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Hickory Elementary Library Receives IKEA Makeover



IKEA Carson employees paint cheerful walls as part of an IKEA summer remodel of the two-room library at Hickory Elementary School. The library, run entirely by the PTA, had kept books and materials on worn and crowded shelving. IKEA interior designers created functional spaces incorporating areas focusing on the needs of the younger children and the needs of older students. Workers added bright paint and soft pillows, and built new desks, chairs, bookcases and closets. Judy Nei, parent and head librarian at Hickory Elementary School stated: "Hickory Elementary and its PTA will be forever grateful for what IKEA has done to extensively upgrade our school library." Photo by Jessica Azerrad

Mike Griffiths Appointed to the Torrance City Council

By Dylan Little

Although he wasn't successful in the recent City Council election, Mike Griffiths is now filling the Council vacancy left by Pat Furey when he was elected as mayor. The former planning commissioner was selected during the Council's August 12 meeting from a pool of 12 interested Torrance residents.

After taking the oath of office, Griffiths expressed his gratitude to the Council for believing in his ability to serve the citizens of Torrance. "I am deeply honored that the members of this body chose me to be the next representative on the Council," said Griffiths. "For you to confirm my desire to want to serve the city in this capacity, I'm just humbled beyond belief."

His fellow planning commission alumnus Council member Geoff Rizzo spoke highly of the impression Griffiths left on him during their brief time serving on the commission together.

"He was always well versed, he studied his material and asked very pertinent questions while on the commission," said Rizzo. "He'll do well on the Council and I appreciate the face that [he's] here."

The rest of the Council also extended a warm welcome to Griffiths, with Furey going as far as to parrot Griffiths campaign slogan. "I want to say one thing for sure, I like Mike," said Furey.

The Council began the appointment process on July 15, after Furey stepped down to accept the position of mayor. In these situations the Council has two options open to it, either hold a special election or appoint a replacement themselves. In the recent past the Council has chosen to appoint replacements, such as when former Council members Susan Rhilinger and Cliff Numark left the Council in 2013. City officials are less likely to hold

special elections in the case of a vacancy on the Council as estimates of the cost are in the range of \$200,000.

After deciding to go forward with the appointment option, the Council sought applicants for the position. The call for a new Council member drew a diverse field featuring some unsuccessful general election hopefuls, like Milton Herring and Ryan Mand, and some names that weren't on the ballot, like Ray Uchima and Sue Herbers. In addition to volunteering, the applicants had to provide background information and make a case as to why they should be appointed.

The Council held two rounds of nominations

and voting. In the first round, Council member Gene Barnett nominated Griffiths, Council member Kurt Weideman nominated Milton Herring, Council member Tim Goodrich nominated Alex See, and Furey nominated Ray Uchima. Three Council members voted in favor of Griffiths, while the other members each voted for the candidate they put forth. Although at this point Griffiths had the plurality of votes, he did not have the majority (three of six votes is only 50 percent of the Council, while a successful nominee would need four of six votes to reach the threshold of 50 percent plus one). In the second round of nominations Barnett,

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Weekend Forecast

Friday

AM Clouds /
PM Sun
76°/64°



Saturday

AM Clouds /
PM Sun
79°/64°



Sunday

AM Clouds /
PM Sun
81°/65°



Torrance Business Leaders Visit the LA Air Force Base

By Brandon Matson, Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce

For over 50 years, Torrance, along with the South Bay community, has proudly called itself home to one of the largest clusters of aerospace industry in North America. Private companies such as Northrop Grumman, Alcoa Fastening Systems, Moog Inc., Lisi, and the Boeing Company have effectively utilized the synergy of their proximity to expand and grow both their businesses and the industry as a whole. Among many economic clusters usually lies an attractor that helps draw the industry together. The Los Angeles Air Force Base (LAAFB), located in nearby El Segundo, has served as a major draw for aerospace contractors to our region for over half of a century.

Recently, business leaders from Torrance

and numerous other South Bay cities visited the LAAFB in efforts to continue the good relationship between the South Bay business community and the base. The South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce (SBACC) held its monthly meeting at the base where the SBACC Board of Directors received a tour of the LAAFB facilities, a presentation of the operations taking place in the Space and Missile Systems Command Center (SMC), and were presented data regarding the economic impact of the LA AFB in the South Bay. Donna Duperron, President and CEO of the Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce and current Chair of the SBACC, appreciates the history of the LAAFB in our region. She states, "The South

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Business Briefs

Block Party Raises Funds for Toberman Center



Ava Huntington from Las Ninas was one of the many volunteers who donated their time to work the Summer Fest event.



Torrance Mayor Patrick J. Furey (left) and his wife Terry congratulate The Depot's Chef Michael Shafer on a successful fundraising event for the Toberman Neighborhood Center. The 2nd annual Summer Fest block party, presented by Chef Shafer and the Toberman Neighborhood Center, was held on August 10th outside the Depot Restaurant in Downtown Torrance. The festivities included a Chef Michael Shafer special dinner buffet, martini and beer bar, live and silent auction and entertainment by live band Ramfunkshus. All proceeds from Summer Fest supports Toberman's work with Harbor Area families and youth at-risk of gang involvement. For more information go to www.toberman.org. Photos by Chris Nishimura.



Mark and Judith Diamond from the Pediatric Therapy Network were present to support the Summer Fest fundraiser.



Kay Grundhaus and Toberman Board Member Steve Makshanoff reconnect at the Summer Fest dinner.



Chef Michael Shafer from The Depot Restaurant conducted a very enthusiastic live auction that raised several thousands of dollars for the Toberman Neighborhood Center.



Enjoying the festivities are (L to R) Carter Calhoun from the Toberman Neighborhood Center, Lonna Calhoun, Janet Grothe from Phillips 66, Toberman Trustee Leroy Doty, Meghan Garvey Calhoun and Andrea Browning.



Summer Fest guests included (L to R) Terelle Jerricks, Bill Baker, Pearl Baker and Kenny Green.

ShopLocal.us to Award Business Grants

Over the next two months, during their Small Indie Business Grant program, ShopLocal.us will be accepting submissions from small independent business owners in the South Bay who wish to highlight, in a 2-minute or less video, one thing that a grant award would be used for to contribute most to their success as a small business. Grant amounts of \$2,000, \$1,000 or \$500 in cash along with valuable

prizes, will be awarded to the top three qualifying businesses. The ShopLocal.us Small Indie Business Grant program is open only to small independently owned retail or service businesses that were founded and are headquartered in the South Bay of Los Angeles. There is no cost to apply. The deadline to submit a video is September 30, 2014. Videos may be submitted to www.shoplocal.us/grant.

Young Physicians and Professionals Host Mixer

Torrance Memorial Medical Center's Young Physicians and Professionals Alliance (YPPA) hosted a mixer at Smog City Brewery in Torrance, CA on June 25th. Attendees engaged in tasting various locally-made beers on tap and took a tour of the brewery. YPPA was established with the purpose to allow

both physicians and area-professionals to network with one another and inspire a new generation to support and advance Torrance Memorial Medical Center. For information on upcoming YPPA events and membership contact Laura Schenasi at 310-517-4708 or visit www.TorranceMemorial.org.



