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# Weekend Forecast Friday Mostly Cloudy 63°/50° Saturday Sunny 66°/54° Sunday Sunny 72°/59°

## ES Police Department Rockets to Third Place In Baker-to-Vegas Relay



Members of "Team Gundo" gathered to accept their victory plaque. The officers and support staff trained all year to run the 120-mile relay race: see story, page 4.

## Water Tower Undergoing Long-Planned Restoration

By Brian Simon

One of El Segundo's longest-standing, most recognizable and iconic landmarks is now literally under wraps. The community's water tower, originally built in the 1940s and situated in the 400 block of Lomita Street, is completely covered in white polyethylene film to allow crews to proceed on a much-needed restoration project over the next several months.

The purpose of the tower, a 200,000-gallon elevated tank, is to provide adequate pressure to the City's residential water distribution system—a role it has served from its inception. "Similar to other elevated tanks, the water tower is by necessity tall--just over 104 feet in this case--in order to provide the required pressure," explained El Segundo Public Works Principal Engineer Lifan Xu, who oversees the project. Each foot of height provides 0.43 pounds per square inch, or PSI, of pressure, making El Segundo's structure roughly a 45-PSI tower (major appliances require at least 20 to 30 PSI). It is also one of the few remaining tall water towers, along with ones in neighboring Hawthorne and Manhattan Beach, left in the South Bay area.

Restoration of the tower was a priority item identified almost a decade ago in the 2005 Water Master Plan--but as with a number of wish list capital projects over the last few years, the City had to defer many projects due to staffing and budget constraints. The tower underwent a major seismic retrofit and paint job in the 1990s, but no major work has been done on it since. In 2007, the City opted to outfit the tower during the holidays with LED lighting for an energy-efficient nighttime display, but that was about it.

However, continued deterioration of the tower had reached a decided point of no return and forced the City's hand based on the results

of the 2010 Conditional Assessment Report. "The report found the tower's coating near its end of useful service life, localized corrosion present on defected areas and the tower in need of various mechanical repairs," said Xu. As a result, the El Segundo City Council approved the restoration project last year and awarded a contract to Utility Service Co., Inc. in the amount of \$810,800 using monies set aside in the Water Enterprise Fund. That fund varies annually depending on intake versus expenditures, but showed a balance of \$2.4 million available for upcoming water projects. "The Water Enterprise Fund does not subsidize projects, but rather it pays for them completely. No general fund monies are used to support

water functions," said Xu. "The water system is a fully self-supported enterprise that pays for its own staff, infrastructure, billing and other operations necessary to provide water service to users and maintain the entire system."

City Manager Greg Carpenter explained that a portion of each water customer's bill includes a "readiness to serve" charge, which pays for operating and maintaining the water system. "The system includes the water reservoirs, the water tower, valves and pumps, and the miles of underground pipes," he said. "The funds that are collected are kept separate and apart from other revenues and are only used for the maintenance and operation of the water system. In

See Water Tower, page 4

## Council Approves Sepulveda Hotel Project

By Brian Simon

During its Tuesday night meeting, the El Segundo City Council (with Marie Fellhauer out of the country and absent from the dais) gave its blessing to a proposed hotel development at the long-vacant parcel at 898 N. Sepulveda Boulevard at the corner of Walnut Avenue. The applicant (represented by developer Scott Barnard of Barnard Ventures) hopes to construct a five-story, 11,350-square foot, 190-room hotel up to 89 feet in height with 72 dedicated parking spaces. No hotel has been slotted in as yet, but the applicant is marketing the property to hotel development companies with the goal of beginning construction in late 2014 and

opening by early 2016. Staff estimated that the project could yield about \$600,000 in combined annual transient occupancy, sales and property tax revenues to the City's general fund.

The "888 N. Sepulveda Specific Plan Project" site also includes an existing eight-story office building and seven-story facility used for office/hotel and remote (airport) parking. These units would be subdivided into three new parcels—adding the proposed hotel on 1.5 acres on the southern portion of the total 2.8-acre site. The 10-year development agreement also includes an \$18,000 annual contribution to the City (that stops upon official

See City Council, page 4



## Preserve Our Past, Protect Our Future

## Proudly Endorsed by 5 former El Segundo Mayors

• Gordon Stephens • Dick Van Vranken • Bill Bue • Sandy Jacobs • Eric Busch

## **Devoted to Family and Community**

- Long-time resident of El Segundo
- Married to wife Laurie
- · Father of three enrolled in El Segundo Unified Schools
- Baseball, soccer and football coach
- Successful local business owner (Engineering, BS degree)
- Distinguished Community Service Award Recipient



The Fisher Family

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## A Proven Community Leader

- El Segundo Educational Foundation, Committee Chair and Board Member
- El Segundo Kiwanis, President
- El Segundo Chamber of Commerce, Treasurer and Board Member
- El Segundo School Bond Measures Campaign Volunteer El Segundo Sister City Assoc. Cultural Exchange supporter
- El Segundo "Communities to Save LA Air Force Base", Founding Member

## By Working Together, We Have a Lot to be Proud Of

- Balanced budgets while maintaining public services
- Reduced long-term public safety costs
- Decreased LAX early-turns
- Opened and approved new state-of-the-art family athletic facilities
- Successfully negotiated a revenue settlement with Chevron
- Negotiated construction of a new Olympic pool at no cost to the city
- Advanced El Segundo as an environmental leader
- Defended and preserved our hometown charm
- Bringing in new business thru economic development

## Bill Pledges to Continue to Work on Our Behalf

- Continue to balance the budget with strong fiscal responsibility
- Control LAX expansion with continued diligent oversight Preserve our high level of paramedic and police services
- Advocate for more recreational programs to benefit our youth and seniors
- Champion support and in-kind aid on behalf of our school district
- Expand our business-base to provide jobs and a healthy city economy

## Residents Endorsing Bill Fisher with a Lawn Sign - (Partial List)

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Clifford Parker
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Jill Corral
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Joanna Mc Lees
Joanne Gen
Joe Hernandez
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Joe Wang
John Gurran
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John Greenhalgh
John Hiddek
John Lee
Jonathan Daroca
Jonathan Voung
Jordan Peterson
Jose Ramirez

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Karen Murphy
Karen Alberty Gurr
Karl Jacobs
Karrin Reynolds
Kathleen Adkins
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## \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* **ELECTION 2014** \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

**Questions for the Candidates** 

The El Segundo Herald complied a number of questions from El Segundo residents to pose to the candidates for City Council. We will publish 3-4 per week. Each candidate has a 250-word limit per question. Herald Publications does not edit or change any candidate's answers.

## What unique qualities do you possess that qualify you for this position?

Incumbent Mayor Bill Fisher: I have run my own businesses for 30 years and I am a degreed engineer. I have eight years of experience on the council and have been a member of boards and held leadership positions in El Segundo for over 12 years. I was Treasurer and Board Member of the El Segundo Chamber of Commerce, President and Board member of the El Segundo Kiwanis. I was chair of the corporate giving committee for the El Segundo Ed Foundation for years. In my high school and college years I was President of the student body, captain and leader of the high school football team and president of my college fraternity. I have held leadership positions most of my life and it's not because I just want to be a leader but it is because I like getting things done. I'm also a good team player and follower. I will follow a good leader and do what is asked of me. Leadership and following is about working with people, hearing needs, confronting problems and working out solutions. It's not about me. It's never been about me. It's about our city, our residents, my family, my friends and the people I work with. It's about El Segundo. Anyone that has had a question about our city and has worked with me will say I have been responsive and diligent. I do it to make our city the best it can be. I do it also to set an example for my kids. Giving back is an important attribute that I want to instill in them. Life is tough enough. Chipping in and helping is how we make things better and I love doing the work.

**Incumbent Council Member Suzanne** Fuentes: I am passionate about El Segundo, it's my hometown. Through the years I have seen El Segundo transform from a town with horse stables, strawberry fields, and a train depot to a city that is home to the second highest concentration of Fortune 500 companies in California. I am committed to maintaining the charming town we grew up in while stewarding the changes necessary to remain a world-class employment center.

I am honest, open, transparent and accessible. I welcome all input and use it to make my decisions. I treat each person with respect and make time to listen to everyone's opinions. I understand the balance of power is I work for the residents; the residents do not work for me.

I research, research. That's why I attended Council meetings in person for three years prior to running for office. I wanted to understand the issues and dynamics. I have a proven record of getting and staying involved and following through. I am constantly searching for issues which may impact El Segundo. My due diligence is why El Segundo was the first city to take action on Federal Sequestration, the Southern California Regional Occupation Center (SoCal ROC or SCROC) funding issue, the Los Angeles County Storm Water Tax protest ballot, and California Redistricting.

Consultant Mike Dugan: I possess the basic qualities that every City Council candidate must have; Integrity, Honesty, Fairness, Loyalty, Passion, Thoroughness, Leadership, Trust and Accountability to name a few. But some unique qualities that I will bring to our Council include a desire and willingness to listen to our residents and be their representative plus over 35 years of management experience, in depth business analytical skills, courage to address tough issues and professional behaviors that treat everyone with dignity and respect. I'm also objective and I believe in transparency in

our City government but it's my desire and willingness to interact with our residents and take action in their best interest that makes me unique.

I see the big picture too. My analysis of our City's financial state shows that our overspending has created many problems and we are struggling to get to the root of the problem. We are out of money and we desperately want more money and that desperation creates bad behaviors. Some Council Members attack local businesses and demand more taxes. We blame things like no cost trash collection and low cost Park & Rec fees as the problem. We even attack our senior citizens demanding new fees. Our inability to manage spending weakens us.

But my analysis goes deeper to find what is causing our overspending. Our residents have not created any problems that resulted in overspending so why should they pay more taxes? I promise that I will help us get to the root of the problem.

What is your realistic vision for the future? A vision that you will be held accountable for should you get elected?

Incumbent Mayor Bill Fisher: El Segundo's future is bright but we have had a tough go of it through the recession. We lost \$7 million dollars in revenue the first year when it hit. Over the next five years our workforce went from 320 employees down to 260 and we

cut \$10 million in expenses. Our fire and police forces are at bare minimums. Still we have maintained quality services and response See Elections, page 5

## NO on Measure A

- **Q**: How many votes will it take to pass this tax measure?
- A: 50% plus 1.
- Q: How long will Measure A's taxes on residents and businesses last?
- A: Forever!
- **Q**: How will Measure A taxes be spent?
- A: Unknown; our City Council offers no legally binding specifics.
- **Q**: Where does the yearly \$8.5m from the Chevron agreement go?
- A: Unknown; our City Council offers no specifics.

Measure A is a blank check made out to our City Council backed by newly forever levied taxes on the backs of the residents and businesses.

Political ad paid for by Marc Rener, 1212 E. Walnut Ave., El Segundo, 90245



## **Professional**

- Aerospace Engineering Manager, **Local Aerospace Company**
- Loyola Marymount University, B.S., **CSU Dominguez Hills, M.S.**

## **Current Involvement**

- El Segundo High School Alumni Association **Board of Directors Chair**
- El Segundo Senior Citizen Housing Board
- El Segundo City/School Affairs Subcommittee
- Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission
- L.A. Economic Development Corp/ L.A. Jobs Defense Council
- South Bay Cities Council of Governments
- El Segundo Reach Out Against Drugs (ROAD)
- El Segundo Education Foundation Superintendent's Roundtable

I base my decisions on my constituents and data to best serve our City.

