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Chevron Refinery Firefighters Donate \$3,000 to C.A.S.E.



Last week Chevron El Segundo Refinery firefighters made a much-appreciated donation of \$3,000 to benefit C.A.S.E. (Community Alliance for Support and Empowerment), the organization that provides food pantry and assistance for local residents. Pictured left to right are: Stephen Jolley, Terence Campbell, Austin Tuer, Father Alexi from C.A.S.E., Brett Morrow, Tim Brown, Leroy Diekmann and Alex Zepeda. Photo Courtesy of Chevron.

Police Department, Animal Control Release Coyote Management Plan

By Brian Simon

About the middle of last year, El Segundo and other communities around the South Bay began to notice a sizable uptick in coyote sightings—especially during daytime—with reports of increasingly aggressive behavior and attacks on unleashed dogs and feral cats. The dunes and dense brush in the surrounding airport property make El Segundo a prime breeding area for coyotes—and with limited food sources available in their natural habitat due to the prolonged drought, the animals ultimately looked to residential neighborhoods for alternate options such as fruits and vegetables as well as small mammals in the vicinity.

The increase in coyote incidents spurred public outcry and prompted City staff to consider feasible steps to mitigate the impacts on the community. After several months of discussions with other cities experiencing similar problems and researching Humane Society and California Department of Fish and Wildlife guidelines, the City recently unveiled its Coyote Management Plan through the El Segundo Police Department and Animal Control Division. Citizens may access the document by visiting the City's website (www.elsegundo.org).

"The Coyote Management Plan is a guide to dealing with coyotes within our community," said El Segundo Police Chief Mitch Tavera. "Because they are an essential part of our local ecosystem, which can't be infringed upon, we can't simply get rid of coyotes. This plan is a way to educate residents on

coyote behavior and provide safe steps to deter these animals from coming into our proximity."

Key to understanding why coyotes venture into local neighborhoods is knowing what draws them here in the first place. Number one on the list is food. El Segundo has a prevalence of mice, rats and squirrels that attract coyotes. But residents may unwittingly compound the problem by leaving out pet food, unsecured compost or trash, and fallen fruit. The City's plan provides a series of tips

to remove potential coyote access to these items. "Coyotes are always on the lookout for easy food," Tavera said. "Water is another issue. Although we've experienced a great deal of rain lately, coyotes will look for water sources in dry conditions—which we will see again sooner than later. It's never a good idea to leave a pet water bowl outside."

Tavera also urged residents to keep small pets indoors and to not allow them to be outside unattended or without a leash. "This

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School Board Ponders District Data Center Options

By Duane Plank

Six special presentations headlined the Tuesday night El Segundo School Board meeting agenda. The first two presentations recognized El Segundo Unified School District employees, including El Segundo High School science teacher Daniel Horvath, and five employees who were feted by the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) at a February 22 event that took place in Redondo Beach.

Horvath, who is in his first year of teaching at El Segundo High, was recognized for his stalwart contributions as a Master Teacher Fellow in a program funded by the National Science Foundation. The program, which is housed at Cal State

Dominguez Hills, offers participants who are experts in their field professional development experiences. The participants conduct "action research" with CSUDH faculty and then publish their findings. Executive Director of Human Resources Dylan Farris extolled the scholarly exploits of Horvath, noting that "e are grateful to have such a qualified teacher teaching our students."

District employees Leana Tsue (School Psychologist), Angelica Tipon (RSS Special Ed teacher), Steven Sturgeon (CSS Instructional assistant), Denise Bordieri (CSS Instructional assistant), and Melissa Blanco (CSS Instructional

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Weekend Forecast

Friday

Sunny
73°/50°



Saturday

AM Clouds/
PM Sun
64°/52°



Sunday

AM Clouds/
PM Sun
59°/47°



Calendar of Events

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

- THURSDAY, MAR. 2**
- El Segundo Historical Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM., El Segundo Public Library, 111 W. Mariposa Ave., Call: 310-640-8923.
 - El Segundo Farmer's Market, 3:00 PM. – 7:00 PM., located on Main Street, Downtown El Segundo.

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

- SATURDAY, MAR. 4**
- Saturday Night Dance, 7:00 PM. – 9:45 PM., Cost: \$3.00 Per Person, Adults of all Ages Welcome, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call: 310-524-2705.

- SUNDAY, MAR. 5**
- Bridge & Pinochle Groups, 11:30 AM. – 3:45 PM, Senor Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.

- MONDAY, MAR. 6**
- Canasta Group, 12:00 PM. – 3:00 PM., 50 Plus, Free, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.

- TUESDAY, MAR. 7**
- City Council Meeting, 7:00 PM., City Hall, 350 Main Street, Call: 310-524-2306. El Segundo Kiwanis Club Meeting, 12:10 PM., The Lakes at El Segundo, 400 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Contact: elsegundokiwanis.org.

- WEDNESDAY, MAR. 8**
- Eagles' Nest PTO Meeting, 6:15 PM., 641 Sheldon Street, Call: 310-615-2650.
 - Care for Community Trees, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM., Tree Musketeers, call: 310-322-0263/volunteers@treemusketeers.org.
 - Bowling, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, 50 Plus, Senior Club of El Segundo, Gable House Bowl, 22501 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, Cost: \$8.00 for 3 games, Call Joyce at: 310-322-7621.
 - Drop – In Lobby Events: Recycled Paper Bead Making, 12:00PM., free – includes supplies, El Segundo Public Library, 111 W. Mariposa Avenue, Call: 310-524-2728.

- THURSDAY, MAR. 9**
- El Segundo Farmer's Market, 3:00 PM. – 7:00 PM., located on Main Street, Downtown El Segundo.
- FRIDAY, MAR. 10**
- United Methodist Church –All Church Rummage Sale, 9:00 AM. – 5:00 PM., 540 Main Street, El Segundo. Lots of Bargains! All Proceeds go to missions.
 - Bingo, 1:00 PM. - 3:00 PM., 50 Plus, \$3.00 minimum, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Helen at: 310-416-9181.

- SATURDAY, MAR. 11**
- United Methodist Church –All Church Rummage Sale, 9:00 AM. – 12:00 PM., 540 Main Street, El Segundo. Lots of Bargains! All Proceeds go to missions.
 - Saturday Night Dance, 7:00 PM. – 9:45 PM., Cost: \$3.00 Per Person, Adults of all Ages Welcome, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call: 310-524-2705.
 - El Segundo's 30th Annual Arbor Day Celebration, 9:30 AM. – 12:30 PM., Tree Musketeers, Call: 310-322-0263/Volunteers@TreeMusketeers.org.

- SUNDAY, MAR. 12**
- Bridge & Pinochle Groups, 11:30 AM. – 3:45 PM, Senor Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.
- MONDAY, MAR. 13**
- Canasta Group, 12:00 PM. – 3:00 PM., 50 Plus, Free, Senior Club of El Segundo, 339 Sheldon St., Call Pam at: 310-318-2856.

- TUESDAY, MAR. 14**
- Board of Education Meeting, 7:00 PM., District Administrative Offices –Board Room, 641 Sheldon Street.
- WEDNESDAY, MAR. 15**
- Care for Community Trees, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM., Tree Musketeers, call: 310-322-0263/volunteers@treemusketeers.org.
 - Bowling, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, 50 Plus, Senior Club of El Segundo, Gable House Bowl, 22501 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance, Cost: \$8.00 for 3 games, Call Joyce at: 310-322-7621.

- THURSDAY, MAR. 16**
- El Segundo Farmer's Market, 3:00 PM. – 7:00 PM., located on Main Street, Downtown El Segundo. •

Letters

Unpleasant encounter with El Segundo Police 2/21/17

Last night after using the atm at Chase Bank on Grand near Main, my car was surrounded by no less than six police officers. I was repeatedly questioned, asked for identification, and harassed. They claimed a report of "suspicious activity". Nothing of the sort happened while I was present, yet I was practically staring down drawn guns. My freshly printed bank receipt proved I had legitimate reason to be there.

The encounter was most unsettling, and illustrates clearly why so much animosity exists in our small community.

My long-held assumption is that the police here are impartial professionals, not to be feared. Clearly, profiling is alive and well in "Mayberry by the Sea..."

This ugly, deeply disturbing incident done to a long-time local resident makes me begin to think otherwise.

