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## Torrance High Honors ‘Torrance Tornado’ Louis Zamperini



Torrance High School, alma mater of Louis Zamperini, honors the hometown hero who passed away July 2 at the age of 97. He set a running world record while in high school and went on to compete in the Olympics, survive a horrific World War II plane crash and imprisonment and is the subject of the best-selling book *Unbroken*, authored by Laura Hillenbrand, now being made into a movie directed by Angelina Jolie. See below for tribute to Louis Zamperini by Debbie Hays, 1st Vice President of the Torrance Historical Society. Photo by Charlene Nishimura.

## Council Honors Zamperini’s Achievements

By Dylan Little

It’s not often that the adjournment to a city council meeting is memorable, but it’s also not often that a city loses a national icon they way Torrance did with the recent death of hometown legend Louis Zamperini on July 2. The Torrance City Council meeting of July 8 was adjourned in Zamperini’s memory and he was mentioned in the opening prayer during the meeting. After the adjournment summarizing the life of Zamperini was read by the Council, Mayor Frank Scotto pointed out that even the lengthy list of accomplishments and hurdles was merely a fraction of Zamperini’s life. “There are truly not enough words to describe a man like Louis Zamperini,” said Scotto. “He was an inspiration to many and a gentleman to all, a man of great integrity and honor.”

Zamperini died from pneumonia at the age of 97. He had grown up in the city from the age of 2 and attended Torrance High School, where he was encouraged by his older brother to take up track and field as a way to keep Zamperini out of trouble. He excelled at the sport. In high school he set a world interscholastic record for the mile, clocking in at 4:21, and also won the California State Championships that same year. His speed earned him a scholarship to USC and eventually a place on the US Olympic team.

The young track star made it to the 1936 Summer Olympics held in Berlin, Germany. He placed eighth in the 5000-meter event, but it was fast enough to catch the eye of Germany’s leader at the time, Adolf Hitler. While Hitler insisted on a personal meeting with Zamperini, it’s rumored that Zamperini

paid him back by climbing a flag pole and stealing Hitler’s personal flag. However, even the Olympics wasn’t Zamperini’s crowning accomplishment on the field. Two years later he would set a collegiate mile record of 4:08, which would stand for 15 years and inspire the nickname the “Torrance Tornado.”

In addition to his track accomplishments, Zamperini also served in the US Army Air Force during World War II where he manned a B-24 bomber in the Pacific. During a search and rescue mission Zamperini’s aircraft crashed in the middle of the ocean with him and two

other survivors left adrift on a life raft for 47 days. While at sea, Zamperini and the other survivors faced sharks, storms and aerial attacks from Japanese aircraft before reaching the Marshall Islands and being captured. He spent the rest of the war being tortured in a Japanese war prisoner camp. During this time, he was assumed killed in action by the US and wasn’t until the end of the war that his family learned otherwise.

After the war Zamperini received a number of honors. The Torrance airport, Torrance High

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## Weekend Forecast

**Friday**  
Sunny  
77°/65°



**Saturday**  
AM Clouds/  
PM Sun  
79°/67°



**Sunday**  
AM Clouds/  
PM Sun  
83°/69°



## Debbie Hays Remembers Louis Zamperini

By Debbie Hays,  
Torrance Historical Society

Today, the flags in our city fly at half-mast to remember a man we called our Home Town Hero -- Louis Zamperini. The rest of the world knew him as that incredible person who survived 47 days adrift on a raft in the south Pacific during WWII only to wash ashore on an enemy-occupied island 2,000 miles away from where his plane crashed, and who withstood two years of torture at the hands of those who knew they had someone “famous” as a prisoner.

As a baby, Louis had pneumonia, so at the doctor’s suggestion, his family moved from the east coast to the west coast for the health sake of their children. That advice bought

Louis 95.5 more years - before he succumbed to pneumonia on Wednesday, July 2nd, at the age of 97.5. For someone who started smoking at age five, drinking at age eight, and was declared dead by Franklin Delano Roosevelt at the age of 27, he was one known for overcoming adversity. The hardships he endured made him a stronger person.

What began as a “career” of running from the cops got Louis selected to be one of the 334 American athletes to go to the 1936 Berlin Olympic Games. With his older brother, Pete (and his paddle’s) encouragement, Louis eventually learned to channel his bad-boy energies into running. While at Torrance High School, he blew the competition

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# Business Briefs

## Students Receive Scholarships at South Bay Luncheon

At a recent luncheon meeting, South Bay Republican Women Federated awarded scholarships to three local high school graduates: Kelsey Turnbull from El Segundo High School, and Rebecca Chong and Emily Kovar, both from Torrance High School. During the meeting, each student read a winning essay entitled, "What the Constitution Means to Me."

The scholarship committee is chaired by Margo Knight and assisted by Mary Ann Kendall and Andrea Hoot. The club members funded the scholarships with their own private donations. The South Bay Republican Women chapter draws members from Torrance, as well as Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, Hawthorne, Lomita, Palos Verdes, Long Beach, Gardena, and El Segundo.

## South Bay Students Awarded DAR Scholarships

Five South Bay students have been awarded scholarships by the El Redondo Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution at Annual Installation Luncheon at the Palos Verdes Golf Club in June. Two students received the El Redondo Chapter DAR Good Citizen Scholarship, awarding \$600 to each student. Both students were selected as DAR Good Citizens by their high schools for their outstanding dependability, leadership, service and patriotism. Kailee Shimabukuro (left), senior at Torrance High

School, Torrance, plans to attend University of California Berkeley in September.

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a nonprofit, nonpolitical volunteer women's service organization dedicated to preserving American history, securing America's future through better education and promoting patriotism. Founded in 1890, it has 177,000 members. Any woman 18 years or older, regardless of race, religion or ethnic background, who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution is eligible.



DAR scholarship winners (L-R) Kailee Shimabakuro (Torrance High School), Ryan Keliher (Redondo Union High School), Katherine Nagy (University of California, Santa Barbara), and Michelle McAdams (Redondo Union High School). Photo courtesy of DAR.

## Kiwanis of Torrance Holds Summer Wine Tasting



Neslie Akkol from the Kiwanis Club of Torrance welcomes the chapter's members to a summer wine tasting celebration held on June 26 at Amore Vino, a wine boutique located at 1441 Marcelina Avenue in Downtown Torrance. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to serving children and communities. For more info, go to [www.torrancekiwanis.org](http://www.torrancekiwanis.org).



Torrance Kiwanis Club members (L to R) Tony Molino, Barbara Molino, Christine Elia and Laurie Love get ready to partake of Amore Vino's wine tasting selections.



