the road between 4 and 5 p.m. carries the highest risk. Another pair of sobering statistics: crashes are the leading causing of death for U.S. teens and schools in urban areas are most dangerous.

Cell phone use while driving increases the chance of a crash by 20 times, according to the survey. While driver behavior was responsible for the low marks throughout the South Bay, populated metro areas were routinely downgraded in the survey results because of higher traffic. The Zendrive project team awarded one California school in rural Siskiyou County its top-safety rating. Bessie Carmichael Schools in San Francisco was named among the most dangerous in America because of distraction and disregard for school zone safety.

Not every school was included on Zendrive's report due to insufficient data, though the company promises to update the school safety snapshot as more data becomes available. The South Bay schools and districts that made the grade on Zendrive's back-to-school snapshot were:

El Segundo: D- for El Segundo High School, Arena High School, El Segundo Middle School and El Segundo Unified School District offices. The bright spot: low cell phone use around them.

Hawthorne: D for Lawndale High School, with high cell phone use. D for Leuzinger High School with moderate cell phone use. D- for Centinela Valley High School with moderate cell phone activity.

Inglewood: D- at Inglewood High School, low cel -phone activity; D+ for Animo Inglewood Charter High School, moderate cell phones; C- with low cell phone activity at ICEF Inglewood Middle and Elementary Charters, and Inglewood Christian School.

D at Inglewood Continuation High School with low cell phones. D for Hillcrest High School, also minimal cell phone usage.

Manhattan Beach: D- for Mira Costa High School, very high cell phone usage.

Torrance: D- for Torrance High School, with some cell phone distraction. D- for Torrance Elementary School and Torrance Montessori School, both with moderate cell phone activity near the campuses.

Wiseburn: D-, with moderate cell phone use nearby.

Drivers continue to ignore California's hands-free cell phone law, and far too many drivers are multitasking with their smartphones while in traffic, the Zendrive project team said. The distraction of looking away from the road to tap a phone screen becomes especially dangerous in congested school drop-off zones, they say. "Our recent study revealed 88 percent of drivers use their phones while driving--definitely a contributor to the one in three drivers showing unsafe pickup or drop-off behavior in school zones," according to the report.

Zendrive works with companies and transportation companies to improve safety of its drivers and lower accident rates and insurance costs. The Bay Area company measures driver safety using phone apps and has tracked 30 billion miles of driving. Zendrive used anonymous driver data from customers and shared by partners, including GasBuddy, Life360, and HopSkipDrive, to profile schools and districts nationwide.

Los Angeles County was 53rd in the state ranking for driver safety around campuses among 55 counties counted by Zendrive. California and Florida received an F among the 50 states, while Nevada and Arizona made the bottom rankings with a D and D- respectively. Oregon drivers were judged best in the West, earning a B. •

Police Reports

Thursday, September 14

A vehicle theft occurred between 1900 hours on 09/13/17 and 0700 hours on 09/14/17 in the 400 block of Virginia Street. Taken was a 2006 Chevrolet van.

A misdemeanor hit and run occurred at 0830 hours in the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard, vehicle versus vehicle.

An online identity theft report was taken at 1046 hours from the 300 block of Virginia Street. Unknown suspect (s) opened fraudulent credit accounts using the victim's personal information.

One female adult was arrested at 2226 hours from Aviation Boulevard and Isis Avenue for misdemeanor DUI.

Friday, September 15

Impersonating another report was taken at 1043 hours from the 800 block of East Grand Avenue.

One male adult was arrested at 1342 hours from the 800 block of South Douglas Street for identity theft, possession of a fictions check and one LASD misdemeanor warrant.

Traffic accident (no injuries) occurred at 1345 hours from the 2200 block of East Mariposa Avenue, vehicle versus vehicle.

An identity theft report was taken at 1636 hours from the 300 block of West Imperial Avenue.

Burglary (auto) report was taken at 1642 hours from the 1400 block of East Imperial Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry into the victim's vehicle and stole her purse and wallet.

Misdemeanor hit and run report was taken at 2220 hours from Aviation Boulevard and El Segundo Boulevard, vehicle versus street sign.

Saturday, September 16

One female adult was arrested at 0434 hours from Maple Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard for possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia

and one SBSD misdemeanor warrant.