– Kerry Kimbrell

Community Briefs

El Segundo's 30th Annual Arbor Day Celebration

On Saturday, March 11, Tree Musketeers will host El Segundo's 30th Annual Arbor Day Celebration. The youth-led organization originated with a group of 13 Brownie Girl Scouts who dreamed that anyone, no matter how small, could change the world. They launched the youth environmental movement we know today.

Since then many generations of Youth Managers have steered the organization, including overseeing day- to-day activities, sitting on the Board of Directors alongside elected officials and entrepreneurs, and planning large-scale events.

This year's event holds significant importance, marking 30 years for Tree Musketeers and 30 Arbor Days celebrated in El Segundo where the organization was founded.

Last summer Tree Musketeers expanded their Youth Management Team by six individuals. The entire group of youth ages 12 to 16 has been at the helm of planning the event.

In addition to planting dozens of trees, the group will care for hundreds more along Trees to the Sea, where the group planted 500 trees on Arbor Days from 2005-2008. These trees are a green pollution barrier between LAX and the South Bay, reducing the heat island effect along the 1.2-mile stretch of asphalt of Imperial Highway and filtering water and air in the area.

Each year a task force comprised of several community leaders unites to ensure the event goes off smoothly. This year's significant additions include George Codero from Xceed Financial Credit Union and Corrie Zupo from the revitalized El Segundo Environmental Committee. This is in addition to Lily Craig from event sponsor Chevron, and multiple members representing various City departments.

For more information/sign-up, visit <https://treemusketeers.org/2017/arbor-day-is-on-its-way-2/> or email volunteers@treemusketeers.org.

SKECHERS Pier to Pier Friendship Walk and Check Presentation to Ed Foundation

The 2016 SKECHERS Pier to Pier Friendship Walk raised a record-breaking \$1.6 million to benefit education and The Friendship Foundation – an organization devoted to making a dramatic difference in the lives of children with special needs and their families (www.gotfriends.com). In recognition of the accomplishment, the 8th Annual SKECHERS Pier to Pier Friendship Walk Evening of Celebration and Check Presentation will take place at Shade Hotel (655 N. Harbor Drive) in Redondo Beach on

Thursday, March 2 from 6 to 9 p.m.

The SKECHERS Foundation will present checks to The Friendship Foundation and the following education foundations: El Segundo, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Palos Verdes Peninsula, Redondo Beach and Torrance. In addition, the SKECHERS Foundation will announce the expansion of its Scholarship Program. Celebrity guests will include Brooke Burke-Charvet, Sugar Ray Leonard, Courtney Sixx, Denise Austin and more. For additional information, www.skechersfriendshipwalk.com.

School Board

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assistant) received kudos from the Board for their top-notch work recognized last month by SELPA at the "Recognition for Education Excellence and Support" event.

Student representative to the Board Alex Nilsson then gave her report, detailing events at El Segundo High as the District school year enters its final three-plus month.

Superintendent Melissa Moore regaled the Board with information about an upcoming event at the High School in conjunction with the El Segundo Centennial Committee and the ongoing celebration of the City's 100th birthday. El Segundo High graduate Jeff Cason was the main presenter--and as the main producer of the event, he unveiled plans for an October 7 fireworks spectacular themed "Celebrate" that will take place at the Main Street campus to honor the history of El Segundo.

Board President Bill Watkins emailed prior to the meeting, "We are excited and honored to have ESHS selected as the site for the 100th anniversary of El Segundo event produced by Jeff Cason. This will be a wonderful event for our whole community,

and it will be an event that everyone will want to attend."

An alternative option for the District's 2017-18 technology data center was next on the presentation agenda, with District Director of Information Technology Danny Gauna and the co-founders of VPLS (a District partner and premier technology solutions provider) taking center stage. John Minnix, Ted Mektrakan and Tim Mektrakan addressed the Board and detailed a plan to replace the District's data center, which was termed "outdated, costly to maintain or improve and prone to frequent service interruptions." The frequent outages involving the data center lead to service interruptions that negatively impact the students and faculty. Outages involving the antiquated equipment result in emergency response and overtime costs for IT personnel, as well as a decrease in the service level to students and teachers.

Two options were broached by Minnix, the main presenter. Option 1 would build the new data center at the District Office. Pros mentioned to this plan included that the new

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AT&T in El Segundo Hosts National High Technology Day



Photo Courtesy of AT&T HACEMOS Los Angeles Chapter.

On Thursday, February 23, AT&T Employee Resource Group HACEMOS hosted

the 19th Annual National High Technology

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A Big “Best of the Best” Thank You

It is another banner year for the number of participants of our “Best of the Best” contest. This year we received a lot - over 125 - completed “Best of the Best” ballots for 2016. Many winners of this year’s “Best of the Best” wanted to thank the community for their votes and for their commitment to doing business in El Segundo. Congratulations to 2016’s winners. Thank you participants. Enjoy!

The Bagues-Wagner Agency: The Bagues-Wagner Agency is operated by Mike and Sylvia Bagues-Wagner. Mike and Sylvia are 21 year residents of El Segundo and have raised and their children Miguel (MIT), Elena (Santa Clara University) and are continuing with their younger children, Joaquin and Cruz (Richmond). Mike is a long-time educator and administrator. Sylvia is an attorney and operates as the agent for the office. Their agency was set up to serve the community of El Segundo and the many resident families and businesses. Their office is located on Richmond Street and is open daily. It is staffed by Ashely Manual, an experienced insurance customer service representative to ensure that every client receives the attention and care they deserve. The offices sole purpose is to ensure that their clients have the needed insurance coverage for all the things that their clients care for, cherish and love.

Mike and Sylvia are involved in the many youth sports programs in the community. Mike is the founder of the local Pop Warner Chapter in El Segundo and he and Sylvia volunteer in Little League and Manhattan Beach Youth Basketball. Mike is also a football coach at the high school and the agency sponsors many of the team sports. They are Partners in Education and hope to provide more resources through the many community support programs Farmers offers. They look forward to serving your family and the community for many years to come.



Sylvia Bagues-Wagner and Michael Wagner.

Martell Electrical Contractors: Robert Martell’s 30 years of electrical experience have built a highly successful company, Martell Electrical Contractors. His clientele is completely referral driven and is built on highly diversified projects with residential cliental, medical facilities and professional offices. Solid electrical knowledge, timely service and exceeding customer expectations has earned Martell a 5-star rating on Yelp.

Martell was born in Quincy Massachusetts and credits this east coast community with his persevering and stanch work ethic. He has spent the last 22 years in Los Angeles as a career contractor and electrician. His company’s philosophy is that meticulous attention to detail is essential for customer satisfaction.

Prior to opening his own company, Martell worked at premiere electrical companies and enjoyed the opportunity to coach, mentor and lead personnel within a technical team environment. He took great satisfaction in helping employers grow by securing new accounts and delivering successful projects. In 2010, Martell set out to build his own company where he could ensure that all aspects of business measured up to his exacting standards and personal integrity.

Martell’s outstanding reputation lead to prestigious projects including the renovation of Johnny Carson’s former residence in Malibu, and custom projects for Eli Broad and Sydney Kimmel. His favorite part of these high-profile jobs is that it profits his community clients. Martell enjoys creative application of luxury elements and techniques to benefit modest budgets. “Giving families access to state of the art lighting is very rewarding.”

Martell’s latest undertaking is expanding

MEC to a second location in Lakewood, CA. He looks forward to providing the same exemplary service in the Lakewood Community. •



Rob Martell, Martell Electrical Contractors.

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– Sylvia Bagues-Wagner and Michael Wagner

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Entertainment

Film Review

Best Picture Winner *Moonlight*
Sweeps at the 32nd Film
Independent Spirit Awards

By Ryan Rojas for www.cinemacy.com

Each year, on the day before the film industry’s biggest night that is the Oscars, the non-profit arts organization Film Independent hosts the Independent Spirit Awards—an annual event that brings out some of Hollywood’s finest indie filmmakers and stars to a beautiful Santa Monica beach setting to celebrate the films that are made outside of the mainstream studio system. This year, Cinemacy’s Editor-in-Chief Morgan and I covered the awards show from the pressroom. There was a diverse lineup of films being honored this year, from the Franco-Mexican drama *Chronicle* to this year’s Academy Award winner for Best Picture, *Moonlight* (who will ever forget the massive flub that initially and incorrectly awarded the film to *La La Land*?). Despite their background or box office success, all nominees shared one common thread—a deep-rooted passion and love for independent films.

