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# Southern Californians Bundle Up as Freeze Warnings Issued



Southern Californians are doing their best to stay warm during this surprising cold spell. SCE reminds its customers to stay safe when using electricity during cold weather spells, especially around portable heaters and electric blankets. Make sure you are well prepared for an outage, especially if you rely on electric heat. If you are using space heaters, try to keep one room warm at a time. It's safer and will help to keep your electric bill lower. Remember to turn your portable heater off when you leave a room or go to bed. Check on elderly and medically fragile neighbors to make sure they are safe during an outage. For more information, go to: www.sce.com/staysafe. Photo by Shelley Kemp.

# New Treasurer Crista Binder Sworn In at Council Meeting

By Brian Simon

New City Treasurer Crista Binder took the oath of office during Tuesday night's El Segundo City Council meeting. She replaces Chris Powell, who resigned in December due to personal reasons. Binder outlasted six other candidates interviewed by the Council last week. Mayor Carl Jacobson noted it was a "rough decision" but that her past experience was a key reason for her selection. Binder's resume includes a stint as Assistant Treasurer for the City of Los Angeles, among other prominent financial management positions. Noting that treasury is a passion of hers, Binder said she looked forward to helping the City "maximize revenues and reduce costs." Later in the meeting, Jacobson announced Binder's resignation from the Capital Improvement Program Advisory Committee—a required move upon her appointment to Treasurer.

Also on Tuesday, a first reading took place to change the City code regarding how it regulates massage establishments and massage technicians. Planning and Building Safety Director Sam Lee explained that the City's current regulations can no longer be enforced due to changes on the State level. In the future, massage establishments and technicians must display a State certification (after undergoing hundreds of hours of State training, an exam and a background check) in contrast to the current code that requires a local permit and El Segundo Police Department-conducted background investigation. El Segundo currently has six massage establishments, with business licenses issued to 31 massage technicians last year. Police reported no criminal filings related to massage businesses in the last five years.

Public Works Director Stephanie Katsouleas

provided a state of the streets summary in connection with the 2013-2018 Pavement Management Report and was "pleasantly surprised" by the results. The report, due every three years, evaluates the condition of city streets on a numerical scale of 0-100,

with a pavement condition index (PCI) of 73 or higher the target number to reach or exceed. The new report considered 32.1 miles of major and minor arterials as well as 28.2 miles of local streets. The city's overall PCI

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## **Multiple Spots to Open on Commissions, Committees and Boards**

By Brian Simon

The City of El Segundo is looking for a few good men and women, as more than a dozen positions on various local commissions, committees and boards will open up over the course of 2013. While actual applicant interviews take place about a month before the vacancies occur, the City has already begun to alert residents about the upcoming seats in hopes of attracting a strong core of candidates.

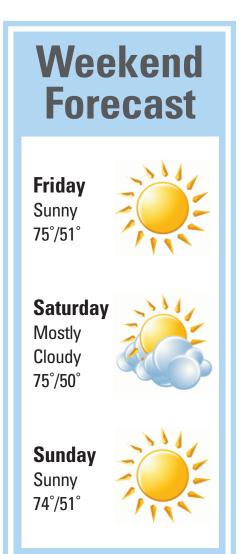
"These groups play critical roles in helping maintain El Segundo's high quality of life standards and they are absolutely invaluable to us in terms of the input they offer to help us in our decision-making," said Councilmember Bill Fisher, whose local volunteerism included chairing the El Segundo Education Foundation's corporate giving committee and serving as President of the Kiwanis and as Treasurer for the Chamber of Commerce. "The people who volunteer their time and expertise on our commissions, committees and boards provide a vital service to this community and we hope many qualified citizens will step up to the plate over the next few

months to apply for these positions."

Such service can also be a stepping stone to the City Council itself. Current members Suzanne Fuentes and Marie Fellhauer are former Planning Commissioners, while Dave Atkinson sat on both the Capital Improvement Program Advisory Committee and Senior Citizen Housing Corporation Board. And prior to his lengthy Council career, Mayor Carl Jacobson served on the Airport Safety and Noise Abatement Committee (ASNAC), Economic Base Committee, Planning Commission and Traffic Advisory Committee.

Mayor Pro Tem Fuentes, who was also appointed to ASNAC while on the Planning Commission and later also chosen for the El Segundo Unified School District's ESHS Facilities Advisory Committee, urged citizens to get involved and not to become discouraged if they are not selected the first go-around. "Originally I applied and was interviewed for several committees and commissions, but was not chosen for any of them," said Fuentes.

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## <u>Calendar</u>

There is a limited word count of 20 words and fees will apply. Email to escalendar@ heraldpublications.com. Deadline for submissions is Thursday at 9 a.m.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 17

• Oklahoma!, 7:00 p.m. Also 1/18, 19, 24, 25, 26 at and January 20 & 27 at 2:00 pm, George E. Gordon Clubhouse at Rec Park. For more information call (310) 524-2362.

#### Friday, January 18

· Complimentary Easybridge! Class, 1-3 p.m. at the El Segundo Woman's Club, 541 Standard St. For more information call Jeff Grotenhuis 600-4275.

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

- Tree Musketeers' Treat Your Trees Series-Free Pruning Workshop, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. For more information contact volunteers@ treemusketeers.org or (310) 322-0263.
- Concerts in the Library: Aquarius-The Music of Woodstock & Monterey Pop, 2 p.m., 111 W. Mariposa Ave. For more information

call (310) 524-2728.

• Free Community Shred Day, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., City Hall parking lot. For more information call Becky Sumi in Public Works at (310) 524-2357.

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

• Evening Book Discussion Featuring "The Age of Miracles", 6:30 p.m., in the library's Friends of the Library Room, 111 W. Mariposa Ave. For more information call (310) 524-2728.

• City Council Regular Meeting, Feb. 5 7-10 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 350 Main St. For more information call City Clerk's Office at (310) 524-2306.

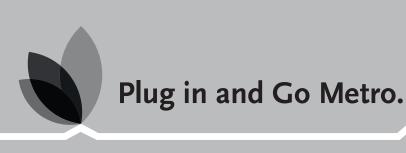
• Farmer's Market is held every Thursday on Main Street between Holly and Pine Avenues from 3-7 p.m. For more information contact Farmers' Market manager, Val Patterson, at (310) 615-2649. •

#### Recruits <u>Hometown</u>

#### AIR FORCE AIRMAN STEVEN M. PHILLIPS GRADUATES FROM **MILITARY TRAINING**

Air Force Airman Steven M. Phillips graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and basic warfare principles and skills. Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force. Phillips is the son of Heather LaFlower of Indiana Court, El Segundo, and Chris Phillips of Chandler Street, Wilmington. He is a 2012 graduate of El Segundo High School.





## **Metro Briefs**

**SOUTH BAY** 

#### **Metro Installing EV Charge Stations**

Metro is the first transit agency in the nation to introduce electric vehicle (EV) charge stations at rail station parking lots. Five Metro Rail stations will have them: Union Station, Sierra Madre Villa, Universal City, El Segundo, and Willow. Riders with EVs can charge their cars while using the Metro system. More at metro.net/ev.

#### Get Your ExpressLanes Transponder

Thousands of motorists are getting through traffic faster by using the new Metro ExpressLanes on the I-110 Harbor Freeway, which will soon be expanded to a 14-mile stretch on the I-10. All you need is a FasTrak® account and transponder; to get yours, visit metro.net/expresslanes.

#### Lane Closures Ahead For Sepulveda Pass

Individual lane closures for resurfacing and striping are on the schedule for early this year on the I-405 Freeway in the Sepulveda Pass as part of the freeway improvements project. Check *metro.net*/405 for the latest information on closures and construction schedules.

#### **Private Sector Considered For Pass Improvements**

Metro is looking to the private sector for future improvements to the Sepulveda Pass Corridor. Being considered are adding another connection between the Valley and Westside with either a rapid bus transit system or a tunnel under the pass; a publicprivate partnership would accelerate the project.

#### Metro Runs Weekends 'Til 2am

All Metro Rail lines, along with the Metro Orange and Silver lines, provide extended service running until approximately 2am on Friday and Saturday nights. Catch the overtime action, stay for the encore or take time for a bite to eat and still count on Metro for your ride home! For exact schedules, check metro.net.



If you'd like to know more, visit metro.net.

## <u>Obituaries</u>

## **Jack Houston Curtis**

October 24, 1928 - December 28, 2012

Jack H. Curtis was born and raised in Tennessee, the son of John Wesley Curtis and Hettie Jane Midgett Curtis. He was preceded in death by his beloved daughter Jacquelyne in 1977 and infant grandson Chad Michael Curtis, three sisters and two brothers. He is survived by wife Allie Inez Russell Curtis of El Segundo, CA, son Joseph

Michael Curtis and wife Deborah of Park City, Utah, four grandchildren, five greatgrandchildren, and his sister Perrie Mathis. He had a special way about him, always greeting you with a sweet smile, kind demeanor and great sense of humor. He was a wonderful and loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He always enjoyed the company of his wife, and family. Jack never missed an opportunity to take the kids to the park, push them on the swings, attend a figure



skating competition, take them golfing, watch a soccer game, attend a cross country meet and even get behind the camera for a persistent granddaughter. His third grandchild, Chad Michael, spent the majority of his life in the hospital, Jack was always there to support his son and daughter in-law, spend time with his grandson or help with his

granddaughters. His love knew no bounds nor did his kindness. There was nothing he would not do for the ones he loved, especially his beautiful wife whom he celebrated 61 years with only the day before his passing. Allie was truly the love of his life, they shared a love that these days is usually something we only see in the movies. Jack lived a great life and will be forever loved and missed by all that knew him. Jack chose cremation and a memorial service will be held in the near future.

