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# **Torrance Area Chamber Hosts South Bay Health Leaders**



Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce brings leaders from South Bay health care facilities together for a panel discussion about the affordability, accessibility and quality of health care. Photo provided by Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce.

# **Council Approves Grant Funding for Six Social Services Agencies**

## By Cristian Vasquez

The Torrance City Council on Tuesday voted in favor of a recommendation by the Parks and Recreation Commission and Community Services Director John Jones to approve grant funding in the amount of \$20,000. From January 16, 2018-December 31, 2018 six non-profit social services agencies will benefit from the proceeds.

On November 8 the Parks and Recreation Commission reviewed a report presented by the Grant's Committee and unanimously agreed three-person committee provided an overview rating for the \$5,000 and \$2,500 grant applicants. There were a total of 12 applications for the \$5,000 grants, including Torrance-South Bay YMCA, Providence Trinitycare Hospice Foundation, South Bay Literacy Council, 1736 Family Crisis Center, South Bay Village, Harbor Interfaith Services, Caring House, ICAN, Westside Center for Independent Living, and the Roaring 90s Club. For the \$2,500 grants, there were nine applicants, including Junior Blind of America, Nuestras Raices, Casa de Angelitos, King Harbor Youth Foundation and Walk With Sally.

The Council voted unanimously to approve grant funding for all six non-profits. However, Councilman Geoff Rizzo abstained from voting on allocating funds to the Pregnancy Help Center. "I am a regular donor to that organization," he said. "If possible, I request that we take this under two motions. I have no problems with any of the other agencies associated here. I can vote on those, but I just don't feel comfortable

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to support the committee's recommendation, which included \$5,000 to the Cancer Support Community; \$5,000 to the Health Care & Elder law Program (H.E.L.P); \$2,500 to the Torrance-Lomita Meals on Wheels; \$2,500 for the South Bay Children's Health Center; \$2,500 for the Pregnancy Help Center; and \$2,500 for The Volunteer Center.

For 33 years, the Non-Profit Social Service Agency Grant has been contributing to local agencies. On August 13, 2017 the 2018 Grant Program was announced, along with a Notice of Funding Availability. From August 14 to September 15, the Grant Program received 21 applications for the combined \$82,500 requested.

"Staff reviewed the applications and determined that they all met the grant application requirements," states the staff report signed by Jones. "One of the requirements is that any applicant that received funding during previous grant cycles must be in good standing, meaning they have completed all of the grant requirements for the previous grant award(s)." Through the use of a scoring matrix, the

## Middle Schools Get Go-Ahead to Apply for 2018 WWUW Tech Trek

## **By Cristian Vasquez**

A unanimous vote on Monday by members of the Torrance School Board approved a request that all Torrance Unified School District (TUSD) middle schools apply to participate in the 2018 American Association of University Women's (AAUW) Tech Trek.

Tech Trek is a camp that takes place at several university campuses, including Whittier College, University of California Irvine, University of California Santa Barbara and University of California San Diego. Each middle school must nominate five to six of its seventh grade girls based on their performance and interest in math and science. Each nominee is required to submit an essay and then must be interviewed.

This science camp will allow middle school girls to go away for a week in July or August of next year and engage in hands-on math and science activities. Tech Trek is a science and math camp dedicated to developing interest and excitement, along with self-confidence in young women who are on track to begin the eighth grade during the upcoming fall after the camp.

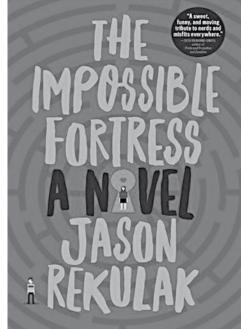
While organized by the AAUW, credentialed middle school teachers as well as guest presenters conduct the camp. Included in the week of activities are See School Board, page 8



# <u>Check It Out</u> Rekulak's The Impossible Fortress **Captures the Magic of the 1980s**

Reviewed by Jeff Huttinger, Library Assistant, El Segundo Public Library Stephen King. Full House. Synth pop. Make no mistake, the 1980s are alive and well and nowhere is this more evident than in author Jason

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## The Impossible Fortress by Jason Rekulak.

Rekulak's debut novel The Impossible Fortress, a charming and confident coming-of-age story.

Set amidst the carefree days of 1987 in small town America, 14-year-old Billy Marvin and two best buddies spend endless hours hanging out, joking around and plotting just how they can get their hormone-crazed mitts on the latest issue of Playboy featuring none other than Miss Vanna White herself! After accepting a seemingly harmless dare in order to secure his very own copy, Billy is quickly introduced to computer nerd Mary Zelinsky, her stern father and a host of new experiences including hard

work, first crush and real danger. Soon, Billy finds himself evaluating everything he ever thought was important and learning a very harsh lesson in return: that no action is consequencefree. In fact, our decisions can last a lifetime.

Although based in a retro world of late '80s icons, the themes of true love, shattered innocence and ultimate forgiveness are absolutely timeless. What I loved most about The Impossible Fortress is author Rekulak's talent for creating such unique yet familiar characters that I found myself truly invested in and rooting for every step of the way. It's this combination of mature subject matter, adolescent protagonists and a cherished era of popular culture that makes this book a perfect selection for both adults and teens.

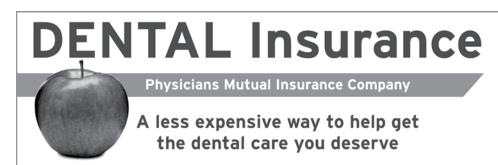
The power of nostalgia may be what first draws you to The Impossible Fortress, but the affection for such beautifully-written personalities and well-crafted story will keep you turning the pages.

To check out The Impossible Fortress, also available in eBook format, or browse any of our other fiction titles, please visit the library to apply for your free library card. •



Jeff Huttinger.

"You cannot open a book without learning something." – Confucius



# Film Review

# The Conjuring of Andy Kaufman: Or Jim Carrey's Psychic Slip

By Ryan Rojas for www.cinemacy.com

Jim Carrey has played a lot of out-of-thisworld characters in his lifetime, but devoted audiences are likely unaware of the one role that Carrey committed so deeply to playing that he remained in character for the entirety of the film's shoot (even when the cameras stopped rolling). Such a thing would be nearly impossible to imagine. Right?

Audiences will now be able to witness this feat in the new documentary, Jim & Andy: The Great Beyond – Featuring a Very Special, Contractually Obligated Mention of Tony Clifton. Jim & Andy captures the period of time after the newly minted A-list movie star wrapped three iconic films that would define his career: Ace Ventura: Pet Detective, The Mask, and Dumb and Dumber. He then followed those hits by transforming into Andy Kaufman in the 1999 biopic, Man on The Moon.

The film reveals that Carrey simply let Andy "take over" to make Man on the Moon and that he was merely "the vessel" channeling the spirit of Kaufman. It's amazing to see the accompanying footage of Carrey uncut, as he upends the production at every turn as the antic-prone Kaufman, torturing the crew to our gleeful delight. It's more than a treat to see every shade of Kaufman that Carrey conjures up: there's bashful and anxious Andy, there's tantrum-throwing Andy who bemoans studio executives--and of course, his most taxing persona, the repugnant lounge act and drunkard Tony Clifton, who stirs the most agitation of all much to the audience's delight and Kaufman's giddy.

Accompanying the on-set footage is a long-form interview with present-day Carrey.

