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WET AND WILD

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Cars make their way east on the I-10 Freeway during a rainstorm on Friday. Forecasters expect more rain on Saturday.

Light rail a step closer to reality

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN Transportation officials this week signed off on a plan to extend the Expo light rail line to Downtown Santa Monica, approving the project's environmental review and selecting a route for the line's Westside component.

The decision by the Expo Authority's board on Thursday paves the way for construction to begin this year and marks a major milestone in the effort to link Downtown Santa Monica to Downtown Los Angeles by rail. The first phase of the project linking Downtown L.A. to Culver City is under construction, with the extension to Santa Monica scheduled for completion in 2015.

The Santa Monica City Council has supported the project as a way to reduce traffic, cut down on vehicle emissions and encourage transit-oriented development.

The $1.5 billion extension of the line would travel along Colorado Avenue in Santa Monica with the final stop at Fourth Street, where City Hall officials are mulling plans to create a pedestrian plaza.

Opponents of the project have criticized the environmental review process, saying the Expo authority should have more carefully considered building a portion of the line near Century City underground because of safety and traffic concerns.

As approved, much of the line will be built at street level, though bridges will allow the train to bypass some traffic-clogged intersections, including Cloverfield Boulevard and Olympic Boulevard.

Kevin Hughes, president of the Cheviot Hills Homeowners Association, said his group and other Westside homeowners' associations that have banded together as Neighbors for Smart Rail could sue over the plan.

But he said one of the group's chief complaints is that the Expo authority hasn't been receptive to discussing homeowners' "community anxieties" over the project before

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HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Samohi baseball takes on cops

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOHI The Vikings baseball team has recruited an arresting group to help with its fundraising efforts.

Samohi's varsity squad will take on the Santa Monica Police Department in a charity scrimmage game on Friday, Feb. 19 at home. While the game is free to attend, the proceeds from food and beverage sales will go to help the team improve its field and buy new equipment. This is the second fundraising event the team has sponsored since new Head Coach Sheldon Phillip-Guide took over the program last year. The team held a poker tournament late last year attended by a number of professional ball players and celebrities.

It was during the poker tournament that SMPD Officer Francisco Franco approached Phillip-Guide about organizing the game.

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More resources needed for ailing pelicans

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES Officials say they are running out of room to help all the sick or dying California brown pelicans on the Southern and Central California coastline.

Paul Kelway of the International Bird Rescue Research Center says more than 500 birds have arrived at four wildlife centers in the last month, leaving them on the brink of closure as they run out of space and money. A number of the birds were rescued from the Santa Monica coastline.

Kelway says the centers have sent letters to state and federal officials asking for immediate help with the starving animals.

He says it is not clear what is killing the pelicans, but it is likely related to a dwindling supply of fish.

The center's Jay Holcomb says sightings of sick birds are increasing and there could be a backlash if people expect the centers to take care of the birds and they don't.

The long-beaked pelicans weigh 8 to 10 pounds, stand about 4 feet tall and have a 6- to 7-foot wingspan. They are a symbol of the Pacific Coast, and were recently removed from California's endangered species list, Kelway said.

Treatment costs about $500 a bird, Kelway said.

Those interested in helping are urged to donate funds to the center by going on its Web site at www.ibrrc.org.

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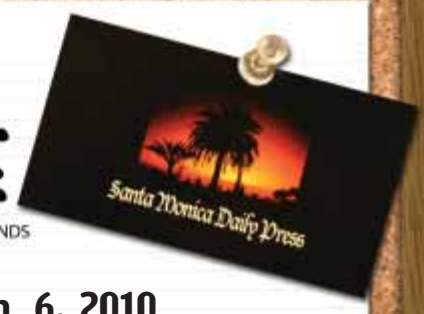
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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS



Saturday, Feb. 6, 2010

Fashion expo
Santa Monica Civic Auditorium
1855 Main St., 9 a.m. — 6 p.m.
Vintage fashion exhibitors from across the country will come to Santa Monica this weekend to showcase the "latest" in vintage styles and trends. The two-day exposition will feature items from 80 to 100 exhibitors, ranging from clothing to accessories. Early buying is available Saturday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., and regular hours begin at 10:30 a.m. Tickets for early buying are $20, and for regular hours are $10. Tickets can be purchased at the door and are good for both Saturday and Sunday. Students will be admitted free on Sunday with a student I.D. For more information, e-mail John Maxwell at maxwelllj@comcast.net.