Kevin Bidenkap, Colleen Farrell, Angela Park Sheldon, Farida Waqar, Cody Charnell, Anthony Walker. Photos by Diedre Davidson.



Wendy Brennan, Shawn Motalebi, Marc Schenasi, Matt Meiler.



Jen Hoscheid, Nick Arquette, Monaka Wallis.

Walking Tour of Old Torrance

The Torrance Historical Society is hosting a free Walking Tour of Old Torrance Sunday, August 24th, 2014. The community is invited to learn, from the sidewalk, about our City's past, and how it shaped our town.

The docent-led tour, given by Michael George - Historian and Torrance Librarian, begins at the Torrance Historical Society & Museum (1345 Post Avenue) at 1:30 PM, and will point out many of the historic sites and landmarks of Old Torrance.

The tour is an easy, but brisk walk covering eight blocks -- the walk is approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes. It's open to the public, requires no reservations, and is hosted on the fourth Sunday of every month, May - October. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. You're invited to bring your camera, and a friend. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please call the Museum at 310.328.5392 or visit: www.TorranceHistoricalSociety.org.

Cafeteria Supervisor Wins Nutrition Award

Gail Gramling, Cafeteria Supervisor for North High School in Torrance Unified School District, CA, received the National Louise Sublette Award of Excellence in School Nutrition from the School Nutrition Association National Conference in Boston, MA. Gail implemented a training program for her staff to improve the school meal program and encouraged team

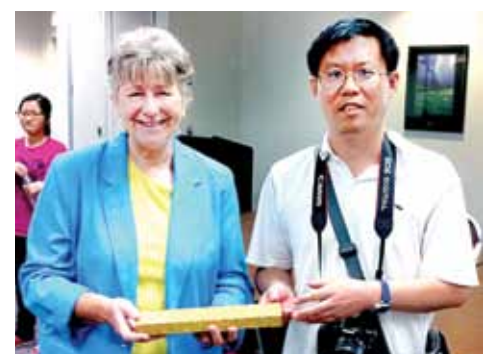
members to engage with the students, guiding them through meal options and offering assistance. She also emphasized camaraderie among her staff and recognized their commitment. Gail's efforts not only enhanced the day-to-day cafeteria experience, but also improved the overall image of the program, helping to increase student participation.

Chinese Career Technical Educators Visit SoCal ROC

On August 7, approximately 40 Chinese educators representing various provinces throughout China, including Vice Presidents, Deans, and Department Heads from Trade and Technical Colleges, visited SoCal ROC in Torrance.

Dr. Christine Hoffman, Superintendent of SoCal ROC, provided an overview of the Career Technical Education pathway programs offered at SoCal ROC, the funding structure, the various populations served, and the importance of the business partners associated with SoCal ROC. Following the discussion, the group took a tour of SoCal ROC facilities. Upon their departure, visitors commented on the well-equipped, well maintained SoCal ROC campus. SoCal ROC

is the leader in providing premier Career Technical Education programs to thousands of South Bay residents each year.



Superintendent Dr. Christine Hoffman was presented with a gift by one of the trade and technical college visitors from China. Photo by Dr. Atlas Helaire.

Local Realtor Jim Marak Bullish on Real Estate Market

By Duane Plank

El Segundo based RE/MAX broker manager Jim Marak, who has been in the real estate profession since 1986, has certainly seen a sea-change in the buying, selling and marketing of both residential and commercial properties in the past 28 years. He has been through, according to his recollection, at least four economic recessions.

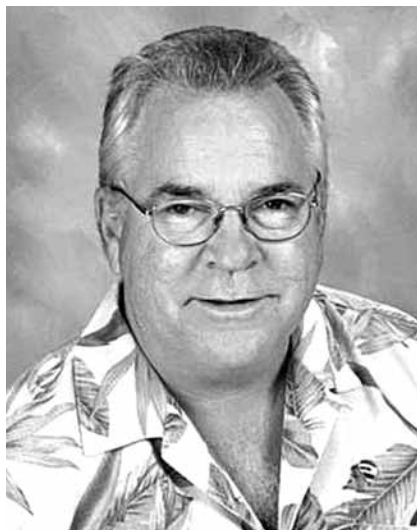
But the ebb-and-flow of the real estate game hasn't deterred the El Segundo resident from continuing to pursue his passion. Marak, who spent ten summers as an aquatics instructor working on Catalina Island, moved to El Segundo in 1978. Marak initially worked as a managerial accountant for a capital investment counseling firm in Beverly Hills. He handled real estate investments for individuals, as well as professionals, law firms, doctor groups, and accountancy groups; but after eight years working in capital investment counseling, he decided that it was time for a change.

He chose to pursue real estate as a full-time occupation, because he "wanted to work as a self-employed person, instead of being on a salary." Marak, who grew up in Burbank and graduated from San Jose State, said that he had completed the necessary college courses to be a real estate broker by the time that he was 19, but had decided to enter the real-estate field "once I got a little bit of grey hair." Which turned-out to be more than a decade later.

He has been working with clients in the El Segundo area and adjoining cities for the past 28 years. Dealing primarily in residential properties, Marak has witnessed the evolution of the buying and selling of properties, with the entire process going from the "analog to the digital."

"My career has taken me from analog real estate sale methods to the current digital information highway with the Internet," he said. Fax transmissions hit the market in 1984, he said. "Listings used to be in

printed books that came out each week. Computerized listings had just begun when I started in 1986."



Local RE/MAX broker manager Jim Marak. Photo courtesy of RE/MAX.

While Marak was initially exposed to the analog method of marketing real estate, he was right on the cusp of the transition to the digital method of listing property which is now proceeding at a breakneck speed. Marak said that he has embraced the technological advances and upgrades in the industry.

"The consumer has the opportunity, thru the information highway, to be far more educated, in a much more rapid way, and, therefore, can make more educated decisions," he said, "allowing them to make better choices, and get what they want, instead of simply what is available."

Marak said that the Internet became the mainstream way of sharing information about 20 years ago, buoyed by the advent of email, which changed the way that real estate agents, and buyers and sellers interacted. "It increased the way that I can share information with interested buyers and sellers regarding recent sales, and current issues and trends in the local market-place. Which is a good thing for all parties."

There is a down-side, according to Marak, with the public consumer information real-estate websites, "because many of them are inaccurate, because they do not show all of the listed properties, or sales, or activity. And do not update their information in real-time."

"There is only one real estate website that updates their information instantaneously, in real-time, and that is www.remax.com," he said. "It features all properties for sale in 87 countries. Most other public real-estate websites only show properties for sale where agents pay a fee for the property to appear."

Marak and fellow realtors have been through multiple economic recessions that have impacted the real-estate market. He noted downturns in 1989, 1991, 2000, and 2007. "I have seen four economic recessions,

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Calendar

FRIDAY, AUGUST 15

•Friday Movie Matinees, 2 p.m., Katy Geissert Civic Center Library, 3301 Torrance Blvd. For more information call (310) 618-5964.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20

Miracle of Living Health Educational Lecture Series: The Diabetes/Kidney Connection at 7 p.m. Torrance Memorial Medical Center, Hoffman Health Conference Center, 3330 Lomita Blvd., Torrance, CA, 90505. Free; No reservations required. Please call 310-517-4711 for more information.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21

• Beach Cities Republicans. You will meet Ron Nehring, candidate for Lieutenant Governor. Ron is a Republican politician, strategist, commentator, lecturer and past Chairman of the California Republican Party.