Jim Carrey as Andy Kaufman in Jim & Andy: The Great Beyond. Cour

Wearing a leather jacket and Burning Man beard, he recounts this chapter of his past with enough distance to provide worthy insight. The juxtaposition of seeing the Carrey of now recount the antics of the Carrey of then proves an interesting mind shift. The new Carrey is seemingly content with his place in the universe and attempts to rationalize the weight of human depression and ego. This makes for a profound meditation on celebrity and ego perception--a fitting study for this Internet age.

Perhaps just as amazing is the accompanying behind-the-scenes footage and that so much of it exists. We learn that Universal (the film's studio company) commissioned the footage for press kit use, but ended up shelving it after deeming that people seeing Carrey wreak havoc on set would make him look like a jerk. Ultimately the footage was found in Carrey's private Los Angeles office by filmmaker Spike Jonze (a producer on the film), who recognized that there was a movie to be made in this mad peek behind the curtain.

Much like the actor, the role the actor played and the means the actor took to play the role, Jim & Andy: The Great Beyond is either an indulgent, self-satisfying work, or it gets exactly at the heart of how we construct our identities and who we believe we are. Ultimately, Jim & Andy is part satiating behind-the-scenes movie, part psychological study of the ego, and an endlessly fascinating watch.

Jim & Andy: The Great Beyond – Featuring a Very Special, Contractually Obligated Mention of Tony Clifton is not rated. 94 minutes. Now streaming on Netflix. •



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# **Visionary Gets the Green Light** to Transform Automotive Industry

## By Rob McCarthy

A dirty little secret about hybrids and electric cars is they're only better for the environment once they leave the car assembly plant. They're harder to create than conventional automobiles, and forging aluminum instead of steel to make cars lighter requires more energy and creates more pollution. It's not a win-win situation...yet.

That's what makes the research and development work going on at Divergent 3D in Torrance so interesting. This 2014 technology startup says it has come up with the blueprint for how carmakers can make the manufacturing process as clean as the cleaner-running, high-mileage people movers rolling off Detroit assembly lines.

Remaking the automotive-manufacturing industry starts with 3D printers using strong carbon-fiber materials instead of forged stainless steel. Divergent's Chief Executive Officer Kevin Czinger and his team of engiis the biggest in the world and it's growing. The government is attempting to reduce pollution and modernize the local auto industry, according to writer Tycho Deijter, who covers the Asian car market and contributes to Forbes magazine.

Divergent, which recently won a Petersen Automotive Museum Award for Leadership & Innovation, describes itself as a technology development and licensing company. Licensing opportunities abound in China, where there are 130 passenger car brands. The majority of car brands are made locally in China, Deijter noted. "The number of brands is staggering," he wrote in a May 2016 piece for Forbes, and "new brands keep popping up."

Divergent will use the \$65 million to further develop and commercialize the eco-friendly car technology, it said. With the latest round of funding, CEO Czinger says his venture is fully funded to complete "our reference



Divergent Chief Executive Officer Kevin Czinger created this prototype sports car using a radically different method of manufacturing.

neers and designers are putting together an end-to-end system to build car chassis that can be assembled in minutes, according to the company. "The Divergent system allows automakers and technology companies to innovate at a much faster rate-scaling up volume production at only a fraction of the cost while also alleviating environmental damage," Czinger said last month.

Automotive experts say that the manufacturing process accounts for up to 20 percent of a vehicle's lifetime greenhouse gas emissions. There is considerable interest in the car plant technology coming from China, where an investor group has pumped \$65 million into Divergent's ongoing research and development in Torrance.

The Chinese involvement with Divergent makes sense because that nation's car market



Sunday, November 19 Auto Theft-All 11/19 5:50 PM 3100 BLOCK 188TH ST. Stolen vehicle: '08 Ford E350.

factory." The company sees the emerging Chinese electric car market as a primary customer for its technology. The industrial 3D printers create interlinking

parts of the car's frame using a process known as additive manufacturing. The printers keep adding layers of material--in this case, carbon fiber--guided by computer software. Additive manufacturing has the potential to create new body parts and organs from living tissue.

A 3D printer works much like a home or office laser printer. Open a file, hit print and wait for the copy. The difference is that 3D printing jets build three-dimensional prototypes and parts using 100 different kinds of materials, from plastic to metal to nylon. The process is so unique that people in the fields of manufacturing, medicine See Divergent, page 8

# <u>Calendar of Events</u>

Deadline for Calendar items is the prior Thursday by noon. Calendar items are \$1 per word. Email listings to marketing@ heraldpublications.com. We take Visa and MasterCard.

### THURSDAY, DEC. 7

- Calle Mayor Middle School Winter Concert, 7:00 PM. - 9:30 PM., Tickets \$5, James Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive, Call: 310-781-7171 or 310-533-4790.
- Thrilling Thursday Theatre, 4:00 PM., free, Henderson Library, 4805 Emerald Street, Call: 310-371-2075.

#### FRIDAY, DEC. 8

- Free Advance Directive Workshop, 11:00 AM. - 12:00 PM., Institute for Human Caring, 5315 Torrance Blvd. Suite #B1, Call: 310-543-3402.
- Winter Concert (North Torrance Youth Musicians Ensemble), 7:00 PM. - 9:30 PM., Tickets: \$10/\$5, James Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive, Call: 310-989-4550.
- Ready for the Wii-kend, 3:30 PM., teens and tweens only, free, Katy Geissert Civic Center Library, 3301 Torrance Blvd., Call: 310-618-5964

### SATURDAY, DEC. 9

- Torrance Certified Farmers' Market at Wilson Park, 8:00 AM. - 1:00 PM., 2200 Crenshaw Blvd., Between Carson St. & Sepulveda, Call: 310-781-7520.
- The Ultimate Christmas Show (Abridged), 8:00 PM. - 10:30 PM., Tickets: \$30, Torrance Theatre Company, 1316 Cabrillo Ave, Call: 424-243-6882.
- Holiday Pop Up Card Making, 10:00 AM., Walteria Library, 3815 242nd Street, Call: 310-375-8418.
- Free Oil Filter Exchange, 9:00 AM. 2:00 PM., Residents may receive 2 new filters in exchange, O'Reily Auto Parts, 4308 Pacific

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## Coast Highway, Call: 562-944-4766.

- The Nutcracker (Dance West Dance Studio), 7:00 PM. - 9:30 PM., Tickets: \$19.50/\$17.50, James Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive, Call: 310-781-7171 SUNDAY, DEC. 10
- 35th Annual Christmas Boutique, 9:00 AM. - 4:00 PM., Wilson Park, 2200 Crenshaw Blvd., For more info: www.torranceca.gov.
- The Ultimate Christmas Show (Abridged), 2:00 PM., Tickets: \$30, Torrance Theatre Company, 1316 Cabrillo Ave, Call: 424-243-6882.
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## MONDAY, DEC. 11

 BeTween Fact and Fiction, 4:00 PM., free, no registration required, El Retiro Library, 126 Vista Del Parque, Call: 310-375-0922

#### TUESDAY, DEC. 12

- · Torrance Certified Farmers' Market at Wilson Park, 8:00 AM. - 1:00 PM., 2200 Crenshaw Blvd., Between Carson St. & Sepulveda, Call: 310-781-7520.
- City Council Meeting, 8:00 PM. 10:00 PM., City Hall, Council Chambers, 3031 Torrance Blvd., Call: 310-618-2780.