Family fun
Santa Monica Museum of Art
2525 Michigan Ave., G-1, 1 p.m. — 4 p.m.
It's Free Family Day at the Santa Monica Museum of Art, where artists will present projects related to the exhibitions on view. A magic show featuring art will also take place. People of all ages are invited to stop by throughout the day at no cost. For more information, contact Asuka Hisa at (310) 586-6488 ext. 118 or asuka.hisa@smmoa.org.

Diet for your DNA
Medical Office Suites
2701 Ocean Park Blvd., 9 a.m. — 10:30 a.m.
Come attend a free lecture to find out whether a low-fat, low-carbohydrate or balanced diet would be best for you based on your DNA.
For more information, call Susannah Lacagnina at (310) 581-9660.

Sunday, Feb. 7, 2010

Children's show
McCabe's Guitar
3101 Pico Blvd., 11 a.m.
The one and only child-favorite Gustafer YellowGold will be on hand to lead guests on a musical journey as he tells stories of his adventures on the sun with his pet eel and best friend, a pterodactyl. Tickets for the show are $10, but children under the age of two will be allowed in for free.
For more information, call (310) 828-4497.

Itty bitty art
Gallery of Functional Art
2525 Michigan Ave. E3, 10:30 a.m.
More than 300 pieces of original postcard-sized art will be sold Sunday on a first-come, first-serve basis. The work is unsigned on the front, and the artist — which could be a celebrity, well-known architect or gifted amateur — will not be revealed until the work has been purchased. Each piece will be sold for $40. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. for viewing and the sale will begin one hour later. For more information, call Deirdre Gainor at (310) 749-1333.

Souper bowl
First Presbyterian Church of Santa Monica
1220 Second St., 9 a.m.
As part of a nationwide youth effort to donate to those in need, the First Presbyterian Church of Santa Monica will be accepting food or monetary donations on Super Bowl Sunday. The donations will go to Daniel's Place, a center which offers services to mentally ill young people.
For more information, call (310) 451-1303.

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.



STRIKE!

Brandon Wise brandonw@smdp.com

CapitalSource Bank VP Ron Davis (left) awards Santa Monica Police Chief Tim Jackman a trophy for beating Santa Monica Fire Chief Jim Hone (center) on Friday during the 14th Annual Super Bowlathon.

Senate candidates have nasty exchange

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES A surprise on-air meeting between Carly Fiorina and one of her rivals in California's U.S. Senate race turned into a political brawl.

The brief encounter Thursday between the former Hewlett-Packard CEO and Orange County Assemblyman Chuck DeVore was staged by a Los Angeles radio show. It was nasty from the get-go.

Fiorina says Devore is distorting her record.

Devore says Fiorina is flip-flopping on issues.

The duel between the two Republicans during an otherwise routine interview on KFI radio was over in less than a minute.

Former U.S. Rep. Tom Campbell is also seeking the GOP nomination to take on Democrat Sen. Barbara Boxer in November.

Judge orders water pumping limits lifted

GARANCE BURKE
Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO A federal judge temporarily lifted pumping limits Friday designed to protect endangered wild salmon in order to speed more irrigation water to California's drought-addled fields.

Some of the country's largest farms had pressed for the protections to be suspended to nurture their fields and orchards. West Coast fishermen argued the limits were necessary to save their dwindling catch.

"This means there's progress, and anything's better than nothing," said Tim Heskett, 44, who grows 150 acres of pistachios near the tiny community of Mendota, on the west side of the parched San Joaquin Valley. "I got this little ranch that I'm trying to keep together, so maybe this is a sign of a little bit of hope."

In normal years, the sweeping valley grows most of the country's fruits and vegetables, but a persistent drought and restrictions on pumping from the state's freshwater estuary have hammered the region, causing drastic job losses and other economic woes.

After hearing hours of testimony from both sides this week, U.S. District Judge Oliver Wanger granted farmers' request for a temporary restraining order, lifting the pumping restrictions for two weeks.

Environmentalists warned that would heighten the risk that fish were ground up in the pumps.

