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TMMC Annual Holiday Festival



Torrance Memorial Medical Center's 34th Annual Holiday Festival raised more than \$2.1 million over its six days, with the additional announcement during the Friday gala of a \$22 million gift from Donald and Priscilla Hunt to help fund renovation of the North Patient Tower. The above photo, from the Holiday Festival Fashion Show, features from left to right: Celeste Crandell, Holiday Festival co-chairs Carolyn Snyder and Bev George, and Las Amigas Vice President Michelle Rand. (Photo by Deidre Davidson).

Torrance Transit Department to Apply for Capital Repair Funds

By Cristian Vasquez

Authorized during Tuesday night's City Council meeting was a recommendation by the Torrance Transit Director Kim Turner to apply for, receive and use State of Good Repair Program Funds being made available by the State. Torrance Transit will use the estimated \$188,209 towards the purchase of capital equipment used to support ongoing operations within the department's duties.

In April Governor Jerry Brown signed Senate Bill 1 into law, which modified the State Transit Assistance Program (STA) in order to provide a new source of monies to transit departments in California. However, to receive the funds each agency had to use the monies for eligible State of Good Repair capital projects.

"The State Controller's Office has notified Torrance Transit that we are eligible to apply for \$188,209 for capital-related projects and costs," said James Lee from the Transit Department. "Staff wishes to utilize these funds towards our preventative maintenance program, which is an eligible activity under this grant."

The State Transit Assistance State of Good Repair (STASGR) Program is financed through part of the new Transportation Improvement Fee imposed on car registrations. According to the staff report, with just six months worth of revenue in the 2018 Fiscal Year, the State Controller's Office (SCO) is projecting that STASGR will make \$105 million available throughout California, with an estimated \$31.6 million going to Los Angeles County.

"The funds will be distributed using the STA formula, so municipal transit operators

such as Torrance Transit will also receive funding from this program based on annual performance," states the staff report signed by Turner. "While the funding is formula-driven, all eligible recipients are required to submit to Caltrans a list of capital projects on which they plan to use the funds."

Caltrans issued the official draft for the State of Good Repair Program Guidelines in October. The Council's approval and signature is required by Caltrans in order to have funds allocated to the Transit Department. Once the list

is submitted each project must be approved by Caltrans prior to the SCO releasing the funds.

Also approved during Tuesday night's meeting was a consulting services agreement with BOA Government Services. The agreement worth \$46,175 includes a five percent contingency fee (\$2,309), and will provide architectural design services for the repair and reconstruction of the hangars at Torrance Airport during a one-year period, from December 19, 2017 to December 18, 2018.

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New Laws Passed to End Pay Gap and Harassment in the Workplace

By Rob McCarthy

South Bay employers next year will be paying more and asking less when the state's minimum wage rises again and a new law ends the practice of asking prospective employees how much they've earned at past jobs.

The hike in the minimum hourly wage to \$11 is just one of the changes that companies must incorporate into their employment practices in the new year. The state minimum wage is scheduled to increase every year on January 1 until it reaches \$15 in 2022. Companies with 26 or more employees must pay \$11 per hour, while smaller employers are required to pay \$10.50 per hour next year.

Employers, particularly food service and retailers, could choose to reduce employees' hours to lessen the impact of the wage hike on payroll and operating expenses. Economists predicted when passed in 2015, the \$15 minimum wage law would hurt employment by forcing business owners to cut staff and hours.

The other pay-related change ahead for South Bay companies is AB 168, which the Legislature approved in hopes of narrowing the gender pay gap for women. Employers no longer can ask a job candidate about his or her salary history, and instead must provide a salary range for the position if asked what a position pays.

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Film Review

Ridley Scott's Latest Tells True Story of Kidnapped Getty Heir

By Ryan Rojas for www.cinemacy.com

It's not likely that you've heard of All the Money in the World, the true-life story of the kidnapping of a Getty heir, without also hearing of the off-screen drama that has accompanied the film. Sexual misconduct allegations against the film's main star--Kevin Spacey--sent the movie into crisis mode only weeks before the film was scheduled to open.

In an unprecedented move, director Ridley Scott decided to cut Spacey out of the movie altogether--a head-spinning decision since the actor had not only completed all of his scenes, but because Scott announced that the film would also still meet its scheduled release date in the coming weeks. This feat would be accomplished by re-shooting the movie with Oscar-winning actor Christopher Plummer in Spacey's vacated role. This race-against-the-clock, behind-thescenes story no doubt has as much suspense

The drama, of course, comes in J. Paul Getty's decision not to pay Paul's \$17 million ransom. For someone who at one time was considered to be "the most wealthy man in the world," paying the ransom for the safe return of his grandson would seem to be the obvious decision. It's a psychological study that Scott is interested in exploring here, showing Getty as a man who didn't get to be where he was by conceding or being bested in any way, whether in business or in a hostage negotiation with his family. As Getty, Plummer brings light-hearted, unaffected poise and power to his character. Simultaneously confounded and enraged is Gail, who can't understand why this man won't pay for her son's safety. Williams' resilience and focus keep the film moving forward.

For a hostage movie, All the Money in the World isn't as much white-knuckle tension as it is more a broad character and period piece.



Michelle Williams and Mark Wahlberg in All The Money In The World. Courtesy of Sony Pictures.

as the material on which it's based.

The inevitable question that the movie won't ever be able to escape from is, how does the film, also starring Michelle Williams and Mark Wahlberg, hold together? With a screenplay by David Scarpa, based on a novel by John Pearson, All the Money in the World holds together surprisingly well. This big studio movie is certainly ambitious in scope, as Scott takes the film across continents with action, period piece designs, and a smart screenplay that provokes the audience to think. All the Money in the World tells the true story of kidnapped 16-year-old Getty heir J. Paul Getty III (Charlie Plummer) and the ransom race led by his mother, Gail Harris (Williams) and family advisor Fletcher Chase (Wahlberg) against the foreign kidnappers as well as her miserly father-in-law, J. Paul Getty (Christopher Plummer, no relation to Charlie).

There are certainly a number of moments that will make impressions on viewers, and the final sequence of the film in which Getty arises out of bed to take a precious painting off a wall is one of the best sequences in cinema I've seen all year. It reminds us that Scott is a master of his craft...and at 80 years old is one of the few filmmakers who not only commands a production as big as this, but can handle any obstacles that would end the career of other filmmakers. Ironically, the shared symbolism is that the story of the former star of All the Money in the World, like Getty himself, reflects powerful men being brought to their knees. For our interviews with Ridley Scott, Christopher Plummer, Michelle Williams and more, visit www.cinemacy.com.

132 min. All the Money in the World is rated R for language, some violence, disturbing images and brief drug content. In theaters on Christmas Day. •

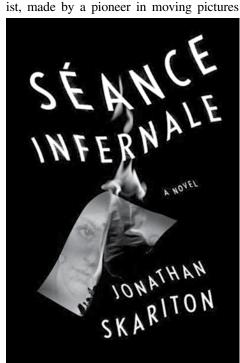
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Check It Out

Séance Infernale by John Skariton By Roz Templin, Library Assistant, El Segundo Public Library

Séance Infernale crosses many genres, which makes the story exciting and informative. It's kind of film-geeky, since the title itself refers to a film that "might" ex-



Séance Infernale by John Skariton.

before Edison and the Lumiere brothers. It's an adventure story since many people want this film. Some are pretty shady and some are just downright dangerous. The film may contain certain images that are clues pointing to a bigger mystery, so its value is more than monetary. It's a crime novel: a subplot involves an unhinged fellow who seems to be a serial killer. How does this tie in with a race to find an old film that might exist? Just wait...you'll see. And finally, it has paranormal elements--both in the subject matter of the desirable film, but also in the lives of those either assisting or hindering the pursuit. There is an Aleister Crowley-type character who figures prominently, giving it a mystical spin.

