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BMW honored its best dealers worldwide during the Excellence in Sales awards ceremony in Munich, with winners awarded in six different categories. South Bay BMW was the only dealer worldwide selected in two categories: "Best BMW 7 Series Dealer" and "Best Dealer in BMW i and iPerformance"-- and the global winner of the latter. Photo Provided by South Bay BMW.

Council Approves Modifications to Vendor Zone at Farmers Market

By Cristian Vasquez

In an effort to maximize the farmers market experience, the Torrance City Council this week voted unanimously to move forward with a recommendation to approve a new vendor zone layout at the Torrance Farmers Market. "To give you a little background on this issues--as you well know, we have had a very successful farmers market on Tuesdays and Saturdays for well over 20 years," Community Services Director John Jones said. "Thousands of people come and visit our market regularly and there have been some incidents in and around the last 10 years that have created a concern for our vendors and customers within our farmers market." The idea to rezone was triggered in 2013 when an individual at the Venice Farmers Market lost control of a vehicle and crashed into several individuals, causing injuries. As safety discussion developed, Jones and staff decided to delineate a hard boundary that could protect the vendors and customers to the farmers market. At the time, staff put together a report to look at the market as a whole and see if operations were running effective and safely. Not long after, the City Council was approached with a proposal to install hardened but removable barriers in the aisles ways to create a hard boundary. "Prior to that idea, the vendors used their own vehicles to create the hard boundary--but the problem was that if a vendor did not attend the market it would leave the rest of the market vulnerable, so hardened boundaries were put into place," said Jones. "Staff also wanted to create safety aisles between the vendors and would create a rapid exit route for vendors in case of emergency."

Of the changes in the vendor zone layout, the relocation of the free speech zone from the center to edge of the market (Crenshaw Boulevard side) caused a reaction from several residents in attendance. "I think you have to be concerned when you move the free speech zone from the center of the market off into the corner. I think that raises concerns and suspicions," Bill Reynolds said. "We don't have a real reason besides the general statement that everything is going to be better. Why would you do that? I think you need to explain that."

Without downplaying the importance of the free speech zone, Jones explained that the main purpose of the farmers market is to provide

certified fruit and vegetables to the community, describing that task as "the highest priority," followed by also providing on-location eating options for shoppers.

"The food area has entertainment opportunities and the growth opportunities, but as we relocated, it was better to have a place on the edge [for free speech zone] because the customer flow is going to be higher at that particular point [center of market]," said Jones. "We really tried to find a location that would enhance customer flow and yet not necessarily minimize that type of energy that is there, and in fact encourage it and the growth of the farmers market."

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Saturday Mostly Sunny 75°/59°



Sunday Partly Cloudy 72°/57°



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Calendar of Events

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THURSDAY, APR. 20

• Check It Out @ the Southeast Library, 3:00 PM. – 4:30 PM., free – teens only, 23115 Arlington Avenue, Call: 310-530-5044.

Propagation Society – Planting Seeds for the Future, 10:30 AM., Madrona Marsh Nature Center & Preserve, 3201 Plaza Del Amo, free to public, Call: 310-782-3989.
Momentum 2017 (Peninsula High School), 7:00 PM., Tickets: \$13, James Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive, Call:

310-781-7171.Awesome April Author Showdown!, All Day, free, El Retiro Library, 126 Vista del Parque, Call: 310-375-0922.

FRIDAY, APR. 21

• Free Advance Directive Workshop, 10:00 AM. – 11:00 AM., 5315 Torrance Blvd. Suite #B1, Call: 310-543-3402.

Friday Fun, 10:00 AM. – 12:00 PM., free, Madrona Marsh Nature Center & Preserve, 3201 Plaza Del Amo, Call: 310-782-3989.
Toddlertime, 10:15 AM. and 11:00 AM., Katy Geissert Civic Center Library, Polly Watts Story Theater, 3301 Torrance Blvd, Call: 310-618-5964.

SATURDAY, APR. 22

• Torrance Certified Farmers' Market at Wilson Park, 8:00 AM. – 1:00 PM., 2200 Crenshaw Blvd., Between Carson St. & Sepulveda, Call: 310-781-7520.

• Torrance Antique Street Faire, 8:00 AM. - 3:00 PM., free, 1317 Sartori Ave, Call: 310-328-6107.

• Soda Can Tab Jewelry, 10:00AM., freeregistration required, Henderson Library, 4805 Emerald St., Call: 310-371-2075.

44th Annual Bunka-Sai Japanese Cultural Festival, 11:00 AM. – 5:00 PM., free, Ken Miller Recreation Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd., Contact: www.torrancesistercity.org.
Broadway In Concert (Torrance Civic Chorale), 8:00 PM, Tickets: \$25, James Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive, Call: 310-781-7171.

• Awesome April Author Showdown!, All Day, free, El Retiro Library, 126 Vista del Parque, Call: 310-375-0922.

SUNDAY, APR. 23

Katy Geissert Civic Center Library Open, 1:00 PM. – 5:00 PM., 3301 Torrance Blvd.
44th Annual Bunka-Sai Japanese Cultural Festival, 11:00 AM. – 5:00 PM., free, Ken Miller Recreation Center, 3341 Torrance Blvd., Contact: www.torrancesistercity.org.

