DERMATOLOGY
Treat ALL Skin, Hair & Nail Conditions
310-315-4989 | Now Accepting PPOs & MEDICARE
Dermatology & Hair Restoration Specialists

Coping with Memory Loss?
Join 'WISE Minds' – a support program for people with early memory loss and their care partners.
Call (310) 452-7802
Presented by WISE & Healthy Aging
alzheimer's association

Visit us online at smdp.com
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2010
Volume 9 Issue 47

# Santa Monica Daily Press

LOOKING FOR TAKERS
SEE PAGE 12

*We have you covered*

THE NEWS IMPROVED ISSUE



Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

CALLING IN HELP: **Co-president of the Southern California Mobile Food Vendors Association Coleen Craig (right) cancels the mobile food trucks as her lawyers talk with city officials about zoning permits at the parking lot on 14th Street and Santa Monica Boulevard Tuesday morning.**

## City Hall shuts down food truck lot

**BY NICK TABOREK**
Daily Press Staff Writer

SANTA MONICA BLVD For gourmet food truck operators, not even private property is a safe haven.

A day after a group of mobile food vendors set up a makeshift food court on a vacant lot at Santa Monica Boulevard and 14th Street, City Hall code enforcement officers put the kibosh on the idea, showing up at the site Tuesday morning with a cease and desist order.

The truck operators had the blessing of the property's owner, Steve Taub, and had planned to make the food court into a daily fixture. But using the site, which was formerly a used car lot, to sell food violated zoning codes, the officers said.

SEE TRUCKS PAGE 8

## Alleged stalker of actress Garner to stand trial

**BY DAILY PRESS STAFF**

A man accused of stalking actress Jennifer Garner and her family will stand trial on two felony counts of stalking and two misdemeanor counts of disobeying a court order.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Mark Windham found sufficient evidence to require 37-year-old Steven Richard Burky to proceed to trial.

Burky was arrested Dec. 14 near a nursery school that one of Garners' two daughters with Oscar-winner Ben Affleck attends in the 1200 block of Alley One, at the rear of the First Presbyterian Church in Santa Monica.

Garner was granted a restraining order against Burky in November 2008 after telling a judge she feared for her life and that of her family. She alleged that Burky had been stalking her since 2002 and was becoming more and more threatening. According to her court papers, Burky once told her God had sent him a vision of her being persecuted in some manner that may result in her death.

The restraining order required Burky to remain at least 100 yards away from Garner and her family. Burky was put on a psychiatric hold last year. He remains jailed in lieu of $300,000 bail.

Burky is expected back at the Airport Branch Courthouse for arraignment on Jan. 19.

news@smdp.com




Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

MAKING A STATEMENT: **Parke Meek, former Eames design team member and owner of jAdis antique and prop shop on Main Street, is seen in an old photo holding up one of his favorite signs. Meek died Monday.**

## Famed Eames design team member dies

**BY KEVIN HERRERA**
Editor in Chief

MAIN STREET Parke Wilson Meek, an accomplished designer and collector who, despite having only a sixth grade education, became an influential furniture maker for the famed Ray & Charles Eames Office in Santa Monica, died Monday at the age of 86.

Meek, who co-owned the eclectic antique store and prop shop jAdis on Main Street for more than 30 years, died of natural causes at Saint John's Medical Center, said longtime friend and business partner Susan Lieberman.

"He could solve any problem. He could noodle it, figure it out and just had an uncanny ability to solve problems," said Lieberman, who first met Meek while working at the Eames Office. "I think that was his biggest gift and why his relationship with Charles and Ray was so successful. Plus he just had a terrific attitude.

"It was an honor to have spent so many years with him," she added. "He was always funny, always interesting and always unique."

Meek was known as the "go to guy" for any unsolveable problem in any design project and had a love and understanding of design and physics that was astounding given his

SEE MEEK PAGE 10


PLATINUM & GOLD STACKABLES

331 Wilshire Blvd. Santa Monica 2 Hours Free Parking (Behind Store)
Monday-Saturday 10am-6pm • 310.451.1349 • www.readersjewelers.com


Gary Limjap
(310) 586-0339
In today's real estate climate ...
Experience counts!
garylimjap@earthlink.net
Coldwell Banker

SMALL BUSINESS STARTUP?
TAXES • BOOKKEEPING • CORPORATIONS
SAMUEL B. MOSES, CPA
(310) 395-9922
100 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1800 Santa Monica 90401



**Anthony's Paint and Body Shop**
**Under old management**
**Eddie's Back!**
**Doing business the right way ... like the old days**

- Exclusive Body Shop for Honda of Santa Monica
- Recommended Body Shop for Santa Monica Acura
- All insurance accepted
- Owner operated

HONDA ACURA

Since 1945 www.anthonysbodyshop.com

1546 14th St. (just north of Colorado) in Santa Monica • 310-393-0217

**Your Trusted Source**

**Adult Day Service Center**
The right choice for quality care for your loved one. Let us give you the break you need.
*1510 Pico Blvd., • Santa Monica*

WISE & Healthy Aging
(310) 452-7802
Enjoy a Free Preview Day on Us!
www.wiseandhealthyaging.org

# JANUARY 13TH LECTURE
## BIO-IDENTICAL HORMONE THERAPY AND NATURAL TREATMENTS FOR OSTEOPOROSIS



An innovative lecture about natural hormone replacement therapy in men and women. Effects of hormones on bone health, sex drive, weigth, cholesterol, blood pressure, and heart.

Wednesday, January 13
6:30pm - REFRESHMENTS
7:00pm - LECTURE
The Santa Monica Public Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd
Seating is Limited
**Please RSVP to**
**(310) 477-1166**
www.HealthandVitalityCenter.com



Dr. Shiva Lalezar, DO
Board certified Family Physician
Specializing in Integrative Medicine, Prevention and Healthy Aging

**Sullivan Dituri Real Estate Presents**
YOUR LOCAL SPORTS SCHEDULE

**Saint Monica Catholic High School**

| DATE | TEAM | OPPONENT | LOCATION | TIME |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **GIRLS SOCCER** | | | | |
| Jan 6 | JV/Var | Brentwood | Airport Park | 2/3:15pm |
| **BOYS BASKETBALL** | | | | |
| Jan 6 | F/J/V | Malibu | Malibu | 4/5:30/7pm |
| **BOYS SOCCER** | | | | |
| Jan 7 | JV/Var | Grace Brethren | Airport Park | 1:30/3pm |
| Jan 8 | Var/JV | Campbell Hall | Campbell Hall | 2:30/4pm |
| **GIRLS BASKETBALL** | | | | |
| Jan 7 | JV/Var | Marlborough | Marlborough | 4:30/6pm |

**Saint Monica High School**

| DATE | TEAM | OPPONENT | LOCATION | TIME |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **COED WRESTLING** | | | | |
| Jan 8 | Var | Nogales Tournament | | 2:00pm |
| **GIRLS SOCCER** | | | | |
| Jan 6 | Var | Palos Verdes | Palos Verdes | 3:00pm |
| **BOYS BASKETBALL** | | | | |
| Jan 6 | Var | Redondo Union | Redondo Union | 7:00pm |

FEATURED LISTINGS

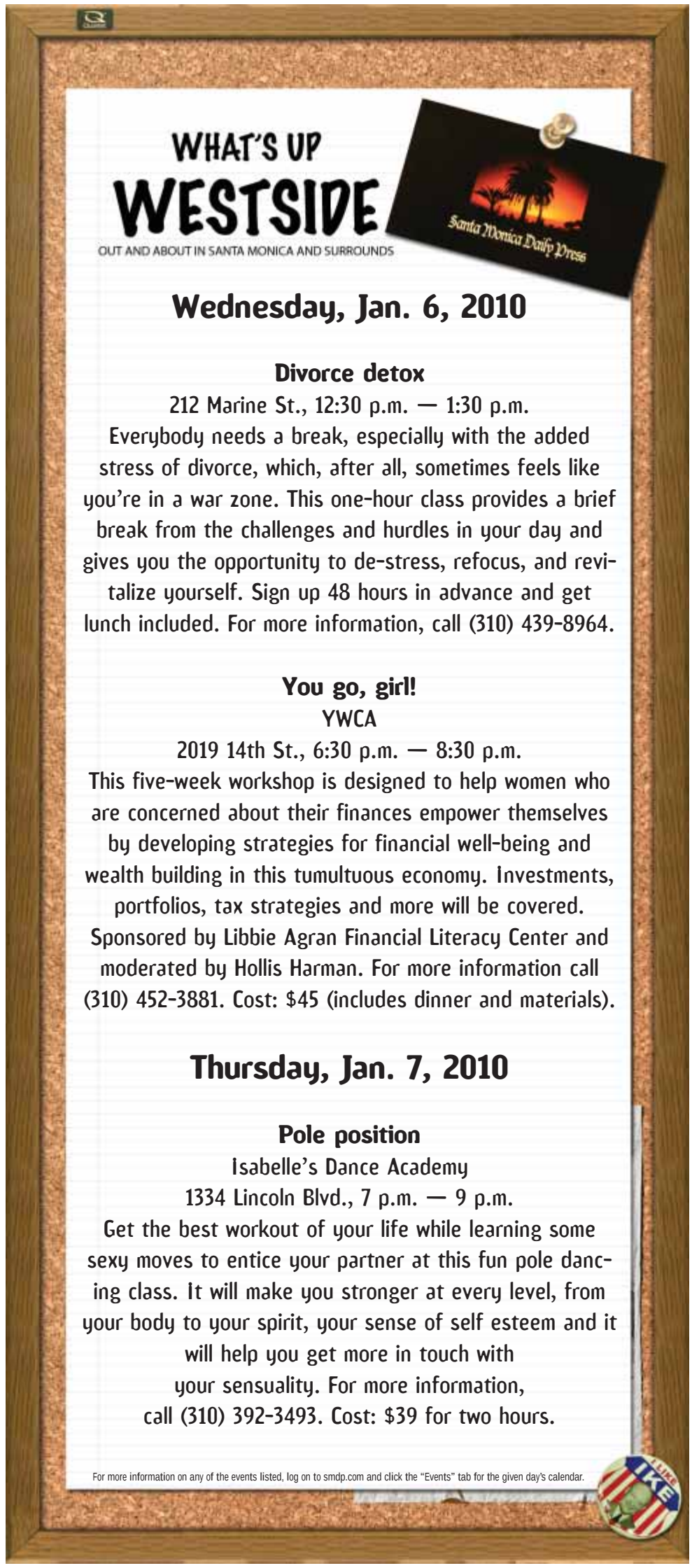
**Santa Monica**
1807 Montana
$2,100,000.00
*8 Units*






**Santa Monica**
1048 Grant
$1,095,000.00
*2 Houses on a Lot*

www.Sullivan-Dituri.com | (310) 453-3341




## Wednesday, Jan. 6, 2010

### Divorce detox
212 Marine St., 12:30 p.m. — 1:30 p.m.
Everybody needs a break, especially with the added stress of divorce, which, after all, sometimes feels like you're in a war zone. This one-hour class provides a brief break from the challenges and hurdles in your day and gives you the opportunity to de-stress, refocus, and revitalize yourself. Sign up 48 hours in advance and get lunch included. For more information, call (310) 439-8964.

### You go, girl!
YWCA
2019 14th St., 6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
This five-week workshop is designed to help women who are concerned about their finances empower themselves by developing strategies for financial well-being and wealth building in this tumultuous economy. Investments, portfolios, tax strategies and more will be covered. Sponsored by Libbie Agran Financial Literacy Center and moderated by Hollis Harman. For more information call (310) 452-3881. Cost: $45 (includes dinner and materials).

## Thursday, Jan. 7, 2010

### Pole position
Isabelle's Dance Academy
1334 Lincoln Blvd., 7 p.m. — 9 p.m.
Get the best workout of your life while learning some sexy moves to entice your partner at this fun pole dancing class. It will make you stronger at every level, from your body to your spirit, your sense of self esteem and it will help you get more in touch with your sensuality. For more information, call (310) 392-3493. Cost: $39 for two hours.

For more information on any of the events listed, log on to smdp.com and click the "Events" tab for the given day's calendar.

# Sunset Park neighborhood group slams office project

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

COLORADO AVE A developer's plan for a five-story office building on Colorado Avenue has drawn criticism from a Sunset Park neighborhood group over traffic concerns, despite the property owner's claim the project is a net community benefit.

The Friends of Sunset Park expressed their opposition to the proposed 154,000-square-foot project at 2834 Colorado Ave. in a comment on the development's Environmental Impact Report submitted to City Hall this week.

Zina Josephs, president of the Sunset Park group, said the project would create nearly 1,800 new daily car trips after completion, adding congestion to an area where additional development is proposed and traffic is already a problem.

"When we see a one-story place being replaced by a five-story, that's not a little bit of development, that's a lot of development," she said. "It just seems out of proportion and it makes our lives harder because we can't get anyplace."

But Jack Walter, the managing partner of the group that owns the site, said the developers are committed to mitigating traffic impacts through a "traffic demand management program" that would involve giving workers incentives to take mass transit, distributing bus tokens, promoting carpooling and donating to the Big Blue Bus.

He also said the developers are offering significant community improvements, such as a 5,000-square-foot affordable day care facility and a new road to improve emergency responders' access to the site.

The proposed project, which would be occupied by an entertainment company, quite possibly Lionsgate, would replace a high-vacancy industrial building that is a blight on the area, Walter said.

"It's a death trap, a fire trap — it's a complete eyesore," he said of the current building, which houses several light manufacturing companies. "[Our project] will bring great design and great amenities to the area."

To move forward, the project still needs to pass through the Planning Commission and receive final approval from the City Council. No hearings on the project have been scheduled.

David Martin, City Hall's deputy director of planning and community development, declined to respond specifically to the Sunset Park group's criticisms, saying a consultant still needs to respond to comments on the EIR.

He declined to comment on traffic concerns in the eastern part of the city, saying, "We have to look at each project on its merits."

