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Torrance Chamber Holds Business Awards Celebrations



The Torrance Chamber of Commerce honored its businesses, volunteers, and leaders of the year at its awards celebration, held at the Doubletree on June 11th. Pictured (L-R) Claire Coignard, Torrance Memorial Medical Center (Legacy Award); Joe Ahn, Northrop Grumman (Memorial Award); Steve Napolitano, Representing LA County Supervisor Don Knabe; Serena Josel, Kaiser Permanente (Emerging Leader Award); Jerry Ronan, Torrance Historical Society (Non-Profit of the Year); Ellenmary Michel, Pelican Products (Woman of the Year); Jamie Ruth Watson, Torrance Historical Society; TerriAnn Ferren, Torrance Cultural Arts Center (Volunteerism Award); Debbie Hayes, Torrance Historical Society; Barbara Graham, Exxon Mobil Corporation (Legacy Award); Jonathan Beutler, Sunrider International (Man of the Year); Melinda Fox, Merle Norman Cosmetics & Spa (Small Business of the Year). For story, see below. Photo courtesy of TACC.

Changes In Compensation Provisions For TPOA Employees

By Cristian Vasquez

Some employees represented by the Torrance Police Officers Association will see a change in the hours, wages and working conditions due to the mayor and city council's adoption of a resolution amending Resolution No. 2013-75.

The resolution covers wages, hours and working conditions between Jan. 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017. The \$17,300 to be used is being made available through the city's wage reserve and will increase the monthly compensation base wage for the gang detail and the Torrance Mental Enforcement Team positions.

"With the approval of the attached resolution [the city] will be implementing the adjustment of the gang investigative premium from the current three-and-a-half percent to five percent to make it consistent with the other premiums," Assistant to the City Manager Aram Chaparyan said during the staff report presentation.

"The gang investigators are essential team members of the Torrance Police Department," states the staff report. "They have been relied upon even more in recent years with the implementation of AB109 [realignment] and with the passage of Proposition 47 in 2014."

Part of the gang investigator's responsibilities include gathering and using intelligence information to conduct arrests, post prison monitoring as well as regional task force interaction. The increase in compensation to the gang investigator position is only of 1.5 percent and aligns the "total premium" to that of other assignments that are covered by the TPOA Memorandum of Understanding. The increased premium is expected to make the

gang investigator position more desirable for Torrance Police Department officers.

Of the \$17,300, a gang investigator will receive \$8,300 while a Torrance Mental Enforcement Team [TMET] Investigator will be allocated an additional \$9,000. The Police chief's request for an additional 5 percent premium pay for the TMET investigator was described in the staff report as important for the department.

"The TMET investigator is a vital component of the Torrance Police Department, and they

will receive specialized training in dealing with those who are in need of mental health services," states the staff report. "This is a priority for the Police Department and our community, and as such, the TMET investigator will provide mental health training to all members of the department."

Handling calls that involve individuals with mental health issues has been a challenge for police departments nationwide.

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Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce Business Award Celebration

By Cristian Vasquez

This year's Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce Business Award Celebration honored local reporter/writer and volunteer TerriAnn Ferren with the 2015 J. Walker Owens Volunteerism Award.

Ferren, who also works with the Torrance Cultural Arts Center, was honored along with a long list of local business leaders, non-profits and corporations for their work in the city.

"Thank you to the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce and thank you to Donna Duperron and your staff," Ferren said as she addressed everyone in attendance. "You lead as a captain this beautiful ship that is the chamber. It is excellent and I think it's not only the best in California, but the best in the United States."

Also honored by the Chamber were: Exxon Mobil Corporation, Charles McDonough Accountancy Corp. and Torrance Memorial Medical Center with the "Legacy Award." The "Small Business of the Year" Award went to Merle Norman Cosmetics & Spa; the "Large Business Leader Award" went to Alpine Electronics of America, Inc.; while Serena Josel of Kaiser Permanente was honored with the "Emerging Leader Award."

This year the Chamber named the Torrance Historical Society the "Non-Profit of the Year," while Harbor Regional Center won the "Hidden Gem in Torrance Award." Earning distinction of "Woman of the Year" was Ellenmary Michel of Pelican Products. Jonathan Beutler of Sunrider

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Award Celebration

from front page

International was recognized with the "Man of the Year" award. This year's "George M. Whittlesey Memorial Award" went to Joe Ahn of Northrop Grumman.

Selecting the honorees is never an easy task for the Chamber and Ferren wasn't afraid to



Leslie Cortez, winner of last year's award, presents the J. Walker Owens Volunteerism Award to TerriAnn Ferren at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce Business Awards Celebration. The yearly event recognizes the differen business leaders, volunteers, non-profits, and individuals who work arduously every day to make Torrance a thriving city. Photo courtesy of the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce. Photo Courtesy of Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce.

share how surprised she was when told of the award she had been selected to receive.

"To be perfectly honest, when Donna Duperron first called me, I told her it must be a mistake and I didn't believe her," Ferren said.