A found property report was taken at 1902 hours from the 400 block of California Street. A suspicious package was left at the residence.

One male adult was arrested at 2255 hours from Mariposa Avenue and Nash Street for plain drunk in public.

Sunday, September 17

One male adult was arrested at 0351 hours from Grand Avenue and Virginia Street for one outstanding LASD misdemeanor warrant and one felony want.

One male adult was arrested at 0814 hours from West Oak Avenue and Virginia Street for one outstanding ESPD misdemeanor warrant.

One male adult was arrested at 1608 hours from the 700 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard for possession of a controlled substance and false identification to a peace officer.

Monday, September 18

One male adult was arrested at 0233 hours from 123rd Street and Aviation Boulevard for driving with a suspended license and carrying a loaded firearm in a public place.

One female adult was arrested at 0415 hours from the 2500 block of East El Segundo Boulevard for one outstanding felony Alameda Sheriff's warrant.

One male adult was arrested at 0855 hours from Pepper Street and Walnut Avenue for burglary and two outstanding LAPD misdemeanor warrants.

An attempted burglary report was taken at 1147 hours from the 500 block of South Douglas Street. Unknown suspect(s) damaged the victim's bay door in an attempt to enter the location.

An identity theft report was taken at 1155 hours from the 400 block of Indiana Street.

An identity theft report was taken at 1454 hours from the 500 block of East Pine Avenue.

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Eagles

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12 kills per match and eight per set.

Kurke continued her spectacular play in the Torrance Tournament. She helped lead the Lady Eagles to the semifinals and a 4-2 record in the tournament (11-8 overall).

The Lady Eagles opened up their Ocean League schedule against Culver City but were swept 23-25, 15-25, 14-25 by the second-ranked Centaurs. El Segundo had too many unforced errors, struggled passing and were blocked at the net.

The Lady Eagles continued their Ocean League schedule Tuesday against Beverly Hills. Today they travel to Lawndale to face

the Cardinals. Next week the Eagles host Hawthorne on Tuesday and 10th-ranked Santa Monica on Thursday. Both matches are set to start at 3:15 p.m.

Cross Country Update

Both boys' and girls' cross country teams are having a good start to their seasons. Both teams are ranked eighth in the CIF Southern Section Division 4 polls. The boys' finished second at the highly competitive Woodbridge Classic. The team was a mere three seconds behind meet winner Ocean View. Garret Rifkin finished fourth while Noah Fenton finished 11th to pace the Eagles. The



Tyler Villalobos closes in on Eric Suarez and causes him to fumble the ball.

girls' team, led by junior Nikki Fulcomer, sophomore Sophia Zago and junior Gabby Lee, finished eighth.

The Eagles competed in their first Ocean League meet yesterday at Rancho Park. The Eagles will host the second Ocean League meet on Wednesday, October 18, at Rec Park.

Boys Water Polo Improves to 11-3

The Eagles improved to 11-3 on the year after defeating Peninsula 7-6 and Division 2 power Hoover (Pasadena) 14-9. The Eagles started slowly against Peninsula, as the offense was limited. The game went into overtime when the Owen Hale scored the go-ahead

game-winner. Hale scored all seven of El Segundo's goals. Caden Kastigar had 12 saves on goal while Kyle Crist had three steals and three assists.

Against a physically tough Hoover team, the Eagles fought through adversity to control the tempo and the game. Crist led the team with seven goals and Hale chipped in four. Kalan Smith, Brian Schodorf and Jaden Van Der Woude each scored one goal while Kastigar had eight saves.

Ocean League play opened up yesterday against Culver City and host Beverly Hills in another league matchup today at 3 p.m. •



Eagle center #52 Jess Caravello played a big part of the Eagles' win playing both ways.



Maddie Kurke gets off a hit against Culver City.



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Last Saturday, large crowds came out for The Fair on Richmond Street (formerly known as Richmond Street Fair), enjoying a fun-filled day of music, vendors, rides and more. The fundraising event, produced by the El Segundo Kiwanis Club, took place along the five downtown blocks of Richmond Street as well as on portions of Grand and Franklin avenues.



Charlie Barlup taking a ride on the dinosaur.



Marten Nieto getting set up in the fire truck.



Rick Rockmoore serving up the beef.