## I CARE DEEPLY ABOUT EL SEGUNDO, IT'S MY HOMETOWN.

- I work hard to support all Seniors, Adults and Youth in our community. • I am fiscally conservative and apply those principles when spending
- taxpayers' money.



Retain and attract El Segundo businesses. Prioritize highest level of Public Safety possible. Identify savings opportunities. Represent El Segundo with dignity and pride.

## El Segundo Chamber of Commerce 2013 Volunteer of the Year.

## **Endorsements**

Former Mayors: Bill Bue, Sandra Jacobs, Gordon Stephens, Dick Van Vranken

Mrs. Floyd Carr

**Los Angeles County Business Federation South Bay Association of Realtors** 



## ESPD Takes Third Place in Baker-to-Vegas Relay

by Laura Sorensen

El Segundo Police Department's months of training paid off last Saturday at the 30th annual Baker-to-Vegas relay race. 267 law enforcement teams from the US, Canada, and other international spots competed in this year's event. Team ESPD shaved an hour and 43 minutes from last year's race time and blew past the competition to place third, with a total run time of 16:33:55.

This is ESPD's tenth year at the race, and many of the officers on the team have raced every year. Lt. Raymond Garcia, who ran a 6.1 mile relay leg, said that the runners trained most of the year for the 120-mile desert course, where temperatures can get up over 100 degrees. Sgt. Hugo Perez created training plans for runners and alternates, each of whom committed to run as much as possible throughout the year in anticipation of the big event. "We logged

about 6000 miles as a team, between last June and game day," said Garcia," so people were running every day or every other day." Garcia himself rose at 3:45am in order to get his runs in before work.

During the race each runner was shadowed by a van with supplies and volunteer support staff, who were ready for any eventuality. Garcia stressed the importance of the staff, as well as the officers who had to stay behind: "We have

twice the number of support staff than we have runners... Guys adjust schedules, they cover other shifts, and they do ... whatever it takes so that we have a team that can go." Garcia also commended the support of El Segundo's residents and businesses, who donated time and money to the event. But no one at ESPD has time to rest on their laurels: Garcia and his teammates are already beginning to plan next year's race. •



Chief Tavera runs up Ibex Pass.

## Wiseburn Welcomes **New Board Member**

By Dylan Little

On March 27, the Wiseburn School Board swore in Lennox teacher Blanca Estrada to fill the seat left vacant after Susan Andriacchi resigned earlier this month. The Board also recognized a number of students who were successful in the Wiseburn School District's spelling bee, geography bee and the Los Angeles Marathon.

The meeting started with new Board member Estrada's swearing-in. Dennis Curtis, the School Board's longest-serving member with a tenure of 21 years, read the oath of office to Estrada. She will serve a three-month term. Estrada said she wants to use the time to learn from her new colleagues. "I take this job humbly and I'm excited to learn from all you great people," she said.

Estrada has called the Wiseburn neighborhoods home for 13 years and has been a teacher in the nearby Lennox School District for nearly 16 years. Superintendent Tom Johnstone said Estrada's selection reflected the Board's desire to work with its neighboring school districts, even though Wiseburn recently cut ties with the Centinela Valley School District with its successful unification.

"I'm very proud of this board," said Johnstone. "This board really takes it seriously in that we think beyond the borders of the Wiseburn School District. This board cares deeply about education throughout the Centinela Valley, whether it's Lennox students, Hawthorne students, Lawndale students or Centinela Valley students. We try to take a real global picture."

Johnstone welcomed Estrada to the Board and said she and the rest of the district are all working to help students get the most out of their school life. "We're all in this together and we're all struggling to make education outstanding for children," said Johnstone.

Estrada had to share the spotlight in Dana Middle School's multipurpose room with a number of accomplished students and their friends and family. The first student to be

See Wiseburn, page 14

## Police Reports

Monday, March 24, 2014

Officer McEnroe finishes the first leg.

Battery report was taken at 1150 hours from the 1900 block of Hughes Way. Known suspect hit the victim in the face after a verbal dispute

One male adult was arrested at 1415 hours from the 100 block of East Imperial Avenue for identity theft, possession of a fraudulent government identification, using false citizen documents, driving without a license and one outstanding LAPD misdemeanor warrant

Forgery/fraudulent use of a credit card report was taken at 1530 hours from the 2300 block of East Rosecrans Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) fraudulently used the victim's credit card at a restaurant

One male adult was arrested at 2210 hours from El Segundo Boulevard and Sepulveda Boulevard for possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, and being under the influence of a controlled substance

## Tuesday, March 25, 2014

One male adult was detained at 1014 hours from Virginia Street and Walnut Avenue and transported to Harbor UCLA Medical Center for evaluation and treatment

Burglary (commercial) report was taken at 0843 hours from the 1800 block of East Sycamore Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) entered unsecured hotel rooms and removed two televisions and a microwave oven

Found property report was taken at 1330 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. Jewelry was found at the location

Vandalism report was taken at 1358 hours from the 800 block of Main Street. Unknown suspect(s) scratched and threw coffee on the victim's vehicle

Burglary (residential) report was taken at 1445 hours from the 500 block of Lomita Street One female adult was arrested at 2029 hours

from Long Beach PD for one outstanding See Police Reports, page 14

from front page

## City Council

## from front page

occupancy of the hotel) and shuttle service to be provided to hotel guests. Environmental and parking reviews showed no significant impacts, with the hotel use projecting fewer car trips than a previously approved 10-story office building for the site. Mayor Pro Tem Carl Jacobson asked the applicant to be mindful about office building employees taking up spaces on nearby residential streets—a problem that previously prompted the Council to implement permit parking on Walnut.

To address the ever-growing waiting list at the Park Vista Apartment Complex and to ensure longstanding local seniors and those in greater need receive priority, the Council agreed to lower the income/net worth eligibility requirements for tenancy as well lengthen the minimum residency tenure. Senior Housing Board Corporation member Jim de Cordova noted that Park Vista's waiting list is now up to 67 people and continues to rise monthly. Under the new policy, a one-person household's income plus five percent of net worth cannot exceed \$35,000 (it was previously \$45,000), while a two-person household cannot exceed \$40,000 (previously \$50,000). In adjusting down the numbers, de Cordova explained that the Board used Wall Street Journal data figuring 30 percent of income can go to housing—thus allowing those making the \$35,000 to \$40,000 to afford rents in the \$800-\$850 monthly range. Park Vista rents currently run from \$480 to \$663 per month.

Prior residency requirements only mandated that an applicant live in El Segundo for one year continuously, which may have allowed some people to buck the system. Under the new policy, applicants must now show proof they lived in El Segundo for at least five consecutive years during their adult lives-a provision that also doesn't penalize seniors who may have lived in town for a very long time, but left briefly to take care of a loved one or to reside elsewhere while waiting to get into Park Vista.

During reports, the Council gave the go-ahead to Mayor Bill Fisher's request to approve a letter of commitment to act as a partner with Advanced Manufacturing Partnership for Southern California (AMP SoCal) in hopes of garnering future federal funding for the region towards aerospace and defense as well as related manufacturers. The counties of Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego are applying for the federal manufacturing community designation that could provide preferential consideration for up to \$1.3 billion in federal monies to support and diversify the existing manufacturing base. Only 12 communities will

See City Council, page 14

## **Water Tower**

addition to unplanned repairs, the City takes preventative steps to maintain the viability and safety of the City's water system. These projects are prioritized and completed as resources are available. The water tower is an example of one of the priorities." Additional projects scheduled for this year through this enterprise fund include the water main improvements at Center/Pine and installation of four new large meters at strategic locations in the city.

The water tower restoration project includes recoating the elevated tank's interior and exterior, as well as repairing the tank's shell, ladders, vents, pipes, valves and various mechanical components. The project also entails some minor piping and valve repairs plus various improvements in the three million-gallon concrete reservoir and six million-gallon concrete reservoir. The sheer size of the tower presents some logistical problems for crews, noted Xu. "One main challenge is how to provide access to work on every part of the tower and that is resolved by building a comprehensive scaffolding and containment system around it," he said. Hence why the tower is shrouded in white and will continue to be so until the tank work is completed by the end of May. In fact, it took an entire week to cover the tower in the film—and the construction activity may employ up to 10 people on the job site at any one time. According to Xu, the entire project along with the concrete reservoir repairs should wrap up in July.

## "If you've spent any time in El Segundo or driven through our town, then chances are you've noticed our water tower in the distance,"

said El Segundo Mayor Bill Fisher. "This has been a community fixture for nearly 70 years and is one of our identifying landmarks. It serves a vital function for our residents and we're pleased to see its restoration, which will allow it to continue to support our water system for many years to come." •



El Segundo's water tower will be covered in white film for the next few months as part of its restoration project. Photo by Phil Hoessly.

## Calendar

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.

· South Bay Astronomical Society "Star Party" from 7:30-10:30 p.m. in the Hilltop parking lot. Contact El Segundo Parks & Rec for more information at (310) 524-2700.

· City of El Segundo's Free Tax Preparation Assistance Program for low income and senior citizen tax payers. Final appointment date, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Joslyn Center, 339 Sheldon Street. For more information or to schedule your appointment, call the Joslyn Center at (310) 524-2705.

· City of El Segundo Recreation & Parks Department inaugural "Junk in Your Trunk" Community Sale event, 8-11 a.m., Joslyn Center parking lot, 339 Sheldon St. To reserve a space, please call (310) 524-2705.

Union naval gunboats brought reinforcements to the Red River Campaign.

Major General Philip Sheridan took command of Army of the Potomac's cavalry.

General Nathaniel Bank's force skirmished at Natchitoches, LA.

Louisiana convention adopted a new state constitution abolishing slavery.

General James Longstreet's corps was

times. The next few years are critical to our

we are building El Segundo back. We have

600,000 square feet of renovation of empty

office space happening right now though our

city but that will take years to fill. Still it's

a great sign. My long term view is we will

For more information call (310) 524-2700.

## Tuesday, April 15

• City Council Meeting, 7 p.m. City Council Chambers. For more information call (310) 524-2306.

## Friday, April 18

· City of El Segundo's Annual Underwater Eggstravaganza, 7 p.m., The Plunge (Urho Saari Swim Stadium), at Mariposa Ave and Concord St. Reservations are required. For more information call (310) 524-2738.

## Saturday, April 19

- · City of El Segundo Recreation & Parks Department annual Egg Hunt Eggstravaganza event at Recreation Park, 9:30-11:00 a.m., Recreation Park between Grand Avenue and Pine Avenue along Eucalyptus Street. For more information call (310) 524-2700.
- Farmer's Market, Thursdays 3-7 p.m., Main St. between Holly and Pine Avenues. For more information call Val at (310) 615-2649.
- · El Segundo Library open on Fridays from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. •

ordered to return to Virginia from Tennessee.

Confederate forces halted Bank's advance at Battle of Sabine Crossroads.