> **WHEN WE SEE A ONE STORY PLACE BEING REPLACED BY A FIVE-STORY, THAT'S NOT A LITTLE BIT OF DEVELOPMENT, THAT'S A LOT OF DEVELOPMENT.**
>
> Zina Josephs
> President of Friends of Sunset Park

nickt@smdp.com

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

LAX

### Villaraigosa wants more airport security

Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa is calling for federal officials to mandate more body-imaging scanners and bomb-sniffing dogs at U.S. airports.

Villaraigosa's comments Tuesday at Los Angeles International Airport come more than a week after a passenger attempted to set off an explosive on an international flight to Detroit.

The mayor says the Transportation Security Administration's policy of keeping international passengers from leaving their seats one hour before landing was inadequate. He called for tighter security on the ground at the nation's airports.

Los Angeles has the country's second busiest airport. Villaraigosa vowed to step up security at the facility.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES

### L.A. council votes to study filming

The Los Angeles City Council has made the first formal step toward forming a film commission to prevent movie and television production from leaving the city.

The council voted Tuesday to authorize the chief legislative office to research how such a commission would operate and how it would be financed.

A report is scheduled to be presented to the council's jobs and business development committee on Jan. 12.

The film commission is the latest effort to stem runaway production, which has sent TV and movie work to Canada and overseas. The production of feature films in Los Angeles last year was about half what it was at the peak in 1996.

AP

# Landfill energy projects increasing

JASON DEAREN
Associated Press Writer

LIVERMORE Hundreds of trash trucks across California are rumbling down city streets using clean fuel made from a dirty source: garbage.

The fuel is derived from rotting refuse that San Francisco and Oakland residents and businesses have been discarding in the Altamont landfill since 1980. Since November, the methane gas created from decaying detritus at the 240-acre landfill has been sucked into tubes and sent into an innovative facility that purifies and transforms it into liquefied natural gas.

Almost 500 Waste Management Inc. garbage and recycling trucks run on this new source of environmentally friendly fuel instead of dirty diesel.

In a state that has passed the most stringent greenhouse gas reduction goals in the United States, the climate change benefits of this plant are twofold — methane from the trash heap is captured before entering the environment and use of the fuel produces less carbon dioxide than conventional gasoline.

"We've built the largest landfill-to-LNG plant in the world; this plant produces 13,000 gallons a day of LNG," said Jessica Jones, a landfill manager for Houston-based Waste Management. "It will take 30,000 tons a year of CO2 from the environment."

Altamont is one of two California landfills making LNG; the other is a smaller facility about 40 miles south of Los Angeles. Other natural gas facilities are being planned by Waste Management at some of the 270 active landfills nationwide, and the number could grow quickly as communities seek to reduce greenhouse gas pollution.

In 2009, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency counted 517 active landfill energy projects in the nation's approximately 1,800 operational municipal landfills. That was up almost 50 percent from 2000, and 28 percent from 2004.

Landfills have plenty of the ingredients to produce methane. Bacteria break down the food scraps, paper, lawn trimmings and other organic waste dumped there. Over time, the material ferments, releasing methane and other gases. About 50 percent of the gas emitted from landfills is methane. It is 21 times more effective than CO2 at trapping heat in the atmosphere, the EPA said.

"Methane is the second most important greenhouse gas after carbon dioxide," Tom Frankiewicz, program manager for EPA's

SEE ENERGY PAGE 11

WORLD FAMOUS The Omelette Parlor
Since 1967
Quality & Value Always!
Open 6am - 2:30pm Mon. - Fri.
6am - 4pm Sat. - Sun.
310-399-7892
2732 Main St.
Santa Monica
"Join the CLUCKER"S CLUB!"
30 yrs giving reward!


Golda Savage
Stand [on] your [own] ground.
Helping sellers & buyers accomplish just that.
310.770.4490
golda@bulldogrealtors.com
BULLDOG REALTORS
1209 Abbot Kinney Boulevard, Venice

121: one to one ADN: any day now AFAIK: as far as I know AFK: away from keyboard **A/S/L: age, sex, location** B4: before B4N: bye for now BAK: back at the keyboard BBIAB: be back in a bit BBL: be back later BBN: bye bye now BBS: be back soon BEG: big evil grin **BF: boyfriend** BFN: bye for now BG: big grin BL: belly laughing BMTIPG: brilliant minds think in parallel gutters BRB: be right back BTA: but then again BTW: by the way BWL: bursting with laughter BWTHDIK: but what the heck do I know C&G: chuckle & grin CID: crying in disgrace CNP: continued (in my) next post CP: chat post CRBT: crying real big tears CSG: chuckle, snicker, grin CU: see you CUL: see you later CYO: see you online DBAU: doing business as usual DIKU: do I know you? DL: dead link DLTBBB: don't let the bed bugs bite DQMOT: don't quote me on this EG: evil grin EMFBI: excuse me for butting in EMSG: email message EOT: end of thread F2F: face to face FC: fingers crossed FISH: first in, still here FMTYEWTK: far more than you ever wanted to know FOMCL: falling off my chair laughing FTBOMH: from the bottom of my heart FUD: fear, uncertainty, and doubt FWIW: for what it's worth G2G: got to go G: grin GA: go ahead GAL: get a life GD&R: grinning, ducking, and running GF: girlfriend GFN: gone for now GIWIST: gee, I wish I'd said that GMBO: giggling my butt off GMTA: great minds think alike GOL: giggling out loud GTRM: going to read mail GTSY: glad to see you H&K: hug and kiss HAGN: have a good night **HDOP: help delete online predators** HHIS: hanging head in shame HTH: hope this helps HUB: head up butt IAC: in any case IANAL: I am not a lawyer (but) IC: I see IDK: I don't know IHA: I hate acronyms IIRC: if I remember correctly ILU: I love you IM: instant message IMHO: in my humble opinion IMNSHO: in my not so humble opinion IMO: in my opinion IOW: in other words IPN: I'm posting naked IRL: in real life IWALU: I will always love you IYSWIM: if you see what I mean JIC: just in case JK: just kidding JMO: just my opinion JTLYK: just to let you know K: okay KIT: keep in touch KOC: kiss on cheek KOL: kiss on lips KOTC: kiss on the cheek KWIM: know what I mean? LBR: later LD: later, dude LDR: long distance relationship LLTA: lots and lots of thunderous applause **LMIRL: let's meet in real life** LMSO: laughing my socks off LOL: laughing out loud LSHMBB: laughing so hard my belly is bouncing LTM: laugh to myself LTNS: long time, no see LTR: long-term relationship LULAB: love you like a brother **LULAS: love you like a sister** LUWAMH: love you with all my heart LY: love you M/F: male or female MOSS: member of same sex MOTOS: member of the opposite sex MSG: message MTF: more to follow MUSM: miss you so much NADT: not a darn thing NIFOC: naked in front of computer NP: no problem NRN: no reply necessary OIC: oh I see **OLL: online love** OM: old man OTF: off the floor OTOH: on the other hand OTTOMH: off the top of my head P2P: peer to peer PDA: public display of affection PEBCAK: problem exists between chair and keyboard PLZ: please PM: private message PMFJIB: pardon me for jumping in but POAHF: put on a happy face **POS: parent over shoulder** PU: that stinks QT: cutie RL: real life ROTFL: rolling on the floor laughing RPG: role playing games RSN: real soon now S4L: spam for life SETE: smiling ear to ear SHCOON: shoot hot coffee out of nose SHID: slaps head in disgust SF: surfer friendly SNERT: snot nosed egotistical rude teenager SO: significant other SOMY: sick of me yet? SOT: short of time STW: search the web SWAK: sealed with a kiss SWL: screaming with laughter SYS: see you soon TA: thanks again TCOB: taking care of business TCOY: take care of yourself TIA: thanks in advance TILII: tell it like it is TMI: too much information TOY: thinking of you TTYL: talk to you later UW: you're welcome WB: welcome back WFM: works for me WIBNI: wouldn't it be nice if **WTGP: want to go private?** WTG: way to go WU: what's up WUF: where are you from? YBS: you'll be sorry YL: young lady YM: young man

Every day, children are sexually solicited online.

Ad Council
You don't know what your kids are saying online. Or who they are saying it to. A lot of times neither do they. So get involved. To protect your kid's online life or report an incident, call 1-800-THE LOST or visit cybertipline.com. HDOP: help delete online predators
NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING & EXPLOITED CHILDREN



## Going Postal

Steve "the Mailman" Breen — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

# New Year's dissolutions

WELL, IT'S BEEN A COUPLE OF DAYS SINCE the New Year's ball dropped and many of us now ponder the coming new year with the interrogative singularity: "How do I deflate this chocolate-covered, four-ply belted, Santa Cholesterol Michelin tire from around my cupcake inflated midsection?"

My New Year's resolution this year is to not eat anything made out of wood. So far, so good.

Folks, we have been materially blessed to live in a city where the homeless are obese and have their own cell phones while some of your own over-pampered niblets of primogeniture are too fat to pass a physical-ed exam.

Parents need to make a commitment to their kids that they will be in better physical shape than their kids at least until those parents pick up their AARP card. Of course, this is a fantasy, but a parent must constantly endeavor to instill fear of their ancestral omnipotence in their children as early as possible. This is so your kid doesn't assert his/her primate dominance in order to ambush you with a cricket bat during a Haagen-Daz induced coma while you were watching re-runs of "The Biggest Loser" and then snatch the car keys.

If you, as a parent, choose to not stay in shape then the only other remedy to survive your children's teen years is to drink. Heavily. Name your poison; bourbon, tequila, Formula 409 and strychnine are good for openers. Since I suffer from OCD as well as PTSD, I do 'em all. It's not an urban myth that "the teen years are the toughest." Just ask a parent.

Parents, don't you want to actually play with your kids? Wii doesn't count. Go outside! Don't you want to wrestle in the grass with your grandbrats and beyond without the worry of fecal incontinence? It's a tough maneuver when your granddaughter yanks out your catheter during a little rough-and-tumble and asks. "Grandpa, why are you making that funny face?"

First of all, there is the old saying that, "if you don't move it, you lose it" whatever the "it" might be. Now I have been wearing a jock since I was about 8 years old. My sojourn into several varieties of martial arts systems have kept me from descending into accelerated decrepitude to which the flesh is commonly heir to.

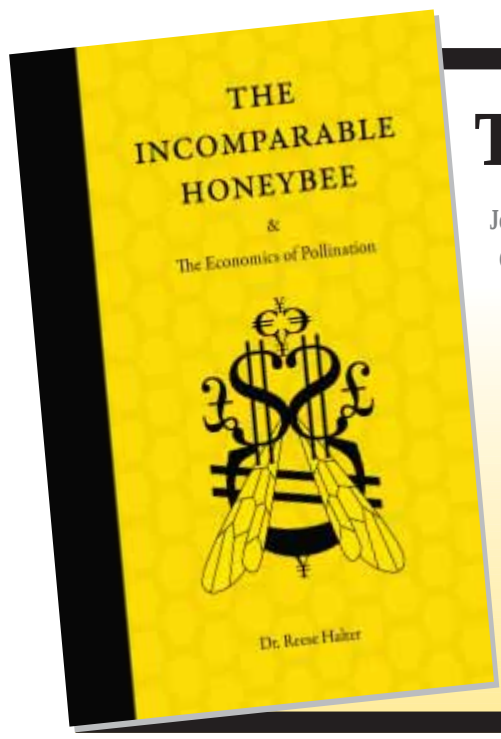
This is one of the reasons that I have crashed and bashed around in the martial arts for over 42 years. Taiji-chuan has been a personal favorite for about 30 years. I still think I suck at it but I feel good after doing about 10 sets in the morning. I figure that's what really matters. And it's not like yoga insofar as it has a practical purpose behind the movements. You've probably all seen a bunch of old Chinese people at a park doing an exercise that looks like a Triad mime gang stoned on Valium. But look at the obvious. They're all old people. Some of them are really old! And some of them are even older than that!! Not only are those geezers old enough to have grandchildren but they have the vitality to actually chase those little monkeys all over the yard.

Why? Because their parents did taiji-chuan as did their grandparents ad infinitum. I used to practice many of the movements on my children while playing "tag" with them. Then they began to copy me. I did judo for many years. My 120-pound daughter can splash dance a 220-pound man into the pavement at the blink of an impertinent remark. My son's martial skills have served him well in the military. (This is that "practical purpose" I spoke of earlier.) And they are, unlike their father, polite and well-adjusted individuals on most occasions.

Neither child is a candidate for Jenny Craig, either. Neither am I. We eat and drink whatever we want as this is a side benefit of living a martial lifestyle.

If you want to learn how to live forever, go over to 220 Pier Ave. It's a place called Sacred Energy Arts. See Sifu Matt Cohen. He's a great guy to start with and to end with. He is scary awesome at what he does yet makes the art accessible no matter how thick your skull might be. Don't be afraid to sweat either. You will learn some really cool things, Grasshopper. While bringing money is good, bringing a sincere commitment to your long term health is worth the investment. It beats a "public option" any day.

**STEVE BREEN** has a man-crush on Jack LaLanne and is still the "best looking mailman at the U.S. Post Office." He can be reached at dulcamarax@yahoo.com.




