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Community Services Department Sponsors Cherry Blossom Festival



Shuhou Wakayagi, Ayaka Wakayagi, and Kiyoka Wakayagi, dressed in traditional Japanese kimono, danced at the Cherry Blossom Festival in Torrance. For story and photos, see page 2. Photo by TerriAnn Ferren.

Council Upholds Appeal by 7-Eleven: Resolves to Move Forward with Project

By Cristian Vasquez

After comments from the public, both in favor and against the presence of a new 7-Eleven at the corner of Torrance Boulevard and Madrona Avenue, the Torrance City Council unanimously voted to uphold an appeal by the corporate retailer that allows for the proposed project to move forward.

Representatives from 7-Eleven requested approval of a Modification, Development Permit and waiver that would allow the redevelopment of the existing gas station located at the intersection. On Nov. 19, 2014 that request was denied because it included a retail permit for beer and wine.

However, the appeal that was upheld by the council during Tuesday night's meeting did not include a request for the sale of beer and wine. Yet, some residents and business owners from the shopping complex behind the site of the current service station came out against the presence of the corporate retailer.

"They are bringing in hot foods, cold foods, Mexican food, Asian food; whatever it is. It is going to bring a lot of competition and that shopping mall, the businesses are going to suffer," said Caroline Lee, whose parents own the liquor store in the shopping center adjacent to the future 7-Eleven. "Torrance is our home, it is where we grew up, where we studied, and we love it. We care a lot about this community."

Lee opposed the idea of a 24-hour store at the soon-to-be vacant site and accused 7-Eleven of wanting to open at that location to shut down her parents' store. Lee expressed concern at the possibility of 7-Eleven forcing the neighboring small businesses out of business, only to approach the council for

an alcohol and wine license after the fact. In addition, she voiced her safety concerns in the area with the presence of the retailer.

"If you do a simple Google search, there are thirty different hits about crime; murders and robberies just from today and yesterday," Lee added.

However, not all attendees were against the revitalization of the intersection and welcomed the retailer to the city.

"I believe that replacing the existing service station with the proposed development will greatly improve the environment of that corner," President and CEO of the Torrance

Chamber of Commerce Donna Duperron said. "As president and CEO of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, I believe that it is important not only to promote but to support business in Torrance. But I believe it is even more imperative to support responsible business. 7-Eleven offers as safe, clean and friendly place to shop around the clock and which meets the convenience needs of all of our residents, including those like me who do not have the traditional 9 to 5 job."

The new project would lead to the demolishing of the existing Valero service station, which

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Weekend Forecast

Friday
Sunny
80°/60°



Saturday
Sunny
74°/59°



Sunday
Partly
Cloudy
74°/59°



License Agreement Approved For Use of Metro Right-of-Way Adjacent to Crenshaw

By Cristian Vasquez

Upon the recommendation of the Public Works Director and Transit Director, the Torrance City Council approved a license agreement between the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority [LACMTA/Metro] and the City of Torrance.

The agreement allows for the use of Metro's right-of-way "adjacent to the proposed Torrance Transit Park & Ride Regional Terminal" site, which is slated to be located at 465 Crenshaw Blvd. for landscaping purpose.

Identified as the future transit hub for Torrance Transit, the Torrance Transit Park & Ride Regional Terminal will have busses from public transportation agencies such as Metro, Gardena, Flyaway by Los Angeles World Airport [LAWA] and Beach Cities.

Transit operations aims at the Transit Terminal to be a "multi-level structure of approximately 15,000 square feet in size surrounded by eight bus bay/layover spaces, with the expandability to twelve bus bays when the Metro Green Line extends to Torrance," indicates the staff report.

Right-of-way is owned by Metro, and the Transit Terminal next to it is to become a graded and landscaped site that will beautify and clean up the area. Through the licensing agreement the city is provided the means to prepare and maintain the area as part of the Transit Terminal project. In addition, the license agreement with MTA is a month-to-month agreement with no recurring license fee. However,

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TerriAnn in Torrance

The 4th Annual Cherry Blossom Cultural Festival

By TerriAnn Ferren
Photos by TerriAnn Ferren

Last Sunday, March 15, I headed to Columbia Park on 190th Street to attend the 4th Annual Cherry Blossom Festival. This year the festival seemed bigger and better than ever. My first clue of how crowded it would be was when it took me fifteen minutes to find a parking space. The hot day didn't deter people from coming out to the park. Pop-up tents were set up all around the walkway of the park with vendors displaying their wares. The first tent, set up by the Torrance Akita Club was filled with some of the most beautiful dogs I have ever seen. Their coats were thick and full and I couldn't imagine how

hot they must be! Reaching out to pet these beautiful dogs, I could feel the thickness of their coat. Soft, deep, and dense. The dog didn't make a sound as I traced my fingers through his thick coat. He only looked up at me with his beautiful eyes. The owner of this particular dog is Steven Takamatsu, who has had Akita's for over twelve years and told me, "We are basically a Japanese preservation Akita Club. We show dogs and show the difference between the Japanese Akita and the American Akita." He then told me that the Japanese Akitas tend to be smaller than American Akitas, fifty five to eighty five pounds, where the

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Kenji Kawasaki with Kogi.



Artist Thomas Trulove just finished a mug.



Anthony Bernot, age 24, Grace Wu, age 25, Ruben Ramirez, age 23, Debby Bernot, age 23, and Kevin Saxton, the leader of the group.