In a politically-charged era that has viewers almost expecting Hollywood to comment on our nation’s current political happenings, comedians Nick Kroll and John Mulaney co-hosted the event with no shortage of sharp-witted jokes. Their buddy breeziness set a perfect atmosphere

on director Barry Jenkins as he received the Robert Altman Award on the film’s behalf. Speaking about *Moonlight*’s impact on the film industry, Jenkins was humbled by the acknowledgement and considered it a “beacon of inclusivity,” noting that the industry has to tell “more stories that speak truth to power.” It is available to rent on iTunes now.

Voters awarded Casey Affleck, who would also win Best Actor in a Leading Role at the Academy Awards the following night, with the award for Best Male Lead for his performance as a grieving janitor in *Manchester by the Sea* (available to rent on Amazon). Best Female Lead was awarded to Isabelle Huppert for her performance as a woman assaulted in the amazing, but little-seen, French film *Elle* (available to rent on Vudu beginning March 14). Winning Best Supporting Male was Ben Foster for his bank-robbing bad boy character in *Hell of High Water* (available to rent on Amazon) and Best Supporting Female was an ecstatic Molly Shannon for her portrayal of a cancer-stricken mother in *Other People* (available to stream on Netflix).

The theme of the day, celebrating both the diversity of filmmakers and the important



The cast and crew of *Moonlight*, which won Best Feature. Courtesy of Cinemacy.

for a relaxed and casual evening (along with house band Gary Clark, Jr.). This being the day before the stress-filled night that is the Oscars is a much-appreciated thing.

The Indie Spirit Awards recognized *Moonlight* with six top honors, including Best Feature, Best Director, Best Editing, Best Screenplay and Best Cinematography. The show brought out the film’s stars Mahershala Ali (who went on to win the Oscar for Best Supporting Actor), Naomie Harris, Janelle Monáe, and more, who all cheered

stories they tell, resonated when more than a handful of winners thanked us--the members of the press--for their dedication to their job in a time when the media has faced so much attack from Washington. The feeling of unification we felt this day reminds us why stories are so essential to tell now more than ever, and independent cinema continues to prove that this is the place to do it.

Morgan and I would like to express our sincere thanks to Film Independent and Ginsberg/Libby for our inclusion in the event. •

Check It Out

The Historical Fiction

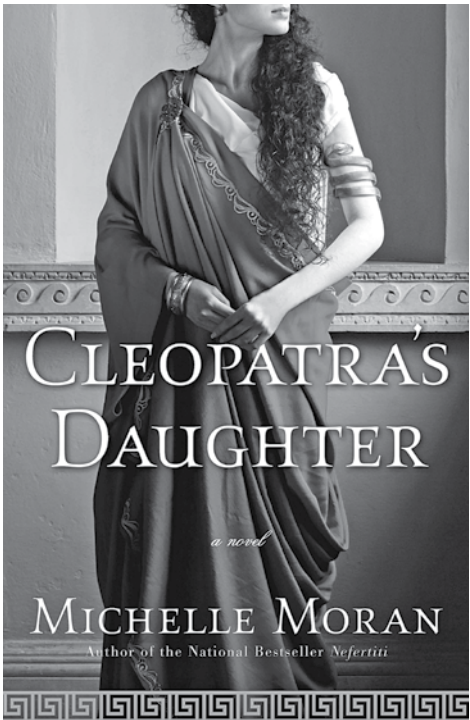
By Michelle Moran

By Kristina Kora-Beckman,
Librarian I, El Segundo Public Library

I love historical fiction novels ... they transport me to faraway places and long-ago times, immersing the reader in the details

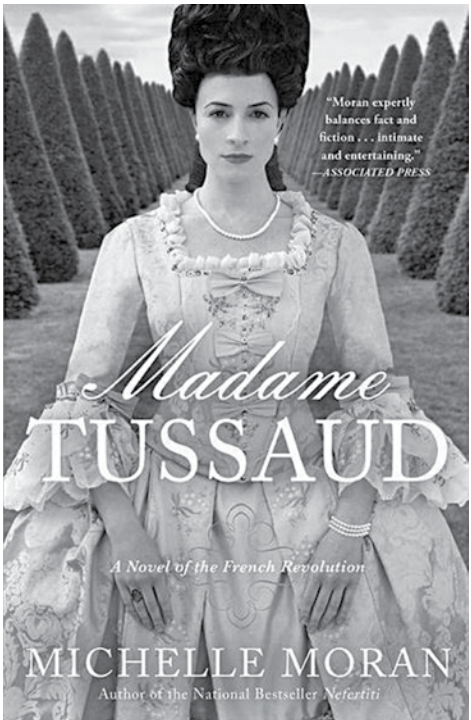
makes these books so enjoyable.

From the French Revolution, Ancient Rome or 19th Century India, Moran’s books describe the motivations that drive the characters to make tough decisions in difficult situations. It



Cleopatra's Daughter by Michelle Moran.

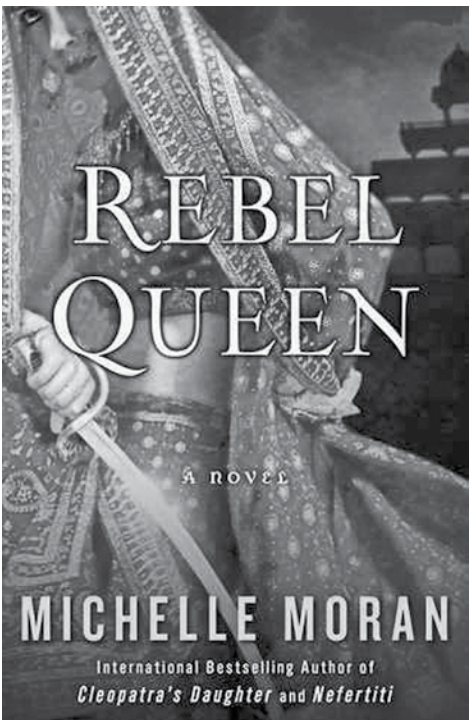
that make the past come alive. One of my favorite authors from this literary genre is Michelle Moran, whose novels often focus



Madame Tussaud by Michelle Moran.

would be easy for present-day readers to say they would have made different choices had they been in a particular situation, but Moran helps them understand the limited options these women often faced in primarily male-dominated societies. These intelligent women have to use every ounce of cunning, connections and positioning to reach their personal and professional aspirations, often with great cost.

My personal favorites are *Rebel Queen*, *Madame Tussaud* and *Cleopatra's Daughter*. To check out these, or any other of Moran’s titles, please visit the library to apply for your free library card. For further assistance including helping to discover your next great read, please contact the reference staff. •



Rebel Queen by Michelle Moran.

on influential--and often controversial--women such as Nefertiti and Mata Hari.

Rich in vibrant detail, her titles set the scene of place and time that really help the reader feel what it might have been like to live in the particular time and locale. While readers often know how major historical events will end, the journey of how the characters get there and what drives their actions is what



Kristina Kora-Beckman.

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Police Reports

Thursday, February 16

A shoplifting report was taken at 0235 hours from the 2100 block of East El Segundo Boulevard. Taken were three cases of Red Bull energy drinks.

A forgery report was taken at 0850 hours from the 300 block of North Continental Boulevard. Unknown suspect(s) made purchases using counterfeit bills.

A burglary (commercial) report was taken at 1052 hours from the 300 block of Sheldon Street. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry by prying open a window. No property was taken.

A forgery report was taken at 1213 hours from the 800 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. A counterfeit check was deposited and funds were withdrawn from the account.

A theft by false pretenses report was taken at 1359 hours from the 300 block of West El Segundo Boulevard. Known suspect used the company's credit card to purchase items for his personal benefit.

A vandalism report was taken at 1757 hours from the 100 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard.

Two male adults were arrested at 2055 hours from the 1300 block of East Grand Avenue for burglary.

One female adult was arrested at 2107 hours from the 800 block of Virginia Street for violation of a domestic violence restraining order.

Friday, February 17

An identity theft report was taken at 1135 hours from the 700 block of Sierra Street. Unknown suspect(s) used the victim's credit card to complete online purchases.

Saturday, February 18

A burglary (commercial) report was taken at 0248 hours from the 600 block of Vista Del Mar. Unknown suspect(s) gained entry into a business by smashing a window. Taken were two cash registers and miscellaneous boxes of cigarettes.

A traffic accident (without injuries) occurred at 0536 hours at El Segundo Boulevard and Sepulveda Boulevard, vehicle versus vehicle.