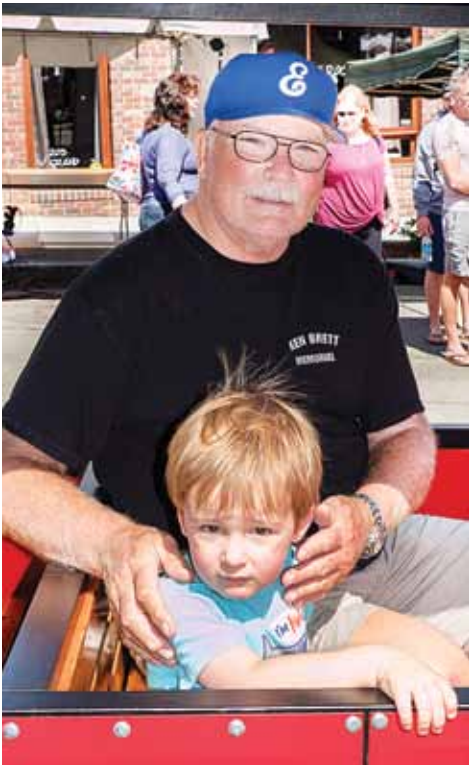
El Segundo High School Principal Jennifer Tedford at the Rotary Booth as a Lego.



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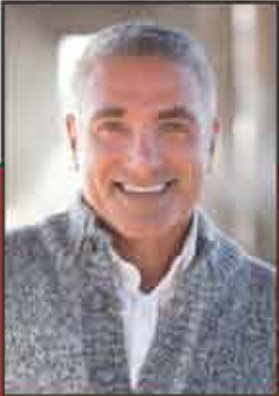
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School Board

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Heartworm

from page 3

the review of science graduation requirements at El Segundo High; and the full integration of the program in grades seven and eight.

While the full implementation of NGSS El Segundo is, as termed by Superintendent Melissa Moore, “a work in progress,” current School Board President Bill Watkins, a longtime educator and administrator, noted, “It is exciting to see the progress we have made in the implementation of the Next Generation Science Standards. Being a small district, we can have science teachers from all grade levels meet to plan an articulated curriculum that allows our students to study science using the latest strategies to meet our state standards. With preparation taking place for the past few years, we are at the initial stages for implementation in the classrooms.”

Prior to the meeting, Janicek had emailed that “tonight some of our lead science teachers from grades K-12 will share the ESUSD timeline and implementation of the Next Generation Science Standards. These standards offer an opportunity to truly transform science teaching and learning to focus on a deep scientific inquiry. Given the passion and talent of our lead teachers in tackling this challenge, ESUSD is poised to definitively alter the way students interact with science in the classroom. We want our students to leave ESUSD as competent problem solvers, computationally thinkers, global collaborators and creative communicators. The plan our science teachers are developing facilitates this goal. “

Tuesday night’s meeting also featured a bi-yearly presentation made by Arena High students Charlotte Kendall and Ines Delude about the events taking place at that campus, and their road to attending and being successful at Arena.

Consent agenda items were next on the agenda, with the approval of the upcoming AVID college tour being one of the highlights. The trip, slated to take place during the second week in November, is expected to encompass about 40 students who will travel by bus to the campuses of CSU Channel Islands, UC Santa Barbara, and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. The travelling students will not only physically visit the campus grounds, but will be counseled about college admission requirements and academics in a collegiate environment, as well as the vagaries of life attending a school away from their home comfort zones.

AVID advisor Gianna Summers has been spearheading these trips for a decade. She emailed that “we have taken our AVID program and any ESHS student who would like to attend on an overnight tour since 2007. We usually plan a tour in and around California to see three to five colleges each visit so that students can get a clear view of the different styles of campus that are offered. The benefits are unbelievable. The students feel confident when they are on the college campus and know that they have this possibility in their future if they work hard. We encourage our students to evaluate the environment, study programs and the feel of the campus so that when it is time to apply to schools, they will have a great perspective on what type of campus they feel best at!”

Also approved by the Board were the “Sports Days” program that the Eagles’ Nest preschoolers will take part in on October 2 and 3; and approval of a \$4,000 expenditure to overhaul District websites that will make them more similar in layout and user-friendly.

Action items included the approval of a High School Physical Science Course and textbook; and approval of a consulting contract that will run through the end of November that will dovetail with the continuing installation of the modular classroom projects at Center Street and the Middle School.