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13

- Craft Delight, 12:00 PM. 2:00 PM., free, Henderson Library, 4805 Emerald Street, Call: 310-371-2075.
- Armchair Traveler Book Group, 11:00 AM., free, Walteria Library, 3815 242nd. Street, Call: 310-375-8418.

#### THURSDAY, DEC. 14

- Mayhem in the A.M. Mystery Book Group, 10:00 AM., free, Henderson Library, 4805 Emerald Street, Call: 310-371-2075.
- Mistletoe and Merriment, 7:00 PM., Tickets: \$20, James Armstrong Theatre, 3330 Civic Center Drive, Call: 310-781-7171. •

# **5** Preparation Tips To Make **Any Cruise Smooth Sailing**

(BPT) - When it comes to a dream cruise, everyone has their own idea of the ideal vacation. The beautiful ocean waves breaking against the bow beneath you, the warm breeze blowing against your hair and the lure of new, unexplored destinations off in the distance. If you're lucky, maybe your dream vacation is already in the works and you're eagerly counting down the days until it's time to board. And if you're still in the dreaming phases of your perfect cruise, you realize that dreaming of your vacation is almost as much fun as living it... almost.

AVE. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry No matter where you are in the process, could save you hundreds of dollars. the perfect cruise is more than just picking • Pick the right cruise line. Your dream Burglary-Auto Betw. 11/20 7:00:00 PM & your dream destination; there are plenty of See Finance, page 5

other things to consider as well. Whether a minor or monumental task, these tips are your starting point. Satisfy each of these considerations and you'll be on your way to making your cruise everything you dreamed it could be.

• Always be on the lookout for the best deal. If you could enjoy the same amazing cruise at a fraction of the price, why wouldn't you? Deals are not hard to come by in the cruise industry and the key is to book early. Do your research, look for package offers and book your trip as soon as you can. The wait may be difficult but an early booking

Battery-Simple 11/19 1:47 PM 4700 BLOCK EMERALD ST. Suspect repeatedly punches victim in the face, causing injury.

Burglary-Residential Betw. 11/19 11:15:00 AM & 11/21 2:30:00 PM 2800 BLOCK 179TH ST. Suspect(s) opens window for entry, ransacks and takes property/jewelry, electronics.

Burglary-Residential Betw. 11/19 8:30:00 AM & 11/19 7:00:00 PM 18700 BLOCK FONTHILL AVE. Suspect(s) kicks in door panel for entry, ransacks/unknown property loss at time of report.

## Monday, November 20

Burglary-Auto Betw. 11/20 8:00:00 PM & 11/20 11:20:42 PM 4600 BLOCK GARNET ST. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/sports attire, eyeglasses.

Robbery-StrongArm Betw. 11/20 7:45:47 PM & 11/20 7:46:58 PM 3600 BLOCK ARTESIA BLVD. Suspect punches victim in the face and takes his property/cash.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 11/20 7:00:00 PM & 11/21 8:30:00 AM 20800 BLOCK ANZA

11/21 7:00:00 AM OCEAN AVE. & MERIT PL. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/drone.

and takes property/jacket.

Battery-Simple Betw. 11/20 6:25:00 PM & 11/20 6:35:02 PM 2600 BLOCK LOMITA BLVD. Suspect punches victim in the face. Burglary-Commercial Betw. 11/20 5:45:00 PM & 11/21 9:00:00 AM 3400 BLOCK SEPULVEDA BLVD. Suspect(s) enters business by unknown means and takes property from safe/cash.

Battery-Simple Betw. 11/20 5:25:00 PM & 11/20 5:52:45 PM 4100 BLOCK TORRANCE BLVD. Suspect hits victim in the upper body. Burglary-Auto Betw. 11/20 8:30:00 AM & 11/20 11:46:54 PM 20700 BLOCK ANZA AVE. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry/ unknown if loss at time of report.

Theft Betw. 11/20 7:55:00 AM & 11/21 8:55:00 AM 20400 BLOCK VICTOR ST. Suspect(s) takes property locked to rack/ bicycle.

Burglary-Auto 11/207:45 AM 2800 BLOCK See Police Reports, page 8



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The deadline for Classified Ad submission and payment is Noon on Tuesday to appear in Thursday's paper. Advertisements must be submitted in writing by mail, fax or email. You may pay by cash, check, or credit card (Visa or M/C over the phone).

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## **City Council**

voting on the Pregnancy Help Center."

The Council also accepted a grant from the Torrance Police Foundation worth \$22,530.85 that will be allocated to the Facility, Equipment and Automation Plans 968. With the funds, the Torrance Police Department will be able to obtain Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs).

Through the grant, Torrance PD plans to equip its new fleet of patrol vehicles with AEDs. In September 2016, TPF had its first grant award for AEDs and was able to update 18 patrol vehicles and improve the "capabilities of patrol officers who are first on-scene during a cardiac arrest emergency," says the staff report signed by Interim Chief of Police Michael J. Browne.

An AED is a portable and lightweight device that provides an electric shock through a person's chest and to their heart. The shock has the potential of stopping an irregular heartbeat (arrhythmia) and allow for a normal rhythm to continue after an incident of sudden cardiac arrest (SCA). With the new grant monies al-

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located Tuesday night, the Police Department can update 13 additional patrol vehicles, which require AED equipment.

"Additionally, the Department is in need of an AED and protective transport casing specifically for use at outdoor staff trainings that occur at remote locations where Emergency Medical Services (EMS) response would otherwise be delayed," states the agenda.

TPF is an independent non-profit dedicated to supporting the Torrance Police Department and is governed by a volunteer board of directors comprised of local business leaders, community leaders and residents. Through its grants TPF can help the Police Department obtain resources not made available through its regular city budget. Grant applications are accepted year-round by TPF and may be submitted by any department employee, but the application must follow the chain of command. Priority funding areas are listed as advanced equipment and technology, training and education, youth programs, community relations and outreach and crime prevention.



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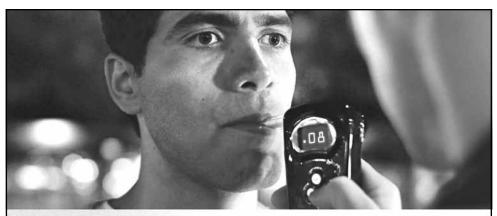
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## **Trojans Take Home Pac-12 Title**

## By Adam Serrao

With quarterback Sam Darnold under center, the USC Trojans won their first conference title since 2008. With a 31-28 victory over the Stanford Cardinal last Friday night in Santa Clara, the Trojans showed just how gritty they can be and how good they have become in such a short amount of time. Unfortunately for USC, its two losses on the year banished the team from College Football Playoff conversation and landed it in this year's Cotton Bowl. Even still, the Trojans not only showed that they have become a force to be reckoned with, but also proved that they have come a long way since their inconsistent play at the beginning of the regular season.

USC fans got everything that they could have possibly asked for out of the game against Stanford last week. Not only was it close and competitive throughout, but it came down to a gritty fourth down stand with seconds ticking off of the clock in the fourth quarter of play that would wind up determining the Trojans' fate. Uchenna Nwosu, the outside linebacker for USC, was the hero of the game this time around, gashing the Cardinal offensive line to fly through and make a game-saving stop on the one-yard line. "Probably the biggest stop of the year," Trojans running back Ronald Jones explained of the play.

