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Pediatric Therapy Network's Annual Community Basketball Game



The Los Angeles Laker Girls and Bailey from the Los Angeles Kings cheer on our campers during PTN's Annual Community Basketball Game at Camp Escapades 2016 presented by Honda. Every August, Pediatric Therapy Network (PTN) hosts Camp Escapades — an innovative two-week summer day camp for children with developmental concerns. Camp Escapades offers a traditional summer camp experience for children in our community who otherwise would not be able to enjoy at typical summer day camp. Over the years, thousands of young campers ages 5 to 14 years, have experienced the joys of camp: pony rides, arts and crafts, music, dance and sports. Photo provided by the Pediatric Therapy Network. •

Groundwater Well, Water Storage Tank Approved For Rehabilitation, Restoration

By Cristian Vasquez

In a unanimous vote, the Torrance Mayor and members of the city council approved an agreement to restore and rehabilitate the city's groundwater well No. 9, located at McMaster Park. The approval will allot \$197,400 from the city's Water Enterprise Fund Balance to Wood Rodgers of San Dimas, who is projecting a completion date of Aug. 22.

Also approved [via separate item] was the repair of the city's 63-year-old, 1-million gallon water storage tank, which was discovered to have a leak near its steel base and which is where well No. 9 pumps its treated water. Superior Tank Solutions will carry out the rehabilitation of the Yukon Avenue Water Storage Tank at a \$54,675 price tag, with a 20 percent contingency [\$10,935].

"This tank is needed to receive the treated water provided by well No. 9," Water Operations Superintendent Alan Berndt said. "Well nine has been inoperative and will continue to be inoperative until the tank repairs are completed."

Well No. 9, located at McMaster Park is the city's only active municipal water well, was placed into service in January of 2011 and produced 3,000 gallons per minute of pumping capacity. However, in the fall of 2014 its pumping capacity began to slow.

"In response to decreased pumping capacity, water staff contracted South West Pump & Drilling to inspect the permanent pump components and make necessary repairs," states the staff report signed by Berndt. "This work resulted in only slight improvements to pumping capacity."

To get an accurate measurement of the well's pumping capacity the city had Wood Rodgers

carry out well and pumping efficiency tests. The results determined that the well's efficiency had dropped to 25 percent capacity, compared to its original 78 percent efficiency when first measured. With regional ground water levels having changed little during that same period of time, it was determined that significant clogging of the well's screen, gravel envelope and/or near-well zone had led to the reduction in production capacity.

"Water operations staff ran the well at the reduced capacity, as we needed well water to offset the allocation reduction implemented by the Metropolitan Water District in July 2015," states the staff report.

Pumping at reduced levels continued until April of this year when the leak was discovered. In August 2015, Water Systems Engineering, Inc. conducted an evaluation of groundwater samples pumped from the well, and concluded that: the groundwater quality showed a scale build up with regards to calcium carbonate; and, a level of bacterial activity that is pinpointed to the inside of the aquifer and near the well zone.

Furthermore, an inspection and assessment of well No. 9 by Southwest Pump and Drilling, concluded that a minimum scope of work was necessary in order to restore the well to

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Torrance School District Teachers Ready To Kick Off New Year

By Cristian Vasquez

Throughout the South High campus, resource teachers in all subject areas led orientation and introduction efforts for new teachers to the district. The three days were broken down and structured to better assist the district's new teachers to transition into the classroom with a clear understanding of what the district requires of them.

"Torrance Teacher Institute is designed so that all new hires in the district are provided an opportunity to see what the expectations are in the district in terms of instructional practice, aligning curriculum to common core standards and to better prepare them for the beginning of the school year," Sue Key, Career Pathways/

Induction, said. "How this whole thing is laid out is very intentional."

Day one [Aug. 30] introduced the new teachers to Torrance Unified School District's frameworks, lesson designs and standards in math, science, English Language Arts/Literacy [ELA] and Next Generation Science Standards [NGSS]. Teachers were placed into groups based on grade and subject matter, with teachers in elementary/secondary schools in ELA and social science groups breaking off from secondary teachers in science, math and other content areas.

"Content experts in all subject areas supported in the designing of what they

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Weekend Forecast

Friday

Sunny
74°/65°



Saturday

Partly
Cloudy
74°/63°



Sunday

AM Clouds/
PM Sun
72°/62°



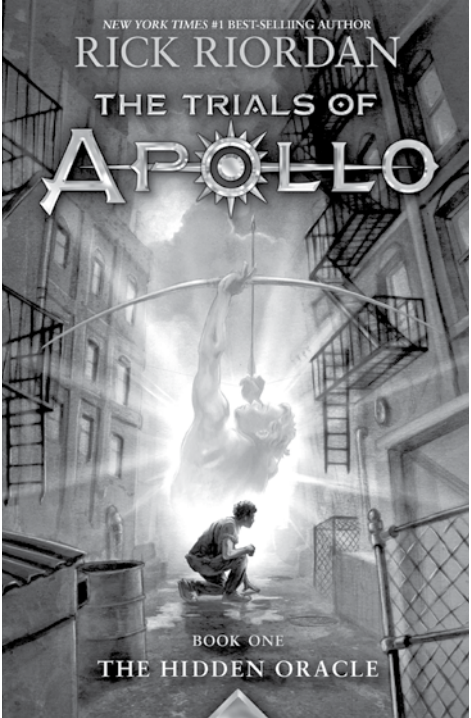
Entertainment

Check It Out

The Hidden Oracle: The Trials of Apollo

By Rick Riordan.