After that, Moore noted upcoming events on the District informational calendar, including the October 4 Middle School Community Project Parent Info Night.

During the member reports section of the meeting, Board member Nancy Cobb mentioned the seriousness of addressing “bullying” as a persistent problem on District campuses.

October 10 will be a unique day for the Board members, as they will be taking part in a joint meeting with El Segundo City Council members to discuss joint ventures involving both groups-including partnership on the much-anticipated aquatics center that is under construction on Douglas Street. That meeting will kick off at 6 p.m., 90 minutes prior to the evening’s regularly scheduled School Board meeting. •

to occur as early as 50 days from infection, prevention medicine is ineffective at killing the worm. In dogs, the mature worms are killed with a series of injections. Depending on the health of the dog and the degree of damage in the heart and lungs, the treatment protocol may involve hospitalization during the injections. A month or more of daily antibiotics is also prescribed to kill a bacteria that is symbiotic with the worm. During this treatment some dogs can experience complications from the dead worms and may suddenly die.

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kill the adult worm in a cat. There is only monthly preventive medication. While there are cats that will survive the infection and eventually death of the parasitic worm in the heart and lung, it’s not a good gamble to skip the safe and effective preventive medications.

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Dr. Greg Perrault owns and operates Cats & Dogs Animal Hospital in Long Beach. •

Police Reports

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Wednesday, September 20

One male juvenile was detained and transported to Los Padrinos Detention Center at 0413 hours from California Street and Imperial Avenue for grand theft auto and one outstanding Felony LASO warrant.

A petty theft report was taken at 1258 hours from the 700 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard. Taken was a purse.

A found property report was taken at 1257 hours from Franklin Avenue and Main Street. Found was a bicycle.

One male adult was arrested at 1422 hours from the 2300 block of East Rosecrans Avenue for identity theft, possession of stolen property, and trespassing.

A misdemeanor hit and run report was taken at 1641 hours from the 200 block of Main Street, vehicle versus parked vehicle.

A vehicle theft occurred between 0500 hours on 09/20/17 and 1638 hours on 09/20/17 from the 300 block of West El Segundo Boulevard. Taken was a 1996 Honda Accord. •

A stolen plate report was taken at 1538 hours from the 200 block of Virginia Street.

Tuesday, September 19

A burglary (auto) report was taken at 0834 hours from the 800 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry by unknown means. Taken was a GPS device.

A vehicle theft occurred between 1800 hours on 09/19/17 and 1843 hours on 09/19/17 in the 900 block of East Imperial Avenue. Taken was a 2009 Honda Civic.

-One male adult was arrested at 1920 hours from Hawthorne PD for one outstanding ESPD misdemeanor warrant.

One female adult was arrested at 2045 hours from Redondo Beach PD for one outstanding ESPD felony warrant.

One male adult was arrested at 2151 hours from West Grand Avenue and Richmond Street for one outstanding ESPD misdemeanor warrant.

One female adult was arrested at 2154 hours from East Grand Avenue and Standard Street for public intoxication.

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Study Session



Policy Discussion on Marijuana Related Land Uses

The Planning Commission will hold a study session with City staff to discuss new state laws related to marijuana related land uses and options for regulation in El Segundo. Public input is welcomed and encouraged. No final decisions will be made at this meeting. At a future hearing, the Planning Commission will make recommendations for the City Council to approve a possible ordinance regulating marijuana-related land uses. The City Council is the final decision maker on any such ordinance. This item is referenced as Environmental Assessment EA-1199 and Zone Text Amendment ZTA 17-07.

When: Thursday, October 12, 2017, 5:30 pm
City Council Chambers
350 Main Street
El Segundo, CA 90245

Further Information: Any person may give public comment at the time and place indicated above. Written comments may be submitted to Raneika Brooks, Assistant Planner, at rbrooks@elsegundo.org or mailed to the address above.

Gregg McClain, Planning Manager
City of El Segundo

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All over the world, the shift toward cashless payments is well underway. On the beaches of Cabo San Lucas, taco and tamale vendors are starting to offer their delicious food to customers with the swipe or tap of a card on a mobile phone. In Singapore, consumers can rent bikes, pay for their morning coffee and split their dinner bill without ever needing cash, and in Warsaw, as cashless payments are becoming increasingly accepted, tourists can start to tap and pay their way around the city without carrying cash.