USC came away with the slim three-point victory, but not before Jones rushed for 140 yards and two touchdowns while simultaneously moving into the top five on USC's career rushing list. Darnold, the star quarterback who will likely have just one game remaining in the Cardinal and Gold before taking off for the NFL, finished with 325 yards through the air and two touchdowns while also being named MVP of the title game played at Levi's Stadium in Northern California. "It's special to see how far we've come as a team," Darnold said with a smile on his face after his team had finally secured the win.

With the victory, the Trojans became the first team from the South Division to win the Pac-12 title. It wasn't easy, either. The defense had to put up with the prolific play of both opposing quarterback K.J. Costello and opposing running back Bryce Love. Costello only completed five passes in the first half of play, but came on strong in the third and fourth quarters to finish with a total of 192 yards through the air and two touchdowns. Love, on the other hand, had carried Stanford all year long and attempted to do so again in this game with a total of 125 yards and a touchdown on the ground.

Despite the good play of Stanford, the game still ended in USC's favor. Even with the win for USC, the team still found itself on the outside looking in on this year's four-team College Football Playoff. "Obviously, the reality is we'll need some help," USC coach Clay Helton said following his team's victory, before the playoff standings were announced. "But we deserve to be in the discussion, especially the way we finished the season. [We're] hot right now."

If only the season were two games longer, the Trojans may have had a better chance to prove themselves and their 11-2 overall record. Unfortunately for USC, those two losses were enough to keep the team behind the likes of Clemson, Oklahoma, Georgia and Alabama in the end-of-year standings. "We're sitting here as champion," Helton continued. "That's important. We sit here with 11 wins. We sit here with an unbelievable strength of schedule. We had the opportunity to show on national TV who we are."

Although they did not finish in the final four, it can still be said that the Trojans had an excellent season and perhaps even overachieved in a year when they weren't expected to do much at all. With the amount of injuries suffered on the team and the amount of youth on the offensive side of the ball, the achievements of USC this season can certainly be considered impressive, to say the least. As it turns out, a 30-27 loss at Washington State in September could turn out to be the only thing that kept the Trojans out of the playoff. That slim, three-point loss, which could have realistically gone either way once all was said and done, may just turn out to be the one game that comes back to haunt USC and all of its fans once this year's season officially comes to an end.

Despite the Trojans' impressive win over Stanford, there simply wasn't a possible combination of championship game results last Saturday that could have vaulted the team into the College Football Playoff conversation. Even still, the team's first conference title since 2008 should be celebrated--and a matchup against Ohio State in this year's Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic is certainly not something to be taken for granted. That game will take place on December 29 in Arlington, Texas and could provide the Trojans with the perfect pedestal to finish the season off strong with a statement win against an extremely elite opponent from the Big Ten.

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## "We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."

## <u>Up and Adam</u>

## Saxons, Spartans Seek Pioneer League Glory This Season

#### By Adam Serrao

A brand new high school basketball season has brought along with it new opportunities and a clean slate for all of the teams in the Pioneer League this year. Specifically, the North High Saxons and the South High Spartans will look to improve upon a 2016-17 season that saw both teams make it into the CIF Southern Section playoffs. With the new basketball year just barely underway, it's anyone's guess as to who will take control of the season standings and gain bragging rights in the city of Torrance. Both the Saxons and the Spartans are confident that they not only have what it takes to improve upon last year, but also have the skill and experience necessary to outperform their inner-city rivals in what is sure to be a competitive and entertaining basketball season.

The North High Saxons were perhaps the most difficult team to forecast one season ago. A roster full of seniors that was loaded with talent did extremely well outside of the Pioneer League, but couldn't seem to find a way to defeat rivals from within the division. In his final season at the helm of the Saxons, head coach Gary Duperron made sure to get his team off to a hot start. North wound up winning three of its first four games of the year and six of the first eight as the team began to hit its stride early on inside of tournament play.

Junior guard Malik Jones was a pleasant surprise for Duperron and the Saxons, leading the way on offense throughout the season. His play, along with the contributions of starting point guard Yusei Shigeta and forward Alex Ezeani, made North High a force to be reckoned with in 2016/17. That force took a bit of a slide in the standings, however, once league play came around. The Saxons seemed to struggle against their divisional foes, taking losses to the Centennial Apaches and the Torrance Tartars and suffering a season sweep at the hands of the West High Warriors that dropped North down to third place in the final standings.

It turned out that third place was precisely where the Saxons wanted to be. The team took the resulting playoff berth and managed to catch fire at precisely the right time in the postseason. A first round victory over the El Dorado Golden Hawks gave the team the momentum needed in order to ring off three straight playoff wins. Eventually, the Saxons found themselves in the semifinals against Brentwood with a spot in the championship game on the line. North would take a loss in the semis that day to Brentwood, the eventual Division 3AA champs. The postseason run was certainly one for the record books, though, and one that the Saxons hope to repeat and even improve upon this year.

The good news for North is that it will regain the services of star guard Jones for his senior season. The team will, however, lose the services of Shigeta, Ezeani and six other seniors from last year's 15-man roster. Along with Jones, North will regain the services of six other juniors from last season, giving the team the experience necessary to make another run at a Pioneer League and CIF title this year.

The Spartans did not enjoy as much success as North High last season, but still managed to make it into the postseason after finishing in last place in the Pioneer League standings. South played one game in the CIF Southern Section Boys Basketball Championships and was ousted in the first round with a 54-46 loss to the Pomona Red Devils. For the Spartans, the loss to Pomona was the team's fourth loss in a row to end the year.

Part of South's huge problem one season ago was the team's inability to win within its division. A 2-8 record in Pioneer League play saw the Spartans take losses to North High, Torrance High, and West High, among others. Seniors Jordan Tang, Kyle Ogata and Lawrence Maisonet led South on offense and were the only seniors on an extremely young roster. Though the Spartans will be without their services for this year, the team will regain seven other juniors from last season's roster, perhaps giving South some much-needed experience on a roster that was almost completely devoid of it last season.

Dating back to last weekend, the Spartans had only played one game in the new regular season and took a close loss at home to the Palos Verdes Sea Kings. The team will have more than a month to get on the same page and gain chemistry before league play begins in early January. Like South High, North took a loss in the first game of the new regular season, getting blown out in the Westchester Tip-Off Classic by the Westchester Comets by a final score of 70-33. Upcoming matchups against Peninsula and Culver City should provide a good glimpse into how the rest of the Saxons' season should wind up going.

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## – Pete Carroll

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# TerriAnn in Torrance

# What Is Your Favorite Christmas Carol or Preferred Holiday Song?

## By TerriAnn Ferren

Department stores and shops are decorated for the holidays--and in the background, inevitably, one hears the sound of Christmas music. I decided to ask others what their favorite carol is and why. Here are some of their responses. Vickie Vega told me, "My favorite carol is 'O, Holy Night' because it is so soulful. I love to 'belt out' the words because I cannot carry a tune to save my life." Then I asked Rita Walker (Nash), who was married to the late Torrance Police Chief Don Nash, about her favorite carol and she told me, "My favorite Christmas song is 'Feliz Navidad' or 'Jingle Bell Rock.'

My memory of these songs goes back many years to the late '70s and '80s. My husband and I used to ride on the Torrance Police Departments Christmas float. We made many stops through the neighborhoods with Santa, talking to the little kids and handing out candy. Sometimes it was cold and windy and other years it was perfect, but no matter the weather it was just so much fun! Afterwards, we would all go out for pizza. A very fond memory I have of that time in my life...

