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Demonstrators claim police executed Dorner

By Staff Reports

LOS ANGELES—Thirteen demonstrators, calling themselves "We Stand With Christopher Dorner," gathered in front of Los Angeles Police Department's headquarters in Los Angeles today to decry the death of the fired L.A. policeman as he faced arrest.

The small number of protesters was expected to grow to

more than 200 by noon, organizers said.

"We're protesting some of the police brutality — not just LAPD, but all over the nation," said Lomita resident Vincent Namm, a former Marine. "With Chris Dorner, habeas corpus just got thrown out the window."

"I'm a veteran myself," he told City News Service. "It's like they

(the police) were judge, jury and executioner. Of course, if the police are those three things, we have something called a police state.

"They didn't seem like they were even interested in apprehending him," Hamm said.

Radio communications between San Bernardino County sheriff's deputies captured deputies calling on colleagues to

burn down the cabin near Angelus Oaks, where the suspected cop-killer had just shot two deputies and was holed up.

Dorner had already killed two policemen and the daughter of a retired officer, and was shooting at the deputies when the radio messages were broadcast.

San Bernardino County Sheriff John McMahon insisted Friday that deputies did not in-

tionally set fire to the cabin to get Dorner out of the cabin. McMahon said the comments were not made by command personnel and were unauthorized, off-hand remarks by deputies or officers who were under heavy gunfire.

Today's demonstrators began to gather a little before 10 a.m. near the corner of First and Main streets before mak-

ing their way to 100 W. First St., where they were met by yellow police tape bordering LAPD headquarters. There were at least three officers at different positions in front of the building, along with three parked television vans.

Namm said demonstrators would probably stay until about 3 p.m. and remain peaceful.

El Camino College Compton Center celebrates Black History Month with series of events

Music, film and drama will be among the featured events showcasing Black History Month for three weeks in February at El Camino College Compton Center. The special series kicked off on Tuesday, Feb. 12 with an African drums and dance performance by the all-women ensemble, S.H.I.N.E., in the Student Lounge.

The keynote event in the series is a special lecture entitled, "A Call to Action," by Dr. Ikaweba Bunting, on Thursday, Feb. 21, at 11:00 a.m. in the Student Lounge. Bunting is a professor in the Social Science Division at ECC Compton Center. For 28 years, he worked abroad in various parts of East Africa, including service as director of former Tanzanian President Julius Nyerere's foundation. It was through that association that he had the opportunity to work directly with former South African president Nelson Mandela on a variety of projects. His lecture, as well as all Black History Month events, are free and open to the public.

Sponsored by the Office of Student Life and the Associated Student Body, the month-long Black History celebration at

ECC Compton Center also features:

- An African Film Festival on Feb. 26 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Student Lounge.

- "Martin & Music," a dramatic portrayal of Dr. King's speeches with music, on Wednesday, Feb. 20, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. and again from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Student Lounge.

- A student Songwriter's Showcase hosted by the Music Department on Monday, Feb. 25 at 12:30 p.m. in the Student Lounge.

- A Gospel Extravaganza, featuring Joshua Generation in concert, on Wednesday, Feb. 27 at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Lounge.

- "Simba Wachanga" (The Young Lions) presented by the Child Development Center, Thursday, Feb. 28 at 11:00 a.m. in the Student Lounge.

Students, staff, faculty, alumni and members of the community are invited to attend all of the complimentary Black History Month events at ECC Compton Center. For more information, call the Office of Student Life at 310-900-1600, Ext. 2802.

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Gang member convicted of killing deputy

LOS ANGELES – A jury deliberated less than a day before finding the third of six defendants guilty of the first-degree murder of off-duty Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy Juan Abel Escalante in 2008.

The jury of eight men and four women also found Jose Renteria, now 22, guilty of the attempted murder of another man in 2007. Jurors found true a special circumstance that Renteria committed the murder to further a criminal street gang along

with all gun and gang allegations. Prosecutors were not seeking the death penalty again Renteria.

Deputy District Attorneys Phillip Stirling and John Colello of the Crimes Against Peace Officers Section (CAPOS) of the District Attorney's Office prosecuted the case.

The deputy was gunned down outside his Cypress Park home as he was preparing to leave for his morning shift at Men's Central Jail on Aug. 2,

2008. Prosecutors said Renteria and five co-defendants believed the victim was a rival gang member.

The shooter, Carlos Velasquez, pleaded guilty to one count of first-degree murder and one count of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and admitted that he personally fired a handgun that killed the victim. He was sentenced in October to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 Off-heavenly scent
- 6 Beaded calculators
- 11 Blame
- 14 Oohed and
- 15 Defender of Castle Grayskull
- 16 "Colorful" Vietnam seaport
- 17 Smallest U.S. state, in area
- 19 Ruckus
- 20 Trade— (some used cars)
- 21 Weeder's tool
- 22 Wrestling success
- 23 Keep from overheating, as an engine
- 27 Some discriminators
- 29 Homer says it a lot
- 30 Big-horned butter
- 32 Car dealer's personal car, often
- 33 Partook of
- 34 Saw socially
- 36 What certain jets avoid
- 39 Gangsters' rods
- 41 Apply, as sunblock
- 43 Woman with the same two notes?
- 44 Compound found in perfume
- 46 Mexican currency