The Perfect Gift

Join our award-winning Back to Nature Columnist **DR. REESE HALTER** in his latest book on **Amazon.com**

*"More than anyone I know, Dr Reese Halter manifests the wise words of Sengalese poet, Baba Dioun: to save nature we must love it, to love it we must understand it, to understand we must be taught. From understanding comes wonder, which Dr Reese is a master at evoking."*

– Professor Emeritus David Perry, Oregon State University

*"Dr Reese Halter is one of the most fascinating science writers of our time."*

– Professor Robert Teskey, University of Georgia

Santa Monica Daily Press

**PUBLISHER**
Ross Furukawa
ross@smdp.com

**EDITOR IN CHIEF**
Kevin Herrera
editor@smdp.com

**MANAGING EDITOR**
Daniel Archuleta
daniela@smdp.com

**STAFF WRITER**
Nick Taborek
nickt@smdp.com

**CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER**
Brandon Wise
brandonw@smdp.com

**STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**
Morgan Genser
news@smdp.com

**CONTRIBUTING WRITERS**
Bill Bauer, David Pisarra, Meredith Carroll, Kenny Mack, Jack Neworth, Lloyd Garver, Dr. Reese Halter, Taylor Van Arsdale, Dane Robert Swanson, Steve Breen, Elizabeth Brown, Merv Hecht, Ron Scott Smith, Mike Heayn, Brian Hepp, Mariel Howsepian, Cynthia Citron, Amanda Cushman, Steve Parker and Phyllis Chavez

**CONTRIBUTING PHOTOGRAPHER**
Fabian Lewkowicz

**NEWS INTERNS**
Lenika Cruz
Carlee Jensen, Derrick Oliver
news@smdp.com

**PHOTOGRAPHY INTERNS**
Ray Solano
news@smdp.com

**ADVERTISING SALES MANAGER**
Rob Schwenker
schwenker@smdp.com

**ADVERTISING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE**
Grace Wang
gracew@smdp.com

**ADVERTISING TRAFFIC FACILITATOR**
Amber Kessee
amberk@smdp.com

**OPERATIONS MANAGER**
Connie Sommerville
connies@smdp.com

**PRODUCTION MANAGER**
Darren Ouellette
production@smdp.com

**CIRCULATION**
Keith Wyatt
Osvaldo Paganini
circulation@smdp.com

Santa Monica Daily Press
*A newspaper with issues*

410 Broadway, Suite B
Santa Monica, CA 90401
OFFICE (310) 458-PRESS (7737)
FAX (310) 576-9913

Visit us online at smdp.com

CIRCULATION VERIFICATION COUNCIL

The Santa Monica Daily Press is published six days a week, Monday through Saturday.

19,000 daily circulation, 46,450 daily readership. Circulation is audited and verified by Circulation Verification Council, 2006. Serving the City of Santa Monica, and the communities of Venice Beach, Brentwood, West LA. Members of CNPA, AFCP, CVC, Associated Press, IFPA, Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce.

Published by Newlon Rouge, LLC

© 2006 Newlon Rouge, LLC, all rights reserved.

**OPINIONS EXPRESSED** are those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect those of the Santa Monica Daily Press staff. Guest editorials from residents are encouraged, as are letters to the editor. Letters will be published on a space-available basis. It is our intention to publish all letters we receive, except those that are libelous or are unsigned. Preference will be given to those that are e-mailed to editor@smdp.com. All letters must include the author's name and telephone number for purposes of verification. Letters also may be mailed to our offices located at 1427 Third Street Promenade, Suite 202, Santa Monica, 90401, or faxed to (310) 576-9913. All letters and guest editorials are subject to editing for space and content.



## Word in Edgewise

Kenny Mack — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

# Bush is the story of the decade

UNLESS YOU WERE UNDER A ROCK LAST week, you were exposed to more than your fair share of those "Story of the Decade" lists covering every aspect of every conceivable thing across every platform of American media. There was so much traffic around those lists that Tina Brown and our own Arianna Huffington must have been beside themselves with the click-throughs on The Daily Beast and HuffPo between Christmas Eve and this past Sunday.

But don't let 'em fool ya, there is only one story of the past 10 years. It's that President George W. Bush used his 2003 State of the Union address to lie to our nation and the world to justify the pre-emptive invasion of a sovereign country and fellow U.N. member state that neither attacked nor posed a threat to the United States. Every other big story of the decade — the rise of China as a global superpower, the rise of Iran as a regional player, and the rise of the jihadi — happened as a consequence of the great Neo-Con-job that was Operation Iraqi Freedom.

China's larger role on the world stage came as a result of its economic power, demonstrated by its financing the invasion and occupation of Iraq. Because the People's Republic extended credit to the U.S. government, the Bush administration was able to take the unprecedented step of cutting taxes at wartime so that no group of Americans (other than military families) would have to sacrifice for the war effort. Had we done what we usually do to pay for a war (passed a war tax or sold war bonds or both) instead of borrowing from the Chinese, the Beijing Olympics would have looked much different.

We now have to deal with Iran as a power within the region because we removed the largest check on the Shiite Islamic Republic: the minority Sunni military regime of Saddam Hussein ruling over the majority Shiite population in neighboring Iraq. Thanks to W's disastrous disarming of the dictator, the Iranian regime (and its paramilitary wing, Hezbollah) is able to impose its will from the Afghanistan/Pakistan region of Western Asia through Iraq to Lebanon — from which it can fire rockets into Israel. Because we changed the Iraqi regime, Iranian clerics now have a sphere of influence from Af/Pak to the Mediterranean; with Saddam in power, the Iranians would still be largely contained.

The failure of President Bush's global war on terrorism to prevent the rise of the jihadi would have been the biggest story of the past 10 years if not for his monumental blunder in Iraq. We can't forget that the world was on our side in September of 2001 with newspapers in France and Italy proclaiming "We Are All Americans." It's impossible to tell how different the effort to win over hearts and minds in the Muslim world would have been if Osama Bin Laden had been captured or killed in the months after the hijackings of that September, but it would have been easier. Muslims are active and energized as a group (remember when hundreds of thousands protested cartoon images of the prophet?) and we could have used the senseless killing of Muslims by other Muslims as a starting point for a discussion about jihad in the modern world.

But once Lil' Bush got a hold of Bill Kristol's "How To Change a Hostile Regime in 90 Days or Less" handbook, it was on to Iraq where images of American soldiers killing Muslims would be beamed around the world via satellite to inspire a new generation of jihadis willing to die to defend their brothers and sisters.

As for the 2003 State of the Union address, there can be no doubt that President Bush lied. A lie is a conscious effort to deceive or a deliberate attempt to create a false impression; and there were two key deceptions/false impressions created by the president. The first was the deception that Saddam Hussein's Iraq was trying to acquire uranium to build a nuclear weapon and the second was the false impression that Iraq might then give that weapon to al-Qaida to use against the U.S. The White House had been notified in an "unequivocal" memo weeks before that the uranium story was "baseless and should be laid to rest," and the CIA had already reported that "al-Qaida," including Bin Laden personally, and Saddam were leery of close cooperation." Yet President Bush still represented the infamous "16 words" as fact and asked us to "imagine those 19 hijackers with other weapons and other plans, this time armed by Saddam Hussein" as though it was a realistic possibility. Then he told the U.N. where to stick it and introduced the world to "shock and awe."

Measured in the trillions of dollars spent, the millions of displaced refugees, the hundreds of thousands of lives lost, or the tens of thousands of casualties, the invasion and occupation of Iraq stands as the story of the past decade. Factor in the opportunity costs of destroying any credibility the U.N. had left and losing American prestige and moral standing around the world, and nothing else even comes close.

---

**KENNY MACK** is a multi-platform content provider with four-quadrant crossover appeal who thinks the death of the paid daily newspaper will contend for the story of the current decade. His past columns are archived at www.ifyoumissedit.com and he can be reached at kennymack@gmail.com.

## The Q Line

**Seeing into the future**

With the new year comes much speculation. Will City Hall land the Broad Museum? Will the Expo light rail project stay on track? How will the new city manager do? The possibilities are endless.

**So, this week's Q-Line question asks:**

What do you predict will make headlines in 2010?

**Call (310) 285-8106 before Friday at 5 p.m. and we'll print your answers in the weekend edition of the Daily Press.**



Kate Bransfield
Estates Director
Coldwell Banker - Montana Ave
310.395.1133
What is Your Home Worth?
Contact Me to Find Out.
for local, current real estate info...
SantaMonicaListings.com

GERMAN CAR SERVICE
Specialist in Repair of Porsche • VW • Audi • BMW
- Best alternative to high dealer prices
- Complete service and repair
- All work guaranteed
- Locally owned and operated since 1965


2202 OLYMPIC BLVD., SANTA MONICA • (310) 829-2563

MY DENTIST TELLS THE WORST JOKES!
(But the laughing gas helps)
DOES THIS SOUND LIKE YOU?
- Dental Anxiety?
- Advanced Dental Problems
- Just Old Fashion Procrastination

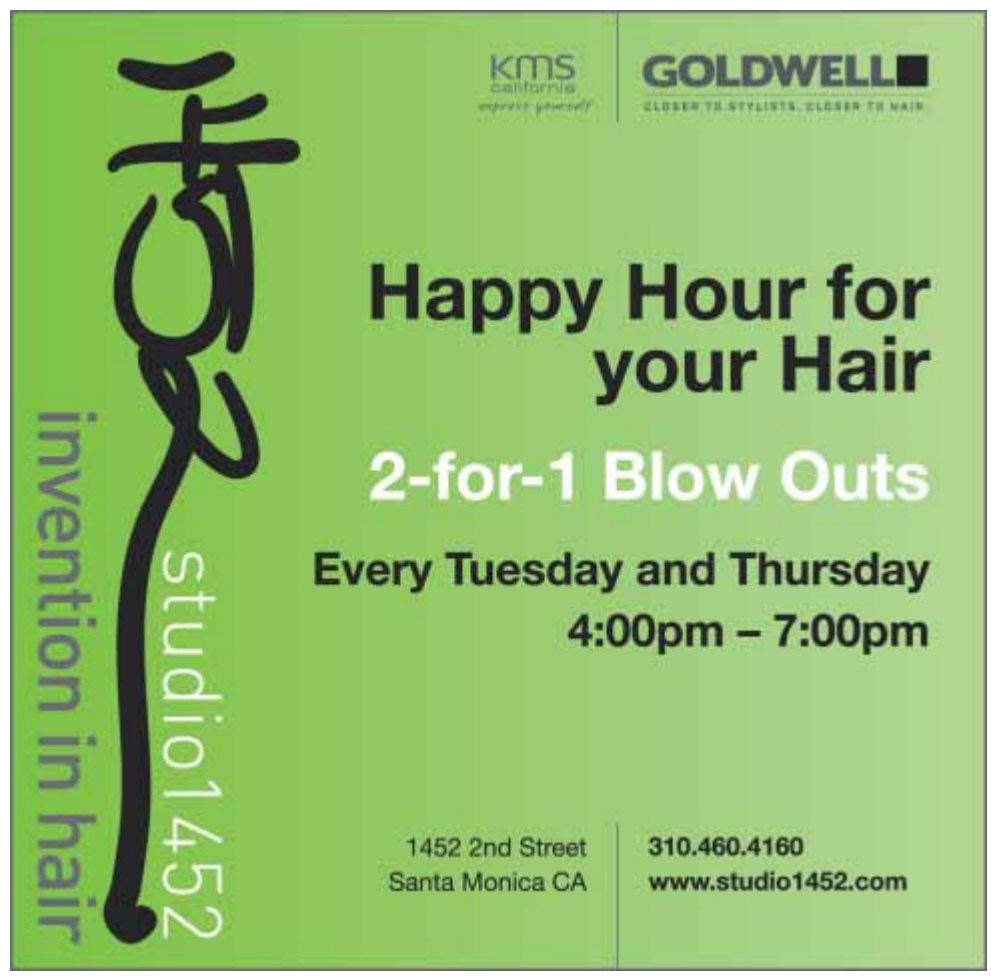
HELP WITHOUT JUDGEMENT IS AVAILABLE
- Nitrous Oxide provided as a courtesy upon request
- Dental Anesthesiologist available for IV sedation

WE ARE A FULL SERVICE DENTAL OFFICE and WE ACCEPT DENTAL INSURANCE
- General Dentistry
- Cosmetics
- Implants
- Invisalign orthodontics
- Root Canals
- Periodontics (gums)
- Digital Super Low Radiation x-rays

FREE TEETH WHITENING a $250.00 VALUE
With Exam, X-Rays and Cleaning. Some restrictions may apply. Call for details. Offer Good for 60 days.
or
$1 EXAM
NEW PATIENTS ONLY
INITIAL EXAM, CONSULATION & COMPLETE SET OF X-RAYS
Some restrictions may apply. Call for details. Offer good for 60 Days. #004

SANTA MONICA FAMILY DENTISTRY
DR. ALAN RUBENSTEIN
1260 15th ST. SUITE #703
(310) 736-2590
WWW.ALANRUBENSTEINDDS.COM



BOB GABRIEL CO. INSURANCE
*Personalized Insurance*



- Auto Experts
- Life, Disability & Pension
- Homeowners
- Commercial & Business
- Workers Compensation
- Group & Individual Health

Representing "A" rated companies including MERCURY INSURANCE

*Mercury Insurance has cut rates on auto, homeowners, and renters insurance. Please call for new discounted rates.*

Phone Quotes Available

Family Owned Business

310.829.0305
2325 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica
www.bobgabrielinsurance.com

ADULT DANCE CLASSES



ALL LEVELS WELCOME!
JAZZ, TAP, BALLET, SALSA,
HIP HOP, THEATER AND MORE
PRIVATE STUDIO TIMES AVAILABLE

Call Us Today for a free class

The Pretenders Studio
www.thepretendersstudio.com
The Pretenders Studio believes in a healthy body image, positive attitude and the power to communicate through creativity.

1635 16th Street, Santa Monica CA 90404 • (310) 450-1800

The Santa Monica Family YMCA invites you to our Annual

OPEN HOUSE

**Saturday, January 9th 9am - 3pm at the YMCA**
Tours, free two-week passes, seminars, activities.
Check out our Pool, Fitness Center, Fitness Classes, Youth/Teen programs, Family programs.

LET US HELP YOU KICK-START YOUR WAY TO A HEALTHIER NEW YEAR!



JOIN
call 310-393-2721
free facility tours every day

Youth • Teen • Adult • Older Adult • Family
Scholarships available for qualifiying incomes.

TWO WEEKS FREE
*Mention this ad for a free two week pass with tour.*

*We build strong kids, strong families, and strong communities.*

1332 6th St • Santa Monica, CA 90401 • (310) 393-2721 • www.ymcasm.org

* Nonprofit corporation.



WALL STREET

# Caution over recovery leaves market stagnant

**TIM PARADIS**
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK Investors turned cautious on the second trading day of the year as a pair of economic reports gave mixed signals about how the recovery was going.

Major stock indexes ended little changed a day after the Dow Jones industrials soared more than 150 points on upbeat manufacturing reports in the U.S. and China. Uncertainty over key reports this week on employment and the service industry also kept buyers at bay.