Our hero (anti-hero?), Alex Whitman, is like a bounty hunter for lost films and memorabilia, and he has some pretty questionable motives and methods himself. He is hired by a collector of cinema memorabilia to track down a film by early inventor Augustin Sekular (who is based on a real person, the author tells us in his notes in the back of the book). Sekular was scheduled to premiere his "moving picture machine" to the world in 1890, but disappeared aboard a Paris train, never to be heard from again. Alex launches a worldwide quest to run down the information he has managed to gather and soon finds himself the quarry when he stumbles upon a few frames of the elusive film. We discover that Alex has a burden of his own that seems to become part of his mission. Despite beatings, torture and near-murder, he and his cohorts decipher riddles that ultimately lead to the sought-after "treasure." Can they reach it before their menacing opponents?

Fast-paced and suspenseful, there are times of true page-turning breathlessness while reading this tale. I couldn't decide whether Alex was someone to root for, to pity or to revile at times. Those characters that populate his life seem to have secrets of their own. Who can anyone trust? The theme music playing in my mind ranged from Raiders of the Lost Ark to Mission Impossible, with a few spooky notes of Rosemary's Baby tossed in. Don't be afraid to sample Séance Infernale. You might grow to like it!

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Calendar of Events

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THURSDAY, DEC. 21

- Puppets Oh My!, 4:00 PM., free, Henderson Library, 4805 Emerald Street, Call: 310-371-2075.
- Teen Zone, 3:30 PM., free teens only, Katy Geissert Civic Center Library, 3301 Torrance Blvd., Call: 310-618-5964.

FRIDAY, DEC. 22

 All Torrance Libraries – CLOSED for Christmas.

SATURDAY, DEC. 23

- Torrance Certified Farmers' Market at Wilson Park, 8:00 AM. 1:00 PM., 2200 Crenshaw Blvd., Between Carson St. & Sepulveda, Call: 310-781-7520.
- All Torrance Libraries CLOSED for Christmas.

SUNDAY, DEC. 24

- Merry Christmas Eve!!
- All Torrance Libraries CLOSED for Christmas.

MONDAY, DEC. 25

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!!

• All Torrance Libraries – CLOSED for Christmas.

TUESDAY, DEC. 26

- 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.
- 2018 City of Torrance Rose Float Volunteer Decorators, 7:45 AM. – 11:00 PM., Fiesta Parade Floats, 16016 Avenida Padilla, Irwindale, CA 91702.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27

 2018 City of Torrance Rose Float Volunteer Decorators, 7:45 AM. – 11:00 PM., Fiesta Parade Floats, 16016 Avenida Padilla, Irwindale, CA 91702.

THURSDAY, DEC. 28

- All Torrance Libraries CLOSED for New Year
- 2018 City of Torrance Rose Float Volunteer Decorators, 7:45 AM. – 11:00 PM., Fiesta Parade Floats, 16016 Avenida Padilla, Irwindale, CA 91702. •

New Laws

from front page

Using salary history in pre-employment screening contributed to the gender pay gap, the bill's supporters said. Men traditionally earn higher salaries than their female counterparts for doing the same work, and knowing salary history gave employers an unfair leverage in salary negotiations, according to supporters of the bill.

A person's salary history cannot be a criterion when a company is considering making an offer of employment either, under the new law. The Legislature a year ago approved a less restrictive law that a company could not rely to past salary to justify a wage gap between two employees with the same job responsibilities.

The new law is a total ban of the practice, however. If the applicant "voluntarily and without prompting" provides his or her salary information, the employer may use it "in determining the salary for that applicant," under the new pay equity law.

AB 168 applies to all employers, including state and local government employers and the Legislature. Violation of the "don't ask, don't tell" rule governing past salary is a misdemeanor, subject to a penalty. The Western States Trucking Association denounced the law, saying it "effectively eliminates an employer's ability to negotiate wage, as well as creates a new reason to sue." The San Jose School District in the Bay Area also opposed the bill, saying that salary history information was valuable in assessing the quality of candidates for teaching jobs.

Local legislators Assemblywoman Autumn Burke, D-Inglewood), and State Senator Ben Allen (D-Redondo Beach) supported the bill's passage. Assemblyman Al Muratsuchi (D-Torrance) did not cast vote on AB 168.

Ahead of the change, employers are being advised to revise job applications, all hiring forms and notices--both online and hard copies. Company hiring materials should omit any questions that could seek salary history information, and policy and procedure manuals for interviewing and screening job applicants should be revised, according to employment law firms.

Another change coming for human resource professionals and employment agencies is known as the "ban the box" law. Much like the salary question, employers no longer may ask job applicants during the interviewing process if they've been convicted of a crime. An employer can, however, withdraw an offer of employment to a candidate if a conviction or criminal history shows up on a background check.

Employers with five or fewer employees are exempt, as are a small number of jobs. Those include government positions that

require a criminal background, farm labor contractors and criminal justice positions.

Other employment-related changes hap-

Other employment-related changes happening on January 1 include:

Unpaid parental leave: The New Parent Leave Act expands the state's family rights law to allow employees who work for an employer with 20 employees to take 12 weeks of unpaid leave when a child is born. The existing law applies only to companies with 50 or more employees. This change is expected to affect 2.7 million working Californians, and applies both to private and public employers.

Parents of newborns, adopted or foster children are eligible for unpaid leave to bond with a child. Parents who work for the same employer can be asked to share the 12-week leave. Workers may use vacation, sick days or paid personal time off as compensation during their new state-mandated family leave.

Whistleblower protection: Senate Bill 306 will expands claims of retaliation by employers against whistleblowers who report alleged workplace violations. It allows the Labor Commissioner to launch an investigation of employers, with or without a complaint being filed. Current law authorizes labor commission investigations only when an employee files a complaint.

California law makes it illegal to retaliate against any employee who provides information to a government or law enforcement agency when the employee has reasonable cause to think there is a violation or noncompliance with the law. Workers in whistleblower cases cannot be fired, demoted suspended or disciplined for their actions. Employers who retaliate face civil fines of up to \$10,000, not including penalties levied by the labor commissioner.

Coverage requirements for workers' comp: Professional corporations owned by eight or more partners can apply to be exempt from the state's workers' compensation coverage requirements for the owners. The workplace accident policy needn't include the professionals and directors of the corporation's board if they waive their right to coverage, under the new law. This change, supported by the California Medical Association, is expected to save South Bay medical practices up to \$18,000 per year on their workers' comp insurance.

Current law made the opt-out available only to partners with at least a 15 percent ownership stake. State Senator Steven Bradford, D-Gardena, sponsored the bill that lowers the ownership stake to 10 percent, making South Bay medical and other professional practices with 10 or more partners eligible for the workers' comp policy savings. •

Community Briefs

Paintings by Patty Grau Displayed



Patty Grau with her painting "San Pedro I & II." Now on display through January 15, 2018, paintings by Patty Grau in the Chiropractic Offices, Back in Action, 25200 Crenshaw Boulevard, Suite 101, Torrance. 310-325-2500. Open hours: Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

<u>Police Briefs</u>

Major Collision at Anza and Spencer

On December 17 at approximately 6:23 p.m., officers from the Torrance Police Department responded to a major traffic collision at the intersection of Anza Avenue and Spencer Street.