### John F. Lipscomb

John F. Lipscomb, beloved husband of Linda Lipscomb, passed away January 13, 2013. He was born October 13, 1926 and was a 55 year resident of El Segundo. He was employed by Douglas Aircraft and TRW Systems in Missile and Defense

Engineering. A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, January 25 at 2 p.m. at Douglass Mortuary in El Segundo. Donations may be made in John's name to the El Segundo Auxiliary of Children's Hospital Los Angeles.

### **City Council**

came in at 64.2—higher than Katsouleas expected—with arterials at 65.6 and local streets at 61.9. While 26 percent of all streets are in good or very good condition (rated at 75-100), 43 percent rank poor or very poor (0-59), prompting the need for an aggressive overlay maintenance program.

To reach the goal of 73-plus, the City will need to allocate \$700,000 annually over the next five years but is running \$200,000 short. It currently spends an average of \$500,000 per year using strictly grant funding from Prop C (which can only be utilized on major corridors or streets that support mass transit), Measure R monies and gas tax returns. Katsouleas hopes to establish a long-term street maintenance program to prioritize where to make repairs and to identify additional funding sources. She also reported that one major project—the restoration of the entire length of Aviation Boulevard-will wrap up soon and help the PCI rating. The City had to accumulate four years of Prop C monies to foot the bill for Aviation. Upcoming projects include a Maple Avenue overlay on the east side of town and slurry sealing in Smoky Hollow.

## from front page

Three El Segundo High School students representing the Key Club (Stephanie Nehme), Grow to Give (Megan Hansford) and environmental group Grades of Green (Abigail Landers) made a presentation to the Council detailing their coalition to foster a local green movement. They summarized their "Think Before You Toss" campaign designed to improve residents' recycling habits and revealed the "eye-opening" results of a recent waste audit conducted at the five highest foot traffic locations in town as well as at El Segundo High. After pulling all the items from five trash bags culled from the high traffic spots, the group found only one bag-worth of pure trash—while 83 percent of the contents could have been recycled. At the high school, only three of 10 bags counted as trash, with 26 percent of the material recyclable and another 24 percent compostable.

The students also recently created a display at the El Segundo Public Library showing the results of the audit and a 3-D representation of trash levels, and ran a booth at the recent Family Energy Day event to get kids interested

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## **Best of the Best Winners 2012**

Breakfast - Wendy's Cafe

Lunch - Main St. Cafe **Dinner** - Chef Hannes

Happy Hour - Rock N

Brews **Pizza** - Hanks Pizza

Italian - Delucca Trattoria

**Chinese** - Canton Low Mexican - Beach Mex

**Japanese** - Hanu Haru

Sandwich - Subway **Dessert** - Coldstone Creamery

Coffee - Blue Butterfly

Coffee Co. Fitness - Curves

**Phy Therapy** - Davis &

Derosa

**Health** - Body Doc

Barber - Marcy's

Barbershop Nail Salon - Queen Nails

**Beauty** - Eriss

**Jewelry** - Jewelry Source **Clothing** - R. Chameleon



**CONGRATULATIONS 2012 WINNERS!** 

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Lynn O'neil

Male Realtor - Bill Ruane Ins Agent - AAA

Bank - Chase **Spectialty** - Natural

Simplicity

**Dentist** - Robert Murphy **Mortuary** - Douglass

Mortuary

**Optometrist** - Advance

Eye Care

Pharmacy - Riteaid **Veterinarian** - Bay Animal

Hospital Pet Groom - Pet Smart

**Auto Repair** - Joe's Auto **Construction** - Hines Const Handyman - Bill Henrichon - Bills Home & Apt. Maint.

**Plumber** - Mattucci Plumbing **Painting** - Painters Plus

## **Business Briefs**

#### **READY TO REMODEL?**

On January 26, at 10:00 a.m., Custom Design & Construction is hosting a seminar designed for people planning a remodel in their home. Come hear answers to questions like "Why is now a good time to remodel your home?" and learn what the step-bystep process is of a typical project. Custom Design & Construction is located at 2001 E. Mariposa Ave. in El Segundo.

## YOUTH DRAMA PROGRAM PRESENTS OKLAHOMA!

The City of El Segundo Recreation & Parks Department announces the Junior and Senior Drama Production of "Oklahoma!" Performances will take place at the George E. Gordon Clubhouse at Recreation Park on January 17, 18, 19 & 24, 25, 26 at 7 p.m. and January 20 & 27 at 2 p.m.. The Junior and Senior Drama Programs are for youth in the El Segundo and surrounding communities' ages five to 18 years old. Pre-Sale tickets are on sale now for \$8 each through January 16. General Admission tickets will be available beginning on January 17 for \$10 each. Children age 2 and under are free. All ages are welcome and invited to attend. For more information or directions to the Clubhouse, interested persons may contact the Recreation & Parks Department at 310-524-2362.

## LAW FIRMS RELOCATE, CELEBRATE GRAND REOPENING

The Sizemore Law Firm, an old friend to the city and The Phillips Law Firm,



previously based in Seattle, Washington, hosted a Grand Reopening to celebrate their new offices in The Plaza Continental Park building last month. The new offices of these firms are now located at 2101 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 3290. More than 150 people attended the event, including El Segundo City Mayor Carl Jacobson, Councilmember Marie Fellhauer, and Manhattan Beach Chamber of Commerce President James O'Callaghan. Photo by Malia Day.

## Business Owner Uses Experience, Knowledge to Provide Free Advice By Cristian Vasquez [BBB and CSLB] exists. some people know

For 18 months, Custom Design & Construction President Bill Simone has been hosting information tailored to guide people through a wide range of home remodeling projects at his El Segundo Design Center. "We have received really, really positive feedback from the attendees. They are just overwhelmed with the idea of beginning the remodeling process, but they don't know where to start and they're generally terrified of hiring the wrong company and being taken advantage of, or being left with an abandoned job, or even entering a job that never ends," Simone said. "It is a very educational 'how-to' in order to ensure that you have a successful remodeling project."

The next information seminar will take place Saturday, January 26 at 10 a.m. Persons interested must RSVP at (310) 815-4815 or they can do it directly online by visiting: www. remodelwithus.com/seminar. The seminars are

[BBB and CSLB] exists. some people know that it exists, but do not know how to use it as a tool," Simone said. "We show them what's available and how to use it to their advantage. We also talk about payment structures, lien releases and protecting themselves against liens filed against their property. We discuss city planning requirements and we go over an anticipated timeline to accomplish all of these things."

The beginning part of the seminar focuses on ensuring how to have a successful project. Then there is a lunch break during which time attendees can provide some feedback and have questions answered. The second part of the seminar is a case study portion where specific projects are analyzed. Attendees will look at projects in the beginning stages through the actual remodeling process until they reach the desired outcome. This allows people to see what type of complications can occur and the different solutions that were possible and

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## Community Briefs

#### TREAT YOUR TREES TO PRUNING

We prune trees for multiple reasons:

- Structure –To create a good, natural form for a long healthy life.
- Tree Health To remove dead, diseased, or broken branches.
- Safety To reduce hazards, create clearance underneath, or to make traffic signs more visible.
- Conflicts To eliminate conflicts with structures, power lines, pedestrians, etc.
- Preventative To thin and lighten the load on lateral branches to reduce the chance of tree failure in storms.

Structural pruning is done in the second or third year after planting. Light pruning to remove dead, broken or diseased branches can take place anytime. Heavy pruning is generally best while trees are dormant or asleep in the winter and before new growth in the spring. This is a hard and fast rule for pines and other coniferous trees. Pruning

rules vary to some extent with evergreens and by species, so ask a Certified Arborist or other tree expert for advice. Whether you are interested in pruning your own trees or being more knowledgeable when you hire someone else to do it, you should attend Tree Musketeers' Treat Your Trees workshop on pruning. Mark your calendar for Saturday, Jan. 19 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Kids and adults can call Tree Musketeers at 310-322-0263 or email volunteers@treemusketeers.org to register.

## FOOD FEST BENEFITS WISEBURN EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Jumping on the current food truck craze sweeping the country, the Wiseburn Education Foundation is hosting a monthly Food Fest that helps raise funds to support music and arts programs within the Wiseburn School District. The Wiseburn Food Fest takes place on the last Friday of every month (excluding

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free and have been growing in popularity due to the positive word of mouth from people who have attended in the past. This month's seminar will focus on issues such as: Why should you remodel your home now, defining your remodeling "wish list," a step-by-step process of a typical project, insights on what to expect, and ensuring success.

"Typically during in addition or remodel, the client may think that one way is the best approach and it may turn out that it is the most economical. However, generally we find other ways to accomplish what it is that the client wants to accomplish," Simone said. "We have a process that we go through to do that and through that process we are trying to figure out how the client can get the most bang for their buck--what is the most cost-effective way to accomplish what you want to accomplish."

Information is also provided about how to select the right remodeling contractor for the client's specific project. The seminars teach people to check references, what to ask for, what to look for with the Better Business Bureau and Contractor's State License Board, in addition to adequately evaluating all pertaining information in order to understand what it means.

"A lot of people do not even know that it

how a compromise is sometimes necessary to meet the client's goals.

"We look at two-dimensional drawings all day long and we can translate those in our mind into a three-dimensional built reality, but most people don't have that ability because they don't do it every day," Simone said. "We have tools available to us to project things in 3-D with actual materials so that the client really gets a full and complete sense of what the project will be when it is completed, before it is ever even begun. There are a number of different ways of accomplishing what you want for a project. It is really about educating the people that attend and arming them with the correct, relevant and timely information that they can use when they are considering remodeling their home."

Through exit surveys with past clients, Simone has been able to pinpoint the types of concerns that people have when considering a remodel or home addition. Common feedback in these surveys included, "I would have done this a lot sooner had I known it was easy," or, "Too bad that there is not something out there that can explain the whole process to us." So Simone decided to act.

"Our philosophy is constant improvements,

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## Police Reports

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 13**

One female adult arrested at 0944 hours from Los Angeles PD (Topanga Division) for an El Segundo PD felony want for grand theft.

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 12**

Grand Theft report was taken at 0600 hours from 1 Hornet Way. Six Hewlett-Packard laptop computers were reported missing.