New York Times #1 Best-Selling author Rick Riordan has invited readers to step back into the world of demigods in another Percy Jackson spin-off series. This series is geared towards a fourth to ninth grade audience. The story picks up where Riordan's last series about the Olympians, *Heroes of Olympus*, left off. This new series *The Hidden Oracle*



The Hidden Oracle: The Trials of Apollo by Rick Riordan. opens with Zeus punishing the God, Apollo by casting him out of Olympus and turning him into a mortal teenage boy. Apollo is forced to team up with Meg, a demigod, and head to Camp Half-blood

This book is sure to thrill Riordan fans looking to return to the world of Percy Jackson and his friends. It has all of the wary narration and non-stop action that Riordan fans have come to know and love. Also the characters in this book prove to be a diverse group, which are so realistic, they feel as if they could walk right off of the page and join you in the real world. Although it is not necessary to have read Riordan's other

series *Percy Jackson and the Olympians* and the *Heroes of Olympus* prior to picking up this story and jumping right into the world of Greek and Roman mythology with the demigods heroes that live there, I would highly recommend doing so as there are many references to characters and events from the previous series. Either way, if it is your first time stepping into Riordan's modern day pantheon or if you have been there time and time again with his many other books, this book will bring ancient mythology to life and leave you laughing out loud and wanting more.

The El Segundo Public Library offers access to its collection of titles in a variety of formats, including traditional hardback, e-books and books on CD. To check out *The Hidden Oracle: The Trials of Apollo* by Rick Riordan, any of his other books or any other title on your to-read list, please visit the library to apply for your library card, or please contact the reference staff for further assistance. Reviewed by Katrena Woodson, Teen and Young Reader Librarian, El Segundo Public Library. •



Katrena Woodson.

Film Review

“The Light Between Oceans” is a Darkly Poetic and Affecting Love Story

By Morgan Rojas
for www.cinemacy.com

Director Derek Cianfrance certainly has a knack for portraying “love lost and found.” His 2010 indie classic, “Blue Valentine,” is a moody and contemporary observation of one couple's dysfunctional relationship while

to expose the truth would not only devastate Isabel but ruin the relationship with the little girl they've come to love and call their own.

It is this impossible choice and the events that follow which makes “The Light Between Oceans” so painstakingly brutal. While author M.L. Stedman takes credit for the



Michael Fassbender and Alicia Vikander in 'The Light Between Oceans.' Courtesy of DreamWorks Pictures.

his 2013 indie hit, “The Place Beyond the Pines,” deals with familial struggles and the far-reaching repercussions of poor choices. Cianfrance continues to do what he does best, bringing his past experience of showcasing these same themes and questions to his first studio film, based on the acclaimed novel by M.L. Stedman, “The Light Between Oceans.” While this film is another romantic drama, written for the screen by Cianfrance, it is a small departure in terms of it being a period film, but that makes it no less relatable to modern audiences.

After four years fighting abroad in World War I, all Tom Sherbourne (Michael Fassbender) craves is isolation and a relatively risk-free routine. When he is offered the position of the lighthouse keeper in a small coastal town in Western Australia, he graciously accepts. After arriving, he meets and quickly falls in love with Isabel (Alicia Vikander) and the two soon marry. Isabel follows Tom to the lighthouse, which stands in seclusion from the rest of the town. They are blissfully in love with each other, domesticating their tiny space on the island they call home and ready to start a family of their own.

Their happiness comes to a sudden halt after two emotionally and physically painful miscarriages. Isabel becomes a shell of her former self, while Tom feels helpless in his efforts to console her. That is until a rowboat washes ashore with a newborn baby girl and her deceased father onboard. Isabel sees this as a sign from God and begs Tom to let her keep the baby instead of reporting the incident per his official protocol. Torn between what he knows is right and his wife's happiness, Tom finally gives in to Isabel's pleas. Life goes on for the couple and their newly acquired baby without consequence until Tom's guilt catches up with him when he sees Hannah Roennfeldt (Rachel Weisz) visiting a grave site. As soon as he realizes that she is the baby girl's birth mother, he knows the awful decision he will have to make. The moral dilemma of whether or not

story's tragic circumstances, it is the colorful world created by Cianfrance that really drives the story home. Breathtaking visuals cover the screen from start to finish, with the camerawork making the characters seem so small compared to their epic surroundings. These sweeping images of the environment are juxtaposed with extreme closeups as if we are looking at the most intimate details of their relationship through a magnifying glass. In many scenes, the beats between Tom and Isabel's dialogue last longer than a typical film's edit, giving the characters not only a chance to act but react, which is how it achieves its heightened emotional intensity.