Kiwanians Randy Harris (left) and Tony Molino catch up at Amore Vino's wine bar.



Carina Sokolich (left) joins Jennifer Frew in a cheer. All photos by Charlene Nishimura.

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# Mychal's Learning Place Looks to Future as Programs Expand to Adults

By Brian Simon

Twelve years after its humble beginnings in a Hawthorne church with just four staff members and 16 students, Mychal's Learning Place has grown to now provide services for over 100 children and young adults in a 10,000-square foot facility on Rosecrans Avenue it moved into in 2011—and has become a community and South Bay fixture with supporters far and wide. Ed Lynch originally founded the center as a way to create programs to enable youth with developmental disabilities to live

fitness classes, gardening, computers, music and dance, karate and bowling. A second site opened in Culver City in 2006. Though initially geared towards middle and high school kids in the 13 to 18 age range (the facility is technically licensed for children as young as eight), Mychal's launched a new adult program called "Path to Independence" for ages 18-30 in June 2013 focusing on independent living skills and job training. "We teach them cooking, on-the-job training, community integration, shopping, doing laundry, computer skills and maintaining

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independent, fulfilled and productive lives. He named it Mychal's Learning Place after his daughter who passed away in 1996 at the age of seven. "Mychal was born in 1988 and at the time, her mother was involved with the adult day program group LA GOAL and I started volunteering with the Special Olympics—though I questioned why I was working with this population," Lynch recalled. He would soon have his answer. Though Mychal initially appeared to be normal, by the age of two it became clear that she was developmentally and physically disabled. Given only a couple of years to live by doctors, she managed to fight on for another five and a half before finally losing her battle. "Mychal's spirit was amazing," Lynch noted on his website. "She taught me so much about life and the importance of today and, sadly, about the lack of resources, programs and services available to parents of children with developmental disabilities."

Six months after Mychal's death, Lynch jumped at an opportunity to run an after-school program for special needs in Hawthorne and did so until 2002. The experience provided him with the tools and skills to get to the next level. "I wanted to do more than what we were doing and I always knew I would eventually start my own program," Lynch said. "Four days before I opened, the other program closed its doors and all the families moved to Mychal's."

Raising the start-up monies was not an easy task, but Lynch received a major lift from none other than rock and roll legend David Bowie. "He signed a guitar and donated it... and then his organization designed our logo and put up our first website," Lynch said. "That really got us going."

Today, Mychal's Learning Place boasts a staff of 24 with programs that include sports and

personal hygiene with the goal to move them out of the program," Lynch said. "They go to the market on Monday, buy their own food, go through self checkout and then prepare lunches and clean up after themselves. They do what you and I do. These are skills and tools to give them more choices as they get older."

Lynch initially thought the adult program would primarily focus on job training, but it turned out that teaching basic life skills rose to the forefront. "Just their being able to maneuver through the community is very limited, but we know they're capable and able, he said.

For the job-training element, Lynch established partnerships with several businesses allowing the students to go out into the community for internship work. The list includes International Garden and Floral Design Center, El Segundo Museum of Art, Murad, and Centinela Feed and Pet Supply. Modernica, a Downtown Los Angeles furniture store, is expected to be the first company to officially hire a Mychal's student. Additionally, Kinecta Federal Credit Union provided students with bank accounts to help foster budgeting skills. "We're looking to build relationships with businesses," Lynch said. "Participating in these internships doesn't mean that's what these students want to do for work, but they can build the skills and confidence to interview, understand being on time, maintain proper hygiene and learn how to interact with co-workers."

With the adult program now up and running, Lynch hopes to further expand Mychal's reach by launching service- and product-based offshoots. One is a mobile auto detailing business for the adult students. "We are still getting the quality up to where it needs to be because we want customers to come back again in two

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# Calendar

**THURSDAY, JULY 10**

- Free workshop for small business or non-profit companies, 10 a.m.-Noon, South Bay Small Business Development Center, 13430 Hawthorne Blvd. For more information call (310) 791-6300 or <http://bit.ly/oasbdc>.

- Paws to Read: Stuffed Animal Taxidermy (teens only), 3 p.m., Katy Library, 3301 Torrance Blvd. For more information call (310) 618-5964.

**FRIDAY, JULY 11**

- Counseling4Kids' 2nd Annual Family Literacy Series, 12-2 p.m., 19701 Hamilton Ave, Suite 160. For more information call Neslie Akkol at (310)-817-2177 Ext# 219.

**SATURDAY, JULY 12**

- Palos Verdes Symphonic Band Concert, 6 p.m., South Coast Botanic Garden meadow, 26300 Crenshaw Boulevard. For more information call (310) 792-8286.

**SUNDAY, JULY 13**

- Torrance Democratic Club Regular Monthly Meeting, 7 p.m., Arjay Plaza-3rd floor, 23211 Hawthorne Blvd.

**MONDAY, JULY 14**

- Fun In The Sun, 12:30-2:30 p.m., Hickory Park, 2850 232nd Street. For more information call (310) 618-2930.

**TUESDAY, JULY 15**

- City Council Meeting, 7-10 p.m., City

Hall, Council Chamber, 3031 Torrance Bl. For more information call (310) 618-2870.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 16**

- Paws to Read: Playful Pandas, 1 p.m., Southeast Library, 23114 Arlington Ave. For more information call (310) 530-5044.

- Second Annual Literary Tea, 3 p.m., WALTERIA Library, 3815 W. 242 St. To register or for more information call (310) 375-8418.

**THURSDAY, JULY 17**

- 10th Annual Rock Around the Block, 5-8 p.m. Torrance Historical Society & Museum, 1345 Post Avenue.

- Paws to Read: Luce Puppets Presents Aesop's Fables, 4 p.m., WALTERIA Library, 3815 W. 242 St. For more information call (310) 375-8418.

**FRIDAY, JULY 18**

- Paperback Booksale, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Katy Geissert Library, 3301 Torrance Blvd. For more information call (310) 618-5959.

**SATURDAY, JULY 19**

- Movies in the Park, 8 p.m., La Romeria Park, 19501 Inglewood Ave. For more information call (310) 618-2930.

**ONGOING**

- Downtown Torrance Marketplace. Every Thursday, 3-8 p.m., on El Prado Street, from Sartori to the Buffalo Fire Department. •

## City Council

*from front page*

School stadium and the entry plaza to USC's track and field stadium are all named for him. He carried the Olympic torch prior to the 1984 summer games in Los Angeles and the 1998 winter games in Nagano, Japan. Two of his autobiographies and a biography by author Laura Hillenbrand have been published, and he just completed writing another book shortly before his death. Even in the last year of his life Zamperini was tackling new projects. He was selected to be Grand Marshall of the 2015 Tournament of Roses Parade, and they plan to honor him posthumously during the parade. Also later this year a movie based on his life is being released.