Also meet Greg Conlan who is running for State Treasurer. Visit www.lagopclubs.com for more info. Please join us! Sizzler Restaurant, 2880 Sepulveda Blvd., Torrance 90505 (Between Crenshaw and Hawthorne Blvds.) 6:00 pm Dinner (no host), 7:00 pm Meeting (in private room) Visitors welcome! Questions: Patti (310) 753-4159 or plagreluis@aol.com.

ONGOING

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

• "Happy Hats for Kids In Hospitals" hosts workshops to decorate or sew hats for hospitalized children every Tuesday, 12:30-2:30 p.m., 923 Van Ness Avenue. For more information call (310) 787-0970. •

Police Reports

Burglary-Auto 8/3/2014 9:00:00 AM 2800 BLOCK 179TH ST

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

Burglary-Auto 8/3/2014 11:00:00 AM 2300 BLOCK 184TH ST

Suspect(s) enters unlocked vehicle and takes property/GPS

Vandalism 8/2/2014 6:33 PM 20500 BLOCK EARL ST

Suspect(s) flattens tires on parked vehicle

Burglary-Auto 8/3/2014 7:00:00 AM 2100 BLOCK 183RD ST

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

Theft 8/2/2014 9:19 AM 2100 BLOCK ARTESIA BLVD

Suspect(s) takes unsecured property from bed of truck/bicycle

Burglary-Residential 8/1/2014 9:30:00 PM 4300 BLOCK NEWTON ST

Suspect(s) defeats security lights, pries off screens, pushes open windows, but fails to make entry due to security bars/ no loss

Auto Theft 8/1/2014 3:36 PM 1700 BLOCK CABRILLO AVE

Stolen vehicle: '96 Honda Accord

Burglary-Residential 8/1/2014 7:39 AM 2800 BLOCK 163RD ST

Suspect(s) removes screen, smashes window for entry, ransacks and takes property/jewelry

Vandalism 8/1/2014 6:37 AM 19300 BLOCK PRUITT DR

Suspect(s) pours paint on the artificial turf

in victim's front yard

Vandalism 8/1/2014 12:00:05 AM 3500 BLOCK CARSON ST

Suspect(s) scratches victim's vehicle's paint

Robbery-Weapon 7/31/2014 10:18:16 PM 1800 BLOCK PLAZA DEL AMO

Suspect pushes victim, brandishes a knife and demands victim's cash/ no loss

Burglary-Commercial 8/1/2014 3:00:00 PM 2400 BLOCK 227TH ST

Suspect(s) forces open storage locker and takes property/ water dispenser, computer, scuba gear

Theft 7/31/2014 10:00 AM 16800 BLOCK YUKON AVE

Suspect takes property from residence without permission while there with permission/purse

Robbery-StrongArm 7/31/2014 1:30:05 AM 1800 BLOCK ARTESIA BLVD

Suspect enters open business, selects merchandise for purchase, walks behind counter, pushes victim clerk, demands property from register when sale is rung up and also takes employee's property/ cash, packs of cigarettes, wallet, keys

Burglary-Residential 7/30/2014 11:00:00 PM 2100 BLOCK JOHNSON CT

Suspect(s) unplugs what s/he believes to be the alarm, smashes the sliding glass door, but fails to make entry/no loss

Vandalism 7/30/2014 10:25:00 PM 23100 BLOCK ERIEL AVE

Suspect(s) eggs victim's residence and vehicle's exteriors •

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Reptile Roundup

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- Strong woody fibers
- Basilica part
- Inclines
- Open, as a toothpaste tube
- Candle part
- Son of 11-Down
- Dangerous one
- Dweller on the Red Sea
- Dragonflies
- "Rock the Boat" music
- Italic language
- God with a hammer
- Medicinal balsam
- Liberator
- Gather stalks
- Women's accessories
- Power tool
- Abundance
- Like some hands
- Fill to excess
- Tropical soapberry tree, var.
- Stand
- Expand
- Native American
- 1985 Rourke film
- Auction off

- Detective, at times
- Like the flu
- Do in
- Go downhill
- Resembling wings

Down

- In use
- Frank or Francis
- Shell game
- Appropriate
- Drop
- Barley bristle
- Depression
- Teach
- Squeezed (out)
- Graceful fliers
- Father of 16-Across
- Ziti, e.g.
- Early role for Madonna
- "Rocky ___"
- Gunk
- Galley notation
- Civic competitor
- Mouth, slangily
- Hot spot
- Earthen pot

- Bit attachment
- Fed. agency
- Bio bit
- Delhi wrap
- "Say what?"
- Sea eagles
- Away from port
- Clothe
- Latin 101 verb
- Regrets
- ___ hygienist
- Bottomless pit
- Angler's basket
- Eucalyptus eater
- Premature
- Old Tokyo
- Destroy
- Caterpillar, for one
- New newts
- Colorado resort
- Site of the Taj Mahal
- Rime
- Just
- Get going
- Antiquity, in antiquity

Last Week's Answers

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SUDOKU Medium

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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.

Getting the Most Out of Farmers Markets and Seasonal Produce



(BPT) - Warm weather months bring an abundance of fresh fruit and vegetables, and for those who enjoy buying local, farmers markets are popular destinations. Produce choices available at farmers markets are now reaching their peak. So how can you make the most of this seasonal bounty?

Chef Daniel Reyes, culinary faculty member at The Art Institute of California - Inland Empire, a campus of Argosy University, believes that it's important to know the difference between buzz words common at markets. "If you have questions about how farmers do something, they are more than happy to talk to you and educate you about sustainable and organic farming," he says.

Reyes explains that while some produce may look unfamiliar, a good market salesperson will provide tips on how to use the items. Farmers markets are not just great places to buy, they're also great places to learn new culinary techniques and food pairings.

Another tip? Shop early - that's when chefs are at the markets. "Chefs are usually there early in the morning. See what they are buying," says Reyes. And remember to bring bags to carry your items home - cooler bags are especially helpful when you're buying delicate goods such as locally made cheeses, eggs or meats.

A SENSE OF COMMUNITY

Farmers markets allow people to gather in a common place to meet neighbors and make friends who share a passion for locally grown food. The markets build a sense of community, according to Reyes, that contributes to a stronger local economy and smaller environmental footprint.

"Get to know your purveyors. See where

they come from," Reyes advocates.

This sentiment is shared by Chef Elizabeth Thompson, culinary arts faculty member at The Art Institute of California - Inland Empire. Thompson recommends asking farmers what's best to buy right now.

"They grow whatever they sell, which makes them experts. Ask to put be put on their email list. They may send out information about what is in season and what to do with it," she adds.

Thompson makes it a point to try something new each time she visits a farmers market. "Sample everything! That is how the farmers sell their products, and you will know what you like."