A vandalism report was taken at 1148 hours from McCarthy Court and Walnut Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) smashed the rear window of a vehicle.

A misdemeanor hit and run report was taken at 1247 hours from the 200 block of East Grand Avenue, vehicle versus vehicle.

A found property report was taken at 1303 hours from the 900 block of McCarthy Court. A black purse containing a cell phone, medication and other miscellaneous items was found at the location.

An identity theft/petty theft/shoplifting report was taken at 1744 hours from the 700 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard. Unknown suspect took an unattended wallet from the victim's purse. Suspect then attempted to use the victim's credit card to purchase merchandise.

Sunday, February 19

Two male adults were arrested at 0610

hours from Hillcrest Street and Oak Avenue for grand theft auto and possession of burglary tools. A stolen motorcycle, truck and license plate were recovered.

A missing person was located and a report was taken at 1128 hours from the 400 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard.

A burglary report was taken at 18312 hours from the 600 block of West Maple Avenue. The victim's residence was ransacked but nothing was taken.

A domestic battery report was taken at 1942 hours from the 400 block of Sierra Street.

Monday, February 20

A burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 0629 hours from the 1400 block of East Oak Avenue. Unknown suspect(s) smashed vehicle window and took a work bag.

A burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 0937 hours from the 400 block of Loma Vista Street. Unknown suspect(s) smashed vehicle window of a 2015 Toyota.

A male adult was arrested at 1317 hours from Vista Del Mar and Imperial Highway for possession of methamphetamine and driving with suspended license.

A found property report was taken at 1348 hours from the 500 block of North Sepulveda Boulevard. Found was a wallet.

One male adult was arrested at 1841 hours from the 2500 block of East El Segundo Boulevard for driving under the influence.

One male adult was arrested at 2215 hours from Imperial Highway and Hughes Way for grand theft auto, obstructing a peace officer, identity theft, assault with a deadly weapon, driving with a suspended license and driving under the influence of drugs.

Tuesday, February 21

A burglary (vehicle) report was taken at 0808 hours from the 500 block of Standard Street. Unknown suspect(s) broke into a 2000 Chevy Tahoe.

An identity theft report was taken at 1116 hours from the 200 block of Concord Street.

A traffic accident report was taken at 1255 hours from the 700 West Pine Avenue. Vehicle versus vehicle.

Wednesday, February 22

A property report was taken at 0854 hours from the 200 block of Loma Vista Street. Ammunition was turned in to be destroyed.

A property report was taken at 1006 hours from the 2300 block of East Rosecrans Avenue. A found item was turned in to be destroyed.

A dead body report was taken at 1003 hours in the 300 block of Virginia Street. An adult passed away due to natural causes.

A traffic collision (with injuries) occurred at 1619 hours from 120th Street and Aviation Boulevard. Vehicle versus vehicle.

A forgery report was taken at 1757 hours from the 700 block of South Sepulveda Boulevard.

Defrauding an innkeeper report was taken at 2137 hours from the 100 South Sepulveda Boulevard. •

Potholes Turn Roads into Obstacle Courses

By Rob McCarthy

South Bay drivers can be forgiven if they seem jumpier than usual this winter. The sudden urge to weave and change lanes is natural after February's rainstorms that pocked streets and freeway lanes with potholes--lots of them. Avoiding them can save a trip to the repair shop, or the emergency room.

Southern California's roads are in horrible shape, according to the national transportation research group known as TRIP. From Los Angeles to Santa Ana, two-thirds of the streets and highways are in poor condition. That survey was done in 2013, so the drought-busting rain this winter is certain to add to the woes of drivers and the workloads for city and county street maintenance crews.

Potholes are signs that the nation's infrastructure is aging and needs greater attention to build new roads and bridges, according to the website Pothole Info.com. Pavement crumbles and potholes form over time because of rain-water, excessive heat, and the wear and tear of traffic. Low spots where water collects cause potholes, though heavy truck traffic and poor street maintenance get some of the blame too.

The Automobile Club of Southern California cautions drivers to watch for potholes after these winter storms. Because swerving or a sudden lane change can endanger other drivers, the AAA says more following distance from the car ahead allows drivers to see potholes sooner. Hitting the brakes at a pothole can cause more damage to a vehicle because the weight shifts to the front.

When a pothole cannot be avoided, slow down to reduce the chance of damage to tires, wheels and the suspension, according to the AAA. It also reduces the chance of losing control of the steering, especially when the road is lined with potholes. The danger is greater on curved or uneven roads.

Watch for water pooled on the pavement, which can conceal a deep pothole lurking in the lane ahead, according to the AAA. "Alert drivers having plenty of time to avoid pot-

holes," it says. Americans shell out more than \$6 billion per year on repairs to their cars and trucks from potholes. These repairs run from the gamut from fixing a flat tire to replacing an accidentally deployed air bag. While a flat repair is under \$20, the airbag can run \$2,500. Many people simply can't afford that.

Though potholes and road damage is often associated with cold weather areas, California leads the nation in poor-quality roads. Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim is slightly ahead of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay area in a ranking of roads in poor condition. The national group TRIP placed San Jose third and San Diego fourth on the list of metropolitan areas with the roughest roads for driving.

On average, poor roads and potholes cost a single drive \$377 per year in vehicle repairs. Businesses will incur \$240 billion in costs between 2013 and 2022 because U.S. roads are wearing out. Pothole Info.com notes that the lion's share of highways and freeways were built before the 1970s and were expected to last 50 years.

Poor road surfaces claim lives and contribute to 11,000 traffic fatalities per year, according to Pothole Info.com. Cities and counties face multi-million-dollar lawsuits because of bicyclist accidents and injuries on poorly maintained streets. Local cities have set up hotlines for reporting potholes.

Los Angeles: To report storm-related emergencies such as trees down, landslides, potholes, and road erosion, call (213) 473-8410 or (800) 996-2489.

El Segundo: Call the El Segundo Maintenance Facility at (310) 524-2709.

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Real Estate

The Home Design Trend You Need to Know About



(BPT) - With the new year underway, the housing world is buzzing about the next transformative trend in home design and remodeling. This year it seems certain the growing trend of mixing and layering materials, something many designers and

architects noticed was growing in popularity over the past few years, will dominate the remodeling and design scene. When it comes to mixing materials, there's no rule book; all you should do is find a combination to match your personality. This

might be one of the biggest reasons why people have taken to mixing materials, as it truly allows you to create a home that is uniquely yours.

Bold and Innovative

The most immediate effect of mixing materials is that it opens new possibilities and new ways of expression. An example of this can be likened to how hard stone surfaces in a room can be complemented by soft carpet and furniture, or how the highly textured wood on a ceiling can stand in stark contrast to polished stone. Some of the hottest looks today, such as the blending of unfinished industrial materials with modern floors and cabinets, would have been considered outlandish only a few years ago. Mixing materials gives you greater freedom

to create a space that represents your style.

Style on a Budget

Of all the rooms in a home, kitchens and bathrooms still get the most attention. Unfortunately, getting that dream kitchen or perfect bathroom isn't always inexpensive.

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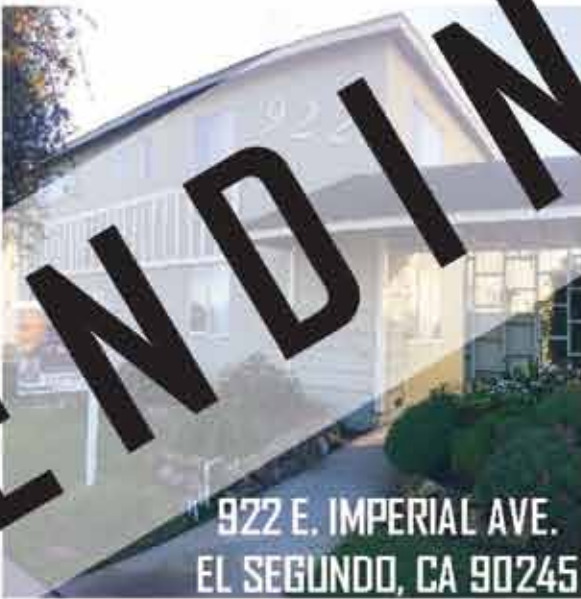
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Seniors

4 Mindful Strategies for a Healthy 2017

(BPT) - Losing weight and increasing exercise commonly make the top of New Year's resolution lists. Yet many people fall short of their wellness goals each year. What can you do differently in 2017 to ensure you're among those who succeed?