Coming off of a strong 2015, Alicia Vikander proves why she, again, deserves to stay on the top this year. Her doe-eyed innocence and warm presence make her a protagonist worth rooting for, despite her flaws. We understand that her heart is in the right place and feel her pain as she finds herself in unspeakable situations. Michael Fassbender taps into his sensitive side as Tom, putting on a brave face for his family despite battling a moral war internally. Rachel Weisz gives a layered performance as Hannah as she experiences a rollercoaster of emotional grief and joy throughout the film. Watching these three powerful lead actors (Vikander and Weisz are Academy-Award winners, Fassbender has been nominated twice), is like truly watching magic on screen.

It would be lazy to call “The Light Between Oceans” this year's “The Notebook,” however, there is no denying the strong emotional parallels (plus the fact that Fassbender and Vikander are now dating after meeting on the set a la Ryan Gosling and Rachel McAdams). “The Light Between Oceans” isn't easy to get through with dry eyes, but this timeless love story is as mesmerizing and beautiful as it is gut-wrenching and powerful, most definitely a top contender in this year's best of lists.

“The Light Between Oceans” is rated PG-13 for thematic material and some sexual content. 132 minutes. In theaters everywhere on Sept. 2. •

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WEEKLY CROSSWORD
See Answers Next Week

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Across
1. Stumble
5. Cup, plate, and fork for example
8. Spinning toys
12. Obscure
13. Refinable rock
14. "War of the worlds" for example
15. Think tank output
17. Head butt
18. Don't exist
19. Closest
21. Mother and father
23. Race segment
24. White meat
25. Lay an ____
28. 1,760 yards
30. Breakfast fare
35. Plumbing problem
37. Head of the manor
39. Poke fun at
40. Yielded
41. Nearby
43. Most populous continent
44. Affair
46. Sole
47. Garnet and ruby
48. Realized
50. Like some drinks

Down
1. Skeletal
2. Tease
3. Hypothesis
4. Highly valued person
5. Database command
6. Memorable time
7. Rhythm
8. Dashed
9. Cooker
10. Oil measure
11. Solidifies
14. Sell
16. Stratum
20. Pour out in drops

Across
52. Umpire's cry
53. Satisfy
55. Ludwig's middle name
57. Sharper
61. Is contingent upon
65. Country
66. Partook of
68. Tally
69. Single-handedly
70. Red or Dead?
71. Leg joint
72. Road turn
73. It has a canal
74. Fixes a hem

Down
22. Compass doodle
24. A fraction of
25. Borders
26. Critical
27. Accepting that..
29. Weaver's apparatus
31. Back
32. Painting holder
33. Dismiss; set ____
34. Smallest
36. Composes
38. Be brave enough for
42. Approved absence
45. Religious building
49. Hey, mister ____ jay!
51. Dances noisily
54. Demolish
56. Chicken parts
57. Seaside crawler
58. Reign
59. Steely material
60. Smooth
61. Letter opening
62. Nonexistent
63. Pulled
64. Imagines
67. A drink with jam and bread....

Last Week's Answers

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SUDOKU Medium

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9	7	5		1					3
			5	6		8			
6								4	5

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.



Up and Adam

Saxons Lose Opener in Final Seconds

By Adam Serrao

The time has finally come. High School football is back, at last. Last Friday night, the North High Saxons strapped on their pads to get things kicked off as the first team from the city of Torrance to step foot on the field. In their first game without last year’s Player of the Year, Mique Juarez, the Saxons looked good. Going up against the Banning Pilots, North and new starting quarterback Glenn Searcy tied the game at 12 apiece with just less than two minutes remaining. Unfortunately for the Saxons, their defense fell apart in the final seconds. With just 13 seconds remaining in the game, Banning quarterback Myles Porter connected with wide receiver Angel Mendez for an 11-yard touchdown. The Score put the Pilots ahead for good, crushing North’s hope for an opening game win.

A new era of North High football began with the Saxons keeping the game close throughout its entirety against a Banning football team that figures to be competing with Narbonne for the Marine League title this year. North was unfortunately without its head coach Todd Croce for the game because of what was an administrative matter according to school principal, Ron Richardson. Despite his absence, the Saxons were able to stay in the game in the first half. Banning got the scoring started first. With six points in the first quarter to take an early 6-0 lead. The Pilots were able to expand their advantage to 12-0 when Porter scampered for a 4-yard touchdown run in the second quarter.

Just before the half, North responded. Searcy led his team on an impressive drive with time running out, capping things off with 7-yard run that cut the Banning lead in half, making it 12-6 at the break. The third quarter moved along slowly and saw both teams’ muster some good defense after the halftime break. Neither team was able to score in the quarter, but the fourth and final quarter of play would provide enough fireworks to make up for each one that came before it.