Ferren has engaged in volunteer efforts her entire life and the thought of receiving an award for something that she does naturally was unexpected. "All my life it seems [she's volunteered]; either with the Girl Scouts, church, or around the neighborhood," Ferren added.

The J. Walker Owens Award was named after one of the chamber's former executives who served for more than 32 years ago. The award is earned by someone whose volunteer work surpasses the norm of volunteerisms efforts. Ferren has volunteered for a plethora of events, including the chamber's annual installation and business award, the Torrance Police Department Award and Appreciation Luncheons, and numerous ribbon-cutting ceremonies; she has served on committees for regional breakfasts and countless com-

munity activities such as the city's relay for life, the city's variety show and rock around the block.

"The definition of a volunteer is when one enters into serving without compensation," last year's J. Walker Owens Volunteerism Award recipient Leslie Cortez said. "Those of us involved with the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce fall into that category and yet in any endeavor where people are involved, there are those who stand out in their unself-ish commitment and involvement."

In attendance were the city's council members, mayor, treasurer and City Manager Leroy Jackson, who Ferren expressed her gratitude toward for his leadership and guidance.

"He is my mentor and friend," Ferren said.
"He has fostered in this city, not only for employees but for those outside the city, to serve in anyway they can. You [Jackson] have always opened that door and it is beautiful the way you do that."

Cortez not only acknowledged the hard work and dedication demonstrated by Ferren to volunteering but highlighted the compassion and kindness that accompanies her in every task she accepts.

"In addition to her grassroots community involvement, TerriAnn has committed her time to being a Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce ambassador for the past five, going on six years," Cortez said. "To become an ambassador, a member must be in good standing, have developed a track record of involvement in chamber activities and demonstrated a good knowledge of how the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce benefits its members and TerriAnn has excelled above and beyond these requirements."

Ferren, who also thanked her parents and kids for attending, attributes her love for volunteering to her upbringing and is thankful for having the opportunity to give of her time.

"My parents always volunteered and I followed suit," Ferren said. "I remember my mom volunteering as the school nurse when they needed one, and my daddy was always volunteering at church – I remember him even bundling newspapers for recycling when no one was recycling.

"I continue to volunteer because I truly believe we need to help each other in this life and it is a privilege to serve others anyway we can," Ferren said. "We all have different gifts and if we pool those gifts - much can be done together." •

Legal Aid for Elders

Can Your Executor Access Your Digital Accounts?

By R. Christine Brown, southbayelderlaw.com

"Do you have any important business online?" That is now just as important of a conversation as asking somebody their health care preferences in a life-threatening situation.

Leaving your digital accounts out of your estate plan can prove to be a big, bad mistake. Most digital accounts require passwords for access, even accounts we would not have considered as important even a decade ago.

For example, if you open a line of credit with a furniture store, you might be required to produce a password either online or by phone to do something as simple as check the account balance or the next payment due date. If there is still a balance due on the account, then it is important that your executor or estate administrator have that password so he or she can pay the appropriate amount.

If you think that these smaller accounts do not matter, you might be surprised to know that something as simple as scheduling cable repairs can be difficult without the password. That was the case for a WGN reporter after her husband died of cancer. Her experience is recounted in a recent WGN article titled "Preparing for the digital afterlife."

Unfortunately, her husband was the only person who knew the password and the reporter was therefore unable to request any changes or repairs to the cable account.

When preparing your estate plan remember every account you have. Even if you think it is too small to bother with in an estate plan, someone will need to have access to it if you pass away.

Contact an experienced estate-planning attorney. He or she can help you ensure that such seemingly little details are not overlooked in your estate planning.

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Theft 6/6/2015 10:23:55 PM 3600 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY

Suspect(s) takes unattended property from desk/ wallet

Theft 6/6/2015 8:41 PM 3500 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY

Suspect(s) takes unattended property/purse

Vandalism 6/6/2015 3:31 PM 3300 BLOCK

187TH PL Suspect(s) throws cinderblock at victim's

garage door, damaging same
Auto Theft 6/6/2015 3:04:50 PM 3400
BLOCK SEPULVEDA BLVD

Stolen vehicle: '14 Chevrolet Tahoe

Theft 6/6/2015 2:00:00 PM 4300 BLOCK 182ND ST

Suspect(s) takes unattended property from counter/ wallet

Theft 6/6/2015 1:44:01 PM 2000 BLOCK TORRANCE BLVD

Suspect(s) enters open business and takes property from table/ laptop

Vandalism 6/9/2015 5:00:00 PM 23100 BLOCK SAMUEL ST

Suspect(s) scratches victim's vehicle's paint **Theft** 6/6/2015 4:45:00 PM 2500 BLOCK

REDONDO BEACH BLVD
Suspect(s) takes property from unattended purse/ wallet

Auto Theft 6/6/2015 4:51 AM 19000 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD

Stolen vehicle: '94 Carson trailer

Burglary-Auto 6/6/2015 3:50:03 AM 18800 BLOCK KORNBLUM AVE

Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property from interior and bed of truck/tools