On arrival, officers discovered that a silver Mercedes driven by a 71-year-old male, traveling northbound on Anza Avenue had collided with an 82-year-old female who was crossing the street against a red phased traffic signal. A second vehicle being driven by a 56-year-old male attempted to avoid striking the downed female, to no avail, the female victim was struck a second time.

The 82-year-old female pedestrian sustained major injuries and was treated by Torrance Fire Department personnel at the scene and she unfortunately succumbed to her injuries.

Anza Avenue between Emerald Street and Del Amo were closed for approximately four hours during the investigation.

This collision is being investigated by the Torrance Police Department's Traffic Division under the command of Captain Martin Vukotic, Commander of the Special Operations Bureau. Anyone with information regarding this collision is encouraged to contact the Torrance Police Department's Traffic Division at (310) 618-5557.

<u>Police Reports</u>

Sunday, December 3

Burglary-Auto 12/3 10:46 PM 21300 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) takes property from unlocked vehicle/registration, insurance, keys, lingerie, text books, binders, gloves, phone mount, phone charger.

Theft 12/3 3:00 PM 24400 BLOCK CREN-SHAW BLVD. Suspect(s) takes unattended property/cell phone.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/3 2:30:00 PM & 12/3 9:00:00 PM 2600 BLOCK SKYPARK DR. Suspect(s) takes property from unlocked vehicle/yoga bag, yoga mat, towel, keys.

Theft Betw. 12/3 10:00:00 AM & 12/3 12:00:00 PM 4200 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD. Suspect(s) takes property locked to rack/bicycle.

Monday, December 4

Auto Theft-All Betw. 12/4 8:08:21 PM & 12/13 10:15:00 AM 20800 BLOCK WEST-ERN AVE. Stolen vehicle: '98 Honda Civic.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/4 7:00:00 PM & 12/5 7:30:00 AM 1300 BLOCK CRAN-BROOK AVE. Suspect(s) enters vehicle by unknown means and takes property/purse, shoes, jewelry, CD, cash.

Battery-Simple Betw. 12/4 5:10:16 PM & 12/4 5:10:32 PM 23100 BLOCK DORIS WAY. Suspect repeatedly punches victim in the face, causing injury.

Battery-Simple Betw. 12/4 4:00:00 PM & 12/4 4:15:00 PM 4800 BLOCK CALLE MAYOR. Suspect intentionally breaks victim's finger.

Vandalism 12/4 12:57 PM 1900 BLOCK ANDREO AVE. Suspect intentionally smashes victim's residence window.

Battery-Simple Betw. 12/4 12:15:00 PM & 12/4 12:25:00 PM 3600 BLOCK 182ND ST. Suspects repeatedly punch victim.

Burglary-Residential Betw. 12/4 7:30:00 AM & 12/4 5:00:00 PM 16900 BLOCK YUKON AVE. Suspect(s) removes screen, forces open window, ransacks and takes property/laptop, jewelry.

Theft Betw. 12/4 6:00:00 AM & 12/6 6:00:00 AM 4200 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD. Suspect(s) defeats lock and takes property from locker/bag, shirt.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/4 12:00:01 AM & 12/4 5:00:00 AM 21300 BLOCK EVALYN

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Classifieds

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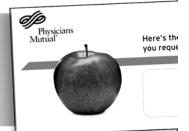


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Each Sudoku puzzle consists of a 9X9 grid that has been subdivided into nine smaller grids of 3X3 squares. To solve the puzzle each row, column and box must contain each of the numbers 1 to 9.



Chargers Lose Control of Division

By Adam Serrao

Right when the Los Angeles Chargers began to instill a bit of faith in their fan base, they traveled to Kansas City to take on the Chiefs and put up a dud. With a 30-13 loss at the hands of their rivals from the AFC West, the Chargers not only suffered their first defeat in their last five games played, but also gave up control of the division with just two games remaining. Leading up to this game--the team's biggest matchup of the season--the Chargers had won seven of their last nine games and were being heralded as one of the best teams in the AFC. Now, with the loss, Los Angeles must win out if they want any chance at even making the playoffs at all.

Arrowhead Stadium has its own way of making all opponents who take the field shrink down and gradually disappear. Just ask the Oakland Raiders, who flew to Kansas City the week before and yet failed to show up to the game once the play clock started ticking. Philip Rivers and company experienced a similar fate last Saturday night at Arrowhead. With a top spot for the AFC West on the line, Rivers threw three interceptions and the Chargers surrendered 20 straight points to take a 17-point loss.

"Maybe we made this game bigger than it really was," Los Angeles coach Anthony Lynn explained after the loss. "As a young team mixed with some veterans, we have to mature and get our guys ready to play. And that's on me." As the loudest stadium in all of football, Arrowhead and its Chiefs fans have their own way of making teams nothing short of a bit uneasy. After already experiencing a season of highs and lows, Charger fan themselves are now experiencing that same uneasy feeling as their 7-7 record means that the team no longer controls its own fate for a playoff spot and an AFC West crown.

With the New York Jets and the Oakland Raiders as the only two teams remaining on the schedule for L.A., it's quite possible that Los Angeles can win out and find themselves sitting pretty with a 9-7 record on the season. Even that record, however, would necessitate that the team receive some help in the form of losses from other playoff hopefuls like the Baltimore Ravens, Tennessee Titans and Buffalo Bills, amongst others--or even see the Chiefs lose both of their last two remaining games. "Our playoffs have begun," Lynn continued. "And there's no absolute that we're going to the playoffs, even if we win the next two games. But if we don't [win], we damn sure ain't going."

Unfortunately for the Chargers, the football game isn't the only thing that the team lost.

As one of the healthiest teams in the league, a matchup against their interdivisional rivals certainly took its toll on the roster. During the game, Los Angeles lost starting linebacker Denzel Perryman, defensive tackle Corey Liuget and safety Adrian Phillips. They also witnessed star wide receiver Keenan Allen get carted to the locker room with a back injury and saw injuries occur to linemen Joe Barksdale and Russell Okung.

The Chargers began the season by taking losses in each of their first four games. Since that time, the team went on to win three in a row and seven out of their next nine as analysts around the NFL began to qualify Los Angeles as one of the league's most impressive up-and-coming teams that even had the chance to challenge the likes of the vaunted New England Patriots. Rivers was playing like a man on fire, the team wasn't turning the ball over, they weren't making mistakes and the defense was playing as one of the top units in the leagues. That all changed in just one game. The Chargers turned the ball over four times, with Rivers leading that charge. They were penalized nine times for 61 yards while missing tackles and even gave up three touchdowns and 30 points--the highlight of which was a 60-yard grab by Tyreek Hill as he zipped past Casey Hayward and flashed the "peace sign" while on his way into the end zone for seven.

"We kind of fell apart in a sense," Rivers said. "We just didn't execute. Obviously, give them credit. But just what we talked during the last four games, not turning the ball over and getting takeaways, we were just the opposite of that today." One of Rivers' worst games of the season couldn't have come at a worse time. With the loss, the Chargers now--according to ESPN's Football Power Index--have only a 17 percent chance to reach the postseason.

Instead of seizing the moment last Saturday night in Kansas City, the Chargers dropped the ball, figuratively and quite literally. The Chiefs have now beaten their rivals eight straight times, but perhaps none bigger than last week's 30-13 final that for all intents and purposes ended Los Angeles's playoff hopes prematurely. In the end, a Chargers team that was much different from the one that its fans were getting to know and love happened to appear once again. Now the only question remaining is whether or not Rivers and company still have some fight left in them or whether they'll roll over and fall into an abyss similar to the one that the team has experienced in seasons past.