After his death, flags in Torrance were flown at half-staff in his memory. While he had left Torrance years ago, he fondly remembered the city, and residents of the city still proudly look up to him. "We're all better having known Louis and we'll always remember his strength, his courage and his unforgettable laughter," said Scotto. "His spirit will forever live in our hearts. Torrance is a

special place because of Louis. We are so proud that he called Torrance home and we will always remember him."

A private memorial will be held by his family, but they encourage anyone who would like to show their support and respect for Zamperini and his family to make a donation in his honor to the Victory Boys Camp in Los Angeles, which Zamperini founded.

Also during the meeting, Torrance Historical Society vice president Debbie Hays invited the public to attend the tenth annual Rock Around the Block celebration on July 17 from 5 to 8 p.m. in front of the Torrance Historical Society and Museum. The block party is held in celebration of Torrance being named an All-America City in 1956, and will feature 1950s-style food – In-N-Out burgers and Baskin Robbins ice cream – and activities including a display of vintage cars, exhibits featuring memorabilia from the time period and contests for skills like hula hooping, bubble gum blowing, cake walking and pie eating. The event is free, although the food is not. •



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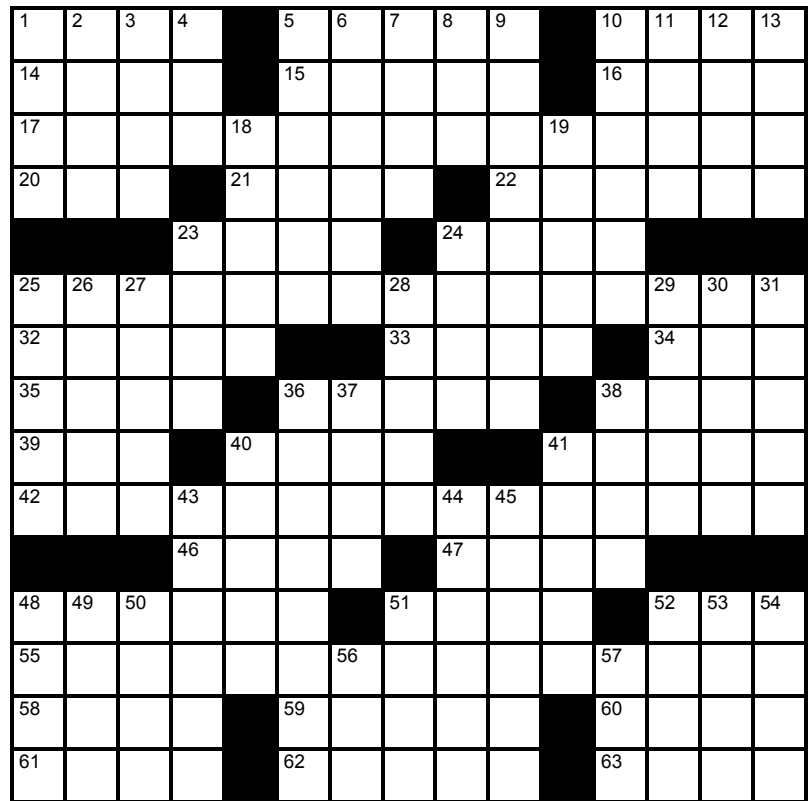
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### Good Times



### Across

- Have a sudden inspiration?
- Go off script
- Discounted by
- Diva's solo
- Facetious
- Hurt
- Presents a brave front
- German spa
- Boat trailer?
- American photographer Edward
- Tiny arachnid
- Butter
- Focuses on a person's assets
- Bell sound
- "\_\_\_ Toledo!"
- Big mouth
- Hazard
- Thunderstorm product
- Labyrinth
- Flowery verse
- Ancient greetings
- Auspicate
- Come through
- Catalan surrealist
- Any minute

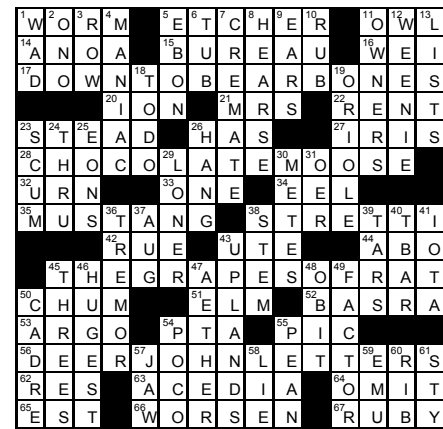
- Horrid
- Flamboyance
- Conk
- Fantastic
- Fairy tale villain
- Control \_\_\_
- Chip maker
- Brain part
- Tone
- See 41-Across

- Brother
- Continue
- New England catch
- Slur over
- Stand for Steen
- Hamlet's father, e.g.
- Adult insect
- In a fog
- Decorative pitchers
- Commands
- Poor test score
- Atomic particle
- Dispatch boat
- \_\_\_ goose
- They're cast
- Like an angel
- Allow
- At the summit of
- Kind of dancer
- Honker
- Lava maker
- Cup part
- River in northeastern England
- Hammer's end
- Morse T
- Low card

### Down

- Goggle
- Jack-in-the-pulpit, e.g.
- Poses
- Dance bit
- Joined, in biology
- Male ducks
- Opera house box
- U.N. workers' grp.
- Whale part
- Sweethearts
- Genuine
- "Beat it!"
- Tailor-made
- Because of, with "to"
- Industrious

### Last Week's Answers



2	8	5	9	1	3	6	4	7
3	6	9	8	4	7	5	2	1
1	4	7	5	6	2	8	3	9
4	5	1	3	9	6	7	8	2
7	9	2	1	5	8	3	6	4
8	3	6	2	7	4	9	1	5
9	2	3	4	8	5	1	7	6
6	1	4	7	3	9	2	5	8
5	7	8	6	2	1	4	9	3

### SUDOKU Medium

3		6						1
7			8	1				
	5		9	2				3
5	4		2				6	9
			7		9			
9	1				4		7	8
6				9	7		2	
				4	8			1
	9						5	7

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.





Just got done shooting a new video for my YouTube channel and it was all about ramen noodles! We all grew up eating those packets of noodles and some of us (like me) still do! Over the years I have learned that the best way to cook them is

not to use the season packet and use good broth or just cook in water then strain and season the way you like it. Here is one of the recipes that will be featured on the web soon! Hope you like it.