Vandalism 6/6/2015 2:07:25 AM 2200 BLOCK ARLINGTON AVE

Suspect(s) knocks on door then kicks same, causing damage

Burglary-Auto 6/6/2015 8:55:00 AM 19500 BLOCK FLAVIAN AVE

Suspect(s) smashes windows for entry and takes property/ reusable bag, leather bag, paperwork, diaper bag

Burglary-Auto 6/6/2015 11:00:00 AM CYPRESS ST & SEPULVEDA BLVD

Suspect(s) removes tarp securing damaged convertible top for entry and takes property/ stereo faceplate, GPS, toolbox, tools, paperwork

Burglary-Auto 6/6/2015 2:00:00 AM 2300 BLOCK 229TH PL

Suspect(s) enters possibly unlocked vehicle and takes property/ registration, insurance, paperwork, shoes, clothes

Burglary-Auto 6/6/2015 7:30:00 AM 2300 BLOCK 229TH PL

Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/ camera

Battery-Simple 6/5/2015 9:00:00 PM 23700 BLOCK CAMINO DEL SOL

Suspect slaps victim's face

Vandalism 6/8/2015 10:20:00 AM 1500 BLOCK CABRILLO AVE

Suspect(s) tags exterior of business

Theft 6/5/2015 11:45 AM 2200 BLOCK AMAPOLA CT

Suspect(s) takes unattended property left charging in classroom/ cell phone

Theft 6/8/2015 5:00:00 AM 2100 BLOCK

Suspect(s) takes victim's vehicle's catalytic converter •



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Spartans Get One More Chance

By Adam Serrao

The 2015 baseball season has officially come to a close and much like last year, the South High Spartans are hanging their heads at the end of it. Not because of a disappointing season. The Spartans and head coach Grady Sain had the best season in the entire Pioneer League and almost rallied to take the CIF championship trophy. That, in itself, however, is the problem. "Almosts" never count. The Spartans made their way to the CIF-Southern Section Division 4 championship game, much like they did last year, but were beaten out by Serrano in a close, 2-1 game. While much controversy surrounded the end of the game, the South High Spartans managed to wade through it, clear their minds, and find a way to play together for one last time.

The 46th Annual South Bay Athletic Club Senior All-Star Game took place last Friday night and gave the South High Spartans one extra opportunity to get back on the baseball diamond and clear their heads of the disappointing way that their season ended. All-Star games aren't about taking it to your opponent. They aren't even about winning. They are, however, about having fun and appreciating the talent on display after a long, grueling season. Some of that talent included familiar names from around the Pioneer league and certain individual and stand-out Spartans.

One of those Spartans was starting pitching and staff ace Drake Pingel. Pingel started for the Blue team of All-Stars and pitched two innings in the game. In a very contrasting fashion to his regular season play, Pingel allowed one run in his performance, while giving up two hits and three walks with two strikeouts. Pingel's Blue team wound up defeating the Red team by a score of 6-3 at El Segundo's Recreation Park.

While they were teammates in the regular season, South pitcher Nick Beardsley was forced to face his colleague Pingel in this game. Beardsley pitched for the Red All-Stars and in three innings, didn't allow one run. There was no doubting the fact that he rubbed that in Pingel's face later on. Beardsley and Pingel weren't the only Spartans on the field, though. Taylor Carmona started in left field for the Red team and later moved in to catch Beardsley. Kawika Hubbell also played in the game and fell victim to Beardsley's fastball, striking out as a member of the Blue team while wishing he was still able to watch his pitcher pitch, not face him at the plate.

The All-Star game provided much levity for a South High team that still feels like they got robbed in the championship game just one week earlier. In their 2-1 loss to Serrano in the in the CIF-Southern Section Division 4 championship game, the Spartans lost on the last play of the

game. With the score tied at 1-1, Serrano loaded the bases in their half of the inning with only one out. Second baseman Josh Rotuna fielded a ground ball hit his way and threw it to shortstop Kawika Hubbell for one out. Hubbell then threw to first base and teammate Matt Diederich, but his throw was offline. Diederich bobbled the ball shortly before securing it and in his effort to possess the ball, removed his foot from the first base bag. Originally, the umpires called the runner out at first base and the inning was over. South had what they thought was an inning-ending double play and the game would move on into extra innings. The Serrano head coach, however, appealed the call at first base and upon an umpires conference, the ruling was overturned. The runner was ruled safe at first, thus allowing the inning to continue. With one less out, Serrano's runner at third base was allowed to score and register the winning run. An overturned call ended South High's season and bid for a CIF championship trophy.

The California Baseball Association's President, Phil Jenks, was called upon to comment on the play. "The first-base umpire was in good position if it's a good throw," he said. "But it's a bad throw. The first baseman stretched directly toward (the umpire), and he saw that the first baseman didn't control the ball right away. The umpire didn't see the first baseman's back foot. He was not 100 percent sure." Basically, Jenks is stating the case for the umpires conference, saying that the play deserved a consultation because of all of the moving factors involved. Coach Grady Sain still wasn't nearly pleased. "I think our baseball community deserves an explanation from CIF," Sain stated. "I just keep going to the word 'integrity." CIF later reviewed the play and ruled in favor of the umpires decision. "It's unfortunate," Jenks said. "I understand the emotions of it. It's a terrible way to end a game, but umpires are paid to make tough, unemotional decisions."