The economic news on Tuesday was muddled. The Commerce Department reported that factory orders rose by more than twice what had been expected in November, reflecting demand in the steel, computer and chemical industries. The gain of 1.1 percent easily beat the 0.5 percent forecast of analysts polled Thomson Reuters.

Meanwhile, the number of buyers who agreed to purchase previously occupied homes fell sharply in November, an indication that sales will fall this winter. The National Association of Realtors said its index of pending home sales fell 16 percent, the first drop after nine months of gains. Some decline had been expected as investors raced to buy homes ahead of a tax credit deadline, which was later extended.

A strengthening dollar also held stocks to modest moves. A strong dollar makes commodities and shares of the companies that produce them less attractive to foreign buyers. It also hurts the profits of companies that do business overseas.

Investors are looking for clues about the direction of the economy in 2010 after a nine-month rally pushed stocks to steep gains for 2009. Now, analysts say, further signs of strengthening in the economy are needed to help stocks hold their gains. Major stock indexes stand at 15-month highs.

The Dow industrials slipped 11.94, or 0.1 percent, to 10,572.02. The broader Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 3.53, or 0.3 percent, to 1,136.52, its highest close since Oct. 1, 2008. The Nasdaq composite index edged up 0.29, or less than 0.1 percent, to 2,308.71.

Three stocks rose for every two that fell on the New York Stock Exchange, where consolidated volume rose to 5.2 billion shares from 4.1 billion Monday.

Bond prices rose, pushing interest rates lower. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note fell to 3.76 percent from 3.83 percent late Monday.

Crude oil rose 26 cents to settle at $81.77 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The early days of January are when many investors, from pension funds to individuals, pump money into the markets as they set up their investment strategies for the year. Markets often rise as the new money arrives.

However Nick Kalivas, vice president of financial research at MF Global in Chicago, said investors are cautious ahead of reports on the service industry and employment later in the week because they want to confirm that economy is healing.

"There is a lot of data out the next couple of days that people want to see before they chase a market at its highs," Kalivas said.

The Institute for Supply Management will report its index of activity in the service industry on Wednesday, and on Friday the market will get the most important economic reading of the month, the Labor Department's employment report.

Ford Motor Co.'s shares jumped after the automaker said its December sales jumped 33 percent fed by demand for midsize cars like the Ford Fusion, whose sales rose 83 percent. Ford also had its first full-year gain in U.S. market share since 1995. Ford rose 68 cents, or 6.6 percent, to $10.96.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies fell 1.61, or 0.3 percent, to 638.49.

Britain's FTSE 100 rose 0.4 percent, Germany's DAX index fell 0.3 percent, and France's CAC-40 slipped less than 0.1 percent. Japan's Nikkei stock average rose 0.3 percent.

TECHNOLOGY

# Google to offer 'super' phone

**MICHAEL LIEDTKE**
AP Technology Writer

MOUNTAIN VIEW Google Inc. began selling its own mobile phone Tuesday, a much-anticipated move aimed at protecting its online advertising empire as people increasingly surf the Web on handsets instead of personal computers.

The Nexus One joins about 20 other mobile devices that already run on Android, the mobile operating system that Google introduced in 2007 to make it easier to connect to its services and other Web sites away from home or the office.

Google designed the touch-screen phone in partnership with Taiwan's HTC Corp., which made the first Android-powered phone and will manufacture this one, too. Google will handle all sales online and has no plans to let consumers check out the Nexus One in retail stores.

The Nexus One has been in the hands of Google employees for the past three weeks, triggering media speculation and anticipation for the company's first attempt to peddle a consumer electronics device.

Given the hype, the Nexus One could be a bit of a letdown because it only takes a few incremental steps beyond what's already possible on handheld devices. And the Nexus One's standard sales price of $529 may lessen its appeal in a still-shaky economy.

The move does escalate the budding rivalry between Silicon Valley's two most valuable companies — Google and Apple Inc., which has sold more than 30 million iPhones in the past 2 1/2 years. Apple announced a deal Tuesday to buy mobile advertising service Quattro Wireless to counter Google's planned $750 million acquisition of Quattro rival AdMob. Both announcements came ahead of this week's International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas.

Most of the more than $20 billion in ads that Google sells annually are tied to Internet searches, a market that it dominates. But a proliferation of programs that

SEE **PHONE** PAGE 7

ECONOMY

# Automakers hopeful for 2010 as brutal year ends

DEE-ANN DURBIN & TOM KRISHER
AP Auto Writers

DETROIT Automakers in the U.S. ended their worst year in almost three decades with hints of a recovery in December.

Many, especially those selling small or inexpensive vehicles, reported improvements last month and expressed hope for a mildly better 2010.

It was a positive finish to one of the toughest years on record for the industry, with U.S. sales of cars and light trucks down 21 percent to 10.4 million as drivers blew past showrooms due to a shaky economy.

For the year, General Motors Co. and Chrysler Group LLC were the big losers. Both took government aid and spent time in bankruptcy court early in the year when sales fell to near-record lows as credit froze, unemployment rose and consumer confidence plunged.

Big winners were Hyundai Motor Co. and its low-cost Kia brand, as well as Subaru, which specializes in all-wheel-drive small cars and sport utility vehicles. Ford Motor Co., Honda, Toyota and Nissan all reported drops for the year but big gains last month.

"It's not a disaster anymore," said Aaron Bragman, an industry analyst for the consulting firm IHS Global Insight in Troy, Mich.

Ford, the only U.S.-based automaker to avoid bankruptcy protection, fared better than its two Detroit rivals, with overall sales down 15 percent last year compared with 36 percent fewer for Chrysler and 30 percent for GM.

In fact, Chrysler sold just 931,000 cars and trucks in 2009, its worst performance since 1962 as it struggled with a lack of new products and a reputation for poor quality. It had a better December, however, down only 4 percent from the same month last year. GM sales fell 5.7 percent last month as it tried to find traction with fewer brands after shedding Saturn, Saab and Pontiac and Hummer.

Ford's final month of the year was strong, with a 33-percent increase in sales thanks to strong demand for midsize cars. Last year, it gained U.S. market share for the first time since 1995, helped by critical raves for its fuel-efficient cars, like the midsize Fusion. It's compact Focus and popular Escape crossover also boosted sales.

The automaker's restructuring plan and new products helped its performance, despite a difficult business environment, said Ken Czubay, vice president of U.S. sales.

Overall, 2009 U.S. sales dropped to a level not seen since recession-wracked 1982, when just over 10.3 million cars and trucks were sold, according to Ward's AutoInfoBank.

Yet even though U.S. sales fell for the year, Hyundai continued its surge with an 8-percent yearly gain, while Kia reported an annual gain of nearly 10 percent and a 44-percent gain in December. Both automakers specialize in smaller, lower-priced cars that were popular during a tough economic year when job security and gas prices worried drivers.

Automakers said dealerships saw the usual post-Christmas rush as buyers sought year-end bargains. Czubay said local dealer advertising was strong, but automakers held the line on incentive spending. Companies spent an average of $2,542 per vehicle on incentives in December, down 11 percent from the same month a year ago.

Czubay said it's difficult to predict whether the momentum will continue in January, but he's optimistic.

"There's actually a tremendous amount of pent-up demand out there," he said. "We believe that people are just saying, 'I can go out and be a little bit more aggressive.'"

Toyota, which saw sales dive 20 percent for the year but rise 32 percent in December, expects that overall U.S. auto sales will slowly improve this year. Its strong December was fueled by huge sales increases for its Camry midsize sedan, Corolla small car and Prius gas-electric hybrid. The company was encouraged by last month's results and improved consumer confidence.

"We feel great momentum heading into 2010," said Don Esmond, senior vice president of automotive operations at Toyota's U.S. division.

GM said its sales were down for the month partly because it reduced sales to rental car companies and other fleet buyers. Susan Docherty, vice president of sales, said 23 percent of GM's December sales went to fleets, compared to 20 percent at Toyota, 35 percent at Ford and 50 percent at Chrysler.

Docherty said GM is continuing to pull away from fleet sales, which are less profitable and can hurt brands' resale values.

Despite a whiff of hope in December, automakers and analysts said it's too early to predict just how this year will go, mainly because of uncertainty over employment.

"It's still a low market, still a depressed market and it's too early to declare there's a trend upward," said Bragman. "It's not going to be a gangbuster year. It's going to be very much a healing year."

# Google says product a cut above iPhone

FROM PHONE PAGE 6

create more direct routes to mobile applications may lessen the need to conduct searches on wireless phones. In designing and selling its own phone, Google gets yet another way to ensure its services remain within easy reach of people on the go.

Google is billing the Nexus One as the first "super" phone in an effort to position the device as a cut above the iPhone and other smart phones such as Research In Motion Ltd.'s more utilitarian BlackBerry.

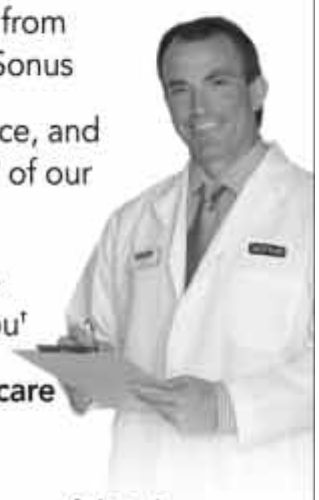
It appears to be sleeker than other phones, as thin as a pencil at 11.5 millimeters and as light as a keychain-sized Swiss army knife at just 130 grams. Among other things, the Nexus One will offer more ways to customize the phone's home page and use voice recognition technology to perform more tasks, including composing e-mails and navigating Google's mobile mapping products.

"This phone, from a performance perspective, looks a little like your laptop did four or five years ago," said Andy Rubin, a Google executive who oversees Android.

But most of the features on the Nexus One are already on other Android-powered phones, and it probably will be a long time before it can offer as many different tools as the iPhone, which boasts more than 100,000 applications compared with Android's 18,000.

FREE
Hearing Screening*
and receive a
$20 Walgreens Gift Card**
Walgreens gift card

Get the *right* hearing solution at Sonus.



✓ See the **largest selection** of hearing aids from top manufacturers, all under one roof at Sonus
✓ Experience for yourself the personal service, and the unique **Patient-Centered Approach**℠ of our Certified Hearing Care Professionals
✓ Discover the remarkable difference a true **custom hearing solution** can make for you†
✓ Learn about our **personalized follow-up care** to ensure your continued hearing health

*"I've worn hearing aids for 35 years—I've never felt taken care of and truly listened to until I began coming to Sonus."*
- Carol L., El Cajon, CA

75-day trial RISK-FREE 75-Day Trial‡ | 93% of Sonus® patients would refer us to their friends.

Call Now to Schedule your **Free Hearing Screening*** at Sonus:

**1-877-310-3051**

26 Greater Los Angeles Area Sonus® Locations

sonus hearing care professionals

www.sonus.com

Hurry! Offer Ends 01/29/10

FREE
Hearing Screening*
and get a
$20 Walgreens Gift Card**
Walgreens gift card

*Hearing screenings are always free. This is not a medical exam and is only intended to assist with amplification selection. **Good only from participating Sonus® locations. Limit one gift card per customer. Must be at least 60 years old to qualify. To receive gift card a hearing screening must be completed by 01/29/10. Walgreens is a registered trademark at Walgreen Co.

*Hearing screenings are always free. This is not a medical exam and is only intended to assist with amplification selection. †Hearing aids can not restore natural hearing. Success with hearing aids depends on a number of factors, including hearing loss severity and ability to adapt to amplification. ‡Hearing aids must be returned within the 75-day trial period to qualify for a refund.

© 2010 Sonus-USA, Inc. 4479/ROPA 5.083x14

Santa Monica's Eco-friendly Green taxi.
MetroCab
SANTA MONICA

• Low Prices
• Reliable Service
• Experienced Drivers
• On-Time.
Call Now!
27.90* from SM to LAX
310.434.7777
www.MetroCabCo.com

LOVE YOUR HAIR
1/2 OFF 1ST HAIRCUT
COMPLIMENTARY HAIRCUT WITH COLOR OR HI-LITE
COMPLIMENTARY HAIRCUT WITH 100% HUMAN HAIR EXTENSIONS
WE NOW CARRY 'AVEDA' AND 'BUMBLE AND BUMBLE'
1/2 OFF HAIRCUT WITH PERMANENT HAIR STRAIGHTENING
NEW CUSTOMERS ONLY. COUPON VALID FOR ONE SERVICE. PLEASE BRING COUPON TO REDEEM. ONLY ONE COUPON PER CUSTOMER.
ALL SALON SERVICES, INCLUDING: Creative Hair Cutting & Styling, Highlighting & Color Techniques, Human Hair Extensions. Walk-ins welcome.

FRINGE HAIR SALON
3015 Lincoln Blvd.
Two blocks north of Whole Foods
(310) 399-7100


Spine Issues?
Get Back Your Quality of Life
50% OFF A Comprehensive Spinal Consultation with this ad
SANTA MONICA SPINE
Providing our personalized care, open communication, and the latest technological advances to ensure a return to your active lifestyle.
310.776.7545 | 2811 Wilshire Blvd. • Ste 850 | www.santamonicaspine.com



Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

MAKING A CASE: **Landowner Steve Taub (center) talks with city officials about zoning rights for the Southern California Mobile Food Vendors Association on Tuesday morning.**

# Vendors vow to find a solution

FROM **TRUCKS** PAGE 1

"Basically, this was a non-permited use of the food truck [vendors] on that lot," said Kate Vernez, assistant to the city manager. She said the vendors never contacted City Hall about their plans and were circumventing land use rules.

"What we're doing now is we're researching the code to see if there's any type of permit" the vendors could apply for that would allow them to continue using the site, she said.

Taub and the vendors said they're determined to work with City Hall to find a solution.

**"EVERYBODY WHO CAME THERE WAS JUST RAVING ABOUT THE IDEA."**

**John Bowler**
Owner of Barbie Q and president of the just-launched Southern California Mobile Food Vendors Association

"I will continue to pursue this and we'll get it done," Taub said on Tuesday.