Recent recipient of the Jared Sidney Torrance award Debbie Hays said, "My two favorites are 'Silent Night' by Stevie Nicks [her rendition makes my arm hairs stand on end] and Bob Seger's version of 'The Little Drummer Boy.'" Debbie loves the lyrics of "The Little Drummer Boy" because of the way Bob Seger's voice emphasizes each word It speaks of joy and peace, especially at a time of great turmoil throughout the world."

President and CEO of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce Donna Duperron said, "...My favorite song would have to be 'Jingle Bells' because Christmas is a time for children. I recall my husband and I going to performances when our children Donna Gervais excitedly told me, "We fill our home with Christmas carols during this holy season every year. 'Oh Holy Night' is my favorite. My husband Bobby sang this song solo at Mass when he was a child and I asked him to sing this song for my family one Christmas while we were dating, and since then everyone enjoys singing along to



### Listening to your favorite tunes.

were in elementary school. One of the first songs they learned to sing for the holidays was 'Jingle Bells.' We were so proud of our children and their friends as they stood on short bleachers in the school cafeteria and sang. What makes it even more special now is we are listening to our grandchildren learn and sing the same song." this beautiful hymn. This is a wonderful time to sing songs of praise!"

I then asked Michelle Cooper and she, like Debbie Hays, loves "The Little Drummer Boy" because "as a little girl, I remember every year my mother would sing that particular song at all my Girl Scout events and just about everything else we did socially. She had a because it reminds me of being with family during the holidays, being warm and happy...or 'Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree' because it reminds me of decorating the Christmas tree on my sister's birthday with my family." Next, Cassie Bradley mentioned "Same Day as Christmas" as her favorite. "I believe that is the name--it talks about different people, but how everyone is connected and Christmas brings people together. Just makes me grateful to have the family and friends I do have."

In charge of special events at the Torrance Historical Society, Janet Payne told me her favorite song is "Still, Still, Still" by Mannheim Steamroller. "It is sung by a group and it is absolutely beautiful...an Austrian Christmas carol and lullaby...it is describing the peace of infant Jesus and his mother as the baby is sung to sleep," she said.

Dawn Switzer said, "Oh, my gosh, there are soooo many to choose from. It is hard to pick. But one of my more recent favorites is 'Breath of Heaven' by Amy Grant. It is a beautiful melody, but what I love is that it is Mary speaking, asking God for a breath of heaven to help her with the journey she has been asked to undertake. Can't imagine how she felt, what stress and strain she was under. I wonder if I would have had the same courage as she."

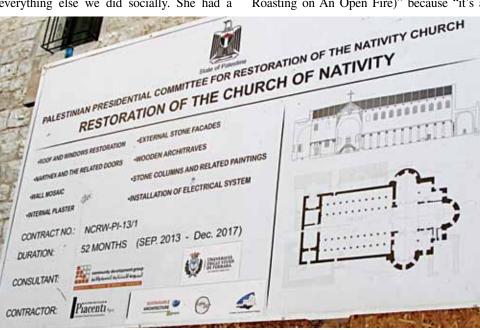
Half of the famous local singing duo Andy & Renee & Hard Rain, Renee Safier, told me her favorite song is "The Christmas Song (Chestnuts Roasting on An Open Fire)" because "it's a



#### Mosaic in Bethlehem.

of the song, which gets her in the mood for Christmas. "I have no gift to bring (pa rum pum pum pum), That's fit to give a king (pa rum pum pum pum). On my drum. That is the meaning of Christmas...Giving--even if you think you have nothing to give. Sharing yourself with others to bring about joy...a gift from the heart *is* fit for a king. That is the meaning of Christmas," said Debbie.

Reverend Dr. Michael McGowan was happy to tell me, "My favorite Christmas carol is, 'O Come All Ye Faithful,' because I learned it as a child in school by the nuns and it has always stayed in my mind and heart ever since. It would not be Christmas without hearing and singing this carol at Midnight Mass. Rita Welche chose "Silent Night" and said it was "because it really is what the season is about--the birth of Jesus and not the presents under the tree. Boy...does this song bring back memories...we just are home from our travels to the Holy Land. Were in Bethlehem and visited the Nativity Church... and our Palestinian guide, who stopped us coming out of the church, said that although we are from all over the world--20 of us--he wanted us to feel like one and invited us to



Renovation plans for Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem.

voice like a beautiful angel. As a result of those memories, I can say it is my favorite too, although I would never attempt to sing it myself. I was not blessed with a beautiful voice as she was."

Mayor Patrick Furey's favorite is "It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas" by Johnny Mathis, though he added, "Actually any version. Terry [my wife] and I sing it while we are decorating our home. So it reminds us of family, friends and the entire holiday season." fabulous melody, 'singable' and memorable. The bridge is beautiful and comforting. The lyric is picturesque and evocative of many shared experiences of the holiday season."

Gail Shota told me when she was small, she remembers "Do You Hear What I Hear" being sung as she sat in the living room with the whole family with the lights out watching their color wheel light up their Christmas tree.

Former Councilwoman Hope Witkowski celebrates Hanukkah and told me her favorite

sing 'Silent Night.' It reminded me of when, as a child, we would rehearse for hours with the choir in the church until our voices were in perfect sync. Here we were...taking home another memory to last a lifetime."



Outside the Church of the Holy Sepulchre.

Councilwoman Heidi Ann Ashcraft told me that "O Holy Night" is special "because it embodies the true reason for Christmas. When I was in the sixth grade, my class did the play The Littlest Angel and I wanted to try out for the lead singing part, but had to learn 'O Holy Night.' At home we had a Christmas record that had that song on, it so I sat down and played it over and over to learn it. The only problem was the singer was a soprano and had an operatic voice and I couldn't understand many of the words, so I made them up to sound like they fit the music. Well, when I tried out, the teacher looked at me strangely and asked where I got that rendition. I explained what I did to learn it and then she understood. I got the part!" Councilwoman Ashcraft told me you have to pay attention to what you wish for because you might get it. Oh, and she knows the correct words to the song now.

The next day, I asked Torrance City Clerk Rebecca Poirier and she told me, "What a fun idea! I never thought which one is my favorite. 'The Christmas Song' by Nat King Cole holiday song is "Light the Menorah" and she said, "It goes like this: I am sure you have heard it: 'Oh, Hanukkah, Oh Hanukkah come light the Menorah, Let's have a party...we'll all dance the Horah. ...etc.'"

I remember when I was in the Girl Scouts; we would sing both Christmas and Hanukkah songs. My favorite Hanukkah song is the "The Driedel Song."