The United States is seeing similar changes. Cash and checks are on their way out and swiping, dipping, tapping and clicking are filling the void - benefiting consumers and businesses alike.

A recent Cashless Cities study from Visa, set to be released later this year, finds that if businesses in the top 100 U.S. cities transitioned from cash to digital payments, those businesses and their cities would experience net benefits of \$312 billion per year. Businesses in New York City alone would net \$6.8 billion while saving more than 186 million hours in labor. But the benefits of taking checks and cash

out of the system do not stop at labor cost efficiencies. They include:

- Convenience. Consumers and businesses alike benefit from the speed and convenience of electronic and digital payments. Faster checkout times mean more sales for businesses and more time to spend on the important things in life for consumers.
- Security. Accepting cash payments has always placed businesses in a bind; as their revenue increases, so does their risk of falling victim to theft. Transitioning to cashless payment options enhances security and reduces risk for businesses and their customers.
- Reduced costs. Cash payments must be counted, stored and transported. There are costs associated with all of these processes. Adopting cashless payments saves businesses time and money.

Many businesses across the country are already benefiting from going cashless, but for companies - particularly small businesses that have yet to take the leap - now is the perfect time to make such a change.

Visa is announcing The Visa Cashless Challenge, a call to action for small business restaurants, cafés or food truck owners to describe what cashless means for them, their employees and customers. Visa will be awarding up to \$500,000 to 50 eligible U.S.-based small business food service owners who commit to joining the 100 percent cashless quest.

Business owners can learn more about the challenge and the other benefits of going cashless at www.visa.com/cashless. Complete rules and information will be available on the website on Aug. 15. •

Seniors

Hey Guys. Is Your Good Health A Perception Or Reality?

(BPT) - When it comes to health, perception is not always reality. This is especially true when considering how men care for themselves when faced with a health condition. In fact, while most men would say they are more focused on their health than they have been in the past, physicians report a different truth. This difference is especially concerning when it comes to treating chronic conditions, because failure to follow treatment regimens may lead to bigger health problems in the future.

Missed Appointments and Opportunities

According to research from the American Academy of Family Physicians, which surveyed its member physicians, one in five doctors said up to half of their male patients failed to fill a prescription. In addition, one in three doctors said that up to half of their male patients did not take a prescription as directed. Four in ten reported that up to half of their male patients failed to follow up with a regular routine test when ordered for their condition.

In addition, nearly a quarter of surveyed doctors said up to half of their male patients failed to show up for planned follow-up visits.

These missed opportunities come at a time when chronic conditions among men continue to rise. According to the National Ambulatory Medical Survey, diagnoses of three common, yet potentially severe, conditions all have increased year over year. The data shows that cases of high blood pressure

(4 percent increase), high cholesterol (5 percent) and diabetes (2 percent) have all seen notable increases.

“People may not take these conditions seriously because they don’t have any noticeable symptoms, and that’s a big mistake,” says John Meigs, Jr., MD, president of the AAFP. “High blood pressure and high cholesterol have been called ‘silent killers’ for a reason. If they aren’t controlled, they can lead to heart attack, stroke or kidney disease. In addition to these complications, uncontrolled diabetes also can cause blindness, nerve damage and loss of limbs.

“So it’s vital that men see their doctors, get preventive care and follow instructions for any chronic diseases they may have.”

Finding Solutions for Ongoing Care

Fortunately, taking a more proactive approach to health care is easier than most men think. A visit to your family physician is the first step toward taking charge of your health and identifying any health issues. Your family physician will help you learn about any chronic conditions you might have and how to treat them. For health information that is easy to understand, visit familydoctor.org. You’ll find a men’s guide to preventive health care, and information about healthy diets and weight control. Follow the advice provided here, as well as your doctor’s recommendations, and you’ll turn your goal for good health from simple perception into reality. •

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Looking Up

Comet or Asteroid? Hubble Discovers That a Unique Object Is a Binary

Press Release from Space Telescope Science Institute, Provided by Bob Eklund

NASA's Hubble Space Telescope helped an international team of astronomers find that an unusual object in the asteroid belt is, in fact, two asteroids orbiting each other that have comet-like features. These include a bright halo of material, called a coma, and a long tail of dust.