"We're very concerned that this may be the last nail in the coffin of these species that are on the brink of extinction already," said Erin Tobin, an attorney with Earthjustice.

The pumping restrictions are part of a plan by federal biologists to safeguard endangered salmon as they spawn in the state's rivers and swim through the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta to reach the Pacific Ocean.

Environmentalists and fishermen sued to get those protections in place, arguing that the collapse of one of the West Coast's biggest wild salmon runs two years ago foretold the extinction of related species.

Even as recent storms have replenished reservoirs, pumping in the freshwater estuary has been curtailed to protect juvenile winter-run Chinook as they navigate the treacherous pumps and canals linked to the delta — the heart of the state's water delivery system that supplies cities and farms.

Wanger said the federal government could return to court to ask for the limits to be reinstated if more salmon are found around the massive pumps or scientists find other evidence that fish are being harmed by unrestricted pumping.

If not, water districts plan to ask for another two-week extension, said Tom Birmingham, general counsel for Westlands Water District, whose farmers fallowed more than a third of their 600,000 acres last year due to the shortages.

The two weeks of additional water will be enough to irrigate 11,000 acres of land for a year and relieve "catastrophic harm," Birmingham said.

Fishermen warned the order risked extinguishing their livelihood.

"We've been tied up at the dock for a thousand miles of coast for the last two years," said Larry Collins, a salmon fisherman and president of the San Francisco Crab Boat Owners Association, the oldest commercial fishing association on the West Coast. "It's unbelievable that he could rule this way to kill all the baby fish in the pumps."

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Being proactive on smoking

Editor:

Reading the L.A. Times story "Some renters want Santa Monica to further restrict smoking," we were shocked to find out that Patricia Hoffman, chairwoman of Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights (SMRR), would contest the proposed ban on smoking on private patios and balconies on the grounds that landlords would welcome an excuse to evict longtime tenants in rent-controlled units, and that it would affect the civil rights of renters.

Civil rights are not a one-way system. We live in a rent-controlled unit, and the tenant below us smokes on his patio right below our bedroom, forcing us to sleep in a smoke-laden atmosphere, which affects our sleep, and our health. Our neighbor doesn't care, nor does the landlord. If the neighbor wants to smoke, why doesn't he smoke inside — and pollute — his own unit himself instead of ours? Whose civil rights are affected here?

Also, Hoffman's argument that landlords would welcome this ban as an excuse to evict longtime tenants in rent-controlled units is bogus. Though the ban may be included in new leases, existing leases need not be affected, as the ban could be enforced like any other neighborhood nuisance by the police.

SMRR's position regarding this matter has prompted us to take more proactive action with the city of Santa Monica and its council members, and we will make sure that our voice is heard — as well as those of many other tenants affected in their own unit by other tenants' smoke.

M. O'Donnell
Santa Monica



Modern Times

Lloyd Garver — **Send comments to editor@smdp.com**

Corporations contemplating insurance for their pitchmen

I'VE BEEN REALLY PROUD OF MYSELF FOR not mentioning Tiger Woods or his scandal for all this time. However, now I have to talk about it. The scandal has grown beyond what I had imagined, for it now involves one of the biggest institutions in our country — insurance companies. Because of Tiger, corporations that pay athletes big money to endorse their products are looking into buying insurance in case their athletes misbehave. One estimate is that Tiger's actions cost the seven corporations that sponsored him $12 billion in the value of their stocks. That was just in the month after he, uh, took time off from golf. I know golf's an expensive sport, but $12 billion?

So that's why corporations want to get insurance for future deals with athletes. Traditionally, personal service contracts have had a "morals clause." Believe it or not, all the contracts I signed as a television writer had a clause like that. I'm not sure what awful thing I could have done that would have cost a studio big bucks. Let's face it, the general public wouldn't care if a writer snuck off for a romantic drive to Santa Barbara with a goat — even if the goat were driving.

But a "morals clause" is a pretty vague term, so when it comes to misbehaving athletes, it's not a slam-dunk. Therefore, corporations would like to have more specific language in their contracts enumerating unacceptable behavior. But will big time athletes really sign a contract that, let's say, promises they won't cheat on their wives, be drunk in public, or shoot a gun in a nightclub? If contracts like that were enforced, there wouldn't be many athletes left. Companies would end up paying ball boys and cheerleaders to endorse their cars and deodorants.

