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## Annie Get Your Gun Coming to the James Armstrong Theatre



Members of The Aerospace Player, actors Angela Asch, Jason Stout, Julie Hinton, Stephen Cathers and Kevin Wheaton in costume and ready for their upcoming performance. See more about all the preproduction work in our feature "TerriAnn in Torrance" page 6. Photo by TerriAnn Ferren. •

## AAUW Torrance Kicks Off Year Focusing On Women In Government

By Cristian Vasquez  
**Councilwoman Speaks at General Meeting**

Councilwoman Heidi Ann Ashcraft kicked off the American Association of University Women of Torrance's 2016 programs with an address where she shared her experience as an active community member and an elected official.

The AAUW's general meeting took place Saturday, Jan. 9 in a meeting room at Zamperini Field and highlighted the AAUW Campus Leadership Program and "Elect Her," which is described as the only program across the country that encourages and trains college women to run for student government and future political office. With AAUW members and League of Women Voters representatives in the audience, Ashcraft shared a few historical facts about former first lady Eleanor Roosevelt before diving into what it entails to be a leader.

"I think that each organization is a very important organization because they are very active in the City of Torrance. One of the ideas was to give information to them in order to support young women in the universities, their leadership skills and teach them what they can do to formulate their lives to be leaders in their communities," Councilwoman Ashcraft said. "Whether it be elected officials, heading a corporation, or whatever it might be, I feel that this is very important and this group of ladies is involved with that pursuit."

Ashcraft, who was first appointed to city council in December of 2013, stepped in to

fill a vacancy left by former Councilman Cliff Numark and by June of 2014 she was elected to her council seat. However, her experience with as an elected official dates back to her days as an active parent at West High School, which led to the first elected position she would hold: Torrance Unified School District Board Member.

"One thing that you will find about Torrance is that the PTA group here is very strong so you have a groundswell of women who might not want to go into an elected position but

that are being leaders in other ways," Councilwoman Ashcraft said. "Whether it be through the PTA, or whether it be on city commissions, we have a lot of women involved."

The AAUW's Elect Her Program is a collaboration between AAUW and Running Start that addresses the "need to expand the pipeline of women candidates and to diminish the longstanding political leadership gender gap" states the AAUW website. Elect Her is a 4.5 hour, one-day training program that involves

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## Torrance Unified Shares CAASPP Results

By Cristian Vasquez

In August of 2010 the California State Board of Education adopted its new K-12 California Common Core Standards for school districts across the state. For the Torrance Unified School District, like all other districts across the state, those new testing standards have taken effect.

"It is a little bit different than it has been in the past years because of the change in the testing system," TUSD Chief Academic Officer Dr. Tim Stowe said. "We no longer give the CST (California Standards Test) because we now give the Smarter Balance Assessment Test, better known as CAASPP (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress.)"

Designed to provide a more detailed and

accurate description of student achievement, the new testing assessments are aligned with the states new content standards for English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and math which are tailored to measure critical thinking and problem solving skills rather than recording memorization abilities. Another difference in state's new testing is that achievements on the CAASPP are reported along different standards, including: Standard Exceeded, Standard Met, Standard Nearly Met or Standard Not Met. Second, achievement on more specific topics [referred to as claims] within the subject area test is reported as being either Above Standard, At or Near Standard, or Below Standard.

"We were pleased and we have always been

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## Weekend Forecast

### Friday

Partly  
Cloudy  
61°/51°



### Saturday

Partly  
Cloudy  
62°/52°



### Sunday

Partly  
Cloudy  
64°/53°





# Which of These Costly Home Seller Mistakes Will You Make When You Sell Your Torrance Home?

Torrance - A new report has just been released which reveals 7 costly mistakes that most homeowners make when selling their home, and a 9 Step System that can help you sell your home fast and for the most amount of money. This industry report shows clearly how the traditional ways of selling homes have become increasingly less and less effective in today's market. The fact of the matter is that fully three quarters of homesellers don't get what they want for their homes and become disillusioned and - worse - financially disadvantaged when they put their homes on the market. As this report uncovers, most homesellers make

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7 deadly mistakes that cost them literally thousands of dollars. The good news is that each and every one of these mistakes is entirely preventable. In answer to this issue, industry insiders have prepared a free special report entitled "The 9 Step System to Get Your Home Sold Fast and For Top Dollar". To hear a brief recorded message about how to order your FREE copy of this report call toll-free 1-800-791-3854 and enter 1000. You can call any time, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Get your free special report NOW to find out how you can get the most money for your home.

## School Board

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well ahead of the county and the state and we expect to be, even with us having such a diverse population," Dr. Stowe said. "We always compare our numbers to the local South Bay populations and we did very well. I think it's good to share that information and the fact that this is the first year we did it [test], we now have something to compare with next year."

In every of the grade levels tested, TUSD students were either at Standard Met or Standard Exceeded at higher rates than the state average. Overall, in the English Language Arts/Literacy test, 63 percent of TUSD third through eighth graders, and 11th grade students, met or exceeded the test standards; in comparison to 37 percent of the same students falling in the Standard Nearly Met or Standard Not Met. Of that group, only 14 percent of the students registered at Standard Not Met.

Math results for those same students determined that 55 percent of test takers registered in Standard Met or Standard Exceeded. In the Standard Nearly Met there is a total of 26 percent of TUSD third through eighth graders and 11th grade students. Only 19 percent of students tested were part of the Standard Not Met category.

Academic priority areas used as part of the Local Control Accountability Plan [LCAP] include: analyzing areas of implementation of state standards, course access, pupil achievement and other pupil outcomes, and embedded in all of this are the performances on the standardized exams. There is no academic performance index for CAASPP, as was provided by the CST,

"The CST was about memorizing facts and vocabulary but we want teachers to do things that will address critical thinking and get students to read more non-fiction, or maybe read literature that will allow them to make connections to real-world situations," Dr. Stowe said. "We want kids to critically analyze the text and not just read a chapter and look for fact-based answers; we want them to maybe look at things more holistically and think about

why a character acted a certain way and if there is maybe an example they see in history that they can connect it to."