One male adult was arrested at 1014 hours from Grand Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard for giving false information to a peace officer and driving without a license.

A traffic accident (without injuries) occurred at 1003 hours from the 300 block of Loma Vista Street, vehicle versus vehicle.

One male adult was arrested at 1107 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for one LASD felony warrant and one LAPD felony warrant.

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1348 hours on Concord Street and Mariposa Avenue, vehicle versus vehicle.

A dead body report was taken at 1556 hours from the 800 block of Pepper Street. An elderly female adult died of natural causes.

An arson report was taken at 2032 hours from the alley east of the 100 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) set fire to miscellaneous items in a parking structure.

One male adult was arrested at 2354 hours from the 1400 block of East Palm Avenue for resisting arrest.

#### **FRIDAY, JANUARY 11**

One male adult was arrested at 0207 hours from the 300 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for misdemeanor DUI with a BAC of 0.8% or above.

One male adult was arrested at 1007 hours from the 600 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for one LASD fugitive warrant, and two LASD misdemeanor warrants.

One male adult was arrested at 2257 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for burglary.

One male adult was arrested at 0057 hours from the 500 block of West Franklin Avenue for criminal threats and exhibiting a deadly weapon.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

On-line lost property report was taken at 0555 hours from Main Street and Grand Avenue. A wallet was reported missing.

A burglary (commercial) report was taken at 1033 hours from the 700 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard. Unknown suspect took property from inside the store and attempted to return it for store credit.

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1253 hours in the 800 block of North Douglas Street, vehicle versus pedestrian.

A vandalism report was taken at 1511 hours from the 2000 block of East Imperial Highway. Unknown suspect(s) keyed the victim's vehicle.

A petty theft report was taken at 1536 hours from the 500 block of Penn Street. Taken was a bottle of alcohol.

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9**

One male adult was arrested at 1027 hours from the 200 block of East Grand Avenue for burglary.

A forgery report was taken at 1227 hours from the 600 block of North Nash Avenue, fraudulent checks were created.

One male adult was arrested at 1432 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for burglary and possession of burglary tools, one LASD felony warrant and one CCPD misdemeanor warrant.

A grand theft report was taken at 1822 hours from the 500 block of Standard Street, taken was a wedding ring.

One male adult was arrested at 0011 hours from the 700 block of North Nash Street for child cruelty.

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 8**

One male adult was arrested at 0633 hours from Gardena PD for one outstanding El Segundo PD misdemeanor warrant. •



Janice Hickey,

#### **Assistant Superintendent**

El Segundo High School students have been handed the rare opportunity to join a citywide poetry competition pitting their talents against students from all over Los Angeles County. For the past seven years, the Get Lit program has been reaching out to students to engage them in the art of poetry while affording students the opportunity to have their voices heard in the process.

Jennifer Hedayat, English teacher at ESHS, was looking for something different to engage her students – particularly her seniors. "I've taught Senior English long enough to know that the second semester of senior year is very difficult to keep students in the 'present,'" she muses. "They are ready to move on, yet must endure one last semester of English course work; this competition will be an excellent way to bring relevance to their lives through creative writing."

Already immersed in a wave of research surrounding the newly adopted Common Core State Standards in English Language Arts, Hedayat instantly made the connection between the new standards' focus on real world applications such as speaking and listening, and the possibilities of this poetry competition. "What could be more 'real world' than asking students to create their own poetry, perform it, then take their poetry into a professional performance arena in front of hundreds or thousands of strangers and pull it off?" she wondered.

Get Lit is a well-regarded non-profit is in its seventh year of hooking L.A. teens into the power of poetry by fusing "classic poetry with contemporary spoken word performance techniques to boost literacy, foster cultural understanding, and encourage creative self-expression."

The curriculum is a natural for senior English, Hedayat explains. "We already study an epic poem in Beowulf, so students have been introduced to the nuts-and-bolts of poetry. Where Get Lit jumps off and is relevant to students is they get to claim one poem for their very own. I start by reading about 50 very famous poems to the class. When any particular student feels that a poem 'sings' or 'speaks' to them, they get to claim that poem. Then they memorize the poem and internalize its message or

theme. The fun part is they then get to write a response to the poem in their own words in poetic form. This allows the writers to create a conversation between the poet and themselves on a very personal level. There are classroom level competitions, then we'll hopefully have an assembly competition here at the high school, then students move on to a mini-slam where they compete at Los Angeles Theatre Company before going to the semi-finals and the finals at the Orpheum theatre downtown Los Angeles. These kids will be judged by a panel of professional artists – whoever wins is really the 'best of the best.'"

Many of the workshop leaders for Get Lit are huge household names: Tim Robbins, Helen Mirren, Carol Muske-Dukes, Robert Pinsky, David Mamet, Aimee Mann, the list goes on and on.

Hedayat attended a workshop for teachers interested in entering their students into the competition. "Fundraising will be a part of this, but I think it's extremely worth it," Hedayat said. "The fundraising is to help perpetuate the program. Corporate sponsors are involved but Get Lit asks each team to fundraise to ensure students have ownership in the program. Get Lit also helps align us with sponsors so we don't have to do the fundraising all by ourselves."

What happens if students don't raise enough funds to participate? "The organization will make sure every high school that shows a good faith effort at fundraising is sponsored and allowed to participate," Hedayat assures.

"This is a big deal for our kids on every level," Hedayat continues. "Get Lit allows us the use of their poetry curriculum for our entire English department for this semester, which is fully aligned with the Common Core. I am so excited to see and hear what my students create in their own voices, how they perform, how they hook into the material. They won't realize they are learning a great deal because it will be fun and engaging. It's going to be a fascinating adventure - hopefully ending with one of our students performing at the Orpheum April 26 and 27, 2013." For more information, to donate or help fundraise please contact Jennifer Hedayat at jhedayat@esusd.k12. ca.us or call her at 310.615.2662 x 360. •

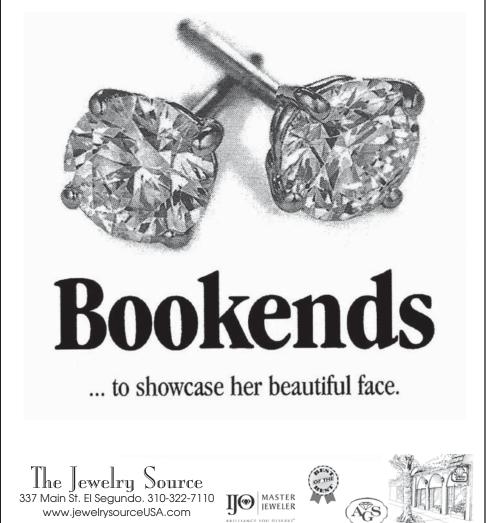


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## PETSPETSPETSPETS

## **Veterinarian Superstar Comes to Rescue of Students**

Courtesy of Long Beach Public Library Foundation

Veterinarian superstar Dr. Greg Perrault has come to the rescue again. Better known for helping animals—most recently rescuing a Pit Bull named Blue from an owner who beat the dog on the street—this time Perrault rescued Long Beach students in need of books.

Perrault bought 167 copies of The Art of Racing in the Rain, a book about a dog, which the students will read as part of Long Beach Reads One Book 2013. In the book, Enzo the dog narrates the poignant tale of a family involved in racing cars. "When I heard that the students might not be able to read the book before meeting author Garth Stein, I just had to help," he said. Budget cuts in the school district meant there was no money for such "optional" books this year, explained Wilson High School Librarian Lia Ladas.

The books will be read by students in three high schools and one middle school, said Ladas. She praised the books for their universal appeal. "With a loveable and wise dog narrator and a young race driver as protagonist, this book will be a real hit with our students! The books have arrived just in time for the students to read them, and when the author comes on March 19, they will all be wanting his autograph."

Author Stein will also appear for the public at the Carpenter Center for Performing Arts on March 19, as the marquee event for Long Beach Reads One Book 2013, said Chair Susan Redfield. Multiple events are planned for March 12-19, which has been declared "Book Week" by overall sponsor Long Beach Public Library Foundation. "This book has been on the bestseller list longer than any other we've chosen in our 12-year history. Due

to the popularity of dogs and racing in Long Beach, we're expecting a standing-room-only crowd." Tickets to Stein's performance can be purchased directly from the Carpenter Center at http://www.carpenterarts.org/ (click on "Purchase Tickets") or call at 562-985-7000.

In addition to the author's appearance, events throughout the city will include a major family-friendly dog celebration at a local park, an expert panel on the human-animal bond, a racing history of the City, a multi-prize geocaching challenge, library programs, and more. Details will be posted as they are confirmed at www.lbplfoundation.org/enzo, and on Facebook at Long Beach Reads One Book.

Currently the Foundation is seeking a Long Beach Enzo to be the "face" of Book Week—owners of loveable, wise and articulate dogs should send a photo and a 100-word essay in the "dog's words" convincing the judges of why the dog would be the perfect Long Beach Enzo. Deadline is January 19. Send entries to lbreadsone@gmail.com.

The Library Foundation gratefully acknowledges numerous sponsors of this annual literary festival, including Richard Neri and Kurt Schulzman; Michael Ozaki, M.D.; Signal Hill Petroleum; Greg Perrault, DVM; Diane Jacobus; Jim Hankla; John W. Hancock Family Foundation; Naomi Rainey; Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe, Fourth District; and Mary Taylor.

The Long Beach Public Library Foundation supports the City's 12 libraries by providing funding for book purchases, homework and other assistance for students and their families. A new program helps Veterans in their successful transition back to civilian life. More information can be found at www. lbplfoundation.org. •



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## Pet's Bad Breath May Signal Health Problems

By Dr. Greg Perrault

Bad breath, also known as halitosis, is one of the more frequent complaints we hear from pet owners. Bad breath usually occurs from build-up of odor causing bacteria in the mouth but can also occur from gastrointestinal and respiratory disease. Bad breath is not just annoying. It can be a sentinel for serious disease. A thorough oral exam should be performed if your pet's bad breath persists more than a few days. Often, sedation is required so don't feed your pet before the exam. Ask your veterinarian about his or her preferred protocol if a sedated exam is needed.