CSA - COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE

In addition to visiting the farmers market, many people are choosing to become CSA shareholders, paying in advance for weekly boxes of produce.

CSAs create a direct relationship between farmer and consumer, according to Thompson, allowing busy people to pick up their share boxes at a convenient location, and teach them how to use what's inside.

For those interested in supporting local farmers, CSAs provide a critical influx of cash to farmers during the off season, helping them to better prepare for the planting season ahead.

Whether shopping weekly at the farmers market or picking up a CSA box of fresh produce, buying local allows consumers to taste fruit and vegetables at their peak flavor. From striped heirloom tomatoes to strawberries picked fresh just hours before, farm fresh foods provide a burst of flavor and a connection to the community that cannot be found within a large supermarket. •

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Sports

Warriors Looking to Make Impact

Adam Serrao

The High School football season is just around the corner, and this year, like in baseball, there are many Torrance teams that are poised to make big impacts across their respective leagues. On September 5th, the West High Warriors will begin their request to capture a Pioneer League title and make some noise in the playoffs. It has been a while

more familiar, and favorable foes. Now, West will be taking on all of the Torrance teams as a member of their same division. South High, North High and Torrance High will be matched up against the Warriors in addition to both Leuzinger and Centennial. While West hasn't played Centennial under coach Holt, their records against the rest of the teams in the Pioneer League are beautiful in comparison

"The Warriors will open their 2014-'15 football season this year on Friday, September 5, against the Culver City Centaurs."

since head coach Greg Holt and his team have made it deep into the playoffs, but with a few returning starters from last year and some experience working for them on their side, Holt and his team believe that they can easily finish atop the Pioneer League and do some damage this season.

The Warriors will open their 2014-'15 football season this year on Friday, September 5, against the Culver City Centaurs. West High is 3-2 all time against Culver City in the Greg Holt era, including a victory last year to open up the season when the Warriors put up a monster second quarter scoring 22 points to eventually beat the Centaurs by a final score of 36-15. Culver City might just be West's best chance at a win in their first few games, though. With Inglewood, Redondo Union, Mira Costa, and Carson soon to follow, Holt and his Warriors will be put to the test early and often before league play even has a chance to begin. The Warriors have never faced Inglewood or Carson with Holt at the helm, but the Sentinels are slated to have a huge year this year, boasting a team with remarkable speed and skill, to say the least, while Carson is a team that perennially competes for a CIF championship. Redondo and Mira Costa, however, are former Bay League opponents of West's and have put the hurt on the Warriors in the past. Redondo is 7-3 against West while Costa is 2-8-1, presenting two huge hurdles in the Warrior's path of early success this season.

One way in which the Warriors may benefit this year is from their switch over from the Bay League to their current league, the Pioneer League. As previously explained, the Warriors have traditionally have had tough times getting past most of the teams in their former Bay League. Teams like Redondo, Mira Costa, and even Palos Verdes. By switching over to the Pioneer League, however, Holt and his Warriors will be matched up against much

to those against Bay League foes, to say the least. West is 8-2 against both Torrance and Leuzinger while they are 7-3 against North and 6-3-1 against the South High Spartans.

One thing that may partly help West High in its quest to take over the Pioneer League in their first year is the players that they have coming back to the team. At the top of that list is Brett Ojiyi. At 5'9" and 170 lbs, Ojiyi is a returning senior who figures to be a captain of the offense at the running back position. Last year, Ojiyi ran all over opposing defenses, becoming the spark that the Warriors needed to advance out of the Bay League in third place and into the playoffs where the team beat Canyon in the first round and Palmdale in the second round before eventually falling to Hart by a final score of 42-7 in the CIF Northern Division semifinals. Hart eventually went on to win the championship. Also returning to the roster will be senior wide receiver Dale Rouse, who was a favorite target of last year's starting quarterback Zach Heeger. This season Tao Clark, Trevor Mallett and Matthew Doty look to be competing for the starting quarterback position in lieu of Heeger's departure to college.

All in all, this season should serve to be an interesting one for the West High Warriors. While it should start out difficult for Holt and his team, they will be used to playing against some familiar opponents that were prominently featured in their schedule prior to this year as well. Once league play starts for this club, however, look for them to really take off. With Ojiyi and Rouse headlining what should be an explosive offense, the Warriors should be challenging for first place in the Pioneer League standings come the end of the year. With any luck and a lot of skill that is currently returning to the team, the Warriors and Holt could very well see a repeat of last year and even this time, make it all the way to the CIF championship game. •

Freeway Series Possibly Foreshadowing

By Adam Serrao

It wasn't just the Dodgers versus the Angels. It was Mike Trout against Yasiel Puig. Mike Scioscia against Don Mattingly. It was two of the best teams in all of Major League baseball squaring off against each other in a four-game series that captivated all of California about a week ago at both Chavez Ravine and Angels Stadium. California is now the premier state

A's have been the only two teams to maintain better overall records than the Dodgers in the league in the past month or so. Oakland has consistently been the best team in the entire league, while the Angels have been nipping at their heels almost all season long. The Angels also made strong moves to add to their starting pitching rotation and bullpen, showing signs that they will look to do nothing else but improve

"California is now the premier state for Major League Baseball. With the Dodgers, Angels, San Francisco Giants, and Oakland Athletics all in the top rankings of the league, baseball has indeed turned heads toward the West Coast for a year, at least."

for Major League Baseball. With the Dodgers, Angels, San Francisco Giants, and Oakland Athletics all in the top rankings of the league, baseball has indeed turned heads toward the West Coast for a year, at least. This year, however, seems to be one of the, if not the best, year ever for the Dodgers and the Angels to meet one another in the World Series. Recently, we received a preview of what that series just might look like if it were to happen, and judging from the ratings, America would approve.

It's something that has never happened before in the history of baseball. The Dodgers and the Angels have never met in the World Series to square off in a freeway showdown that would certainly set Hollywood abuzz. That's right, the Lakers aren't the only ones who can put on "Showtime." With Puig, Trout, Matt Kemp, Josh Hamilton, Clayton Kershaw and more to go around, there would be plenty of storylines to talk about and make news day after day. In the last quarter century, baseball teams from Los Angeles have made only two appearances in the World Series. The 1988 Dodgers got there and won the whole thing and likewise, the 2002 Angels took it all the way in their acquisition of the team's latest ring. Even still, they've never faced each other in the big October dance. Can this year be the year?

It looks to be more likely than ever. The Dodgers have once again put themselves in prime positioning for the playoffs after their unlucky experience last year with the St. Louis Cardinals where the team had no Hanley Ramirez and Kershaw, for some reason, looked to be a shell of himself. Currently, the Dodgers have overtaken the Giants in the NL West standings and seem to be maintaining a three- to four-game lead on their bitter rivals from up north (as of this past weekend). Aside from the Giants, the only other two teams who may challenge the Dodgers for the best record in the National League are the Washington Nationals and the Milwaukee Brewers, who the Dodgers actually just dropped a series to over the weekend. When it comes to playoff series, though, the Dodgers pitching staff would certainly be predicted to dominate in any matchup with either of those two teams, or really any team from the National League in general.

The Angels, on the other hand, trail the Oakland Athletics in the American League West standings, but both the Angels and the

over the last couple months of the season.