Sonia Ramos with her two daughters, Leah, age 20 months, and Emily, age 4 years old.

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Police Reports

Burglary-Auto 3/15/2015 9:00:00 AM
3300 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD
Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/ cash, sunglasses

Burglary-Residential 3/14/2015 9:30:00 PM
100 BLOCK VIA BUENA VENTURA
Suspect(s) enters open rear sliding glass door, ransacks and takes property/ jewelry, laptop

Burglary-Commercial 3/16/2015 8:00:00 AM
1900 BLOCK 190TH ST
Suspect(s) pries door for entry and takes property/ computer

Theft 3/14/2015 1:00:00 PM
2900 BLOCK ROLLING HILLS ROAD
Suspect(s) takes property from victim's purse as she shops/ wallet

Vandalism 3/13/2015 11:09 PM
1300 BLOCK CABRILLO AVE
Suspect(s) uses spray paint to tag parking structure wall

Burglary-Auto 3/14/2015 7:30:00 AM
3300 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD
Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means, ransacks and takes property/ cash, sunglasses

Burglary-Commercial 3/15/2015 5:30:00 PM
4000 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY
Suspect(s) pries door/ no entry, no loss

Theft 3/14/2015 9:00:00 AM
3600 BLOCK SPENCER ST
Suspect(s) takes victim's vehicle's catalytic converter

Auto Theft 3/14/2015 12:00:00 PM
17800 BLOCK WILTON PL
Stolen vehicle: '06 Chevrolet P/U

Burglary-Commercial 3/16/2015 8:45:00 AM
300 BLOCK PASEO DE ARENA
Suspect(s) enters location via an unlocked window and takes property/ tablets

Burglary-Auto 3/12/2015 9:30:00 AM
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Tech Talk

What Email System Should I Be Using?

By Sid Kato, Array Systems, Inc.
As a small business, you have many email options. If you have a website, your website hosting provider most likely offers at least a few free email addresses. Start by investigating this option.
AOL, Outlook, Yahoo, and Gmail are just a few companies that offer free email services. These free services work well but usually have limited storage and features. Also, using a free service means you will have the standard email suffix (such as @gmail.com, @yahoo.com, etc.) depending on the service you choose. If, like me, you prefer to use a

suffix with your own company name you'll need to use a paid service.
Most paid services are reasonably priced, ranging from \$2.00 to \$5.00 per user per month. Some of the more popular email service providers are Office 365 (Microsoft), Gmail (Google), Rackspace & Zoho. These are only a few of the many options available.
Dear Readers, this column addresses frequently asked technology questions by small business owners. Please email your questions to pr@heraldpublications.com and we will answer them in future columns. Thank you and enjoy! •

Community Briefs

Salvation Army Spring Splendor Art Event

The annual Salvation Army Spring Splendor Art Event will be held on Friday, April 17 starting at 6:30pm at the Torrance Art Museum located at 3320 Civic Center Drive. This fundraising event will benefit the Salvation Army's After School Programs: American impressionist oil paintings will be available

for viewing and purchase and a silent auction and raffle will be held. A photographic exhibit will be on display along with a film room with looped classic revival movies and onsite docents will be giving free tours of the museum. For additional information or to purchase tickets please go to: www.saspringsplendor.com.

Lunch with a Legend



Basketball icon Kareem Abdul-Jabbar is surrounded by some of his fans at the Torrance chamber's "Lunch with a Legend," which was held on March 18 at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Torrance South Bay, hosted by the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce. The six-time NBA Champion and MVP also spoke about becoming a best-selling author and cultural ambassador as well as his "Skyhook Camp" which encourages underprivileged children from the Los Angeles

Unified School District to become interested in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM.) Pictured with Abdul-Jabbar are (L to R) Deborah Morales from Iconomy, TACC President & CEO Donna Duperron, Jac Folkert from UCLA Health, TACC Chairwoman Heidi Cunningham and Jonathan Beutler from Sunrider International. Photo provided by Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce.
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Film Review

'Seymour: An Introduction' is a Master Class in Happiness

By Ryan Rojas for CINEMACY
Young hands hover over the tiniest gap of air above the weighted keys of a grand piano: softly, a fine, classical piece takes audible shape to fill a silent and small New York University theater space, where Conservatory students and Professionals alike are present for this Master class. The heartrending romance in the music is lovely, entirely beautiful, and is stopped. Seymour Bernstein has a note for his student.
Where today's success-driven culture is measured in madness-driven metrics for total perfection, where new-age Tiger Mom whip-lash-parenting is accompanied with seeing the big-screen wallopings laden out by the likes of J.K. Simmons' salivating drill sergeant of a music teacher in Whiplash, Seymour Bernstein offers a different sort of strive for perfection—a spiritual one.
It's this distinctness that separates himself from other teachers, musicians, and really, the new American society altogether. It's this distinctness that inspired actor Ethan Hawke enough to direct a feature-length documentary (also the actor's first attempt at directing a feature-length documentary), acknowledging, "I never set out to make a documentary. I met Seymour Bernstein at a dinner party and found myself completely hypnotized. . . . There are profound lessons inside Seymour's piano teachings that are relevant to how we approach our daily lives. His simplicity has much to offer." Founded by a consuming sort of curiosity over this man's life and mind, in the aptly titled *Seymour: An Introduction*.
Of course, Bernstein himself was once an internationally acclaimed concert pianist prodigy; a handful of onscreen news clippings and reels circa 1930 and '40 are enough to educate the common viewer who might not be as well versed in their

classical music history. A broad-stroked biography of the musician's career might be enough for a kind of documentary, or at least one day's worth of syllabus in Music History 101, but beyond his wondrous talents as a preeminent musician,