"Mental health and taking time for yourself can greatly improve your chances of achieving your health and wellness goals," says the Mayo Clinic. "It's important to realize that changing any behavior is often a complex process that requires you to address the mental as well as physical aspects of the change you want to achieve."

Below are helpful strategies from the wellness professionals at Mayo Clinic to assist you in achieving your goals this year:

Be on Your Mental Game

Weight loss is a common New Year's resolution goal, but to achieve it, you'll likely need to do more than simply change your eating habits. Behaviors, thoughts and emotions may be playing a role in keeping you from shedding pounds. For example, not getting enough sleep can thwart better eating and exercise habits. Sleep deprivation can hinder your ability to control your emotions, interfere with positive thought processes and make you too tired to exercise regularly.

Being aware of factors that contribute to negative habits not only can help you succeed, it can also help you sustain the changes.

Be Aware of Self-Talk

Everyone has an integral dialogue, and it's

the voice we all believe the most. Is yours negative or positive? The voice of your self-talk can greatly affect your confidence level. Pay attention to your self-talk and evaluate if what you're telling yourself is actually true.

When self-talk turns negative, try to challenge it and find a more positive way to look at the situation. For example, turn "I always fail at losing weight because I eat too much" into "I enjoy eating fruits and vegetables and can easily eat three servings a day."

It will take time and practice to learn how to turn negative self-talk into positive, so be

patient with yourself.

Fight Boredom with Fun And Creativity

People fail at wellness goals for many reasons, including boredom. Approaching your goals with a creative and fun attitude can help keep them fresh and exciting - and keep you on track!

Try learning something new or vary your routine. For example, try a new recipe or modify your usual food choices. Learn to use a new piece of equipment at the gym, or take an exercise class to learn something you've always wanted to do.

Dance around the house, take a healthy cooking class, read a book, travel, check an item off your bucket list or create a list if you don't have one. However you define "fun," if you enjoy what you're doing, you're more likely to want to keep doing it.

Prepare to Overcome Setbacks

No matter how committed you are to a goal, setbacks are normal. Don't let them derail you. Planning for setbacks and how you'll overcome them can help you stay on track for the long term.

When planning how you'll reach a desired behavior change, try including some what-if scenarios. For example, if your fitness routine includes a yoga class after work and you get delayed, think about what you could do to still meet your exercise goal. You might be able to substitute another class or use body weight exercises at home. Having a back-up plan in case your original goal doesn't work out can help you avoid "all-or-nothing" thinking.

If you experience a setback, be compassionate with yourself; change is rarely easy. Giving yourself a break will help you dust yourself off and get back on track.

By taking a mindful and proactive approach to your health, you'll be on the way towards achieving your wellness goals through 2017 and beyond. To learn more about healthy living, visit www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle. For more information on customized wellness programs at Mayo Clinic, view our Healthy Living Program. •



Finance

2017 Looking Bright for Small Business Owners

(BPT) - The year 2017 is still in its infancy, but research shows small business owners feel this year could be one of the best in recent memory.

A new survey, commissioned by Staples and conducted by Wakefield Research, found that 85 percent of small business owners surveyed reported feeling "optimistic" about the small business climate in 2017. That's good news for the owners as well as for their communities, because for many, this optimism is motivating owners to put earned revenue directly back into their businesses and employees.

According to the research, 97 percent of respondents said they plan to increase investment in their companies this year, while 67 percent plan to hire new employees. Those fresh hires also appear to be in line for better benefits, as 72 percent of small business owners report they plan to increase staff compensation in 2017.

"We conducted this survey to better understand the pulse of small business owners and to further identify those priority product and service areas in which we can help our customers achieve success in 2017," says Frank P. Bifulco Jr., chief marketing officer, Staples.

The survey included 502 small business owners across the country. For purposes of the research, small businesses were defined as companies that had 10 or fewer full-time employees.

While the research found that small business owners are optimistic about 2017, it also provides a favorable outlook for the years ahead. In fact, many small business owners report they hope to make small business ownership a family tradition. Ninety-one percent of those surveyed said they would encourage their children to start their own business, and 93 percent said they felt running their own business was the best kind of job satisfaction there was.

Finding the Tools to Support Small Businesses

For small business owners across the country, optimism can often be directly tied to market success and having the proper tools to support future growth. Staples Print and Marketing Services offers a comprehensive suite of services, providing everything from business cards and logo design to marketing materials and signage.

Small business owners can find additional support materials online by visiting Staples.com and the Staples Small Businesses Hub. The Hub is a resource that offers expert tips, information and industry advice - everything a small business owner needs to grow their business in 2017 and feel even more optimistic in the years to come.

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School Board

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facility should improve uptime of applications, and that the District would own the new data center as an asset. Cons to Option 1 included a significant upfront capital expense ranging from \$693,000 to \$1.1 million; annual power costs estimated at \$28,000; that it is costly to maintain facilities power, cooling, cabling, etc; that the space used for the new data center could be better utilized for students and teachers; and that a District-based data center would not equal the quality and uptime of the proposed offsite facility.

Option 2 would house the data center offsite, on El Segundo Boulevard, with VPLS solutions. The pros of off-siting the data center that the presenters listed included a greatly reduced risk of outages related to power issues; elimination of capital expenditure costs to the District, which were listed at anywhere from \$600,000 to 1.1 million; and the fact that outsourcing the data center would allow the District IT staff to focus more on student and teacher service. According to the presentation, one of the downsides to Option 2 is that the District would incur an operating expenditure cost to rent space, power and connectivity to the center.

Preliminary financial numbers were crunched, with outsourcing the data center to VPLS saving the District substantially each month prior to taxes and set-up fees. After the presentation, Board member follow-ups tried to ascertain the amounts of the "taxes and fees" that were not included in the preliminary proposal, as well as charges to be incurred by the District during "non-peak" usage periods. Both Gauna and Watkins threw their support behind off-siting the data center, with Watkins saying, "I think this is the way that we should go. By the time we built it [data center], it would probably be outdated."

District Executive Director of Educational Services Marisa Janicek made the final presentation of the evening, which revolved around what is termed the "California Accountability Model and School Dashboard"--a new multi-measured metric that the State of California is using to hold school districts accountable to achieving stated goals of meeting the needs of students.

Nine consent agenda items confronted the Board, including two spring assemblies slated to take place at Richmond Street Elementary

School; instructional assistant training to help teachers work with "students with moderate-severe autism spectrum disorder;" and the special education extended schoolyear program.

Both of the RSS assemblies approved will take place on April 27 during "STEAM Night for families." One assembly will feature Play-Well TEKnologies, giving attendees the opportunity to build a motorized vehicle that "can travel around the room on a string, high above the ground." Other challenges will be offered, providing "hands-on" science learning for the students and their families. The second RSS assembly is entitled "Kids Reptiles" and will give attendees the opportunity to interact with reptiles for up to three hours."

Next on the agenda was the acceptance of gifts to the District, including nearly \$645 donated by Kroger Co. (Ralphs) to the Middle School. Among the action items noted were a consultant agreement with Travis Allen from iSchool Initiative to provide professional development for an in-service, non-pupil day on March 10 that will focus on digital learning in the classroom; a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the group Digital Promise to develop what is termed "blended learning opportunities" for students; and a resolution proclaiming March 6-10 as National School Breakfast Week. Moore then quickly reported on upcoming items on the District's informational calendar, with Friday's talent show at Center Street Elementary School grabbing a mention.

During reports, Board member Jeanie Nishime emphasized the need for more parental support of the PTA at El Segundo Middle School, and other members cited the recent budget study session that took place last Saturday. Superintendent Moore, commenting on the four-hour meeting that took place on February 25, pointed out that the Board and CBO Susan Aceves had spent the time reviewing Governor Brown's proposed budget, and the possible effects on the District. Wrote Moore, "This proposal, as it presently stands, will require the District to consider budget reductions. Although the Department of Finance and the Legislative Analyst's Office predict a brighter economic picture, the District must plan for a balanced budget in June."

The next regularly scheduled El Segundo School Board meeting is penciled in for Tuesday evening, March 14. •

Coyote Management

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doesn't mean larger dogs are immune to attack," he warned. "During breeding season, which runs from January through March and is therefore happening now, coyotes in rare cases may go after a larger dog if they feel their territory is threatened. So we recommend to use the same precautions as with small dogs during this period."