• Civil Service Commission Meeting, 6:00 PM. – 9:00 PM., City Hall Council Chambers, 3031 Torrance Blvd.

• Awesome April Author Showdown!, All Day, free, El Retiro Library, 126 Vista del Parque, Call: 310-375-0922.

Pajama-rama, 6:30 PM., Walteria Library, 3815 W. 242 St., Call: 310-375-8418.
Babytime, 10:30 AM. and 1:30 PM., Katy Geissert Civic Center Library, 3301 Torrance Blvd., Call: 310-618-5964.

TUESDAY, APR. 25

City Council Meeting, 7:00 PM., City Hall, 3031 Torrance Blvd., Call: 310-618-2780.
Torrance Certified Farmers' Market at Wilson Park, 8:00 AM. – 1:00 PM., 2200 Crenshaw Blvd., Between Carson St. & Sepulveda, Call: 310-781-7520.

• Awesome April Author Showdown!, All Day, free, El Retiro Library, 126 Vista del Parque, Call: 310-375-0922.

• Family Storytime, 10:30 AM., North Torrance Library, 3604 Artesia Blvd. Call: 310-323-7200.

• Family Storytime, 10:30 AM., Henderson Library, 4805 Emerald St., Call: 310-371-2075.

• Family Storytime, 11:00 AM., Southeast Library, 23115 Arlington Ave., Call: 310-530-5044.

• Pajama-rama, 6:30 PM., Katy Geissert Civic Center Library, 3301 Torrance Blvd., Call: 310-618-5964. •

Community Briefs YMCA's Healthy Kids Day Helps Kids Charge into a Healthy Summer

On Saturday, April 29 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Torrance-South Bay YMCA is holding a free community event to inspire more kids to keep their minds and bodies active during the summer months. YMCA's Healthy Kids Day, the Y's national initiative to improve health and well-being for kids and families, will feature a fun-filled day full of games, arts and crafts, fitness, healthy foods, educational activities, performance, prizes, giveaways, and more to motivate and teach families how to develop a healthy routine at home.

YMCA's Healthy Kids Day, celebrated at nearly 1,300 Ys across the country, aims to get more kids moving and learning so they can keep up the habit all summer long--a critical out-of-school time for kids' health. When kids are out of school, they can face hurdles, or gaps, that prevent them from reaching their full potential. Each year, the Y helps over nine million youth nationwide achieve more by providing a safe place to learn, get healthy and build friendships.

The Torrance-South Bay YMCA's Healthy Kids Day takes place at 2900 West Sepulveda Boulevard. This special annual event is free and open to the community. The first 400 kids who attend will receive a Healthy Kids Day t-shirt. New members who join during Healthy Kids Day weekend will also benefit from free Joining Fees. Healthy Kids Day is supported by Providence Little Company of Mary Medical Center Torrance.

For more information, contact Isaac Gardner, Healthy Lifestyles Director and event coordinator, at 310-325-5885 or visit www.ymcaLA.org/tsb.

El Camino College Welcomes Prospective Students to Spring College Night

El Camino College will open its doors for prospective students and community members April 26 for a Spring College Night event showcasing the school's many academic and student support resources. All prospective students, parents, adult learners, educators, and community members are invited to attend between 5:30 and 8 p.m. The event will feature a variety of workshops, a resource fair, campus tours and staff to help attendees complete the steps to enrollment, including filing an application. Information will also be available in Spanish.

Participants will be able to learn about financial aid, career and technical education programs, the START program, transferring to four-year universities, and taking college classes while still in high school. Attendees may also enter an opportunity drawing to win a Fitbit Charge 2. Information for parents and/or adult learners will also be offered at this event. Afternoon and evening classes can fit into the busy schedules of working adults who want to upgrade their skills or change their career path. ECC offers a great college experience for students of all ages and aspirations – it's not too late to earn a college degree or certificate!

El Camino College also offers low enrollment fees and a convenient South Bay location. Students can apply now – the summer 2017 term begins June 19 and the fall 2017 semester begins Aug. 26. Prospective students may apply online, 24 hours per day via the El Camino College website www. elcamino.edu.

El Camino College is located at 16007 Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance. Free parking See Community Briefs, page 4

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South High's Esphorst Not Forgotten

By Adam Serrao

Sometimes, there is more to sports than just the game that is being played in between the lines. For South High sophomore Jesse Esphorst, Jr., sports, and specifically baseball, was life. Esphorst began this season as a shortstop for the South High Spartans baseball team, but was tragically taken from the field and the world after a senseless hit-and-run accident took his life nearly one-and-a-half months ago. Now Esphorst not only leaves behind a mourning community, but has also been taken away from a loving mother--and an incredibly strong father who continues to fight through injuries and grief.

Jesse Esphorst, Jr. was a rare talent who attended Torrance's very own South High and started at shortstop for the Spartans ever since he was a freshman. As a sophomore, Jesse was one of the team's very best players. He boasted a strong arm in the outfield and a potent bat at the plate with the ability to will his team to victory with either his talent or his bright, beaming smile. "His impact was far greater than South High," Spartans baseball coach Grady Sain explained. "Everybody in the baseball community in Torrance and neighboring communities knew Jesse. He was special."