Battle at Pleasant Hill, LA forced Banks to retreat, ending Red River Campaign.

These history tidbits were excerpted from United States House of Representatives calendar. This "We, the People" calendar commemorates the 150th anniversary of the American Civil War and is provided by The United States Capitol Historical Society. The calendar was sent by Congressman Henry A. Waxman. •

## **Elections**

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success. We must continue to keep control of spending and continue to reduce where **Incumbent Council Member Suzanne** we can. We must promote El Segundo to fill Fuentes: Realistically we must develop and the 1.2 Million square feet of vacant office approve a structurally balanced budget. no space East of Sepulveda as well as continue more borrowing one-time money to fill the the revitalization of Smokey Hollow. Both gaps! Past Councils have transferred monies of these latter initiatives will bolster our from infrastructure and replacement funds to economy and continue to put people back balance budgets and claim victory. We canto work. It will bring, over the long term, not run the business of our city on borrowed revenues back to El Segundo lost during the monies any longer. Regardless of Measure recession. With the economic development A's outcome we need to review each departplan in place and the diversification of our ment, identify the services each department offers, and the processes to offer the services, business base, the long term future (5 to 10 years) is bright. But we must keep our identify opportunities for improvement and eye on the ball. We must also protect our implement the improvements. city and keep El Segundo charming as it While some financial liabilities, like penhas always been. The world has changed from the recession but we have survived and

sions, are not easily changed, they will be discussed in the upcoming negotiations with all our bargaining units. Other costs, such as contracted services, are negotiable. This will take more effort, including potentially requiring weekly Council meetings but it must

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## Letters

## **Bill Fisher's Forgotten History**

Let's go down the memory hole and recover Bill Fisher's forgotten history. Fisher's political career was launched by the fire and police unions when they ran a three-candidate slate including Fisher and Sandra Jacobs ("Yes on A" campaign co-chair).

Fisher claims he knew nothing about the union support. However, fire union president Kevin Rehm's cell phone number was on each slate candidate's campaign signs as the contact number for campaign sign management.

The unions sent out slate campaign mailers featuring studio portrait photos of all three candidates, with color-coordinated backgrounds. Rehm sent a deceitful campaign mailer on official fire union letterhead, threatening seniors with "the possibility of our paramedics not being available when you need them" if the three union-approved candidates were not elected!

The mysterious "Committee To Continue The Progress Of El Segundo" spent \$46,204 including union and out-of-town donations campaigning for the slate. Fisher narrowly lost that election, but was appointed to the Council two years later. That election was cancelled due to lack of candidates. The unprecedented campaign spending intimidated potential challengers.

Fisher rewarded the unions well with 11.25%-23% in raises, plus additional 5% annual "step-raises", jacking up compensation and pensions. Rehm's pension pays him \$172,516 per year. Measure A will pay for more union rewards!

Fisher hoped to get appointed to City Council again without an election, but a third candidate emerged the last day of the filing period. Please Vote No on Measure A and against Bill Fisher on April 8th. Mike Robbins

## Likes Measure A

We have a great town and we should be committed to keeping it great. 85% of this town's revenue comes from businesses and 15% coming from residents. With Measure A, the city's revenues will increase \$6.6 million dollars, preserving and enhancing the safety, education, and infrastructure of our community. Resident costs will account for only \$700,000, absorbed by residents as a small cost on our utility bills. The majority of the revenue (roughly \$5.9 million dollars) will come from the larger corporations like: DIRECTV, Mattel, Raytheon, etc. The El Segundo Chamber of Commerce, representing these businesses (both large and small), worked with the city and the business community to put Measure A on the ballot demonstrating investment in and support for this community. Even those households with high monthly utility bills will generally owe less than \$10/month. From a fiscally conservative perspective, I am willing to incur this small amount of money when looking at the large impact and investment my contribution will have on maintaining and enhancing our wonderful town.

Carl Jacobson, Bill Fisher and all council members support Measure A. Businesses

support Measure A. Safety and Education keep our property values high and living experiences high quality. The consequences of Measure A not passing are far greater than the small monthly investment from residents. This money goes to us, El Segundo residents, not bureaucrats in Washington and Sacramento. For \$5 to \$10 per household per month, please keep this town great and Vote Yes on A.

## - Sincerely, Lance Ralls **These Brothers Should** Not Be Forgotten

50 years ago the El Segundo Swim Club won the 1964 Olympic Water Polo Trials and then represented the US at the Tokyo Olympics.

Five members of that team were El Segundo High Graduates. Three members of that United States Olympic Water Polo team were brothers : Chick, Ned and Paul McIlroy.

This is only the second time in US Olympic history that three brothers were in the same Olympics- the other was in 1904! This singular athletic honor is a credit to Coach Saari, the El Segundo Swim Club and El Segundo High School.

These El Segundo brothers should not be forgotten.

## – Jim Norris, member 1952 Olympic Water Polo Team, Jackson CA **Just the Facts**

Dear El Segundo,

For those of you that want to believe the letters to the editor of the past few weeks in the Herald that blast council decisions you should know that myself, the full council, and folks that are aware of what goes on in the city, that watch the council meetings, that go to the planning sessions, that are involved in city committees know that these letters are factually wrong or skewing the facts. All of us on the council know the truth as well as those I mentioned earlier. It is incredible to me how folks can write such terribly misleading information when it's all there available by watching the council meetings or past meetings on video, reading the Herald and attending committee, commission and board meetings. If it sounds so outlandish, please take a step back and ask yourself, would any on the council be doing these things? Of course not. There's another side of the story and it's easily learned about if you'll watch the council meetings, attend committee meetings in concert with reading the articles in the Herald written by reporters on the facts of what is being done.

## - Bill Fisher, Councilmember and Mayor **El Segundo Election Information**

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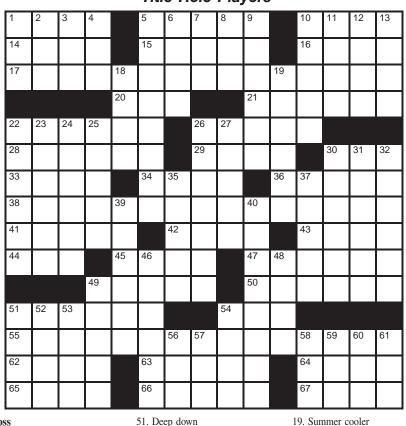
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## WEEKLY CROSSWORD See Answers Next Week Title Role Players



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- 5. Bench-clearing incident
- 10. Short wave? 14. Steady
- 15. Protein particle
- 16. Mishmash
- 17. "Funny Girl"
- 20. Cunning 21. Cake-toppers
- 22. On fire
- 26. Lace tip
- 28. Batterer 29. Kind of film
- 30. Lunch meat
- 33. Cotton fabric
- 34. March time 36. Cheer up
- 38. "Cleopatra"
- 41. Extend Clinic 42.
- 43. Math ratio
- 44. A little bit of work
- 45. Buckets 47. \_\_\_ Scholar
- 49. Illegal offer

- 50. Most like a ghost

12. Echo

18. Flatten

9. "Mourning Becomes Electra"

54. Coal container

64. All over again

65. Drops off

66. Simpleton

62. Ice cream thickener

55 "Julia"

63. Best

67. Bit

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4. Grinder

7. Songbird

playwright

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11. Joie de vivre

8. Crag

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48. Be undecided

51. John, abroad

52. Kashmir clan

53. Ginger cookie

57. Danger signal

54. Bit of sweat

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46. Sleeps late

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

## Politically Speaking

## **One Man's Opinion**

## By Gerry Chong

Competition and escalation. Since the news is full of both, it's appropriate to write about them. In the words of Barack Obama, "never bring a knife to a gunfight. That's the Chicago way." And in truth, he is living out his credo.

Take, for example, his competition with Jimmy Carter for the title of the Worst President

Michelle's mother and children and their entourage of 70 people may want a follow-up to their China trip, and being barred from Russia could have put a crimp in a future trip to the Hermitage. Game, Obama.

Then when Obama put sanctions on a Russian bank, Putin put his salary in that bank. You gotta hand it to the Ruskie--he's

"Russia will have profited and siphoned our funds into their national treasury, apparently having won the set."

in U.S. History. This week, Carter complained that Obama's NSA was probably hacking his email, so he is reduced to sending messages to world leaders who seek his opinion via the U.S. Postal Service. Think about that: First, which world leaders would seek his opinion? Second, he is using the symbol of government ineptitude, the bankrupt Postal Service. Third, and most important, he is afraid this administration is stealing his secrets on how he had become heretofore the Worst President in U.S. History. With Obama in hot pursuit for that title, Carter needs to hide his secrets from the NSA. Becoming that pathetic wasn't easy, so he wouldn't want to give away secrets. In the immortal words of Satchel Paige, "Don't look back--something could be gaining."

Yep, competition and escalation. Did you notice that when Obama responded to the seizure of Crimea by barring seven Russians and four Ukrainians from travelling to the U.S., Putin did the same to U.S. government officials? Obama was relieved that the sanctions applied only to government officials and did not apply to the First Family since

a tough guy who can take a solid punch and keep on a'comin' forward. Could you see Obama with the guts to put his money in a

Chicago bank? Game, Putin.

With one game to each man, the set is on the line. Obama pledged \$1 billion in aid to the Ukraine. Since the Russians are the only source of energy to the Ukraine, Putin will raise the price of oil, forcing Ukrainians to use our money to buy Russian fuel. Russia will have profited and siphoned our funds into their national treasury, apparently having won the set. But not so fast: Obama, the man who brought a gun to the knife fight, still has a card to play. He will have our Federal Reserve print money faster than the Russians can launder it, making their holdings worthless. Set, Obama.

Oh, somewhere over the Urals, a beaten and distraught Putin turns to his musical composers and asks them to write an update to the American classic "Cry Me a River." Only, this year's version should be entitled "Crimea River," destined for the top of the pop charts wherever the Red flag flies. •

## **Another Man's Opinion**

## Meeting Between Two World Leaders Seems Like a Genuine Moment

## By Cristian Vasquez

Seeing images of President Barack Obama's and Pope Francis' first meeting at the Vatican was somewhat refreshing. My reaction to both world leaders sharing the spotlight was certainly different than usual. People who know me well can tell you that while I am a man of faith, I have distanced myself from my Catholic upbringing ever since I was 17 years old. I didn't abandon the teachings of the Church, but more the ritual of attending Mass and connecting with its leaders. Those same people can also confirm my disappointment with President Barack Obama and his handling of situations like Syria, the ongoing drone strikes, the spying and collecting data on Americans, among other issues.

Furthermore, I am one who is never happy witnessing religious leaders meeting with world leaders--in particular the President of the United States. Usually when these types of figureheads meet, there are ulterior, political motives behind the gathering. Or, the gathering is simply a P.R. event for either side. Personally, I register to the late great George Carlin school of thought: if religions want to influence politics, they should pay taxes like the rest of us do (paraphrased). However, the meeting between these two leaders didn't make my stomach turn or make me change the channel. The exchange between both men came across as a very genuine moment. Could I be misreading the encounter? Maybe, but it's a change from the normal, "Let's shake hands and take a picture."