With remedies such as trapping only viable in rare situations, the City's plan includes a major section on hazing (fear conditioning without hurting the animal) and behavioral change—given that coyotes may have become a bit too comfortable around people. Hazing employs various deterrents to discourage coyotes from approaching an area or from exhibiting undesirable behavior. Techniques include making loud noises, spraying water, shining bright lights, throwing objects, and shouting. "The idea is to train coyotes to stay away by building up their fear of humans, while at the same time not injuring them, not putting ourselves at risk and not damaging property," explained Tavera, who added that the Police Department plans to provide free hazing training and related education to residents in the near future. Training topics will include basic coyote information, discussion on why these animals are in the city, description of normal and abnormal coyote behavior as well as seasonal changes in that regard, reality of dangers towards people versus danger towards pets, children and coyotes, effects on human behavior on coyotes, attractants, tips to deter coyotes from entering private property, appropriate response when encountering a coyote, hazing techniques and tools, and pet safety tips.

Special Operations Lieutenant Jeff Leyman oversees the Animal Control Division and indicated that his primary goal is to educate the public on how best to keep coyotes away from El Segundo so as not to have to resort to trapping. "Coyotes have a relatively large hunting radius and I personally do not think the ones that come into El Segundo actually live within our city borders—but instead at times decide to come here to hunt for food," he said. "If we make our city less attractive to the coyotes, they will choose to hunt elsewhere. If they ultimately do not live in an environment that can sustain them, they will disappear the natural way. That is the outcome I am working towards."

En route to introducing the Coyote Management Plan, Lt. Leyman attended multiple trainings, made ElSegundoTV BlueTube and Facebook videos, hosted a community gathering on the topic, and attended a meeting at the South Bay Council of Governments to discuss a regional approach to coyote management. He also helped form a citizens' Wildlife Watch team and is currently working on warning signage for some of the parks as well as educational coloring books for kids.

The Police Department has identified four tiers of responses to coyotes depending on the severity of the incident. Going from lowest to highest, Level Green refers to a coyote sighting in an area—with education and hazing the initial response. Level Yellow is when a coyote lingers around an area frequented by people and doesn't exhibit noticeable trepidation. In this case, more aggressive hazing (including formation of a volunteer hazing team) is the recommended response. Level Orange refers to incidents when a coyote attacks or kills a domestic animal. In addition to education and aggressive hazing, the Police Department will notify the public of the situation. If multiple incidents occur in the same area in a short period, lethal removal of the animal may be recommended. The highest threat, Level Red, entails a provoked or unprovoked close encounter or attack on humans—with lethal removal of the coyote a possible result after thorough investigation of the incident.

At a fall City Council meeting, Tavera reported more than 20 coyote sightings in town over the previous few months. The Police Department held its first Coyote Education Community Meeting in late November—with more outreach on the way. "This isn't just happening in El Segundo—coyotes are all over the area," the Chief said. "As an example, the City of Torrance recently released a comprehensive Urban Coyote Management Plan. Our department is in contact with our neighbors and we all work together to provide input and discuss strategies that can reduce the impacts of coyotes on our citizens while at the same time keeping the environment intact and not harming wildlife." •

Eagles

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improvement from his freshman season and could be one of the top catchers in the Ocean League. Casillas has one of the best attitudes on the team both on and off the field and will do anything for the program. But it is a long season, so Stone and Celestial will spare Casillas when there are doubleheaders or injuries.

The pitching staff is as deep as any team the Eagles have had in seasons. Besides Long, Spencer Palmer and Emery, junior right-hander Jimmy Galicia looks to have a good year. He had a breakout summer with the Legion team and has steadily gotten better ever since.

Justin Ostler returns for his third year on varsity. The senior has good control and could be counted on to start or enter in a relief situation. Jarod Whitney finally gets his shot at pitching with the varsity. After an injury sidelined him his freshman year, the slow recovery has made the hard-throwing senior ready for a great season.

Justin Mostert is another hard-throwing right-hander ready to take the hill for the Eagles. He's a quiet person with a sizzling fastball. He also has a great off-speed pitch that has batters shaking their heads and talking to themselves as they make the long trek back to the dugout after striking out.

Jake McDonnell is an infielder, but he showed promise in the American Legion State tournament final. The crafty right-hander was called upon when the team's pitching staff was strained from the tournament. He limited San Mateo--the team that ended up as runners-up in the American Legion World Series.

The Eagles have another challenging schedule. They'll kick off the season by hosting Palos Verdes Friday night at 6 p.m. in the first round of the El Segundo/Stevenson Tournament and then welcoming Palisades on Saturday night at 6 p.m. The tournament semifinals are set for next Thursday, with the finals next Saturday.

The Eagles will also compete in the Santa Ana Elks Invitational tournament during the Spring Break. It is one of the most comprehensive and competitive tournaments in Southern California. The Eagles will also face Hart and La Salle in the first two rounds of the Redondo Tournament

This should be an exciting season and one with loads of potential for a tournament title, a league title and deep run in the CIF Southern Section Division 3 playoffs. •



Spencer Long has come into his own as an infielder, pitcher and potent hitter.



Spencer Palmer could be one of the most feared hitters in the South Bay and could draw a lot of walks.



Jarod Whitney is a hard-throwing right-hander who could be a closer for the Eagles.

Looking Up

Does Our Solar System Have an Undiscovered Planet?
You Can Help Astronomers Find Out

Based on Press Release from Arizona State University, Provided by Bob Eklund
Arizona State University astronomer Adam Schneider and his colleagues are hunting for an elusive object lost in space between our Sun and the nearest stars. They are asking for your help in the search, using a new citizen-science website.

Astronomers have found evidence for a ninth planet in our solar system. The evidence comes from studying the orbits of objects in the solar system's Kuiper Belt. This is a zone of comet-like bodies orbiting the Sun out beyond the orbit of Neptune. The Kuiper Belt is similar to the asteroid belt that circles the Sun between Mars and Jupiter, but it lies dozens of times farther out.

This hypothetical Planet 9 could be similar in size to Neptune, but it may orbit up to a thousand times farther away from the Sun than the Earth does. So while astronomers can see its effects on the Kuiper Belt objects, no one has yet observed Planet 9 directly.

"If it exists, Planet 9 could be large—maybe 10 times the mass of Earth but orbiting far out beyond the Kuiper Belt," says Schneider, a postdoctoral researcher in ASU's School of Earth and Space Exploration.

In addition to searching for a distant planet orbiting the Sun, this new project will help astronomers identify the Sun's nearest

neighbors outside of our solar system. "There are just over four light-years between Neptune and Proxima Centauri, the nearest star, and much of this vast territory is unexplored," says the lead researcher for Backyard Worlds: Planet 9, Marc Kuchner, an astrophysicist at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center.

Astronomers expect the Sun's neighborhood will contain many low-mass objects called

So how do astronomers find such objects in space? That's where you can contribute, using a website that enlists the help of citizen scientists. It's called Backyard Worlds: Planet 9 [http://backyardworlds.org], and it uses images taken by NASA's WISE space telescope.

WISE, which stands for Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer, was launched in late 2009 and it has mapped the entire sky several times

brown dwarfs. This sensitivity to infrared light makes WISE uniquely suited for discovering Planet 9, if it exists.

But there's a snag: Images from WISE have captured nearly 750 million individual sources in the sky. Doubtlessly among these lurk the elusive brown dwarfs and possibly Planet 9. The question is how to sift through the data and identify them.

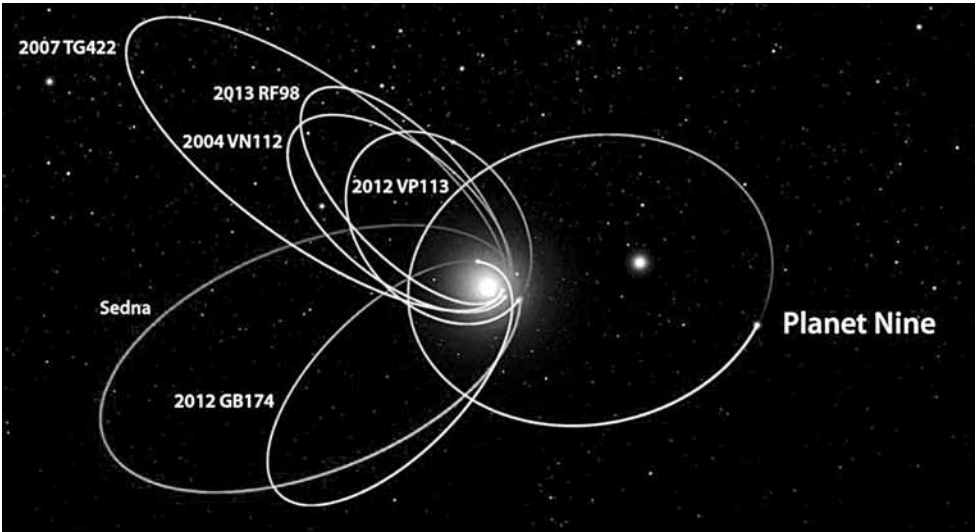
The trick to finding these needles in haystacks of WISE data is to look for something in motion. Planetary objects and brown dwarfs roaming near the Sun can appear to move across the sky, leaving other celestial objects such as background stars and galaxies, which lie immensely far away, apparently fixed in place.