A big reason that people were shocked by Tiger Woods' alleged behavior is that he'd always been a squeaky clean guy — at least in the public's mind. He wasn't a thug who stole televisions from the time he could lift them to the time he started playing football. He wasn't an ice skater who was involved in smashing the leg of her competitor. He looked and talked like a nice guy. So, many people felt let down by Tiger. The feeling was, "We believed in you, we rooted for you, and this is how you treat us?"

This reaction by the public got me thinking that the kind of insurance endorsing corporations are talking about shouldn't just cover athletes. There should be voters insurance. Don't you think that people who supported and donated money to John Edwards' campaign should have every penny returned to them? Plus interest? Like Tiger, Edwards was thought to be a squeaky clean, nice guy. And as with Tiger, people who supported Edwards understandably feel let down.

I think there should be insurance that would pay us if we believed in, supported, or gave money to a candidate who turned out to be a thief, a liar, or a cheater. Call it … anti-sleaze protection. In addition to giving money back to supporters, if the offending politician holds an office, he or she would have to resign.

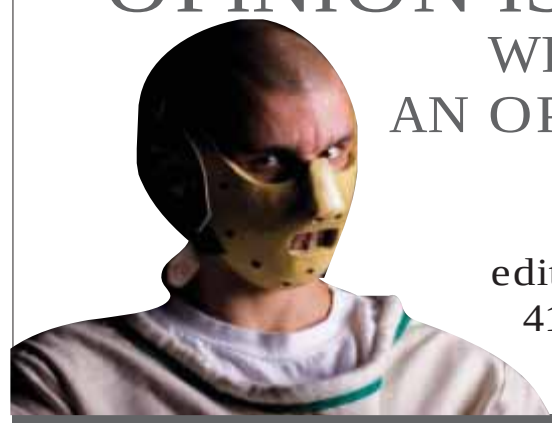
I don't think we should have a public option for this kind of insurance. Let the insurance companies compete with each other. You know those Progressive Car Insurance commercials with the woman in white with all the lipstick? They could have a commercial with her saying something like this: "You're covered if your senator hides stolen money in the trunk of a car or if he tries to get tricky by registering the car in the name of his mistress' uncle's sister-in-law."

I can imagine a commercial from State Farm: "Our Good Neighbor policy gives you double indemnity if your dallying governor makes an apology with fake tears."

Or Allstate: "You're in good hands no matter who your congressman grabbed with his."

Doesn't it sound like a good system? Liberals, conservatives, and talk show hosts should all support it. It would ensure that elected officials either behave appropriately or they have to return all the money they raised, plus they'll get kicked out of office. Who could possibly object to this plan? Oh, right — 535 members of the House and Senate.

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The Q Line

Crying foul?

This past week, Q-line asked:

Residents living near restaurants that operate more like sports bars have complained recently about noise generated from these establishments and their patrons when leaving at 2 a.m. Planning commissioners recently talked about creating a special classification for sports bars with possible limits on operations.

Should sports bars be regulated differently than restaurants and not be allowed to open within a certain distance from residential areas?

Here are your responses:

"SPORTS BARS HAVE NO PLACE IN A residential area. Look at the sidewalks outside any of them, literally covered with stains from vomit, chewing gum and cigarette butts. The noise drunken patrons make at closing time is totally unfair to those who wish to sleep at night. They should not be in a residential area."

"SPORTS BARS SHOULD DEFINITELY BE regulated more strictly and certainly not be allowed to open in residential areas. Actually, in today's world of excesses of all kinds, bars of any kind should be kept out of residential areas. So many rowdy and uncontrolled drinking people have made living near these establishments a nightmare."

"I SPEAK FROM EXPERIENCE. PRUDENCE dictates that one does not purchase a house nor rent an apartment in the first block either north, south, east or west of a major commercial thoroughfare that is lined with commercial businesses unless one enjoys parking congestion, heavy foot traffic, and every form of noise, including ambulance and fire engine sirens. The unfortunate truth regarding bars and nightclubs is that they bring a great deal of noise, foot and automotive traffic both day and night to nearby adjacent neighborhoods. I do not believe that sports bars should be singled out."