I must admit that Pope Francis is in my good graces right now. Some people think he is shaking things up and consider the new Pontiff a breakaway from former Pope Benedict's more conservative interpretation of the Catholic gospel. I simply think he is nicer and has a much gentler approach to everything. Pope Francis hasn't come out and said anything to indicate a radical change in the Church's teachings. Sure, he asked who was he to judge gay people? We have all seen the Pope hug a child who ran up to him while delivering service, and he embraced a man with tumors that had disfigured his face. This is proof of the kind soul and love for humanity that exist within the Pontiff.

The actions reflect the kind nature of a person rather than his intention to change the views and beliefs of an institution like the Catholic Church. Pope Francis, through actions and not words, can inspire us all to change. The Pontiff has taught me that I can be a nicer, more loving and more accepting individual without jeopardizing myself, my faith or betraying my spiritual teachings. In short, Pope Francis offers hope through his actions and not just words.

When President Obama campaigned in 2008, he sold the voters a message of hope and change. While it has definitely not all been his fault, there isn't a lot that has changed during his time in office and we are still hoping for things to get better. The meeting between the President and the Pope could be no more than a P.R. stunt, but it definitely makes the moment genuine in my eyes. •

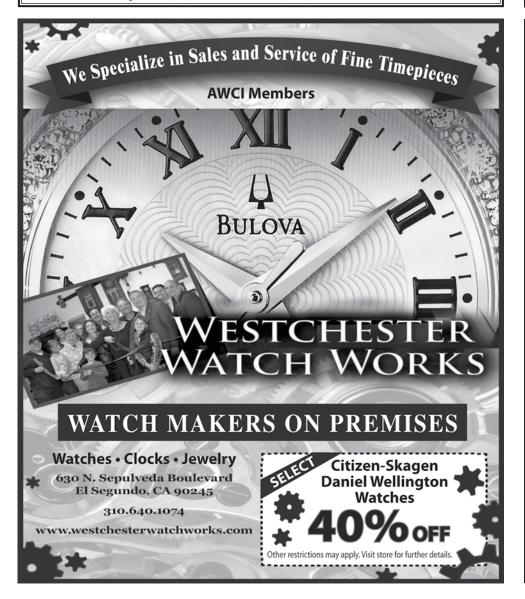




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## **Kings Looking Royal Again**

By Adam Serrao

Maybe they were bored. Maybe they were tired. Or maybe the Los Angeles Kings had just lost interest in what is a very long season this year. Whatever the reason was, though, there was no secret to the fact that the Kings just plain looked bad before the Olympics this year. After some players watched and some took part in the 2014 Winter Olympic Games, however, it was almost like the team was reinvigorated. Perhaps inspired by the great display of talent seen on what was, at the time, the world's biggest stage, Jonathan Quick and company swiftly took notice and brought their collective game up to the next level. Regardless of the results of a handful of games this week after this column was written, the Kings post-Olympics looked much more like the ones that won the Stanley Cup in the 2011-2012 season. With their offense back on track and a stingy, dominant Quick in the net, there is reason to believe that this year's Kings can put together a run and bring the Cup back to Los Angeles once again.

Coming into the 2013-14 season, the Los Angeles Kings were one of the favorites around the NHL to reclaim the much-coveted Stanley Cup. Halfway through the season, those same Kings, with the same players on the team, had nearly fallen out of playoff contention. The offense was horrible. It seemed as if Quick lost a step. Every time you watched a Kings game, the only action you would see would be from the other team while losses began to pile up and shutouts became regular. In recent weeks, Quick and the Kings were the ones racking up the shutouts as a slight break in play for the Olympics apparently got this team back on track. Kings coach Darryl Sutter went from being on the hot seat to re-enlisting his team in the style of play that won a championship nearly two years ago. With elite goaltending, an everimproving offense that controls the flow of the game, and a strong, physical defense, the Kings should be back in business just in time for the playoffs.

One of the main reasons for the Kings' elite play in the second half lies behind the hockey stick of Jeff Carter. Carter had an excellent showing at the Olympics, perhaps giving him the momentum that he carried over into the final portion of the NHL season. Though Carter has played 10 fewer games than most of his teammates, he still led the team in goals as of press time and was second in points. In the first seven games after the Olympics, Carter racked up four goals and two assists to give him six points while also scoring the game-winner in two of four contests in that same period of time. Carter's efforts not only on offense but on

defense as well have sparked the Kings to their second half surge.

The Kings have spent most of their season tangled up in the middle of a tough Western Conference, but as usual began turning things on when it counted. "To be hitting our stride at this point and beating some very good teams we had to play in the East right now, that's a confidence booster," Kings defenseman Drew Doughty said last week. Doughty's right. With the playoffs steadily approaching, the Kings continued to rack up quality wins like the one they earned last Tuesday when they pulled out a gritty 5-4 shootout victory on the road versus Washington--remarkably coming back from two goals down in the third to seal the victory. Two days later, the Kings walked into Pittsburgh and took down the Penguins by a final of 3-2, keeping Sidney Crosby relatively quiet for most of the game.

The Kings, of course, wouldn't be where they are today without the play of the aforementioned Doughty and Quick. Doughty is also a player who was dominant in the Olympics and carried his play over to lead the attack on offense for the Kings. "I know he lays some big hits, plays well defensively and is a guy that when he's on the ice, you need to be aware at all times because he can jump into the play and be a threat to score," said Tyler Bozak of the Toronto Maple Leafs. Doughty has performed well all season long and continues to do so. He's a player who could find himself in the running for the Norris Trophy come the end of the season. A player who could take home the Vezina Trophy in the coming years started off the season very slowly, but has recently rounded out back into the goalie who was nearly unbeatable in the playoffs over the past two years. After the break, Quick was instrumental in the Kings' streak of seven straight wins, allowing only seven goals in that same period of time.

Barring an unlikely slump over the last three games (but still with a big enough cushion in the standings to make a playoff berth all but set in stone), the Kings looked to be peaking at the perfect time. With more than just one winning streak of at least five games since the Olympic break, the Kings are a much different team than the one that suffered through an especially difficult January. With the new inspiration that has currently found the Kings and the team's stellar play since the break, the rest of the NHL should take notice and be on guard. These L.A. Kings might be much like the '11-'12 Kings and very well could make another aggressive run at the Stanley Cup, taking the hockey world by storm. •

## **Sports**

## No Shortage of Baseball in El Segundo

By Gregg McMullin

If you're a baseball fan, there was no shortage of America's favorite pastime in El Segundo recently. There were two doubleheaders, a couple of single games--and that was just the high school schedule. When you factor in El Segundo Little League and a Little League tournament that featured one of Japan's elite teams, local residents as well as those visiting were treated to some great games.

Underwood forced in another run to make it 8-6. Bergren then hit a sharp grounder up the middle that was smothered and tossed to second base for the final out.

The Eagles played a non-conference game against Santa Monica and came away with a bitter 13-12 defeat. The defense took the day off, committing three costly errors that led to five unearned runs. Offensively, Underwood and Martinez continued their senior leadership



Tommy Grant, who opted to play for ESLL, was masterful on the mound. Photo by Gregg McMullin.

The El Segundo High School varsity baseball team split a doubleheader with Mira Costa 5-1 and 8-6 in the fourth annual Henry Pearson Memorial Doubleheader. Pearson, a former Mira Costa Mustang baseball standout who was tragically killed in 2009, is remembered each year by the two teams in a special twogame set.

The Eagles had lost six straight coming into the game, but junior right-hander Willem Mostert tossed a dandy five-hitter to pick up his third win of the season. Mostert surrendered an unearned run in the second inning to give the Mustangs a 1-0 lead. The Eagles countered with three runs in their half of the second inning. Consecutive singles by Hunter Lewis, Nick Martinez and Joey Garza led to the tying run. Jake Palmer's two-run single gave the Eagles a 3-2 lead. In the fifth inning Connor Underwood doubled, Noah Bergren singled and Lewis had an RBI double. Martinez's sacrifice fly made it 5-1.

In the second game, the Eagles held a 3-1 lead when the Mustangs tied the score on a two-run error to extend the inning. Cooper Griffith's two-run single gave Mira Costa a 6-3 lead. Trailing 8-3 in the seventh inning, the Eagles made a bid for a comeback. Spencer Long, who was two for four with a double and three RBIs, had a two-run single to make it 8-5. Consecutive walk to Lars Nootbaar and

by collecting two hits each and driving in two runs apiece.

Trailing 13-8 in the seventh inning, the Eagles' comeback was nearly complete when they had loaded the bases down 13-10 with two outs. Bergren hit what was believed a bases-clearing potential triple, but a runner in front of him apparently missed second base. It was appealed and upheld and the Eagles lost.

Tanner Stevens threw an absolute gem, scattering four hits against Los Osos. Underwood knocked in Long in the sixth inning for the game's only run as the Eagles won their first round game of the Don Lugo Tournament. The tournament continued this week against Northview, Damien and Charter Oak.

The frosh soph team swept a doubleheader from Mira Costa 6-5 and 12-2. The Eagles won the first game in dramatic walk-off fashion on a two-out hit by Ryan Maryoung that scored CJ Shevlin from first base. Maryoung and Justin Ostler had two hits each to lead the attack. Ostler pitched the first four innings and Shevlin finished up to pick up the victory.

El Segundo jumped off to a 5-0 in the first inning and cruised on to win the second game. Evan O'Connor's three-run double broke the game open in the first inning. Jackson Stone, Shevlin, Jarod Whitney and O'Connor scored two runs each. Whitney earned the

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## EL SEGUNDO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TO HOST COMMUNITY FORUM ON MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2014 TO GATHER INPUT ON SELECTION OF NEXT SUPERINTENDENT

The Governing Board of the El Segundo Unified School District has selected Dave Long & Associates Executive Search Services, as its consultant to assist the Board in its search for a new superintendent.

The Board wishes to extend an invitation to all members of the community to meet with advisers,

Joe Condon and Patricia Novotney, on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in El Segundo Middle School's Bulldog Hall

located at 332 Center Street – El Segundo, CA 90245 to discuss the specific traits, skills, abilities and experience desired in the new superintendent.

For anyone who is unable to attend the evening forum, comments may also be submitted no later than 7 p.m. April 7, 2014 by completing questionnaires available at district schools, at the El Segundo Unified School District Office at 641 Sheldon St. El Segundo CA 90245, and by download on the District website http://www.elsegundousd.net/ by e-mail directly to the advisers at profpbn@aol.com, or jcondon00@gmail.com, or through written comments mailed to:

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## Vikings Bring Down Aviators

## **Photos by Shelley Kemp**

The Vistamar Vikings beat the Hawthorne Math & Science Academy (HMSA) Aviators



The Vistamar 1st baseman catches a throw from his Pitcher in an attempt to beat HMSA runner back to the base.



Bret Swan slides into 2nd for a steal. Photos by Shelley Kemp.



Vistamar runner rounds third base on his way to a run in the  $6 \mathrm{th}$  inning.

in a non-league match in Baseball last Thursday at Alondra Park Field. Vistamar gained a commanding lead over HMSA with 6 runs. The final score was 10-4.



Alexis Rodriguez dives back to 1st base.