In their recent series against one another, one of those new pitchers for the Angels held the Dodgers at bay all night long. Garrett Richards threw a five hit shutout to get the freeway series rolling, putting his team in heavy command against the Dodgers who were, at the time, playing at home. While Zack Greinke and Kershaw surprisingly struggled, though, Dan Haren and Hyun-Jin Ryu were able to pick them up. After losing the first game and struggling early on in the second, Greinke and Kershaw gave up a total of six earned runs between them. Just when it looked as if the Dodgers were doomed, however, they suddenly turned things around and took three games in a row (including Kershaw's start) from the Angels, exerting their momentary dominance over the team from just across the city.

Perhaps one of the greatest things about the Dodgers playing the Angels, for Dodgers fans at least, is that they were finally able to watch their team play baseball again. With Time Warner Cable's lucrative television deal still looming large over the Dodgers and their fans, the Angels television station gave Dodger fans from Southern California the perfect opportunity to view in on the Angels network. In the first night of the series at Dodger Stadium, Fox Sports West (now primarily the Angels television station) drew a 4.02 rating. That's 228,000 homes and 346,000 viewers that tuned in to watch the game. The second night, numbers rose to a 4.60 rating, which translated into 261,000 homes and 382,000 viewers; the second highest ratings ever for a Fox Sports West Angels telecast. Those numbers would have been good for a nationally televised broadcast, let alone one that was simply local.

Clearly when it comes down to the numbers of it all, it doesn't matter which team is actually better or which team theoretically would win in a World Series matchup between the two. What matters is that these two teams are now in the national spotlight and people would watch should they make it that far. The Dodgers won the series, but the Angels currently have the better record. The only thing that would have the final say once and for all is a championship pennant. Until that pennant rises, though, we can close our eyes, dream and wonder what it would be like if the world of baseball was represented by two teams from right here in our very own Southern California. •

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Politically Speaking

One Man's Opinion

Reflections

By Gerry Chong

If my parents were still with us, we would have celebrated their 83rd wedding anniversary on August 1. It seemed appropriate that that day was one of reflection over their lives and that of my grandparents. I wonder what they would have thought about what this country has become over the 140 years they had contributed to its growth.

You see, in the late 1800s my grandfather was a 15-year-old farm boy in China who dared to dream great dreams. He dreamed of independence, of self-reliance, and of great wealth. So he signed a contract to emigrate to country he had never seen, and which spoke a language he had never heard, in order to make those dreams come true. He came to America. When he died 70 years later, he had never returned home, because his home was here, in this place of dreams.

Inheriting his father's sense of adventure, my father left Hawaii to pursue higher education at UC Berkeley. He married my mother, and together they suffered the poverty of the Great Depression and the deprivation of WWII. When they emerged from this crucible, they found they had crossed two divides: they had been transformed from being Chinese to being American, and had evolved from poverty to the middle class. They believed so strongly in education and its partner, self-reliance, that they mortgaged their home each time one of their children was accepted into a prestigious university. When the last of their children graduated, they said, "Your inheritance is your education. Now you are on your own." Their dedication to self-reliance knew no bounds.

Unfortunately, it would be difficult to replicate their experience today since the first four and a half months of each American's income is now dedicated to paying taxes. Therefore, every family's dreams must take a back seat. And for what? For an overbearing, incompetent "Gang that Can't Shoot Straight." The ghosts of my ancestors would ask:

"Why does the CIA spy on Congress? Why can't the State Department protect its diplomats? Why can't educators educate our children? Why does the NSA spy on Americans and on our allies? Why does the Department of Justice engage in gun running in Mexico, and break into the records of the Associated Press?"

Why can't the VA administer to veterans? How can the IRS illegally target political opponents of the Administration? Why do we give Afghanistan agricultural crops that will not grow there while building a defense mechanism so expensive that their government will collapse from its weight when America withdraws? How can the government indefinitely accrue unlimited debt? How could we pass a healthcare law whose costs the government admits cannot be calculated?

Our ghosts would recoil in fear that their 140-year worship at the altar of individual self-reliance, freedom and independence may have been for naught. The fulcrum separating these virtues on one hand, has been tilted in favor of a misguided, inept government emphasizing compassion for all at all costs; trading "freedom" for "free stuff" on the other. Clearly, spirits cannot be easily quieted. •

Another Man's Opinion

College Graduate's Exchange With Senator Makes Hollow Headlines

By Cristian Vasquez

Republican Rep. Steve King, an ardent opponent of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals [DACA], had a brief debate with Erika Andiola, a college graduate from Arizona State University who was brought to the U.S. from Mexico as a child and who would benefit from the intended goals of DACA. To briefly explain, DACA allows for certain groups of undocumented immigrants who entered the country illegally before the age of 16 and have lived continuously in the country an opportunity to remain in the country without fear of deportation. At the same time DACA would allow them to apply for work permits, and increases their opportunities for economic and social incorporation. The brief exchange between the Senator and Andiola caused some headlines, but the news failed to deliver any substance from the encounter.

Observing the immigration debate is never easy. Coming from an immigrant family, I have a lot of sympathy for people who come to this country to work hard and aim for success; yet there is a need to uphold laws and not just allow anyone to come in at will without respect for the process. Unfortunately, what people like Senator King do not understand is that while American businesses continue to hire undocumented workers for larger profits, and politicians ignore the problem until it's a good re-election topic, these immigrants have become a part of American society.

People like Andiola and DACA beneficiaries were brought to America as children through no

fault of their own. They have gone to American schools; they have grown up with American traditions and since they can't reenter the country because of their legal status, America is all that they have ever known. How do we benefit from deporting a college graduate like Andiola? How does our nation become a better place when we kick out a college-educated individual because of an action that she had no control over as a child?

DACA isn't amnesty and it is not rewarding those immigrants that do come to America and do nothing more than become a burden on society. This program allows individuals who have demonstrated a strong work ethic and good character to continue growing and thriving in the society that has been the foundation to their upbringing. Sen. King's refusal to even consider anything other than deportation for these individuals shows an absurd level of ignorance and lack of reason. If we begin to apply the Senator's logic of punishing DACA beneficiaries for the actions of their parents, then for what other crimes should we punish third parties?

Andiola's exchange with Sen. King did little, if anything, to sway opinions in the debate over how to deal with this segment of the nation's undocumented immigrants. If we really want to curb illegal immigration in this country we need to put as much energy into prosecuting businesses that hire undocumented workers as we do into trying to deport said workforce. The truth is that politicians will more likely than not talk about illegal immigration when it's for political gain. •

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TerriAnn in Torrance

A Torrance Theatre Company Family

By TerriAnn Ferren

If I told you the musical "Oklahoma!" (with music by Richard Rodgers and book and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II) was coming to town, what song would you be humming in your head? Yup, "Oklahoma!". Everyone seems to let loose with the Oooooo-klahoma! number when the musical is mentioned.