"I THINK THAT THE SPORTS BARS SHOULD be regulated differently. Because I don't believe that serving drinks is very good. The question is what comes first? The homes or these bars. The city needs to put some restraints on these establishments that are closing at 2 a.m."

"I DEFINITELY THINK THAT SPORTS BARS should be a long distance away from residential areas, that way they can run until 2 in the morning without disturbing people and those in neighborhoods can have the peace and quiet they deserve. It is absolutely imperative that they are regulated."

"WELL OF COURSE SPORTS BARS should be allowed near neighbors especially if they are on major thoroughfares. Neighbors complaining should take a look at themselves and shut their mouths because people have to make a living."

"IT'S A VERY GOOD IDEA THAT SPORTS BARS be regulated differently than restaurants. I don't know which one is causing neighbors more problems: The Parlor, Busby's or South. Certainly the City Council should deny The Parlor's request for an appeal of a Planning Commission, reasonable, restrictive policy on a trial bases. The Wilshire-Montana Neighborhood Coalition at their last meeting voted to support the city staff in urging the City Council to deny The Parlor's request. Sports bars are not restaurants and they are causing many, many neighbors many, many problems."

"SPORTS BARS SHOULD BE REGULATED differently from restaurants and not be allowed to locate within a certain distance of residential areas. I feel very strongly about that."

"I AGREE THAT SPORTS BARS SHOULD BE regulated differently than restaurants and not be allowed to open within a certain distance of residential areas."

"I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT ANY SPORTS bar or business that brings people into residential area very early in the morning or late at night should be regulated and kept away from residents. That's why we have business districts."

"SHOULD SPORTS BARS BE REGULATED differently than restaurants and not be allowed to open within a certain distance of residential areas? I wholeheartedly say yes. I live in a neighborhood where there is a sports bar and there are continuous problems."

"NO I DON'T BELIEVE THAT SPORTS BARS should be allowed to open near a residential area. As a neighbor of a sports bar that was previously an upscale restaurant, we have been subjected to loud patrons coming and going at all hours on all days, especially late at night since the bar stays open until 2 a.m. Patrons are speeding down our previously quiet street looking for free parking because they don't want to pay the minimal charge for valet parking. They are very drunk by the time they go back to their cars at night, vandalizing, urinating, etc. on our neighbor's property."

"RESTAURANTS THAT HAVE LIQUOR LICENSES that require them to be restaurants should be regulated to not be sports bars. If your liquor license requires that you sell food to the vast majority of your customers, then the vast majority of your customers should have food. If not, you shouldn't be allowed to stay in business. That is the law. Enforcing the law is more important than changing any regulations."

"HAVE YOU EVER HAD NEIGHBORS WHO had a party once a month and their so-called guest made noise until 2 a.m. until the police finally arrive. This is the same narcissistic attitude that the owners of the sports bars have. Everything is about them. We are in the self-indulgent generations. Jets, helicopters, loud motorcycles, car stereos, bicyclists taking up a whole lane, people stepping out in front of traffic. Everything revolves around