As time in the fourth quarter wound down, both teams continued to score the ball. With the score still at 12-6 in favor of Banning, Searcy took over for the Saxons. Searcy choreographed a drive that culminated in a

17-yard touchdown pass to K’lon Benson. The touchdown strike tied the game at 12 apiece with less than two minutes remaining in the game. North would miss the ensuing extra point that could have given them a one point lead. Porter and his Banning team didn’t rest easy knowing that overtime was steadily approaching. Porter led his team down the field as seconds ticked off of the clock. After converting a clutch fourth down play to keep the drive alive, Porter would find his receiver in the back of the end zone. Mendez caught the pass and with less than 15 seconds remaining on the clock, put a dash into the hopes of North High winning the game. “That was just a great job of a senior keeping his poise,” Banning coach John Aponte explained of Porter. “He understood the situation and pretty much willed us to victory.”

Porter finished the day going 13 of 25 for 101 yards and an interception. Searcy had an impressive outing for the Saxons in his first start ever, going 13 of 25 for 167 yards and an interception. Though North kept it close, the reason for the team’s ultimate loss was their inability to get anything going on the ground. In the second half, the Saxons only ran the ball a total of five times. Saxons assistant Don Broussard filled in for head coach Todd Croce while he was absent. Broussard sees his team as young, but full of potential. “You could see the green on us,” Broussard said. “We’re still looking a little young, a little fresh, but I also see a high ceiling. I see some potential.”

The Saxons and their potential will have to wait one more week to attempt to gain their first win. Now at 0-1 on the season, North will host Aliso Niguel, a team that won their first game of the season against Jordan by a final score of 43-33. With a new starting quarterback at the helm, new offensive weapons on the field, and a completely new style of play, North will need experience before they start reeling off wins. Luckily for the Saxons, they’ll get their head coach back next week and still have four weeks left until league play begins. If the young members of this North High football team can shake off the early season butterflies and get some much needed practice on the field, they may be able to start getting hot at just the right time this season. •

Dodgers Attempt to Take NL West

By Adam Serrao

Before last Sunday’s game against the Chicago Cubs, the Dodgers had 72 victories to their name and held a two game lead in the National League West over their rivals, the San Francisco Giants. Though that sounds like a nice stat, and is certainly better than being in second place, 72 wins was the least of any divisional leader in the league. The Dodgers, though, aren’t concerned about records. They are only concerned with being the best team in the league when it comes to the end of

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October. By overcoming San Francisco in the standings and attempting to run away with the NL West, the Dodgers are one giant step closer to their ultimate World Series goal.

People always just seem to expect the Dodgers to win on a yearly basis, perhaps because of their payroll, or perhaps because the talent on the team is actually just that good. No matter the reason, though, the Dodgers are living up to those expectations this year and doing so against all odds. Take into account the fact that Clayton Kershaw - perhaps one of the best pitchers Major League Baseball has ever seen - has not thrown a pitch for the team since June 26. At the time of Kershaw’s departure due to an injury to his back, the Dodgers were 41-36 and looking up at the Giants in the standings, trailing their bitter rivals by eight games. Before last Sunday’s game, the team was 72-57 and held a two game lead in the standings over San Francisco. How does a team lose its best player and improve by 10 games in the standings?

Despite not having Kershaw, the Dodgers have still gotten great pitching performances, especially out of their bullpen, and timely hitting. Rich Hill finally made his debut for L.A. and pitched six scoreless innings of baseball against the Giants to help extend the team’s lead in the standings. Kenta Maeda has been his usual solid self as well, but even Scott Kazmir has put together a couple of solid outings and Julio Urias looks to be reaching his future All-Star potential much sooner than expected. Then there’s the bullpen. Kenley Jansen isn’t necessarily unhittable, but he’s pretty close to it. With 39 saves on the season (behind only Jeurys Familia of the New York Mets) and a 1.86 ERA (dating back to last Sunday), Jansen may be the league’s best overall closer. All in all, the Dodgers, as a team, have a 3.78

team ERA, good enough for sixth best in the Major Leagues.

Maybe the main reason the Dodgers have been so good lately has to do with the play of Corey Seager, who’s making a strong case for Most Valuable Player and will certainly get this year’s Rookie of the Year Award, leads the team in batting average (.322), on base percentage (.377), and hits. To go with that, he’s also contributed 22 home runs and 61 RBIs. Justin Turner has also been a beast at the plate, knocking in 24 home runs and 74

RBIs. Adrian Gonzalez has been his usual self as well, batting near the .300’s with 15 home runs and 73 RBIs. Together with excellent pitching, the Dodgers proficiency at the plate on offense has gotten them to the top of the National League West standings and in front of the Giants for a playoff spot.