Despite the new state-imposed testing standards, state officials are imposing few requirements as to how school districts assist students who fall below the established standards. Unlike the days of No Child Left Behind, the state is now allowing district administrators the flexibility and responsibility to bring students who do not meet or exceed testing expectations up to par. District officials were open with teachers about discovering what students respond to in the classroom and what doesn't in preparation for this new testing system.

"Our focus is still on teacher and administrator training," Dr. Stowe said. "We are less concerned about the numbers right now as opposed to getting teachers to change their instruction so that they are not doing things that were being done ten years ago."

With CAASSP, which only tests for English language arts/literacy and math among third through eighth graders, and 11th grade students, test are administered on a computer that gives the student a follow-up question based on their previous answer. This is a significant departure from the multiple-choice, paper-based test used for the STAR testing, which had been the norm since 1998. Aware of the changes to come, district officials were as proactive as possible to prepare students. The district also took steps to inform parents about the changes that have taken effect.

"Our schools and principals did a really good job at communicating the change and making sure that parents understood why there was no testing [for a few years]," Dr. Stowe said. "It has been an educational process for the parents and for the past couple of years all the schools have been doing common core parent nights. We just want to emphasize that when we look at certain numbers and how students are doing, we really can't compare it to the old exams." •

# Police Reports

**Battery-Simple** 1/2/2016 8:59:30 PM  
22000 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD  
Suspect throws bowl of food and hits victim in the face and proceeds to throw open soda bottle into victim's vehicle causing damage.

**Auto Theft** 1/3/2016 2:00:00 PM 178TH ST & WESTERN AVE  
Stolen Vehicle: '07 Chevrolet Express

**Vandalism** 1/2/2016 9:00:00 PM 2500 BLOCK AIRPORT DR  
Suspect(s) uses unknown tool to scratch victim's vehicle

**Theft** 1/2/2016 6:10:00 PM 3500 BLOCK CARSON ST  
Suspect(s) removes unattended property and flees/ clothing, video game console, game controller

**Battery-Simple** 1/2/2016 5:00:00 AM 4200 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD  
Suspect(s) slaps victim on the face

**Burglary-Residential** 1/1/2016 5:00:00 PM 20500 BLOCK ANZA AVE  
Suspect(s) forcibly removes lock from storage container and takes property/ boots, helmet, goggles, clothing

**Burglary-Auto** 1/1/2016 2:00:00 AM 4600 BLOCK 191ST ST  
Suspect(s) removes wallet from victim's vehicle by unknown means and discards the wallet on a neighbors yard after removing property/ cash

**Burglary-Auto** 12/31/2015 6:00:00 PM PACIFIC COAST HWY & CRENSHAW BLVD  
Suspect(s) smashes passenger side window for entry and takes property/ laptop, purse, wallet, credit cards, ID's

**Auto Theft** 12/31/2015 6:40:00 PM 21800 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD  
Stolen Vehicle: '05 Chevrolet Silverado

**Vandalism** 12/31/2015 11:39:23 AM 5200 BLOCK MILNE DR  
Suspect(s) uses unknown tool to scratch victim's vehicle

**Burglary-Commercial** 12/31/2015 7:30:00 AM 17900 BLOCK WESTERN AVE  
Suspect(s) pries open door for entry and takes property/cash

**Theft** 12/30/2015 1:38:00 PM 2500 BLOCK AIRPORT DR  
Suspect(s) defeats lock by unknown means and takes property/ bicycle

**Robbery-StrongArm** 12/30/2015 12:53:12 AM 4100 BLOCK CARMEN ST  
Suspects follow victim home and demand all of victim's money. Then suspects grab victim and forcibly remove property from victim's pants/ wallet, cash, credit cards, cell phone, keys, ID's

**Burglary-Auto** 12/30/2015 11:30:00 AM 1900 BLOCK 190TH ST

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry, ransacks, and takes property/ laptop, headphones, cash, credit cards

**Burglary-Auto** 12/29/2015 7:50:00 PM 17100 BLOCK DELIA AVE  
Suspect(s) enters through open window, takes property and uses victim's credit card/ purse, ID's, birth certificate, credit cards

**Battery-Simple** 12/29/2015 1:42 PM 2200 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD  
Suspect kicks victim once in the leg and scratches victim in the face

**Burglary-Commercial** 12/29/2015 1:15:00 PM 2100 BLOCK 238TH ST  
Suspect(s) removes window screen for entry, ransacks, and takes property/ loss unknown at time of report

**Burglary-Auto** 12/29/2015 11:00:00 AM 22300 BLOCK OSAGE CT  
Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/ jewelry

**Burglary-Auto** 12/28/2015 11:06:05 PM 900 BLOCK ARLINGTON AVE  
Suspect forcibly removes fender flare and flees after being approached by victim

**Burglary-Residential** 12/29/2015 2900 BLOCK CARSON ST  
Suspect(s) enters through unlocked bedroom window and takes property/ game console

**Auto Theft** 12/28/2015 2:52 PM 16700 BLOCK PATRONELLA AVE  
Stolen Vehicle: '91 Toyota Pickup

**Burglary-Auto** 12/28/2015 7:35 AM 2200 BLOCK TORRANCE BLVD  
Suspect(s) enters unlocked vehicle and takes property/ backpack, laptop, cell phone, lamp, paperwork

**Burglary-Auto** 12/28/2015 6:45:00 AM 22000 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD  
Suspect(s) breaks front passenger window for entry and takes property/ purse, wallet, ID's, credit cards, cash, paperwork

**Theft** 12/28/2015 12:24 AM 20800 BLOCK WESTERN AVE  
Suspect breaks passenger side window for entry and takes property/ subwoofers,

**Theft** 12/28/2015 8:00:00 AM 24300 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD  
Suspect(s) takes unattended property from restaurant/ cell phone

**Auto Theft** 12/27/2015 8:07:24 PM 21700 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD  
Stolen Vehicle: '11 GMC Sierra

**Robbery-Weapon** 12/27/2015 7:21:13 PM 2100 BLOCK TORRANCE BLVD  
While victim is sitting in her car, suspect approaches and demands all of victim's money. Suspect then pulls out a firearm and threatens to kill victim. Victim explains she

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## AAUW

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administrators from 50 different campuses, students, as well as local AAUW members collaborating with Running Start staff. Each of the 50 campuses will host Elect Her sessions throughout 2016 and allow participants to engage in hands-on campaign skills, hear local speakers and discuss research on women in government.