## ESHS Lacrosse Scoops Up Win Against Glendale

By Brooks Roscoe

El Segundo Boys Lacrosse had its first Varsity win as a CIF team defeating Glendale today, 7-4 @ El Segundo.

Junior Nolan Roles had three goals and Junior attackman John Lang had two goals and



Junior John Lang fights for the ball; Alex Rassouli assists. Photos by Jon Barber.

two assists. Freshman Daniel Ball also had a goal and Junior goalie Jake Barone had 12 saves. For more information about the El Segundo youth programs, contact Coach Roscoe at brooks.roscoe@gmail.com



Junior Jake Barone (Goalie) runs ball up the field.

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victory with Maryoung and Justin Villafana completing the game on the mound.

The Eagles played Santa Monica and earned another exciting walk-off victory, 5-4. Sean Emery's single scored Kobe Estrada to end the game. Emery led the attack with two RBIs and O'Connor had two hits. Stone pitched the first four innings, while Garrett Boyce was unhittable for three innings in relief and picked up the win.



The Kitasuna Little League team from Japan could play for another World Series title in August.

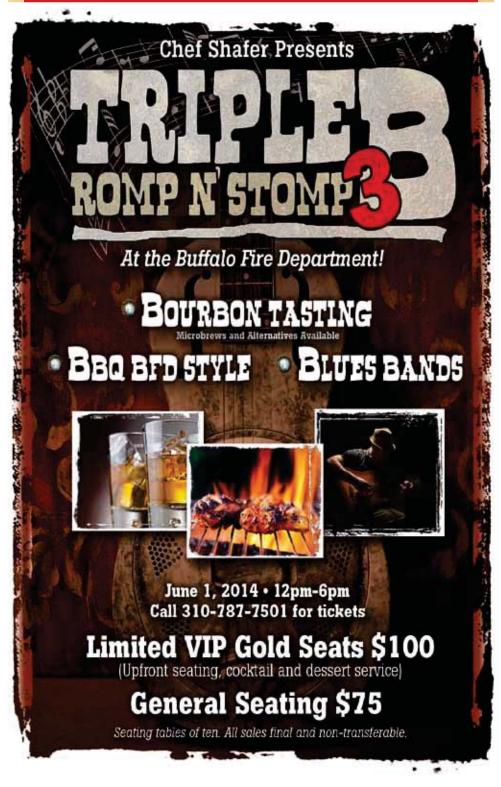
The junior varsity team has had some tough luck to start the year. A few of its pitchers were promoted to the varsity, which has made things problematic at times. When the hitting has been there, the defense hasn't. When the defense sparkled, the bats have gone silent.

Against Santa Monica, Wyatt Boyce looked unhittable at times with his fastball. He struck See Sports, page 18



The El Segundo Little League team fared well in the tournament. Photos by Gregg McMullin.



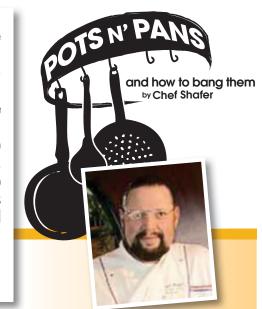


ast week I got some great Japanese eggplant at the farmers market in Torrance. These are the long bananashaped light purple eggplant.

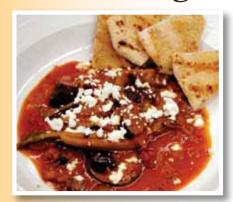
They looked so good I had to make something with them.

So I went back to my roots of growing up in an Italian neighborhood in New York. We always had an antipasto type salad to start of the evening and Componata was always served. My version can be served both hot and cold. Hope you like it.

The Chef



## Tuscan Vegetable Marinara



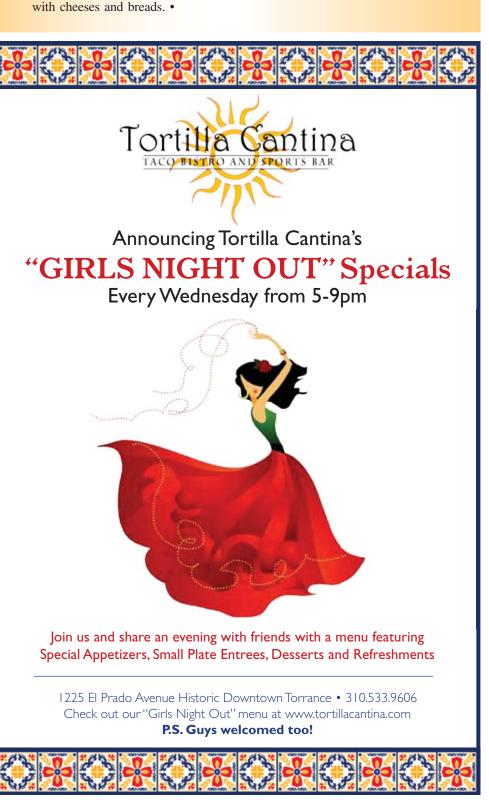
## Ingredients

- 2 pounds of eggplant, large dice 1-inch
- 1 cup olive oil
- 4 crushed cloves of garlic
- 1 cup diced onions 1 large fennel bulb cut in strips
- 1 bell pepper diced
- 1 15 oz. can diced tomatoes
- 1 15 oz. can tomato puree
- 1 tablespoon dried basil
- 1 quart chicken broth Salt and pepper to taste

## **Directions**

- 1. In a hot skillet brown off the eggplant with a sprinkling of the olive oil; do this in small batches to get the most color and even cooking of the eggplant.

  Set aside.
- 2. In a large saucepot heat the remaining oil then add the garlic, onions and fennel. Sautee this for 3 to 5 minutes or till the fennel in soft.
- 3. Add the remaining ingredients and the eggplant and cook for 20 minutes, stirring occasionally.
- 4. Serve with pasta or meat, fish or chicken or chill it and use as an antipasto



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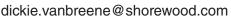


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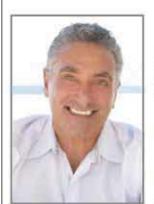






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## A Student's Perspective

## El Segundo, the Consummate Community

By Cece Stewart

## Freshman at El Segundo High School

Communities are described as people living in a common geographical location. But when discussing El Segundo, the meaning behind community is much deeper and more unique. In El Segundo, the community works together to allow harmony amongst neighbors. Citizens of El Segundo take pride in working together through teamwork and creating a sense of safety.

In Biology at El Segundo High School we learn that the main goal of life is to reproduce, and thus humans naturally try to be a part of groups so to survive and reproduce. Through time, humans have adapted, and now have not only a dependency on others so to survive, but also we have evolved to enjoy the feeling of togetherness. Since the day you are born, you care about your family. As you grow, you begin to care about others, too. This leads to compassion, which we see so beautifully at play in our community. El Segundo is the consummate example of biological perfection; we are raised in a family town that is a perfect environment of happy people who get along, support each other, and thus define community- we are known as Mayberry by the Sea for a reason.

Personally, I was not raised in El Segundo. But the way the people treated me when I moved here makes me feel like I have lived here forever. In my family we like to talk about the first day my brother attended football practice. We had just moved, he knew no one. Scared, he walked down to the field and lined up. Immediately the kid next to him smiled and said, "Hey, are you new? My name is Henry Doby, who are you?" Henry then watched out for my brother the whole practice. Similarly, that first day as he walked home in his football gear, our neighbor whose son was on the team asked him if he wanted a ride the next day, and thereafter she drove him, a stranger to her, but now a new friend. These examples illustrate the kind of place El Segundo is, and set the tone for what it is like to live here. We see the same when our school has events, the whole town comes out to support; when someone is sick the community comes together to support the person and their family. We are blessed, to say the least, to live in a town where all neighbors look out for each other. The community of El Segundo is wonderful because whoever you are, you are accepted and loved. El Segundo is the consummate community. •

## Wiseburn from page 4

recognized at the meeting was Anthony Papagano, who won the District's geography bee and represented Wiseburn in the State bee in Sacramento. Johnstone said that while some students don't care to learn which continents are home to which countries, he is pleased to see others taking an interest in geography. "It's kind of a lost art," said Johnstone. "Not that many students care about geography anymore."

The Board also congratulated the winner of the District's spelling bee. The Wiseburn spelling bee is open to students in fourth through sixth grades, which Johnstone said usually leads to Dana winning the top prize. However, this year was atypical. "Typically a sixth grader wins," said Johnstone. "But this year, we had a student from Peter Burnett who won it." That student was Owen Donayre, who won after his opponent stumbled on the word automaton. Donayre went on to represent the District in the Los Angeles County Spelling Bee held on March 26.

Finally, the Board recognized Dana's Los Angeles Marathon runners. Johnstone said he was "extremely proud" of the runners and their parents for keeping the school's running program alive and as popular as ever. "This is the only school that I know that has this many students getting together every year and running," said Johnstone. "It fills me with great pride."

The students have been training for months with P. E. teacher Art Rodriguez, who serves as coordinator of the marathon run. He has run 21

marathons and encourages scores of students to join him in running, with some running every year they attend Dana. One former three-year runner said the experience taught her that she "can accomplish anything."

The months of preparation were especially important this year, as the students faced what Johnstone (a six-time marathon runner himself) called "the worst weather in the history of the [Los Angeles] Marathon. "This year was too hot for marathon running," said Johnstone. "Ideal marathon weather is upper 50s, maybe low 60s. This year was in the upper 80s or low 90s."

However, battling through the heat, leg cramps and mental drain of the marathon inspires these students to take on bigger challenges. Johnstone said that the marathon run is a valuable asset for these students. They learn about what their minds and bodies can handle and are left with an achievement they'll remember forever and the confidence to face future challenges. "To run a marathon is a big deal and to finish a marathon is an even bigger deal," said Johnstone. "What that takes is a lot of mental toughness. In life, people who do really well are those who persevere and have that mental toughness."

Johnstone and the Board also thanked the parents who supported the students by tackling tasks as diverse as assisting in training to bringing snacks to the side of the marathon route. "We have a whole bunch of parents and adults that support the students," said Johnstone. "When you take a long run, students need water, they need bananas and granola bars and whatever they need..." •

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The Mayor and Council also proclaimed April 2014 as "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" and designated April 23 as "Denim Day," encouraging everyone to wear jeans to help communicate the message that there is "no excuse and never an invitation to rape." According to statistics, a sexual assault occurs in this country every two minutes and approximately one in six women become rape victims during their lifetimes.

During public communications, Relay for Life event chair Patricia Morales presented the City with a statue and gave plaques of appreciation to the Council and Recreation and Parks department for their support of the annual fundraiser that supports the fight against cancer. Morales reported that the next Relay will take place at Campus El Segundo on July 12 and 13 and she asked the Council to consider waiving fees for the event.

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Deputy City Clerk II Cathy Domann reminded residents to vote in next Tuesday's municipal election, with polls open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at City Hall, El Segundo Public Library and Center Street Elementary School. A given resident's specific polling location may be found online at www.lavote.net, or by calling the City Clerk's office at 310-524-2307.