The tough, unemotional decision cost the Spartans a chance at the CIF trophy, but what is done, is done. If anything can be taken away from the situation it's that the South High Spartans had a team that was good enough to make it to back-to-back CIF championship games and made their last appearance nothing less than entertaining, to say the least. The All-Star Game provided the players of South High one last chance to play baseball, this time with nothing on the line. After such a miserable end to the season, Pingel, Beardsley, Hubbell and Carmona were able to have fun again. The Spartans represented themselves nicely in the Blue vs. Red game, at last putting a punctuation on a season that will surely never be forgotten. •

soccer team lost in the 2011 World Cup final to Japan on penalty kicks. That is, however,

precisely where the U.S. Women's soccer team is expected to be: in the final. Though it has been a long and hard 16 years now since we all saw Brandi Chastain rip off her jersey in pure joy and excitement when the Women's team of 1999 beat China to win the World Cup Final at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, there is still no grading curve existent. Either the team advances to the final and wins it all, or their run in this year's World Cup is labeled as an unsuccessful one. Up to this point, it has been clear that the women of the U.S. team have needed just a bit of time to adapt to the grand stage of the World Cup. With the potential of

It's hard to believe that it has already been

four years since the United States Women's

something like that slip." The time and effort that Klingenberg speaks of has now been put in under three different coaches. Tom Sermanni took over for Pia Sundhage after she won a gold medal as coach of the Women's team in the 2012 Olympics and later left to coach her native team of Sweden. Sermanni didn't seem to be doing so well at the helm, so Jill Ellis took over and now looks to lead this team to glory in this year's Cup.

If this team is going to get its taste of glory, it will have to learn from its prior experiences and leave the demons of the past behind. Since tasting victory in 1999, the U.S. women's club has finished in third place twice in 2003 and 2007 and has finished as the runners-up in their 2011 penalty-kick matchup with Japan. "I know the expectations," said coach Ellis. "It's been a long time. That's the focus, that's the goal, and that is what we plan to do." The team's most popular and perhaps best player, Abby Wambach, put it best when speaking of the team's new goal. "All of us have to be willing to be forever disappointed in not winning," she said. "That's what it takes. You have to be willing to give in to it. You have to completely allow yourself to be crushed by something; it's like love. If we give in to it, then I think we have a chance to do this." The teams love for the sport and for each other certainly goes unquestioned. The only issue left at hand is their ability, or lack thereof, to both leave their past behind and improve on it for future success.

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Center Stage

By Adam Serrao

this World Cup team may just be one of the best in U.S. Women's history. There is no question that our own U.S. Women's World Cup soccer team ranks up there among the best in the entire world. That, however, does not explain the 16-year World Cup drought that the team and all of its fans have been experiencing. Naturally, the U.S. isn't going to win the Cup every year that they compete, but there is reason to believe that this year's team will not leave the tournament empty handed. "We're ready to move forward and try to take the Cup and bring it back to the U.S.," Defender Meghan Klingenberg said. "We put in way too much time and effort to let

the team and the talent that is on it, however,



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<u>Film Review</u>

The Beatles' Longtime Secretary Revisits Life With the Fab Four in Good Ol' Freda

By Morgan Rojas for CINEMACY

Freda Kelly was your average teenage girl in 1961; she went to school, was shy around boys, and enjoyed hanging out with friends and discovering the "latest" musical talent at local clubs. One night, she happened to see a band that changed her life forever.

That band was The Beatles, at the time just a couple of local Liverpudlian boys hoping for their big break. Smitten with the group, Freda literally jumped on the bandwagon and became

Some of the documentary's best moments come from Freda's days at the Beatles Headquarters as she recalls outlandish requests from fans. A fan once sent her a stick of gum for one of the boys to chew on and send it back, which she did. From cutting pieces of material from their clothes to collecting their hair after a haircut, Freda did everything she could to satisfy the frenzy of Beatles fans.

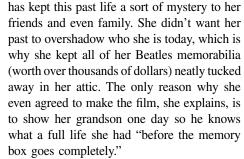
"Genuine" is the best word to describe both Freda and this film because, up until now, Freda



Freda Kelly in Good Ol' Freda. Photo courtesy of Magnolia Pictures.

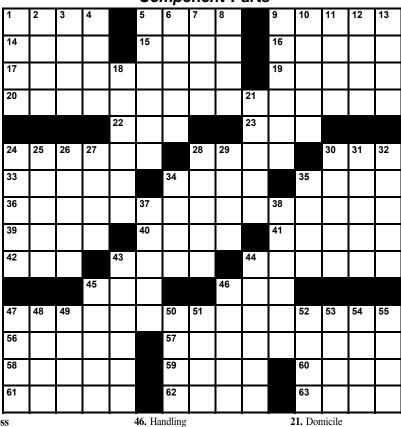
their official secretary. As history reflects, the Beatles stayed together as a group for ten years, although Freda was onboard for eleven. In the documentary Good Ol' Freda, director Ryan White explores the untold stories of Beatlemania, and Freda shares her personal and intimate experience working with the legendary band for the first time in over 50 years.