At one point he offered to donate a year's worth of proceeds from renting the lot to food trucks to a Santa Monica charity. He also said a lawyer is helping him look into ways to overturn City Hall's order.

About 1,200 people showed up for the food court's first day on Monday, the organizers said.

"It was the second best day I've had since I've had my truck," said John Bowler, owner of Barbie Q and president of the just-launched Southern California Mobile Food Vendors Association. "Everybody who came there was just raving about the idea."

He said his group is reaching out to members of the City Council and hopes to "find an amicable way to make this work." He said they've already set up a meeting with Councilman Bob Holbrook.

On Tuesday, a steady stream of disappointed lunch seekers scoped out the empty lot before heading off.

"It should have been a huge day," Bowler said.

A former Hermosa Beach City Council member, he said he wasn't surprised the lot drew City Hall's attention.

"We expected something from the city of Santa Monica, [but] we didn't expect to be shut down outright," he said.

nickt@smdp.com

FIGSANTAMONICA.COM

FIG
RESTAURANT
SANTA MONICA
KEGS & EGGS...
IT'S BETTER THAN YOU REMEMBER.
Come enjoy brunch at FIG every Sunday and relive the glory days with Kegs & Eggs for the more discerning palate. Choose any of our delicious, fresh egg dishes and pair it with a bottomless pint of **Brasserie Dupont Saison, Stella Artois, Schneiderweisse Hefe-Weizen or Konigshoven "Quadrupel."**
EVERY SUNDAY, 11AM - 2PM
FOR RESERVATIONS, CALL 310-319-3111
FIG RESTAURANT | 101 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica, 90401

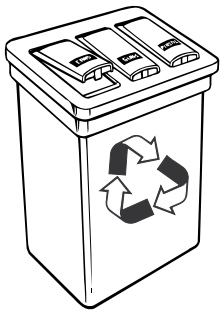
SIGN UP TO GET FREE AMBER ALERTS ON YOUR CELL PHONE.
wirelessamberalerts.org
Wireless AMBER Alerts
Ad Council
A child is calling for help.




## ROLLING OUT

Fabian Lewkowicz *FabianLewkowicz.com*

**Tour manager Kris Power rolls onto the Santa Monica Pier in the 'L.A. Confidential 2010' vehicle during the launch of the Los Angeles Region's 2010 Census Portrait of America Road Tour on Monday. The tour is part of the largest civic outreach and awareness campaign in U.S. history.**

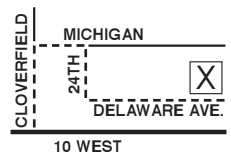



RECYCLE NOW!

CARDBOARD
$100 per ton with
this coupon expires 1-31-10

Aluminum Plastic Glass Bi-Metal Newspaper
CardboardWhite/Color/Computer Paper Copper & Brass

Santa Monica Recycling Center
2411 Delaware Avenue in Santa Monica
(310) 453-9677




GET YOUR DOCUMENTS THERE IN A FLASH



Now Legal Services provides messenger services, rush court filings on motorcycles and rush process servings. Our services include the preparation of documents for small claims court filings, the filing in the court and serving the papers.

Call NOW LEGAL SERVICES for details.

NOW LEGAL SERVICE
24-HOUR ATTORNEY SERVICE
213.482.1567
nowlegalonline.com
*CALL US FOR DETAILS

SAVE 10%
No limit on savings
It's BIG 10 Tuesday

CO-OPPORTUNITY
Santa Monica's Cooperative Natural Grocer

Owners save 10%
on everything in store
Tuesday, Jan 12
Subject to in-store availability
While supplies last · No rain checks
One day only

Open to the Public · 7 am to 10 pm
1525 Broadway, Santa Monica, CA 90404
(Corner of 16th & Broadway)
310-451-8902 · www.coopportunity.com

# Meek remembered for his intelligence, wit

FROM MEEK PAGE 1

humble roots. His lifetime of thinking and design efforts can be found in the Museum of Modern Art, Le Louvre, the British Museum and the Smithsonian Institute, said Mel Bloch, a longtime friend of Meek.

"Despite his giant shadow across the face of contemporary design, Park was down to Earth as is humanly possible," Bloch wrote. "He was self-effacing and modest to the point that few who met him ever knew what an intellectual heavyweight he was."

Meek was born Jan. 1, 1924 in a small town in rural Indiana. During his youth, he would end up selling liquor out of the back of a taxi cab during prohibition, Bloch said, before moving on to the United States Marine Corps. While stationed at Guadalcanal, Meek was put in charge of a cannon at the young age of 18 because of his mastery of physics, able to aim and shoot better than his superiors.

"He always had a way of making it happen," Bloch said.

Meek first tasted success in the design field when he created cabinets for a Frank Lloyd Wright project in Fort Wayne, Ind, Lieberman said. Meek moved west and landed a job with Eames after showing the brothers the Ford Woody wagon he restored.

Meek was a fixture on Main Street, where he could be seen walking up and down the block with his pocket knife removing flyers and posters, which he considered to be visual blight.

"He didn't like pay phone booths," Lieberman said. "He thought they should be made illegal."

When City Hall floated the idea of building a parking structure off Main Street, Meek fought it, conducting his own research to show that parking lots at the beach could be better utilized and that red zones could be shortened. As the story goes, Meek floated balloons to show merchants and residents how high the structure would be if built, generating opposition.

"Whenever I saw him I felt like Main Street was a community and had a history … where the business owner is actually there and it's not, 'Oh yeah, you've got to call corporate in New York,'" said Gary Gordon, executive director of the Main Street Business Improvement Association. "He had a fine mind. He would … cut through the B.S. He wanted to cut through the red tape, which of course meant ruffling a few feathers."

Meek was blunt, Bloch said, never shy to speak his mind. Bloch remembers when a Hollywood celebrity come into his antique shop wanting Meek to build him something. He had plenty of cash to throw around, but Meek kicked him out of the store after he heard how the celebrity spoke to his wife.

"She gave you children and you speak to her like that? Get out of my store," Bloch remembers Meek saying.

"He was really old fashioned." Bloch said. "He came from a small town and then lands a job in the Eames office. He was one of a kind."

Meek is survived by his partner Lieberman; his son Cole Meek; daughter-in-law Debbie; grandsons Tyler and Dylan; cousins Casey, Jeff, Clarke and William Parke Gettinger; hundreds of Meek family members from California to Rhode Island, thousands of friends, and his pals at Finn McCool's.

kevinh@smdp.com

## CITY OF SANTA MONICA

## NOTICE INVITING BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites sealed bids for:

**BID #2999–PROVIDE WATER PUMP MAINTENANCE SERVICE AND REPAIR.**

- A mandatory job walk will be held on Monday, January 11, 2010 at 10:00 AM Pacific Time. Vendors are to meet Susan Lowell at 1638 Appian Way, Santa Monica Ca, 90401. Metered parking is limited;
  Paid parking ($8) is available at the Pier parking lot and is approximately a 5 minute walk to the Moss Ave. Pumping Station.
  Please refer to the bid packet for further details.
  *The bid packet can be downloaded at:*
- **http://vendors.planetbids.com/SantaMonica/QuickSearch.cfm**
- **Submission Deadline is January 25, 2010 at 3:00 PM Pacific Time.**

Request for bid forms and specifications may be obtained from the City of Santa Monica, 1717 4th St., Suite 250, Santa Monica, California, or by e-mailing your request to Kellee.Macdonald@smgov.net. Bids must be submitted on forms furnished by the City of Santa Monica.

Vendors interested in doing business with the City of Santa Monica are encouraged to register online at http://www.smgov.net/finance/purchasing/

## CITY OF SANTA MONICA
## NOTICE INVITING BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites sealed bids for the:

**Parking Structure #2 Seismic Retrofit (SP1955)**

Bids shall be delivered to the City of Santa Monica, Office of the City Clerk, Room 102, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California, not later than 2:30 p.m. on January 28, 2010, to be publicly opened and read aloud after 3:00 p.m. on said date in City Hall. Each Bid shall be in accordance with the Contract Documents.

**Job Walk: Parking Structure #2 – 1235 Second Street, Santa Monica**
**Date: January 8, 2010 10:00am**

**ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE: $3,000,000 to $3,135,000**
**CONTRACT CALENDAR DAYS: 195**
**LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: $1,800 PER DAY**
**COMPENSABLE DELAY: $940 PER DAY**

Bidding Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's Finance website at: http://www.smgov.net/finance. The Contractor is required to have a Class A license at the time of bid submission.

Pursuant to Public Contracts Code Section 22300, the Contractor shall be permitted to substitute securities for any monies withheld by the City to ensure performance under this Contract.

CAN'T FIND A DAILY PRESS NEWSTAND IN YOUR AREA? WE'LL TRY TO GET ONE TO YOU!
Santa Monica Daily Press Call us at (310) 458-7737

PARK your TREE!



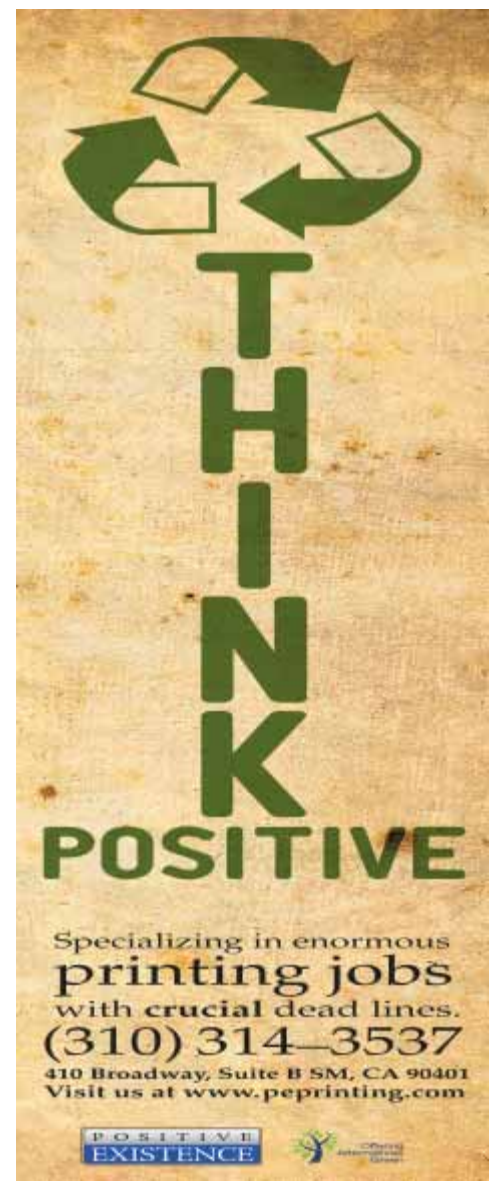
*Recycling your Christmas tree is just a trip to the park.*

**WHEN:**
During the month of **January**

**WHERE:**
Trees may be brought to any of the following Santa Monica parks:
**Clover Park**
25th & Ocean Park Blvd.
**Douglas Park**
Chelsea & Wilshire
**Christine Emerson Reed Park**
Lincoln & California
**Los Amigos Park**
5th & Hollister

**WHEN:**
**City of Santa Monica**
**Transfer Station**
2401 Delaware Avenue (next to Recycling Center). During the month of January, Christmans trees may be brought, free of charge, to the city's Transfer Station.
**Hours: Monday-Saturday**
**6:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.**

City of Santa Monica



# Cost of purification a daunting barrier

FROM ENERGY PAGE 3

Landfill Methane Outreach Program in Washington, said in an e-mail. "Methane is also the main component of natural gas, so by capturing and using methane as an energy source you get an even bigger bang for the buck."

At the Altamont landfill, seagulls hover over the sprawling complex, set among the rolling green hills and wind farms of the Altamont pass about 50 miles east of San Francisco. Dotted throughout the facility are more than 100 wells with black tubes that vacuum up methane from the heap.

The LNG is then pumped into the garbage and recycling trucks at a company fueling station in Oakland, while vehicles elsewhere in California get their gas at specially equipped stations.

The idea of turning garbage into clean energy is not a new one — the Altamont site has had a methane-fueled electric power plant since 1989 that can power 8,000 homes a day. Hundreds of other landfills in the U.S. also use methane captured from rotting garbage for electricity projects.

In 2005, the last year data was available, landfill methane electricity projects made up 10.8 percent of the country's renewable energy output, not including hydroelectric power, EPA said.

Given its impact on greenhouse gases, four state environmental agencies contributed grants to help build the $15.5 million Altamont plant. Mike Beckman of Linde Group North America, the company that built and runs the natural gas plant, said the Altamont plant should continue producing fuel for 20 years or more.

That makes the nascent Altamont plant potentially profitable, as the gas is sold to Waste Management and other customers.

But to many who may want to use the technology, the cost of purifying the methane into usable liquefied natural gas can be a daunting barrier. The $15.5 million it took to build Altamont's LNG facility is far more than it costs to build a small electrical plant.