"Women make up a majority of the electorate, yet they have never been equally represented in the halls of power," states the AAUW website.

"Ashcraft was very encouraging about women joining one of the many commissions in the city as one vehicle to obtain better understanding city business."

"Engaging women in politics and electing them to office earlier in life are key to strengthening and increasing women's representation in government. In fact, 56 percent of women in the current U.S. Congress started their leadership careers in student government."

Councilwoman Ashcraft, a 35-year Torrance resident served on the TUSD board for 12 years and has worked as a court-appointed special advocate for children in foster care and continues to engage with the community, efforts which have earned her numerous honors including: 2013 South Coast Interfaith Woman of the Year, 2012 Switzer Woman of

the Year, 2012 El Camino College Woman of the Year, 2011 Rotarian of the Heart Award, PTA Golden Oak Award in 2005 and 2007, 2005 California/Utah Woman of the Year and 2003 YMCA Service Above Self Award.

The councilwoman used her address to encourage women in the Torrance community and beyond to become involved in any avenue available in their communities in order to build a better understanding of what it entails to serve one's city. Ashcraft was very

encouraging about women joining one of the many commissions in the city as one vehicle to obtain better understanding city business.

"Running for an elected office is not always a happy touchy, happy feeling fun thing to do," Ashcraft said. "It sounds good in the concept but in doing it, they might not want to invest the time or take money [campaign donations]."

Persons interested in more information about Elect Her can visit: <http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/campus-programs/elect-her/>. To learn more about the AAUW-Torrance branch, persons interested can visit: <http://torrance-ca.aauw.net>. •

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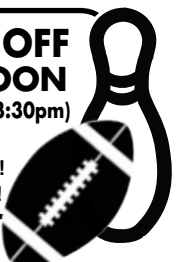


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# Earbuds Plugged into Driving Law for 2016

By Rob McCarthy

Listen up if you're a driver who likes to wear earbuds to talk on the phone or listen to your music downloads while you're behind the wheel. A new law for 2016 says you have to have one ear free, or you're going to be ticketed. California Vehicle Code Section 27400 already existed before Jan. 1 of this year. It needed some clarification that the popular earbuds worn in both ears pose a traffic danger for drivers of motorized and nonmotorized vehicles alike, according to Officer Siara Lund with the California Highway Patrol's division office in Glendale.

Drivers of four-wheeled vehicles aren't the only ones affected by the 2016 headset-earbud traffic law. Bicyclists are under the same restrictions and will be cited the same as drivers and motorcyclists, Lund told me.

"The way that we can tell obviously is if both earbuds and headsets are in, the officer will pull that driver over," said Lund, adding that the headset law for 2016 isn't new. It just added language to the existing law that wearing two earbuds while operating a car, motorcycle or bike is illegal.

The Southern California Automobile Club explained on its web site that the change in law was done to "ensure drivers and bicyclists can hear sirens, horns, and other safety alerts while driving." There are exceptions for drivers of heavy machinery and garbage trucks who require noise-cancelling headsets for protection. Drivers of emergency vehicles, such as a fire engines or ambulances, are exempt. Wearing hearing aids while driving is permitted, the law says.

The CHP and local law enforcement have the discretion to begin enforcing the headset and earbud restriction immediately. In the past when new traffic laws, such as hands-free cell phone use, became law, the CHP

and police departments issued warnings to drivers who were caught talking or texting on their cell phones.

Will that be the case if an officer spots a driver or cyclist bee bopping down the road without a free ear? No, said Lund, because the ban on headsets and earplugs has been law in California for a decade.

No doubt, many California drivers were surprised to hear that one of the new traffic laws for 2016 involved earbuds. They probably presumed, like I did, that the tiny in-ear listening devices for cell phones and iPods were outlawed a long time ago.

Enforcement of the new "old" traffic law means this for drivers who insist on wearing their headphones or earbuds in both ears or covering them:

The next sound they hear could be the whoop of a police siren, which isn't music to any driver's ears.

Pleading ignorance of the new laws may not result in a warning instead of a ticket. So, here are other traffic laws for 2016 that California drivers and vehicle owners are expected to know, courtesy of the Automobile Club of Southern California and the California Highway Patrol:

Slow vehicles on the highway - Bicycles are added to the law about slow-moving passenger vehicles on the highway. All vehicles, including cyclists, should pull over safely to let faster traffic pass on a highway. Any slow-moving vehicle that is holding up five or more vehicles must use the next available turnout or available area to let traffic pass.

Electric bicycles - An electric bicycle with a maximum speed of 28 miles per hour can only be operated by a person 16 years or older, and a helmet must be worn. The new law also creates safety restrictions for

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# Social Services Agency Grant Program Approved

By Cristian Vasquez

In a unanimous yes vote, the Torrance Mayor and members of the City Council approved the 2016 Grant Funding for Non-Profit Services Agencies. The recommendation by the Parks and Recreation Commission and Community Services Director John Jones was to approve funding for six non-profit social services agencies in the amount of \$20,000 from Feb. 11 to Dec. 31, 2016.

"When this item came before us last year I asked staff to work with the commission and try to improve any processes if pos-

"We have a whole list of eligibility requirements that are included in this year's grant program, some of them are from years past," Jason Minter from the Community Services Department said. "Just to mention a few of them: they must be Torrance-based or provide services to Torrance residents, we do vet [vetting] all applicants to make sure they have a current 501(C)3 license and we will also verify them through the California Revenue Tax Code."