Eric Ferguson

Last Friday night I caught up with Gia Jordahl, Program Director of the Torrance Theatre Company (TTC) who took time from a busy rehearsal to speak with me about her upcoming show, "Oklahoma!". "This is our 15th Anniversary Season and I think it's our 60th show that we've produced. The big one that started it all was 'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat' in 1999." Gia went on to explain that Bob Myers was the Cultural Services Manager at the time and he wanted to resurrect the summer musical. "It had this long history in the city from the 60s, 70s, and the 80s. Then it had been gone when the budget kind of went away and when the center was built, it had been here for several years and that's when we started," said Gia. She told me she has learned a lot along the way and the city of Torrance has supported the program through good times and bad. With support from the city, elected officials, and staff, they have managed to keep this program alive, regardless. "And it has been crazy and wonderful," said Gia.

With exuberance and sheer delight, Gia explained she is well aware of the demographic of Torrance and chooses shows that the community would enjoy, especially during the summer when she puts on the musical. This production of the Pulitzer Prize winning musical "Oklahoma!" is directed and choreographed by K.C. Gussler, who has also done "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," "Damn Yankees," "Grease," and "West Side



Gia Jordahl, Program Director of the Torrance Theatre Company.

Story" for the TCC. "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" in 2007 was 'dance heavy' and this show also challenges all the actors to bring their best game to the stage. Gia said this classic show, which is over 70 years old, has a lot of hoedown dancing, very rich music, and a timeless story.

This particular cast is quite a family. Many in the cast are married, or related which makes the chemistry on stage natural. "It's not just about the product being good, but about the process being good for everybody involved," said Gia. She protects the environment of her actors and technical staff so everyone has a very positive experience. She also explained, "I was blown away to learn there are 700 home school families here in the South Bay - several who are pursuing this and I think it is conducive. If you're home during the day, you can go out on calls and what have you - and it's great to have them in the show too because they're always looking for things that are serious. Sometimes youth theatre can be a lot of traffic copping - a lot of kids on stage that you have to manage - and this is more intense than maybe what they're used to than other youth productions they've done before."

As rehearsal continued, I could hear boots slapping on the floor and familiar songs being rehearsed in the hall. Logan Gould, age 13, told me, "This will be my 4th performance with TTC. I am in the ensemble. We are dancing a ton." Price Morgan, age 17, added, "I am freshly 17 - my birthday was on the 24th so I was in rehearsal for my birthday and they all sang Happy Birthday and it was too much fun. This is my second show with TTC. My first was 'A Christmas Story' way back in 2009. I actually did that with Logan. I am so happy to be back with TTC. TTC is a favorite of mine because they put on a



Christine Ferguson

professional show. It is real community theatre. The adults play adults and everything. It's a real step up from children's theatre and I really enjoy the stuff I've learned here and the fact that I have to raise the bar when I work with TTC."

Then I spoke with Makenzie Browning and Lauren Oseas, both 15 years old. Makenzie beamed and told me, "This is my second show. I was also in 'Willie Wonka,' I played Violet Beauregard." Lauren chimed in, "This is my second show - I was also in 'Willy Wonka' - I was Veruca Salt. It was really fun." Makenzie told me she has been performing since she was seven years old and was in "The Little Princess," and said, "I've been doing this ever since and I just love it so much. I love it. I think it's a great experience to have all these rehearsals almost every night. It's a really good experience for me and I love all the dancing in it. I think it's really good for preparing us for when we're older."

All of the actors I spoke with seemed to ooze with exuberance and excitement. Patrick Quinn, age 22, was resting when I approached him. He told me, "This is my first show with TTC. I know K.C. and a bunch of people in the cast from Disney where I work. I've worked with K.C. before and he's an awesome director. It's so much fun. It's great. I just love acting and performing. I've always loved it. This one's great. We've got the Broadway set - I am really excited

about that. It just makes everything feel so much more alive and we have such a team of professionals too. Everyone approaches these rehearsals professionally and ready to work and it's just - when you get to work with a cast who takes it seriously it makes it so much more. It's fun to be around - like you're doing something special."



Suzanne and John Fugatt.

One of two newlywed couples, Suzanne and John Fugatt are cast members of "Oklahoma!" By day, Suzanne is a bank manager and John is a first grade teacher. Suzanne told me, "We've been married 2 1/2 years. We were doing a Fame production when we met." John added, "I was her acting coach and she was Carmen Diaz in 'Fame' - that's what we were working on. It started as a friendship and then it blossomed from there." Suzanne added, "I did 'Willy Wonka' and this is my second production with TTC...the mayor is part of my family - Frank and Cindy Scott! The more shows you do the more you grow on stage. You need to be pushed to find your full potential." This sweet couple love being part of the show and they especially love the hard work and professional caliber of the show.

Also newly wed, Eric and Christine (Tucker) Ferguson are new to TTC and are excited about doing their first show in Torrance. Christine, age 25, told me, "I am playing Laurie Williams. I didn't really start theatre until I was 18. I was a dancer since I was 2 but got an ankle injury when I was 16 and I decided a different route. I did my first musical in high school, 'The Pirates of Penzance,' as Mabel, and I went to Texas State in San Marcos, Texas and majored in musical theatre. I've been doing shows ever since then. We met [Eric] doing 'Music Man' in 2009 in Austin, Texas. I played Zanetta and he was Harold Hill and I kind of fell in love with him in that show

a little bit. So we dated a couple years after that. I was living in New York and he [Eric] was working in Texas and he proposed and we got married a year ago, August 10. So our anniversary is August 10 during the show. We moved right after the wedding. We knew K.C. in Texas. We both auditioned and got cast! This is the first time we get to kiss each other on stage. I thought it was going to be a little odd, but it's really great. It feels natural, not just characters. The people in this show are the most professional, and the most relaxing, and the most encouraging people I have ever worked with. We get to get married again on stage on our anniversary. Our family are all coming down to support us."

I then spoke with Eric Ferguson (Christine's husband), age 28, who has been in theatre since elementary school. He told me, "I did church musicals growing up. I grew up in Austin, Texas and my wife grew up in Houston. The first show I did out of high school was 'Joseph,' when I was 18, and it was directed by K.C. Gussler. That was ten years ago. By day, I work as an engineer for JPL. I help drive the Mars Rover, Opportunity and also work on a project to fly a spacecraft by the moon of Jupiter, Europa. It is a lot different than this, but I love both. I play Curly and my wife plays Laurie, so we're playing opposite each other for the first time. To have a full orchestra behind you is a dream come true - and we will be getting married on stage."

Perry (Ali Hakim) and Cindy (Aunt Eller) Shields are also married and both in "Oklahoma!" along with their son, Craig, who is a member of the orchestra and will be playing in the pit. Also, the stage manager, Jennifer Caspellan, and her first cousin and assistant manager, Edgard Di Dios, are working together in the show. And did I mention Gia's husband Cary, who assists with all the technical issues also works the show? Yes, this is indeed a family affair on stage and off. Director K.C. Gussler runs a tight ship and expects professional performances from all his actors and crew. And he gets it. This show promises to be first class and professional, with over 35 cast members, a live 19 piece orchestra, and amazing sets and costumes. A Gia Jordahl production never disappoints.

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Deep in rehearsal. All photos by TerriAnn Ferren.