Through it all, the team’s journey has been rather improbable. The Dodgers began the year with 10 players on the disabled list. When Brett Anderson landed back on the DL, he was the fifth player to land on the list twice this season. The Dodgers have had seven pitchers make the disabled list and a total of 27 players. An amount matched only by the 2012 Red Sox who finished the year in fifth place in the American League East. Despite all of the injuries, the Dodgers pressed on. They pressed on with a rookie head coach in his first year in a management role with the team. They pressed on and overcame a six game deficit in the NL West at the time of this year’s All-Star break.

The Dodgers only figure to get healthier and with the arrival of Hill to the pitching staff, combined with Kershaw’s hopeful and eventual return, could get a major boost to the team’s talent. Add to that the September call-ups and rookies like Jose De Leon that could potentially come in, relieve some pitchers and make an immediate impact. Though the Dodgers only held a slight two game lead in the standings dating back to last Sunday, they certainly look to be in a good position. The Chicago Cubs may be the game’s best team record-wise, but the Dodgers just beat them two out of three games as well. If the team can somehow stay healthy and play out the last month of the season like they’ve been playing, they may just have enough to send Vin Scully off with a World Series ring. •

PUBLIC NOTICES

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name Case No. NS032461

Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of: La Trina Rena Phillips for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner La Trina Rena Phillips filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
La Trina Rena Phillips to Dymin Dilaurentis
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 9/14/16, Time: 8:30AM., Dept.: 26
The address of the court is:
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Long Beach, CA 90802
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Torrance Tribune
Date: August 3, 2016
SHERRI R. CARTER
Judge of the Superior Court
Torrance Tribune Pub. 8/25, 9/1, 9/8, 9/15/16
HT-25250

Order to Show Cause for Change of Name Case No. YS028933

Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
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Petitioner Veronica Alejandra Velasquez filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Veronica Alejandra Velasquez to Veronica Alejandra Briones Velasquez
The Court orders that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 10-28-16, Time: 8:30AM., Dept.: M
The address of the court is:
825 Maple Avenue
Torrance, CA 90503
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Torrance Tribune
Date: August 22, 2016
STEVEN R. VAN SICKLEN
Judge of the Superior Court
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City Council

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adequate working conditions. The work listed and recommended was: “a mechanical cleaning procedure will be implemented to break up, loosen, and dislodge material clogging the well screen, gravel envelope and near-well zone,” states the staff report. “This cleaning process shall be conducted throughout the entire wetted portion of the well screen using the well jet process to provide powerful and effective breakup of clogging materials upon the well screen and thing the near-well zone without causing damage to the well.”

In addition, the well will be submitted to a three-phase chemical treatment process in order breakdown any materials causing congestion in the well liner, the original well screen, gravel envelope and near-well zone. The city received three bids from firms highly experienced in rehabilitating water wells and the inspection of work process, including: Wood Rodgers, Inc., Geoscience Support Services Inc. [\$203,775] and Hydro Resources West Inc. [\$317,500].

The cleaning process will include: “1) a mixture of hydrochloric acid and corrosion inhibitor to break-down and digest corrosion byproducts and mineral scale, 2) a mixture of biodispersant and surfactant to break down and remove biofilm, residual drilling fluids, and suspended clay materials, and 3) downhole neutralization of treatment chemicals using sodium bicarbonate,” concludes the staff report.

In addition to being the lowest bid, Wood Rodgers has specific knowledge of the well’s repair requirements, along with a long resume highlighting its experience with similar well restoration projects.

“The current cost differentials between pumping water from our groundwater wells compared to importing water is an approximate saving of \$500 per acre foot, which amounts to savings of over \$1 million per year,” concluded Berndt. “Once contract is approved and we can get the contractor started, he can complete the work within two to three weeks.” •

A ginger and white tabby kitten is lying on its side on a purple surface. The kitten has orange and white fur with dark stripes, large blue eyes, and is looking towards the camera. Its front paws are extended forward. The background is dark and out of focus.

Make a purr-fect match when you adopt a new feline friend.

Caramel along with his brother **Cappucino** and sister **Canela**, were rescued from the South L.A. Shelter. The three siblings are strikingly handsome, with dark coloring. They are accustomed to adult cats and small dogs. **Caramel** is playful, loving, purrs a lot, active and also sweet with the other kittens in his foster home. In one of his online photos, he's cuddling with a much younger kitten. He isn't shy with new people, is super affectionate, and a little more sedate than his siblings. **Cappucino** is a loving little boy who's energetic and enjoys playing with other kittens. He is very loving and enjoys meeting new people. **Canela** is exceptionally affectionate and responsive to people, and will pat the cheeks of total strangers for love. She's playful and cuddly, a real purr machine. Please consider adopting each of these beautiful kittens along with one or both of their siblings.

Mommie was rescued with her five babies in Joshua Tree in late April. She was so skinny and tiny, she looked like a baby herself. She is much healthier now and is a great mom, always looking out for her babies. Mommie is very outgoing and playful. Not being afraid of dogs, she will try to play with them as well. We would love to see her adopted along with one of her babies.