The most recent application period, which opened Sept. 16, 2015 and closed Oct. 6, 2015,

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sible on the vetting of the organizations to which we are giving money," Councilman Tim Goodrich said. "Just trying to avoid a situation where we are handing this money out by default and make sure that there is a competitive process. I'm sure you guys will come up with a plan in order to publicize it."

The six non-profit social services agencies approved include: Cancer Support Community, \$5,000; South Bay Children's Health Center Association, \$2,500; Healthcare & Elder Law Programs [H.E.L.P.], \$5,000; South Bay Literacy Council, Inc., \$2,500; Switzer Learning Center, \$2,500 and Torrance-Lomita Meals on Wheels, \$2,500.

On Sept. 1, 2015 the council gave approval to 2015-2016 Non-Profit Social Services Grant Program, as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Commission and the Grants Committee. The program included changes that revised the application process, modified grant criteria, pre-determined funding levels and a transparent scoring system for the grant review process.

netted nine applications that were accepted as complete for a total request of \$32,500. By Oct. 14, 2015 the Grants Committee began reviewing the rating process and other criteria.

"We want to make sure that the projects or the programs that we are funding are ongoing and not just for operating costs or administrative; that it is actual programs that help people directly," Minter said. "We also want to make sure that it's happening during the fiscal year. One of the other areas that we added was that we will be doing a six month check up just to see how the funding is being spent instead of waiting until the end of the fiscal year."

The nine applicants were categorized as either a health services or human services organization. Of all the applicants, Casa de los Angelitos, Family Promise of South Bay and Project NEEDS were not awarded grant money.

"We definitely had fewer applicants this year than in years past; I believe we were

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- Dashes
- Father figures
- Scandanavian rug
- "Interesting!"
- Out of breath
- Chinese leader?
- City slicker
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- Biddy
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# Film Review

## Richard Gere is plagued by emotional turmoil in *The Benefactor*.

By Rebekah Roberts for www.cinemacy.com

It is always refreshing when a new storyteller is on the rise in Hollywood, and *The Benefactor* (previously titled *Franny*) comes as a feature-length directorial debut by newcomer writer/director Andrew Renzi. Well received by film festivals and critics alike, *The Benefactor* is

to Luke (Theo James) a young, handsome doctor who is in need of employment. Franny is revitalized and beyond excited to help out in any way he can.

Without prompting, in addition to securing Luke a job at the children's hospital he supports, Franny showers the young couple with lavish gifts. Olivia and James quickly



Richard Gere in *The Benefactor*. Courtesy of Samuel Goldwyn Films.

a suspenseful and intriguing character study of a charming yet overbearing philanthropist who meddles in the lives of a newly married couple in an attempt to relive his past.

The film opens with Franny (Richard Gere) discussing design plans for a children's hospital project on which he is collaborating with his married college friends Mia and Bobby (Cheryl Hines, Dylan Baker). Unfortunately, Franny's horsing around while driving (with his previously mentioned friends) leads to a fatal car accident.

Five years later, we see Franny sitting alone in a lavish hotel surrounded by bottles of medication and sporting a cane along with an appearance resembling an elderly Howard Hughes. Out of the blue, he receives a call from his late best friends' daughter, Olivia (Dakota Fanning), whom he lovingly calls "Poodles". She is pregnant and newly married

learn that all of the expensive gestures come with a price. Franny shows little regard for personal boundaries; the red flags surrounding his shifting intentions begin to alarm Luke.

It becomes more and more clear that Franny is addicted to morphine, which he uses to medicate not only his pain but also his guilty conscience. We watch his descent from charming philanthropist to an erratic and desperate addict.

The film creates an uncomfortable level of tension for the viewer. Along with the rising suspense, *The Benefactor* almost takes on the direction of a psychological thriller before pulling back in the last scenes- perhaps in an attempt to appeal to a wider audience.

Writer/director Andrew Renzi loosely based the character of Franny on the famed Philadelphia philanthropist, John Dupont, **See Film Review, page 10**

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



Sports

Up and Adam

# Torrance Continues Hot Play, Topples West

By Adam Serrao

You know the boys High School basketball season is getting good when you see matchups like Torrance High versus West High on the schedule. If the two teams aren't by chance meeting in a tournament, you know they're meeting because league play has at last begun. When league play starts, that means only one thing - rivalries. The Tartars and the Warriors have nothing short of a rivalry, sharing the same city and competing in the same league. Whenever the two teams meet, like they did last Friday night in the Pioneer League opener at West High, records go out the window. Unfortunately for the Warriors, so too did their chance of winning the game. The Tartars put on a clinic in the third quarter and behind Justin Hino's eight points in the period, caught fire and eventually ran away with a 52-42 victory to open up league play with a bang.

The first half of the game between the two rivals belonged to West High, in large part thanks to Noah Carroll. Carroll has been steady for the Warriors all season long and in this one, scored eight of his 15 total points in the first quarter to pace West. The Warriors wound up taking a 26-17 lead into halftime and were feeling quite good about things. When Carroll came out to start the third quarter by sinking a three-pointer to give West their biggest lead of the night at 29-17, head coach Neal Perlmutter and his home crowd started believing it might just be their night. That's when the Tartars stepped up their play.

A 12-0 run by the Tartars that took the third quarter clock to below 3:00 got the team right back in the game. "Our sense of urgency and the intensity on the defensive end really ramped up," Torrance head coach Paul Nitake explained. "It led to some fast breaks and some good easy buckets." Not only did the Tartars finally begin to put some points up on the board, but they also clamped down on defense. Aside from Carroll's

three points to start the third quarter, the Warriors managed only four more in the period as they were eventually outscored 17-7. Before the fourth quarter began, the Tartars found themselves leading for the first time at 34-33. Giovonni Jackson took over from there and led his team to victory. "I knew I had to get going and I had to get in my groove," Jackson said. He certainly got his groove back and proved it with a two handed jam that blew the Warriors right out of the gym and gave his team every last ounce of momentum. "I took all my anger out on the dunk and started scoring more after," Jackson continued. With 12 of his game-high 16 points scored in the fourth quarter, the Tartars came raging back from an early deficit and ultimately came away with a 10 point, 52-42 victory.