City Council

from front page

Weideman, Rizzo, and Furey all declined to nominate a candidate while Council member Heidi Ashcraft re-nominated Griffiths and Goodrich re-nominated Uchima. In this round of voting five Council members chose Griffiths and only Goodrich supported Uchima.

Barnett initially nominated Griffiths in the interest of having someone who ran in the election

“For you to confirm my desire to want to serve the city in this capacity, I’m just humbled beyond belief.”

serve on the Council. Craig Kessler, Lynn Miles and Rick Marshall expressed their opinion that the results of the election should inform the appointment process, although they each said they would like to see the nominees more closely follow the will of the voters. Each at least echoed Kessler’s endorsement of the fifth-place vote-getter Leilani Kimmel-Dagostino.

“I am here to speak on behalf on one class of person that maybe has been forgotten here this evening. I’m a voter and like so many others who voted in June we put four of you up there and we understood at that time that there was a very strong possibility that we

were in essence having a poll on who should be the fifth,” said Kessler. “If I was sitting in your seat I would contemplate whether you’re honoring your electorate by selecting somebody who didn’t stand for election, somebody that got fewer votes . . . a matter of a handful of weeks ago against . . . someone who finished fifth. That’s been a tradition, not your legal

responsibility. What I’m here to suggest to you tonight might be an unpopular position, but it might be your ethical responsibility.”

While he didn’t make it to the Council via election, Griffiths said working the campaign trail in Torrance has been a remarkable chapter of his life. “It was a humbling experience to run in this past election in June,” said Griffiths. “It was a phenomenal experience for me. The whole process of meeting people, getting an opportunity to share myself with them and for people I’ve never met in my life to come out and support me was just the most incredible experience I’ve ever encountered.” •

Jim Marak

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affecting our real-estate values,” he said. Each recession had internal and peripheral causes, he said, which caused price fluctuations, both upward and downward. “The current recession hasn’t come to an end,” he said. “However, property values are almost at pre-recession values across the country,” including the South Bay. Although the economy hasn’t completely healed, the lower mortgage rates have prompted buyers to be willing to pay more and more to own real estate.

The current market, Marak said, is increasing in value at a slow, but constant rate. “The really fast increases in value took place from the fourth quarter of 2012 thru the third quarter of 2013,” because of historically low fixed-fee and mortgage rates.

“What has kept the inventory of available housing low for the past year-and-a-half has been the fact that so many homeowners either bought or re-financed their homes at 3.5 %, and are not willing to move, he said.” The normal trade-up homeowner is adding on to their house, instead of buying a larger house, so that they can keep their 3.5% mortgage, instead of buying a new home at just under 5% interest. This is the phenomenon that the public is really not aware of.”

Marak thinks that this shortage of available

inventory could last another three years. He counsels those interested in buying property to buy now, while interest rates are at “almost a 50-year low.” As for sellers, Marak said selling is a good idea for “somebody who wants to re-invest in a property or asset that is appreciating at a higher rate than the home that they own now.”

Marak, who has a nice, short stroll from his west El Segundo home to his Main. St. office, is energized each and every day he goes to work. He said he thrives on the fact that each transaction is different, and that the people that he works for and with are unique. “If you truly enjoy your work, you are not staring at your watch, to see what time you get to go home.”

While there are challenges in dealing with occasional clients who aren’t familiar with the pricing of South Bay real estate ” because they can’t afford the down-payment and relocate near their jobsite, Marak, who said that he has closed over 1,000 transactions in the El Segundo area, is upbeat about his chosen career. “The relationships built in those transactions,” he said, “have provided me with a rewarding sphere of influence and ongoing friendships with great individuals and families. This is something that I treasure.” •

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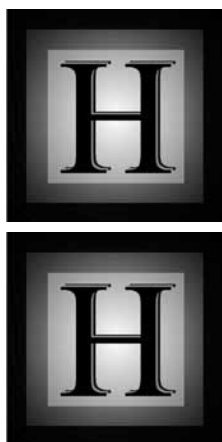
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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2014204643

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ALL HUMANS ARE ENTREPRENEURS NOT BECAUSE THEY SHOULD START COMPANIES BUT BECAUSE THE WILL TO CREATE IS ENCODED IN HUMAN DNA.

REID HOFFMAN

LAAFB

from front page

Bay was raised on the aerospace industry, and the SBACC played a vital role to keep the Los Angeles Air Force Base in our backyard during Base Relocation and Closure (BRAC) efforts over a decade ago. Over the years a lot has changed for the business community of the South Bay, however, one thing has remained the same and that's the importance of the aerospace industry and the presence of the LA Air Force Base."

The LAAFB is one of the largest employers in the South Bay, directly providing over 5,000 jobs. Surprisingly, actual military member make up only 25% of the LAAFB workforce, according to the 61st Air Base Group's Commander, Colonel (select) Donna Turner, who is in charge of all base support operations. The remaining 75% of the workforce is comprised of Department of Defense Civilians and Contractors. According to the Financial Management and Comptroller division of the office of the Secretary of the Air Force, the base indirectly creates over 11,000 jobs as a result of the aerospace cluster effect and in fiscal year 2013, assessed the overall economic impact of the LAAFB in the South Bay to be nearly \$1.7 billion.

Duperron and the SBACC will continue to foster a collaborative relationship between the business community and the LAAFB to support the base's

presence in the region. "The SBACC felt it was important to bring our board to the base as a reminder of its tremendous impact on one of the most important job clusters in our region. We will



Space and Missile Systems Center and the 61st Air Base Group treat members of the South Bay Association of Chambers of Commerce to an introduction of the SMC mission and a tour of Los Angeles Air Force Base in El Segundo, Calif., on August 1, 2014. The SBACC is a regional association of chambers of commerce dedicated to regional issue advocacy in the South Bay. Photo by Sarah Corrice.

continue to fight to keep the base here throughout any efforts to relocate or close it and look forward to a long term partnership with the base."

In addition to supporting our local economy, the LAAFB plays a major role in the defense of our

Nation. The SMC serves to provide "resilient and affordable space capabilities," as stated in its mission. Such capabilities have empowered our nation's military to strategically communicate

and conduct surveillance as well as provide unprecedented haste and accuracy to military operations. Defense of our nation is no small task, yet the SMC has also served to provide the navigation capabilities that most citizens of

the South Bay utilize on a daily basis, Global Positioning Systems (GPS). GPS capabilities can now be found on most smartphones and have been well established as a primary source of day-to-day navigation. The SMC has supported operations to both stabilize and improve GPS capabilities through its satellite missions.

Whether the SMC is operating to defend our nation on the most strategic of levels, providing support to our GPS capabilities, or impacting local economy with nearly \$1.7 billion, the SMC does not ask for much in return. When asked how the community can better support the LAAFB, SMC Commander Lieutenant General Samuel A. Greaves replied, "Not much else is needed: a simple thank you from time to time when you see someone in uniform. We have enjoyed being a part of the South Bay Community and feel our partnership in the community has been great. Our kids go to school with your kids, we shop where you shop. It has been great."

In response to Lt. Gen. Greaves, Duperron states, "Thanking the LAAFB in return for the freedom, job creation, and economic vitality it has given to us is certainly the least we can do. We will continue to collaborate with the LAAFB and ensure they are always a key feature in our community." •

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Evie is good with cats and needs a human to love.