Seymour Bernstein and Director Ethan Hawke in Seymour: An Introduction, a Sundance Selects release. Photo courtesy of Robin Holland.
Bernstein spins his intrigue and mythos further to our head-cocked confusion, as we learn that he retired from concerts, effectively, as a public performer altogether, and at the height of his career. Like all things, such as stopping the beautiful music on this day's class to make this singular note to his student, he did it quietly, gracefully; humbly, but purposefully.
What sort of event would have to happen, then, for a renowned pianist to retire at the ripe old age of 50? What self-tortured anguish must he have experienced to give up what would be assumed to be his life's calling, the thing that one would think all serious musicians aspire to get to and hang on for dear life when you get there? For Seymour Bernstein, he merely decided that he would give up performing to
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Metro Briefs

SOUTH BAY

Crenshaw Construction
Construction on the second underground station for the Crenshaw/LAX Transit project has recently begun. If you are planning on traveling in the Crenshaw Corridor area, check metro.net/crenshaw before venturing out to avoid delays. The 8.5 mile Crenshaw/LAX Line will eventually connect the Green Line and Expo Line and is scheduled to open in 2019.

Eat, Shop, Play Crenshaw
Metro had a great turnout for the Eat, Shop, Play Fest in Leimert Park this past Saturday, March 21st. The public enjoyed delicious food, live music and fun activities. Many pledged their support to shop at participating businesses along the Crenshaw corridor and qualified for a chance to win great prizes – including up to \$1,000 cash! Find out how to pledge, win cash prizes and learn of future events at metro.net/crenshaw.

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Each Sudoku puzzle consists of a 9x9 grid that has been subdivided into nine smaller grids of 3x3 squares. To solve the puzzle each row, column and box must contain each of the numbers 1 to 9.

Politically Speaking

One Man's Opinion

Another Man's Opinion

The Sum of its Parts is Greater than the Whole

By Gerry Chong

In the mid-1740s the world was blessed with the birth of two of its greatest political theoreticians, Alexander Fraser Tytler in Scotland, and Thomas Jefferson in Virginia. Both men predicted the rise of Barack Obama, and predicted that America would never again elect a Republican President. Ever the cynic, Tytler said, “The people flatter themselves that they have sovereign power. These are, in fact, words without meaning. A democracy is always temporary in nature; it simply cannot exist as a permanent

debt explode from \$10.6 trillion to \$18.2 trillion, with total disregard for the meaning of such debt on the financial foundation of the country. Addressing this debt, Jefferson said, “The democracy will cease to exist when you take from those that are willing to work and give it to those who would not.” To make his point, Jefferson would point to the more than 92 million over the age of 16 who are unemployed. In fact, fewer than 63% of Americans work for a living. He would point to the 47% who pay no income tax and have no skin in the game, while

“In six years, we have seen our public debt explode from \$10.6 trillion to \$18.2 trillion, with total disregard for the meaning of such debt on the financial foundation of the country.”

form of government. A democracy will continue to exist up until the time that voters discover that they can vote themselves generous gifts from the public treasury. From that moment on, the public always votes for the candidates who promise the most benefits from the public treasury, with the result that every democracy will finally collapse due to loose fiscal policy, which is always followed by dictatorship.” Following Tytler’s dictum, we have 46 million people at the public teat, receiving free food, costing \$200 per month per person. Would they ever vote for a balanced budget? We have 22 million public employees, earning an average of 120% of the amount paid by private employers. Assuming each employee has at least a spouse or other dependent who will vote with him, we have a voting block of nearly 50 million who will never vote to downsize government. In six years, we have seen our public

demanding taxpayers “pay their fair share.” Jefferson would continue, “I predict future happiness for Americans who can prevent the government from wasting the labors of the people under the pretense of taking care of them.” Jefferson would illustrate that point by pointing to the VA. Tytler the cynic and Jefferson the idealist constantly point to outsized and invasive government as the source of man’s misery. Yet, it is the millions of government employees and their families, the number on food stamps, the millions who enter the country illegally, and the millions receiving Obamacare, 80% of who receive government subsidies, who will end democracy in America. And Republicans? They stand impotently by, unable to compete in the game of free phones, subsidized car purchases, forgiveness of student debt, restructuring of mortgage debt, and subsidized health care. Jefferson and Tytler would weep. •

Senator Cruz Wrong Candidate for President

By Cristian Vasquez

It is official: Texas Sen. Ted Cruz is one the many Republicans who will seek to win the White House next year. Sen. Cruz, a tea party sweetheart, announced his intentions to a crowd of supporters at Liberty University and at the same time appealed to the nation’s Christian conservatives for support in his bid for president. Unfortunately, during the upcoming months we will have to put up with the spectacle that will be this campaign, and many others. However, I’m calling it now; not only will Senator Cruz not be our next president, he won’t even win the GOP’s nomination. For one, the senator’s campaign aides have already come out and said [Reuters/Houston Chronicle] that there are no plans to appeal to the “moderate or establishment-minded voters.” So Sen. Cruz’s approach is to cater only to extreme voters. Granted, I have never been elected to office but I have covered my share of local elections and followed every major election since 1996 and even I can figure that appealing to just one segment of the population is a bad idea. If the average American voter is upset at the bipartisan gridlock in Washington D.C. today, it’s not going to be any better if we vote into office a Senator who had no problem shutting down the federal government in the name of political rhetoric. Also, Sen. Cruz is already setting the tone of his campaign to be filled with rhetoric rather than substance as to why he would be the ideal candidate for the job. While addressing the crowd of supporters at the previously mentioned institution, the Senator asked attendees to imagine a president “that finally, finally, finally secures the borders” or to imagine a simple “flat tax” or even abolishing the IRS [Associated Press]. The