Just as in people, bits of food particles may remain in the mouth after eating. If trapped in small pockets of gum tissue, bacteria will grow causing odor. The bacteria form a film on the teeth called dental plaque. If do well with every size and type of chew. Individuals that are prone to upset stomach and pancreatitis should avoid heavily flavored treats, for example. Most of these treats and chews will have calories so be mindful in pets that are overweight and adjust regular feedings accordingly.

Products that have the acceptance seal of the Veterinary Oral Health Council (VOHC) have been shown to be effective in retarding plaque and tartar build-up. Their web site is VOHC.org. In addition to a list of products, the site includes good information about oral health in pets.

Virtually all pets will need a professional oral hygiene visit, often referred to as a dental cleaning, at some point. Most dogs and cats will need their first cleaning by age 3 or 4 years. As a general rule, smaller dogs and pets with short snouts, such as Persian

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not removed in a short period, the plaque will harden into tartar. The rough surface of the tartar will attract more plaque to grow. Eventually, the large amount of tartar will cause the gums to become infected and inflamed. In time, this will lead to infected pockets under the gum line. This infection will damage the ligaments that hold the tooth in place. This is called periodontal disease. With enough ligament damage the tooth will loosen and fall out.

Most of us brush our teeth once or twice per day and get our teeth professionally cleaned every 6 to 12 months. Only a small percent of my clients have mastered the art of brushing their pet's teeth on a regular basis. Fortunately, there are many products on the market to assist in keeping the plaque to a minimum. There are a few great dry kibble diets that can be added to your pet's normal meal that can help gently scrape the surface of the tooth and remove dangerous plaque. T/D by Hill's is my favorite. When it comes to treats and chew toys, ask your veterinarian for their opinion. Not all breeds

cats or pug dogs, will need more frequent cleanings. A dental prophylactic hygiene treatment involves much more than cleaning and must be performed under anesthesia. Each tooth is examined with a probe looking for pockets. The entire oral cavity including the glottis and tonsils are examined for disease. Biopsies can be obtained if a suspicious mass is discovered. Radiographs may be taken and unfortunately some teeth have to be extracted. Prior to a dental cleaning, a thorough exam should be performed and preoperative lab work may be recommended. Modern anesthetic protocols can minimize risk by tailoring medication to the individual patient. The risk associated with anesthesia is far less than that of failing to prevent dental disease.

Since nobody minds saving a few bucks when possible, February is traditionally dental awareness month for pets. Ask your veterinary office if they are offering any discounts or specials during the month.

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

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## Politically Speaking

### **Political Penguin**

#### **Duane Plank**

President Barack Obama will headline his final political rodeo on Monday when he delivers his second inauguration speech to a rapt Washington, D.C. audience. In 2009, when the ex-community organizer still believed he and his cohorts would actually be able to implement their far-reaching campaign pledges and promises, more than 1.8 million revelers crowded the nation's capital to take part in the festivities.

Reality, as well as the Republicans, became part of the picture and the Obama administration soon learned that having the best intentions mattered little when trying to get things done inside the Beltway that would resonate with a weary American public that had been flattened with a devastating recession, spiraling prices at the pump and the grocery store and runaway unemployment numbers.

Now, with another term for Obama on the horizon and the "fiscal cliff" postponed if not averted, he and his administration will have the next 36 months or so to put their stamp on the country and imprint their legacy in the history books. For better or worse.

Speaking of presidents, California's not-so-favorite son, Richard M. Nixon, would have celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday last week were he still around to party. Which he was not-the man known to many as "Tricky Dick" passed in 1994.

Nixon, a Southern Californian born in Yorba Linda, was an incredible enigma. Vice President under Dwight D. Eisenhower back in the fifties, Nixon came oh-so-close to defeating the Demo pin-up poster boy of privilege, John F. Kennedy, in the 1960 election for the presidency.

Oh so close. Lost the national vote by a minuscule 120,000 votes--49.7 to 49.6 percent. How would history have been different if the Nixon campaign team could have found a few more votes under whatever rocks that they were looking under back in 1960?

So Nixon was just another unemployed politician after Kennedy took office and returned to California to plot his comeback, which started with a resounding thud. You would think that a man who lost the presidency by a razor's edge margin would certainly be popular enough in his home state of Cali to be able to easily capture the governorship in 1962.

Not so. Nixon was soundly defeated by the incumbent Pat Brown, father of current Gov. Jerry Brown. Many assumed that two crushing defeats in the space of two years would finish off the Yorba Linda barrister. In fact, Nixon basically wrote his own political obituary after the 1962 trouncing, telling assembled scribes that "you won't have Nixon to kick around anymore, gentlemen, because this is my last press conference."

Not quite. The nine-lived Nixon hung around the periphery of the Republican Party, playing the role of loyalist. He played it well enough to grab the party's nomination for the presidency in 1968, when he blew the doors off of Demo Prez nominee Herbert Horatio Humphrey.

The rest, as they say, is history: The carnage of the Vietnam War, an election to a second term and the total lunacy of the Watergate break-in and subsequent cover-up that enthralled and disgusted a nation back in the mid-'70s.

Love him or hate him. Either way, you can't deny that California's own Richard Milhous Nixon was an iconic Golden State politician.•

### **One Man's Opinion**

#### By Gerry Chong

Dateline: Honolulu: Storm! For days and nights without end, the storm lashed the islands. Monsoonal rains attacked everything in its path, pushed by windy blasts that turned everything into muddy debris. Then suddenly the Obamas left the state, and within 12 hours the Sun dared to peek his head out to see if it was safe. The Sun had met the Rainmaker.

The Wall Street Journal reported that John Boehner, while negotiating the fiscal cliff with Obama asked," If I give up \$800 billion in new taxes, what am I getting"? Obama looked at

of the Federal government. Those presidents from Roosevelt through G.W. used executive orders only 126 times. Yet President Obama, in dissing Congress and the Constitution, has already used that power 926 times. This threat to the Second Amendment is a direct assault on the Bill of Rights. So pay close attention, Mr. Sun--the dream of the Rainmaker is real.

To demonstrate the Administration's disdain for the law, and in contravention of the law, Congress has never passed an Obama-proposed budget--never. His annual spending simply accelerates as time goes on, using money

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Boehner and replied, "You don't get anything for it. I'm taking that away." With that, the Rainmaker had exposed his egotistical lust for power.

Every school child knows the Second Amendment to the Constitution gives citizens the right to bear arms. Now some limitation on that right is reasonable, since no right is absolute. However, any changes to the Constitution should not be dictated unilaterally. Recently the President selected the Vice President to head a committee to recommend, by the end of January, gun control measures for presidential consideration. Biden warned, "The President is going to act." The White House has determined that "executive action can be taken" removing consideration of this matter from Congress. The Rainmaker was again demonstrating his dream of unlimited authority.

Since Teddy Roosevelt, presidents have respected the Constitutional separation of powers that created three co-equal branches borrowed and created from whole cloth. Now as we have once again surpassed the national debt limit agreed to just a year and a half ago, Obama says he will not engage in discussions to limit the nation's debt. The Rainmaker is simply above the law.

Since all financial bills must originate in the House, Speaker Boehner has raised the specter of a government shutdown since we have exceeded our debt limit. But as he has ignored the need for a budget, the Rainmaker will ignore the need for any debt ceiling.

So as was the case when cold rains and fierce winds hit Hawaii during the Rainmaker's extravagant vacation, the world awaits his second term which promises to bring an entirely new economic and political "climate change." A Georgetown University law professor has called for the abolition of the Constitution, and a Democratic Congressman has advocated the end to the two-term limit to the presidency. The winds of change are here. Take heed. •













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by Chef Shafer

**73** Cooking Tips for 2013, #6 thru #8 (tips 1-5 published January 10)

- 6. When cooking pasta, always cook till 80 percent done, then cool with running water. Finish the cooking process in the pan with the sauce of choice. This way your pasta is still al dente and the sauce has coated the pasta thoroughly
- 7. Try to always use fresh herbs. Grow fresh herbs in pots on your deck or patio. They are cheap to buy at a home depot type store and when you grow them in pots they won't over run the rest of your garden. Also, changing them is easier.
- 8. When grilling fish, make sure your grill is clean and pre heated. Coat the fish with some oil and seasoning then place it on the hot grill. The preheating of the grill and the small amount of oil will assist you in being able to turn the fish over without it sticking too much. It's the New Year and we need to start eating better, or at least try to. So here is a great way to have a seafood dish that has no oil, butter, or cream, but still has lots of flavor.





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2 each large scallops

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4 mushrooms sliced

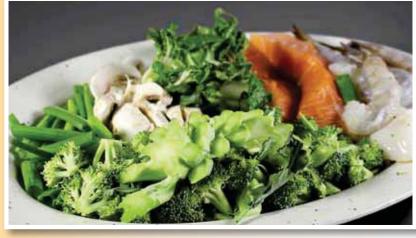
3 green onions cut in 1 inch pieces.

1 bulb of Bok Choy

½ teaspoon pickled ginger

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup light or low sodium soy sauce 1 cup chicken broth or vegetable broth

Place the broth, soy, and ginger in a low pot or casserole dish that you can cover. Cover and bring to a slow rolling boil. Arrange the vegetables and fish in the boiling broth mixture and recover for 3 to 5 minutes or till the fish is cooked. Remove cover and serve. •



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### **Sports**

## Gala Event Honors Baseball's Best

#### By Gregg McMullin

Each January, Major League Baseball honors former players, scouts and executives at the "In the Spirit of the Game" dinner. Hosted at the Century City Hyatt Regency, the spectacular event draws luminaries from the sports and entertainment world. Matt Vasgersian, Kevin Millar and Joe Magrane, the stars of the MLB Network, hosted this



Vin Scully is regarded as the best baseball announcer in history. year's event on January 13. Special presentations were made by Harrison Ford and Larry King.