Hello, my name is **Evie**. I'm a 6-year old female, purebred, Miniature Schnauzer who is looking for my forever home. I was rescued by MSFR in December of 2011 and found a truly lovely home. Sadly, my "mom" passed away and I was returned to the folks at MSFR and we're looking for someone to love me. I get along really good with other dogs and I even like cats. In my former home, I had a feline friend for 2.5 years and we had a ball. I'm only 14 pounds so I'm very portable and can mold myself to your lap in a heartbeat. I have lots of love to give and you won't be sorry if you make a part of your family. If you are interested in Evie, please email info@msfr.org for more information.

Hi, I'm **Morty** and I'm a 3-year old Schnauzer/Maltese mix. I'm a cute little thing who looks like a tiny, 11 pound, white Schnauzer with a natural tail and big dark eyes. I was dumped by my previous owner over the 4th of July weekend at a high kill city shelter. I'm kind of shy and that place was overwhelming so I tried to maintain a low profile. That's probably why I didn't get adopted but I'm out of my shell and ready to

play a good game of fetch, which is my favorite pastime. I'm not very good with children – they play too rough and I'm just a bit of a guy. If you are interested in Morty, please email info@msfr.org for more information.

If anyone has been overlooked or ignored because they didn't conform to a particular image, then you know how I feel. I'm **Vinny**, a 5-year old, male "Schnoodle" (Miniature Schnauzer/Poodle mix). I've got Poodle-like fur but with my salt/pepper coloring and my beard I look more like a Schnauzer. I've been with MSFR for such a long time – in fact I've been there longer than anyone else. In April 2013, I was dropped at a shelter as a stray. I was adopted in May but in July, I became ill and the Vet suspected I had been poisoned, accidentally or intentionally, by prescription drugs. I was confiscated at a Vet's office and when my owner never came back for me, I was turned over to high kill shelter. After 6 weeks, I was worried that I was running out of time, when the MSFR folks came for me. I just don't understand why no one wants me. I'm only 8 pounds, and I get along with other dogs but I'm really more interested in spending time with my humans.

I'm not very good with children because they play too rough and I can't tolerate that. My favorite past time is just to follow my humans around and I love that cuddling stuff. Please, if you would just give me a chance, I have a whole lot of love to give and I want to be your best friend. If you are interested in Vinny, please email info@msfr.org for more information.

If you are searching for a dog who's very special, I believe that I'm just what you're looking for. They call me **Tulare** and I am



Vinny is a "schnoodle" with a sad past who needs cuddling.

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Morty is a shy boy who needs a quiet home.



Tulare will make a wonderful family addition.

We are looking for volunteers to help with our Saturday pet adoption events, which are held at the Petco located at 537 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Redondo Beach 90277. If you are interested in volunteering and can commit to at least one Saturday a month, please contact us at info@msfr.org

Happy Tails

Garth Gets a Home



Garth now has a new family with siblings both human and canine.

Major drum roll please!! A HUGE congratulations to **Garth** and his new family. Garth is the older fellow we rescued from a shelter last Thanksgiving. When he was rescued he had bladder stones, and had to have surgery when one became lodged in his urethra. When he was x-rayed, we found that he had been shot with a bb gun and a bb was lodged in his hip muscle.

We are over the top that this little guy got the Cinderella ending he so deserved. He was adopted by a previous MSFR adopter and joins a 3-year old Miniature Schnauzer as well as his very own human sister. It really warms our hearts to see Garth finally going home. He now resides in Encino. •

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.

Please visit all of our Miniature Schnauzers & Friends rescues at the adoptions fair held every Saturday from noon-3:30 p.m. Or check out our website, www.msfr.org. Our adoptions fairs take place at Petco, 537 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Redondo Beach, California. Schnauzers! Bet you can't adopt just one!

Real Estate

Creating Functional Family Living Spaces

(BPT) - Let's face it - life is busy. And one of the byproducts of a busy life is a cluttered house. With piles of paper coming home from school and toys creating obstacle courses in the family room, parents may wonder how they'll ever take back control of the house. A few experts share their ideas for doing just that.

MAKING THE MOST OF SMALL SPACES

Lisa Godsey, a registered interior designer for nearly 20 years and an instructor at The Illinois Institute of Art - Chicago, recommends that people start looking at interior spaces in a new way - up. Utilizing a room's vertical space along the walls takes the heavy lifting off floor space as a catch-all for clutter. "Consolidating objects in some kind of

containment, whether with shelves, cubes, wall-hung baskets or other organizational options cleans up visual clutter," she says.

This technique is especially beneficial in small living areas. In these situations, adding vertical modular storage units opens up space for tables and couches, while adding utility and keeping potentially harmful items away from small hands.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY FURNITURE

Marissa Alexander, academic director at The Art Institutes International Minnesota advises families to think toward the future when choosing furniture items. "Durability, easy maintenance and flexibility of the fabric are essential," she says. Children will grow up quickly so choosing materials that meet the family's needs now and in the future is

highly advisable.

Both Alexander and Godsey suggest nylon upholstery and durable, low-sheen furniture finishes, fiber seal textiles and individual lounge chairs sharing an ottoman instead of a loveseat. These combinations offer form, function, and style, as well as the opportunity to fit in alongside new furniture purchases.

"Selecting furniture with clean lines, in subdued patterns in a medium value range (not too light or dark) can work in a variety of settings," Godsey adds.

To add pops of color, change the wall paint. Adam B. Nash, LEED certified designer and interior design instructor at The Art Institute of San Antonio, a branch of The Art Institute of Houston, suggests choosing Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) free products - because they are very eco- and child-friendly. These paints don't emit any toxic fumes and are completely odorless making it possible to literally paint a bedroom and have the kids sleep in it that same evening. "It also allows for flexibility of changing things around without huge costs, especially when transitioning from a nursery to a preschooler to a preteen, etc," shares Nash.

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IN SHARED SPACES

It's hard enough to convince siblings to share a tablet; what happens when they have to share closet space?

"Sharing a closet is best accomplished when it is clear who controls which space," asserts Godsey.

She recommends defining areas based on age - for example, placing an older child's clothing on the top level of a double-hung closet. The area can be accessed via a step-stool - out of a younger sibling's reach.

Another option is to hang two bars extending into the depth of the closet, rather than one utilizing the width of the closet.

"Two bars on each side, in double-hung fashion, gives each child four feet of hanging space," she says. And it may help to keep the peace when it's time to choose an outfit.

A TIME AND PLACE FOR INDIVIDUAL STYLE

While parents show off their acquired style through furniture choices, artwork and decor, children's style can be a bit more - changeable.

Alexander suggests that parents provide children with flexible display systems that show off their creativity in a simple, neat and contained package.

"Magnetic paint gives children direct control over what they display, allowing them to change displays whenever they want. A large frame with a plexi shield is a lightweight way to display a variety of flat work like children's custom artwork."

Creating a functional living space - where parents and children coexist harmoniously - doesn't have to be a daunting task. By choosing durable but stylish furniture, practical storage solutions, and allowing everyone the chance to express their style in defined places, your home can become a haven for all ages. •

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