The transition from small town band to worldwide success is documented through Freda's stories. She recalls working for Brian Epstein and how devastating it was to deal with his death. Her stories about Paul, John, George and Ringo are so engaging and funny; she does a great job of humanizing these icons and proving that they really were just "average" boys. The archival footage paired with original recordings and songs from the group is always an exciting treat, as any Beatles fan would agree.



If you're a fan of The Beatles, then Good Ol' Freda is a must see; it's a fantastic story, equally heartfelt and quirky. It highlights the evolution of the group through the eyes of the one who was there through it all; the challenges, the tours, the iconic breakthroughs and the momentum of success from the greatest band in history. Good Ol' Freda is available to stream on Netflix now. •

WEEKLY CROSSWORD See Answers Next Week **Component Parts**



Across

1. Fair-sized garden 5. Strait-laced

9. More likely

14. Coin opening

15. Aesop's also-ran

16. Cartoon art 17. Light sailboat

19. Not bold

20. Uncomfortably near someone

22. Robert Burns's "Whistle

the Lave O't"

23. Dark horse 24. Sizes

28. Icky stuff

30. Dog command **33.** Eyelashes

34. Despicable sort

35. "Not to mention ..." **36.** Lack of passion

39. Purely academic

40. Hurry

41. Opinions

42. Fully anesthetized **43.** Fill to the gills

44. Bloviates 45. Choose

Mariner"

12. Mideast bigwig

10. Agreement

13. Cincinnati team 18. Cabbage

47. Complete view

58. More artful

63. Sneaker, e.g.

3. Drilling grp.

5. Moon stages

6. Harder to find

7. Mideast hot spot

9. Persian governor

8. Computer offering

11. "The ___ of the Ancient

4. List abbr.

61. Belt

Down

56. Wind instrument

57. Instinctive desires

60. Stationer's stock

1. Fungal spore sacs

2. Hatfields or McCovs

59. Nostradamus, for one

62. Sen. Stevens and others

52. Peaks **53.** Its motto is "Industry"

54. Work over

24. Bonehead

25. Cat cry

26. Dole out

31. Emerge

32. Charges

38. Nonstop

44. Willows

46. Hiked

47. Recipe amt.

51. Old blade

48. Kind of skirt 49. Protection: var.

43. Area

28. Spiny shrub

30. Wasn't vigilant

34. Lacking slack

35. Ballerina Pavlova

37. Muse of love poetry

45. Young but wise one?

29. Homebuilder's strip

27. Boost

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50. Bringing up the rear

Last Week's Answers

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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.

Grilled Potato & Roasted Salsa Verde Pizza

by Greg Fontenot of The Woodlands, Texas, winner of the \$5,000 Crisco is Cooking(TM) Award



Prep time: 30 minutes | Total time: 50 minutes | Serves: 4

Ingredients

- l pound tomatillos, husks removed, rinsed, coarsely chopped
- 4 tablespoons Crisco(R) Pure Olive Oil
- 1 bag (11 ounces) Green Giant(TM) Steamers(TM) frozen backyard grilled
- potatoes
- 1 teaspoon Watkins(TM) Ground Cumin
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 1 can Pillsbury(TM) refrigerated classic

PIZZA CRUST

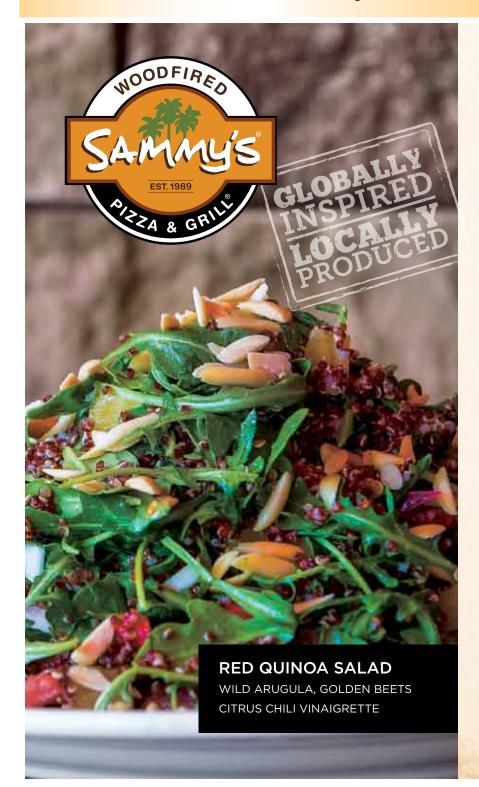
• 2 cups (8 ounces) shredded mozzarella cheese

Preparation

- Set oven control to broil. Spray 15x10x1?inch
 pan with Crisco(R) Original No?Stick Cooking
 Spray. Place tomatillos in pan and toss with
 2 tablespoons of the oil. Broil 3-4 inches
 from heat for 9-12 minutes, turning once,
 or until tender and starting to brown.
- 2. Heat oven to 400 F. Brush large cookie sheet with 1 tablespoon of the oil.
- Microwave frozen potatoes as directed on bag 3-4 minutes to thaw. Cut larger pieces of potato into bite-sized pieces. In medium bowl, mix potatoes and cumin.
- 4 Place tomatillos, cilantro, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper in a food processor or blender and cover. Process until smooth.
- 5. Unroll dough on cookie sheet. Press to form 12x8 inch rectangle. Spread 1/2 cup tomatillo salsa over rectangle. Sprinkle with cheese. Top with potato mixture. Drizzle with remaining 1 tablespoon oil.
- 6. Bake 12-22 minutes or until cheese is melted and crust is golden brown. Serve with remaining tomatillo salsa.