Senator also reminded the crowd of his religious credentials by referring to his belief in the sanctity of marriage, as well as his support for the “sanctity of life.” Sadly, these are all talking points with no substance to them. Why is Sen. Cruz asking people to imagine things that a: no other president has delivered [border security], not even the patron saint of the Republican Party, the late President Ronald Reagan, b: a tax policy that would be difficult to implement, without an explanation as to how it would be applied? And c: if he wants voters to imagine a flat tax, then why would he ask the same people to imagine getting rid of the IRS? If he wants any kid of tax, he needs the IRS. As if these contradictions in the same speech weren’t enough, the Senator kept hacking at it with his sanctity of life and marriage comments. I find it hard to believe that the Senator embraces the sanctity of life but is a supporter of the death penalty. It is impossible to reconcile these two ideals, regardless of the situation. If one believes in the sanctity of life, this ideal extends to the people in our prison system. So if the Senator wants to sell his Christian benevolence to voters, he should reevaluate his positions and become more consistent. This is a classic example of an overzealous politician preying on the fears and anxieties, hopes and expectations of a group of concerned Americans. It is irresponsible of Sen. Cruz to put on this dog and pony show when his platform for the presidency is based on imagining solutions that he can’t deliver because his own ideas contradict themselves. Sadly, this patronizing behavior will not just be displayed by Sen. Cruz, but by many of the candidates that will sign up for the political circus that is our presidential election. •

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Sports

Bruins Looking Sweet as Can Be

Epic Run Comes to an End

By Adam Serrao

If you have been following college basketball this year, then you know that the Kentucky Wildcats are the team that's being talked about as quite possibly the best group of players ever put together in the history of the sport. At 36-0, Kentucky has finished the regular season undefeated and looks to remain that way throughout a March full of madness and the NCAA Men's Basketball Championship Tournament. Then, there are our very own UCLA Bruins. Far from being on the same level as Kentucky, just two weeks ago UCLA was stuck anxiously waiting to find out if they'd even receive an at-large bid into this year's tournament. Now, after two straight wins against SMU (Southern Methodist University) and UAB (University of Alabama Birmingham), respectively, the 11th-seeded Bruins (22-13, 11-7) are on their way to the Sweet 16 with hopes that they can stand tall as this year's Cinderella of the tournament.

After being one of the last teams invited to this year's tournament, the UCLA Bruins were the first team to advance to a regional semifinal. Quite a turnaround for a team that had lost to the aforementioned Wildcats by 39 points earlier in the season. Well, SMU and UAB are not the Wildcats, but a big reason for the Bruins' success lies in the play of junior forward/center, Tony Parker. No, not the same Tony Parker that plays for the San Antonio Spurs, though their stat lines may have been strikingly similar after UCLA's game against UAB last Saturday. Parker provided a big body and strong presence in the middle for the Bruins, tallying career numbers en-route to the teams win. "When he uses his size, he's a big load," UCLA head coach Steve Alford explained of Parker. "You're looking at 6-9, 265. Since he's not in here, 275," the coach joked. No matter what his size, his production was huge. His 28 points and 12 rebounds were enough to get the Bruins a relatively easy 92-75 victory, sending the team to its second consecutive Sweet 16 appearance.

"The selection committee thought we were good enough to play in this tournament and I think we proved it," Parker said. With two consecutive wins in the tournament and six wins in their last seven games, Parker may be right. Now, however, the star of last week's game will be tested as the Bruins take on 2nd-seeded Gonzaga this Friday in the round of 16. Gonzaga will certainly have something to prove as the Bulldogs have failed to advance past the first weekend of the brackets for

five straight seasons previous to this year's tournament. Needless to say, Gonzaga will not want to squander the opportunity that they now have for the first time in a half-century and will most likely come out hot against UCLA, just as they did against last round's opponent (Iowa).

Kyle Wiltjer will be a name to watch as the 6-10, 240-pound junior from Gonzaga will matchup against UCLA's postseason star, Parker. In their last game, Wiltjer put up 24 points and seven rebounds in just 25 minutes of play. Gonzaga's key to success will be getting out to a fast start. Wiltjer himself had 13 of his 24 points in the first half as he made his first six shots without missing. The Bulldogs hit 12 of their first 16 shots of the game as a whole, while passing the ball, scoring and hitting three-pointers with precision as a 16-4 run led to an eventual 17 point halftime lead. Gonzaga outscored their opponents' 40-32 in the paint, something that should certainly catch the eye of Parker and the Bruins when it comes time for their matchup with the Bulldogs this Friday morning at NRG Stadium in Houston, Texas.

If anyone is unfazed by Gonzaga and their post presence though, it's Tony Parker. Parker's 28 points in his last game against UAB were the most points that any UCLA Bruin has scored in a tournament game since Kevin Love put up 29 against Western Kentucky in the Sweet 16 in 2008. "We need him to play like that every game," senior guard Norman Powell said of Parker. "When he's like that, nobody can stop us." Parker and the Bruins can only hope that he continues to have repeat performances of his best game, but that certainly remains to be seen as the competition stiffens. So far in the tournament, the Bruins have beaten a sixth seed in SMU and a 14th-seeded UAB. They will undoubtedly be up to a tougher task as they face No. 2 Gonzaga this week.