*The Chef*

# Ramen Noodle and Bacon Frittata



**Ingredients:**

- 2 packs ramen, cooked in water, strained and cooled
- In a hot Teflon pan:
- 4 pcs. thick sliced bacon cut in 1/4 inch pieces
- 1/2 cup diced onions
- 4 eggs beaten
- Salt and pepper to taste

**Directions:**

- Cook the bacon and the onions till golden brown.
- Add the noodles and mix together till the noodles are hot.
- Slowly pour the eggs over the noodle and bacon mixture to cover all the noodles.
- Cook the eggs for 1 minute then flip it over to cook on the other side.
- Repeat the cooking and then serve.

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# Sports

## United States Makes An Impact

By Adam Serrao

Whether it was just to rally the troops or not, not many people, including team USA's head coach Jurgen Klinsmann, believed that the U.S. Men's National Team would win this year's 2014 World Cup in Brazil. Soccer may not necessarily be the sport of the United States, but the guys who took the field in Brazil for the Red, White and Blue did a lot more than many sports buffs believed that they would. From getting out of the "Group Of Death," to bringing a world powerhouse down, to the very last minutes of their final game, USA showed that they are, indeed, getting stronger at a sport that we are least known for. Though Team USA didn't end their World Cup with a win, they certainly sent a message to the rest of the world that there will be competitors coming out of the United States for a long time to come.

For a game that has been overly unpopular in America for a very long time, there were certainly a ton of fans that came out to support the USA and its colors throughout the entirety of this World Cup. All around the country, from the east coast to the west coast and all in between, sports fans of every kind came together to root on the USA to victory in the four games that they played. Everyone, whether new or seasoned at watching the game of soccer, rooted in common for Tim Howard, one heck of a goalie for USA. Unfortunately for the United States, however, Howard and his team met their match as they came out of a group stage that most thought would overtake them.

Things couldn't have looked any better

for America coming out of the first game of this year's World Cup. Going up against a traditionally tough Ghana team, Clint Dempsey was able to put one in the net just thirty-four seconds into the start of the game to give the United States the 1-0 lead. That lead lasted almost the entirety of the game before Ghana was finally able to tie things up but the U.S. responded in the 86th minute as John Brooks scored the game winner and immediately gave the United States a great opportunity at getting out of the group stage. "We need to keep going and get more points and try to get out of the group," Dempsey said at the time of the win. "Every game you've got to look to get points to get out of a group like this."

Their plan of action didn't change in the next game against Portugal. In what was a shaky start to the game, the United States found themselves down early to a Portugal team that has never lost a World Cup game after taking a 1-0 lead. The U.S. was able to score two goals and surprisingly take the lead on Ronaldo and his Portugal club, one of the best clubs in the world. Just when it looked as if the U.S. was going to win and clinch a berth out of their group, Ronaldo came away with yet another amazing play, a beautiful cross pass that found his teammate Silvestre Varela right on his head and equalized the game in the final minute of action to break the hearts of American fans and players alike. The U.S. still came away with a draw, but didn't advance past the group stage just yet because of their missed chance at a win.

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## Up and Adam

### He Remains Unbroken

By Adam Serrao

A true American hero was taken away from us last Wednesday, July 2, almost as close to Independence Day as you could get. Louis Silvie "Louie" Zamperini was from right here in our very own city of Torrance and did more than enough to make his own hometown proud. An alumni of Torrance High School, Zamperini's life was never easy, but he worked with what he was given and in true Tartar fashion, made the most of it. He was an Olympic distance runner, a World War II prisoner of war survivor, an inspirational speaker and much, much more. Perhaps more than anything, though, Louis Zamperini was and will remain to be a perpetually strong example for the children of Torrance High, the people of the city of Torrance and those all across America of the true definition of what it is like to be an American.

There is no questioning that Louis Zamperini's life extended well outside of the boundaries of sports. One thing to understand about the man that became a hero, however, is that it all began at our very own Torrance High School in the mid 1930s. Zamperini's training and will to compete as an athlete gave him the mental and physical stamina, strength and skill to not only eventually compete in the Olympics one day, but to also go into combat against some of the world's greatest powers at the time, battle and have the will to survive despite even the bleakest of odds.

Perhaps one of the first sports that Zamperini ever picked up was boxing. It wasn't because he originally loved the sport, but it was more out of the need for self-defense. It is said that when he moved to California from Olean, New York in 1919, his family spoke absolutely no English. The son of two Italian immigrants, Anthony Zamperini and Louise Dossi, Louis was primed for bullying amongst his new colleagues, specifically at Torrance High. As many current day High School students now know, the mean hallways of Torrance High can be a tough place to gain a good reputation as a Tartar: so Zamperini took matters into his own hands. Because of some rather unsettling experiences, Zamperini's father began to teach him how to box. Apparently he liked the idea of being able to protect himself so much that self defense became a consistent

thing. Zamperini told USC's Trojan Family Magazine, "[I was] beating the tar out of every one of them, but [I] was so good at it, that [I] started relishing the idea of getting even. [I] was sort of addicted to it." It wasn't long before Louis placed all of his energy and strength into something that was more beneficial for everyone involved. That's when he found one of his true passions in life: track and field.

Almost before he knew it, Zamperini set a world interscholastic record for the mile in 1934. Clocking in at 4:21.2 minutes at the preliminary meet, Zamperini quickly qualified for the California state championships the following week. His record stood 19 years before it was broken. Zamperini wasn't far off from his record at the championship meet when he posted a time of 4:27.8, winning the championships and assisting him on his way to the University of Southern California with a scholarship for track and field in hand. His record-breaking days certainly were not over despite the higher level of competition. In 1938, he set a national collegiate mile record of 4:08.3 which held in place for 15 years, earning Zamperini the nickname of the "Torrance Tornado." Louis also became a two-time NCAA mile champion at USC and led his team to NCAA outdoor team titles in 1938 and 1939.

Zamperini's success extended into the Olympic arena as well, where he qualified for the 1936 Berlin Olympics at the ripe age of 19 years old. Zamperini became the Olympic Trials Co-Champion at the 5,000 meters when he tied with then world-record holder Don Lash. Zamperini went on to finish 8th in the 5,000 meters with a time of 14:46.8 and a sub-60 second final lap. His final lap was said to be so fast that it caught the attention of Adolf Hitler, who met with Zamperini and said, "Ah, you're the boy with the fast finish." Apparently Zamperini took the time after his personal meeting with Hitler to climb a flagpole and steal the personal flag of Hitler. While setting his mile record of 4:08 in 1938, it is said that Zamperini had to do so despite severe cuts to his shins from other runners attempting to spike him during the race.