"There is growing interest, but because removing impurities from the methane is currently quite expensive, right now it's only profitable at larger landfills where you have enough landfill gas," Frankiewicz said. "With today's economics, these projects only happen at the biggest sites in the U.S.; the thought is that as the technology becomes cheaper, that will change. "



Change your water ...
CHANGE YOUR LIFE
with "Beyond $O_2$" Alkaline Water
Alkaline Water reverses the effects of illness and leads to:
• increased energy • anti-aging • positive mood • stabilized blood sugars • weight loss
• better digestion • lower cholesterol • clear skin • disease reversal (gout, diabetes, etc.)
(310) 664-8880
Beyond $O_2$ Water House
2209 Main St., Santa Monica, CA 90405
www.beyondo2water.com
Home and Office Delivery NOW AVAILABLE!
FREE
5 gallons of "Beyond $O_2$" Alkaline Water
Beyond $O_2$ Water
(310) 664-8880
With this coupon. Not valid with other offers or prior purchases.
*Please bring an empty container for your water or you may purchase a container at the store

BROADWAY
WINE & SPIRITS
BOWL GAME SPECIALS
DESCHUTES.....$4.99
MILLER 18 PK .....$9.99
PBR AND KEYSTONE 30 PKS
(310) 394-8257
1011 BROADWAY | SANTA MONICA, CA 90401

PREPARE TO PUSH, LLC OFFICIAL PROVIDER OF STROLLER STRIDES
STROLLER STRIDES®
Now offering classes in Santa Monica, Culver City, Marina Del Rey, Venice,!
TOTAL FITNESS PROGRAM For Moms With Their Babies.™
WWW.STROLLERSTRIDES.COM
800.795.6708 LAINFO@STROLLERSTRIDES.NET


Santa Monica Daily Press

# The Agent Directory

## Your guide to local real estate agents



Andrew Thurm
Coldwell Banker
In today's challenging real estate market, work with Andrew Thurm, an award winning agent representing Santa Monica and the Westside!
310.442.1651
www.andrewthurm.com


NAOMI KLEIN
Realtor® Sales Consultant
"Appreciate the Difference"
Alliance Properties Group
From Malibu to Hollywood,
first time home-buyers to experienced investors or simply for strategic real estate planning I am your one stop strategy shop!
naomk@cs.com (310) 502-5648


Gary Limjap
COLDWELL BANKER
2444 WILSHIRE BLVD., SANTA MONICA 90403
Your goals become my priority.
Santa Monica Realtor for more than twenty years.
www.garylimjap.com
garylimjap@earthlink.net (310) 586-0339


Golda Savage
Bulldog Realtors
1209 Abbot Kinney Boulevard, Venice
Stand [on] your [own] ground.
Helping sellers & buyers accomplish just that.
310.770.4490 golda@bulldogrealtors.com

Santa Monica Daily Press readers will purchase 1/2 a billion in real estate this year.
CALL US TODAY TO BE INCLUDED IN THIS LOCAL LISTING.
(310) 458-7737




**Surf Conditions** **Water Temp:** 58°

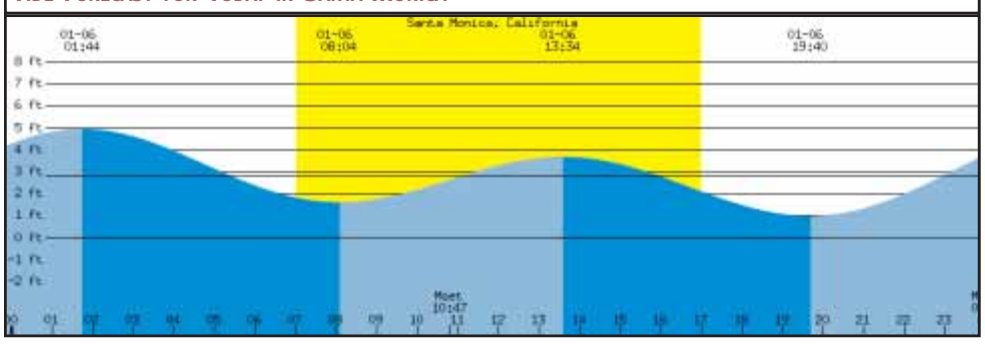
**Swell Forecast**

Looks even smaller than today, perhaps just knee to waist high max most everywhere. Winds should be lightly offshore in the AM, calm around noon, and become lightly onshore in the afternoon.

**Long Range Synopsis**

Looks very small as well, around knee to waist high. There may though be a slight increase in WNW swell as some energy from Friday's swell starts to trickle in.

**Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica**




BEACH REPORT CARD

## NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of **December 21, 2009**

HEAL THE BAY - 1444 9th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401 - www.healthebay.org - brc@healthebay.org - 800 HEAL BAY

**QUICK STATS** (in last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 1
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 9
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 35 / 16
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 6 / 19

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: The Diller – von Furstenberg Family Foundation; simplehuman; SIMA

Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for 3 days after a rainstorm. After a rain, indicator bacteria counts at beaches throughout California usually far exceed health criteria in the state's Beach Closure and Health Warning Protocol.

| LOCATION | DRY | WET |
|---|---|---|
| Las Cerritos Beach, at Arroyo Seguit Creek mouth. | A | F |
| Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth. | A+ | A+ |
| El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Las Alisos creeks. | A+ | A+ |
| Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach. | A+ | A+ |
| Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth. | A+ | A+ |
| Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth. | A | C |
| Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private). | A | A+ |
| Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth. | A+ | F |
| Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach. | A+ | A+ |
| Latigo Canyon Creek mouth. | A+ | F |
| Solstice Canyon at Don Blacker County Beach. | A+ | D |
| Puerco State Beach at creek mouth. | A+ | F |
| Marie Canyon storm drain at Pierce Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.. | C | A+ |
| Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence. | A+ | A+ |
| Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily. | F | F |
| Malibu Pier - 50 yards east. | A+ | F |
| Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon. | B | B |
| Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero). | A | F |
| Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs. | C | A+ |
| Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach. | A+ | A+ |
| Tuna Canyon. | ns | ns |
| Topanga State Beach at creek mouth. | C | A |
| Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach. | A+ | ns |
| Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach. | C | B |
| Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain). | A+ | D |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence. | B | B |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain. | A+ | A+ |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain. | A+ | A |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua). | B | F |
| Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain. | A+ | D |
| Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain. | A+ | F |
| Santa Monica Municipal Pier. | F | B |
| Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain. | A | F |
| Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms). | A+ | D |
| Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain. | A+ | B |
| Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain. | B | A |
| Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain. | B | F |
| Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain. | A+ | F |
| Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south. | A+ | D |
| Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St.. | A+ | D |
| Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower. | A | B |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth. | A | B |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain. | A+ | B |
| North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach. | A+ | B |
| Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty). | A+ | A+ |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain. | A+ | B |
| Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant. | B | A+ |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain. | A+ | B |

**LEGEND**

**DRY** -- each location is graded on an A – F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone
**WET** -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days
**ns** -- no sample taken

Heal the Bay's Beach Report Card® is based on weekly water quality monitoring data provided by the City of Los Angeles' Environmental Monitoring Division and the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. Data is analyzed as soon as it is made available to us by the public agencies. Beaches are graded on an A–F scale based on the risk of ocean users becoming ill. Samples are analyzed for bacteria—enterococcus, total and fecal coliforms—that indicate biological pollution. A fact sheet detailing the exact methodology used in determining grades for each location is available from the office or on our web site. The report is not designed to measure the amount of trash or toxins found at local beaches.

The Beach Report Card is an indication of past water quality and is not a warranty of the current safety of those areas surveyed. Our lawyers are happy.

Heal the Bay is a non-profit environmental organization dedicated to making Santa Monica Bay and Southern California coastal waters safe and healthy for people and marine life.

Heal the Bay

© 2010 Copyright Heal the Bay. All rights reserved. Printed on recycled paper (unless listed).

# Stadium builder: Jaguars, Bills first on list

**JACOB ADELMAN**
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES The company behind a plan to lure the NFL back to Los Angeles said Tuesday the Jacksonville Jaguars and Buffalo Bills are the first teams it will try to relocate.

Majestic Realty Co. managing partner John Semcken said the company is still considering at least seven franchises for a new stadium some 25 miles east of Los Angeles.

They also include the San Francisco 49ers, San Diego Chargers, Minnesota Vikings, St. Louis Rams and Oakland Raiders.

But he said the Jaguars and the Bills are at the top of the list because they play in small markets that tamp down their earning potential and because they have little hope of building larger venues in their home regions.

"Jacksonville and Buffalo are two teams in very, very small markets, he said. "They are teams that have either outdated stadiums or are having trouble filling their stadiums or both."

The Jaguars have struggled for years to fill Jacksonville Municipal Stadium and had several games blacked out on local TV this season. The Bills, meanwhile, have been playing some home games in Toronto in an effort to expand their market.

Messages were left seeking comment from the Jaguars and Bills.

V.I.P. YELLOW CAB



Call for Reservations
310.460.8818
310.266.0038
24 Hours a Day
Sedans & Limousines

Great FLAT FEE Specials to All of L.A.

SANTA MONICA
$24.99
TO LAX
Flat rate

25% OFF
METER
TO ANY DESTINATION
Call for an Estimate



## MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
**1328 Montana Ave.**
**(323) 466-FILM**

**Sherlock Jr. (1924) (NR) 45min**
7:30

AMC Loews Broadway 4
**1441 Third Street Promenade**

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (PG) 1hr 28min**
12:00, 12:40, 2:10, 3:05, 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:20

**Sherlock Holmes (PG-13) 2hrs 14min**
12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30

**Up in the Air (R) 1hr 49min**
1:15, 3:45, 6:45, 9:15

AMC 7 Santa Monica
**1310 Third St.**
**(310) 289-4262**

**Avatar 3D (PG-13) 2hr 40 min**
12:00, 2:15, 3:30, 6:15, 7:00, 9:50, 10:30

**Princess and the Frog (G) 1hr 35min**
12:10, 2:35, 4:50, 7:10, 9:40

**Up in the Air (R) 1hr 49min**
12:05, 2:40, 5:10, 7:45, 10:10

**It's Complicated (R) 1hr 54min**
12:45, 1:30, 3:45, 4:20, 6:30, 7:20, 9:30, 10:05

**Sherlock Holmes (PG-13) 2hrs 14min**
1:20, 4:30, 7:30, 10:20

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
**1332 Second St.**
**(310) 394-9741**

**An Education (PG13) 1hr 55min**
1:55, 4:40, 7:30, 10:00

**Young Victoria (PG) 1hr 44min**
1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:40

**Loss of a Teardrop Diamond (PG-13) 1hr 42min**
1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50

**Coco Before Chanel (PG-13) 1hr 50min**
4:30, 9:45

**Irene in Time (PG-13) 1hr 35min**
1:45, 7:20

Mann's Criterion Theatre
**1313 Third St.**
**(310) 395-1599**

**Nine (PG-13) 1hr 50min**
11:30am, 12:20, 2:00, 3:00, 4:40, 5:40, 7:30, 8:30, 10:10

**The Blind Side (PG-13) 2hrs 6min**
12:40, 3:40, 6:40, 9:40

**Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG-13) 1hr 43min**
12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:30

**The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG-13) 2hrs 10min**
12:30, 6:30

**Invictus (PG-13) 2hrs 12min**
1:20, 3:30, 4:20, 7:20, 9:30, 10:20

For more information, e-mail news@smdp.com

# Get some extra sleep, Scorpio

### ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Defer to others. Each person wants to do a project his or her way. Let it happen. You will gain a different perspective as a boss or higher-up demonstrates his or her willfulness. Tonight: Others seek you out.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Listen to news that heads in your direction. If you want to see a situation change before your eyes, detach and distance yourself from the whole matter. It might seem like everyone has a better idea. Rise above the situation. Tonight: Take in the total perspective.

### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Listen to news from someone who cares much more than he or she lets on. Creativity flows forward, revealing another perspective or side. Events trigger resourcefulness as well as a challenging, demanding partner. Tonight: Add to the fun of the moment.

### CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Honor your priorities, even though a partner could be trying to change your mind. You might wonder which way is best. You feel pressured, but take time to honor your own needs right now. Tonight: Say "yes."

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ You could be taken aback by what others want and expect. Is someone trying to coerce you into doing something else? You might have an unusually strong reaction. Straighten out a misunderstanding. Tonight: Keep talks going. Clear the air.

### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Be aware of what is being offered. A risk might not be worth the thought. A child or loved one could be reactive and touchy. Think twice before taking a risk. Understanding grows. Tonight: Time for a treat.

### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You might be all smiles, but you sense someone's feelings. Trying to clear the air could be difficult at best. Realize what is going on behind the scenes with a family member or roommate. Tonight: Think positively.

### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Be more upbeat and content with others. You have the right words for a difficult situation. Don't judge someone who might not have the same gift for gab as you. Confirm meetings. Don't stand on ceremony over a call. Tonight: Get some extra sleep.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Zero in on what you want. You might need to make a financial investment. But you might want to hold back from taking an uncomfortable risk. Is there another path to the same end? Tonight: Where the action is.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Someone might trigger a strong reaction. Rethink situations with that knowledge. If you want something done a certain way, you might need to do it yourself. Test an idea on a trusted associate. Tonight: It could go till the wee hours.

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Reach out for someone at a distance. You are ahead of the game with a possible new venture. Travel, education or a foreigner could play a significant role. Remain open to new ideas. Tonight: Meet a friend at a new restaurant.

### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You might see a situation differently because of a partner's feedback. Your ability to move past an issue marks new possibilities. Listen carefully to what is being shared. Make a decision only once you are sure you have all the facts. Tonight: Be a duo.