"We didn't execute well in the second half," Perlmutter said of his team. It wasn't so much West not executing as much as it was Torrance finally performing in the second half. The Tartars outscored the Warriors 35-16 in the final two quarters of play. Torrance (11-7, 1-0), already leading the way in the Pioneer League standings, will go on to face off against a struggling South High team this week. West (6-11, 0-1), on the other hand, will be looking for their first league victory as they welcome Leuzinger (8-6) to their home gym.

## North High vs. South High

On the other side of the city, there was yet another rivalry game going on as the North High Saxons took to the busses and traveled South to take on the Spartans in another Pioneer League opener. A 10 point win wouldn't seem like a small margin of victory at first glance, but while the Saxons (9-8, 1-0) are enjoying one of the more successful years out of the majority of the teams in the Pioneer League, the Spartans are detesting their rather horrid 2-13 start. All that being said, 10 points kept it a rather

See Up and Adam, page 7

# NFL Divisional Round Set

By Adam Serrao

Is there anything at all in this world better than playoff football? After last week's wild card matchups - that were certainly wild in every aspect of the word - the answer is a clear and overwhelming, 'No!' If there is anything bad at all that the playoffs signify, it's that the football season that seemingly flashes by in the blink of an eye is almost over. With that being said, there are still a handful of teams attempting to duke it out in order to fulfill their dreams and scream,

*"Certain teams excelled, others buckled under pressure and others simply just didn't show up. Seeing who rises to the occasion is what sports are all about. Which team will rise the highest?"*

"I'm going to Disneyland" into the camera come postgame, February 7th. Last week was a clear example of the lengths different teams will go to in order to reach prominence. Certain teams excelled, others buckled under pressure and others simply just didn't show up. Seeing who rises to the occasion is what sports are all about. Which team will rise the highest?

The team that certainly sank the lowest was the Houston Texans in their matchup against

the Kansas City Chiefs. An absolutely horrible performance was low-lighted by Brian Hoyer who highlighted the question of how the Texans made it to the playoffs in the first place. A total of 136 yards passing and four interceptions on the day were just some of the things that Hoyer did wrong as his team - which finished first place in the AFC South with a 9-7 record - managed zero points on the day in a 30-0 blowout. On the other side of the ball, the Chiefs defense looked like the best in the league. With Justin Houston,

Husain Abdullah, and Allen Bailey leading the way, the Texans looked completely and utterly outmatched. Alex Smith managed the game nicely, throwing for 190 yards and a touchdown, while star receiver Jeremy Maclin left with what was a high ankle sprain. His potential absence from this week's game will make it that much harder to get past what should be a rejuvenated New England Patriots team next round.

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# TerriAnn in Torrance

## The Aerospace Players

### Story and Photos by TerriAnn Ferren

For nearly three decades, The Aerospace Players have presented a summer musical, and every other year, they produce a winter show as well. Last week, I dropped in on a 'set building party' at the James Armstrong Theatre, where dedicated members of The Aerospace Players were spending their Sunday morning donating their time, their painting skills, and their building and designing acumen, preparing the stage sets for the musical, *Annie Get Your Gun*.

I caught up with Jason Stout, the musical director for the show, who also happens to be orchestrating the set supervision for the day. He proudly told me, "We're going to rent one 'drop', and the rest we are going to build ourselves." (Anita Moisen, Booking Manager for the James Armstrong Theatre told me, "A 'drop' is heavy canvas because it has to absorb paint and is probably 30 feet tall and 48 feet wide [for the Armstrong]. They have scenes painted on them.") In his sixth production, Jason told me the Aerospace Players function entirely by volunteers. The director for *Annie Get Your Gun* is Angie Asch, who had the vision for *Annie Get Your Gun* and has been the catalyst for this major production. Co-producing the show are Lisa Stout (Jason's wife) and Susan Tabak. I found out that it was Lisa who encouraged her husband to begin auditioning for singing parts. It all began five years ago when Jason encouraged Lisa to try out for a show. "The first time he told me about it I thought it was the silliest

to do it and most of the people in the group, like Jason and myself, have other jobs, so it is strictly on your free time," said Chuck.

Inside the scene shop Susane Button was busy painting sets and told me, "I have been in lots of shows. I've done hair, make-up,

and was met with a pleasant surprise. Angela Asch, who is directing and choreographing *Annie Get Your Gun* told me, "We haven't done a western in this group since...I think Oklahoma! which was 2000, and it has songs that people know that they don't know they

for the shows. That is what makes the shows so special. "I really enjoy doing musicals. I play with a number of orchestras in the area and I freelance. I am an engineer and do the music semi-professionally," said Debbie. *The Aerospace Players* moved into the James Armstrong Theatre in 1994 with *Guys and Dolls*. "We have had full orchestras and it is a real treat in this day and age of either synthesized music or tracks, or reduced orchestras – to be able to field a full orchestra. We will have a full orchestra for *Annie Get Your Gun*. There will be close to thirty people in the pit," added Debbie. Now I am very impressed. Usually, one has to head downtown to see a play with a full orchestra, and pay a huge ticket price. I also found out Debbie met her husband through participating in The Aerospace Players.

Veteran performer, Kevin Wheaton, who plays Buffalo Bill in this show, has been part of the company for 15 years. Kevin said, "We had our kids in *Oliver!* and I brought them to all the rehearsals and since I am an Aerospace employee, I escorted them in, and we were rehearsing on Aerospace grounds back then... and they said, 'Why aren't you in this with the kids?'" Kevin joined the group and hasn't looked back.