"Louis Zamperini was one of the greatest

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# Politically Speaking

## One Man's Opinion

By Gerry Chong

It's the Fourth of July! A time for parades and picnics; for children waving American flags and buildings covered in red, white and blue bunting; hot dogs, baseball, and straw hats; a uniquely American celebration of Independence. But

*"Now, having taken so much of our money, it would be one thing if the government spent it wisely, but NOOOOOOOOO."*

have we reached a point where the celebration is increasingly irrelevant, glossing over our growing dependence, and loss of freedom?

Recently, the Wall Street Journal and The Heritage Foundation published an analysis of freedom in 28 of the major countries of the world, predicated on four criteria: Rule of Law, including property rights and corruption; Limited Government, including government spending and fiscal freedom; Regulatory Efficiency, including business freedom, labor freedom, and monetary freedom; and Open Markets. Based on these criteria, the six most-free countries are Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia, Switzerland, New Zealand, and Canada. Rounding out the top 10 are Chile (!), Mauritius (!), Ireland, and Denmark. Estonia is ranked 11th, followed by the humbled and embarrassed United States. The fact is, the Land of the Free fell to the middle of the pack, ranked 12th out of 28 countries studied, tied with that wellspring of freedom, Bahrain.

By another measure, since 1948, the Tax Foundation has calculated Tax Freedom Day, to determine the date at which Americans would have to dedicate 100% of their income to reach tax freedom. Across the country, a person would have to work until April 20 to pay all their taxes, but in high-tax California

we do not reach freedom until April 30. But it's actually worse than that. If we paid our share of this year's Federal Deficit which will have to be paid eventually, we'll have to work an additional 2 and 1/2 weeks before we can start working for our family. For

Californians, all income from January 1 to May 16 is tithed to the government.

Now, having taken so much of our money, it would be one thing if the government spent it wisely, but NOOOOOOOOO. The President has now requested \$2 billion to remedy the humanitarian crisis his policies brought to our Southern border. This is the same President who rejected every call to further secure our border, and in fact offered rewards in the form of his Dream Act to today's Children's Crusade. That \$2 billion, however, is only the beginning. The immediate need is to feed, house, transport and provide emergency medical care for them. But further out there is no way to calculate the diseases brought, the gang associations strengthened, the social services required, and the welfare and food stamps increased.

While 90,000 children will have entered the country illegally this year, that number is expected to grow to 130,000 net year. Over two years, what impact will a quarter-million non-English speaking students have on our educational system? So on this day of celebration, we find a country no longer free, a populace no longer independent; and a government that taxes too much and spends unwisely. Has Independence Day become a mockery? •

## Another Man's Opinion

### Many in Washington are to Blame for Crisis in Iraq

By Cristian Vasquez

As the situation in Iraq worsens, and militants from the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria gaining control over the nation, the blame game here in America has been in full effect. The Washington Times published an article blaming the CIA for rise of ISIS. In The Washington Post an Op-Ed piece pins the blame on President Obama, which coincides with the beliefs of CIA critics, who argue that the intelligence failure was made worse by a failure of the President. And of course, supporters of the Administration blame President Bush for invading Iraq in the first place based on faulty information regarding weapons of mass destruction.

Sadly, there is more than enough blame to go around for the debacle in Iraq that has left thousands of our troops dead and even more Iraqi civilians deceased. The fault for this crisis begins with the Bush Administration and infiltrates the Obama Administration. There was no reason to invade the country and the withdrawal of troops in Iraq was evidently mishandled. It is unfortunate that in this political game, where a war was justified under the guise of national security, the end results are manipulated in the way that a popularity contest in high school would be by everyone involved. In 2001, when the situation in Iraq was nowhere near what it is today, the Obama Administration seemed proud of the progress that had been made in their efforts to de-escalate American involvement in the region. The President

and his administration were confident in the training that was provided to the Iraqis that would allow the locals to defend their own nation. As we know now, that has not been the case.

However, let's not lie to ourselves and omit the responsibility that President Bush's Administration has had in the creation of this mess. Many times Vice President Dick Cheney argued that Americans would be hailed as liberators and that history would prove that the invasion was necessary. Well, history will have to wait as the Iraqi population holds its breath for the liberators. Still, Cheney in all his infinite and arrogant wisdom accepts no responsibility for the crisis in Iraq.

So it seems that the breakdown for the situation in Iraq is: President Bush's people claim that it is everyone else's fault that except theirs, while President Obama's Administration keep arguing that they are simply cleaning up the mess left behind by the previous White House residents. What is disgusting is that at some point during their respective times in power, both the Bush and Obama Administrations boasted about the "progress" that they were making in Iraq. However, now that another militant extremist group is overrunning the country, both sides are deflecting blame. This is our leadership, sadly. In their minds they can only be right and commit no mistakes. These are the people who are the face of our political system and at this very instance it is disgusting and embarrassing. •

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# TerriAnn of Torrance

## The Volunteer Center in Torrance

By TerriAnn Ferren

One day in a first-grade classroom somewhere in the South Bay, a little girl was given a backpack from Operation Teddy Bear filled with educational school supplies, fun games, and of course, a teddy bear. She was puzzled by all the items in the pack and gathered the bundle and headed toward her teacher in the front of



De De Hicks, President and CEO of the Volunteer Center. Photo by TerriAnn Ferren.

the room. The little girl asked her teacher if the backpack was really hers for keeps and the teacher said, "Yes." Tears of joy began falling down the small child's cheeks and she cried.

There was one little boy that was quite mischievous in school. He was a handful, as they say, and kept stealing food from the cafeteria. Adults at the school thought maybe

he wasn't getting enough food at home so they started giving him one of the Food for Kids Program bags on Friday with enough food for the weekend. Each week, a grocery bag filled with food was given to the child's family. As time went by, the little boy's behavior changed. The bag of food really made a difference in his life. The family just didn't have enough



Alexandra Weiss, Program Director of Food For Kids. Photo by TerriAnn Ferren.

food - that is why he was stealing.

With the food bags - sometimes they are very heavy and this man came to school to help his little child carry the food home on Friday. He was a proud man, and swaggered in to pick up his bag, but when he left and turned the corner, he broke down and cried. The story is that his wife had left, he had the

children to raise, and had lost his job.