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Local High Schools Start Soccer

By Adam Serrao

The beginning of the winter season symbolizes the start of boys' high school soccer, and this year there already seems to be a slight change to the competitive balance in the Pioneer League. The South High Spartans have traditionally dominated their opponents within the division and in doing, so have also racked up numerous league championships. This year, the rest of Torrance's teams have a chip on their respective shoulders and are looking to do anything in order to unseat the Spartans from their tradition of success. The 2017-18 season is only a few games into its commencement, but the competition between rivals already looks to be heating up.

After finishing off last season with a quite average record of 9-12-2, head coach Ryan Burnett and the Torrance Tartars are looking to improve and make waves in the Pioneer League this year. Torrance's third place finish one season ago wasn't good enough to get the team into the playoffs. That's something that Burnett and company are looking to change and they will go about attempting to do so with the emergence of seven juniors returning to the team from last year's squad. One of those players is this year's senior captain, Dylan Perez.

"He's the soul of our team," Burnett said when speaking of Perez, who has already been off to a terrific start this season. In the Tartars' most recent match against the Mira Costa Mustangs, Perez scored his team's only two goals in what turned out to be a losing effort, but was undoubtedly the reason why Torrance even made it a close match at all. "I think it was a good learning game for us," Burnett continued. "We didn't hang our heads, we went right back at them and that's a good thing for us moving forward." Perez's second goal in the 66th minute got the Tartars close and showed that despite winding up on the wrong side of the final score, there is no quit apparent in this year's Torrance team.

Although the Tartars lost to Mira Costa, the team has come up with a couple of nice victories in the early going to show some promise. In the first game of the season, they took it to the El Segundo Eagles and with goals by senior Ryan Brainard and junior Marcelo Rios, notched a 2-0 victory. One week later, Torrance torched the Gardena Panthers with a final of 7-1 before shutting out the Culver City Centaurs 3-0 behind goals from seniors Matis Dylan and Eddie Grados and junior D'Angelo Alva.

A long season remains for the Tartars, as things are sure to heat up once league play begins towards the beginning of January. Key rivalry matchups against the likes of the West High Warriors and the North High Saxons, among others, wait as Torrance looks to stay on

top of the Pioneer League standings this year. **South High**

Head coach Chad Lagerway leads the South High Spartans into a season that is full of question marks coming off of two straight years of success. The Spartans enter 2017-18 after back-to-back Pioneer League titles. It wasn't long ago that South reached the 2016 CIF Southern Section Division 4 final before making it to the 2017 CIF-SS Division 3 quarterfinals. Despite losing both matches, it was quite easy to realize that the Spartans were dominant. It will be a bit harder to duplicate for South as the team battles to replace a few key losses to the roster entering the year.

Perhaps the biggest loss for the Spartans will be the departure of Will Hayward, who played all four seasons at South and was the unquestioned MVP of the team last year. In addition to Hayward, the Spartans will miss the presence of senior midfielder Dara Fakhfouri and senior defender David Paine, among others. The team will look to this year's senior captain and goalkeeper Kohl Kutsch to keep them competitive throughout what is sure to be a long and trying season. So far, a record of 0-1-3 record heading into this week certainly says that they have a lot of work to do, but with plenty of games left to be played, anything can happen for the defending Pioneer League champs.

West High

Coming off of a 13-6-4 season that was good enough for second place in the Pioneer League last year, the West High Warriors enjoyed their first win of the regular season when they took down the Beverly Hills Normans in the first week of December. The Warriors made it to the second round of the CIF-SS Division 3 playoffs last season before falling to the Camarillo Scorpions, and will look for similar success this year. The team will look to overcome the loss of senior defender Cole Prince with the return of junior midfielder Cameron Korshavn as they attempt to capture their first Pioneer League title since the 2014-15 season.

North High

The North High Saxons won three games all of last season and enter this year under head coach Robert Rivas already having lost two of their first three with three ties and one victory over the Hawthorne Cougars added in. The Saxons have finished in last place in the Pioneer League standings in three of their last four seasons and have not taken home a division title since the 2012-13 season. Because of their unsteady history, expectations should be held in check for the Saxons this year, but with a long way to go, Rivas and company will look to surprise some people as they begin to attempt to turn things around. – Aserrao6@yahoo.com - @UpandAdam6 •





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TerriAnn in TorranceA Season of Celebration: Always Appreciate the Gift of the Moment

Story and Photos by TerriAnn Ferren

The next few days may find us rushing with last-minute preparations for Christmas, letting out a sigh of fulfillment with the last day of Hanukkah, or checking the calendar one more time, counting the days. Maybe it is time for a much-needed breather. Preparations for December have shopkeepers and families--and especially children--looking forward to this special month.

May I suggest we all take a collective deep breath, drop our shoulders and unclench our teeth? Yes, slow down. Pay attention to the beautiful decorations everywhere. This afternoon, I noticed my bank had fluffy snowmen standing at attention at the teller windows, and driving home I noticed the trees on the medians on Artesia Boulevard were decorated with tiny white lights. It reminded me to slow down, pay attention and take time to notice the small things. Actress/producer Roma Downey said, while reflecting on her daughter's first Christmas 21 years ago, "...Is it just me or is life moving very fast? I try to remember to slow it down when I can, to fully step into the moment with gratitude and appreciation and to learn from it all...the sunshine and the shadows..." Roma is right. We all could use putting on the brakes every now and then--and now is a great time for that to begin.



A virtual light extravaganza.



Dodger fans showing love to the team and beloved announcer Vin Scully.



The Christmas tree in the park in front of the Los Angeles City Hall.

Over the weekend, I took my annual drive through the tree light district, or Sleepy Hollow, or Seaside Ranchos, as it has been known, to see the lights. Started by Bob and Diane Solomon over 40 years ago, this cozy neighborhood has hosted a fairyland of twinkling lights on trees, and holiday displays of all kinds--celebrating the season, Christmas and Hanukkah. Luckily, it wasn't very crowded as I slowly rolled past each display up and down the streets. People were walking along the sidewalk enjoying the evening with their families. Many residents had stands selling hot chocolate, coffee, hot soup and popcorn. I even saw Santa sitting in front of one home

what Christopher had told me. No way could I bicycle down the center of the streets today. The word is out. As someone once said, "If you light them, they will come." And they still do.

After touring through the streets in Sleepy Hollow, I headed for dinner at a local eatery and noticed all the decorations. Some were subtle, some not so much, but the establishment went out of its way decorating for the season.

Lots of people order their gifts online and never step foot in a store. Although I understand how busy we can get and how valuable time is to everyone, I haven't met one person this holiday season who has said they have everything under control with preparations. Maybe the



A Ferris wheel of lights.



Lighting the menorah on the first night of Hanukkah in front of Torrance City Hall. (L-R) Councilman Mike Griffiths, Councilman Milton S. Herring, I, Councilwoman Heidi Ann Ashcraft, Mayor Patrick J. Furey, Rabbi Didi Thomas, Councilman Kurt Weideman, and

with a long line of children eagerly waiting their turn to whisper their wishes to Santa. There were tiny lights, large lights, blow-up angels, a Ferris wheel, lit billboards honoring the Dodgers and another heralding the Cubs. Some homes had music playing, and at one residence two flute players were entertaining live. A live concert on the streets in Torrance! Now where can you go and see and hear that?

