

Hawthorne Happenings

News for the City of Good Neighbors from an Old Guy Named Norb Huber



HAWTHORNE LEADS THE WAY WITH BUILDING BLOCKS

Our fine city has been the leader in everything from airplanes to rockets to electric cars to tunnels to now preassembled hotels. Over 300 VIP's came to downtown Hawthorne on Tuesday to see our new \$86 million Marriott Hotel complex be assembled. The hotel rooms are ready to go. By this summer we will be welcoming the next wave of tourists and business people to the center of our city. Until recently the 4.2 acre site was full of downtrodden buildings and parking lots that used to be the old HPD station. Now, we will be the host to thousands of people who come to SoCal for pleasure or business. Once again Hawthorne is the trend setter. We are on the cutting edge. We are years ahead of our neighboring city who is building a football stadium or our beach city friends with their average homes so pricey that you have to play in the NFL to own.

HAWTHORNE'S "HOMETOWN PANCAKE BREAKFAST"

Make a point to get out of bed early and come on over to the Hawthorne Museum on St. Patrick's Day morning, Saturday, March 17 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. The Hawthorne Historical Society will be holding our 4th Annual Hawthorne Hometown Pancake Breakfast. How much better can it get than hot cakes, bacon, sausage, orange juice and coffee? Bring your friends and family. The price is right, \$5 is all that you pay.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

I would like to invite you to the Hawthorne Parks and Recreation Foundation's 29th Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, April 16th. This year's tournament is being held at the Industry Hills "Babe Course". The schedule is as follows: 10 am Registration, 11 am BBQ Lunch, 12 noon shotgun start, 5 pm dinner. If you are interested in playing or your company would like to be a sponsor, please contact Dick Huhn at 310-643-9157. All proceeds goes to the improving of our parks.

THE "STATE OF THE CITY" LUNCHEON

Mayor Alex Vargas will deliver his annual "State of the City" address on Wednesday, March 21st over at the Memorial Center. Tickets to

the luncheon are \$50 per person and can be obtained by calling the Chamber of Commerce office.

MY MEMOIRS

As I am about to wrap up my teaching career, only 63 more days left as of today, I have been asked by several people whether I was going to write a book about my 41 years of being inside the confines of the educational community. I never have thought of myself as a scholar, an author, or even a newspaper columnist. I have never thought that I knew that much more than the average Tom, Dick or Norbert. I consider these weekly submissions as my "memoirs". All of you receive this as a free gift. Some of you feel obligated to read it out of courtesy to me. Some of you feel sorry for me so out of pure pity you glance over it in between sips of your cold ones. I have never thought that people would want to pay to read a big collection of what not thoughts. However, lately I have been made aware of an uptick in my core readership. We may be up at double digits soon. I've been thinking of a title for my swan song reflections, "Shut Up and Have a Cold One!", "Lost in Hawthorne", "I'm not Good, You not Good, but God Is": How I won by being a big loser. Some questions that I would like to pose would be: Where in the heck will I be when I get where I'm going? Why am I so blessed? Why can't I have more than one cold one before I get sauced? I consider myself blessed to have had the opportunity to clear my mind of these random thoughts once a week for the past eight years. I've learned much about myself. I hope that I have brought something to your life. I'm looking forward to the next chapter in my life's journey. No matter where our paths lead us, I will look back with fond memories of these times that we have shared. A favorite scripture of mine is a source of much comfort: "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8:38-39. Keep the faith folks. Enjoy a cold one and I will certainly let you know when my publisher releases the initial release of the hard copy edition on Amazon with a list price of \$29.99 plus the 10% Hawthorne sales tax. I have not decided on which one of our two breweries to have my book signing event at. I'll let you know. •

Community Briefs

SBWIB Partners with Inglewood Chamber of Commerce on Job Shadow Day

The South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB) in partnership with the Inglewood Airport Area Chamber of Commerce (IAACC), Inglewood Unified School District (IUSD), local high schools and business members presented this year's 37th Annual Job Shadow Day at Inglewood High School on Feb. 22.

Over 100 students from City Honors, Inglewood High School, Momingside, Animo Inglewood Charter High School, Lennox Academy and St. Mary's participated in the event. Students started their morning at Inglewood High School by hearing the motivational speeches from five guest speakers: SBWIB's Executive Director Jan Vogel; Inglewood Mayor James T. Butts, Jr.; Councilman Alex Padilla; IUSD Superintendent Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana; and Executive Vice President of IAACC Samuel Peña.