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City Council

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"This will provide the department with trained staff when responding to community concerns with individuals who may be experiencing mental health issues and alleviating some of the concerns, socially with that," Chaparyan said. "Typically we will have a slight set aside within the budget which allows for adjustments of this nature. With the expenditure that is proposed we will have a balance of about \$11,000 left for the duration of the next two years."

The Torrance Police Department has expanded its efforts to effectively engage with citizens suffering from mental illness by partnering with the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health in order to provide the City of Torrance with a Torrance Mental Health Evaluation Team.

"The team is tasked with responding to situation s involving mentally ill or high risk individuals who often come to the attention of police through service calls," states the staff report. "Our goal is to provide effective, collaborative, positive and long-lasting mental and law enforcement resources to those who are in need of assistance."

The TMET is responsible for working with mental health services providers, consumers, families, as well as mental health service advocates in order to establish a positive culture of cooperation. As part of that effort, the TMET team will establish a co-response model that includes law enforcement and mental health specialist in order to handle any crisis situation while reducing, and if possible eliminating, violent interactions between peace officers and members of the community.

"The mental health issue is becoming a bigger and bigger problem and I think both of these items are really important for our police force to have strong people in those positions," Councilman Mike Griffiths said. "I just want to publicly acknowledge the benefit that the gang investigators provide our city in helping us get convictions that keep the criminals behind bars for longer terms. Without that I think it is doing a disservice to our city." •

If the way this year has gone so far for the Americans is any indication of how they will do in the World Cup, then things are looking up. In ten matches so far this season, the U.S. has only been defeated one time at the hands of France in the 2015 opener. The U.S. women though, have a rough schedule ahead of them in the Cup. With Australia, Nigeria, and Sweden all in their group, the U.S. find themselves part of the only group in the

tournament with three teams in the top ten of

FIFA's world rankings. Furthermore, if Ellis'

squad will look to get past the knockout rounds,

they will most likely have to defeat other domi-

USA Women

nant teams such as Germany, host nation and rival Canada, and the aforementioned France. It certainly doesn't figure to be easy, but the real team that should be feared in this year's World Cup is our very own United States team. Though they begin the Cup in the socalled "Group of Death," this Women's team

will literally feature different generations of

players that will not only serve to scare, but

also defeat any other team in the tournament. Players like Wambach, Christie Rampone, Megan Rampino, Alex Morgan and Morgan Brian are only a few names of many that demonstrate just how diverse this team is. 15 of the 23 women on the team have World Cup experience. 14 of those women were on the runner-up team that came oh-so-close to running away with the Cup in 2011.

The experience is there and the talent on the team has never been questioned. Now, the execution is the only thing that must be conquered. Other team's like Germany, Brazil, Canada and Japan are all chomping at the bit to get a piece of the U.S.A. Will players like Abby Wambach come through again, this time in what will likely be her last World Cup competition ever? There is only one way to find out. Grab your red, white and blue flags, clothing, and apparel and get out there to support the American Women's World Cup soccer team. This could be the year that they finally bring the trophy home to the U.S. once again. •

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Fictitious Business 2015122622

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Angeles County on May 7, 2015. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires on May 7, 2020. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to May 7, 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

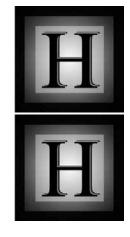
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1010, OAKLAND, CA 94621, LOS
ANGELES COUNTY. Registered
Owner(s): STAR VIEW BEHAVIORAL
HEALTH INC, 7677 OAKPORT STREET COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): STAR VIEW BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INC, 7677 OAKPORT SUITE 1010, OAKLAND, CA 94621. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant SUITE 1010, OAKLAND, CA 94621 This business is being conducted by a commenced to transact business under Corporation. The registrant commenced the fictitious business name or names to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above listed above on: 07/30/1996. Signed STAR VIEW BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INC on: 04/17/2001. Signed: STAR VIEW BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INC, JOHN WELLER, CFO. This statement was filed JOHN WELLER, CFO. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on June 3, 2015 with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on June 3, 2015. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement

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and Professions Code). Torrance Tribune: Pub. 6/11, 6/18, 6/25, HT-1271



Fictitious Business following person(s)

doing business as BLUE ROSE PRODUCTIONS, 845 2ND ST, HERMOSA BEACH, CA 90254, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): AGNIESZKA LAL, 845 2ND ST, HERMOSA BEACH, CA 90254. 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: AGNIESZKA LAL. Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on May 20, 2015.