Playing Frank Butler in *Annie Get Your Gun* is Stephen Cathers, who has been involved with The Aerospace Players since 2008. "I actually work at the Aerospace Corporation and it is sponsored by the corporation as an employee club. After I minored in Musical Theatre at



Julie Hinton and Stephen Cathers.

costumes, and also been in a lot of different parts. I do everything." Also painting was Mark Eggert who told me he found out about the group from a friend and this is his first show. Catherine Webb moved to the South Bay last February, saw the Aerospace Players production last year, and decided to volunteer. "I have a minor degree in Theatre, and this is my first production. I like doing backstage stuff so I am helping Ida with props," said Catherine. Ida Miller-Krause has been in charge of props since *Oklahoma!* in 1992. "I love what I do. It's fun. I used to be on stage once in awhile and as long as I am in the ensemble, then it is okay. I rather do props," said Ida.

Just how did The Aerospace Players begin? "It started out as a small group organized through the Aerospace Corporation. They initially started with small productions. I think they started off in the cafeteria. Then they moved into a small theatre and they have gradually grown into the Armstrong Theatre, which is really great. It is a really wonderful theatre," said Jason. Since its inception, the Aerospace productions have grown, as well as the number of participants. Auditions are open to everyone and their last show, *The Music Man*, listed a cast of fifty. For decades this group, largely of engineers, rises to the challenge of a Broadway musical. You heard me right. This is a group of clever engineers who open themselves up to the challenge of theatre.

Inside the Scene Shop located at the back of the theatre,

The next day, I checked in on this band of thespian/engineers rehearsing for the show

know. There is a familiarity and is kind of one of those classics that doesn't have to be updated 'cuz it's great as is." Angela has been involved with The Aerospace Players since she was



Catherine Webb and Ida Miller-Krause.

about ten years old because her father, Taylor Thompson, and step-mother, Tina Tucker started the group back in 1988 when Angela was a child. Taylor worked for the city of Torrance, and Tina worked for Aerospace. Angela shared with me, "They decided – wouldn't it be great to have this forum where engineers could do something artistic - and their first play was a sort of Broadway review in the courtyard and then they decided to do a full-on play. They did *Grease* in the TRW cafeteria and it has grown from there...it is very much a family, literally and figuratively for a lot of people."

First timer, Julie Hinton, is playing the lead in *Annie Get Your Gun*. She used to babysit Jason and Lisa Stout's children while they participated in the shows and now she is a member of the group. "I am an actor and knew them both years ago, Lisa and I have done shows and Jason and I have sung together... it is so much fun. I am a singer and actor. What really impresses me the most is – these are engineers. This is not their training or their background and they are so committed and this is a production of the heart and they love it." Julie feels that the 'heart' the engineers put into each show make the difference – that and the full orchestra.

Since *Bye, Bye, Birdie* in 1993, performed at the El Camino Recital Hall, Debbie Minnichelli has participated as the percussionist for the shows, the resident rehearsal pianist, and has been in charge of coordinating the orchestra



Mark Eggert.

thing ever – engineers doing theatre didn't seem logical to me, however I was excited to get out and try something new." Married 13 years Lisa and Jason love participating in the productions together. Last summer's musical, *The Music Man*, featured Jason as Harold Hill, Lisa as Mrs. Paroo, and their son, as Winthrop Paroo. Truly a family affair! Chuck Gustafson has been involved with the group since 1988. "Nobody gets paid, so it's just if you want



Debbie Minnichelli.

USC, I happen to find the only Aerospace engineering themed theatre club that I know about so...I love the community and people are so welcoming...and we are the only group that has more cast parties than performances – we have fun," said Frank with a smile.

My visit with some of the participants of The Aerospace Players was enlightening. This group is different than any other group I have

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Susane Button.



# MVP Chili

## Ingredients

- 2 packages of Hot Italian Sausage Links (use mild links for less spicy chili)
- 1 large onion
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons chili powder (use mild chili powder for less spicy chili)
- 1/4 teaspoon cumin
- 1 bottle (12 ounces) dark beer (OK to substitute light beer or 1 cup beef stock)
- 1 can (28 ounces) crushed tomatoes
- 2 tablespoons tomato paste
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) red kidney beans
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) black beans
- 1-1.5 cups corn (frozen or fresh off the cob)
- salt and pepper

## Preparation

1. De-case sausage and saute in large pot; use wooden spoon to crumble sausage as it cooks.
2. Once sausage is nicely browned, stir in onion, garlic, chili powder and cumin and continue cooking until onion softens, about 5 minutes.
3. Add beer and allow it to simmer for an additional 5 minutes scraping up any brown bits from the bottom of the pan.
4. Stir in tomatoes and tomato paste and allow it to simmer, uncovered for an additional 10-15 minutes on medium-low, stirring occasionally.
5. Taste and adjust seasonings with salt and pepper.
6. Finally, stir in beans and corn.
7. Let this come to a simmer and it's ready to serve! (Can be prepared a day ahead.)

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## Round Set

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The Steelers took on the Bengals in a game that was exactly the opposite of what Houston vs. KC was. If you're a football fan, this game had everything you needed. Pouring rain, big hits, a rivalry between two AFC North teams that absolutely hate each other, and a game that came down to the very last second. In the end, it was the Bengals who beat themselves. With just 1:23 remaining in the game, Cincinnati's defensive star's let their tempers get the best of them and came undone. Vontaze Burfict took a cheap shot at Antonio Browns head that cost the Bengals 15 yards and Adam "Pacman" Jones lost his cool, pushing a Steelers defensive coach that cost the team yet another 15 yards. Those brainless moves, combined with the reemergence of Ben Roethlisberger following a sack that injured the AC joint in his shoulder, led the Steelers to a last second field goal that won the game and pushed Pittsburgh into the next round of the playoffs where they'll travel to face Peyton Manning and the Denver Broncos.