Rainbow is an adorable, playful, sweet and gorgeous Bengal/Tabby mixed kitten. She was rescued along with her mom and other siblings from a wet muddy bush in the San Fernando Valley. Not even a day old, if they hadn't been found, the likelihood of survival would have been close to zero. Rainbow needs to be adopted with one of



Cappacino

her siblings or possibly her momma who is barely a year old herself. After seeing them cuddle and play together, you'll understand why. Watch them on their Live 24/7 Kitten Webcam. <https://livestream.com/SKCR/Storm>

Derek is the total package. Looks? Check. Personality? Check. He is an amazing little boy who offers his humans lots of affection and tons of entertainment. His favorite thing to do is lounge on his humans' laps. Derek will purr loudly to let you know you are doing a good job petting him. He is an energetic and playful boy who loves playing with his brother Adam and with toys, too. People who meet him for the first time are very impressed with his blue eyes and striking looks. Once they start spending time with Derek, they get even more impressed with his great personality.

Adam is an absolutely delightful little boy. His foster mom says he may be the most awesome kitty you'll ever meet. He is very loving, affectionate, playful and energetic. He loves being petted and purrs loudly to show you his appreciation. What Adam loves most is lying on your lap, purring, kneading, giving you kisses and finally dozing off while you read a book or watch TV. Adam also loves playing with his brother Derek and his kitty friends. They play kitty soccer together and chase the laser pointer. He also likes to cuddle with them and groom them.

Toni is the sweetest little kitten you will ever meet. When petted, she purrs like crazy and flops around happily to get your attention. Toni loves to be petted and held; she is very loving with people and other kitties alike. A total lap kitten, Toni approaches for pets and will be the first one in your lap when



Canela



you sit down, purring and nuzzling you. She gets along with all humans - children and adults.. She also loves playing with her foster mates and will need a furry friend in her new home. Toni would love to go home with one of her foster mates or to another playful kitty already in your home. She also gets along with cat-friendly doggies

These cats and kittens 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



Rainbow



to see our other kitties, please check our website www.kittenrescue.org or email us at 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. •



Toni



Derek

TerriAnn in Torrance

Have a Favorite Pie?

Story and Photos by TerriAnn Ferren

Who invented pie? After asking several people, I discovered that most have a definite and specific answer to the query. They didn't actually care who made the first one, but confidently shared which one they prefer. Most people know that pies were made way back in the Egyptian Age and were typically meat pies. In school I learned the Pilgrims brought



Freshly baked Cherry Pie ready for the test.

apples to this country, but I am not sure they made apple pies at that time. Then again, how did the expression, 'As American as apple pie', or 'an apple a day keeps the doctor away' become popular? No one I asked seemed to know, and no one said a 'meat pie' was his or her favorite either, which would include chicken pot pie or shepherds pie. In addition to asking people about their favorite pie, I was curious if anyone actually baked pies at home. What I found out surprised me.

The next morning, I asked students in my stretch class if anyone baked pies anymore and Claudia Fisher immediately told me, "I make pies a lot, because my husband loves them so I make them almost every week." When I asked her what her husband's favorite pie was, she told me apple pie. Martha Bauman laughed and said, "I have to make three pumpkin pies the Wednesday before Thanksgiving – to be ready for breakfast Thanksgiving morning."

Usually, I eat pie for breakfast the morning after Thanksgiving. I had no idea I was missing out on a day of 'traditional pumpkin pie eating.' Jane Borthwick said she makes all kinds of pies too, and has been making pies nearly all her life, because her husband also loves pie. All this talk about pies opened up a conversation about different types of pies. Mincemeat pie anyone? Jane said mincemeat

pies traditionally contained: beef, pork, suet, seedless raisins, currants, sugar, brown sugar, oranges, lemons, citron, apples, molasses, ground cloves, cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg and cider. Jane then confessed she mostly makes raisin pie now, instead of mincemeat, and makes a killer lemon meringue pie. Then Martha said she whips up lemon meringue pie that is so

start your lips pucker!

Listening to all the pie chatter, I wanted pie at 8:30 a.m.! Everyone also agreed apple pie was a big favorite. Jane said she uses Pippin apples because she likes a tart pie and ordered apples from Oregon last Christmas for her apple pies. She went on to tell me she rolls a huge bottom crust and mounds the apple pie filling in the middle of the pastry and then folds up the sides so none of the juicy goodness escapes in the oven.

Someone said that raisin pie was dubbed 'funeral pie' probably because raisins were available year round, even in the winter. Makes sense, I suppose. My Aunt May used to bake delicious raisin pie, served warm, with a scoop of vanilla ice cream slowly melting down the sides. My daddy loves banana cream pie, but he doesn't eat that decadent delight anymore and has trained himself to say 'apple pie' when asked. My mom's favorite? Apple pie. Hum.