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- ___ code (number on a letter)
- 49 Suds in a mug
- 51 1/100 of a euro
- 52 180 from WSW
- 53 Got palsy-walsy
- 56 Type of swimmer's kick
- 58 Vole kin
- 59 Decay-fighting org.
- 60 Plumbing pipe with a right angle
- 61 None's opposite
- 62 Imitation diamonds
- 68 Word suggesting a name change
- 69 28-Down's book
- 70 What Met tickets might be for
- 71 Be on the side of caution?
- 72 Penned up, like pigs
- 73 Banister attachment

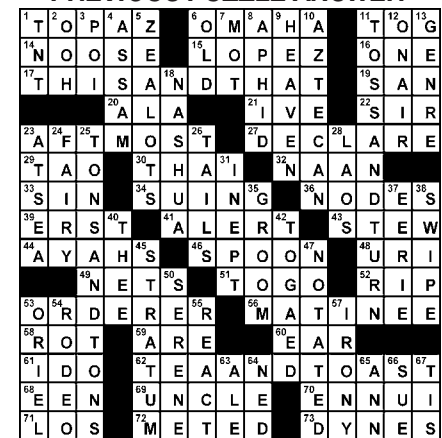
DOWN

- 1 Bern river
- 2 "Sis-boom-bah!" alternative
- 3 Outburst of surprise
- 4 Ambulance worker
- 5 Tonsil's neighbor
- 6 Signs of relief
- 7 "The Fresh

37

- Kind of acid found in protein
- 38 Redder, as a tomato
- 40 Appear
- 42 Present times
- 45 They may be snide
- 47 Blue-veined cheese
- 50 Like fiery pokers
- 53 Bird found in marshes
- 54 In better health
- 55 Milk and butter purveyor
- 57 Incline
- 63 Scottish turndown
- 64 Ultimate point
- 65 Unopened in the box
- 66 Old start for "now" or "long"
- 67 Erie Canal mule, of song

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Deputies investigating a rash of vandalism arrest five local gang members

By Staff Reports

On January 30, 2013, Century Station deputies assigned to the Lynwood Community Oriented Policing Team noticed a significant amount of fresh graffiti in the southwest portion of the city. The graffiti included a gang name and variations of its name spray painted on the exterior walls of eight different locations.

Later that evening, the deputies observed five Hispanic males dining in a local restaurant, all of whom had been previously identified as local street gang members.

The confronted the gang members and recovered a loaded .22 caliber pistol from one of them. According to deputies, they noticed that one of the males had blue spray paint on his hands similar to the graffiti they noticed earlier that evening. A spray paint can tip was recovered from the pocket of one of the suspects and upon questioning, he admitted to vandalizing homes in the area. Other evidence of the vandalism was also recovered from the area.

The other three males were confirmed as being on active probation. Their probation officer was notified of their association with the other two suspects and subsequently found to be in violation of the conditions of their probation.

All five males were arrested and booked for various charges. The investigation into identifying all of the victims is ongoing.

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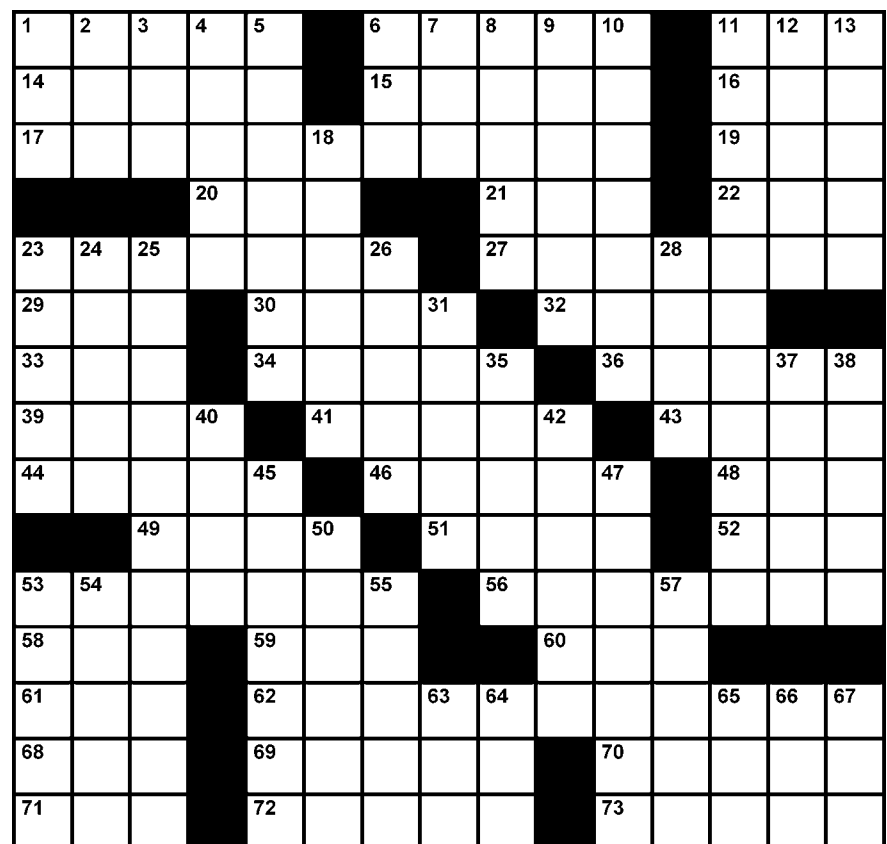
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