I passed by Bob and Diane Solomon's home and saw them enjoying the parade of cars passing by, as they have done since 1984. Bob and Diane both said this tradition is a labor of love in spite of the hard-hitting electric bill for the month. The Solomons built a fire pit in their front yard and in the evenings every year, they sit and watch the parade of cars going by with children hanging out of the windows with twinkling eyes along with their oohs and aahs, admiring all their hard work. Bob said that neighbors who need help with their lights are assisted, and nearly everyone participates for blocks and blocks.

I have watched the light tradition grow through the years. When he was young, my son Christopher told me the very best way to see the lights was on a bicycle before the crowds come out--just after sunset. He told me he felt like he was in a fairyland of lights, like a tunnel of twinkling all around him with the cool air blowing against his face as he rode his chrome with blue highlights Murray Hybrid Racing Cruiser bicycle through the streets. As I drove down the streets that night, I remembered



Entertaining the passersby.

most important preparation we need to make is with our heart. Opening up our hearts not only to the lights, the decorations, the Hanukkah candles and the presents, but also to family, neighbors and friends. Roma reminded us that we learn from sunshine and shadows. Yes, and may I add, also from the quiet moment we take, relaxing in the arms of the season. A new year is upon us in a little over a week. May we breathe in, drop our shoulders, unclench our teeth and smile. Enjoy the moment--every moment--every day. Merry Christmas! •

Prosciutto Wrapped Mozzarella Sticks

Recipe provided by ARA Brandpoint and www.FarmRich.com/holiday

The saltiness of prosciutto wrapped around the gooeyness of mozzarella. It's the definition of yum.

Ingredients

- Farm Rich Mozzarella Sticks
- Thinly sliced prosciutto
- Fresh basil leaves
- Marinara sauce, heated

Preparation

- 1. Prepare Farm Rich Mozzarella Sticks according to package directions.
- 2. While mozzarella sticks are still warm, wrap a piece of basil and a piece of prosciutto around each stick.
- 3. Serve with warm marinara sauce for dipping.





Politically Speaking



One Man's Opinion

Democrats Need to Stop Asking Al Franken to Reconsider Resigning

By Cristian Vasquez

With the recent special Election defeat of accused pedophile Roy Moore, Democrats took in a breath of fresh air along with the Senate seat that was up for grabs. Throughout the election, Moore's reputation for scouting malls and high school football games for underage friends was put at the forefront of why he was unfit for office. However, today Democrats are having a change of heart regarding Senator Al Franken.

With at least four allegations against the former *Saturday Night Live* writer, Franken announced earlier this month that he would be stepping down from his position, but never really gave a timeline. To be clear, Senator Franken should leave. He made a choice to deal with these accusations while not being a public servant--and just a month ago, many Democrats vocalized their support for his decisions. Which makes the recent news that four of Franken's fellow Democrats have come out and expressed their desire that he reconsider resigning.

The list asking Franken to reconsider includes West Virginia Senator Joe Manchin, Senator Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.) and Senator Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY). An article by Politico.com reports that Leahy initially issued a statement calling for Franken's resignation, but has since expressed regrets in private. Even more frustrating is Manchin, who under the guise allowing an Ethics Committee investigation, has asked Franken to reconsider and described Democrats reaction to the accused Senator as "atrocious."

Manchin and his colleagues need to stop. Asking someone to resign because of sexual assault isn't atrocious. Sexual assault is atrocious. The hypocrisy behind asking Franken to stay in office after the party spent an entire special election campaigning against a candidate accused of a sexual crime is nauseating. Asking Franken to go through an Ethics Committee investigation before resigning is no different from Moore supporters arguing that the Alabama judge was never found guilty of a crime. Asking for this investigation is no more than a stall tactic. It's a distraction that would delay the vulnerability of the Senate seat. It is a smokescreen so that people might stop talking about Franken and move on to the next headline. Democrats just gained ground in the Senate by defeating an accused sexual deviant and now they want to preserve power by asking that an accused sexual predator be given a proper investigation. You can't have it both ways, Democrats.

In addition, Franken decided to leave on his own but he really didn't set a date. So if Democrats are looking to buy time, the Senator has done a great job so far of giving them a chance to find a party candidate to fill the Minnesota seat. I get it: these four Democrats do not speak for the entire party. Yet, it is still a shame that after a winning a major campaign fighting an accused sexual predator, these senators turn around and ask for leniency on behalf of their own accused pervert. •

Another Man's Opinion

Has Sexual Harassment Plague Finally Reached a Tipping Point?

By Duane Plank

As another wave of politicians, industry titans, celebrities and now sports-related folks see their careers and reputations blown to smithereens by allegations of sexual harassment, one wonders if this is just the tip of the iceberg, or the tipping point in how alleged salacious behavior, or worse, is dealt with.

Ever since Hollywood impresariomogul-pervert Harvey Weinstein got very chummy with a potted plant, and women began to go public with their stories of sexual harassment--or worse--the deck of cards, so help me, Kevin Spacey, has crumbled to the floor.

Careers that took years to build and foster have basically been vaporized, rightly or wrongly. You should be familiar with the names. Senators John Conyers and Al Franken: done. Familiar omnipresent celebrities who entered our house every morning like Charlie Rose and Matt Lauer: quickly shown the door. Titans in industry and Hollywood, and lower-level pols too numerous to mention, have been forced to resign because of alleged improprieties.

And recent allegations against men working in sports related fields, talking heads on the NFL Network, and men working at eponymous ESPN, have now been either suspended or canned with their careers in jeopardy because of harassment allegations--most of which are denied by those charged with the misdeeds.

Losing a job is one thing, though. Losing a life over an allegation is another. Kentucky State Representative Dan Johnson apparently committed suicide last week when faced with allegations, which he denied, that he had diddled with a teenage girl.

So where do we go from here? Is everyone accused of some type of sexual harassment automatically expected to resign? And what is the definition of sexual harassment and what penalties should the...alleged...perpetrators face? Many moons ago, back in the sixties, the great Supreme Court judge Potter Stewart, when asked what he viewed as obscene, opined, "I know it when I see it."

Is that the threshold that now exists in the continuing social media junk pile America has become? A judgment call: we know it when we see it?

So, what defines sexual harassment in the workplace, or anywhere else in society? Obviously, attempted or completed rape is a heinous offense and should be prosecuted to the full extent of whatever law we have left in this country. Also on the harassment list would be sending lewd photos via a smartphone, so help me, Anthony Weiner. Unwanted touching qualifies, methinks.

But what about a simple flirtatious remark or suggestion? Which is now being reported by the offended parties X-years after the comment? And may have happened outside of work? Should people's careers be torched in that case? A life lost? •

Finance

Top Tips For Selecting Unique Decor Gifts For Everyone On Your List

(BPT) - As you strive for a happy holiday, do all your gift ideas seem ho-hum at best?

It's a common holiday conundrum: You want to show all your friends and family that you care, but finding the right present seems impossible. If you feel stuck, look for gifts that will enhance the home, because there is truly something for every personality. Skip

that maintains a clean, healthy aquatic environment to achieve ideal pH balance. Enjoy the dazzling sight of bubbling water and an impressive light show all year long.

Decorative pillows and throws: Winter is the perfect time to cozy up at home, but that tattered old blanket just won't do. You can encourage friends and family to get some



the candle and coaster set and instead check out these unique, personal items that add fun and flair to any home, big or small.