In other election-related matters, resident Liz Garnholz expressed concern because someone in town had received two vote-by-mail ballots. City Attorney Mark Hensley said the issue which he noted happens very rarely--had been reported to the Country Registrar's office. He added that it is a criminal act to vote twice. Resident Mike Robbins pointed out that some unions had made contributions of several thousand dollars to the Measure A ballot initiative and wondered if this was illegal since the Council had imposed a \$500 maximum cap on campaign contributions a few years back. Hensley explained that a recent Supreme Court ruling stating that government cannot limit the amounts contributed to campaigns has made El Segundo's policy unenforceable. •

## **Police Reports**

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El Segundo PD misdemeanor warrant Wednesday, March 26, 2014

Attempt residential burglary report was taken at 0745 hours from the 500 block of Loma Vista Street. Two adults attempted to break into a residence. Suspects fled the scene after seeing the resident in the house

Burglary (commercial) report was taken at 1046 hours from the 200 block of North Douglas Street. Unknown suspect(s) took industrial equipment, tools and copper wiring from a business

Attempt burglary (residential) report was taken at 1448 hours from the 400 block of Virginia Street. Two adults attempted to break into a residence. Suspects fled the scene when the resident opened the front door

One male adult was arrested at 1634 hours from the 200 block of North Douglas Street for one outstanding El Segundo PD misdemeanor warrant

Burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 1937 hours from the 2100 block of East Rosecrans Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry into the victim's vehicle by smashing a window. Taken was a messenger bag

Annoying a child report was taken at 2059 hours from the 800 block of Center Street

One male adult was arrested at 0015 hours from Vista Del Mar and Grand Avenue for misdemeanor DUI with a BAC of .08% or above

## Thursday, March 27, 2014

One male adult was arrested at 0206 hours form the 100 block of West Imperial Avenue for possession of stolen property, possession of burglary tools and possession of drug paraphernalia

One male adult was arrested at 0417 hours from the 700 block of North Nash Street for public intoxication

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 0820 hours in the intersection of Utah Street and Aviation Boulevard, vehicle versus

Property for destruction report was taken at 0955 hours from the 300 block of Main Street. Ammunition was turned in to be destroyed

Property report was taken at 1302 hours from the 600 block of Arena Street. A BB gun and ammunition were booked as evidence

Identity theft report was taken at 1403 hours from the 1400 block of East Acacia Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) opened several credit card accounts using the victim's personal information

Impersonating an officer report was taken at 1526 hours from the 500 block of North Continental Boulevard. Unknown suspects pretended to be from the IRS

One female adult was arrested at 1922 hours from the 2200 block of East Mariposa Avenue for child endangerment and plain drunk in public Burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 2042

hours from the 400 block of East Grand Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) stole a briefcase

One male adult was arrested at 2105 hours from the 2100 block of East Mariposa Avenue for trespassing

One male adult was arrested at 2348 hours from Maple Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard for plain drunk in public

## Friday, March 28, 2014

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1612 hours at the intersection of Continental Boulevard and Mariposa Avenue, vehicle versus vehicle

Traffic accident (with injuries) occurred at 1632 hours at the intersection of Rosecrans Avenue and Sepulveda Boulevard, vehicle versus vehicle

## Saturday, March 29, 2014

Vandalism report was taken at 0833 hours from the 2000 block of East Mariposa Avenue. Graffiti was found on a building wall

One male adult was arrested at 0836 hours from the 900 block of Center Street for one Huntington Park PD misdemeanor warrant and one Vernon PD misdemeanor warrant

One male adult was arrested at 1010 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for one Hermosa Beach PD misdemeanor warrant and one Culver City PD misdemeanor warrant

Dead body report was taken at 1027 hours from the 400 block of California Street. One male adult died of natural causes

Burglary (commercial) report was taken at 1321 hours from the 2500 block of East El Segundo Boulevard. Unknown suspects stole miscellaneous clothing from a business

One female adult was arrested at 1719 hours from Holly Avenue and Washington Street for one Gardena PD misdemeanor warrant

Traffic accident (with no injuries) occurred at 1909 hours from the 500 block of Nash Street, vehicle versus vehicle

One male adult was arrested at 2346 hours from Douglas Street and Rosecrans Avenue for possession of a controlled substance, misdemeanor DUI with drugs and alcohol and one Gardena PD misdemeanor warrant

## Sunday, March 30, 2014

Annoying phone calls report was taken at 0324 hours from the 2100 block of East El Segundo Boulevard. Unknown suspect repeatedly called the victim at her place of business to harass her

One female adult was arrested at 1223 hours from the 100 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard for petty theft

An online identity theft report was taken at 1954 hours from the 1400 block of East Maple Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) opened two bank accounts using the victim's personal information •

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on the Thomas property, and a new hotel. All approved under Jacobson's watch.

Fisher has been Mayor for nine months now. What businesses have been approved under the new regime? Well, under Fisher there is the \$450,000 for a new Public Relations firm to wage a campaign to "attract" new business.

Yes, there are a lot of people still angry that Fisher arranged a cabal to depose our workaholic Mayor and replace him with a "do nothing" like Fisher.

Fisher has been a Mayor who lists a long line of committee appointments and attends none of them.

You will see people with signs for Fuentes or Dugan and both. You will see Fisher Signs standing alone for the most part, often at homes without voters and on rental and commercial properties.

Please join us and ask for Fuentes and Dugan signs today. – *Mary Olinick* 

## More than Eleven Tax Hikes in Measure A

Measure A is more than eleven permanent tax hikes bundled into one measure, denying us a choice to approve or disapprove specific taxes. Measure A is ill-conceived and has poor timing. It does nothing to fix the excessive city spending on employee compensation and pensions. And if re-elected, Mayor Fisher will keep coming back for more taxes as he has done in the past.

We should vote "No" on Measure A. If truly necessary, the new City Council can come back with a less extreme set of ballot measures in November, after they negotiate new long-term union contracts and make them public. Otherwise, the new tax money will pay for employee raises as the Measure M and N tax hikes did under Bill Fisher.

According to El Segundo Municipal Code Section 3-7-1, the "Communication Services" UUT will appear on our landline, cellular, pager, Internet, cable TV, and satellite bills. It taxes all charges for the communication of voice, text, data, audio, video, or any other information or signals using any existing or future technology. It applies to all ancillary and incidental charges, without limitation, including equipment, connection, reconnection, and termination charges; late fees; detailed billing; custom calling features; voice mail; access and line charges; universal service charges; and regulatory, administrative and other cost recovery charges.

Measure A will chase businesses, jobs, and tax base out of our city, and put El Segundo into a downward economic spiral.

Vote "No" on Measure A.

## - Marianne Fong Vote "No" on Hotel Killer Tax

Bill Fisher "balanced" the city budget with smoke and mirrors, and financial shell games, spending down reserve accounts and borrowing from the Equipment Replacement Fund.

It's not surprising that Fisher, "Yes on A" campaign co-chair Sandra Jacobs, and Janice Cruikshank are all Measure A tax hike cheerleaders. They were all fire and police union sponsored City Council candidates. They can return that favor with millions of our tax dollars to pay for their huge pay raises and the resulting pension increases that continue today.

"Yes on A" campaign co-chair Joe Harding was against the tax hikes when he was a Hacienda Hotel employee. now, this ex-employee is FOR the tax hikes.

Harding spoke out strongly against smaller Utility Users Tax (UUT) and Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) hikes at the 8/3/10 City Council meeting. Anyone can verify this by watching the City Council meeting video. Here are his quotes from that meeting.

"Joe Harding, representing the Hacienda Hotel and also a resident of El Segundo." "Most of you have seen first-hand what our industry has endured over the past 27 years." "Our industry just can't handle any increase." "You must say 'No' to the hotel killer tax."

"A TOT and a UUT would hit us twice. That'd be like kicking us when we're down, and then running us over for good measure." "The City must make unpopular and difficult adjustments to their payroll and expenses." "Leave the TOT where it is."

Vote "No" on A! – *Jerry Wellfonder*A No-Brain-er

I just don't get the negative letters about Measure A. To me it's a no-brain-er. The people we voted to represent us support it unanimously. Businesses pay for over 90% of it. It's not a much of a tax on business or residents. People with lower incomes in the Lifeline or CARE programs are exempt from paying it. Utility tax rates are still going to be lower than most neighboring cities. Adds a tax on airport parking where none is collected now. Brings hotel taxes up to still the lowest rate around. Generates revenue that can be used to finally fund some capital projects for our benefit. Prevents cuts to services we have come to expect. Ensures City support of our schools which have been robbed of their funding by the state. You bet I'm voting for Measure A! Mike Rotolo

## **Ambush at Candidates Forum!**

Wednesday night, I attended a candidate forum at the Moose Lodge given by Council candidate Mike Dugan. As a resident of El Segundo, my expectations were that I would hear the candidate's positions followed by residents' questions and challenges to the candidate's plans and positions.

Sadly, I learned more about two of the current El Segundo Council members than I did about Mr. Dugan. Surprising to me, council members Dave Atkinson and Marie Fellhauer chose to attend the forum. Neither is running for reelection. Despite this, Mr.Atkinson and Ms. Fellhauer, along with ESPD officers Turnbull and Doukakis, waited no more than seven minutes into Mr. Dugan's presentation to start steering the agenda. Mr. Dugan, remaining calm, made several attempts to get back on track, but was continually interrupted with off topic questions delivered in a hostile manner. Because of the interruptions, several people had to leave before the candidate had a chance to finish. A few individuals tried to get the discussion back on track—a futile attempt!

As a voter, I felt short changed by our council members' rude and disruptive behavior. The evening broke down into accusatory hypotheticals of what Mr. Dugan would have done in previous council decisions. I would have rather focused on what candidate Dugan would do to address the El Segundo budget imbalances. He deserved a respectful audience and he did not get one. – *Jim Gunderman* 

## No on Measure A and No on this Council

The new proposed tax won't address the real issues and that's too much overspending on wages. How many of you have received a thirty percent raise over the life of any contract? The fact is the public safety employees are not going broke. Most believe their unions will seek more compensation for their jobs. Does the upper management positions, which we have too many of, need to be compensated at the rate of a quarter of a million dollars per year? Here's another question why does a city council person get life-time medical benefits after serving a little more than a term?

The city of El Segundo has more Fortune 500 companies in this city than any other in the South Bay and we're going broke? I know all about getting six cents on the property tax dollar rhetoric but the fact is there are many more million dollar properties bought and sold now than ever before.

Other potential tax initiatives went down to defeat because WE all think the money raised will go towards salaries and benefits. I believe if there was a built-in clause with nothing going towards salaries in any form the citizens might reconsider.

This five-member council has go to go down as the second worst in the city's history. Go back a little more than 10 years or so to find the worst since they're the ones who helped us get to where we're at. - Greg Drozd

## **Running Scared!**

Sure looks like it. Councilmen Atkinson and Fellhauer are acting badly disturbing

some local campaigns events. I guess the duo, are afraid that if Fisher looses they will lose the three vote and they can no longer control City Council/City. Examples of the three vote: Taking down a Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem, for doing a good job the last 10 months of their term (what an Ego!), when in fact Fisher doesn't attend meetings regarding the city business only parades, ribbon cuttings & social events. They have given the Golf Course away while it was making money for the City. They want to charge seniors for Dial- A- Ride. More taxes for residents and business to pay with Measure A.