Hubble was used to image the asteroid, designated 300163 (2006 VW139), in September 2016 just before the asteroid made its closest approach to the Sun. Hubble's crisp images revealed that it was actually not one, but two asteroids of almost the same mass and size, orbiting each other at a distance of 60 miles.

Asteroid 300163 (2006 VW139) was discovered by Spacewatch in November 2006 and then the possible cometary activity was seen in November 2011 by Pan-STARRS. Both Spacewatch and Pan-STARRS are asteroid survey projects of NASA's Near Earth Object Observations Program. After the Pan-STARRS observations it was also given a comet designation of 288P. This makes the object the first known binary asteroid that is also classified as a main-belt comet.

The more recent Hubble observations revealed ongoing activity in the binary system. "We detected strong indications for the sublimation of water ice due to the increased solar heating — similar to how the tail of

a comet is created," explained team leader Jessica Agarwal of the Max Planck Institute for Solar System Research, Germany.

The combined features of the binary asteroid—wide separation, near-equal component size, high eccentricity orbit, and comet-like activity—also make it unique among the few known binary asteroids that have a wide separation. Understanding its origin and evolution may provide new insights into the early days of the solar system. Main-belt comets may help to answer how water came to a bone-dry Earth billions of years ago.

The team estimates that 2006 VW139/288P

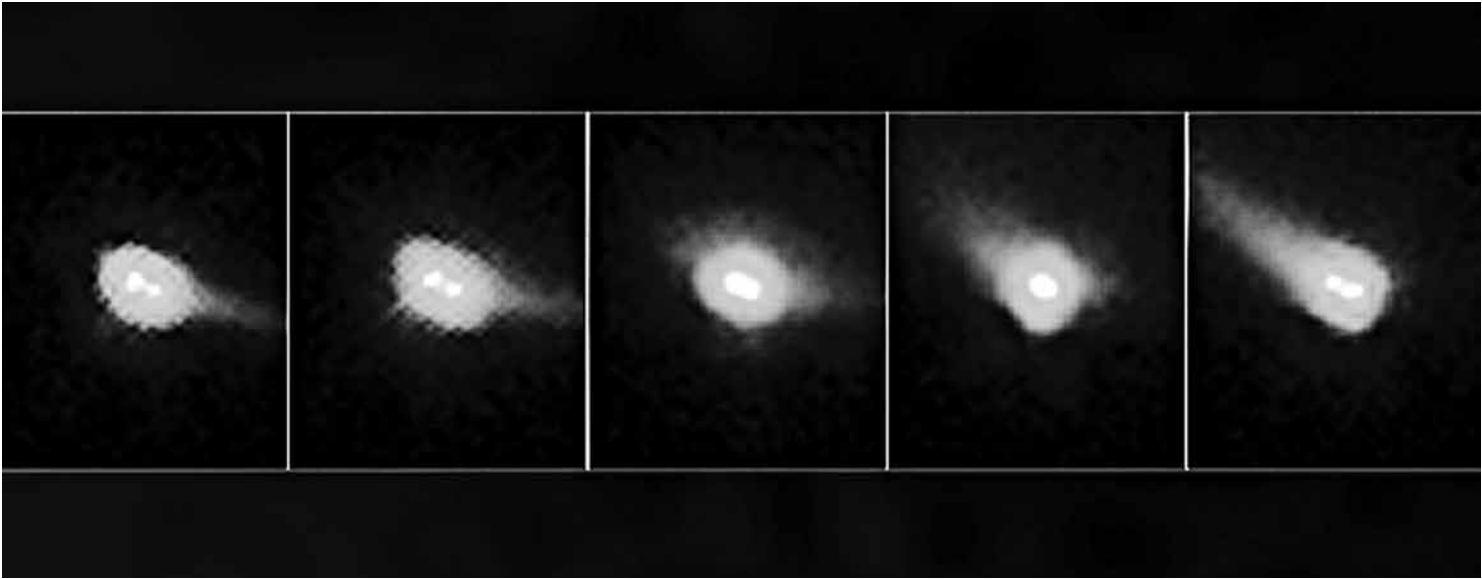
has existed as a binary system only for about 5,000 years. The most probable formation scenario is a breakup due to fast rotation. After that, the two fragments may have been moved further apart by the effects of ice sublimation, which would give a tiny push to an asteroid in one direction as water molecules are ejected in the other direction.