## Happy birthday

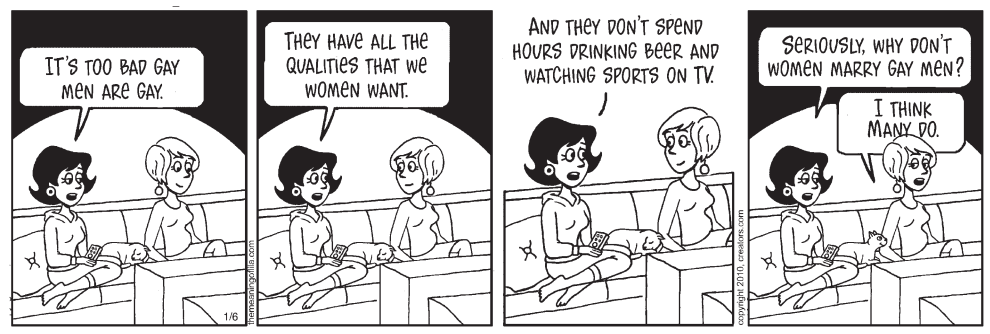
This year, you open up to new thoughts and different ideas. You could easily overthink problems and wonder in which direction to head. Observe rather than make changes immediately. Give yourself the space not to know. Make it OK. You will demonstrate more sensible and kinder leadership. As a result, stronger results will come forward. Look inward to solve problems, but don't automatically assume the issue is you. If you are single, you will open up to a new type of thinking, and as a result attract a different type of person. Don't assume a relationship you enter this year is forever. It could be, but give it time. If you are attached, though you might be more dominant, let your sweetie be in the limelight and make decisions too. LIBRA can push you hard.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS
The stars show the kind of day you'll have:
★★★★★Dynamic ★★ So-So
★★★★ Positive ★ Difficult
★★★ Average

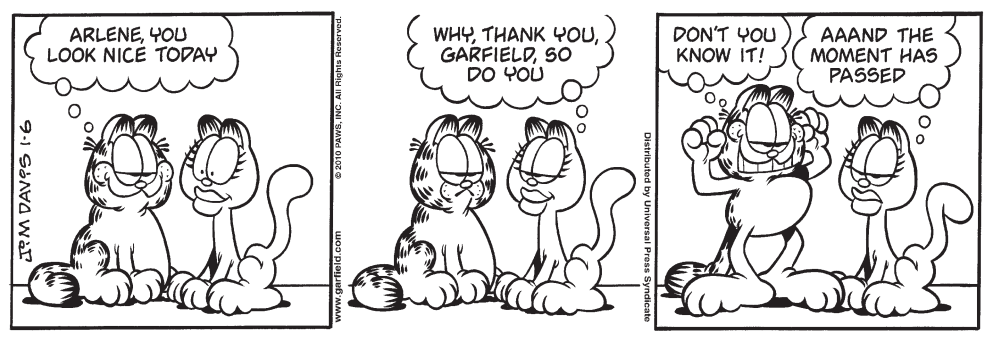
## Girls and Sports
By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein




## The Meaning of Lila
By John Forgetta & L.A. Rose



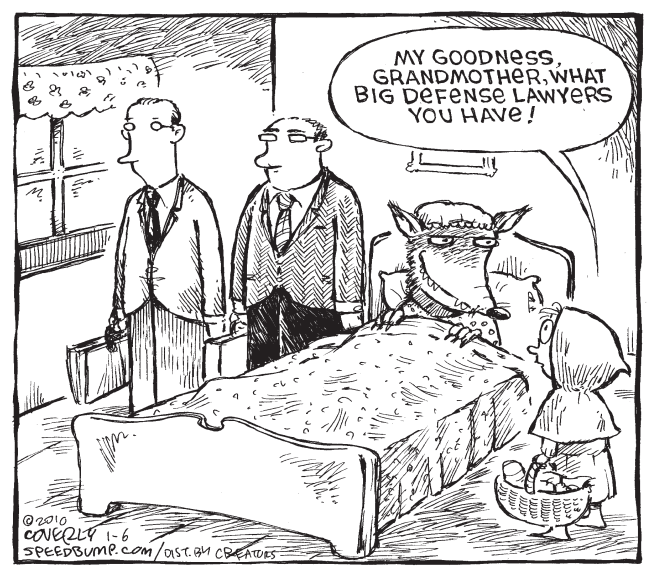

## Garfield
By Jim Davis




## Strange Brew
By John Deering




## Speed Bump
By Dave Coverly




Be a Fraud Fighter!
Senior Fraud Prevention Call Center
Volunteers needed ages 55+
• Call seniors and educate them about fraud
• Free lunch
• As little as 3 hours per week
• Parking available
WISE & Healthy Aging
(310) 394 -9871
1527 4th St.
Santa Monica, CA

# Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from ★ (easiest) to ★★★★★ (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★★★

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 8 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 4 | | | |
| | 4 | | 1 | | | 5 | | |
| 3 | | | | 6 | | | 4 | |
| 8 | | | | 4 | | | 9 | |
| 9 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 8 | | | 1 | |
| | 3 | 7 | 2 | | | | 8 | |
| | | | | | | | 7 | |
| | | | | | | | 3 | |
| | | | | 7 | 2 | 6 | 5 | 9 |

King Features Syndicate

## GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 3 |
| 1 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 2 |
| 8 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 7 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| 4 | 6 | 1 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 9 |
| 9 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 6 |
| 3 | 2 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 1 |
| 2 | 1 | 9 | 4 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 7 |
| 5 | 8 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 1 | 4 |
| 6 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 8 |

Your ad could run here!
Call us today at (310) 458-7737

Your ad could run here!
Call us today at (310) 458-7737






# MYSTERY PHOTO

Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

**The first person who can correctly identify where this image was captured wins a prize from the Santa Monica Daily Press. Send answers to *editor@smdp.com*.**

# CROSSWORD

## By THOMAS JOSEPH

### ACROSS

**1** Second-largest country
**7** Irritated state
**11** Penitent person
**12** Hawaiian port
**13** Irritate
**14** Eyeball
**15** Warm spot
**17** Game callers
**20** Sub entry
**23** Quarterback Manning
**24** "Understood!"
**26** Periodical, for short
**27** Sister
**28** Gloss target
**29** Olympics hopeful
**31** Game caller
**32** Wendy's friend
**33** Heed
**34** Tabby's treat
**37** Canvas cover
**39** Texas city
**43** Authentic
**44** Wilde's Gray
**45** Folder features
**46** Linguistically loose

### DOWN

**1** Train unit
**2** — glance
**3** Dijon denial
**4** Egyptian crosses
**5** Proofing mark
**6** Vicinity
**7** Fired upon
**8** Cabaret
**9** Suffering
**10** Bunion spot
**16** French river
**17** Chart over
**18** Gladden
**19** 1999 Brad Pitt film
**21** Doorbell
**22** Glad
**24** Like xenon
**25** Spare tire
**30** Rent agreements
**33** Puccini work
**35** Go-aheads
**36** Object of worship
**37** Giant Mel
**38** S&L offering
**40** Naughty act
**41** Slump
**42** Some amount of

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| E | B | B | E | D | ■ | C | O | I | F | S |
| C | R | A | N | E | ■ | R | A | D | I | I |
| H | O | L | D | T | H | E | F | O | R | T |
| O | W | E | ■ | A | I | M | ■ | L | E | E |
| ■ | ■ | ■ | C | I | D | E | R | ■ | ■ | ■ |
| A | L | I | E | N | ■ | S | O | F | A | R |
| D | O | L | L | ■ | ■ | ■ | M | A | X | I |
| O | W | L | E | T | ■ | M | A | T | E | D |
| ■ | ■ | ■ | B | A | R | O | N | ■ | ■ | ■ |
| S | H | E | ■ | S | A | D | ■ | Z | A | P |
| H | O | L | D | T | H | E | M | A | Y | O |
| E | N | S | U | E | ■ | L | A | N | E | S |
| D | E | E | D | S | ■ | T | R | Y | S | T |

**Yesterday's answer**

**NEW CROSSWORD BOOK!** Send $4.75 (check/m.o.) to Thomas Joseph Book 1, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | ■ | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | | | | | | ■ | 12 | | | |
| 13 | | | | | | ■ | 14 | | | |
| ■ | ■ | ■ | 15 | | | 16 | | | ■ | ■ |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | | ■ | ■ | 20 | | | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | | | ■ | 24 | 25 | | | | | |
| 26 | | | ■ | 27 | | | ■ | 28 | | |
| 29 | | | 30 | | | | ■ | 31 | | |
| 32 | | | | | ■ | ■ | 33 | | | |
| ■ | ■ | 34 | | | 35 | 36 | | ■ | ■ | ■ |
| 37 | 38 | | | ■ | 39 | | | 40 | 41 | 42 |
| 43 | | | | ■ | 44 | | | | | |
| 45 | | | | ■ | 46 | | | | | |

1-6

## DAILY LOTTERY

MEGA MILLIONS: 6 8 27 40 41
Meganumber: 21
Jackpot: $37M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS: 4 9 19 24 41
Meganumber: 9
Jackpot: $7M

FANTASY 5: 13 24 25 26 36

DAILY 3: MIDDAY: 7 4 1
EVENING: 0 9 4

DAILY DERBY:
1st: 02 Lucky Star
2nd: 10 Solid Gold
3rd: 09 Winning Spirit
RACE TIME: 1.42.52

Although every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the winning number information, mistakes can occur. In the event of any discrepancies, California State laws and California Lottery regulations will prevail. Complete game information and prize claiming instructions are available at California Lottery retailers. Visit the California State Lottery web site at http://www.calottery.com

## NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ **Carried Away:** (1) Since March 2008, the Cathedral of Christ the King in Phoenix has been ringing its bells every half-hour, 24 hours a day, enraging neighbors, and a showdown with city officials was looming at press time, according to ABC News. (2) Martina Rabess, 52, was sanctioned by Britain's Sevenoaks Magistrates Court in October after neighbors complained about her loud, continuous recitations of the Lord's Prayer in early morning hours around her apartment house. (3) Atlanta municipal bus driver Leroy Matthews was suspended in November for a recent incident in which he suddenly stopped the bus and refused to open the doors until the alighting passenger joined hands with him in prayer.

■ The Scranton (Pa.) Diocese, Needing Confession: Father Edward Lyman of the diocese was removed as a parish administrator in November after he inadvertently (using his personal computer during early Mass) clicked on photos of four bare-chested young men in provocative poses. Also in November, the diocese disavowed Father Virgil Tetherow's behavior for offering Mass at a breakaway church in York, Pa., and too-aggressively protesting at a Planned Parenthood clinic (incidents on top of Tetherow's 2005 conviction on a charge that was originally child porn possession but downgraded in a plea agreement). And yet another diocese priest, Father Robert Timchak, waived a preliminary hearing in November on charges of having child porn on his computer.

## TODAY IN HISTORY

**1870** The inauguration of the Musikverein (Vienna).

**1893** The Washington National Cathedral is chartered by Congress. The charter is signed by President Benjamin Harrison.

**1907** Maria Montessori opens her first school and daycare center for working class children in Rome.

**1912** New Mexico is admitted as the 47th U.S. state.

## WORD UP!

**atelier**
**\at-l-YAY\ , noun;**
1. A workshop; a studio.

Santa Monica Daily Press

# Classifieds

**$5.50 per day. Up to 15 words, 20 cents each additional word.**

Call us today start and promoting your business opportunities to our daily readership of over 40,000.

## YOUR AD COULD RUN TOMORROW!*

Some restrictions may apply.

Prepay your ad today!

VISA MasterCard American Express Card

(310) 458-7737

*Please call our Classified Sales Manager to reserve your ad space. Specific ad placement not gauranteed on classified ads. Ad must meet deadline requirements. See complete conditions below.

CLASSIFICATIONS:
Announcements, Creative, Employment, For Sale, Furniture, Pets, Boats, Jewelry, Wanted, Travel, Vacation Rentals, Apartments/Condos, Rent, Houses for Rent, Roomates, Commerical Lease, Real Estate, Real Estate Loans, Storage Space, Vehicles for Sale, Massage, Services, Computer Services, Attorney Services, Business Opportunities, Yard Sales, Health and Beauty, Fitness, Wealth and Success, Lost and Found, Personals, Psychic, Obituaries, Tutoring

All classified liner ads are placed on our website for **FREE!** Check out ***www.smdp.com*** for more info.

## Miscellaneous

AIRLINE MECHANIC: Train for high paying Aviation Career. FAA approved program. Financial aid if qualified - Job placement assistance. Call Aviation Institute of Maintenance. 866-453-6204.

ATTEND COLLEGE ONLINE from home. Medical, Business, Paralegal, Accounting, Criminal Justice. Job placement assistance. Computer available. Financial aid if qualified. Call 800-494-3586 www.CenturaOnline.com

DONATE YOUR Car! Breast Cancer Research Foundation! Tax deductible/Fast free pick up. 1-800-379-5124, www.cardonationsforbreastcancer.org

## Employment

MYSTERY SHOPPERS! Earn up to $150 daily. Get paid to shop pt/ft. Call now 800-690-1272.

PART-TIME SALES position. Our attorney service is looking for referrals to law firms. Referrals result in ongoing commissions. Submit resume to bsberkowitz@aol.com

TRAVEL, TRAVEL, Travel! $500 sign-on bonus. Seeking sharp guys and gals, Rock-n-Roll Atmosphere, Blue Jean Environment! Call Kevin 888-510-5044 today!

## Help Wanted

BODYGUARDS WANTED: FREE Training & Job Placement Assistance for members. No experience OK. 1-615-228-1701, www.psubodyguards.com

## Business Opps

ALL CASH Vending! Do you earn $800/day? Local Vending route. 25 machines + candy. $9,995. 1-800-807-6485. (Void/SD,CT,MD)

WEEKLY PAYCHECK from home possible processing mortgage assistance postcards. No advertising required. All materials provided. No Gimmicks. References available. 800-599-0650.

## Adoption

ADOPTION: Faced with an unplanned pregnancy? Loveing couples await. Receive information/pictures; you choose. Open or closed adoption. Assistance available. Call compassionate counselor 1-866-236-7638, 24/7.

PREGNANT? CONSIDERING ADOPTION? You choose from families nationwide. LIVING EXPENSES PAID. Call 24/7 Abby's One True Gift Adoptions. 866-413-6292.

## For Sale

GET DISH - FREE Installation - $19.99/mo. HBO & Showtime FREE - Over 50 HD Channels FREE. Lowest prices - No Equipment to buy! Call now for full details. 1-877-554-2014.

GET DISH - FREE Installation - $19.99/mo. HBO & Showtime FREE - Over 50 HD Channels FREE. Lowest prices - No Equipment to buy! Call now for full details. 1-877-887-6143.

ADVERTISE! CALL US (310) 458-7737

## For Sale

GET DISH - FREE Installation - $19.99/mo. HBO & Showtime FREE - Over 50 HD Channels FREE. Lowest prices - No Equipment to buy! Call now for full details. 1-877-242-0976

SPA/HOT TUB 2010 Model. Neck Jets. Therapy seat. Warranty. Never used. Can deliver. Worth $5950, sell for $1950 (310)479-3054

## Electronics

* REDUCE YOUR CABLE BILL! * - Get a 4-room, all-digital satellite system installed for FREE and programming starting under $20. Free Digital Video Recorders to new callers. So call now, 1-800-795-3579.