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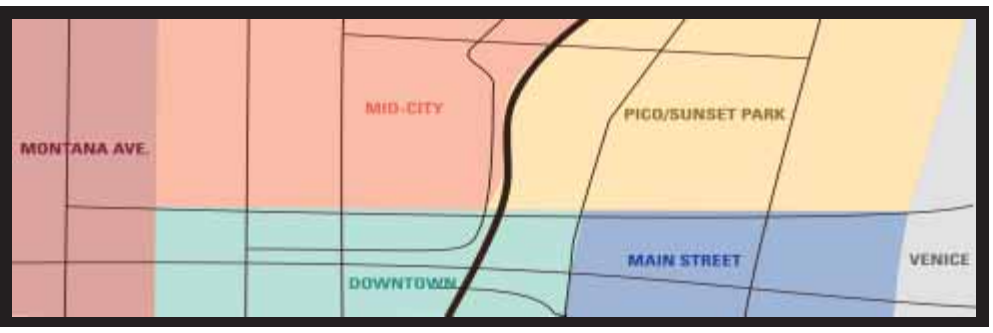
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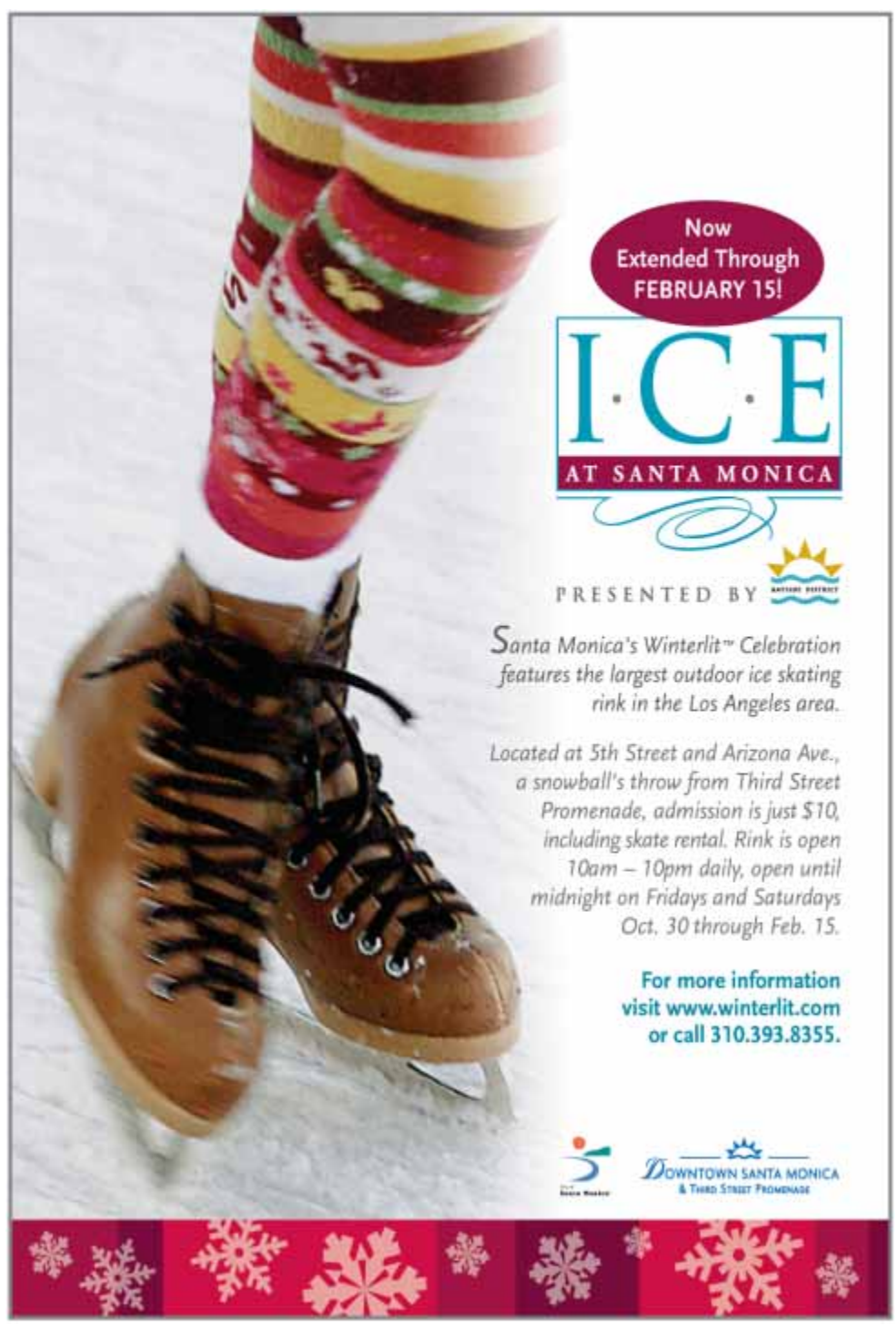
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Lose weight by singing for your sustenance

DO, RE, MI, FA, SO, LA, TI ... TEA, IT'S one of the few foods/beverages recommended to actually help when you sing. Otherwise, vocal experts recommend avoiding dairy products, caffeine, salty foods, foods that cause gas or bloating, alcohol, stimulants, antihistamines and decongestants. Basically, anything that will dry you out, make you belch or cause phlegm. Yea, I know, these aren't pleasant topics but they are important to a performer who wants to avoid any embarrassing incidents.