Listening to people share their special Christmas songs got me thinking of my favorites. Yes, favorites. I couldn't possibly pick just one, but there is one that really gets me every time I hear it. It is the little song "You Make It Feel Like Christmas" by Neil Diamond. It's about making every day "like Christmas." It is a song that always brings to mind my late husband Dave because we loved that song--and I still do. He brought Christmas to me each and every single day. And isn't that a big part of what Christmas is all about? May I suggest you share your favorite Christmas or holiday song with those you love--and make a memory... •

## **Prosciutto-Wrapped Shrimp**

Recipe content provided by BPT - Serves 4



## Ingredients

- 1 9-ounce package SeaPak Jumbo Butterfly Shrimp
- 12 1-inch pieces of roasted red pepper
- 12 1-inch-by-4-inch strips of prosciutto
- 12 small basil leaves

## Preparation

- Preheat oven to 425 F. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper and set aside.
- While shrimp is still frozen, place one piece of roasted red pepper on the shrimp. Wrap prosciutto strip around the pepper and shrimp and place on the prepared baking sheet (ends to the underside).
- Bake according to package directions for 14 to 17 minutes or until shrimp is cooked through. Serve hot and garnished with basil leaves. •

**Politically Speaking** 



# **One Man's Opinion** Trump Apologists Allow For His Twitter Antics to Rave On and On

## **By Cristian Vasquez**

Once again the President of the United States had a weekend that was difficult to ignore. After the news that former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn's pled guilty to lying to the FBI, President Trump was quiet about the incident...for about a day. Then, as per usual, his Twitter account blew up with what 45 produces best: lies and absurdities. While Trump apologists might be pounding their chest the tax bill that's set to make everyone dirt poor, let's focus on the fact that the leader of the free world isn't capable of President has to go online to question the integrity and efficiency of the FBI by saying the agency is now the "worst in history." The same national security agency that's pivotal in protecting this country that he claims to love so much has been continuously undermined by the capricious tantrums of a delusional man-child.

The disturbing and disgusting part is that so many Trump apologists see nothing wrong with his behavior. The same people that kick and scream about an NFL player taking a knee because it's disrespectful are absolutely content with this tangerine maniac attacking the reputation of our own agencies in an attempt to save face. Ironically, the President's tantrums and his apologists' support only highlight the inability to think logically and truly have an ounce of self-respect. To recap, General Flynn pleads guilty to lying to the FBI finds and the President accuses the agency of being in "titter tatters." However, when the findings from Special Counsel Robert Mueller's investigation are reported, all the President can whine is, "Fake news." At this point it is anyone's guess why the leader of the free world has the maturity and restraint of a teenager. Maybe 45 promised Putin that our media would honor and respect him, or maybe the President is simply terrified of the former KGB leader and doesn't want to anger him. Whatever his reasons, with each passing day it's going to become more difficult to get the stench out of the White House that is Trump. •

# **Another Man's Opinion** Congrats, Sanctuary City Backers

### **By Duane Plank**

I guess we shouldn't be surprised, right, that the piece of human debris, illegal immigrant Jose Inez Garcia Zarate, who gunned down innocent Kate Steinle as she happily strolled on a pier with her father in her sanctuary city, San Francisco, in July of 2015, was acquitted of murder and manslaughter charges last week in a shameful Bay Area trial verdict.

Anyone remember the preposterous decision rendered in the O.J. trial?

The homeless illegal and ignorant immigrant Zarate, who had committed multiple felonies while being sheltered in America illegally, had been deported five times, but somehow conother nefarious crimes that were being planned and committed.

But when they decided to let Zarate skate on the weed charges, shouldn't they, at that point, have deported the loser Zarate? They had full knowledge of his heinous behavior in our country and that he was here very illegally. But, as the late comedian John Belushi used to say, "NO!" City officials did not comply with a request from Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials to notify them before releasing Zarate, who was freed to wander the streets of San Francisco, presumably to commit more crimes until his fate became intertwined with the Steinle family on that fateful afternoon. At the time of Steinle's take-down, thencandidate Donald Trump, who was at the time was considered a fringe possibility in the race for the Republican nomination, said that "this senseless and totally preventable act of violence committed by an illegal immigrant is yet another example of why we must secure our border immediately," and the real estate magnate began blustering about "building a wall." Fast-forward to December 2017 and there is no wall. Sanctuary cities dot the California landscape, protecting illegals and other losers. Proponents of illegals, a consortium including lefties, the entrenched bureaucracy, the media and even some Republican business owners who favor cheap labor, continue to hold sway. One of their favored gambits is espousing that we need illegals to "do the jobs Americans won't do." Well, one job Americans have proved very adept at is committing murder. Check out the murder rate in Chicago. Yes, we have enough American citizens killing each other. We certainly don't need to import criminals from outside the country to handle that job. •

being honest about even the pettiest topic. Let's look at how he fails to keep his mouth shut when it really matters.

For starters, the President is now saying that General Flynn did nothing wrong even after the latter admitted to the FBI that he lied. Whatever the reasons for General Flynn's lies, he committed perjury--and that by definition is a crime, which in essence is wrong. Now, if the President is this convinced that General Flynn is innocent of any wrongdoing, why was the man removed from that position? If you think back to a press conference after Flynn's release from his obligations as National Security Advisor, the Snowflake-In-Chief alluded to the General's resignation being the result of the bad press he received and not because of the man's actions.

Well, the tweets from this weekend were just another disgusting reminder that the White House is being occupied by someone not qualified to run a Twitter account, let alone the nation. Rather than staying off Twitter and letting things play out, the tinued to resurface in America to continue his criminal ways--which ended with the slaughter of Steinle, who died in her father's arms.

Those who favor lax immigration policies--and I am talking to you, Gavin Newsom, the ex-San Francisco mayor who may be our next Governor--should be oh-so-proud that their sanctuary city policies, which impinge upon law enforcement and federal officials from ridding the country of illegals like Zarate, are directly responsible for the death of Jim Steinle's 32-year-old child.

Back in March of 2015, Zarate, who had just wrapped up his third stint in federal prison for felony entry into the United States from Mexico, was handed over to the cops in San Francisco for possible prosecution on a musty bench warrant that had been issued against the creep for alleged marijuana possession.

Prosecutors declined to file charges, and, on the face of it, no big deal, right? Pot smoking, pot possession was on the way to legalization, and I am sure the sanctuary city prosecutors had their hands full investigating and litigating

## **Police Reports**

OREGON CT Stolen vehicle '03 GMC van. Burglary-Auto Betw. 11/20 7:30:00 AM & 11/20 8:00:00 AM 2200 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry, ransacks and takes property/purse.

## Tuesday, November 21

Vandalism Betw. 11/21 10:04:11 PM & 11/21 10:04:15 PM 3500 BLOCK CARSON ST. Suspect(s) throws rock at business door glass, smashing it.

Burglary-Commercial Betw. 11/21 6:00:00 PM & 11/22 8:30:00 AM 23600 BLOCK TELO AVE. Suspect(s) smashes windows, discovers entry is blocked/no entry, no loss.

Theft Betw. 11/21 3:30:00 PM & 11/23 6:30:00 AM 20700 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) takes property from construction site/pipe cutting machine.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 11/21 3:00:00 PM & 11/21 7:00:00 PM 3300 BLOCK ARTESIA BLVD. Suspect(s) enters unlocked vehicle

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and takes property/medication.

Auto Theft-All Betw. 11/21 3:00:00 PM & 11/24 2:02:00 PM 2200 BLOCK 229TH ST. Stolen vehicle: '08 Ford E250.

December 7, 2017

Wednesday, November 22 Vandalism Betw. 11/22 11:30:00 PM & 11/23 10:30:00 AM 21100 BLOCK WOOD AVE. Suspect(s) smashes victim's vehicle's window/no entry, no loss.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 11/22 9:00:00 PM & 11/22 11:00:00 PM 1400 BLOCK MARCE-LINA AVE. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/purse.