DIRECTV - $26 off/mo! 150+ Channels & Premium Movie Channels ONLY $29.99/mo. FREE SHOWTIME - 3 mos. New customers only. 1-888-420-9472

DISH TV. $19.99/mo., $600 Sign-up Bonus! FREE 4-Room Install. FREE HD-DVR! Call now. 1-800-915-9514.

## Education

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA FROM HOME, 6-8 Weeks. ACCREDITED. Low payments. FREE Brochure. Toll Free 1-800-264-8330, www.diplomafromhome.com

BOLD IT! MAKE YOUR AD STAND OUT

## For Rent

MAR VISTA, 11621 Braddock Dr. unit 2 2bdrm. 1.5 bath, $1295, townhouse style, stove, carpt, w/d hookup, patio, gated parking, carpet, intercom entry, no pets.$700 off move-in (310)967-4471 www.jkwproperties.com

1248 11TH st.unit A 2bdrm/1 1/2bath, lower carpet stove, blinds, laundry, vinyl flooring, balcony parking, no pets.on site manager $1625.(310)393-6322 www.jkwproperties.com

12500 CULVER Blvd., near Marina 1+1 $975 Includes parking, laundry , elevator, gated MUST SEE Call Lenny (310)822-7282

2712 ABBOT Kinney, in Venice parking, laundry, gated. All utilities included 1+1 $1150, single $895. Call Doug (310)577-9609

833 5TH St. SM upper unit 206 single $1325 stove, carpet, blinds, swimming pool, laundry, granite countertops, wood/tile floors, intercom entry, gated parking, no pets. (310)393-2547 www.jkwproperties.com

WEST LA Large, bright 2br upper on Barrington near National. Very spacious, large closets, stove, fridge, closed garage, well maintained building. Free month with one year lease. $1685/mo. 310-828-4481 or 310-993-0414 after 6pm.

Culver City 4058 LaSalle Unit B lower duplex unit 1+1 w/office, hardwood floors, ceiling fan, breakfast nook, washer/dryer stove, fridge, parking, no pets. $1575/mo (310)578-7512 www.jkwproperties.com

## For Rent

MOLLOY, REALTORS, INC
**310-453-1172**
*visit us on the web at*
*www.molloyrealtorsinc.com*

**SANTA MONICA**
**1531 – 17TH Street, Apt C**
**1+1,** st, fr, ldry **$1100**
**2842 Exposition Blvd, 'B'**
**2+1,** st, -fns, w/d hkp **$1400**
**2344-A Ocean Park Blvd**
**Sgl,** st, fr, lwr **$875**
**1831 Pearl Street, #5**
**3+1_,** st, fr, fp, Berber cpt, carport-1, upr **$2200**

**WEST L.A.**
**1920 Manning Ave #6**
**2+1_ ,** st, fr, hdwd **$1500**
**1657 Federal Ave, #12**
**Bach,** sm, fr, htpl, ldry, separate bath **$775**
**1766_ Malcolm Ave**
**Sgl,** st, fr, pkg, cpt, ldry **$800**
**1766 Malcolm Ave**
**2+1,** st, fr, cpt, pkg-1, ldry **$1500**
**1800 Kelton Ave, #5 & #7**
**1+1,** st, fr, cpt, pkg **$1100**
**11321 Massachusetts, #9**
**1+1,** st, fr, pkg **$1100**
**11321 Massachusetts, #4**
**Sgl,** st, fr, pkg **$875**

ALL PROPERTIES ONE-YEAR LEASE, NO PETS, NON-SMOKING UNITS

***st*** *(stove),* ***fr*** *(fridge),* ***cpt*** *(carpet),* ***sgl*** *(single),* ***bach*** *(bachelor),* ***ldry*** *(laundry),* ***gar*** *(garage),* ***hdwd*** *(hardwood floors),* ***lwr*** *(lower),* ***upr*** *(upper) ,* ***htpl*** *(hotplate),* ***pkg*** *(parking),* ***w/d*** *(washer/dryer),* ***hkp*** *(hook-up),* ***d/w*** *(dishwasher),* ***c-fn*** *(ceiling fan), (fireplace)*

MAR VISTA 3976 Inglewood Blvd. $1025 & up stove, fridge, blinds, carpet, laundry, parking, no pets. $500 off move-in (310)578-7512 www.jkwproperties.com

## For Rent

HOWARD MANAGEMENT GROUP
(310)869-7901

835 Pacific St. #7, Studio, hardwood floors utilities included $995

1037 5th St. #6 North of Wilshire 2+2 Recently refurbished $2395

1214 Idaho Ave. #8, 2+1 1/2 Townhouse, avail Jan 1, $2595

MOST BUILDINGS ARE PET FRIENDLY

Please visit our website for complete listings and information on vacancies in Santa Monica and the Westside
www.howardmanagement.com
rentals@howardmanagement.com

MAR VISTA 12450 Culver Blvd. Unit 213, Single stove, fridge, blinds, carpet, tiling, flooring, granite counter tops, with utilities, intercom entry, gated parking, no pets. $895/mo (888)414-7778 www.jkwproperties.com

MAR VISTA 12766 Matteson Ave #8 2+2 $1325/mo stove, fridge, tile and vinlyn floors, blinds, parking, laundry, no pets call between 5:30-7:30pm units shown by appt.only $500 off move-in (310) 439-1928 jkwproperties.com

MAR VISTA: 11932 Courtleigh Dr. unit 9, $1025/mo. 1+1 stove, fridge, carpet, blinds, carpet, utilities include, intercom entry, laundry, gated, parking, no pets. $500 off move-in (310) 737-7933 jkwproperties.com

MAR VISTA: 12434 CULVER Blvd. unit 1 2+2 stove, fridge, AC, carpets blinds, laundry room, intercom entry, gated parking, no pets.$1375/mo $500 off move-in (888)414-7778 www.jkwproperties.com

MARVISTA-LA $1495.00 2bdrms, 2 baths, no pets, balcony, stove, refrig, dshwshr, washr/dryr, 2-car garage gas-fireplace. 12048 Culver Blvd. #202 Open daily 9am-7pm. Additional info in unit Mgr#100 or #101

PALMS 2+1 3633 Keystone ave #1 stove, blinds, tile flooring, carpets, ceiling fan, laundry,parking, AC, no pets. $1350/mo $500 off move-in (310)578-7512 www.jkwproperties.com

PALMS 3540 Overland 1+1 unit 5 $895 Stove, fridge, carpet, blinds, laundry, street parking, no pets. $500 off move-in special. (310)578-7512 www.jkwproperties.com

PALM/BVRLYWD ADJ.$1300.00 2 Bdrms,1-1/2 1Bath, NO PETS, stove, refrg, parking 2009 Preuss Rd., #5 Open daily 8am-7pm . Additional info in unit

PALM/BVRLYWD ADJ.. $900.00 1 Bdrm, 1Bath, NO PETS, stove, refrg, parking 2009 Preuss Rd., #10 Open daily 9am-7pm . Additional info in unit

SANTA MONICA 1833 16th st. unit 5 2+1. $1100 upper unit, stove, vinyl blinds, carpet, parking no pets. (310)578-7512

VENICE 18 Outrigger St. units A & B $2300 & up. Stove, fridge, blinds, tile , garage parking no pets (310) 578-7512

## For Rent

jkwproperties.com

WLA 1+1 2656 South Barrington Ave. unit 7, $1050. Stove, fridge, dishwasher, carpet, blinds, laundry, parking, no pets. (310)578-7512 www.jkwproperties.com

WLA 1457 Westgate #E 1+1 stove, fridge, blinds, tile , garage parking no pets $1200/mo $500 off move-in (310) 578-7512 jkwproperties.com

## Real Estate

***FREE FORECLOSURE Listings*** OVER 400,000 properties nationwide. Low down payment. Call now 800-250-2043.

20 ACRES LAND FORECLOSURES! - Near Growing ElPaso, Texas. No Credit checks/ Owner financing. $0 Down. Take over $159/mo payment. Was $16,900. Now $12,856. 1-800-755-8953, www.texaslandforeclosures.net

BIG BEAUTIFUL AZ LOTS. Golf Course, National Parks. 1 hour from Tucson. Guaranteed financing. $0Down, $0Interest starting $129/mo. Foreclosures online @www.sunsitelandrush.com, call pre-recorded message, 1-800-631-8164. Mention code5065.

ADVERTISE! CALL US (310) 458-7737

## Storage Space

SM. garage storage, convenient alley access $175/mo clean and secure Call Edith (310)954-6513

## Automotive

WANTED JAPANESE MOTORCYCLES KAWASAKI,1970-1980, Z1-900, KZ900, KZ1000, H2-750, H1-500, S1-250, S2-250, S2-350, S3-400. CASH PAID. 1-800-772-1142. 1-310-721-0726.

## Autos Wanted

DONATE YOUR CAR. FREE TOWING. "Cars for Kids". Any condition. Tax deductible Outreach Center. 1-800-597-9411

Your ad could run here!
Call us today at (310) 458-7737

## Bookkeeping Services

QUICKBOOKS/PEACHTREE BOOKKEEPING service, personal or businesses. Online version available. Call 310 977-7935

YOUR AD COULD RUN HERE! CALL US TODAY AT (310) 458-7737

## Services

## Handyman

**The Handy Hatts**
Painting and Decorating Co.
**SINCE 1967**
RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL
SPECIALISTS IN ALL
DAMAGE REPAIR
"EXPERT IN GREEN CONCEPTS"
*Free estimates, great referrals*
**FULL SERVICE HANDYMAN FROM A TO Z**
Call Brian @
(310) 927-5120
(310) 915-7907
LIC# 888736
"HOME SWEET HOME"

## Legal Services

Considering Filing for Bankruptcy?
"Your Local Santa Monica Attorney"
- Free phone consultation
- Speak to your local Santa Monica Attorney
- Get the facts now

The Law Offices of Martin D. Gross
A PROFESSIONAL LEGAL CORPORATION
**2001 Wilshire Blvd**
**Santa Monica CA 310 453 8320**
**www.lawgross.com**

YOUR AD COULD RUN HERE! (310) 458-7737

## Medical

NEED MEDICAL, DENTAL & PRESCRIPTION HEALTH BENEFITS? $79/month for entire family!! Unlimited usage. Dental, Vision & Hearing included free today. EVERYONE IS ACCEPTED! Call 888-442-5013.

## DBAS

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20091802567 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as GREENER ENERGY PRODUCTS; GREENER ENERGY WORLD; AI #/ON 3259287, 1580 W. SAN BERNADINO RD, SUITE G, COVINA, CA 91722. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : THINK GREENER SOLUTIONS INC., 1580 W. SAN BERNADINO RD, SUITE G, COVINA, CA 91722, (CALIFORNIA) This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: THINK GREENER SOLUTIONS INC., PRESIDENT, HADI GHOMESHI
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/30/2009. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 12/30/2009, 1/6/2010, 1/13/2010, 1/20/2010

## CALL TODAY FOR SPECIAL MONTHLY RATES!

There is no more convincing medium than a DAILY local newspaper.

Prepay your ad today!

VISA MasterCard American Express Card

(310) 458-7737

**CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING CONDITIONS**: REGULAR RATE: $5.50 a day. Ads over 15 words add 20¢ per word per day. Ad must run a minimum of twelve consecutive days. PREMIUMS: First two words caps no charge. Bold words, italics, centered lines, etc. cost extra. Please call for rates. TYPOS: Check your ad the first day of publication. Sorry, we do not issue credit after an ad has run more than once. DEADLINES: 3:00 p.m. prior the day of publication except for Monday's paper when the deadline is Friday at 2:30 p.m. PAYMENT: All private party ads must be pre-paid. We accept checks, credit cards, and of course cash. CORRESPONDENCE: To place your ad call our offices 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, (310) 458-7737; send a check or money order with ad copy to The Santa Monica Daily Press, P.O. Box 1380, Santa Monica, CA 90406 or stop in at our office located at 1427 Third Street Promenade, Ste. 202. OTHER RATES: For information about the professional services directory or classified display ads, please call our office at (310) 458-7737.



# Kate Bransfield

Estates Director
Society of Excellence
Previews Properties Specialist

310.395.1133

1608 Montana Avenue
Santa Monica, CA




**1005 San Vicente Blvd**

**3 Bed, 4.5 Bath**

**PRICE REDUCED $2,999,999**

**Exquisitely Remodeled**

**Single Family Home**

**Open Sunday, January 10th**

**1:00 - 4:00 pm**




**409 16th Street**

**4 Bed, 2 Bath**

**$1,850,000**

**Original Details & Charm!**



**2004 Marine Street**

**3 Bed, 4.5 Bath**

**$1,699,000**

**Sunset Park Home**

**Open Sunday**
**January 10th**
**1:00 - 4:00 pm**




**16730 Calle de Catalina**

**5 Bed, 3.75 Bath**

**$1,649,000**

**Single Family Home**

**With High Ceilings & Views**

## Featuring Your Home First

- To find out how I get your home 500% more exposure online on over 100 websites
- To find out the most up-to-date Santa Monica real estate information
- For a Virtual Tour & multiple photos of these Properties Visit:

www.SantaMonicaListings.com

**Median Price of ALL Santa Monica Listings from All Agents from All Companies Listed for Sale As of Early January 2010**

| | Single Family Homes | Condos & Townhomes |
|---|---|---|
| Santa Monica Canyon | $2,487,000 | $4,802,500 |
| North of Montana | $2,647,450 | $1,397,500 |
| Between Wilshire & Montana | $2,400,000 | $684,500 |
| South of Wilshire | $850,000 | $599,000 |
| Sunset Park | $1,249,000 | $624,500 |
| Ocean Park | $1,380,000 | $620,500 |

Statistics Updated Every Monday

©2008 Coldwell Banker Real Estate LLC. Coldwell Banker®, Previews®, and Coldwell Banker Previews International® are registered trademarks licensed to Coldwell Banker Real Estate LLC. An Equal Opportunity Company. Equal Housing Opportunity. Owned And Operated By NRT LLC. Broker does not guarantee the accuracy of square footage, lot size or other information concerning the condition or features of property provided by seller or obtained from public records or other sources, and the buyer is advised to independently verify the accuracy of that information through personal inspection and with appropriate professionals. DRE# 01218599