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Fictitious Business

Name Statement

2015138414

The following person(s) is (are) doing

business as YOUR WELLNESS PATH.

2015128824 is (are)

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CPS SECURITY, 436 W WALNUT ST, GARDENA, CA 90248, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): COMMERCIAL PROTECTIVE SERVICES, INC., 436 W. WALNUT SERVICES, INC., 436 W. WALNUT STREET, GARDENA, CA 90248. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above COMMERCIAL Signed: PROTECTIVE SERVICES, INC., CHRIS COFFEY. Owner/CEO. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on May 13, 2015.

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Name Statement

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Fictitious Business Name Statement

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ZITTO E MANGIA. SHOUP AVE, HAWTHORNE, CA 90250 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): SIMONA GARLICK, SHOUP AVE, 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: SIMONA GARLICK, Owner. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on May

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#200932010031. The fictitious business

name referred to above was filed in the

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5040 W. 123RD ST, HAWTHORNE, CA

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, Signer

APPAREL LLC, Owner/Manager. This

of Los Angeles County on MAY 8, 2015

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90250. This business was conducted by a

statement was filed with the County Clerk

the use of the fictitious business

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015128875

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ECAM TECHNOLOGIES, 436 W. WALNUT ST, GARDENA, CA 90248, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): ECAMSECURE. W. WALNUT ST, GARDENA, CA 90248. 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: ECAM SECURE, INC., CHRISTOPHER COFFEY, OWNER/CEO. Recorder of Los Angeles County on May

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015135472

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MAISON LA QUEUE, 3460 W. 7TH STREET #1113, LOS ANGELES, CA 90005, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. STREET #1113, LOS ANGELES, CA 90005. This business is being conducted by a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: LA QUEUE LLC, MEGUMI GARVEY, President. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on May 20, 2015

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7324 W 88TH PLACE, LOS ANGELES CA 90045, LOS ANGELES COUNTY Registered Owner(s): YOUR WELLNESS PATH, LLC, 7324 W 88TH PLACE, 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 N/A. Signed: YOUR WELLNESS PATH. JANET QUATTROCCHI, Owner This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on May

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2015125640 STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS

Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015145509

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2015145459

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BIG D'S ROADHOUSE, 16805 PRAIRIE AVE, LAWNDALE, CA 90260, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): DENNIS TURNER, 515 HILLCREST 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: N/A. Signed: DENNIS TURNER, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los

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The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now. - Chinese proverb.

<u>TerriAnn in Torrance</u>

H.E.L.P., When You Need Somebody

By TerriAnn Ferren **Photos by TerriAnn Ferren**

H.E.L.P. (Healthcare and Elder Law Programs Corporation) is a non-profit organization located in downtown Torrance right next to the flower shop. Since 1996, this 501(c)3 has quietly been about their business providing the community with an education and counseling center for seniors and their families, including advice on elder care, legal, and financial issues, as well as highlighting concerns about consumer protection. I met with Britt Huff, Ph.D., Executive Director of H.E.L.P. to find out about this organization and what they do in Torrance.

Walking into the H.E.L.P. main office, which they have occupied for 20 years, I met a smiling and gracious, Britt Huff. We sat down in one of their small conference rooms to chat. Britt Vanden Eykel-Huff, Ph.D. moved from La Cañada to the South Bay twenty years ago when her husband, Kenneth R. Huff, MD, accepted the position as Head Clinical Professor of Pediatrics and Neurology at UCLA Harbor General Hospital. "I am so glad. The air is so much better [here]! This is the best place in the world." Britt told me she accepted the position at H.E.L.P. as a direct result of her experiences dealing with her own mother and elderly aunt who needed care, attention, and advocacy before they passed on.

How did H.E.L.P. begin? Britt said, "It goes back to Ed and Pat Long, who were the founders. They had a similar experience to mine in that her parents were elderly and needed care and they had a hard time finding which way to turn. What to do? They had a tremendous amount of research to do. I mean, twenty years ago, researching elder care was not really a top priority. You didn't have elder care attorneys – that sort of thing. So once they resolved their issues, Ed said, 'You know, I know so much about this, I should pursue this specialty to help others and get this information out there.' Which is what has happened."

So Ed studied and investigated wills, estate taxes, trusts, and tax planning and for 2 years he was an elder law attorney. Then he decided it was time to start a non-profit helping others. He filled a niche that was truly needed. He started in 1996 and that is where Phyllis and Bill Glantz come in. Bill Glantz, a CPA provided accounting and financial background in getting the non-profit started. Checking out the website, I was amazed by how much this small non-profit offers. And did I mention it is free? Yes, if you have a question about finding a care giver for a family member or relative, or if you want to take a class on wills and power of attorney, or if you just need a brochure on services for older adults in Torrance, come on down to the office. It is located at 1404 Cravens Avenue in downtown Torrance.