Theft Betw. 11/22 8:00:00 PM & 11/23 7:00:00 AM 19900 BLOCK INGRUM WAY. Suspect(s) takes property locked to bench/ motorized bicycle.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 11/22 6:00:00 PM & 11/23 4:45:00 PM 1200 BLOCK CABRILLO AVE. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/coat, shoes, MP3.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 11/22 6:00:00 PM & 11/22 8:25:00 PM 24500 BLOCK HAW-THORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) smashes three vehicles' windows for entry, ransacks and takes property/wallet, cell phone, cash, bank card. Theft Betw. 11/22 2:20:00 PM & 11/22 2:45:00 PM 3500 BLOCK CARSON ST. Suspect(s) takes unattended property off of counter/cell phone.

Theft Betw. 11/22 2:00:00 PM & 11/22 3:00:00 PM 21800 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) takes unattended property off of counter/wallet.

Vandalism Betw. 11/22 1:00:00 PM & 11/22 11:00:00 PM 21100 BLOCK WOOD AVE. Suspect(s) smashes vehicle window/ no entry, no loss.

Battery-Weapon/Agg 11/22 11:01 AM 2500 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD. Suspect swings at victim, hitting him in the arms before using a stun gun to shock the victim.

## Divergent

and consumer products predict it's the next industrial revolution.

The other difference between the printercopier and a 3D printer is how a digital file is reproduced. The 3D printer creates an image from a digital file, starting at the bottom and working its way up.

The process has been likened to a layer cake, where the baker lays down each layer one at a time until the entire cake is formed. There are videos on the Internet about 3D printing, and the unbelievable things that really smart people have designed, like a fully functioning jet engine.

These car factories of the future could be cheaper to open, according to Czinger. He says that an auto plan could be built at one-tenth of the half-billion cost to erect and equip. With 3D printers running on computer-assisted design programs, a big box warehouse could be easily outfitted into an auto assembly plant, Divergent's founder says.

Divergent 3D has made a promise to its investor that it can build a production line for 20,000 cars a year, equipped with industrialsized 3-D metal printers, laser cutters and assembly robots, for close to \$50 million. That would allow carmakers to shave \$6,700 off their production costs per vehicle, the

Vandalism Betw. 11/22 10:16:16 AM & 11/22 10:16:39 AM 5100 BLOCK 190TH ST. Suspect intentionally rams victim's vehicle with a shopping cart, damaging it.

Burglary-Auto 11/22 9:38 AM 21100 BLOCK VICTOR ST. Suspect(s) enters unlocked vehicle, ransacks and takes property/ cash.

Auto Theft-All 11/22 7:11 AM 1800 BLOCK DEL AMO BLVD. Stolen vehicle: '04 Interstate trailer.

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Theft Betw. 11/23 11:30:00 PM & 11/24 12:05:00 AM 3500 BLOCK CARSON ST. Suspect(s) takes property from victim's pocket/cell phone.

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Divergent 3D expects to build prototypes

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study trips and many kinds of hands-on experiments and activities tailored to inspire the next class of eighth graders to get involved in math and science careers. In addition to organizing the camp, AAUW works toward providing a \$750 scholarship funded through corporate donations for at least one student from each TUSD middle school.

The AAUW was founded in 1881 and has become the country's leading organization dedicated to advocating equity for women and girls through education, philanthropy, research and advocacy. In California the AAUW has 12,000 members in 125 branches, including the Torrance location. A group made up of Educational Partnership Committee members and business partners will determine which of the nominees will attend. The School Board will recognize any scholarship recipients during a regular meeting in June of 2018.

Participation in Tech Trek comes at no cost to TUSD. Persons interested in more information on the AAUW Torrance branch can visit https://torrance-ca.aauw.net.

The School Board also approved a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) between TUSD and Star View Adolescent Center in an effort to expand on the available mental health services provided to students and families in the district. Star View Adolescent Center is located in Torrance and provides mental health services to teenagers in high need. Through comprehensive mental health treatment programs, Star View treats young people with "severe emotional challenges who cannot be treated effectively in other existing community-based intensive treatment programs." The center provides a space for 56 patients between the ages of 12 and 17 years.

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The MOU will be in effect until Oct. 31, 2018 and comes at no cost to the District. Through the MOU, the framework for the partnership between TUSD and Star View Adolescent Center is established. It confirms the commitment to set up students "to receive needed mental health services on school campus, thus removing a barrier for treatment for these students and families," according to the School Board staff report.

Star View provides multilevel programs that combine residential care along with educational services that help with mental health treatment and rehabilitation. Through the center's integrated programs, there is no need to admit a student in the middle of an acute psychiatric crisis into an unknown setting such as a hospital. Furthermore, the center eliminates the risk of the student not resuming their residential placement and abandoning treatment.

Since 1996, Star View--along with Los Angeles County--has provided treatment to children who have experienced severe and complex trauma, and also for kids who have such emotional challenges that they require a secure environment for the intensive services they'll receive. Among the services provided by the Center for Torrance students are a Psychiatric Health Facility, Community Treatment Facility, Day Treatment Intensive Program and a Community Services Program. Star View Center will provide these services for Torrance students who have, or are eligible for, Medi-Cal at no charge to the District. •

for customers next year and then open a small-production factory in 2019 in the Los Angeles area, according to published reports. The company is fully funded for the research and development work ahead, its founder says. This technology has put Detroit and

company estimates.

Japanese carmakers on notice. "Divergent will continue its strong momentum in leading the adoption of an economically and environmentally transformative manufacturing solution-building safer, stronger and more profitable eco-friendly vehicles at mass volumes," said Czinger, who worked as a Wall Street banker before launching his manufacturing venture.

Software-guided manufacturing--at the heart of the car manufacturing revolutionaries at Divergent--also has applications for South Bay's aerospace industry. Printers can make single aircraft parts from metal or plastic, saving time and keeping the manufacturing on site.

Former Tonight Show host Jay Leno drove a prototype car made by Divergent for an episode of Jay Leno's Garage. The show is posted on YouTube at www.youtube.com/ watch?v=vPv7PwS50OE. •

"Every once in a while, a new technology, an old problem, and a big idea turn into an innovation." – DEAN KAMEN

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# <u>Seniors</u>

# **Busting Myths And Misconceptions About Osteoporosis**

(BPT) - One in two women over the age of 50 will suffer a fracture caused by osteoporosis in her remaining lifetime. Despite its prevalence, there are many myths and misconceptions about this "silent" disease. These myths may be a reason why osteoporosis is underdiagnosed and undertreated.

A fragility fracture (breaking a bone by falling from a standing height or lower) can impact day-to-day life, but it can also be an indicator for osteoporosis in postmenopausal women. When you have osteoporosis, even daily tasks such as taking your dog for a walk can put you at risk for a fragility fracture of the wrist, leg or even hip. But, a startling 82 percent of postmenopausal women did not identify such fractures as a possible risk factor for osteoporosis, according to results from a recent online survey of over 1,000 postmenopausal women conducted by Harris Poll on behalf of Radius Health, in partnership with HealthyWomen and the National Osteoporosis Foundation.

"It is critical that postmenopausal women do not dismiss seemingly insignificant fragility fractures as 'clumsiness,' but instead see them as an important indicator for bone fragility, disease progression and the need for intervention," says Dr. Andrea Singer, MD, FACP, CCD, clinical director and trustee of the National Osteoporosis Foundation.