I love to sing! I think I've had one of the most joyful days in a long time. I sang almost all day on Wednesday. I sang for an audience of co-workers and patients during karaoke, and then, when I got home, I sang for some neighbors, and before bed I sang in the shower. I was shocked to discover that I nearly forgot how happy I feel when I sing. It's as if a light went on in a part of my heart that was dormant for nearly 20 years.

I haven't really sung since college when I used to serenade those in the cafeteria kitchen while scrubbing pots and pans. For most people, pot washing would be a dismal job, but for me it was fun to wear those huge rubber gloves that insulated my hands from the scalding hot water while listening to the radio and singing to my heart's content. Ah, those where the days. Sigh.

While at my present place of employment, and before breaking into song, some co-workers and I were discussing celebrity sightings. One woman said she was in line at the grocery store behind Stevie Wonder and his daughter who were singing softly to each other while waiting to checkout. I was thrilled by her story, perhaps even a bit "Overjoyed" which is one of my all time favorite songs to sing. I don't think I could have kept from chiming in with Stevie's duet. She showed greater restraint than I.

Singing was my first love. I have memories of belting out "Memories" with Barbra Streisand in the comfort of my childhood room. This was also one of the songs I sang in karaoke this week.

Nutrition is my more recent love so I decided to investigate the connection between singing and nutrition. By the end of this article, those of you who are "American Idol" eligible should be as fit as fiddles and ready to "Wow!" the judges.

To start your day, and vocals cords off on the right, um, cord, drink plenty of fluids. Room temperature beverages are best since anything too hot or too cold might stress your vocal cords. Herbal teas, not too hot, with a little honey and lemon, make a great vocal lubricant.

You need energy to perform. It takes 136 calories to stand and sing for one hour based on a 150 pound person. That's the same amount of calories you consume from drinking 1.7 glasses of wine. To keep your energy up, eat every three to four hours. Choose water rich vegetables, fruits, soups and salads with some lean protein which helps strengthen the immune system, as well as rebuild and repair any potential damage to those muscles that support the vocal cords.

Alcohol, caffeine and most over-the-counter medications are not a singer's best friend since they often cause dry mouth. Limit these items the day of and even the day before a performance and on rehearsal days. Just like any athlete, you need to be in tip top shape to hit those high notes.

And speaking of shape, despite the stereotypical image of opera singers, being overweight is not a criterion, and in fact may be detrimental to performance. Obesity is associated with many chronic diseases such as high blood pressure, diabetes and high cholesterol, coupled with the physical stress and strain of performing, and you could be cutting your singing career short. Keep your health in check by accumulating up to 60 minutes of cardiovascular exercise up to five times per week. The better your lung capacity, the more easily those notes will flow.

To keep your weight in a healthy range, avoid fried foods and high-fat cuts of meat. Opt for fish, which is loaded with heart-healthy omega-3 fats, or lean chicken and turkey without the skin. If you've got a hankering for red meat, choose bison or buffalo which are naturally low in fat.

Limit foods that are known gastric irritants. Some common offenders include: caffeine, carbonated beverages, garlic, onions, beans, peppers and tomatoes. These items are great any other time except two to three hours before a performance. As with any athlete, I recommend practicing with different foods, and combinations of foods, and stick with what works best for you. A great pre-performance meal might be a plate of steamed vegetables and fish with a little lemon and olive oil, or a salad of similar composition.

If you're trying to lose weight, try singing for your supper, or at least sing to your friends. You burn 14 more calories per hour while standing and singing than you would while standing and talking on the phone. That adds up to 1.5 pounds of weight lost per year. Add in those extra cardio sessions, and lighter pre-performance meals, and you could easily lose 15 pounds in a year. Next you'll be singing my praises!

Not sure if you're ready for the Grammys just yet, test your vocal abilities by singing the "Happy Birthday" song. Sing two choruses while washing your hands. That way, if someone asks what you're doing, simply say, "I'm washing my hands and it takes two choruses of the Happy Birthday song to gauge if I've washed long enough." You'll seem wise for knowing this hand sanitation tip and not silly at all for singing "Happy Birthday" to yourself.

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1. Woodlawn Cemetery and Mausoleum is owned and operated by the City of Santa Monica. True or False?

TRUE-Woodlawn Cemetery has been owned and operated by the City of Santa Monica since 1894.