Also, if you have legal questions, H.E.L.P. provides appointments with volunteer attorneys on Friday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. They also provide appointments with Gerontologists and Social Workers. This means you can meet with the appropriate people at the office, and then make more informed decisions. H.E.L.P. sometimes, has people who come into the office for help and are not aware of all the programs available. For example, there are programs especially for Veterans, and you don't have to be homeless living in a car to qualify for Medical. Some of the seniors in our city are living on very small incomes. Wow, this office provides a wonderful service to the community in our city.

H.E.L.P. not only provides counseling, but directs people to the many programs available, in addition to offering classes on will preparation, and health and financial power of attorney questions. Now that made me think. Many of us go from day to day and rarely think about...what if...? Do you have a will? Do you have directives for where you want our favorite things to be given or sent? All of a sudden I was asking myself these very important questions brought up by Britt. It boiled down to, are we prepared? Then Britt said, "Some say, well, if I don't think about it, maybe it won't happen. But you are gone - your heirs have to go through probate and all else. Also, if you are alive and you are in

www.help4srs.org is a treasure trove of information and I highly encourage you to check it out - even if you are not a senior. In fact, most of the information available would be very valuable to everyone before they think they need assistance of any kind. Maybe that



Britt Huff, Ph.D., Executive Director of H.E.L.P.

a facility - and you can't communicate - and that happens to people – then it is too late. You have to go to court." Okay, now I am paying attention.

This little office in downtown Torrance is open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and helps seniors and those looking for guidance with medical, financial, or legal questions. They also offer 6 different classes, which include; Elder Care and Residential Choices, and Financial Planning for Long Term Care, among others. The classes they offer are held in local libraries, making them convenient to find and attend. Their website, is why Ed and Pat Long founded this nonprofit. Well armed with current information assures wise decision-making at crucial times in our own or loved ones lives. And this nonprofit is mostly run by volunteers. Lots of the volunteers are retired professionals who offer their expertise. In addition, if you are a professional who would like to volunteer, give them a call and talk with Britt.

Britt told me "With telephone inquiries, walk-in counseling, and outreach, in terms of our classes we go as far as Lawndale, Gardena, Palos Verdes, and Wilmington. We See TerriAnn, page 8

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(BPT) - Hardwood flooring brings enduring beauty, charm and value to a home. Not content to keep a good thing underfoot, inspired homeowners are now finding new and creative locations to use it for a dramatic effect.

Using hardwood flooring on walls and ceilings is becoming an increasingly prominent trend. The rationale goes beyond aesthetic. While the wide variety of colors and finishes do provide myriad design options, hardwood flooring is also very durable and easy to maintain.

Here are just a few of the many considerations for creatively using hardwood flooring:

DECK THE WALLS

Just like floors, there are a multitude of colors, patterns and finishes that can be installed on walls. After choosing the hardwood to match your decor, design a layout for how high you want it to go and how you want the planks positioned. Choose a horizontal layout for a traditional look, or go with a vertical or diagonal layout for a more



distinctive statement. It's important to decide this in advance to avoid wasting materials.

CEILINGS TO LOOK UP TO

If you want your ceiling to take center stage, it's best to keep the floor neutral and muted. For cohesion, use the same tone on both the ceiling and floor. In an all-white room, try a wooden ceiling with a matte finish for a complementary look.

MAKE MORE OF LESS

Hardwood flooring accents can help you

make the most of a smaller space. In the bedroom, place hardwood flooring around and above your bed to create a headboard. This creates a familiar look and ties a room together without taking up extra space. Another idea is to use hardwood flooring to create an accent wall. This makes the room feel larger by focusing attention to one wall.

CHOOSE THE RIGHT FLOORING

It is important to choose the right hardwood flooring for specific applications. Lighter-weight products - usually 5/16-inch to 1/2-inch thick - are easier to install and keep in place over time. Flooring types and textures such as acacia or hand scraped styles add a distinctive character to rooms. The Virginia Mill Works line from Lumber Liquidators features a variety of choices well suited for this.

Creative options still abound if you're a homeowner who literally remains grounded with their flooring. When deciding how to decorate an expansive room, for example, different colors or species of hardwood can be used to section off separate areas - especially in open spaces commonly found in loft style and other contemporary construction.

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In addition to the grants H.E.L.P. receives, they have a fundraiser once a year to help support their services and outreach. This year they are awarding three prestigious awards. Michael D. Rouse, Vice President - Diversity, Philanthropy and Community Affairs of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., Inc. will be receiving the Vanguard Award, which is given to an organization that has shown a commitment to not only employ those in our community, but has made a positive impact on the community. Bill and Phyllis Glantz will be receiving the Inspiration Award, which is given to an individual or couple that have positively impacted the community through volunteerism, donations, and other support. And The Honorable George Nakano will receive the Legacy Award, which is given to an individual who has been instrumental in the growth of H.E.L.P. What an impressive list of honorees.

H.E.L.P.'s Summer Gala 2015, "The Golden Age of Hollywood" will take place on Thursday, June 25, 2015 at the Palos Verdes Gold Club at 6 p.m. Call 310.533.1966 or BHuff@HELP-4srs.org for tickets and further information. I will definitely see you at this one! •

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