This is just one myth about osteoporosis. There are many others, including:

Myth: Osteoporosis only affects the elderly. Truth: Osteoporosis often affects women after menopause. Natural menopause can occur as early as age 50. The rate of bone loss after menopause is increased with the

Truth: More women over the age of 55 were hospitalized in the United States for osteoporosis-related fractures than for stroke, heart attack or breast cancer. Yet, according to the survey, postmenopausal women were



accompanying loss of estrogen. Osteoporosis is a progressive disease that lowers the density of bones over time, making them weaker and more likely to fracture.

Myth: Osteoporosis isn't very common.

Truth: Ten million Americans are estimated to have osteoporosis, and more than 8 million of those are women.

Myth: Osteoporosis isn't that serious.

more likely to be concerned with a diagnosis of stroke, heart attack and breast cancer than osteoporosis.

Myth: Health care providers will tell you when it's time to test for osteoporosis.

Truth: Research suggests only 2 in 10 older women in the United States who suffer a fracture are tested or treated for osteoporosis. Furthermore, according to the survey, 96 percent of postmenopausal women who have not yet been diagnosed with osteoporosis and who suffered a fragility fracture were not told by their health care provider it could be linked to osteoporosis.

Myth: Getting enough calcium and vitamin D is enough to treat osteoporosis.

Truth: About 3 in 10 postmenopausal women incorrectly believe that drinking milk or taking calcium supplements alone will prevent osteoporotic fractures/breaks, the survey found. While getting enough calcium and vitamin D is critical to keep bones strong, it may not be enough when it comes to treating osteoporosis in postmenopausal women, especially after a fracture.

Myth: There is no way to build new bone after menopause.

Truth: About one-quarter of postmenopausal women incorrectly believe there is no way to build new bone at their age, the survey found. The truth is that certain types of treatment for postmenopausal osteoporosis can help build new bone, while others help slow bone loss.

Separating the truths from the myths is an important step in pursuing appropriate care for bone health after menopause. To get more information about osteoporosis, visit the Fractured Truth website at www. fracturedtruths.com. To learn more and find a community of supportive women, visit the Fractured Truth Facebook page at www. facebook.com/FracturedTruth. •

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# **Prepare Your Home for Holiday Guests**

(BPT) - As the holidays approach, the decorator in us gets excited about how to deck the halls and drape the tinsel to create a festive home for the season. Social media is full of inspiration, but before you embark on decorating projects, the following are a few easy ideas to ensure your home is as functional and welcoming as it is festive for family and friends.

A pristine paint job is the perfect backdrop for holiday entertaining. Throughout the year, the walls of your home take a lot of abuse, from kids banging their toys into the corners and chairs hitting the walls, to the nail holes and cracks that appear over time. To restore your walls to their former glory, fill in those dents, holes and cracks before you repaint with ALEX Plus Spackling, which delivers professional strength and durability when making repairs on a range of surfaces such as drywall, wood and metal. If you have troublesome reoccurring cracks that just won't go away, ALEX Flex Spackling is the perfect solution for a lasting, seamless repair. And for the ultimate professional finish, use ALEX Flex Premium Molding & Trim Sealant to fill gaps and cracks around

interior window and door frames and along baseboards, chair rails and crown molding

for a crack-proof, seamless finish.

A warm, roaring fire is a cozy centerpiece for after-dinner storytelling and catching up with family and friends. Whether your home is equipped with a gas or wood-burning fireplace, it is important to ensure the unit is in good working order. First, inspect the area and repair any damage to key pieces, such as time for a thorough chimney sweeping to remove excess buildup of soot and creosote.

There's nothing like visiting with old friends or reconnecting with family members you haven't seen in a while. Of course, with the increased foot traffic in and out of your home comes the question of where to put your guests' belongings so they are out of



the baffle, damper or mantle, that may have occurred during the year. Next, schedule a

the way and organized. If you have a coat closet, be sure to clean it out and make

room for your guests by storing your coats in another room. You might also consider using an additional coat rack and strategically placing some festive decorative baskets for holding shoes and purses.

If you plan on hosting friends and family members who have small children, take some time to kid-proof your home, particularly

> anywhere they are likely to play. Along with putting plug covers on all of the outlets, remove any common hazards young kids might get into. Secure electrical and window treatment cords, protect hard-edged furniture and put breakables out of reach. Once the groundwork for a safe, kid-friendly space is cleared, add toys, games, comfy pillows and more, so they're entertained and feel welcome.

> When it comes to prepping for holiday guests, don't forget about high-traffic areas outside the home. Be sure to clear the walkways of any snow and ice and replace outdoor lights with fresh bulbs to help guests safely navigate their way to your home.

> These quick and easy preparations will help you and your guests feel more at

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# PETSPETSPETSPETSPETS Purrfect Companions



Violet

Saving one animal may not change the world, but it will change the world for that animal. Share your love this season by adopting one of these wonderful kitties.

Violet is a beautiful and soft brown/black tabby with a lovely face and matching personality. This young year-old girl is still learning how to directly come to people for affection, but she loves to flirt-meow and follow you around. Sweet and gentle, Violet loves to be petted, but she has lingering moments of shyness--so she would do best with other cats and maybe around very gentle dogs. She is very sweet with the cats in her foster home and gets along with other cats very well. As she might be wary of normal kid noise and play, she might not be best with small children.

What this darling group of kittens, Twix, Panda and Sox, would love the most is to have their own special families. It would be with one of their foster siblings...

to love and care for him. He is playful, curious and easy to cuddle with. Panda also loves exploring, eating, jumping off chairs and napping.

humans. When she sits on your warm lap, it makes her purr uncontrollably. She loves cuddling and playing with her siblings, Biscotti and Florentine (who are also available for adoption). They chase each other and pounce. In a perfect world, Maddy would love to stay together with her brother and sister. However, just one of her siblings or a young energetic kitty at home will please her too.

Cauldron was rescued with his siblings from the East Valley shelter at only one-week old. Cauldron is a little bundle of energy and a ton of cuddly cuteness. He loves people, as he was bottle fed-from such a young age, and is fantastic with everyone he meets from adults to young kids. This playful boy hasn't met a toy he doesn't like. He cannot be the only cat in his home, so Cauldron must either be adopted with another kitty or placed into a home with a young, playful cat.

Torta was rescued from an animal shelter wonderful if each of them could be adopted at barely one-day old. He and his siblings were the smallest kittens to ever enter the Twix thinks whoever chooses her will be Kitten Rescue Nursery. Tiny fighters, these very lucky. She likes exploring new hiding precious kittens are tenacious lovers of life. places, playing with balls, running and taking They absolutely adore humans, as they were long naps. Twix would love to have her bottle-fed from their very first moments in brothers Sox and Panda join her--but if they life. Torta is an energetic child with a lot can all find good and loving homes, then she of spunk and playfulness. He is always romping around, wrestling with his fellow will be happy. Panda is a boy looking for a kind family foster kittens. He is not the most graceful kitten, but that doesn't stop him from trying to climb up so he can nuzzle all over your face while purring up a storm. Torta must be adopted either with another kitty or into Sox is a playful boy who is curious and very a home that has a playful resident cat, so he lovable. He likes eating fish and playing with cannot be the only cat in his home. He gets noisy balls, feathers and toy mice. He is also along well with people of all walks of life, very good at running, leaping and climbing. every kitty he meets and likely would adjust Madeline, aka Maddy, is in love with fine to a cat-friendly dog.





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