Aquariums: Traditional rectangular aquariums are bulky and cumbersome, but now there are stunning new tabletop options perfect for everyone on your list. The biOrb TUBE 15 aquarium is designed to give a 360-degree view and features multi-color LED lighting with remote control for an eye-catching way to enjoy fishkeeping. The TUBE 15 is also a low-maintenance gift given its 5-step filtration

much-needed R&R by gifting them new pillows and a fluffy throw blanket. Fun pillows are available in unique designs that feature different pictures, words or phrases, so it's easy to find something just right for that someone special. Add a coordinating throw blanket and get ready to cuddle through all of winter's chilliest nights.

Restored photographs: Going for tears of joy? One home decor gift that will tug at the heartstrings is framed photography. A nice portrait is always a great gift option, but this

year surprise your loved ones by finding old photography and getting it restored. That photo of Grandpa fishing or of all your aunts as children is sure to bring back memories. Place in a nice frame and it is guaranteed to be an unforgettable gift that will be proudly displayed for years to come.

Personalized signs: One of the year's most popular decorating trends is custom signage. Often made from wood, these signs are painted or carved with your preferred message. That means it can be customized to suit even the most difficult people to shop for. Popular verbiage on a custom sign includes the family surname with an "established" date. You could also include a literary phrase or personal mantra that your loved one enjoys. Because the message is personalized, you can make it perfect for everyone on your list.

Himalayan salt lamps: When the holiday

festivities are over, it's time to settle in and deal with Old Man Winter until springtime arrives. The soft glow of salt lamps brings a warmth to rooms on the dreariest days. Made from large pieces of salt, these lamps have an almost rock-like quality with veins of white, pink and peach throughout. Some people claim they also help maintain good indoor air quality and help with Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD). No matter what, they are a happy addition to any room: bedroom, office or living room.

The person who has everything? Check. The hard-to-shop-for teen? Check. The newlywed couple settling into their home? Check. Home decor gifts are great for everyone on your holiday gift list, and best yet, they won't be like anything else your loved ones receive, making your gift memorable and truly cherished. •

City Council

After significant damage was caused to several hangars by two major fires in September and November of 2015, the tenants of the affected hangars (2773-A, 2743-H, 2743-I, 2747-H and 2747-I) were relocated to available spaces during the environmental clean-up and testing following the fires. The architectural design services project being funded will be for the affected hangars only.

There were four responses to the Request for Proposals (RFP) for design services issued on October 30, 2017. Each proposal was evaluated by a team of three, who independently assigned points to each bid. Points were assigned on understanding of the project, scope of work and completeness of RFP (25 points), qualifications of proposed project team (20), relevant

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projects of proposed project team members (15), firm's qualifications and experience with similar projects (10), project schedule (10) and cost and effectiveness (20).

Even though it was not the lowest bid received

Even though it was not the lowest bid received by the City, BOA Government ranked highest with an average score of 90.30 and outscored William Lloyd Jones Architect (86.32), IDS Group, Inc. (84.31) and Development One (81.31).

"The three independent ratings were then averaged and the rankings made public on the City Clerk's website a minimum of two weeks prior to the anticipated council date for approval," states the staff report signed by General Services Director Sheryl Ballew.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017339570

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as WESTCO SIGNS, 2413 AMSLER ST, TORRANCE, CA 90505, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): SKYWAY SIGNS, LLC, 2413 AMSLER ST, TORRANCE, CA, 90505, CA.This business is being conducted by a LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 11/2017. Signed: SKYWAY SIGNS, LLC, MANAGING MANAGER, ABDULLAH A. ISSA. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on NOVEMBER 30, 2017.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017349337 following person(s)

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MY CARPENTER SOLUTIONS, 11955 MANOR DR APT 1, HAWTHORNE, CA, 90250, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): 3000 CONSTRUCTION INC., 3732 105TH STREET, INGLEWOOD, CA, 90303, CA. This business is being conducted by a CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: 3000 CONSTRUCTION INC., CEO, ENRIQUE HERNANDEZ ESCARENO. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on DECEMBER 13, 2017. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017349564

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 4WAVES CONSULTING, 5124 CAROL DRIVE, TORRANCE, CA, 90505, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): MANOLY GUSTAVSON, 5124 CAROL DRIVE, TORRANCE, CA, 90505. This business is being conducted by an INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: MANOLY GUSTAVSON, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on DECEMBER 13, 2017. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017350895

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MA'AT MINDFUL MOVEMENT, 1886 W. 94TH PLACE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90047, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): RENISHA JENKINS, 1886 W. 94TH PLACE, LOS ANGELES, CA, 90047; CA. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 12/2017. Signed: RENISHA JENKINS, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on DECEMBER 14, 2017.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017345726

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VARIEL AUTOMOTIVE DESIGN, 12825 CITY DRIVE, UNIT 105, HAWTHORNE, CA, 90250, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): ANDREW KWON, 12825 CITY DRIVE, UNIT 105, HAWTHORNE, CA, 90250. This business is being conducted by an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 12/2017. Signed: ANDREW KWON, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on DECEMBER 7, 2017.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017344315

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1) CAPIZON PUBLISHING, 2442 ANDREO AVE, TORRANCE, CA, 90501, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. 2) SOUTH BAY BOOKS, PO BOX 3272, TORRANCE, CA, 90510-327 3) STAN MORRIS ASSOCIATES 4) STAN MORRIS MUSIC Registered Owner(s): STANLEY MORRIS, 2442 ANDREO AVE, TORRANCE, CA, 90501. This business is being conducted by an INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 01/2017. Signed: STANLEY MORRIS, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on DECEMBER 6, 2017.

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Fictitious Business Name Statement 2017351631

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as GOOD SHAPE RESEARCH, 2408 PALM AVE, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA, 90266, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. Registered Owner(s): MARGARET JEAN PROFET, 2408 PALM AVE, MANHATTAN BEACH, CA 90266. This business is being conducted by an INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/A. Signed: MARGARET JEAN PROFET, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Recorder of Los Angeles County on DECEMBER 15, 2017.

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AVE. Suspect(s) takes property from bed of truck/toolbox, tools.

Tuesday, December 5

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/5 6:30:00 PM & 12/5 10:30:00 PM 24000 BLOCK HAW-THORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/cash.

Burglary-Auto 12/5 4:27 PM 2800 BLOCK SKYPARK DR. Suspect(s) smashes two victims' vehicles' windows for entry, ransacks and takes property/wallet.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/5 2:45:00 PM & 12/5 2:59:19 PM 4300 BLOCK REDONDO BEACH BLVD. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry and takes property/cash.

Burglary-Residential 12/5 1:40 PM 22600 BLOCK LUPINE DR Suspect is interrupted by homeowner inside residence while attempting to gain entry/no entry, no loss.

Burglary-Residential Betw. 12/5 7:30:00 AM & 12/5 7:25:00 PM 2600 BLOCK CLARELLEN ST. Suspect(s) attempts to pry sliding glass door, forces open window for entry, ransacks and takes property/jew-

Auto Theft-All Betw. 12/5 7:00:00 AM & 12/5 9:35:48 AM 19900 BLOCK PRAIRIE AVE. Stolen vehicle: '05 BMW 325i.

Wednesday, December 6

Theft Betw. 12/6 10:00:00 PM & 12/6 10:03:00 PM 3900 BLOCK CARSON ST. Suspect(s) removes property mounted to exterior wall/surveillance camera.

Burglary-Commercial Betw. 12/6 6:00:00 PM & 12/8 11:30:00 AM 22000 BLOCK WESTERN AVE. Suspect(s) cuts lock and takes property from storage unit/purses, watches, jewelry.