My brother, Tommy told me his favorite is strawberry pie. Not that strawberry pie all smushed up with sliced strawberries, he likes the one from a notable restaurant we all know, with whole strawberries and sweet glaze ladled heavily over the top. Then, he decided his favorite is a mixed berry pie from a specific market that carries a specific type of pie from a specific city. Really? So I drove to the market,

found the pie, and bought it for him.

And here I thought people mostly baked cookies, but I found out in my limited investigation, that is not true. In fact, Martha Bauman told me she doesn't even like cookies and only bakes pies!

As you can imagine, at this point I was ready for some baking, and testing if pie would win out over cookies as a favorite dessert. The only decision ahead of me was what type of pie would be perfect for the test. I wondered if I took a pie into an office along with cookies – would people choose the pie, or the cookies? And what were their favorites? Although I am not sure of the number one cookie, I thought freshly baked chocolate chip cookies would be perfect going up against my homemade pie. The race was on.

That night I baked chocolate chip cookies and a cherry pie. Although I wanted to bake a pumpkin pie, the grocery was out of pumpkin, so I opted for cherry. I like cherry pie. What surprised me was it didn't take very long for me to whip up cookies or bake the pie. Somehow, I had thought both tasks would be A, tedious, or B, time consuming. It was neither. And I was rather proud of the way my pie came out of the oven, lightly browned and bubbling hot. The only mistake I made was slitting the top crust a little bit too much. Next time, I will



Freshly baked chocolate chip cookies.

make a lattice design.

The following morning, I packed up the chocolate chip cookies and my cherry pie – excited for the vote. Was a piece of pie the 'go to' snack or was it a cookie? I couldn't wait for the results at the end of the day.

In the evening on my way home, I picked up my survey from the office and happily found 13

people participated. Guess what? Seven people prefer pie, including, Dyna, Steve, Loretta, Elizabeth, Jordan, Anita, and John Kalinski. The overwhelming favorite pie was apple but cherry tied for second place along with lemon meringue. Six people voted for cookies. Jon voted twice so I think he likes them both the same, and Steve and Tom both like the cookies because of the 'convenience' factor – you can eat them on the run. Scott, Jean, Lisa and Sheryl all like cookies too with the favorite split between peanut butter and chocolate chip. Scott must bake because he was quite specific, noting he likes peanut butter cookies with a Hersey kiss. There were a couple standouts – Steve likes custard pie and Jordan is a fan of old fashioned rhubarb. My Aunt Daisy had rhubarb plant growing just outside her kitchen door in the back yard and I remember the tall red stalks I thought looked like celery.

There are numerous types of pie. Simple pies, complicated pies, even pie recipes on the back of packaged 'Dream Whip'. Patrick Golden told me he remembers his mom making a simple 'Dream Whip' pie with a layer of whipped cream cheese topped with a can of cherries that he thought it was simply delicious. Maybe the love baked inside something as simple as a pie penetrates the heart forever in memories that never die.

Are you hungry yet? Have a fabulous pie recipe? Make time to whip up your favorite pie and surprise your family, a neighbor, or friend. And if you have an especially wonderful recipe, send it along to terriannintorrance@gmail.com. And remember the words from an Old Saxon proverb that says, "Apple pie without the cheese is like a kiss without a squeeze." •

Dr. Byock

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conversation to see if the treatment is consistent with what was wanted. And the family will also be 'treated' for their own stress to ensure they are getting enough rest, have a place to clean up or shower and ways to communicate with extended family and friends. We would look at this as a personal experience and not just a medical event."

Among the most telling statistics, 70 percent of Americans say they would rather die at home surrounded by loved ones than in a hospital—and yet sure enough, 70 percent die in a hospital, nursing home or long-term care facility. The result in most cases is unnecessary, ineffective, often-unwanted and very costly medical treatments at the end of life that can lead to financial ruin and family discord. To address the situation, Dr. Byock advocates that all patients over 18 have advance health care directives on file. Under the new system, caregivers receive training on how to provide advanced care planning and how to discuss serious illnesses with patients and families while always keeping the patient's specific needs at the forefront.

"If we know anything about illness, people's needs are highly personal—so the best care

is not a one-size-fits-all model," Dr. Byock noted. "Before we ask, 'What's the matter with you?'...we ask, 'What matters most to you?' so that we can make sure we're not just doing things to people but know what their goals are in order to make decisions about treatment with them and not for them. Ethnicity, upbringing, religion and individual idiosyncrasies can all play a part."

While it has taken decades to get this far, Dr. Byock reports huge inroads made in moving to a whole person care philosophy. "Through the work the Institute is doing, we are driving a transformation that can be an example to the rest of the country," he said. "The future of health care is in person-centered care and Providence Little Company of Mary is an ardent supporter and major leader in this progression."

Born and raised on the Jersey Shore, Dr. Byock had no clue what he wanted to do for his future living when he started his college studies in the Washington, D.C. area. "In high school, my assumption was whatever I did in my career shouldn't require that much college," he said. He took a few political science courses, but found himself floundering.