No matter the outcome, the UCLA Bruins have already come much farther than anyone, quite frankly, had expected them to. From almost being left out of the tournament to advancing to the Sweet 16; it can't get much better for Parker, coach Alford or the rest of the Bruins. Now, with only four games remaining in this year's March Madness tournament, UCLA will hope to keep their hot streak alive against Gonzaga as they enjoy the scenery on the way. Another win against the Bulldogs will not only make the scenery that much sweeter, but will also go a long way in proving that the selection committee did get it right and that UCLA does, indeed, belong. •

By Adam Serrao

Relentless may be the word to best describe Lauren Kamiyama's team, but their season had to eventually come to an end at some point. The head coach and her North High Lady Saxons were hoping that when it did, however, they would be left with a "W" in the standings for their last game. Unfortunately for North, they ran into a team that had just a little bit more motivation to get revenge last Tuesday night in the CIF State Division III Regional semifinals. The El Dorado Golden Hawks, after losing to the Lady Saxons by one point in overtime just over one week prior in the CIF Southern Section Final that saw North take home the trophy, was a team that was determined to get payback. After a slow start, the hole that the Lady Saxons dug themselves to begin the game turned out to be just a little too deep to get out of. A comeback attempt by the Pioneer League and CIF champs came up short as Kamiyama and her Saxons fell to El Dorado by a final score of 51-45.

Back on March 7th, if you were to have watched the first half of the game between North High and El Dorado, you would have quickly come to the conclusion that El Dorado was a better team. It wasn't long before the Golden Hawks held an eight point lead in the first quarter and eventually, an 11-point advantage later in the game. North was able to put together an unbelievable third quarter in that one (holding their opponents to just four points), come back, and win the game in overtime. This time, however, North wouldn't be so lucky.

The game was close throughout its entirety. Unlike last game, North learned from their mistakes and didn't get off to as slow of a start. "We came in knowing who their key players were going to be," coach Kamiyama explained of her second go-around versus El Dorado. "We really focused our game plan around Jaylin and Brooke without making too much of a change to what we normally do." The Jaylin (Jones) and Brooke (Salas) that coach Kamiyama spoke of are the forward and the guard of the Golden Hawks who burnt North High early on in the last game. In the two teams' March 7th meeting, Jones and Salas had 13 and 19 points respectively, clearly leading their team's offensive output. In this one, Jones and Salas led the way again, accounting for 45 of the team's total 51 points.

Despite the dominant performances by El Dorado's two young players, North trailed by only three points going into the half,

looking to be in a much better position than they were in their first victory over the Golden Hawks. After noticing that her team was getting burnt by the same two players over and over again in the first half, coach Kamiyama switched her defensive scheme to a zone coverage to start the second half. Before you knew it, the Lady Saxons had used their coach's adjustment to their advantage and took a small lead midway through the third quarter. "Our girls got good looks and took their time with their shots," Kamiyama explained. Unfortunately for the Saxons, however, El Dorado got better ones and made North's newly found advantage in the game very short-lived.

The Lady Saxons continuously clawed their way back into the game and fought hard to gain any sort of momentum or advantage that they could. It showed, as with just under two minutes remaining in the contest Kamiyama's team found themselves tied with the Golden Hawks. All it took to take the air out of North High's sails, though, was one three-point shot that not only took the crowd out of the game, but changed North's strategy in the game, as well. With time quickly running out, the Lady Saxons were forced to put El Dorado at the foul line to stop the clock. The game turned from a one possession advantage into a two possession advantage and before you knew it North began relying on three pointers. The final seconds in the game gradually ticked off the scoreboard clock and for the first time in nine games, the Lady Saxons were forced to succumb to defeat.

Despite their loss, the North High Lady Saxons have certainly gained a new rival and have enjoyed an extremely successful season, all in all. With only three losses all season long, North began the year in early December and didn't experience their first loss until 13 games in against Mater Dei. Kamiyama and her team went undefeated in league play on their way to a first place finish in the Pioneer League and a Pioneer League crown. The winners of every single rivalry game they played this season, North went undefeated in the CIF Southern Section playoffs as well, on their way to a CIF championship title. The Lady Saxons experienced winning streaks of 12, eight, and nine games this season, respectively. There is absolutely no questioning that coach Kamiyama and this team will be back next season, ready to make just as much if not even more noise in the playoff brackets. •

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LIVE WELL, LOVE MUCH, LAUGH OFTEN!