Food for Kids and Operation Teddy Bear are just two of the programs thriving at The Volunteer Center, located in downtown Torrance. President and CEO De De Hicks runs the efficient non-profit with the guidance of a wise, caring mother. De De has been working and overseeing the growth and expansion of the



Melissa McCormick, Youth Programs Coordinator. Photo by TerriAnn Ferren.

center for 27 1/2 years. De De was born in a farmhouse in Mount Vernon, Iowa and attended a one room country schoolhouse, graduated from Mount Vernon High School and went off to college in Denver, Colorado. It was in Colorado that De De met her husband and they moved to California in the early 60s. "I love California, I love the South Bay. It is a perfect

place to live," said De De. After raising four boys in the South Bay, De De was looking for a job to use her skills and expertise. She had served as president on several boards of directors and non profits and wanted to put her talents to work in the community. She found a job at Bullock's, becoming the first Executive Women's Wardrobe Consultant. But she wanted



Bags of food for the Food For Kids program. Photo by TerriAnn Ferren.

to make a difference, so after answering an ad in the newspaper and sending in her resume, she was hired over 72 other applicants as the new President and CEO of The Volunteer Center, which is truly a non-profit. Two years ago, De De received the Hall of Fame Award from her high school alma mater.

The Volunteer Center was located at Grace Wright Elementary School when De De joined the team but almost immediately she looked for more space. At the time, there was an old mortuary building in downtown Torrance that had fallen into disrepair. Working with the Torrance Planning Department and the Redevelopment Agency, The Volunteer Center was able to secure the building. But it was a mess and in dire need of a facelift. The Volunteer Center bought the building in 1993 and started the capital campaign to raise funds in 1996/97. "It was in pretty bad shape - close to tear-down condition - but it had beautiful bones," said De De. It was an excellent location. The floor tile in the building was donated by one of the corporations, and an entire kitchen, including cabinets and appliances, was donated by someone else. All the original wood floors were redone. In the end, they moved into the new building having raised over \$1.3 million - more than they needed. If you haven't been by the Volunteer Center located at 1230 Cravens Avenue, Torrance, stop by. The building is registered as a Historic Building by the Torrance Historical Society. On the building's 100th birthday in 2024, the center intends on submitting the building for national registry.

"I think non-profits should give back and not always standing there with their hand out for money. One way that we could give back is saving this building from being torn down - (it is the first mortuary building in Torrance) - and make it beautiful. Secondly, we could take this parking lot - it looked terrible - and make it a park-like setting. And we did. This is part of my philosophy of what non-profits should do for the community - not always with a handout," said De De.

Because of the move to the larger quarters in downtown Torrance, the programs offered by The Volunteer Center have evolved and expanded through the years. When Dee Dee first came to the center, the organization mainly referred people to needy non-profits in the community - including a court referral program where the court sent mostly misdemeanors offenders to do community service.

The Teddy Bear Program provides 5600 backpacks filled with educational materials and a teddy bear to disadvantaged first-graders in Title 1 schools. Volunteers pack the bags and the center raises money to fill the bags. Volunteers also help at the school and read to the children.

The Food for Kids Program, run by Alexandra Weiss, focuses on giving food to families on weekends. They found some children were going to school mainly because they would get their breakfast and lunch at school during

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# United States

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That's when Germany came to town and showed the United States what a really, really good soccer team looked like. Thomas Mueller scored in the 55th minute for Germany and they dominated possession of the ball for almost the entirety of the game to give Germany the victory and first place in the group. Despite the loss, however, the U.S. still advanced (based on goal differential) over Portugal, eliminating both Portugal and Ghana from World Cup Play. With a draw and a loss in their final two games, though, the U.S. was going into their matchup with Belgium trending downward, while the young, vibrant and unbeaten Belgium team was raring to go. That much was obvious, too, as the match ensued.

Goalie Tim Howard was barraged by shots on goal all game long while the United States struggled to get any offense going whatsoever. Howard wound up with 16 saves on goal, the

most saves out of any goalkeeper in any World Cup match ever. Howard quickly became an American sensation and began trending across the United States almost instantly despite the US loss. While Howard's performance was epic, however, the ending to the game was cruel: a 2-1 loss that finally stopped the United States' run in the World Cup, on the heels of such an amazing performance by Howard. "It's heartbreaking," Howard said. "It just hurts."

The United States traveled on the precipice of glory for almost the entirety of the World Cup and almost even pulled off what would have been an utterly amazing win against Belgium. The story here isn't that the United States lost. The story here is that a group of athletes, most of whom the general American public had never heard of before, brought the U.S. together through sport once again. There was almost no familiarity with

the game or knowledge of the rules of how to play, but America watched. Not only watch, but gathered in masses, yelled out chants and behaved in an overly patriotic way that has

not been seen for years. Yes, the United States lost against Belgium and came up short in this year's World Cup, but they also reinvigorated a nation through sport. That is a victory in itself. •

# Mychal's

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weeks and not just go for the novelty of it," Lynch said. The product is a new cat-climbing structure in the final stages of design before hitting the marketplace. "It's not that we need another cat-climbing structure, but if you were walking into a store and had a choice of buying two identical ones and you knew one provided jobs for those in special needs, I would hope you would have a heart and want to support that."

Speaking of support, Mychal's as a non-profit must rely on outside help to keep its doors open. The families don't pay for the program. The facility receives about 60 percent of its funding from the State, with the rest through grants, donations from foundations and area businesses, and fundraisers. Annual events include a May luncheon, a poker tournament (upcoming on August 9) and a December art show.

While the above events may yield about \$100,000 a year cumulatively, Lynch hopes to raise a minimum of \$500,000 to realize his most pressing immediate goal—to purchase the

building in Hawthorne. "We're paying more in rent than what the mortgage will be," Lynch explained, adding that the move would save a minimum of \$100,000 a year that can be used towards new programs and other expansions. "My goal in doing this is to secure a future for the children long after I'm gone so her name [Mychal] continues on and generations of families will have a place to come.

Lynch invited anyone interested in seeing the facility to come in for a tour. "We want people to see for themselves," he said. "To see the students do what nobody said they could do, to see them in the kitchen working as a group, using knives, using the oven and no one's getting hurt. We're seeing it every day. When they first came here, many were shy... and now they're developing friendships. Each program brings a little something different to the table."