So the best hope for discovering these worlds is to systematically scan infrared images of the sky, searching for objects that move.

Automated searches for moving objects in the WISE data have already proven successful, but computerized searches are often overwhelmed by image artifacts—visual noise—especially in crowded parts of the sky.

As Schneider explains, "People who join in the Backyard Worlds search bring a unique skill to the search: the human ability to recognize movement."

For instructions on joining the program, see the Backyard Worlds website, http://backyardworlds.org •



This diagram shows the orbits of several Kuiper Belt objects that were used to infer the existence of Planet 9. If it exists, Planet 9 may reveal itself in WISE infrared images.

brown dwarfs. These emit very little light at visible wavelengths, but instead glow dimly with infrared—i.e., heat—radiation.

during the last seven years. WISE detects infrared light, the kind of light emitted by objects at room temperature, like planets and

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PUBLIC NOTICES

**NOTICE OF ORDINANCE
CITY OF EL SEGUNDO
ORDINANCE NO. 1547**
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 15 OF THE EL SEGUNDO MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING REGULATIONS FOR PROPERTIES IN THE SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (R-1) ZONE, DEFINITIONS AND THE PARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES.
SUMMARY OF ADOPTED ORDINANCE
The Ordinance amends Title 15 of the El Segundo Municipal Code (ESMC), modifying ESMC Chapters 15-4A regulating Single-Family Residential (R-1) Zone Site Development Standards; 15-1 Definitions; and 15-15-6A, parking requirements for single-family residences. Specifically, the amendment achieves the following:
1. Replaces or deletes certain diagrams in the aforementioned Chapters;
2. Deletes the modulation requirements,

and deletes the building wall modulation using architectural features requirements for lots 40-feet wide or wider;
3. Creates a maximum floor area ratio (FAR) for lots wider than 25-feet, with standards that include a maximum overall FAR of 0.6, limits the size of second stories to 0.25 FAR, and defines the areas that constitute floor area on R1 zoned properties;
4. Deletes redundant language by expressing numbers as digits, rather than a combination of using digits and writing out the number in words;
5. Increases the threshold for requiring a 3rd parking space, from 3,000 square feet of floor area to 3,500 square feet of floor area; and,
6. Updates certain existing definitions, and creates new definitions for residential areas, features, structures or improvements found in the R1 zone standards.
El Segundo Herald Pub. 3/2/17
H-25488

**NOTICE OF ORDINANCE
CITY OF EL SEGUNDO
ORDINANCE NO. 1523**
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8 OF THE EL SEGUNDO MUNICIPAL CODE TO CREATE OVERNIGHT PARKING LIMITS FOR OVERSIZED VEHICLES, RECREATIONAL VEHICLES AND TRAILERS, TO ESTABLISH A REGISTRATION AND PERMIT PROCESS AND TO PROHIBIT THE PLACEMENT OF ELECTRICAL CORDS, HOSES, CABLES OR OTHER SIMILAR ITEMS BETWEEN SUCH VEHICLES AND PROPERTIES.
SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE:
On February 7, 2017, the El Segundo City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1523. The Council adopted the ordinance on February 21, 2017. The ordinance (1) regulates the parking of oversized vehicles, recreational vehicles, and trailers; (2) establishes a registration/permit process; and (3) prohibits the placement of electrical cords, cables and similar items between such vehicles and

nearby property.
The parking of recreational vehicles, oversized vehicles and trailers on City streets has been a source of concern and increasing complaints from El Segundo residents and business owners for several years now. In response to these complaints, the ordinance prohibits the overnight parking of oversized vehicles, recreational vehicles and trailers between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. on all streets and highways within the City, unless such vehicles have either been registered and/or received a permit from the City, as applicable. Under the ordinance, residents may apply for and receive a limited number of permits which allow them to park on the City streets during the above-referenced times.
A copy of the ordinance is available for viewing in the City Clerk's office, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California. To be published in the El Segundo Herald on Thursday, March 2, 2017.
El Segundo Herald Pub. 3/2/17
H-25487



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the City of El Segundo Police Department has had \$78,110.82 in its Bail/Evidence account for three or more years and has declared the funds unclaimed. Per Government Code Section 50051, these unclaimed funds will become the property of the City of El Segundo on May 3, 2017, unless a claim is filed pursuant to Government Code Section 50052.
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H-25491



**NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS
FOR THE
FIRE STATION 1
APPARATUS BAY DOOR
REPLACEMENT PROJECT
IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO
PROJECT NO.: PW 15-23B**
The City of El Segundo is accepting sealed bids in the City Clerk's office, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California 90245, until 11:00 a.m. on:
TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2017
at which time they will be publicly opened. Bids will not be accepted after that time. As described in the Bidding Documents, the bids are for a public works project ("Project") which consists of the replacement of three apparatus bay doors at Fire Station 1 and related work as shown on the plans on file with the City's Public Works Department. Fire Station 1 is located at 314 Main Street, El Segundo, CA 90245.
Work on the Project must be performed in strict conformity with Specifications No. **PW 15-23B: Fire Station 1 Apparatus Bay Doors Replacement Project** which is filed with the Public Works Department. Copies of the Plans, Specifications, Contract Documents and Engineer's estimate are available from the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department, City of El Segundo, 350 Main Street, El Segundo, California, 90245. Plans And Specifications are alternately available electronically via http://www.elsegundo.org/depts/works/project_request_contact_form.asp

A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 14, 2017, at 10:00 am, at the Fire Station #1, 314 Main Street, El Segundo, CA 90245. Bidders' attendance at this meeting is **mandatory**. Questions regarding the bid shall be submitted by 6:00 pm on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 to http://www.elsegundo.org/depts/works/project_request_contact_form.asp.
The terms and conditions for bidding on the Project are described in the attached Bidding Instructions. This project requires payment of State prevailing rates of wages for Los Angeles County. The contractor must post copies of the prevailing schedule at each job site. Copies of these rates of wages are available from the State of California Department of Industrial Relations Prevailing Wage Unit, Telephone No. (415) 703-4774. The website for this agency is currently located at www.dir.ca.gov.
Note that the Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by California Department of Industrial Relations. Pursuant to California law, the City must find bids failing to comply with all applicable Labor Code requirements including, without limitation, Labor Code §§ 1725.5 and 1771.4 to be nonresponsive. The contractor to whom the contract is awarded must assist in locating, qualifying, hiring and increasing the skills of minority group employees and applicants for employment, as set forth in

Executive Order 11246 and 11375.
Any contract entered into pursuant to this notice will incorporate the provisions of the State Labor Code. Compliance with the prevailing rates of wages and apprenticeship employment standards established by the State Director of Industrial Relations will be required. Affirmative action to ensure against discrimination in employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, or religion will also be required.
The City of El Segundo hereby affirmatively ensures that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this notice and will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, or religion in any consideration leading to the award of contract.
Prevailing Wage: Federal Labor Standards Provisions, including prevailing wage requirements of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts will be enforced. In the event of a conflict between Federal and State wage rates, the higher of the two will prevail.
The Contractor's duty to pay State prevailing wages can be found under Labor Code Section 1770 et. Seq. and Labor Code Sections 1775 and 1777.7 outline the penalties for failure to pay prevailing wages and employ apprentices including forfeitures and debarment.
Five percent (5%) will be deducted from

each progress payment and retained by the City. The remainder less the amount of all previous payments will be paid to the Contractor. Pursuant to Public Contracts Code ("PCC") § 22300, the Contractor may substitute securities for retention monies held by the City or request that the City place such monies into an escrow account. The Contractor is notified, pursuant to PCC § 22300, any such election will be at the Contractor own expense and will include costs incurred by the City to accommodate the Contractor's request.
In entering into a Public Works contract, or a subcontract, to supply goods, services, or materials pursuant to a public works contract, the **Contractor**, or **Sub-Contractor**, offers and agrees to assign to the awarding body all rights, title and interest in, and to, all causes of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. Section 15) or under the Cartwright Act (Chapter 2 [commencing with Section 16700] of Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code), arising from purchases of goods, services, or materials pursuant to the public works contract or the subcontract. This assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the awarding body tenders final payment to the **Contractor**, without further acknowledgment by the parties.
Bids must be prepared on the approved Proposal forms in conformance with the Instructions to Bidders and submitted to the Public Works Department, 350 Main