There was no talk of steroid use, the lack of inductees into the Hall of Fame for this year or any other negative connotations. This was about honoring a select few players for their careers as well as the people who discovered them. In each instance, the player being honored was highly complimentary towards these men who had long since retired—in some cases in anonymity. Nearly every player who has made it to the Major League, past and present, has had a scout to thank for giving them the chance to play professionally.

The annual gala, attended by 1,500 guests, including many of Major League Baseball's current and former stars, has assisted baseball scouts in need due to job loss, illness or financial hardships, thanks to the success of the event over the past nine years. Super players' agent Dennis Gilbert heads the foundation that he started 10 years ago. Besides having dinner, the guests bid on high-end memorabilia from the sports and entertainment worlds. Game-worn items and signed items by Hall of Famers including Babe Ruth, as well as signatures of all four Beatles and different presidents went to the highest bidders.

Past attendees have included baseball greats Rod Carew, Tommy Lasorda, George Brett (El Segundo), Bob Feller, Brooks Robinson, Matt Kemp, Brady Anderson, Bret Saberhagen, Chase Utley, Darrell Evans, Don Newcombe and Barry Zito. Other notables such as Joe Borchard, Arte Moreno, White Sox owner Jerry Reinsdorf, Lew Wolff, Mark Attanasio and NBA great Jerry West were in attendance. Movie and television mega stars Alyssa Milano, Don Johnson, Tom Arnold, Jane Seymour, James Keach, Michael McDonald, Donnie Most, Mary Hart, Bo Derek and Kenny Loggins were also there to entertain or introduce honorees.

One of Hollywood's greatest actors, Harrison

Ford, introduced MLB Commissioner Bud Selig. Ford spoke about his upcoming movie soon to be released by Warner Bros. Pictures. In 42, Ford will be playing Branch Rickey, the executive who helped shatter baseball's color barrier by making Jackie Robinson the first African-American player in Major League Baseball. Rickey was also the gentleman who approved of Red Barber's selection of Vin Scully to the Dodgers' broadcast booth. The film 42 is set for release in North America in April, 2013.

The greatest voice in baseball history, Vin Scully, was the recipient of the Allan H. "Bud" Selig Executive Leadership Award. The Hall of Famer will start his 64th season behind the microphone for the Brooklyn/Los Angeles Dodgers. Scully began his illustrious broadcasting career with the then-Brooklyn Dodgers in 1950 and holds the record for the longest tenure of any broadcaster with a single professional sports team.

Scully's indelible memory took the audience on a 63-year ride of his career. He spoke of some of the greatest moments in baseball. His voice has captured perhaps some of sports' greatest moments and gave his listening audience a visual as if each of us were there in the stadium. Scully delivered eloquent descriptions of broadcasting Sandy Koufax's four no-hitters, Hank Aaron's 715th home run that surpassed Babe Ruth's all-time record, Maury Wills' 104 stolen bases during the 1962 season, Don Drysdale's (1968) and Orel Hershiser's (1988) scoreless inning streaks. And who can forget his dramatic call of Kirk Gibson's dramatic home run during Game One of the 1988 World Series?

Through it all, Scully says he had been blessed with knowing that he was able to give the fans a glimpse of what he was witnessing. He also said that being inducted into the Hall of Fame, having a statue erected in front of the Los Angeles Coliseum as well as receiving many awards over the years were "a bit embarrassing to a kid from the Bronx."

One of baseball's greatest pitchers and a member of the Hall of Fame, Jim Palmer, who was a teammate of Scott McGregor (El Segundo), was honored with the Player Lifetime Achievement Award. Palmer had an outstanding 19-year pitching career with the Baltimore Orioles that began in 1965. He was the only pitcher in World Series history to win in each of three decades (1966. 1970, 1971 and 1983). Palmer was a six-time All-Star, three-time AL Cy Young Award winner and three-time world champion. He had a 268-152 won-loss record with a 2.86 ERA, 2,212 strikeouts, 211 complete games and 53 shutouts in 3,948 innings.

Palmer, who is 67 and looks fit enough to go out and pitch today, said he was lucky to have had the career he indeed had. Things could have gone very differently for Palmer because he said he was adopted at birth. He said he had the love of his family, the good fortune to have great teammates and a little bit of God-given talent that went further than he expected to have the career he had.

Others honored included longtime scouts Terry Ryan and Larry Doughty with the George Genovese Lifetime Achievement in Scouting Award. Genovese is maybe the most renowned scout in baseball history, having discovered some 47 players who reached the Major League. When I asked him who the most talented high school athlete he ever saw was, he didn't hesitate: "Ken Brett."

Tiny El Segundo also has left its imprint in Major League baseball history with former players such as Bobby Floyd, Ken and George Brett, Scott McGregor, Zak Shinall and Billy Traber all having played and Derryl Cousins umpiring. •

## Frankly Plank

#### **Duane Plank**

Raced homed from the research spot Sunday. Was watching the Houston Texans lose to the New England Patriots in the final game of the divisional playoff weekend. Best weekend of football all year. Went two-and-two in my picks, but was enthralled all the way.

49ers and Patriots on Sunday.

Came home to watch the Golden Globes award ceremony. Not sure why. Don't find much of the Lib pre-award pitter-patter amusing and only saw one of the movies that they referenced--*Lincoln*. Which was, apparently, boring to a whole lot of the younger generation. Not enough action, I guess. Maybe some people aren't smart enough to enjoy *Lincoln* unless they can play with a mobile device? Or maybe some people are plain... stupid?

And I must be one of the few out there who think Will Ferrell isn't all that funny? Will continue with that thought, lone wolf that I might be? And that Anne Hathaway is... smoking hot? Kinda reminds me of a local diva. Never mind...that reference probably wouldn't serve me all that well.

Now, not sure if *Dodger Girl*, apparently a big fan of nominated actor Bradley Cooper (*Silver Linings Playbook*) was able to watch the awards, but just want to let her know her actor crush still has a chance at winning an Academy Award.

Anyway, had a challenging week in the real world. Just to say, thanks for those of you who have stuck by this scribe.

So the puck will be dropping at Staples Center this Saturday afternoon, with the Kings hoisting the Stanley Cup banner to the rafters. Looks like super-center Anze Kopitar will be out for a week or two. No worries. They can

fill the spot for a couple of weeks. Stanley Cup numero dos will be skated around the Staples' ice 'bout six months down the road.

As for the Duckies, iconic forward Teemu Selanne will be returning. Nuff said. The Finnish Flash will add to his awesome goalscoring total and hopefully get traded to the Kings in the last month of the regular season as the Ducks fade away again.

Quick Laker add: Excuses abound. Dwight's hurt, blah, blah, blah. Even *RJ the Golfer* has jumped ship. Asked him about his team, he said, "The Dodgers?" Same guy who papered his walls with Howard posters when the Lakers signed the career second banana over the summer. And was looking for a 70-win season.

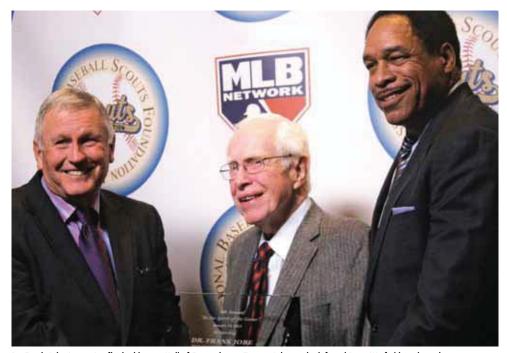
At the gym Saturday and members of the allegedly professional hoops team the Cleveland *Cadavaliers* were working out. Think that I could bench press more than some of those skinny kids, but that is another story for another day.

Explain this to me...Fossil Monte Kiffin gets canned by his son as the D Coordinator at USC. Lane "Sir Lanecelot" offers up his daddy so that he can mollify befuddled AD Pat Haden. And Monte gets the high-profile job as the Dallas Cowboys D Coordinator?

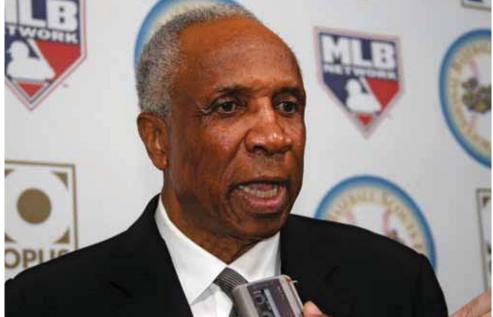
Who gets fired first? Sir Lanecelot or Monte? Betting it's the younger Kiffin.

Finally, new cubicle mate at work, "Rocking" Rodney, didn't believe that I penned a column. And as many do, clambored for a mention. Okay, Rodney, here is the mention. And I guarantee you that the time that you spied me in the parking lot after work a couple of weeks ago, I was doing diligent...research.

Diligently. •



Dr. Frank Jobe (center) is flanked by two Hall of Fame players Tommy John on the left and Dave Winfield on the right.



Hall of Fame great Frank Robinson was on hand. Photos by Gregg McMullin.

## Players Honored as League Season Starts

By Kelly Kemp

The El Segundo Girls Water Polo Team started its Ocean League Title defense with a breakeven 1-1 record this past week at Urho Saari swim stadium, beating Marlboro but losing to Culver City. There were many goal scorers in the two games: Trisha Mullen, Kelsie Wilson, Natalija O'Brien, Nazaree Puma, Kenzie Lueck and Elizabeth Ginther each scored, some more than once. The 5-3 loss to Culver came as no surprise, as that fine team has finished as

> "Goalkeeper Hayden Green (2012, now at Michigan) and Colette Gulick (2011, now at UC San Diego) were honored as the latest recipients of the KAI~Polo Perpetual Trophy - awarded to the League MVP each year."