To say that Jesse was special is an understatement. The over-2,000 people who attended his funeral told us that Jesse was so much more. The way that he continuously provided a spark for his team told us that he was extraordinary in every single way. There wasn't one game that the sophomore played in this season that he didn't hit at least one double and score at least one run for his team. Jesse hit a two-run home run and had two RBIs in a 13-3 victory over the Hawthorne Cougars earlier the same day that he was tragically taken from this world.

Torrance police said that two cars ran through a red light and crashed into a van that was carrying Jesse and his father on the night of March 7 in Torrance. Jesse was coming from his nearby grandmother's house where he was undoubtedly celebrating his torrid start to the baseball season by eating his favorite meal--chicken enchiladas. The two men who caused the accident were arrested by Torrance police and later released after each posted \$50,000 bail. Despite their discharge from jail, the two men are scheduled to appear in Torrance court in early May--but not before the damage had already been done. Jesse was unable to survive the accident, while his father still attempts to recover from the injuries that he has sustained.

There never quite is a way to recover from a horrific tragedy like losing a child. Support from the community sure does go a long way to help in the process. As nearly 2,000 people gathered at Jesse's memorial, his mother, Julie Esphorst, addressed the crowd. "Jesse's journey was to slide home head first, totally worn out, shouting, 'Holy crap, what a ride.' Thank you all so much for being here honoring him. I can't tell you what it means to us all." Jesse's coach had his own ideas on how friends, family and a community could cope with such a tragic loss. "We'll hug and we'll shed a lot of tears, share a lot of stories and just be there for each other," Sain explained. "That's all we can do, and that's what we will do."

There is currently a Jesse Esphorst Memorial Fund that is gaining more and more support every day on GoFundMe.com. The fund has currently raised in excess of \$3,500 with the intent of initiating a project at South High and naming it in Jesse's honor. As the baseball season progresses, the South High Spartans play on in Jesse's memory as well. The Spartans shut out the Bishop Montgomery Knights by a final score of 14-0 in their next game following the passing of Jesse, and went on to shut out Temple City 7-0 the game after that. South is currently undefeated in league play and sits in first place in the Pioneer League standings. The Spartans will take on their rivals, the Torrance Tartars, as divisional play continues in a truly special season for players, coaches and fans of the team everywhere.

The memory of Jesse Esphorst, Jr., a young man with a humble soul and a kind heart, will never be forgotten. Sometimes, fans have a way of forgetting about the person behind the uniform who plays the game in between the lines. Jesse was a prime example of an individual who was certainly good at sports, but was even better at making those around him proud and cheerful. "It doesn't feel the same without you, but I know you are going to see us through this and you will forever be our angel," Jesse's sister Katelynn explained. "I guess God needed a shortstop up there. There was no better one than you."

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Aerospace Contractor Answers a Rare Request from Washington

By Rob McCarthy

The nation's new Commerce secretary has

School Board Approves MOU Between TUSD, Kanda University

By Cristian Vasquez

The Torrance School Board on Monday night approved a request for a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Torrance Unified School District (TUSD) and Kanda University of International Studies. Through the newly approved MOU, the District can allow KUIS Pre-Service Teacher Training Program for Teaching English to Children to sit in and observe selected TUSD elementary school classrooms.

"Every year we have many different college aide students coming from Japan and they are volunteering in our classrooms for three to four weeks thorough the lighthouse program," Senior Director, Elementary Schools Dr. E Don Kim said. "Specifically, this is one of the universities that sends the students, Kanda University in Tokyo, Japan."

The staff report presented to the School Board describes KUIS as being "very interested in our American educational system and therefore" seeking to gain "greater insight on how to properly teach English to second language learners." The interns volunteering at TUSD will be sent from KUIS through Lighthouse Career Encourage (LCE).

Lighthouse Career Encourage (LCE) has been part of the district for at least 16 years and has allowed KUIS, along with several other universities in Japan, to send students to TUSD as interns. Since 2000, LCE has provided customized educational programs to those who study in Japan with the cooperation of local educational institutions within the greater Los Angeles area. LCE's considers that the racial, language and cultural diversity within Los Angeles are a benefit to its students. Living in the area will provide students the opportunity to not just learn new things and meet new people, but also allow them to examine their own biases while discovering "new horizons, and develop a stronger sense of themselves."

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One vendor expressed concern over parking and how more than half of the farmers market customers are older than 50. The vendor went on to suggest that on Saturday a volunteer should be made available to escort traffic, during peak market hours, in order to ease the increased traffic presence caused by park patrons. She shared that the increased number of cars attending sporting activities at Wilson Park is forcing customers to the farmers market to park farther away, if not on the streets, making it difficult for that older population to get to and from their vehicles.

Staff has been working on this item for several months and reached out to vendors on April 4, April 11 and April 15. The vendor zoning plan was also shared through boards at the farmers market vending area and at the Dee Hardison Sports Center for vendors to

KUIS interns are required to be insured throughout their volunteer assignment. They must be tuberculosis-free; sign a volunteer form (guest registry); and wear volunteer badges while on their assigned campus. TUSD is not under any contractual obligations with KUIS interns, other than introducing elementary schools. Furthermore, KUIS interns will not hold TUSD responsible "for any loss, liability, claims, damage, or costs that may be incurred due to intern participation."