The City needs more money again! City receives \$8.5m yearly from Chevron plus industry, property taxes, sales tax, head tax, utility taxes from some Industry, etc.etc. Why, is this is not enough? Their solution is for the residents and businesses to feed it via Measure A?

Measure A financed by E.S. Firefighters Political Action Committee gave \$5,000 and Sandy Jacobs gave \$500.

Only one fireman in the City's fire fighters union lives in town, so why did they want to go county and raise taxes on El Segundo residents and businesses, only the union knows for sure. Why? More money more spending!

Fisher's literature for 2014 reads the same as 2010 pictures also. What's new?

April 8th City election is a road to crucial tax-and-spend or live-within-our-means.

- L. Margaret Alcala
Voting No on Measure A
Another tax on a heavily taxed society

is not going solve anything. We live in a community supported by more Fortune 500 companies per square mile than any other community in the state. While it may only be a small bill for some it is a giant leap of disbelief for the rest who are discouraged by the wasteful spending on overpaid positions or superfluous projects.

Does the City really need to pay a firm \$40,000 to study parking on Main Street. What happened to the money that was suppose to go towards funding the projects on Richmond Street and Standard Street. Oh yeah the city ran into trouble and had to use those funds elsewhere; perhaps additional compensation packages. Was a council woman really serious about charging for a community 10K run that helps fund education. Do these council people really deserve paid medical for life when most of us are struggling to pay premiums.

What happens when this band-aid idea becomes just another poke in our side and the council comes back wanting more. Convince me it's not for salaries or unessential studies and I might vote yes. Vote for Mike Dugan.

## - Gregg McMullin Candidate Disrespected

Last week City Council Candidate Mike Dugan held a public campaign meeting. I've received many reports that Mike was repeatedly heckled, interrupted and called names at this event. As a candidate in the City Council election, I condemn these actions. My campaign was not involved in this candidate attack. – Suzanne Fuentes

## **Elections**

be done to solve our current financial situation and guarantee it doesn't happen again in the future. Council is obligated to treat taxpayers' money like our own.

Consultant Mike Dugan: My vision for the future of El Segundo is shaped by the residents I meet walking the streets. They all have common expectations that we stop spending more money than we take in and that we conduct our business in a fair and open forum with the utmost respect for one another in a professional manner. My vision for the future of El Segundo also includes residents and business partners speaking freely without intimidation or fear of retribution. My vision for the future of El Segundo puts residents first and provides excellently maintained and reliable infrastructures. And my vision for the future of El Segundo has controlled spending within our revenue limits and continued excellent services without raising taxes. In my vision, the future of El Segundo maintains the "small town feel" that we all love.

In my vision for the future of El Segundo business is critical but we need to have the ability to weather business cycles without placing additional demands on our residents. My vision for the future of El Segundo continues to have our City provide the great services and amenities we have today but brings spending under control so that our future is sustainable without raising taxes.

## How can we unite El Segundo businesses including downtown, east of Sepulveda, and Plaza El Segundo?

Incumbent Mayor Bill Fisher: With over 80% of our city revenue coming from business, engagement of business community is critical to our success. Personally, I spend hours a week meeting and speaking with current and new businesses both on their needs and next steps. This engagement has helped us bring new business to town to vacant office space and retain others. We also have many groups in town that engage business and interact and provide feedback to the city council. The El Segundo Chamber of Commerce along with their downtown business association, the Educational Foundation which is made up of prominent business entities in town, the Economic Development Advisory Council, which is made up of commercial real estate folks, businesses and entrepreneurs and is a big key to our success moving forward. Engagement of all business in our city is an ongoing process and I'm committed to it and have led on this. Again it's really the key to our long term success.

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**Incumbent Council Member Suzanne Fuentes:** El Segundo has an enviable mix of businesses. Whether you're looking for a surfboard or an F-18 Super Hornet fuselage, you can find it in El Segundo! Fortune 500 and home-based small businesses thrive in 90245. The El Segundo Chamber of Commerce provides leadership, advocacy, and resources to its members and the community.

We can unite all El Segundo businesses regardless of location by keeping our city business friendly. In order to retain our existing businesses and attract new businesses we must keep taxes at a competitive level; higher taxes chase jobs out of cities and states.

In 2006, El Segundo won the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation's first Eddy Award for being the Most Business Friendly City in Los Angeles County. The last two years, we have been selected as a finalist again. By demonstrating El Segundo's business friendliness, we can win another Eddy award and allow our businesses to concentrate on their own success.

Consultant Mike Dugan: I've already said that businesses are critical for the future of El Segundo but I'm not sure uniting downtown businesses and those east of Sepulveda is the right thing to do. We need to help all of our businesses to be successful so that they can have the ability to help support our City and our schools. Overall our businesses have been great to our City and we need to be thankful for all that they do for us. We need to help them grow and keep them located in El Segundo.

We hear a lot about vacant building and office space and we have seen some businesses fail but the cycles of business should not place additional demands on our residents. El Segundo needs to weather the storm in a downturn without impacting the residents. That issue belongs to the developers and their tenants. We should work with them to streamline permitting and maintain lower, competitive, fees but we should not take money away from residential services in order to help market businesses because our residents come first. Developers should fund marketing campaigns for El Segundo properties because it is they who will benefit most from filling vacant space.

Thank you Candidates! •

## <u>Seniors</u>

## Ask the Pharmacist: Should Women Worry About Osteoporosis?

(BPT) - The "silent thief," more commonly known as osteoporosis, impacts 10 million Americans, with millions more suffering from low bone density. Osteoporosis is a progressive, degenerative disease that occurs when bone loss outpaces the growth of new bone, weakening the bone and increasing the risk of sudden and unexpected fractures. In fact, up to one in four men and one in two women over the age of 50 will break a bone due to osteoporosis.

Marc Surak, a specially trained pharmacist at the Express Scripts Therapeutic Resource Center who concentrates on women's health issues, explains what causes osteoporosis and why women are at greater risk.

Osteoporosis is primarily the result of the body breaking down more bone than the amount of new bones being formed, Surak says.

"Being female is the second most significant uncontrollable risk factor for the disease, with age being the first," says Surak. "In fact, 80 percent of osteoporosis sufferers are women due to their lighter and thinner bone structure. Additionally, following menopause, a woman could lose up to 20 percent of her bone density."

Surak focuses on helping patients with medication management. Bisphosphonates are among the most commonly used medications to treat osteoporosis. The medication works to restore the body's balance of bone development by decreasing the action of bad cells (osteoclasts) that cause bones to break down, and increasing the production of good cells (osteoblasts), which build bones.

As with all medications, there are risks. Surak and his team work to help patients manage these risks and gain a better understanding of their medications. He offers the following tips and information to ensure the best possible outcomes for osteoporosis patients.

- Take with water: Bisphosphonates help slow the process that dissolves bone tissue, but they sometimes cause stomach irritation. Because of this, oral forms of the medication should be taken first thing in the morning with a full glass of water. Try to avoid taking food, drink, or other medications for 30 to 60 minutes afterward.
- Know the side effects: Although rare, bisphosphonates can cause osteonecrosis of the jaw (ONJ). People with compromised immune

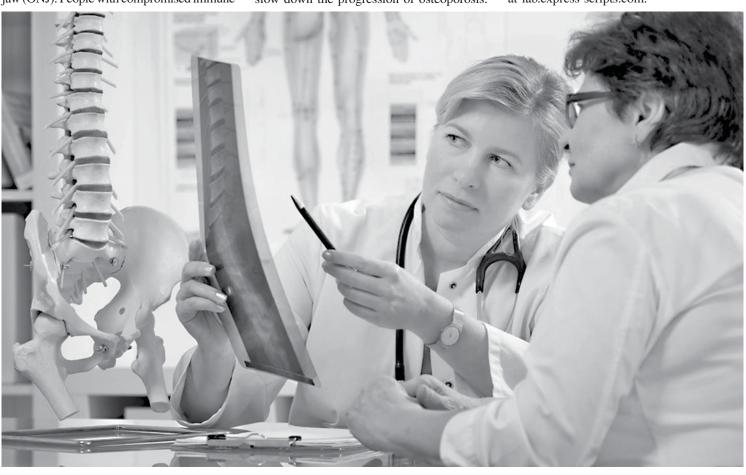
systems – such as those on chemotherapy or HIV patients - are at the greatest risk for ONJ. Poor oral hygiene and those undergoing invasive dental procedures can also increase the potential for ONJ. As a result, medication should be stopped three months prior to a dental procedure. Talk to your doctor of pharmacist if you have questions about ONJ.

 Keep moving: An active lifestyle, including weight-bearing and muscle-strengthening exercises can help counteract the risks for and slow down the progression of osteoporosis.

• Healthy eating: Follow a healthy, balanced diet that includes eating foods high in calcium, vitamin D and lean protein. Eating fresh fruits, vegetables and low-fat dairy products is also critical for promoting bone health.

 Call your doctor: You know your body best, if something seems wrong reach out to a health care professional. If you're experiencing new or worsening symptoms contact your doctor immediately.

For more information about osteoporosis, visit Express Scripts' Health Insights blog at lab.express-scripts.com. •



## **PUBLIC NOTICES**

## ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. ES017625

Los Angeles Petition of: Kurush Rohinton Desai for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner Kurush Rohinton Desai filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:

Kurush Rohinton Desai to Quinn Desai The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing. Notice of Hearing:

Date: 5/2/14, Time: 8:30AM, Dept.: B The address of the court is 300 East Olive Avenue

Burbank, CA 91502 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Los

Angeles Date: 5/11/14 Mary Thornton House Judge of the Superior Court El Segundo Herald Pub. 3/27, 4/3, 4/10.

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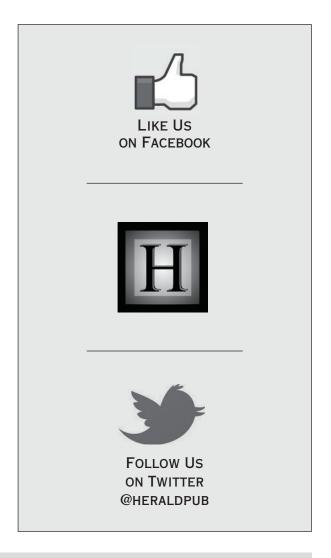
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No. 9551-1317 TSG Order No.: 130237098-CA-MAI A.P.N.: 4132-004-027 NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED (The above statement is made pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(c)(1). The nmary will be provided to Trustor(s) and/ or vested owner(s) only, pursuant to CA Civil Code Section 2923.3(c)(2).) YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 12/19/2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NBS Default Services, LLC, as the duly appointed Trustee, under and pursuant to the ver of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust Recorded 12/27/2006 as Document No.: 20062871958, of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Los Angele County, California, executed by: GORDON G VASQUEZ AND KIMBERLY S VASQUEZ. HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Trustor, 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 or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state). 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. Sale Date and Time: 04/25/2014 at 11:00 AM Sale Location: By the fountain located at 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona, CA 91766 The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real

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## <u>Finance</u>

## Money Talk: Educating the Next Generation

(BPT) - At a certain age, kids stop listening to their parents on all topics except for

Yet recent research conducted by Bank of America found that although this is the one area where teens and tweens actually seek advice from their parents, it's one many adults avoid due to their own lack of confidence in managing their finances.