Butts shared his experience, goals growing up and words of encouragement: "When you focus on work, you focus harder on school

to prepare yourself for what your life is going to be. We want to give you all the opportunity that other kids never had when they became of age," he said.

Meléndez de Santa Ana expressed to students, "You're ready, you're going to do a great job today, you're representing your school -- but more importantly, you're representing yourself and your dream."

The event offered students the opportunity to learn about different fields, ask questions and hear experiences from professionals they shadowed. Among the 25 companies that participated were City of Inglewood, 102.3 KJLH, Claris Health, EDD, Kaiser Permanente, Petco, Salvation Army, SBWIB, U.S. Army and more.

Students expressed learning about new job opportunities. "I loved it and I'm going to spread the word about this business," stated Lois, senior from City Honors.

- Content: SBWIB

City of Inglewood Major Projects Update

As detailed by Mayor James T. Butts, Jr. on the cityofinglewood.org website, Inglewood has a number of key commercial projects in the pipeline. Here is a rundown of the most notable items.

Just Completed:

Inglewood Senior Center, 111 N. Locust St.: A \$27 million, 35,000-square foot, two-story community facility with various senior-related activities and amenities. Underground parking with 136 spaces.

Planet Fitness, 2700 W. Imperial Hwy.: A 24-hour, 7-days/week fitness club; free training and support. Dues \$19.99/month

Under Construction:

Inglewood NFL Stadium/Hollywood Park: When completed, the project will include a 70,000-seat NFL stadium that will house the LA Rams and the LA Chargers. It will also include a 6,000-seat performance venue, a retail village and fashion showcase, Class A Office village, residential units, 300-room hotel, two lakes and four parks. First phase slated to open in 2020.

PATH Villas Eucalyptus-40 units, 240 W. Lime St.: Affordable rental units under construction for seniors. Slated to open in fourth quarter of 2018.

Daniel Freeman Development Site, 333 N. Prairie Ave.: 228 townhomes. The project includes townhouse condominiums and a recreation center. The first phase of the project will be completed for sale in 2019.

Locust Street Garage, between Manchester Boulevard and Queen Avenue: This level-parking

lot servicing Downtown has been closed for maintenance and upgrades. The garage will reopen in early spring 2018 with 298 vehicle (six electric vehicle charging stations provided free by TESLA) and 16 bike spaces.

Downtown Inglewood and Fairview Heights Metro Stations: Two new light rail stations that are part of the eight-station Crenshaw/LAX line. When completed, the Crenshaw/LAX line will offer north-south service connecting Inglewood commuters to LAX and the entire Los Angeles Metro light rail system. The new Inglewood stations are scheduled to open in 2019.

IHOP, Century Boulevard and La Brea Avenue: A new IHOP restaurant has been permitted and is under construction. A fourth quarter 2018 opening is projected.

Pre-Construction

Hilton TRU Hotel, Prairie and 111th Street: A 120-room, six-story hotel. Includes a rooftop deck with Jacuzzi and outdoor fireplaces, lush outdoor gardens throughout the property, and public art installations. Planning documents are approved. Scheduled to break ground in 2018.

D3-Thomas Safran Project, corner of Florence Avenue and La Brea: A development agreement to build a mixed-use, grocery-anchored rental housing development has been approved. On track to break ground in fourth quarter of 2018.

- Content: City of Inglewood Economic Development Department/ Mayor James T. Butts, Jr.

Classifieds

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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Employment

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2 bed /1 bath Home for Rent in El Segundo, \$2,750/month. 4 bedrooms

For Rent

CHARMING 2BD/1BA with hardwood floors, stove, microwave, dishwasher, washer & dryer. Small back yard & patio + one off-street parking space. Excellent location center of town. \$2300. 310-322-3151

For Rent

5 beds/3.5 baths Home for Rent in El Segundo: \$6,995, 4 car garage, huge basement, eat-in kitchen, available 3/1/18. Please contact 310-937-3246

For Rent

Immaculate 3 Bed-2 Bath Rear House, plus detached Bonus room + Bath \$4500. Light and bright, open floorplan, HW Floors, W/D, F/P. Custom Details throughout, Dishwasher, Fridge, New Stove. Private yard, Storage Shed. Won't last, call for showing today. Comins soon. Great El Segundo

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Garage Sale

GARAGE SALE. 909 McCarthy Court, El Segundo. Furniture, electronics, housewares, misc. Sat. 3/10 8am-1pm

House for Rent

El Segundo 4bd,3bath. Close to beach, schools, freeways. 1 yr lease. 4500/mo. + 4500/dep. Avail.3-22. Call to view. 424-287-2253

Room for Rent

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