KUIS, a private university founded in Japan back in 1987, is an extension of Kanda Institute of Foreign Languages in Tokyo. The university is divided into six departments: English, being the largest, Chinese, Spanish, Portuguese, International Communication, and Languages and Culture. The English Department consists mainly of the English Language Institute (ELI), with more than 60 native English-speaking, non-faculty foreign lecturers. In addition, KUIS works as a research university that specializes in learner autonomy (developing student's ability to set appropriate learning goals, take charge of their own learning).

"One of their professors from Japan also comes with them [interns]," said Dr. Kim. "They get to learn how an elementary school classroom operates in the United States. All of these college students want to be teachers in Japan."

The interns will spend three to four weeks under the direction of an individual teacher. As interns, their only duties are to observe and assist within their assigned classrooms. Given that KUIS provides accredited university courses, and since this is not a study abroad trip, the university is responsible for and will monitor interns before, during and after the program. The collaboration serves both the intern and the classroom teacher, who will benefit from the additional assistance.

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look at and provide an opportunity to attend Tuesday night's meeting.

For Mayor Patrick J. Furey, this rezoning is just one of many steps taken to improve the farmers market experience and he indicated that he looks forward to future efforts to continue enhancing the event. "Change is very difficult," Mayor Furey said. "Certain people want to be at certain locations and sometimes that location won't be there anymore, but I know that staff and you [Jones] will be working with them to make them as comfortable as possible.

Furey added, "This is what we are going to be approving tonight, but it's not concrete out there. This is a good plan to start with and it's not always going to be this way. We will always be making improvements. We can improve what we have now by doing this and we can improve later by making changes.".

asked manufacturers which federal regulations hold them back the most, signaling the White House intends to keep its promise to make it easier for companies to do business on U.S. soil. The chance to talk directly to a member of the White House Cabinet doesn't come around often.

Gino DiCaro, a spokesman with the California Manufacturing and Technology Association, said in the past his industry's calls for relief fell on deaf ears in Washington, D.C. But that's changing with the new administration. "More than ever, growing our economy through manufacturing is at the forefront of public opinion and policy discussions at every government level," DiCaro said. "Everybody wants good wages, jobs and innovation."

Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross in March invited manufacturers and industry groups to tell him which federal regulations hinder their businesses and expansion plans. An executive memo signed January 24 by President Trump tasked Ross to investigate the impact of federal regulations on the manufacturing industry. The president has said he wants to keep factory industry with an offer of help. It's rarer that the manufacturers themselves got the chance to tell the Commerce Secretary which federal rules to reduce or eliminate altogether.

It's unusual for a president to single out one

jobs here in the States.

There were 175 comments and suggestions left for Ross and his staff on a federal website, including one by Northrup Grumman. The aerospace and defense contractor operates in three South Bay cities and in all 50 states. Robert Foster, a Washington, D.C.-based manager for Northrup Grumman, recommended that the environmental permit process be simplified.

He offered ways the administration could help Northrup Grumman to better suit the company's needs. Simplify the process for obtaining a federal permit to comply with clean air, clean water and wastewater rules. Require the same data, but share it among the agencies reviewing the application. Also, cut down on the nine- to 12-month wait to get a permit approved, Foster suggested.

Northrup Grumman must submit duplicate information to the California and federal See Aerospace, page 6

DEADLINES

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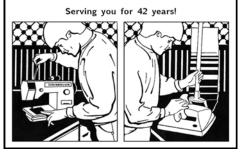
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<u> TerriAnn in Torrance</u> **The Legacy Continues**

By TerriAnn Ferren

It was during the Leadership Torrance Program (a program through the Torrance Chamber of Commerce) in 2013/14, that I first met Judith Gassner, Senior Director of Development and Principal Gifts at Torrance Memorial Hospital. Judith was our tour guide the day our group visited the Torrance Memorial Medical Center, when the 256-private room Lundquist Tower was being constructed. Judith stood out from the moment she greeted us and was very hospitable, knowledgeable and enthusiastic about the hospital in which she worked. She fielded questions about how the hospital functioned, and even toured us through the emergency room area where we were privy to the staff, the equipment and the workings of a first-class emergency room. I never forgot that day and how impressed I was with Judith. After the tour, I remember thinking that I wanted to know more about this very special person who had seemingly immersed herself into the very fiber of Torrance Memorial Hospital.

Last week, I finally caught up with this very busy woman. One of six children (including her twin sister, Joan), Judith grew up with her family in Rockland, Maine--a small fishing town that swells with artists during the summer. "It is where Andrew Wyeth would come in the summer, along with a lot of great artists. It was a wonderful place to grow up along the Atlantic Ocean--although I love living in Southern California," said Judith. Growing up, Judith was surrounded by music. Her parents would take the family to Boston, and occasionally to New York where they were introduced to the 'cultural' world. After graduating from college with a major in Arts Management, Judith interviewed and secured a position with the Boston Symphony, which is the same orchestra as the Boston Pops. She started out in subscription and worked her way up to press, where she toured with the orchestra. Judith shared, "We had a concert series at Carnegie Hall three times a year--that was very exciting. At that time, I was dealing with working with the press and the summers we would go to the Berkshires--Tanglewood [The Berkshires are in Western Massachusetts]...Serge Koussevitzky was the conductor of the Boston Symphony years ago and

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he founded Tanglewood. He wanted a teaching institute for soloists from all over the world, so that is where Leonard Bernstein, Zubin Mehta, Seiji Ozawa studied with Aaron Copland ... "

I learned how Judith, immersed in the music, traveled the world. And it was in Rome where her life would take a turn. She met her future husband, Dr. Conrad Gassner, M.D., in Rome when he found out the Boston Symphony Orchestra was performing a concert. Although

any details on their meeting, somehow I envision the old film Roman Holiday.