For more information on Mychal's Learning Place, go to [www.mychals.org](http://www.mychals.org), or call 310-297-9333. •

# Unbroken

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Trojans of all time, as well as a true American hero," said USC athletic director Pat Haden. "He was the embodiment of the USC motto, 'Fight On.' All of us in the Trojan family have a deep appreciation for what he did for USC and for our country, and we mourn the passing of this American legend, this national treasure." Those

words couldn't have been spoken any better, but Zamperini meant those things not just to the USC family, but to everyone in his American family as well. A true patriot, a true athlete and a true hometown hero, Louis Zamperini will always remain Unbroken in the hearts and minds of all those who know his story. •

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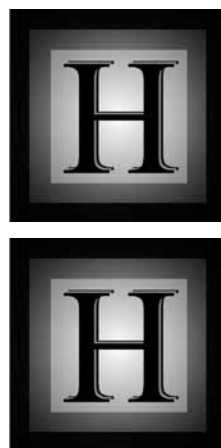
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EL SEGUNDO HERALD: June 19, 26, 2014 and July 03, 10, 2014. **HI-1115**

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**Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014154433**  
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Torrance Tribune: July 03, 10, 17, 24, 2014. **HT-1121.**

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Hawthorne Press Tribune: June 03, 10, 17, 24, 2014. **HH-1125.**



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El Segundo Herald: June 26, 2014 and July 03, 10, 17, 2014. **H-1120.**

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Torrance Tribune: July 03, 10, 17, 24, 2014. **HT-1123.**

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The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PENINSULA LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE, 3812 SEPULVEDA BLVD 230, TORRANCE, CA 90505 LOS ANGELES. Registered Owner(s): USA Sunshine Gardening Inc., 3812 Sepulveda Blvd 230, Torrance, CA 90505. This business is being conducted by a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name listed: February 28, 2014. Signed: USA Sunshine Gardening Inc., President, Guangyu Shen. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on June 26, 2014.  
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**Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014174030**  
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# TerriAnn in Torrance

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the week, but they didn't have enough food on the weekends. This program helps alleviate that situation. Currently, they send supplementary food – all non-perishable – to 230 families each week. It is a major program that started three years ago.

Two other programs at the center are Art to Go, which brings art to Title I elementary school students; and the VCYC (Volunteer Center Youth Coalition), open to high school students around the South Bay, where they learn leadership, volunteerism and giving back to the community. The students plan, organize, run, and donate their time for projects for all the 'days of national service.' They help each year with the Toberman Halloween Carnival, and have organized a thank you tribute to the Coast Guard, helped children with special needs, cleaned beaches, and planned senior proms for the seniors. "Our youth program, now headed by Melissa McCormick, is really super," added De De.

"We actually have five satellite offices; Long Beach, Bellflower, Inglewood, by the airport, and West LA. Most of those are for court referral and we are the main office. We have 23 on staff, and all but 5 are for court referral. So 5 staff [members] run everything. Sandy Montalvo is head of the court referral

and she runs the best court referral system in the country, bar none. We have no government funding for any of the programs we run. I am very proud of that fact. We intentionally do not go for government grants. There are many reasons. The main reason – they can be cut out easily and I am not one to start a program with government funding and then the government pulls out and you don't have the funds to continue the program. I don't believe in that, although some good comes from that," explained De De. Most of their fundraising comes from private individuals but there is corporate fundraising, which is a godsend to them. They also have a Corporate Volunteer Council where representatives from corporations come together and put on social service events such as the Special Olympics.

I asked De De how someone might get involved and she said to check out the website at [www.volcenter.org](http://www.volcenter.org). In 2013, the center worked with over 32,000 clients. A lot were court referred, who do a lot of good in the community. Sometimes you will see them on the side of the road working along the freeways, cleaning.

How can we help? De De smiled and said, "What we need most is non-perishable food.

We have a list of things we need (check the website). People can bring non-perishable food and they have food drives at their place of employment. Sometimes people organize them in their churches. We have very nice boxes. Some of the corporations use them and place them near a cafeteria. We also need volunteers for packing the bags and taking them to the schools. The principals determine those most in need. These are the kinds of people we are able to help. Most of our donations come from individuals." It isn't a coincidence the logo of the center is a heart.

De De Hicks is full of life and her exuberance

and enthusiasm energizes the historic building she occupies, "It is a wonderful place to be – we have a good board, a wonderful staff and it is quite a thing! 27 1/2 years and I look forward to coming to work every single day. But I like the weekends too," confessed De De. It is no surprise to me that in June 2006, The Volunteer Center received the George W. Romney Award as The #1 Volunteer Center in the United States, awarded at the National Volunteer Conference.

Thank you, De De for organizing those who help our brothers and sisters in need. Let's all help De De help others! •

## Zamperini

from front page

away, setting a new interscholastic mile world record of 4:21:20, which stood for 20 years! Louis put Torrance on the map. Like his legend, his name too will live on in Torrance - Zamperini Way, Zamperini Field and Zamperini Stadium. Louis always had a mischievous twinkle in his eye, and a kind word for all -- he was an inspiration like no other.

Louis has crossed his final finish line, and cheering him on the other side were his mom and dad, two sisters, and his brother Pete -- with

paddle in hand, no doubt. For those who don't know his story, they will on Christmas with the release of the movie, Unbroken -- book written by Laura Hillenbrand, movie directed by Angelina Jolie. Both women have told Louis' story from their hearts -- thereby keeping the book on the New York Times best-seller list for more than 174 weeks (14 as number one), and counting, and a movie that is sure to stroll down the red carpet with an Oscar nomination. Farewell, my friend! •

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so her owners were never located. Little YaYa weighs 7 pounds and is about 2 years old. She appears to be a Yorkshire Terrier mixed with some Terrier. YaYa loves to snuggle and cuddle, and is a pretty go-with-the-flow little gal. She has great play manners with other dogs. YaYa is spayed, current on vaccinations, dewormed, microchipped, good with other dogs, and would be best with children over the age 7.

**Bella** was tearfully owner-surrendered to our rescue, as her owner got a job transfer out of the country and is unable to take Bella along. Bella is a great all around dog who is a Neapolitan Mastiff, Bulldog and Cane Corso mix. She loves the dog park and the dog beach. Her prior owner would leash her up and ride his bike 4 miles a day as she ran alongside him. This stunning girl is housebroken and good with other dogs and cats too! She loves children and lived with two of them in her prior home. Weighing in at over 100 pounds, this big girl is eating 6 cups of high quality dog food a day. Bella would benefit from a basic obedience class as she still has lots of puppy energy at a year old. Bella is spayed, current on vaccinations, dewormed, microchipped, good with other dogs, and would be best with children over age 5.

**Coco** was rescued from a person who was keeping her outside all the time and not treating her nicely. The neighbor took her in, made her a house dog, taught Coco how to sit,



Coco is a rescue dog who needs a new family to treat her kindly.

lay down and shake, and then brought her to Animals Rule to place. Coco is 4 years old and weighs 8 pounds. She is sweet and spunky, full of energy, likes to play and go for walks. She crates very well at night and is always happy to see you. Coco so far is good with all other small dogs and it would be ideal to place her in a home with a male dog of her size or a little bigger, though she will be just fine as an only dog too. We would like to place her in a house with a yard and a doggie door. Coco is housebroken with an open door and has also mastered the doggie door. She is not a good match for apartment living or condo living. Coco is spayed, current on vaccinations, dewormed, microchipped, and would be best with mature children over age 7 please.