The Seattle Seahawks versus the Minnesota Vikings was the third coldest game ever played in the history of the National Football League. At kickoff, the temperature at the stadium was -6 degrees with a wind chill factor of -25. That made me cold just watching the game from my couch with blankets all around me. Unfortunately for the Vikings, they also went cold with just seconds remaining in the game - a game that they pretty much dominated from start to finish. As you can expect, football played in negative degree weather isn't going to yield many points, but a 10-9 game with less than 30 seconds remaining came down to just one 27-yard kick for the Vikings to advance. If I've ever learned anything from Jim Carrey movies, it's that the laces need to be facing out! Well, in this case, they weren't. Vikings placeholder Jeff Locke received the ball from

center and placed it down with the laces facing in. Blair Walsh missed a chip-shot that would have won a playoff game. It was the shortest missed field goal that wasn't blocked of the entire football season. Now, after a game they should have won, Minnesota will be watching the rest of the playoffs from their couches just like me. Can you say heartbreak?

The Washington Redskins were outscored 35-7 after leading the Green Bay Packers 11-0 early on. It was a rough first quarter for the Packers, who magically reinvented their running game in their 35-18 victory over Washington. Eddie Lacy got into the end zone, James Starks got across the line, and Aaron Rodgers threw for 210 yards and two touchdowns after a rough start that had Cheesehead's nervous early. The Packers are hard to beat when they get production like that, as the Redskins eventually found out. Kirk Cousins didn't like that. He and the Redskins failed to make plays in the second half and now, Green bay will travel to Arizona to take on my pick for AFC champs, the Cardinals.

The playoffs wouldn't be the same if we didn't see Tom Brady and Peyton Manning in action. We'll get exactly that this week as both Hall of Fame quarterbacks will come off of their respective bye weeks to compete. The Pats will welcome the Chiefs to Foxborough while the Broncos will be at home against Pittsburgh. Over in the NFC, the Packers get the Cards while the Seahawks will travel to Carolina to take on Cam Newton and the Panthers. For the first time ever, a round in the playoffs will feature four quarterbacks taken with the No. 1 overall pick (Manning, Newton, Alex Smith, Carson Palmer). Things are getting a whole lot more exciting on the road to the Super Bowl. The Divisional Round is officially set. Soon, we will have our final four. - Asixlion@earthlink.net •

## Up and Adam

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close game between the two teams.

While South made a valiant effort, the 62-52 final put another notch in the win column for North. It was a much needed win for the Saxons who, leading up to the game, had lost their three previous contests and went on to lose to Culver City the day after their victory at South. Fortunately for head coach Gary Duperron and the Saxons, the league victories matter the most. Their 1-0 mark in that category keeps the team on

pace with Torrance towards the top of the division. South, on the other hand, has been struggling for wins all season long. Aside from their six point win over Montebello and two point win over South Tahoe, head coach Leo Klemm and the Spartans (2-13, 0-1) haven't experienced much success at all this season. The schedule doesn't get any easier for South as they have a date with first place Torrance up next on the schedule. Asixlion@earthlink.net •

## Police Reports

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has no money and suspect flees.

**Theft** 12/27/2015 6:15:00 PM 18200 BLOCK PRAIRIE AVE

Suspect(s) takes unattended property from counter/cell phone

**Burglary-Auto** 12/27/2015 7:00:00 PM 3400 BLOCK CARSON ST

Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/ backpacks, game console, book, ID's, credit cards, cash

**Auto Theft** 12/27/2015 5:14 PM 21500 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD

Stolen Vehicle: '99 Chevrolet Silverado

**Burglary-Auto** 12/27/2015 4:43 PM 4700 BLOCK TORRANCE BLVD

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and

takes property/cell phone charger, knife

**Theft** 12/27/2015 3:15:00 PM 2000 BLOCK 234TH ST

Suspect(s) takes unattended property and flees/ purse, wallet, cash, ID's credit cards, checkbook

**Burglary-Auto** 12/27/2015 10:10:00 PM 2700 BLOCK CABRILLO AVE

Suspect(s) enters vehicle through open window and takes property/ backpack, ID's, credit cards, paperwork, makeup, cash

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Dolton



Earl

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Thorin

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Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2015321972

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Bread and Butter LA, 630 N. Sepulveda Blvd. 2A, El Segundo, CA 90245, Los Angeles County. Registered Owner(s): Sophia Awada, 501 E. Pine Ave, El Segundo, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: Sophia Awada, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on December 23, 2015. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on December 23, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to December 23, 2020. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).  
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Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2016002403

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Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2015317246

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Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2015321597

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CALI CITIES CLOTHING, 3515 W 111<sup>TH</sup> PL, INGLEWOOD, CA 90303, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): JULIO JIMENEZ, 3515 W 111<sup>TH</sup> PL, INGLEWOOD, CA 90303. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: JULIO JIMENEZ, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on December 23, 2015. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on December 23, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to December 23, 2020. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).  
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Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2015306502

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1) SHOP 1323; 2) KENYA KIRKLAND THEE STYLE ICON, 1323 N LA BREA AVE, INGLEWOOD, CA 90302, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): KENYA KIRKLAND, 1323 N LA BREA AVE, INGLEWOOD, CA 90302. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: KENYA KIRKLAND, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on December 4, 2015. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on December 4, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to December 4, 2020. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).  
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Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2016003110

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VAPE BELLY, 22873 LOCKNESS AVENUE, TORRANCE, CA 90501, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): LA EJUICE LLC, 22873 LOCKNESS AVENUE, TORRANCE, CA 90501. This business is being conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: LA EJUICE LLC, DAN CORBEI, Managing Member. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 7, 2016. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on January 7, 2021. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to January 7, 2021. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).  
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Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2015323571

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LUNAR CLAIRE CONSULTING, 17309 S. DALTON AVE, SUITE #1, GARDENA, CA 90247, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): MAYU NOMATSU, 17309 S. DALTON AVE, SUITE #1, GARDENA, CA 90247. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: MAYU NOMATSU, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on December 28, 2015. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on December 28, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to December 28, 2020. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).  
El Segundo Herald: Pub. 12/31, 1/7, 1/14, 1/21/2016. **H-1373**

Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2016001151

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SOUNDS OF CLOTH, 1414 E COLON ST, WILMINGTON, CA 90744, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): CHRISTINE CERVANTES, 1414 E COLON ST, WILMINGTON, CA 90744. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: CHRISTINE CERVANTES, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 4, 2016. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on January 4, 2021. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to January 4, 2021. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).  
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Hawthorne Press Tribune: Pub. 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4/2016. **HH-1378**

Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2016000729

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as AVERNETHY, 22919 MARIPOSA AVE UNIT 506, TORRANCE, CA 90502, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): AVERNETHY FRANCISCO, 22919 MARIPOSA AVE UNIT 506, TORRANCE, CA 90502. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: AVERNETHY FRANCISCO, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on January 4, 2016. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on January 4, 2021. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to January 4, 2021. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).  
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Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2015326056

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MISS DONUT & BAKERY, 1842 W 182<sup>ND</sup>, TORRANCE, CA 90504, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): BUOY HOK, 1842 W 182<sup>ND</sup> ST, TORRANCE, CA 90504. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: BUOY HOK, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on December 30, 2015. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on December 30, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to December 30, 2020. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).  
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Fictitious Business Name Statement  
2015319888

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as JLP HEATING AND AIR, 414 SOUTH FIR AVENUE, INGLEWOOD, CA 90301, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): JOSE LUIS PINEDA PENALOZA, 414 SOUTH FIR AVENUE, INGLEWOOD, CA 90301. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: JOSE LUIS PINEDA PENALOZA, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on December 21, 2015. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on December 21, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to December 21, 2020. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14400 ET SEQ., Business and Professions Code).  
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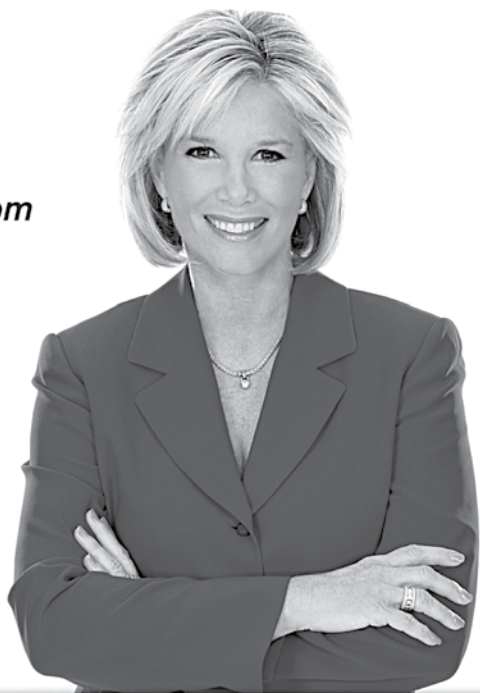
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## Earbuds

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all electric bikes, including those with a 20 mph maximum speed, and regulates access of trails and paths.

Motorized skateboards and hover boards - This new law comes just as hoverboard sales are increasing, making them super popular with young adults and teens. The specifics on the new law are that an "electronically motorized board" is defined as a wheeled device designed to be ridden standing up, propelled by an electric motor and limited to 15 mph. A board can be ridden only on a

highway where the speed limit doesn't exceed 35 mph or a specific designated bikeway. A rider must be 16 or older and wear a bicycle helmet. Cities and counties have the authority to decide whether to allow, restrict or ban the motorized boards from public places.

There is no mention anywhere if it's illegal to ride a hoverboard or a motorized skateboard while wearing earbuds or a set of headphones. It's just possible the ear-free driving law will need another tweak down the road to catch up. •

## City Council

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around 15 to 20 and I believe this year it was only nine applications that were received," Minter said. "There are a couple of possible explanations and we will continue to explore that. Obviously the grant commission is concerned about that and wondering why did we get so few but some of it could be these increased measures that we've taken to makes sure that it's Torrance people that are being served and people that are outside of Torrance."

Having fewer applicants was definitely a concern for the commission and city but both expect that with the new standards set, next

year's filing period will draw more applicants.

"The other thing could be that we were pressed for time," Minster said. "It took the committee a little longer than we expected to review the program so by the time we brought the whole proposal to the commission and to council it kind of interfered with our grant period.

"Our commission does want to make sure that we get the word out to every organization as possible even though we are set to limited \$20,000 right now," Minter said. "But we do want to make sure the proper organizations are made aware of the program." •

## Film Review

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who we all know from Bennett Miller's 2014 critically-acclaimed film Foxcatcher. However in this film, Renzi offers little to no history of Franny- the origins of his wealth remain a mystery. On a similar note, Olivia's character could have been more fleshed out and interesting if given a backstory. If expanded upon, she could have reflected an opposing extreme to Franny's approach to coping with the loss of her parents. In comparison to Franny's isolation and self-destruction, Olivia's reaction to the sudden tragedy is bottled up emotion paired with a cold exterior. She attempts to fill the void by rushing to adulthood, creating her own family and a

sense of stability. It is all there, but would be more compelling if explored further.

*The Benefactor* premiered at the Tribeca Film Festival last April and has been gaining momentum ever since, going on to win "Best U.S. Narrative Feature Film" at the Catalina Film Festival in 2015. The film proves to be an entertaining and suspenseful watch with engaging performances by the all-star cast, and Renzi is a promising director worth remembering. As he grows and develops as a director, I look forward to what the future has in store for this talented filmmaker.

*The Benefactor opens in select theatres and VOD January 15, 2016. Unrated.* •

## TerriAnn

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seen. These are engineers who have found a creative outlet and dedicate themselves totally to a common goal. The longevity of this group is remarkable and the fact that the great majority are from a profession commonly more associated with pocket protectors than grease paint, these talented, gifted people live life

with a song, embracing their artistic side, accompanied by a full orchestra. Bravo!

Secure your ticket for *Annie Get Your Gun* at the James Armstrong Theatre. Performances are January 29<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> and February 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup>. Call the Box Office at 310.781.7171 or access [www.aeclubs.org/theater/](http://www.aeclubs.org/theater/). •

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