Judith and Conrad married eight months after they met, with Judith joining her husband in Southern California. After a short stint working with the LA Philharmonic, Judith decided a break was in order. The Gassners had two daughters, Alexandra and Caroline, and were enjoying the benefits of the South Bay lifestyle.

Then, the unthinkable happened when Dr. Conrad Gassner, M.D. became ill and passed away when their girls were only eight and 11 years old.

Not long after that, Judith interviewed with Executive Vice President Laura Schenasi for a position at the hospital, and on September 11, 2001, Judith began working as the Senior Director of Development and Principal Gifts. "I liked it right away because I really liked the people," said Judith. "Dr. Gerald Rich was in charge of the Emergency Department at that time, and I knew a lot of the doctors as well... I thought I would go back to the arts, but I didn't, and it ended up being so wonderful. The people I have met have so enriched my life and I never would have met them without Torrance Memorial and having the position that I have. Where I work now is like a family--it really is. It is like a wonderful family. People

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Mayor, City Hold Town Hall Meeting for OTNA Tonight

For Old Torrance Neighborhood Association members, the City of Torrance and Mayor Patrick J. Furey are holding a town hall meeting. Attendees can get updates on the City and obtain insight on what is currently in the works. The program will be followed

by a Q & A session. The event will take place this evening-Thursday, April 20-at the Bartlett Senior Center (upstairs) at 1318 Cravens Avenue in Old Torrance starting at 7 p.m. For more information, call 310-618-2801. •



Judith didn't give me Judith Gassner, Senior Director of Development and Principal Gifts. Tower, gleaming high

above Lomita Boulevard, was built by and for the community. Judith added, "We have a great President and CEO Craig Leach, who spearheaded the effort and it's very rare--even when you do an extension for a bedroom--that you come under budget and under time. We did. Torrance Memorial did."

Judith continued,

The recently-

People who want to leave a legacy, or who have made their wealth in the community and want to help, have donated to Torrance Memorial. Judith told me that "a hospital is relatable to people--and although you don't want to go, when you do visit you want to make sure you are well taken care of." That is very true. I learned that donations pour into the hospital for all reasons and in many ways. Judith heads two annual support groups (or giving programs). One program, The Ambassadors, support four community efforts: the burn center, the rehabilitation center, the hundreds of free lectures, and the cancer institute. Frankly, this program impressed me--especially when I learned of the 250 to 300 people who freely give so generously and keep the four important areas running and functioning at the highest level. In addition to The Ambassadors, Judith also heads the YPPA (Young Physicians and Professional Alliance), which engages both physicians and professionals outside the medical field as they network and become aware of each other's professions, thereby broadening support for the hospital.

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The program does not involve American students visiting Japan for a similar experience. In addition, the program involves several universities from Japan, with Kenda being one of them. This year alone Kenda University has sent 10 students to Torrance-but overall there have been more than 100 students from different Japanese universities who have had the opportunity to learn within TUSD's classrooms. "It

And the hospital hasn't finished building. Right now, they are renovating and fundraising for the North Patient Tower. If you have ever thought about giving within a support group, or in any other way to the Torrance Memorial Medical Center, simply access www.torrancememorial.org. Also, if you are interested in volunteering, access the website and get involved. Judith told me she began her path at the hospital by volunteering in the gift shop along with Alice Young. It was at that time she was exposed to all areas of the hospital--and her two daughters Alexandra and Caroline followed their mother's lead and volunteered as well. By the way, volunteer week begins April 23, so get involved!

Judith Gassner opened my eyes to a group of very generous people who continually give, helping the hospital right here in our own backyard. Indeed, Judith is the perfect person for the job of guiding anyone who wishes to join the team of giving at the Torrance Memorial Medical Center.

Listening while Judith praised the burn ward, the maternity ward, the cancer treatment center, the radiology and oncology departments, and the cardiovascular advancements and valve replacements gave me a new appreciation for the hospital. She truly has a passion for helping people and guiding those who wish to do the same. "It always mattered to me that I worked and I respected the organization--and I have--two great organizations, The Boston Symphony and Torrance Memorial. You can't ask for more than that. I am very proud to work for the hospital, I really am," said Judith.

After speaking with Judith Gassner, I thought back to the late Dr. Rodney A. Stetson, M.D., who was one of the first physicians to serve as Chief of Staff at Torrance Memorial Hospital when it was located on Engracia Avenue, next to Nativity Catholic Church. Dr. Stetson was a deeply committed physician to countless patients in Torrance. And in addition to being a wonderful doctor, he was dedicated to his community. Several decades have passed and I wonder what he would say about the little hospital, where he delivered hundreds of babies, and how it has grown. An incredible legacy has developed and evolved since the seeds of Torrance Memorial Hospital were planted so many years ago, and Judith Gassner is an integral part of that history. •

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allows college students from Japan to come here, live here and stay with host families that take them in," Dr. Kim said. "Then they are able to work with an elementary school teacher."