Junior Varsity undefeated champions the past two seasons, but it was Culver's first win over El Segundo in recent memory. The ladies look to bounce back against Beverly Hills, Santa Monica and Torrance.

Returning to the pool for the Alumni Game, were players from Class of 2006 through 2012, with the most recent class with the strongest showing of six athletes. Goalkeeper Hayden Green (2012, now at Michigan) and Colette Gulick (2011, now at UC San Diego) were honored as the latest recipients of the KAI~Polo Perpetual Trophy - awarded to the League MVP each year. Colette was a two-time MVP, and she and Hayden led their respective teams to the most recent Ocean League 3-peat, having taken the Title for the past three seasons. •



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**Commissions** from front page

"The Council encouraged me to apply again if I wasn't appointed during that round. The second time I applied, I was appointed to a partial term for the Planning Commission."

Here is a look at each of the open positions, including basic duties, term specifics and timelines. The individuals listed on the expiring terms may choose to reapply, but will be subject to the Council interview and approval process along with other candidates.

#### MAY

#### Recreation and Parks Commission: The

City's longest-standing commission at 75 years, the group consists of five members who serve four-year terms with no term limits and minimal compensation. It meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month in the Council Chambers. The commission advises the Council on all matters relating to recreation, parks, parkways and street trees. It also recommends policies and service levels for Recreation and Parks Department programs covering all age groups, as well as golf operations, community transportation and park property acquisition or disposal. Two slots, currently held by Debbie Bundy and Joe Caravello, expire on May 30.

#### JUNE

#### **Environmental Committee**

The newest City committee formed five years ago under the Public Works Department to review existing environmental programs and recommend new green policies and programs to the Council. The group consists of two residents, two business members and one El Segundo Unified School District representative who serve four-year terms with no term limit. One City staff member also serves in an ex-official capacity. The committee meets every other month starting in January on the second Wednesday of the month at City Hall. One slot, currently held by Karl Bruskotter, expires June 30.

#### **Library Board of Trustees**

Formed over 22 years ago, this five-member group advises the Council in all matters concerning the El Segundo Public Library and recommends related policies, services and programs. Trustees serve for three-year terms with a two-term maximum. Meetings take place the second Tuesday of every other month, beginning in January, in the Library's Matsui International Meeting Room. Two slots, currently held by Shelila Henry and Kevin Smith, expire on June 30.

#### **Planning Commission**

Established in 1946, this commission makes recommendations to the Council on general plan amendments and oversees items relating to land subdivision, planning and zoning. The group considers multi-family, commercial and industrial projects that involve new construction or restructuring and makes recommendations to the Council for final approval. The five-member commission meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers. Commissioners serve four-year terms with no term limits and receive minimal compensation. One slot, currently held by John Nisley, expires on June 30.

#### **Senior Citizen Housing Corporation Board**

Established in 1986, this board actively oversees the management, operation, maintenance and finances of the Park Vista senior citizen complex. Its seven directors, who must all reside in El Segundo, serve four-year terms with no term limits. It meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month, at 7 p.m., at Park Vista. Two slots, currently held by Terry Aikens and Carol Wingate, expire on June 30.

#### **AUGUST**

#### **Investment Advisory Committee**

Established in 1992 and comprised of the City Treasurer, Finance Director, plus either two El Segundo residents or one resident and one member of the investment community, this committee examines monthly financial reports and provides comments to the Council about the City's investments. Meetings take place at City Hall the third Tuesday at the end of each quarter. One slot, currently held by Stephen Smetana, expires on August 30.

#### **OCTOBER**

#### El Segundo Community Cable Advisory Committee

Formed in 1994, this committee advises the Community Cable Manager and Council on policies and procedures for all types of programming shown on Channels 3 and 22. The all-resident group serves four-year terms with no term limits. It meets the third Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Library's Matsui International Meeting Room. Two slots, currently held by Joseph Pinchuk and Geoff Nathanson, expire on October 31.

#### **NOVEMBER**

#### Capital Improvement Program Advisory Committee

This committee reviews staff proposals for capital improvement projects over a five-year period and makes recommendations to the Council on funding priorities that consider available budget and a variety of other graded factors. The five-member group consists of three residents and two local business representatives who serve four-year terms with no term limits. They generally meet weekly in March, April and May in order to get recommendations to the Council in June. One slot, currently held by A.J. Paz, expires on November 30. However, the Council will also need to fill the remainder of Chair Crista Binder's term now that she has become the new City Treasurer and must vacate her seat on this committee.

#### NOT TIME-SPECIFIC

#### **Economic Development Advisory Council**

Restructured in 1994, this group implements the City's Economic Development Strategic Plan and advises the City Council on business retention and attraction. The nine-member committee includes both residents and nonresidents who have no term expirations and meet on an as-needed basis at City Hall. Though no slots are currently open, the City asks candidates to apply in the event any of the members resign.

"Volunteer involvement benefits all El Segundoans because the members review issues and make recommendations to Council that influence the policies and activities which impact residents and businesses," said Fuentes. "El Segundo is truly blessed to have an abundance of smart, capable, committed residents willing to serve.

For more information on the positions above, contact Mishia Jennings at 310-524-2302, log onto www.elsegundo.org, or pick up an application at the Council office at City Hall. •

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even if it's a little improvement each time or we may find some gaping holes that need some major improvement--our goal is to always be improving with each and every project that we do," Simone said. "We realized there was something missing, so we got together to discuss what we could do. We put the seminar program together with the

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### **Community Briefs**

October and December) from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the parking lot at Dana Middle School, 5504 West 135th Street in Hawthorne. Each month, more than 10 different food trucks participate, including several that were featured on the Food Network's 'The Great Food Truck Race.' "This is such an exciting event and an innovative way to help support our District's music and arts programs," says Dr. Tom Johnstone, Superintendent, Wiseburn School District. "We are so fortunate to have such a dedicated group of volunteers working to help enrich the educational experience of our children." The next Food Fest will be held on Friday, January 25 and will feature a wide array of unique, original, gourmet food trucks. If you would like more information about the event or the Foundation, please visit www.wiseburnedfoundation.org/fundraisers/ food-fest or call (310) 643-3025, ext. 55. •

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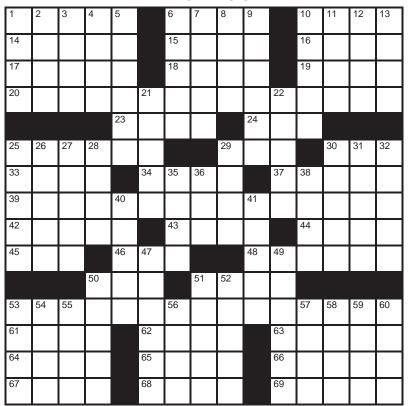
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- 1. Wet nurses, overseas
- 6. Auction actions
- 10. Agenda
- 14. Japanese-American
- 15. Brown family member 16. Comme ci, comme ca
- \_ live one
- 18. Knock for a loop
- 19. Blood-related
- 20. Have many secrets
- 23. Arrives at
- 24. Belief
- 25. Whalebone
- \_ show time!"
- 30. Baby carrier? 33. Favorite
- 34. Spot remover?
- 37. Colonel's insignia
- 39. Ambiguous expressions
- 42. Preserved, in a way 43. Wheedle
- 44. Chapter 11 issue
- 45. "May I help you?"
- 46. Symbol of strength
- 48. Social strata 50. Natl. Humor Month

- 51. Look
- 53. Looks twice 61. Fine things
- 62. Taro variety
- 63. Send on
- 64. Authority
- 65. Norse goddess of fate
- 66. Quibbles 67. Knock off
- 68. Cheese
- 69. Play too broadly

#### **DOWN**

- 1. Word with phase or retention
- 2. Entangle
- 3. Like some salts
- 4. Principal
- 5. Fodder 6. Stupefy
- 7. Sudden attack
- 8. Cudgel
- 9. Illuminated, in a way 10. Hymn
- 11. Trickster of myth
- 12. "Yeah, right!"
- 13. All alternative 21. Packed
- 22. City near Oberhausen

- 25. Fussbudget
  - 26. Revere
  - 27. Vuitton
  - 28. Hamburg's river 29. Itty bit
  - 30. Cousin of a bittern

  - 31. Church property
  - 32. Exploits
  - 35. "Darn it!"
  - 36. "Peace Piece" artist
  - 38. Contributes
  - 40. Antiparkinsonian agent

  - 41. Surpass 47. Eager
  - 49. Punish with an arbitrary penalty
  - 50. Test, as ore
  - 51. Indian caste
  - 52. Key material
  - 53. Blocks 54. Viva-voce
  - 55. Vulcan's Chimney
  - 56. Emanation
  - 57. Bulls or Bears
  - 58. Big top? 59. Set aside
  - 60. Gael's tongue

#### Last Week's Answers

G A R B U L T R R A F T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T	1	6 4	2	3	9	5	7	8
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	3	8 9	5	7	1	2	6	4
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41E         S         T         O         N         I         A         N         S         42         E         A         P           43R         H         O         M         B         S         44 V         45 E         L         D         T         S	9	2 5	3	8	7	6	4	1
46 O A 47 H 48 49 I R A 50 50 51 52 53 56 57 58	4	5 8	6	9	2	7	1	3
<sup>59</sup> D I S I N <sup>60</sup> T E G R A T <sup>61</sup> I O N S	7	9 6	8	1	3	4	5	2
62D         E         A         R         63U         S         U         A         L         64C         L         I         P           65S         U         R         E         E         T         S         67E         D         D         Y	2	1 3	7	4	5	9	8	6

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

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And finally at the end of the meeting, Jacobson reported that former Mayor Sandy Jacobs had agreed to represent El Segundo by traveling to Guaymas, Mexico next month as part of the annual Sister City program cultural exchange. According to policy, if none of the current Council members are able to go (as was the case this year), the group can then nominate a former member to visit. As part of the arrangement, the City will reimburse up to \$1,000 of Jacobs' traveling expenses. •

include placing more recycling canisters in commercial areas such as along Grand, Richmond and Main, and establishing high school recycling and mentorship programs. After the presentation, Sam Pena from Consolidated Disposal Service said he would donate compost bins to the high school and told the Council there would be no additional cost for his company to pick up from large bins if those are installed around town. City Manager Greg Carpenter indicated the City can get some funding from the California Department of Recycling and will look into that as well as an arrangement with Consolidated.

in improving the environment. Future goals

In another presentation, event chair Julie Warner announced the winning entries from the recent El Segundo Holiday Parade:

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The City of El Segundo will deduct a ten percent (10%) retention from all progress payments as specified in Section 9-3.2 of these Specifications. The CONTRACTOR

#### NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS

MARIPOSA AVENUE STORM DRAIN (MARYLAND ST. TO CENTER ST.)

#### IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO SPECIFICATIONS NO.: PW 12-06

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of El Segundo invites sealed bids for the above project and will receive such bids in the offices of the City Clerk, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California 90245, up to the hour of 11:00 a.m. on:

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2013

at which time they will be publicly opened

Copies of the Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents 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 available electronically at: http://www.elsegundo.org/depts/works/project\_ request\_contact\_form.asp

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

The City of El Segundo will deduct a ten percent (10%) retention from all progress

#### NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS

FI FVATOR MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, AND ON-CALL SERVICES

IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO PW 13-03

(BID IN ACCORDANCE WITH PUBLIC CONTRACTS CODE §§ 20160, ET SEQ. [FORMAL BID])

TAKE NOTICE that the City of El Segundo invites sealed bids for the above project and will receive such bids in the offices of the City Clerk, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California 90245, up to the hour of 11:00 a.m. on:

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 31, 2013

at which time they will be publicly opened.

The City's standard maintenance service contract incorporates the provisions of the California Labor Code and requires the successful bidder to comply with the prevailing rates of wages and apprenticeship employment established by the Department of

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

Note that a bid bond is not required for

Note that a performance bond is required for this bid

DATED this day of , 20

CITY OF EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA

Tracy Weaver, City Clerk Segundo Herald: 1/24, 1/31/13

H-23654

may substitute an escrow holder surety of equal value to the retention and the CONTRACTOR shall be beneficial owner of the surety and shall receive any interest

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.

In entering into a Public Works contract, o 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

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:

#### PRESSURE REDUCING STATION WATERLINE IMPROVEMENTS AT 2161 EL SEGUNDO BLVD

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#### "SEALED BIDS FOR SPECIFICATIONS IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO

#### DO NOT OPEN WITH REGULAR MAIL"

bond, made payable to the City of El Segundo for an amount no less than **ten** percent (10%) of the amount bid for the

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 this project, those acceptable classes of license shall be "A", "B" or these Specialty licenses: C-34 Pipeline. The successful CONTRACTOR and his SUB-CONTRACTORS will be required to possess 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 sixty (60) 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

BY ORDER OF the City of El Segundo,

City Clerk City of El Segundo

Segundo Herald: 1/24, 1/31/13. H-23653

#### "SEALED BIDS FOR SPECIFICATIONS NO.: PW 12-06 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

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 this project, those acceptable classes of license shall be "A", or "C-34". The successful CONTRACTOR and his SUB-CONTRACTORS will be required to possess 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 sixty (60)

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.

BY ORDER OF the City of El Segundo,

**Tracy Weaver** City of El Segundo Segundo Herald: 1/24, 1/31/13. T.S. No. 12-2729-11 Loan No. 3013357615 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 3/2/2007 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. A public auction sale to the highest bidde for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to par the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater or the day of sale. Trustor: LALENDRA LAL AND JOANN HOPE LAL. HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENNATS Duly Appointed Trustee: THE WOLF FIRM, A LAW

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 12-0004434 Title Order No. 12-0009643 APN No. 4139-012-006 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 08/02/2004. 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. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by MICHAEL J. MC NULTY, A SINGLE MAN AND MARGARET A. O'BRIEN, A SINGLE WOMAN, AS TENANTS IN COMMON., dated 08/02/2004 and recorded 8/11/2004, as Instrument No. 04 2061037, in Book , Page , of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 01/31/2013 at 9:00AM, Doubletree Hotel Los Angeles-Norwalk, 13111 Sycamore Drive, Norwalk, CA 90650, Vineyard Ballroom at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1110 EAST ACACIA AVENUE, EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs

T.S. No.: 11-41391 TSG Order No. 33-80187903 A.P.N.: 4132-003-016 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 1/2/2007. 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 SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 1/23/2013 at 9:00 AM, Old Republic Default Management Services, a Division of Old Republic National Title Insurance Company as duly appointed Trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust, Recorded pursuant to the Deed of Trust, Recorded 1/8/2007 as Instrument No. 20070031858 in book --, page -- of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: DEBORAH ANN BISHOFF, A MARRIED WOMAN, AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Trustor, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. as Beneficiary. WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH (payable in full at time of sale 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). Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza Pomona, CA all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and state, and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported

CORPORATION Recorded 3/20/2007 as Instrument No. 20070623062 of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California, Date of Sale: 1/24/2013 at 9:00 AM Place of Sale: Behind the fountain located in Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza Pomona, CA 91766 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$792,973.66, estimated Street Address or other common designation of real property: 316 E IMPERIAL AVE EL SEGUNDO CA 90245 A.P.N.: 4132-032-016 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale 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

expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is \$540,607.32. It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. If required by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the Notice of Trustee's Sale duly recorded with the appropriate County Recorder's Office. 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 a 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

to be: 425 W SYCAMORE AVENUE, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245 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 in an "AS IS" condition, 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 interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: \$1,578,382.60 (Estimated) Accrued interest and additional advances if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. It is possible that at the time of the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. 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

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. 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 (714) 573-1965 or visit this Internet Web site www. priorityposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 12-2729-11. 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. Date: 12/28/2012 THE WOLF FIRM, A LAW CORPORATION 2955 Main Street, 2nd Floor Irvine, California 92614 Foreclosure Department (949) 720-9200 Sale Information Only: (714) 573-1965 www.priorityposting.com Frank Escalera, Team Lead P1011203 1/3, 1/10, El Segundo Herald: 1/3, 1/10, 1/17/13.

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 lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. 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 1-800-281-8219 or visit this Internet Web site www. recontrustco.com, using the file number assigned to this case 12-0004434. 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 RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. 1800 Tapo Canyon Rd., CA6-914-01-94 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone/Sale Information: (800) 281-8219 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY. N.A. is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. FEI # 1006.157070 1/10, 1/17, 1/24/2013

El Segundo Herald: 1/10, 1/17, 1/24/13.

more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. 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 (714) 573-1965 or visit this Internet Web site www.priorityposting.com, using the file number assigned to this case 11-41391. 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. The Declaration pursuant to California Civil Code, Section 2923.5(a) was fulfilled when the Notice of Default was recorded on 1/24/2011 Date: 12/21/2012 Old Republic Default Management Services, A Division of Old Republic National Title Insurance Company, as Trustee 500 City Parkway West, Suite 200, Orange, CA 92868-2913 (866) 263-5802 For Sale Information Contact: Priority Posting & Publishina (714) 573-1965 Tony Delgado, Trustee Sale Officer "We are attempting to collect a debt, and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.' P1011508 1/3, 1/10, 01/17/2013

El Segundo Herald: 1/3, 1/10, 1/17/13.

#### providing resident notification as to what days and times street closure will occur Please note that weather can delay this project and scheduled work days could possibly be altered. The Contractor will take necessary steps in notification should schedules change

February.

For any questions related to this project please contact Nick Petrevski at 310-524-2360

American Asphalt South will be the Contractor performing the Public Works

Project PW 12-05 for the 2011-2012 Slurry

Seal Resurfacing. Limits of work are all streets inside the perimeter of Sheldon St., Sepulveda Blvd., El Segundo Blvd.

and Mariposa Ave. Work is scheduled to

take place in late January lasting into mid

American Asphalt South will also be

Segundo Herald: 1/24, 1/31/13.

#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013008295

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as KALE PIE MEDIA LLC. 4712 ADMIRALTY WAY, #204, MARINA DEL REY, CA 90292. This business is being conducted by a Limited Liability Company The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed N/A. Signed: Steven Lee Zay, COO. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on January 14, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to January 14, 2018. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: January 17, 24, 31, 2013 and February 07, 2013. H-852.

#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013009855 The following person(s) is (are) doing

business as MI REYNA MARKET. 6125 S. BROADWAY, LOS ANGELES, CA 90003. This business is being conducted by an The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed. Signed: Raul Antonio Guerra, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 15, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on January 15, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to January 15, 2018. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: January 17, 24, 31, 2013 and February 07, 2013. H-857.

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## Pets Without Partners

Adopt a "pet without a partner" and cozy up with your new best friend.

Stanley is a sweet little Bichon Frise. His prior owner was placed into a nursing home and Stanley was her constant companion. He would love to find another home to spend his days with another retired person, or be a quiet adult home. Stanley is a great little dog who is good with mature teens and would prefer a quiet home without the bustling activity of young children. He is great on leash, can go up to three to four miles a day, will sit for treats and is completely housebroken with an open door or will use a doggie door. Stanley is a dog who will need regular grooming appointments, so remember this when budgeting for him. He was a little matted when he came to us. Once his coat grows out a bit, he can be groomed to have a Bichon cut. Stanley is seven to eight years old, weighs 13 pounds, is neutered, has had a



dental, is current on all vaccines, de-wormed, microchipped, and good with other dogs and mature children.

Chug is the cutest Pug mix ever--we call him Bug. His mother

was a purebred Fawn Pug and his dad was an eight-pound black Chihuahua. At three years old and 10 pounds fully grown, Bug is lovable, sweet and happy all the time. He has a darling personality and just loves to be carried around. Bug is patient and kind and as sweet as can be. Talk about a dog who knows

he has been rescued, this dog knows it! He has nothing but 100 percent love and affection to give you. Chug (Bug) is neutered, current on vaccines, de-wormed, microchipped, and good with children and with other dogs.



