

Business Briefs



The Winner and participating advertisers (Left to right) Rachel Belle, private dining coordinator, McCormick & Schmick's, Victor Solis, Food and Beverage Manager, McCormick & Schmick's, Norma Catania, Herald Publications, Daniel Nelson, Restaurant Manager, 1440 bistro & bar, Winner Elaine Allen and Stacy Phelan, Director of Food and Beverage, 1440 bistro & bar. Not shown: Brenda Newman, The Jewelry Source, Sandra Calleros, D.D.S. and Ahmad Michael, St. Anthony pharmacy.

MOTHER'S DAY SPECIAL SECTION WINNER

Herald Publication's Mother's Day Specials Section winner was Elaine Allen!! Elaine found the flower sticker in the Special Section and won five gift certificates. The gift certificates were purchased from advertisers that participated in the Special Section: The Jewelry Source, McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurant, Sandra Calleros dental office, St. Antony Pharmacy and 1440 bistro & bar.

WYLE ENTERS INTO MERGER AGREEMENT WITH COURT SQUARE CAPITAL

Wyle Holdings, Inc., one of the nation's leading providers of specialized engineering, professional, and information technology services to military and civilian government agencies, announced that it has entered into a definitive merger agreement to be acquired by Court Square Capital Partners. The transaction is subject to obtaining the consent of Wyle's first lien lenders and certain regulatory approvals.

Littlejohn & Co. acquired Wyle in 2003 and made additional investments in 2005 and 2008 to significantly broaden the company's

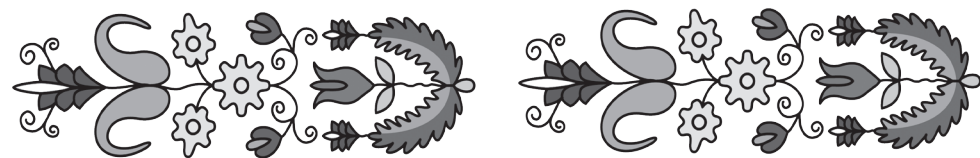
service offering and customer base. Additionally, Littlejohn recruited a world class management team, headed by CEO George R. Melton, to execute the company's growth strategy. Today Wyle generates revenue of approximately \$800 million and employs more than 3,800 people.

GO METRO TO 13TH ANNUAL JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

Celebrate that historic moment this year at the 13th Annual Juneteenth event Saturday, June 13 from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Martin Luther King, Jr. Park, Long Beach. Take the Metro Blue Line to the Pacific Coast Highway exit and the park is a short walk from there.

The Juneteenth Celebration will feature an open-air festival with live musical performances, children's area, food and merchandise vendors, and much more. The West Coast premiere of the "Bicentennial Symphony" will be the highlight of this year's event.

Metro patrons who show a valid Metro pass, Metro Rail ticket or Destination Discount card at the event information table will receive a free souvenir program. For customized route information using Metro, go to the Trip Planner at www.metro.net or call 1 (800) COMMUTE.



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Champs

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on a fielder's choice by Bryan Johnson to give the A's a 7-6 lead. In the bottom half of the inning, Long struck out the first two batters, but Stephen Zinn singled with two outs. Long got the third out on another strikeout and the A's claimed their AAA championship.

Finally, the Majors' championship game was played with the A's playing the Mets for bragging rights. These two teams had played a game two nights before with the A's scoring an improbable 11-10 last inning win to force the championship game.

The A's, 14-6 on the year, had arguably one of the top defensive teams in the league, but the Mets have one of the top shortstops in Hunter Lewis. The A's struck first and often and by hammering out hit after hit against the Mets' pitching staff. With the A's leading 19-8 in the fifth inning, the Mets scratched across a couple of runs and had runners in scoring position when the rally was cut short. In the sixth inning, Jake Palmer and Lars Nootbaar hit consecutive doubles for another run and the A's went

on to win the Major division 20-10.

Championship Saturday was filled with great pitching, hitting and fielding as the best six teams played for a chance to say they were the best team in their respective divisions. It's hard to name an MVP of the league or for that matter in each division because each player in the league was a most valuable player to their team. But one manager stood out from all of the rest of the managers and coaches in the league and he should be recognized as the unofficial Manager of the Year.

Chuck Judge managed the AA A's to the championship and he did it by focusing on teaching the game the appropriate way, giving each player an opportunity to pitch at Brett Field and play each position--and most importantly, insisting on the players having fun. Coach Judge certainly exemplifies what Little League baseball is all about along with his coaching staff of Tom Kehl, Rick Loe and Dana Lund. Congratulations to Coach Judge and to all of the teams and players this year. You were all winners. •

EarthTalk

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away in Oakland? To "go where the mattresses are," says Chance Fitzpatrick of the group.) The facility has been processing upwards of 300 mattresses and box springs per week ever since.

During the recycling process, each mattress or box spring is pushed onto a conveyor belt, where specially designed saws cut away soft materials on the top and bottom, separating the polyurethane foam and cotton fiber from the framework. The metal pieces are magnetically removed, and the remaining fiber materials are then shredded and baled. The whole process takes one worker just three to four minutes per mattress.

On a slow day, the DR3 facility recycles

some 1,500 pounds of polyurethane foam, which totals a half million or more pounds over the course of a year. "A well-oiled recycling factory can reuse 90 percent of the mattress," reports Josh Peterson of Discovery's Planet Green website. "The cotton and cloth get turned into clothes. The springs and the foam get recycled, and the wood gets turned into chips."

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