The Chef



Bacon Pretzel Twists

Ingredients

- 1 pound bread dough (you can buy some Brigford frozen bread dough or make your own favorite recipe)
- 12 to 14 thick sliced of good quality bacon
- ½ rock salt or coarse sea salt

Preparation

1. Roll out the dough so it looks like a rectangle 4 inches by 12 inches
2. Cut into 12 to 14 ½ inch strips
3. Wrap the bread strip with the bacon then place on a parchment paper lined sheet pan
4. Sprinkle with the salt and bake at 350 for 12 to 15 minutes or until golden brown
5. Serve warm with spicy mustard

Police Reports

5500 BLOCK 190TH ST
Suspect(s) smashes window for entry, ransacks and takes property/ electronic keyboard
Battery-Simple 3/12/2015 8:20 PM 2700
BLOCK ARLINGTON AVE
Suspect punches victim in the head
Theft 3/13/2015 9:00:00 AM SPENCER ST & AMIE AVE
Suspect(s) takes victim’s vehicle’s catalytic converter
Burglary-Residential 3/11/2015 10:28:00 PM 16400 BLOCK ARDATH AVE
Suspect(s) cuts hole in security screen door, kicks in exterior wood door/ vacant residence, no loss
Theft 3/12/2015 9:45:00 AM 5400 BLOCK 190TH ST
Suspect(s) takes locked property from parking garage/bicycle
Burglary-Commercial 3/12/2015 6:45:00 AM 3600 BLOCK LOMITA BLVD
Suspect(s) enters business by unknown means, pries open storage closet/ no loss
Burglary-Residential 3/15/2015 12:45:00

PM 2100 BLOCK 178TH ST
Suspect(s) kicks in door for entry, ransacks and takes property/ TVs
Burglary-Commercial 3/12/2015 7:20:00 AM 3600 BLOCK NEWTON ST
Suspect(s) enters locked church by unknown means, enters offices and takes property/ laptop, safe, postage stamps, gift cards
Theft 3/11/2015 4:30:00 PM 3600 BLOCK GARNET ST
Suspect(s) takes locked property from parking garage
Theft 3/11/2015 6:00:00 PM 23300 BLOCK ARLINGTON AVE
Suspect(s) takes unsecured property from parking garage/ bicycle
Auto Theft 3/11/2015 5:45:00 AM 18800 BLOCK CRENSHAW PL
Stolen vehicle: ‘04 Chevrolet van
Auto Theft 3/11/2015 3:15:00 AM 18800 BLOCK CRENSHAW PL
Stolen vehicle: ‘04 Chevrolet van
Auto Theft 3/9/2015 9:30 AM 24400 BLOCK PARK ST

Stolen vehicle: ‘03 Ford P/U
Auto Theft 3/9/2015 9:00:00 AM 3700 BLOCK 227TH ST
Stolen vehicle: ‘14 Toyota Sienna
Burglary-Commercial 3/9/2015 12:00:00 PM 2300 BLOCK SEPULVEDA BLVD
Suspect(s) pries open doors for entry and takes property/keys
Burglary-Commercial 3/8/2015 8:45:00 PM 2500 BLOCK PLAZA DEL AMO
Suspect(s) forces open garage door for entry to unlocked residence, ransacks and takes property/ jewelry, tablet, cash
Battery-Simple 3/8/2015 8:45:57 PM 2200 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD

Suspect repeatedly punches victim in the face
Burglary-Auto 3/8/2015 1:00:00 AM 3500 BLOCK CARSON ST
Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/ tablet, shoes, sunglasses, makeup bag
Burglary-Auto 3/9/2015 10:00:00 AM 1800 BLOCK ANDREO AVE
Suspect(s) enters unlocked vehicle, ransacks and takes property/ cash
Theft 3/9/2015 6:00:00 AM 17000 BLOCK FALDA AVE
Suspect(s) takes property from unsecured storage shed/ bicycle •



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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015046595
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as THE GATEWAY, 1) 11101 W. OLYMPIC BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90064; 2) 600 LAIRPORT EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AI #ON 200732310135. Registered Owner(s): Ponsepol, LLC, 11101 W. Olympic Blvd, 501, Los Angeles, CA 90064. 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: Ponsepol, LLC, Manager, Realty Rentals Inc., by David Zimmerman, President. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on February 23, 2015.
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Fictitious Business Name Statement 20150444877
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as "RESEARCH SPECIALIST OF THE LAW.", 4024 W. 165 ST. LAWNDWALE, CA 90260, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): BRYAN ONEAL POWELL, 4024 W. 165 ST. LAWNDALE, CA 90260. 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: BRYAN ONEAL POWELL, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on February 19, 2015.
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Lawndale Tribune: Pub. 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2/2015 **HL-1224**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015067536
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1) CA TAX PLANNERS; 2) BUCKET LIST ESCAPES, 898 N. SEPULVEDABLVD., #740, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AI#ON C2677127. Registered Owner(s): CALIFORNIA RETIREMENT ADVISORS GROUP, INC., 898 N. SEPULVEDA BLVD., #740, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. CA. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 1/1/2015. Signed: CHRISTIAN CORDOBA, PRESIDENT, CALIFORNIA RETIREMENT ADVISORS GROUP, INC. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 12, 2015.
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Few things can help an individual more than to place responsibility on him, and to let him know that you trust him.