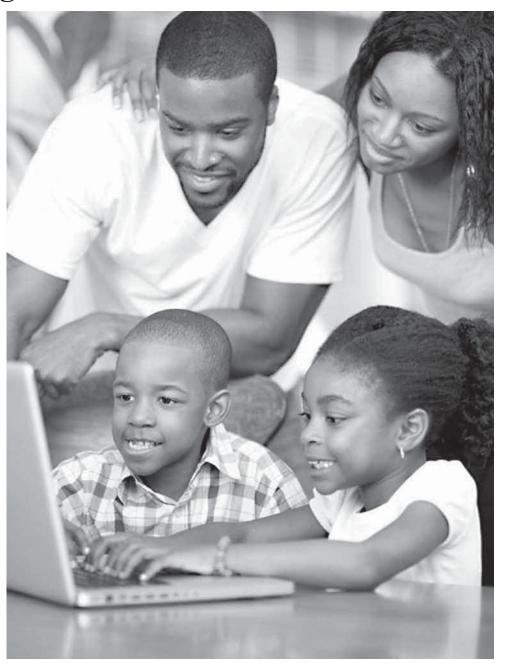
Whether you're taking steps to proactively educate your children on money management or they're confronting you with specific questions, be ready and equipped to help them learn about what's important.

Following the five simple steps below will not only help you brush up on the basics and build your own financial knowledge but better prepare you to teach your kids about managing money responsibly.

- Expand your own financial knowledge. A recent Bank of America study on financial literacy reveals that 32 percent of U.S. adults recognize their lack of financial knowledge has led them to make poor financial decisions. Before you can educate your kids, make it a priority to educate yourself. Consider online resources as an easy way to expand your own financial knowledge. One option is BetterMoneyHabits.com, a free online learning platform offered through Bank of America's partnership with Khan Academy, offering dozens of easy-to-understand personal finance videos on everything from using credit to saving and budgeting.
- · Educate by example. Teens and tweens often model their behaviors after their parents both good and bad – particularly when it comes to money. By setting a good example and responsibly managing your own personal finances, you can begin teaching your children without much heavy lifting.

- Talk to your kids. We've all made mistakes with money at one time or another - the important thing is that you and your children can learn from them. Begin talking to your children about the financial decisions you've made in the past to help spur open, ongoing dialogue about money. Knowledge of your personal financial challenges may prevent your children from facing similar issues and discussing your good decisions provides them with concrete examples to follow.
- Get specific. Parents tend to give pie-inthe-sky goals to their kids - like the need to save for college, which don't resonate. Focus your kids in on immediate goals – like saving for a bicycle or a treat after school. Prior to making a purchase, challenge your children to research and compare. This approach helps teach many important aspects of money management including smart shopping, budgeting, finding and negotiating good deals, and avoiding impulse purchases.
- Offer allowance. Once your children reach an age where you feel they're comfortable with handling money, you can begin to offer an allowance. Whether it's rewarding them for completing chores, good behavior or making straight A's on their report card, make it clear to them what kind of expenditures the money is for and that they are expected to save some of it. This will likely be your child's first chance at budgeting and managing money, so it's important to give them the tools they need in order to be successful.

Of course, there are no "one size fits all" answers to your child's financial questions, but when the questions do come, it's important to be ready by empowering yourself. It's critical that parents are confident in their own money management skills in order to teach the next generation. •



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Signed: Yvonne Kazerouni, CEO. This

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## **Fictitious Business** Name Statement 2014060910

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TRAINING 2. JUMP START CPR TRAINING CENTER, 20809 BRIGHTON Registered Owner(s): Maria D Barajas 20809 Brighton Ave Torrance, Los Angeles, CA 90501. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant the fictitious business name listed: February 28, 2014. Signed: Maria D Barajas, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on February 28, 2014

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## Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014080029

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ESHS JA. 640 MAIN STREET, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. 1369 E GRAND AVE UNIT D. EL SEGUNDO. CA 90245. Registered Owner(s): Bonnie M Maye, 1369 E Grand Ave Unit D, El Segundo, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Bonnie M Maye, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 25, 2014.

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## Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014080609

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as AKA BEAUTIFUL. 3525 W. CARSON 276. TORRANCE. CA 90503. 1469 CORONADO AVE, LONG BEACH, CA 90804. Registered Owner(s): 1. Rosalba Barrera, 1469 Coronado Ave, Long Beach, CA 90804. 2. Maria G Barrera, 1469 Coronado Ave, Long Beach, CA 90804. This business is being conducted by a General Partnership.

The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Rosalba Barrera, Partner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 26, 2014.

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## Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014077030

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PREMIER CONSULTING SOLUTIONS. 3241 FLOWER STREET, LYNWOOD. CA 90262. Registered Owner(s): Jose Manuel Villegas, 3241 Flower Street, Lynwood, CA 90262. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious Signed: Jose Manuel Villegas, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 21, 2014.

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## Fictitious Business 2014082339

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as GATEWAY DAY CARE AND HOME PRESCHOOL. 4609 SEPULVEDA BLVD, TORRANCE, CA 90505. Registered Owner(s): 1. Nayana Niranjalee Wijetunge, 4609 Sepulveda Blvd, Torrance, CA 90505. 2. Sarath Wijetunge Weda Arachchige, 4609 Sepulveda Blvd, Torrance, CA 90505. This business is being conducted by a Married Couple. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: N/A. Signed: Nayana Niranjalee Wijetunge, Co-owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March

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# **NOTICES**

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out eight in five innings, but the Vikings were patient and worked Boyce for five walks to go on to win 5-2.

The Vikings scored an unearned run in the first inning, and two walks eventually led to two more runs in the fifth inning and a 3-2 lead. The Vikings scored single runs in the sixth and seventh innings off Alberto Galicia.

Trailing 1-0 in the third inning the Eagles took the lead when Chris Gomez walked, Griffin Martes singled and Brandon Craig had an RBI single. After a nine-pitch at-bat, Spencer Palmer was hit by a pitch and Jason Kehl drew a bases-loaded walk for the 2-1 El Segundo lead.

Defensively Mario Morales, Dillon Mc-Donnell and Gomez turned in highlight reel plays to stop Santa Monica potential rallies. Jackson Walz, who has been splitting time with the varsity outfield, is hitting a robust .545 while Gomez is hitting .423 on the year to lead the team.

The El Segundo Little League is nearly at the halfway point of the season. The Cardinals are leading the way with a 7-1 record, Cameron Dornblaser has the only no-hitter of the year and six players have at least one home run. Beach Cities Baseball Academy hosted seven Little League teams, including the two-time Little League World Series champion Japanese team from Kitasuna. Teams from Encino, Torrance, the South Bay and one from our own Little League played in the two-day tournament.

This was the third year that the tournament has been played. The boys from Japan, who do not speak English, stay for the week with host families. They had an opportunity to experience American culture and visit L.A. attractions like Universal Studios, the Santa Monica Pier and the Hollywood Wax Museum.

There was a little baseball thrown in as well. The Kitasuna team throttled each of their opponents on their way to their third consecutive tournament championship here. To watch this team of 18 players and four coaches and the way they go about their business between the lines goes far beyond impressive. Each player is not only respectful but is athletic and they play everything, including warming up, at game speed. And failure, is not an option.

The oddity of the tournament is the teams playing in it. For the most part each team is a club or travel team other than the team that represented El Segundo Little League. This 12 player team did not include at least four players from the ESLL who opted not to play for their own Little League but rather play for a travel team. One player, who is associated with a club team, thought loyalty to his

friends and community far outweighed playing against them.

Look for Kitasuna to be in Williamsport, PA., for the Little League World Series in August. •



Jackson Walz slides safely into second base. Photo by Gregg McMullin.

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Duke, 12 years old and bonded with gentle sister Daisy.

sweet, he has star personality. Cypress is a Terrier/Poodle mix and is a riot to watch in his playtime. Little Cypress will be able to go home on April 12, 2014 as he will be eight weeks old by then. He is available for preadoption at this time. Cypress is current on vaccinations, microchipped, fine with everyone, and due to his small size, we would prefer children in the home to be over six, please.

Daisy and Duke are a brother/sister team



Gentle Daisy, 12 years old and bonded with her brother Duke.

we pulled out of the Baldwin Park Shelter just hours before they were going to be euthanized. They were tearfully surrendered to the shelter by their owner, who was moving and could not take them with her. They are now 12 years old and have found themselves homeless. Daisy and Duke are a bonded pair, so since they have grown old together we want to keep them together. They are housebroken using wee wee pads, love toys and kids too. Daisy is the soft-spoken one, gentle and kind,

and loves to cuddle with you. Duke is more outgoing, the playful one, and he loves his toys. He is definitely Mr. Personality! Both were raised as inside dogs and slept in the bed with their owner. Daisy is five pounds and Duke is 11 pounds. Daisy and Duke are spayed/neutered, current on vaccinations, microchipped and fine with other dogs.

What about a cuddly Chinchilla as a companion? Chill'n is a beautiful male Chinchilla. His coat is a dark charcoal-grey highlighted with white. He is very friendly, loves to be held and loves to run in his wheel. Kiki is a very sweet Chinchilla with a beautiful, light charcoal-grey and silver-white coat. Both are young, under six years old.

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Chill'n the friendly chinchilla.

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Beautiful friendly Siamese Nisha likes to cuddle.

and facial structure of one, though she doesn't present with the classic point colors. Nisha is one talkative little girl, happy to meow to the heavens and show off her Siamese side with pride. Playful and affectionate, Nisha is a confident kitty who loves to cuddle with her brother and sister. If she finds herself alone, Nisha will cry and cry until one of her siblings comes to rescue her. This little snuggle-bug will be a fantastic addition to any family, perhaps with one of her siblings if there is no resident young kitty already in the home!

**Dudley** is a sweet and playful little Jack Russell mix who loves other dogs and cats. He has a good energy level, but not the hyperactivity you would find with a pure Jack Russell. We suspect he may be mixed with Corgi or Dachshund, turning him into the perfect little couch potato. There is a lot of personality packed into his 10-pound body--a pocket-sized hiking buddy or a great companion for long walks, yet also just as happy to play in the yard and spend all day on your lap just hanging around. This little guy adapts easily to other animals and bonds strongly to his person, always wanting to go absolutely everywhere with you! Dudley does very well with children too and is just the right size to join them on the bed at night, as he loves to cuddle under the covers. He is politely playful. He would love to find a wonderful home that will give him lots attention, exercise and a regular lap. He is definitely one of the most affectionate dogs around--such a dream! If you would like to add a very loyal, pocket-sized canine companion to your family, Dudley might be the perfect fit.

These pets 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 tax-deductible donations for the rescue and care of our cats and kittens can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to Kitten Rescue, 914 Westwood Boulevard, #583, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

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Dudley is a Jack Russell Mix who loves to play.

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Henry and Roxy, soaking up the sunshine



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