The MOU between TUSD and KUIS comes at no cost to the TUSD. In addition, it enables KUIS to maintain its grant funds from the Japanese in order to continue this program.

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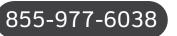
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- 2 teaspoons salt
- 5 to 5 1/2 cups all-purpose flour cornmeal
- 1 egg white beaten with 1 tablespoon water

Preparation

- 1. Place water in large, warm bowl. Sprinkle in yeast; stir until dissolved. Stir in oil, salt and enough flour to make a soft dough. Knead on floured surface until smooth and elastic, about six to eight minutes. Place in greased bowl, turning to grease top. Cover; let rise in warm draft-free place until doubled in size, about 30 to 45 minutes.
- 2. Punch dough down. On floured surface, divide dough in half; roll to 15x10-inch ovals. Roll up from long ends to make loaves. Pinch seams and ends to seal; taper ends.
- **3.** Place, seam sides down, on large greased baking sheet sprinkled with cornmeal. Cover; let rise in warm draft-free place until doubled in size, about 30 to 45 minutes.
- 4. Brush with egg white mixture. With a sharp knife, make four or five diagonal cuts (1/4-inch deep), on top of each loaf. Bake in a preheated 400 degree F oven for 25 minutes, or until done. For crispier crusts, brush two more times with egg white mixture, after 15 and 20 minutes of baking time. Remove from sheet and cool on wire rack.

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agencies, Foster explained. Local and federal agencies should be working together, and a single agency could handle a Northrup permit application to make the process more efficient. Many federal environmental rules are enforced by the states. "Consolidate the review at a single level and within a single agency," Foster recommended. Where more than one state or federal agency is involved, he suggested to clearly define the lines of responsibility so the process isn't slowed by multiple requests for information.

State and federal agencies often want the same data to assure them a company has practices and procedures in place to comply with environmental rules. Northrup Grumman told Ross the current permit process is redundant and time-consuming. If the agencies could share the data submitted by Northrup, then that alone could speed up the process and make the company's wait times shorter.

The federal comment period closed on March 31. A spokesman with the Commerce Department confirmed that manufacturers' recommendations would be reviewed and used by Ross to prepare a report for the president. The Commerce Department hasn't said when that might happen.

California's association for manufacturers is encouraged because for the first time in a decade, policymakers in Washington, D.C. are interested in the well-being of South Bay companies like Northrup Grumman and Boeing with huge workforces. Boeing also took the opportunity to advise the White House on which regulations it considers the biggest stumbling blocks to its business. "It's promising that the administration in Washington is ... doing everything it can to understand and fix what impedes a manufacturer's ability to grow in the U.S.," said DiCaro with the California Manufacturing and Technology Association.

The White House is concerned about automakers relocating their assembly plants outside the U.S. An industry representative for the Alliance See Aerospace, page 7

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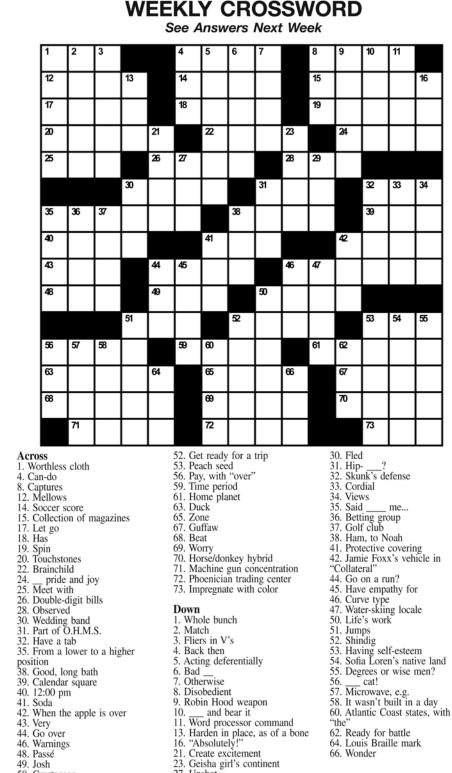
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: BETTY JO SHOREN CASE NO. 17STPB02684 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent

creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of BETTY JO SHOREN.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CYNTHIA JO MURPHY, in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CYNTHIA JO MURPHY, AKA CYNTHIA JO FRAUMENI be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/01/2017 at 8:30AM

in Dept. 99 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent

creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code.

Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk Attorney for Petitioner ADAM C. KENT 605 MIDDLEFIELD ROAD REDWOOD CITY, CA 94063 (650) 568-2800 Torrance Tribune Pub. 4/6, 4/13, 4/20/17 HT-25526



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of Automobile Manufacturers praised the Commerce secretary for undertaking a fact-finding mission about U.S. regulations that pose the biggest burdens. Light-duty passenger vehicles are the "most highly regulated sector of our economy," a spokesman for the carmakers told Ross. "Any initiative to remove unnecessary regulatory burdens encourages domestic manufacturers to increase investments and jobs in the United States," the auto industry trade group said. It represents the 12 largest automobile manufacturers in the United States, which account for 70 percent of all car and light truck sales in the country. Alliance members are BMW Group, FCA US LLC, Ford Motor Company, General Motors Company, Jaguar Land Rover, Mazda, Mercedes-Benz USA, Mitsubishi Motors, Porsche Cars North America, Toyota, Volkswagen Group of America, and Volvo Car USA.