Stanley

Animals Rule has a special case and needs your help for Marley, a wonderful English Bulldog who came out of the Carson shelter. She was bred for her good looks--but unfortunately when all of her puppies died, the family no longer wanted her. Marley needs knee surgery and we need to raise the funds for her to walk, run and play again. Donations are tax-deductible and a receipt will be provided. Additional information is available on our website.

To learn more about these and other wonderful dogs, visit our website at www.animalsrule.org. If a dog is on our website, it's available. Or come to our Saturday adoption events from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 305 North Harbor Boulevard in San Pedro (just off the 110 near the cruise port). We are always in need of donations for veterinarian bills and our senior dogs. Donations can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to: Animals Rule Placement Foundation at 305 North Harbor Blvd., San Pedro, CA 90731. All donations are tax-deductible. We are a registered 501©3 non-profit organization.

Saving one animal won't change the world, but the world will surely change for that animal. •

Warm up these cold winter days by adopting your purr-fect partner.

Purrrfect Companions

A Calico charmer with adoring green eyes, Ivy is extremely sweet and affectionate. She loves to stretch out on your lap and purr contentedly as you enjoy your favorite film or a good book. Ivy is playful and expressive and would love to share your home with you. Ivy was rescued in Wilmington where she was nursing four kittens. All of her babies have found loving forever homes and now it's Ivy's turn. While she is a bit reserved at first, this angelic year-old sweetheart warms up into the most loving girl. She is incredibly dainty from her tiny paws to her adorable little face. Ivy would like a calm, quiet household where she can bask in safety and love and give love in return.

Scotty, short for Butterscotch, found his way into a classroom one day where he decided to make himself at home. As luck would have it, one of the teachers was a Kitten Rescue adopter and took him home. This handsome nine-month-old boy is a super-affectionate love bug who wants to spend all day snuggling and playing with his person. His favorite toy is any shape, size and color of kitty ball. He

hours batting them around, chasing them down and pouncing on them. Scotty has a fantastic purr that just doesn't stop,

will spend



rumbling through his entire body without pause. Due to his time the streets, Scotty doesn't like other cats



and would like to be the only kitty who gets your attention. If you are looking for a companion who will be glued to your side, this is the guy for you!

These kittens/cats are available for adoption through Kitten Rescue, one of the largest cat rescue groups in Southern California. All of our kitties are spayed/neutered, microchipped, tested for FeLV and FIV, de-wormed and current on their vaccinations. For additional information and to see our other kitties, please check our website at www.kittenrescue.org, or email us at mail@kittenrescue.org. Your taxdeductible 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 Boulevard, #583, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

On Saturdays, we have adoptions from noon to 3:30 p.m. in Westchester at 8655 Lincoln Boulevard, just south of Manchester Avenue. and also in Mar Vista at 3860 Centinela Avenue, just south of Venice Boulevard. Our website lists additional adoption sites and directions to each location.

Be kind. Save a life. Support animal rescue. •

#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2012250658

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SUPPORT SERVICES. business as SUPPORT SERVICES.

1. 10310 GLASGOW PLACE, LOS ANGELES. CA 90045. 16835 ALGONQUIN ST., SUITE 425, HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92649. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed December 18, 2012 Signed: Paula Benom. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on December 18, 2012. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on December 18, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to December 18, 2017. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: December 27, 2012 and January 03, 10, 17, 2012. H-842.

#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013007902

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SMARCOS GRILL. 630 N. SEPULVEDA BLVD #2A, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed January 2013. Signed: Sophia Awada. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 11, 2013.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on January 11, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to January 11, 2018. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a the rights of another under Federal. State. or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: January 17, 24, 31 2013 and February 07, 2013. **H-853.** 

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Date of Filing Application: JANUARY 2, To Whom It May Concern: The Name(s) of the Applicant(s) is/are: STAR RESTAURANTS INC

The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at:

EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245-3719 Type of License(s) Applied for: 47 - ON-SALE GENERAL EATING PLACE Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control 3950 PARAMOUNT BLVD, STE 250, 3950 PARAMOUNT BLVD, LAKEWOOD, CA 90712 (562) 982-1337 LA1257863 EL SEGUNDO HERALD 1/10,

17, 24, 2013 El Segundo Herald: 1/10, 1/17, 1/24/13. Fictitious Business Name Statement 2012248699

person(s) is (are) doing QUALITY DISCOURS business as STORE. 1855 W. MANCHESTER, LOS ANGELES, CA 90047. This business is being conducted by Husband and Wife. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed 12/14/12. Signed: Sahar Elhindi, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on December 14, 2012.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on December 14, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to December 14, 2017 The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a the rights of another under Federal, State or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: December 27, 2012

#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2013002647

The following person(s) is (are) doing COSDEL. 2. COSDEL L. 3. COSDEL business as 1. (INTERNATIONAL. TRANSPORTATION. INTERNATIONAL 55 NEW MONTGOMERY STREET, SUITE 400, SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105. This business is being conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under fictitious business name listed 8/1/1983. Signed: Rock-It Cargo USA LLC Executive Vice President. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 07, 2013. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on January 07, 2018. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to January 07, 2018 The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code). El Segundo Herald: January 17, 24, 31, 2013 and February 07, 2013. H-851.

#### Fictitious Business Name Statement 2012251313

business as 1. THE ARMOURED ROSE 2. ARMOURED ROSE CREATIONS. 13952 BORA BORA WAY #301, MARINA DEL REY, CA 90292. This business being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed 12/19/12. Signed: Janene C. Aksoy, Proprietor. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on December 19, 2012.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on December 19, 2017. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to December 19, 2017. The filing of this statement does not of Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal. State Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code) El Segundo Herald: December 27, 2012 and January 03, 10, 17, 2012. **H-841.** 

Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless (Verizon Wireless) proposes to build a 39-foot Utility Structure. Anticipated lighting application is medium intensity dual Del Mar s/o Grand Avenue, El Segundo, Los Angeles County, CA 90245 (33-54-42.94 N, 118-25-29.7 W). The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Antenna Structure Registration (ASR, Form 854) filing number is A0813137 ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS - Interested persons may review the application (http:// www.fcc.gov/asr/applications) by entering the filing number. Environmental concerns may be raised by filing a Request for Environmental Review (www.fcc.gov/ asr/environmentalrequest <http://www. fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest> ) and online filings are strongly encouraged. The mailing address to file a paper copy is: FCC Requests for Environmental Review Attn: Ramon Williams, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554 El Segundo Herald: 1/10, 1/17, 1/24/13.

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF VIRGINIA ELIZABETH CARLISLE

Case No. BP138495

To all heirs, beneficiaries contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of VIRGINIA ELIZABETH CARLISLE

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Michelle Hudson in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION PROBATE requests that Michelle Hudson be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No 08-0027806 Doc ID #00005973492005N Title Order No. 12-0138180 Investor/ Insurer No. APN No. 4139-028-140 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 06/29/2005. 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. Notice is hereby given that RECONTRUST COMPANY, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by BRYAN E DRAPER AND COLLEEN N. DRAPER HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, dated 06/29/2005 and recorded 7/27/2005, as Instrument No 05 1777324, in Book, Page, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 02/11/2013 at 11:00AM, By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 1325 EAST GRAND AVENUE UNIT D, EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs.

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 Feb. 6, 2013 at 8:30 AM in Dept. No. 5 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 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 deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal represe

expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is

\$605,376.52. It is possible that at the time

of sale the opening bid may be less than

the total indebtedness due. In addition

to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's

checks drawn on 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. Said sale will be made, in an

"AS IS" condition, but without covenant

or warranty, express or implied, regarding

title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder,

with interest as provided, and the unpaid

principal of the Note secured by said Deed

of Trust with interest thereon as provided

in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts

created by said Deed of Trust. If required

by the provisions of section 2923.5 of the

California Civil Code, the declaration from the mortgagee, beneficiary or authorized agent is attached to the duly recorded with

the appropriate County Recorder's Office.

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 a 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

from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above YOU MAY EXAMINE the

appointed by the court within four months

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: STEPHEN E COCKRIEL ESQ SBN 56749 333 W BROADWAY STE 306

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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 lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. 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 vou 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 1-800-281-8219 or visit this Internet Web site www. recontrustco.com, using the file number assigned to this case NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. 08-0027806. 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. RECONTRUST COMPANY 1757 TAPO CANYON ROAD, SVW-88 SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone: (800) 281 8219, Sale Information (626) 927-4399 By: Trustee's Sale Officer RECONTRUST COMPANY is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose. A-4350650 01/17/2013 01/24/2013 01/31/2013 Segundo Herald: 1/17, 1/24, 1/31/13.



## Boys Basketball: El Segundo Drops First Game in League

The El Segundo Boys Basketball team struggled – from start to finish – at El Segundo this past week in their Pioneer League opener, losing 60-52 to Lawndale. Although El Segundo scratched back into the game by the third quarter, it was a dominant run of 21-8 by Lawndale leading off the first that set an almost unbearable pace. Balanced scoring by El Segundo, 6-9 (0-1), did help: Wyatt Boyce, Wajeeh Mahmoud, Dominique Naed, Mike Olson, Jake Stone and Ovie Tomikili each scored points, with Mahmoud leading all El Segundo scorers with 15 points. Photos by Shelley Kemp. For more Photos, please visit www.ShelleyKempPhotography.com



Junior Jake Stone comes up with the rebound to send El Segundo back to their territory.

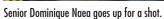


Senior Wajeeh Mahmood drives to the basket. Mahmood tallied 15 points, leading the Eagles in scoring.



Senior Mike Olson passes off the ball so El Segundo can retain possesion.







Senior Ovie Tomikili tries for 2 points. Tomikili contributed 10 points to El Segundo score against Lawndale.