"But then when I challenged that assumption and just looked at what truly interested me, it was clear I wanted to help take care of people. It was like the clouds finally cleared." He went on to complete his undergrad work at the University of Colorado with a degree in biology and continued to medical school there with the eventual post-graduate work in Fresno as part of the University of California, San Francisco program.

"I thought I would be a rural family doctor and did that for a short time," Dr. Byock said of his early career. "I was also enamored with emergency medicine and started a hospice. I did a lot of volunteer work and saw many patients at their homes." Spurred by his experience with Mr. Rodriguez and others, he began to serve on committees as an early proponent of palliative care and wrote a number of papers on the subject. In the late 1990s, he accepted an offer to lead a national program to provide grants and technical assistance to health care systems trying to integrate hospice-like care within the mainstream.

Dr. Byock worked with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to establish palliative care in ICUs, rural health clinics, pediatric specialty

hospitals and even the state penitentiary. "It all worked brilliantly and opened up the doors to expand palliative care across the country," he said. "At Dartmouth, we spent a decade building out palliative care within the medical center and through teaching programs. Now at Providence, we hope to take it to the next level where the whole person model will be the new mainstream."

Married with two grown daughters and a couple of grandkids plus other family in the Los Angeles area, Dr. Byock lives close to the hospital and has quickly grown used to the pleasures of West Coast weather and the South Bay's many amenities. "We are enjoying ourselves a great deal," he confirmed, though he admitted his schedule is packed to the gills. "I rarely get to see patients anymore these days. At this point, I need to do what I can do to support others in this effort..."

Dr. Ira Byock will hold a workshop on advance care planning at the Redondo Beach Library (303 N. Pacific Coast Highway) on Friday, Sept. 23 from 1 to 3 p.m. The event is free, but registration required. For more information, call 310-318-0650, or visit www.providence.org/institute-for-human-caring. •

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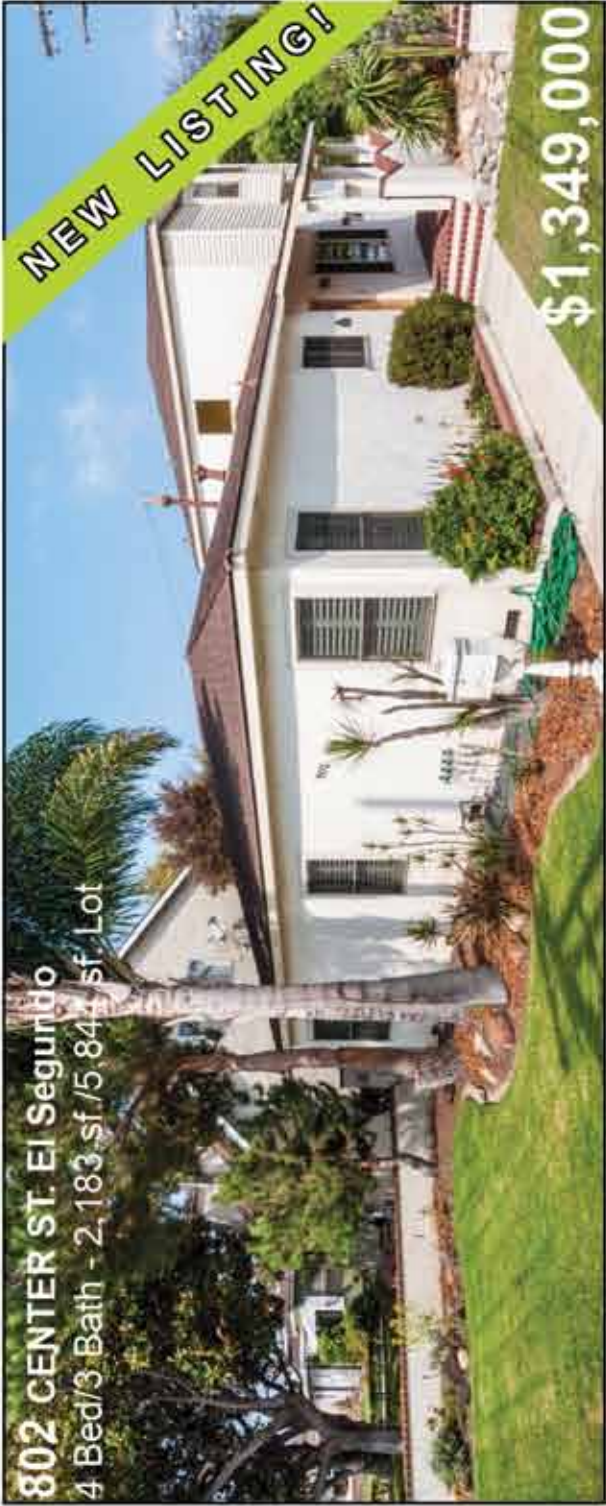
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