Battery-Simple Betw. 12/6 5:00:00 PM & 12/65:21:13 PM 16500 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD. Suspect asks victim for money before shoving him.

Auto Theft-All Betw. 12/6 9:30:00 AM & 12/6 11:30:00 AM 23500 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Stolen vehicle: '12 Chevrolet Silverado.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/6 2:00:00 AM & 12/6 8:30:00 AM SANTA FE AVE. & AR-LINGTON AVE. Suspect(s) takes property from unsecured vehicle/stereo.

Thursday, December 7

Vandalism Betw. 12/7 10:30:00 PM & 12/8 8:00:00 AM 24200 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) uses a pellet gun to smash business window.

Vandalism Betw. 12/7 9:30:00 PM & 12/8 7:00:00 AM 21700 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) uses a pellet gun to smash business window.

Vandalism Betw. 12/7 9:00:00 PM & 12/8 9:38:12 AM 22700 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) uses a pellet gun to smash business window.

Vandalism Betw. 12/7 8:00:00 PM & 12/8 8:00:00 AM 22800 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) uses a pellet gun to smash business window.

Vandalism Betw. 12/7 8:00:00 PM & 12/8 7:45:00 AM 21300 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) uses a pellet gun to smash business window.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/7 7:30:00 PM & 12/8 8:30:00 AM 1000 BLOCK BEECH AVE. Suspect(s) takes property from unlocked vehicle/wallet.

Theft 12/7 7:09 PM 23200 BLOCK ELM AVE. Suspect(s) takes property from porch/ delivered parcel.

Auto Theft-All Betw. 12/7 6:39:06 PM & 12/9/2027 1:28:19 PM 4100 BLOCK EMERALD ST. Stolen vehicle: '96 Infiniti I30.

Burglary-Auto 12/7 6:03 PM 23100 BLOCK SAMUEL ST. Suspect(s) defeats door lock for entry and takes property/

Theft Betw. 12/7 3:00:00 PM & 12/7 7:00:00 PM 2600 BLOCK SEPULVEDA BLVD. Suspect(s) takes unattended property off of counter/wallet.

Theft Betw. 12/7 12:13:00 PM & 12/7 1:37:00 PM 24400 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect picks up victim's property to deliver it to another location, but never does/rolls of fabric, drapes.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/7 12:10:00 PM & 12/7 1:00:00 PM 5300 BLOCK TORRANCE BLVD. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry, ransacks and takes property/external hard drives.

Friday, December 8

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/8 10:30:00 PM & 12/9 9:00:00 AM 2900 BLOCK CARSON ST. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry, ransacks and takes property/cosmetics.

Vandalism Betw. 12/8 8:45:00 PM & 12/8 10:30:00 AM 3700 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY.

Auto Theft-All Betw. 12/8 8:30:00 PM & 12/9 8:30:00 AM 100 BLOCK VIA LOS MIRADORES. Stolen vehicle: '07 Lexus IS250.

Auto Theft-All 12/8 7:10 PM 18300 BLOCK SAINT ANDREWS PL. Stolen vehicle: '93 Toyota Camry.

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/8 5:30:00 PM & 12/9 8:00:00 AM 2900 BLOCK CARSON ST. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry, ransacks/unknown if loss at time of report.

Vandalism Betw. 12/8 5:25:00 PM & 12/8 5:33:31 PM 4900 BLOCK ONYX ST. Suspect(s) uses a pellet gun to smash residence window.

Battery-Simple Betw. 12/8 5:23:28 PM & 12/8 6:40:00 PM 3300 BLOCK LOMITA BLVD. Suspects forcibly shove victim.

Vandalism 12/8 1:06 PM 24200 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) uses a pellet gun to smash business window.

Theft Betw. 12/8 9:00:00 AM & 12/8 5:05:00 PM 3300 BLOCK LOMITA BLVD. Suspect(s) takes victim's vehicle's catalytic converter.

Vandalism Betw. 12/8 8:30:00 AM & 12/8 9:30:00 PM 4800 BLOCK EMERALD ST. Suspect(s) uses a pellet gun to smash residence window.

Vandalism Betw. 12/8 7:25:00 AM & 12/8 8:45:00 AM 21200 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) uses a pellet gun to smash business window.

Burglary-Commercial Betw. 12/8 3:00:00 AM & 12/9 5:55:38 AM 23400 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry, ransacks and takes property/ cigarettes, lottery scratchers.

Auto Theft-All Betw. 12/8 2:45:32 AM & 12/8 2:45:37 AM 23100 BLOCK KENT AVE. Stolen vehicle: '02 Mercedes Benz S430.

Saturday, December 9

Burglary-Auto Betw. 12/9 11:30:00 PM & 12/10 9:20:40 AM 3300 BLOCK CARSON ST. Suspect(s) smashes window for entry, ransacks/unknown if property loss at time of report.

Burglary-Commercial Betw. 12/9 11:29:23 PM & 12/9 11:35:00 PM 24400 BLOCK CRENSHAW BLVD. Suspect(s) uses a key for entry, uses safe's access code and takes property/cash.

Battery-Simple Betw. 12/9 10:40:00 PM & 12/9 10:57:33 PM 175TH ST & GLENBURN AVE. Suspect shoves victim, causing her to fall to the ground.

Theft Betw. 12/9 7:00:00 PM & 12/10 7:30:00 PM 2600 BLOCK SKYPARK DR. Suspect(s) takes unsecured property from rear of location/bread carts.

Auto Theft-All Betw. 12/9 6:00:00 PM & 12/10 6:00:00 AM 1800 BLOCK 205TH ST. Stolen vehicle: '03 Chevrolet Suburban.

Battery-Simple Betw. 12/9 4:00:00 PM & 12/9 4:38:34 PM 2400 BLOCK PACIFIC COAST HWY. Suspect picks up victim and throws him over a wall before repeatedly punching him in the face, ribs, back.

Vandalism Betw. 12/9 1:30:00 PM & 12/11 8:45:00 AM 22100 BLOCK HAWTHORNE BLVD. Suspect(s) uses a pellet gun to smash business window •

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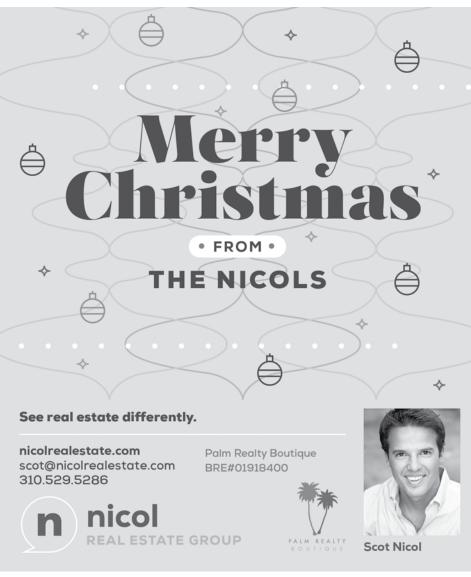
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The Savvy Homeowner's Five-Point Outdoor Winterization Checklist

(BPT) - As temperatures drop, you're reminded that Old Man Winter will soon rear his ugly head. Before the first flurries fly, it's important to take some winterization steps to ensure your home is ready for whatever the season brings.

This five-point checklist will help safeguard your home against winter's woes for another year. For additional winterization ideas and detailed project plans, visit Real Cedar.com.

Inspect each window from the outside to see if any gaps or cracks are present. These small openings let in cold air and are also inviting to small critters looking for protection from the cold.