Several manufacturers left comments indicating that overlapping federal and state rules are their biggest frustrations. For the carmakers,

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they deal mostly with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the California Air Resources Board, the association said. The group told the Commerce secretary that what manufacturers want is a common-sense approach to protecting the environment.

"Certainly, many regulations that impact auto manufacturers originally were intended to serve useful purposes and continue to have value. However, many are or have become outdated, unnecessary, or ineffective," the association said, adding they just need to be reviewed and updated occasionally.

Given a rare opportunity to speak directly to the White House, Northrup Grumman and Boeing were the representatives for the South Bay. Boeing said in its comments what happens with environmental permits and regulations will influence whether it expands and creates high-tech, U.S.-based manufacturing centers. The aerospace and defense systems contractor is predicting global demand for 39,000 new aircraft by 2037.

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017071166

following person(s) is (are) business as BOB AND MARC BING, 3336 W ROSECRANS The PLUMBING, AVENUE, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): SANDAN PLUMBING CO. INC. 3336 W ROSECRANS AVENUE, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250. This business is being conducted by a CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 01/1994 Signed: SANDAN PLUMBING CO. INC., DANIEL VIENS, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on MARCH 21, 2017.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017071383

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SIDEYARD PUBLISHING, 100 CORPORATE POINTE, SUITE 390, CULVER CITY, CA 90230, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): ELEVEN ELEVEN MEDIA, LLC, 100 CORPORATE POINTE SUITE 390, CULVER CITY, CA 90230, CA. This business is being conducted by a LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The registrant commenced COMPANY. to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed Signed: ELEVEN ELEVEN N/A. MEDIA, LLC., KEVIN SHINNICK, CFO. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on MARCH 21, 2017. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017076009

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DP HAULING, 4575 WEST 115[™] STREET NO A, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250, LA COUNTY, Registered Owner(s): NAOMI VAIKAKALA TAUTUAA-POLLARD, 4575 W 115TH STREET NO A, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250, CA This business is being conducted by an The registrant commenced Individual to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 03/2017. Signed: NAOMI VAIKAKALA TAUTUAA-POLLARD, OWNER. This This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on MARCH 28 2017

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017062798

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1) MELT GELATO & CREPE CAFÉ, 730-A ALLIED WAY, EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY; 2) 909 E. WALNUT AVENUE, EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245. Registered wner(s): EL SEGUNDO BEACH, LC, 909 E WALNUT AVENUE, EL LLC. SEGUNDO, CA, 90245. This business is being conducted by a Limited Liability Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 04/2008. Signed: EL SEGUNDO BEACH, LLC., OWNER, MYUNGJA ASHWORTH. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 13, 2017

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017079803

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as NEXTHOME NEST BROKER, 1730 E HOLLY AVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY; 4917 W. 116TH STREET, HAWTHORNE, CA, 90250. Al#ON: C3941632. Registered Owner(s): NEST BROKER, INC., 1730 E HOLLY AVE, EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245. This business is being conducted by a corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: BITANIA GIRMA, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 30, 2017 NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on March 30, 2022. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to March 30, 2022. 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. 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27/2017 **H-1614**

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017082898

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as JAGUAR TENNIS ACADEMY LLC., 906 E. IMPERIAL AVE., APT 1, EL SEGUNDO, CA, 90245, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AI #ON: 201707210495. Registered Owner(s): JAGUAR TENNIS ACADEMY, LLC., 906 E. IMPERIAL AVE., APT 1, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. This business is being conducted by a limited liability corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 04/2017. Signed: JAGUAR TENNIS ACADEMY, LLC., OWNER, SERGIU BOERICA. This state filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on APRIL 3, 2017.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017070683

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SOUTH BAY POOL-POND & SPA RESTORATION, 816 CRENSHAW BLVD, TORRANCE, CA 90501, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Reai Owner(s): HUGO DE AVILA MARQUEZ, 816 CRENSHAW BLVD, TORRANCE, , 90501. This business is being CA conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: HUGO DE AVILA MARQUEZ, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement

expires on March 21, 2022. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to March 21, 2022. 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. 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4/2017 H-1616

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017079367

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MAILBOXES GALORE 1820 w CARSON ST #202 TORRANCE, CA 90501, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): 1 GINA T. RODRIGUEZ, 25925 AVOCADC ST., LOMITA, CA 90717. 2) JOHN RODRIGUEZ, 25925 AVOCADO ST., LOMITA, CA 90707. This business is being conducted by a Married Couple The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A Signed: GINA T. RODRIGUEZ, WIFE This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 30, 2017

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017079196

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LUFTGEKUHLT, 1601 N SEPULVEDA BLVD. #199, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA, 90266, LOS ANGELES BEACH, CA, Registered COMPANY, COUNTY Owner(s) COGNITION 1601 SEPULVEDA BLVD. #199, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA, 90266. This business is being conducted by a JOINT VENTURE. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A Signed: PARTNER, COGNITION COMPANY PATRICK LONG. This was filed with the County statement Recorder of Los Angeles County on March 30, 2017

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017090817

following person(s) is (are) business as OFFICE MOVE The doing GURU, 17103 EASTWOOD AVENUE, TORRANCE, CA 90504, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): LMR ENTERPRISES LLC, 17103 EASTWOOD AVENUE, TORRANCE, CA 90504. This business is being conducted by a LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The registrant mmenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 03/2017. Signed: LMR ENTERPRISES LLC, OWNER, LAUREN MARIE RICHESON. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 11, 2017.

NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on April 11, 2022. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to April 11, 2022. 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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Name Statement

2017078152 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DELIGHT PROP, LCC, 4219 W 165TH ST., LAWNDALE, CA, 90260, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): DELIGHT PROP, LCC, 4219 W 165TH ST., LAWNDALE, CA, 90260. This business is being conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names the fictitious business name of names listed above on: 08/2008. Signed: DELIGHT PROP, LCC, OWNER, EDWARDO OSORIO. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on MARCH 29, 2017. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on MARCH 29, 2022. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to MARCH 29, 2022. 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
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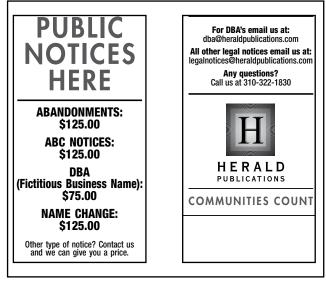
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following person(s) is (are) BACKSPIN The doing business as BACKSPIN ENTERTAINMENT. 2414 CABRILLO AVE, APT A, TORRANCE, CA, 90501, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): SHERWIN-RYAN RUSTE, 2414 CABRILLO AVE, APT A, TORRANCE, CA, 90501. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or listed above on: N/A. Signed: SHERWIN-RYAN RUSTE, OWNER. This stateme was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on April 6, 2017. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME Current File #2016192687 The following person has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: CRAFT SHACK FUELED BY SIMMZY'S, 850 S SEPULVEDA BLVD, STE K200, EL SEGUNDO, CA 90245. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in the County of Los Angeles ON MARCH 29, 2017. Registrants: SIMMZYS LLC, 1148 MANHATTAN AVE #1, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA 90266. This business was conducted by a LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. Signed: SIMMZYS LLC, MANAGING MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on MARCH 29, 2017. Pub.

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Know What's Below: Call 811 before Digging this Spring

(BPT) - With the snow melted and the ground thawed, many eager homeowners and landscape professionals across the country will roll up their sleeves and reach for their shovels to start projects that require digging this spring.

During the transition into "digging season," Common Ground Alliance (CGA), the association dedicated to protecting underground utilities and the people who dig near them, reminds homeowners and professional diggers that calling 811 is the first step toward protecting you and your community from the risk of unintentionally damaging an underground line.

Every digging project, no matter how large or small, warrants a free call to 811. Installing a mailbox or fence, building a deck and landscaping are all examples of digging projects that should only begin a few days after making a call to 811. Calling this number



connects you to your local onecall utility notification center.

According to data collected by CGA in a phone survey in March, millions of American homeowners will likely do DIY projects involving digging this year, but 44 percent of them do not plan to make a free call to 811 before digging. Extrapolated to the full population of U.S. homeowners, approximately 58.5 million people will dig this year without first calling 811.

A utility line is damaged every six minutes in America because someone decided to dig without making a call to 811 to learn the approximate location of buried utilities in their area. Unintentionally striking one of these lines can result in

inconvenient outages for entire neighborhoods, serious harm to yourself or your neighbors, and significant repair costs.

As a result, CGA offers the following tips to make sure you complete your project safely and without any utility service interruptions, so you don't become a statistic.

Here's How 811 Works

1. One free, simple phone call to 811 makes it easy for your local one-call center to notify all appropriate utility companies of your intent to dig. Call a few days prior to digging to ensure enough time for the approximate location of utility lines to be marked with flags or paint.

2. When you call 811, a representative from your local one-call center will ask for the location and description of your digging project.

3. Your local one-call center will notify affected utility companies, which will then



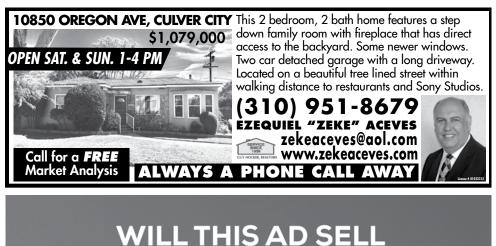
send professional locators to the proposed dig site to mark the approximate location of your lines.

4. Only once all lines have been accurately marked should you roll up those sleeves and carefully dig around the marked areas.

There are nearly 20 million miles of underground utility lines in the United States, which equates to more than a football field's length of utilities for every person in the U.S. Your

family depends on this buried infrastructure for your everyday needs, including electric, natural gas, water and sewer, cable TV, highspeed internet and landline telephone. With that much critical infrastructure underground, it's important to know what's below and call 811 before digging.

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