The fact that 2006 VW139/288P is so different from all other known binary asteroids raises some questions about how common such systems are in the asteroid belt. "We need more theoretical and observational work, as well as more objects similar to this

object, to find an answer to this question," concluded Agarwal.

The research is presented in a paper, to be published in the journal *Nature* this week.

The Hubble Space Telescope is a project of international cooperation between NASA and ESA (European Space Agency). NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Maryland, manages the telescope. The Space Telescope Science Institute (STScI) in Baltimore, Maryland, conducts Hubble science operations. STScI is operated for NASA by the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy, Inc., in Washington, D.C. •



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Mummy is a fantastic mama cat to her current litter "The Monster Kittens." She has given birth to many litters in her day and is finally ready to take a well-deserved break. Mummy is a very sweet and docile feline. When she is caring for her babies, she makes sure they always come first. When she is alone for a moment, she is ready to be the center of attention. Mummy loves to chat with her visitors, often meowing, trilling and purring. She is ready for the easy life and would love to go to her new forever home with one of her babies (preferably Ghost), or by herself where she can be reborn into the queen bee she's always wanted to be.

Oksana is super-sweet and playful. She is a little shy, but with a little bit of time she comes around and her personality shines. She has tons of energy and likes to follow other kittens instead of being the leader. This little marmalade will melt your heart. She is at Northridge PetSmart in the enclosures. Come check Oksana out and you, too, will be in love.



Oksana



Macaroon

Macaroon is a sweet, but shy young cat. He is energetic and loves to play, but he will need a few days to feel comfortable interacting with people and other cats. Once he feels safe, Macaroon is affectionate and playful. He needs to go to a home with people who will let him take his own time to settle in. He is smart and observant and is always taking things in. Macaroon is very sweet with the young kittens in his foster home, letting them eat first and even letting them take his toys if they want to play with them. You will love his green eyes that contrast strikingly with his Russian blue color.

Vanessa is a dreamy kitty--a blue cream calico polydactyl. She is super affectionate, playful and pretty as a picture. Your jaw will drop when you meet her. Vanessa likes being in the center of the action--she wants to hop on the laundry you are folding, sit on your lap to watch TV and even watch you scoop the litterbox. She must be paired with a fun, young companion cat to meet her social needs. Her brother Taylor is a good match, or Rascal could be a good friend.

Taylor is almost indescribable. He is "an experience." Taylor is a resilient, affectionate cat who is ready to conquer the world. He wakes up, stretches and says, "Hey world, I'm here!" He was saved with his lovely sister, Vanessa. He has been through many changes, yet is unphased. Taylor must be paired with a young, fun, beta kitty to meet his social needs. A good match is his sister Vanessa. We have other excellent candidates too.

Rascal is a darling and handsome young, black/white tuxedo boy. He is a very loving, playful, curious, energetic, happy little boy! He is also very much a lap kitty....a smart, well-mannered sweetheart. Rascal loves to wrestle,



Vanessa



Rascal

play soccer with toys and chase wand toys. With his playful nature, he would be best with a playful, friendly, beta companion. After playtime, he likes to snuggle on your lap. At night, he wants to be curled up by your side. If you are looking for an exceptionally happy, fun kitten, little Rascal is your guy.

Gaston is a handsome boy who enjoys gentle grooming. He has a lot of love to give to his forever family. Gaston is mildly playful, but may become more active when he is no longer caged. He would do well as an only pet or with a dog or cat that doesn't come on too strong. He has been through a lot of changes recently, so he is looking for security and comfort in his forever home. Gaston would be okay with children over



Gaston



Taylor

seven who have a respect for animals.

Brandi and **Cory** are bonded siblings and must be adopted together. They also like other friendly, beta, fun kitties and could be a great family addition to a home with a sweet-natured cat. They are very darling, affectionate, beautiful and smart youngsters. They love getting pets and chin scratches--and purr in approval. Brandi has a soft meow when she wants attention. Corey is the quieter of the two. It is expected that they both will be more vocal, as Siamese often are, when they feel completely at home. They bond to their caretakers quickly. Like most cats, they need to transition slowly to feel safe and establish their territory. These are the sweetest pair who snuggle when you hold them. They like to explore and also like calming classical music. Brandi and Cory are eager for a home of their own.

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