If you find some gaps, it's important to seal them quickly. Apply caulk to the openings to prevent cold air from seeping in, helping to cut down on heating bills. Plus, you won't have to worry about bugs making your home their hibernation haven. Note: never caulk above or below the window and door openings, as this may block moisture drainage.

The amount of work you have to put into winterizing your deck depends on your decking material. For example, a durable, long-lasting material such as Western Red Cedar requires the least amount of maintenance. That said, all decks require some upkeep.

Next, inspect the deck for mold. If present, wash the deck with a mild oxygen bleach

solution and leave on the surface for 30 minutes before rinsing thoroughly. Finally, remove anything that might leave marks on the deck's surface such as furniture, planters and mats.

Start by removing all soil and cleaning the boxes as you did the deck. Then, if possible, store emptied planters in a garage, shed or under the porch. If you don't have the space to store them this way, then cover them with a water-repellent tarp to protect from moisture buildup, but don't seal the tarp. As with decks, it's very important that you allow for proper ventilation.

Look for weak trees or those with dead branches, particularly those near your home. As snow accumulates, the weight may bring down a tree or branches, potentially damaging your house.

Eliminate this risk by removing any dead trees or dangerous branches now before the first snow. Be safe by using the proper equipment for tree trimming and removal, or, consider hiring a pro to do so. Remember, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, and handling this issue now could prevent costly damage to your home down the road.

Your roof is a large portion of your home, and it also holds a lot of snow over the winter. To prevent ice dams and other roof See Real Estate, page 11



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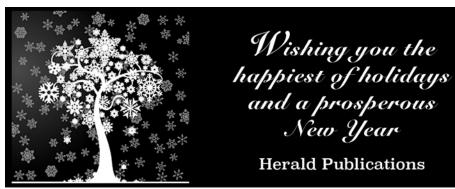
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problems when freezing temperatures arrive, it's important to clean gutters and check your roof for problems now.

Start by taking all debris out of gutters to ensure free flow for water. Next, walk around your roof and inspect it for any damage. Repair loose shingles and make sure the chimney and vents look intact and secure. Your roof takes on a lot of weight from ice and snow during the winter months and you want it to be as strong as possible.

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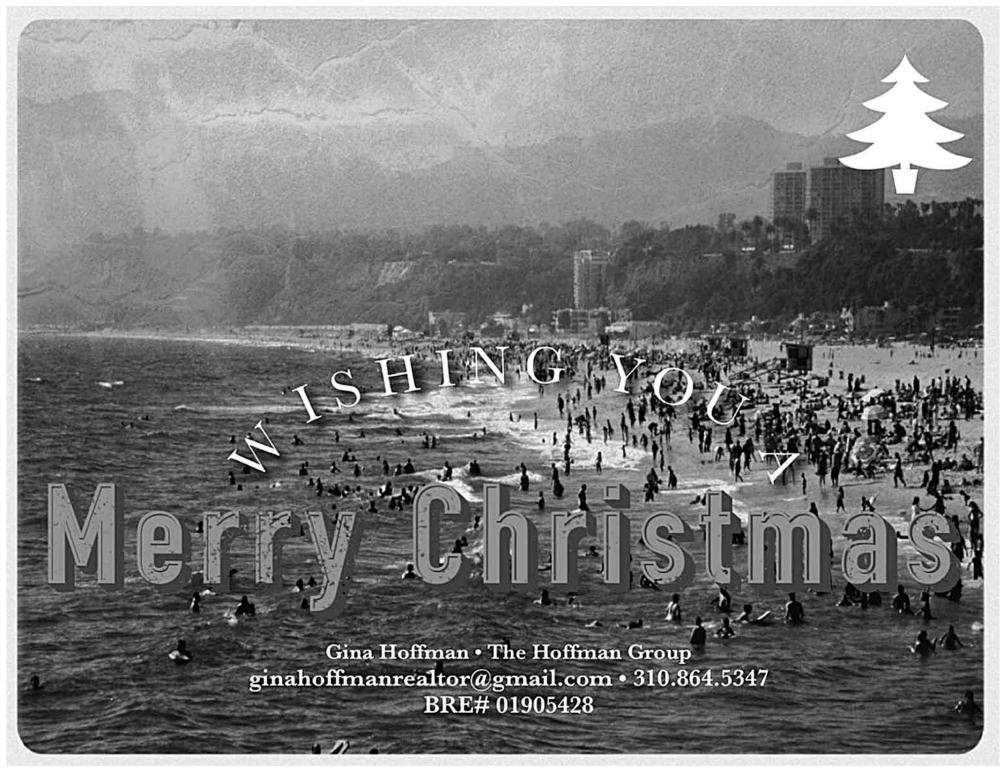
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Aspen is the mama's boy of his litter. At three weeks old, he was brought in with his brothers Jackson, Whistler and Tahoe. As the runt of the litter, he received the most attention--which probably turned him into the mama's boy he is today. Aspen loves falling asleep on people, being carried and falling asleep with his toys. He's the rational one of his brothers and will second-guess activities like looking in the trash or playing with toilet paper, but then joins in anyway. Aspen is very attached to his brothers. If he can't find them, he will cry--so it would be great if he could get adopted with one of them.

Tahoe may not look like his brothers (Jackson, Aspen, and Whistler), but he loves them dearly. He does have separation anxiety and likes to self-soothe by suckling on their tummies sometimes due to being taken away so young. Tahoe starts purring the moment you touch him, and loves being cuddled up

to either his person or his brothers. He's very curious and loves investigating new and exciting spaces like closets and bathtubs. He enjoys a lot of attention and love and will definitely return the favor.

Whistler is the biggest out of his brothers and he knows how to throw his weight around. He has a wonderful appetite and strikingly handsome features. Whistler is very alert and very mischievous, often bringing his brothers into his shenanigans. He is extremely playful and has lots of energy. It would be ideal to get adopted with one of his brothers, so he has a playmate and a partner in crime. Whistler is going to grow into such a handsome cat and will thrive wonderfully in his new home.

Jackson is a very affectionate little boy. Like his brothers, Whistler and Aspen, he is a Siamese mix. He is a little shy at first, but comes around and just loves being doted on. He weaned very early and needs a lot of love and affection. Jackson is also attached to his brothers, so being adopted with one of them would mean the world to him.

Cara is a beautiful all-gray girl. She is confident and calm in new situations. Sweet and cuddly, Cara would love to be your lap cat! She is also very playful and affectionate. Cara would enjoy a home with one of her siblings, but will entertain all offers. Her siblings J.D., Harmony, Mikey and Tabitha are also available for adoption and can be seen on our website.

Ghirardelli is his given name, but he wears a tuxedo and is quite the charmer. Other kitties know him as "Bond, James Bond." He prances around in his immaculate tuxedo showing off how handsome he is. Ghirardelli chases his brother, Cadbury, pounces on him and then rolls around. He has an enormous amount of energy and can play for hours before he has to take a nap. It would be a great idea if he



would be adopted with his brother Cadbury so he can have an active playmate. Or he could be adopted into a home with a young, active cat.

Like his brother, Ghirardelli, Cadbury is rather dashing in his gray and white tuxedo. He loves showing it off to all who will take notice. Even though Cadbury chases his brother and rolls around on the ground, his tuxedo is always purr-fect. And he is always ready for a formal occasion, like New Year's Eve. Wouldn't you love to celebrate with him? Cadbury would enjoy that! With his playful energy, being adopted with his brother Ghirardelli, or into a home with a young lively cat would be the ideal situation for Cadbury.

These kitties are available for adoption through Kitten Rescue, one of the largest cat



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