—
Booker T. Washington

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015050889
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BON AIR MOBILEHOME PARK, 25615 Narbonne Ave. Lomita, CA 90717, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): 1) DANIEL W. LINDLEY, TRUSTEE, 1815 LOMITA BOULEVARD, LOMITA, CA 90717, 2) MARK E. LINDLEY, TRUSTEE, 1815 LOMITA BOULEVARD, LOMITA, CA 90717, 3) LYNNETTE A. KOOKER, TRUSTEE, 1815 LOMITA BOULEVARD, LOMITA, CA 90717. This business is being conducted by a Trust. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 1/14/1980. Signed: DANIEL W. LINDLEY, TRUSTEE OF WALTER O. LINDLEY TRUST OF 1980. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on February 26, 2015.
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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015073178
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as THE POT LIQUOR STORE, 1) 6320 BRYNHURST AVE., LOS ANGELES, CA 90043; 2) 828 W. BEACH AVE., #26, INGLEWOOD, CA, 90302, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): ANANSE CREATIONS, LLC, 828 W. BEACH AVE. #26, INGLEWOOD, CA 90302. 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: Ananse Creations, Owner, Christina Mangar. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 18, 2015.
NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on March 18, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to March 18, 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 2015068856
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as INDIAN SUMMER GRILL, 958 MAIN ST., EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): SARWAN S. SUDWAL, 1123 E. ACACIA 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: SARWAN S SUDWAL, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 13, 2015.
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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1) DOCTORSITES; 2) PHYSICALTHERAPISTSITES; 3) COACHING WEBSITES, 909 N. Sepulveda BLVD, 11TH FLOOR, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LA COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): MH SUB I, LLC, 909 N. SEPULVEDA BLVD. 11TH FLOOR, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, DE. 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: 12/29/2014. Signed: MH SUB I, LLC, SECRETARY, B. Lynn Walsh. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on February 19, 2015.
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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015058747
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1) Rock-It Cargo, 2) Dietl International Services, 3) Cargolive, 4) EZ Carnet, 5) Rock-it Cargo Global Sports Logistics, 6) Jet Charter Solutions, 7) R.E. Rogers, 8) Rock-It Air Charter, 9) Rock-it Fairs and Exhibitions, 10) Rock-it Fine Arts Shipping 11) Rock-it Shipping, 12) Rogers Worldwide 13) Sound Moves, 5438 West 104th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90045, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): Rock-It Cargo USA LLC, 5438 West 104th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90045. 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: 12/1/2005. Signed: Rock-It Cargo USA LLC, Executive Vice-President, Andrew R. Dietz. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 4, 2015.
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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015053160
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as J & B MOTORCYCLES, 131 STANDARD ST., EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): LEROY CHARLES FREELAND, 131 STANDARD ST., 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: JAN 1979. Signed: LEROY FREELAND, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on FEBRUARY 27, 2015.
NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on FEBRUARY 27, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to FEBRUARY 27, 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 2015071112
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AUTO TRANSPORT, 3153 W. 153RD ST., GARDENA, CA 90249, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): GEORGE LUIS LEYVA, 3153 W. 153RD ST., GARDENA, CA 90249. 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: GEORGE LUIS LEYVA, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 17, 2015.
NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on March 17, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to March 17, 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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2015061823
STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
Current File #2012234644
The following person has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: D & C AUTO ELECTRIC REPAIR, 12205 Prairie Ave., Ste. F. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County of Los Angeles ON NOVEMBER 27, 2012. Registrants: EVERARDO CONTRERAS, 3643 W. 107TH ST., INGLEWOOD, CA 90303. This business was conducted by an Individual. Signed: Everardo Contreras, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on March 6, 2015.
INGLEWOOD NEWS: 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16/15 . HI-1232

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015063250
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MICROPLATE, 1013 W. HILLCREST BLVD INGLEWOOD, CA 90301 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): MULTICHROME CO. INC., 1013 W. HILLCREST BLVD. INGLEWOOD, CA 90301. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 03/09/2015. Signed: MULTICHROME CO INC., PRESIDENT, Sergio Avantes. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on 03/09/2015.
NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on March 9, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to March 9, 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).
Inglewood News : Pub. 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/02/2015 **HI-1223**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015070171
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as THE WISE GROUP, 2009 ERNEST AVENUE, UNIT A, REDONDO BEACH, CA 90278, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): MARGARET WISE, 2009 ERNEST AVENUE, UNIT A, REDONDO BEACH, CA 90278. 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: MARGARET WISE, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 16, 2015.
NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on March 16, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to March 16, 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. 3/19, 3/16, 4/2, 4/9/15 **H-1228**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015061824
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as D & C, AUTO ELECTRIC REPAIR, 12205 PRAIRIE AVE. #F, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): EDWIN JOVANNY GOMEZ SALAZAR 12504 MANOR DR., HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. 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: EDWIN J. GOMEZ SALAZAR, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 6, 2015.
NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on March 6, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to March 6, 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).
Hawthorne Press Tribune: Pub. 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/16/15 **HH-1233**

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a one-time \$1,000 administrative fee will be required. It is expected that 2,280 square feet of the MTA right-of-way will be used.

Council Approves Amendment for Professional Services for the Airport Pavement Maintenance Program

An amendment was approved for consulting services with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. in the amount of \$6,424 in order to complete additional design services for the Airport Pavement Maintenance Program.

The new funds approved will not exceed the \$131,636 expenditure mark, as well as extending the completion date of the project to Sept. 30, which will finalize the construction inspection for the Zamperini Airfield Security

Project. The funds are being provided through the Airport Pavement Maintenance Program.

Original consulting services for with AE-COM Technical Services, Inc. for design modification, construction support and the special inspection on Zamperini Airfield Security Project were approved Dec. 10, 2013.

The staff report indicated that the initial timeline for completion was delayed by five months despite construction being mostly complete. The commissioning process is now underway in order to verify that the “final test results and system performances are consistent with the project and plan specifications.” Hence, in order to complete the final process, the services of AECOM are needed. •

teach his students and himself about music, happiness and the power of detaching satisfaction from success. It’s as simple as that.