To learn more about these and other wonderful dogs, visit our website at [www.animalsrule.org](http://www.animalsrule.org). If a dog is on our website, it's available. Come to our Saturday adoption events from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at 305 North Harbor Blvd., San Pedro (just off the 110 near the cruise port). We are always in need of donations for veterinarian



Bella is a mastiff/bulldog/Cane Corso mix who can run a long way.

bills and our senior dogs. Donations can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to: Animals Rule Placement Foundation at 305 North Harbor Blvd., San Pedro, CA 90731. All donations are tax-deductible; we are a registered 501©3 non-profit organization.

Saving one animal won't change the world, but the world will surely change for that animal. •

## Purrrfect Companions



Tootsie would be a wonderful friend for a quiet couple or older person.

You can't buy love, but you can definitely adopt one from this week's purr-fect partners.

**Tootsie** is a sweet, beautiful tabby and white kitty with gorgeous golden eyes. Her owner died, so by no fault of her own, she is looking for a new home and loving companion. Tootsie enjoys being your companion and is content to lie by your side or sit on your lap. She is accustomed to a quiet adult home being a single kitty and would be perfect for a retiree looking for company, a couple ready to start their “feline family,” or perhaps be the new best friend for a pre-teen needing unconditional love. She is spayed and has good house manners using her litter box. At seven years young, Tootsie has lots of time in her life and *lots* of love to share. We know there is the right someone who is the purr-fect match for Tootsie. For more information or to arrange to meet Tootsie, please contact Linette at (310) 670-7162 or (310) 283-0124 (this is contact information for Tootsie only).

**Truman** was rescued as an underaged kitten from a county shelter along with his siblings. Despite his rocky start to life, this little dude has taken every challenge in stride. He loves to eat and is as fast as lightning when he runs, despite his pudgy belly. With his captivating green-blue eyes, Truman is a stunning little boy who catches everyone's hearts. He loves to be held and will purr for hours on end once comfortable. Truman loves to play and hang out with this Tortie sister, Tobi. You will be amazed at the places this squat kitten can get himself into; he's the master of finding small spaces to squeeze through. Truman would be very lonely as

an only kitten and needs to be adopted to a home with a young resident cat or with a foster buddy.

These pets are available for adoption through Kitten Rescue, one of the largest cat rescue groups in Southern California. All of our kitties are spayed/neutered, microchipped, tested for FeLV and FIV, dewormed and current on their vaccinations. For additional information and to see our other kitties, please check our website [www.kittenrescue.org](http://www.kittenrescue.org) or email us at [mail@kittenrescue.org](mailto:mail@kittenrescue.org). Your tax deductible donations for the rescue and care of our cats and kittens can be made through our website or by sending a check payable to Kitten Rescue, 914 Westwood Blvd. #583, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

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

Be kind. Save a life. Support animal rescue. •



Truman loves company and would enjoy a family with a new cat friend.

## Happy Tails

Even when we located Jackie's former family, they denied knowing her. So it was time to move on and up to a better life. Now she has three wonderful boys to adore and to be adored by....

“Thank you for checking in on us and thank you for all the beautiful pictures... We are absolutely in love with our girl. We did decide to change her name. We call her Elsie (God is my oath). She is a perfect fit to our family. She owns the backyard. She found her spot right under the lemon tree. We found out just how much she dislikes cats! She's good. She just goes nuts and runs the perimeter of the yard. She gives one warning bark and that's it.

I was surprised how she eats. I guess I was expecting her to devour her food at feeding time. She's such a lady. She eats a little at a time and it's funny, I think she doesn't eat if she knows you're watching her. . . . The boys toss the ball to her throughout the day. She's getting 3x the playtime. She quits before they do, then she goes and sits in her spot. . . . Honestly, she's wonderful! She sleeps in a kennel at night without so much as a peep throughout the entire night. She's so quiet that I find myself checking on her to make sure she's okay. I have to laugh because I think she listens to me better than my boys do. We are enjoying getting to know

her better and she is everything we could have ever wanted in a family pet. We feel very lucky to have her. Thanks again, Mary”

When you adopt a “pet without a partner”, you will forever make a difference in their life and they are sure to make a difference in yours. •



Jackie (aka Elsie) with the loves of her life



# Real Estate

## Five Essential Tips to Turn Your New House into A Home

Tips to remove big stress from your big move

(BPT) - Moving brings great opportunities in the form of careers, social connections and new beginnings. However, the act of moving can create unnecessary stress and tension, which makes the process less than desirable. About 35 percent of Americans move every five years, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, which results in many people who are looking to simplify the process and turn their new house into a home.

Celebrity design expert and ADT spokesperson Sabrina Soto has the expert moving advice to make your house a home:

- Review everything being packed: If you have items you won't use or haven't used in six months, put them aside. They are good candidates for selling at a garage sale, listing in online classified ads, donating to charity, or as a last-case scenario, throwing away.

Also, look for ways to reduce your load. Canned goods may still have shelf life, but evaluate whether it makes sense to move or donate - it's likely the latter. The same goes for other items you can easily and inexpensively purchase at a discount store when you arrive at your destination. As you approach moving day, be sure to think twice before loading up at grocery or convenience stores.

As you take inventory of everything in your home, be sure to clean, organize and sort the remaining items so they can

be packed quickly and then easily found when you arrive at your new home.

- Get secured before you move: Feeling secure and in control is an important part of transforming a new house into a home. An ADT Pulse home security and automation system gives homeowners the ability to not only monitor their home's security, but also control functions such as adjusting lights, unlocking doors and controlling thermostats - all with the touch of an app. Plus, it can start working for new homeowners on day one, whether using it to grant access to trusted contractors and technicians or receiving alerts when deliveries arrive at the front door. In a new neighborhood and a new house, it will be a sigh of relief to know you're in control both at home and while away.

- Keep organized on moving day: Walk through the old home with your movers to identify how you'd like your items organized and packed. Let them know you want the house packed room by room, which will make it easier to unpack and place everything into your new house. If you have anything fragile, be sure to note how you'd like those items to be



handled, saving you plenty of time and headaches in the long run.

If you're planning to move yourself, it's important to take precautions and protect your belongings while the truck is being loaded and unloaded. Have a team of trusted friends or family help you - the more sets of eyes, the easier it will be to keep track of your belongings. If you need to keep the truck parked overnight, back the vehicle up to a wall or garage door, which will make it difficult for

someone to break in.

- Make yourself a happy place: Choose one room in your new home to be the room you completely unpack and organize on the first day. This gives you a restful sanctuary where you can retreat, even if the rest of your items are still in boxes scattered among the other rooms for several days to come.

With these tips, you can streamline your move and make it less stressful for you and your family. •



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