Street, City of El Segundo, in a sealed envelope plainly marked on the outside: **"SEALED BIDS FOR PROJECT NO.: PW 15-23B
FIRE STATION 1 APPARATUS BAY DOORS REPLACEMENT PROJECT
IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO
DO NOT OPEN WITH REGULAR MAIL"**
No bid will be accepted from a **Contractor** who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of the State Business and Professions Code. For these projects, those acceptable classes of license shall be **"A," or "B," or "C-61/D-24" and "C-61/D-28"**. The successful **Contractor** and his **Sub-Contractors** will be required to possess the correct license for their project classifications, and valid City Business Licenses from the City of El Segundo.
The City of El Segundo reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularity, and to take all bids under advisement for a period of **ninety (90) calendar days**.
Any contract entered into pursuant to this notice shall become effective or enforceable against the City of El Segundo only when the formal written contract has been duly executed by the appropriate officer(s) of the City of El Segundo.
DATED this 2nd day of March, 2017.
CITY OF EL SEGUNDO, CALIFORNIA
Tracy Weaver, City Clerk
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H-25490

A Classic Irish Stew

Ingredients

- 3 tsp. vegetable oil

1 lb. sirloin tips

2 tbsp. all purpose flour

2 c. fresh mushrooms, sliced

1 small onion, chopped

6 ea. garlic clove, minced
- 1 (6 oz.) can tomato paste

2 c. beef broth

1 tbsp. brown sugar

1 (12 oz.) bottle beer

4 c. carrots, sliced

2 ea. potatoes, peeled and diced

Preparation

Heat 2 tsp. of oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Coat meat cubes with flour, shaking off the excess. Fry meat until browned on all sides. Remove from heat. In a large pot, add 1 tsp. oil, mushrooms and onion; cook stirring constantly until onion is tender, about 3 minutes. Add browned meat to pot, and stir in garlic, tomato paste, beef broth, sugar and beer. Add carrots and potatoes, cover, and simmer over low heat for about 1 hour or until thickened. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve with Irish Soda Bread for a traditional St. Patty's Day meal.



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Prairie

Run to save homeless animals – Join “Team Kitten Rescue” in the 5K of the Los Angeles Marathon on Sunday, March 19 (a link to more info is available on the home page of our website...www.kittenrescue.org).

Many teenage (six months to a year) and adult cats (one year or older) have been abandoned, neglected, abused or dumped at the shelter to find themselves in a terrifying, lonely new world. They have often withstood hunger, pain, illness and fear to overcome the odds and survive. They are supremely deserving--and appreciative--of a second chance at life. More often than not, these cats have been dumped because they were no longer convenient for their owners. Very seldom are these animals discarded due to personality problems or bad behavior. Give one of these wonderful kittens and cats a second chance for love.

Robinson Crusoe (aka RC) is a gentle delicate soul. RC was a “ranch cat” when he accidentally boarded a produce truck and traveled to Burbank where he “jumped ship.” Finding the nearby pet store’s warehouse, RC thought that would be a great place to hang out until he could be rescued. RC is super sweet and loving, enjoying nothing more than to be pet and to roll over for belly rubs. A gentle boy, he gets along great with other cats and their presence helps him adjust more quickly to changes in his environment. Still a kitten, RC loves to play with string toys and crinkly ball toys, and he also loves to be held and to give hugs.

Lucky Perez is a short-hair kitten with soft, golden eyes. He’s sweet, friendly, and curious. Perez loves to be around people and makes fast friends with laps--especially if you bring him any kind of feather. As affectionate as he is, his subtle leopard pattern will attest that Perez is a fast runner and high-jumping catrobat. He loves to run and wrestle in the day, and play fetch with crumpled paper in the evening. Perez is perfecting his catnaps and cuddling skills. He loves nothing more than to stare into your eyes and fall asleep cradled wherever you happen to sit. This is a smart boy who likes to contribute where he can. Got

computer work? He’ll help catch the mouse. Unpacking groceries? He’ll get in the bag and set them out for you. Perez is the jack of all trades who is looking to be a part of your life.

Violet is one of eight kitties rescued from terrible conditions under a bridge demolition site. She is young and small, but was a great mom to her kittens. Her babies found great homes and now it’s her turn! Violet is a beautiful and soft brown/black Tabby with a lovely face and matching personality. She is estimated at just about a year old. She is still learning how to directly come to people for affection, but she loves to flirt, meow and follow you around and is so sweet and gentle when you pet her. Violet loves to be pet, but she has lingering moments of shyness...so she could do best solo, with other cats or maybe around very gentle dogs. She is very sweet with the other cats in her foster home. A home with small children may not be her first choice, as she might be wary of normal kid noise and play.

These three “nutty” kittens were brought to us from a high-kill shelter. **Pistachio**, **Hazelnut** and **Cashew** all love to play with their siblings and would do best in homes with another kitten or younger cat who also likes to play. Pistachio is very energetic and lively. He needs someone ready for a high-energy boy who loves to climb and play and gets into anything laying around. Pistachio is also very friendly and sweet with people and can be a cuddly boy in his quiet moments. Hazelnut loves to play, climb and cuddle. Friendly and ready for fun, she’s the perfect playmate. Cashew loves to play hard with her siblings. This extremely friendly girl kitten would also enjoy a home with another energetic cat.

Come home to the beautiful **Prairie**. She will be waiting at the door for you to throw a ball or run around with a feather toy or her favorite...the Go-Go Cat. She zips across the floor, she hops, she jumps, she climbs up her cat tree, catches her toy, carries it back down in her mouth and looks for a place to hide it. Prairie will happily bounce into your lap, rub you several times, try and give you a bath,

and then take her place as your favorite warm scarf--nuzzling into your neck and purring as she falls asleep. She is a very vocal little girl who will chatter happily with you about whatever her latest needs are. This young girl would be a great buddy to a young playful kitten or cat. Or she would be quite happy to be adopted with her foster brother, Prince Harry--an adorable orange and white Tabby kitten.

Prince Harry is offering the rare opportunity to cozy up to the crown. Harry was found outside alone, huddling under a car for warmth. It became clear very quickly to his foster parent that Harry was no ordinary street cat. With his beautiful, fluffy white and orange markings and upper-class demeanor, it was clear to her that Harry was the heir to the throne. Fitness is important to the handsome Prince, so he likes to run laps around his circular scratching post and climb to the top of the tallest cat tree. When he tires of play, Harry likes to take long naps on the highest perch. At night, the Prince prefers to snuggle up to his foster mom, purring loudly, to demonstrate how satisfied he is with himself. Prince Harry loves company and would prefer to go to a home with another kitten or young cat to accompany him--particularly his foster sister Prairie.

Gunner and his two brothers (Bohdi, buff-colored, and Toby, an orange tabby) were rescued from a terrible hoarding situation. They’re safe

and thriving now, all looking for forever homes. All three are very loving and playful. Since they are so young, if you don’t have a cat at home to be a friend, they must be adopted in a pair or with another kitty. They’re just babies and need a friend for playtime. The boys are staying at the PetSmart in Canoga Park. You can see them through the glass anytime, or come by to see them and other kittens and cats Saturdays from 12-3:30 p.m.

These kitties are available for adoption through Kitten Rescue, one of the largest cat rescue groups in Southern California. All our kitties are spayed/neutered, microchipped, tested for FeLV and FIV, dewormed and current on their vaccinations. For additional information and to see these or our other kittens and cats, please check our website www.kittenrescue.org or email us at mail@kittenrescue.org.

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

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



Pistachio



Hazelnut



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Downstairs - Hair Salon or anything you want it to be. 2 bathrooms, kitchenette.
Upstairs - 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath, gourmet kitchen, dining, Forced Air Heat + AC and rooftop deck!
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