This singularly charming man, displaced in this hustling and bustling express lane-living of a culture, proves so fascinating to watch throughout the film’s hour and a half minute run time, because he’s clearly tuned more sharply to the intrinsic of living life itself than are the rest of us. Tuned more sharply to the emotional importance and component of the musician’s work for which his legend is revered—a lesson that not only hitting the piano’s keys, but the practice of tuning the mind to elicit the honest emotions of the heart and its song, being perhaps the most important type

of mastering. This, then, is expressed in the physical transference of weight and pressure to hit the piano’s pockets to play the notes just so, expressing the song’s truest emotional essence.

Seymour, who would sound wondrously if not for the feeling that his always cheery voice could giggle into youthful exuberance at any moment, tells his young apprentice this as the rest of this Master class listens just as intently on—that these notes on the charts are not just notes to be played, but felt. He’s strange for noticing this abstract insight, and only strange because it’s so singularly obvious that he is in fact, correct. Seymour has his student begin again, at the song’s introduction. An introduction, like all things, should be truthful, and played just right. •

City Council

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includes a mini-mart. Among the modifications to the site is included the closing of an entry point into the current service station’s property located on Madrona Avenue. The staff report indicates that this will minimize “potential conflict points with the southbound right turn lane onto Torrance Boulevard.”

Other concerns and points of opposition to the presence of 7-Eleven included noise, cleanliness and vagrancy problems. However, the city believed that the redevelopment of the site would only be of benefit to Torrance.

“A lot of what we heard today was a lot of speculative information,” Torrance Mayor Patrick Furey said. “First of all, that homelessness is going to be gravitating to a certain location is truly speculative. I believe that we have enforcement procedures to avoid that situation. Trash blowing through the neighborhood, again: I think I heard the appellate say they would have people go out there every day and clean up.”

While the mayor’s words weren’t enough to convince those against the council’s decision,

7-Eleven is not the first corporate business to open in Torrance to be accused of posing a detriment to the city.

“I see people shaking their heads but I know another location where that same exact argument was made, the McDonald’s at the corner of 182nd and Crenshaw Blvd, a very busy intersection and those people upheld exactly what they said and they clean up the entire surrounding area,” Mayor Furey said. “So we can all look forward to that.”

The city’s leaders look forward to revitalizing the intersection with the presence of the retailer.

“I think some competition will be a good thing for the property. Right now that is very tired looking with a very tired looking service station and I would like to see that improved,” Mayor Furey said. “Hopefully everybody can understand that they can live together. I see people going to an area just because it’s there and that will benefit the other businesses that are there. It’s not a negative thing to have something clean and new there.” •

Community Briefs

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SBJWC Benefit Fashion Show

The South Bay Junior Woman’s Club (SBJWC) will host their 4th Annual Benefit Fashion Show, “Couture for a Cause” on April 11, 2015 at 11:30 a.m. at the L.A. Harbor Masonic Lodge in San Pedro. This event includes a sit down luncheon, raffle and silent auction, with the proceeds funding \$1200 - \$1500 scholarships for deserving graduates from South Bay High Schools. In addition part of the proceeds go to three

South Bay charities; Rainbow Services, Community’s Child and Friends of Torrance Exceptional Athletes. Tickets for the event are \$50 per person, OR \$450 per table of 10. Please help our youth by supporting their higher education. Contact Kelly Santiago, President and Fashion Show Chair (310) 896-6242 or sant5791@aol.com, or Dawn Anzak Fashion Show Chair at (213) 926-1896 or dawnayers@msn.com.

Red Cross Everyday Heroes

It’s Red Cross Month and we would like to recognize our Everyday Heroes who reach out to help their neighbors when they are in need. March is a great time to become part of the Red Cross. It’s easy. Household members can work together on a preparedness plan. People can sign up to take a class or volunteer their time. They can give blood or make a financial donation. The Red Cross responds to nearly 70,000 disasters a year in this country. It provides 24-hour support to members of the military, veterans and

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New Homebuyers Checklist to ID Costly Repairs



(BPT) - When you're about to buy a house, it's easy to get excited about its great location, spacious floor plan or beautifully decorated interior. Yet the old saying, "beauty's only skin deep" can apply to any home, especially if you're considering an older, previously owned property. Before signing on the dotted

line, use this checklist to help avoid some potentially costly surprises and anticipate repairs or upgrades that may be needed. **START AT THE TOP: THE ROOF** Ask when the current roof was installed. Is it the original roof, or has it been replaced, repaired, or covered over with new shingles in certain spots? Are

there known leaks, and if so, where are they? Have any of the leaks caused damage to the attic or interior? Also look at the chimney to see if it's properly sealed around the edges and whether the gutters need repair.

WINDOWS AND DOORS

Next, take a look at the windows to see if there is any condensation between the glass panes. If so, it could mean window replacements are in order. Once you get inside the house and close the front door, see if any light is coming through between the edge of the door opening and the wall. This gap is an indicator that the door may need to be replaced since air can escape through it and cause higher energy bills.

LIGHTING AND ELECTRICAL

Throughout the interior rooms, many homes are "staged" to appeal to buyers with attractive lighting that shows off the space to its best advantage. You may love the way the lamps look in the bedroom, office or kitchen, but more importantly, check out how many electrical outlets there are and whether they are in con-

venient locations. Also, make sure you check to see if the lamps are masking the fact that there are no ceiling fixtures in each room. Will you need to rig up extension cords or invest in electrical work in order to support all the lamps, ceiling fixtures, appliances and electronics you wish to use?

GET TO THE BOTTOM OF FURNACE EFFICIENCY

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