2. Only residents of Santa Monica can be interred at Woodlawn Cemetery. True or False?

FALSE-There is no residency requirement at Woodlawn Cemetery, everyone is welcome.

3. Woodlawn Cemetery has run out of burial spaces. True or False?

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True or False?

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Expo working with SM to address rail yard concerns

FROM **EXPO** PAGE 1

pressing ahead.

"The only time they've ever talked to me about this was to talk to me in a formal way," he said. "I want somebody to come have breakfast with me."

A potential lawsuit, he said, would center on Expo's alleged failure to adequately analyze Westside traffic impacts and to consider making portions of the line into a subway.

The Expo authority has countered that building a tunnel would cost $224 million and isn't necessary.

Darrell Clarke, a prominent supporter of the light rail project and the president of the group Friends 4 Expo, said the Expo board made the right decision to move ahead with the project.

"There's no reason to delay. The thing has been studied to death," Clarke said.

While Santa Monica leaders have consistently backed Expo, the rail project drew criticism last year when the authority disclosed plans to build a rail maintenance yard on Exposition Boulevard near Stewart Street at a site owned by Verizon.

Residents raised concerns that noise from the 24-hour rail yard facility would disrupt the neighborhood.

The site remains slated for use as a maintenance yard, but Councilwoman Gleam Davis said Expo authority officials "are working diligently with Santa Monica to ensure that [the yard] will have minimal, if any, impacts."

Davis voted in favor of Expo plan on Thursday, sitting on the board as an alternate for Mayor Pro Tem Pam O'Connor, who is a permanent member of the Expo Authority board but missed the meeting because she is recovering from surgery.

"This [project is] important for our community and we will do as a community what we need to do to [preserve] the peace and quiet of our residents," Davis said.

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Vikings nominated for McDonald's all-star game

FROM **ROUNDUP** PAGE 1

"The point is to have fun," Phillip-Guide said. "Nothing too serious."

He said that increased parent and civic participation has enabled him to increase the team's fundraising efforts from last season. He's happy with the amount collected to date, but would "love to get more."

"We've done pretty well," he said.

Aside from the game against the police, the Vikings have been taking part in American Legion games this winter. Phillip-Guide said the team has played well, earning a 3-1 record with two games left. Both games will take place at Samohi's baseball field both this Saturday and next. First the Vikings will take on Palisades — weather permitting — and Maywood in the finale.

He's satisfied with the results thus far, but said that consistency is what he'd like to see more of.

"Some days our pitching looks good," he said, "some days it needs more work."

Phillip-Guide singled out senior pitcher Ethan Corn as a player who has developed well during off-season play. He wouldn't confirm that Corn will be in the starting rotation, but added that he will get the chance to compete for one of the spots.

The Vikings open the season at Moorpark on March 5.

HOOPSTERS NOMINATED FOR ALL-STAR TEAM

A trio of Santa Monica High School basketball players have been nominated for the 2010 McDonald's All American team.

For the boys, James Montgomery and Soloman Singer earned the nods. On the girls side, Thea Lemberger was selected. The three are among 84 players from Southern California nominated for the contest that pits the best from across the country in a west versus east matchup.

Both Vikings teams are currently in first place in their respective sides of the Ocean League. Each team shares identical 17-6 records and are both 7-0 in league. Both teams traveled to Beverly Hills in a girls/boys doubleheader Friday, but the results were not available at presstime.

Finalists will be selected during the McDonald's All American Games Selection Show scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 11 at 5:30 p.m. (EST) on ESPNU. Past participants include Kobe Bryant, Magic Johnson, LeBron James and Candace Parker.

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Report: County red-light camera fines soar

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES A Los Angeles Times review says Los Angeles County drivers caught by red light cameras are paying 65 percent more in fines than they did less than eight years ago.

The paper says Friday that the fine has jumped from $271 to $446 and increased at about three times the regional rate of inflation.

More than two dozen agencies across the county operate the traffic cameras and the city of Los Angeles is considering expanding its program. L.A. made more than $6 million from camera fines last year after expenses.

Critics say the fines are excessive and argue that the cameras are simply money-makers for governments. Officials argue they encourage people to drive more safely.

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The Q Line

Residents heated over sports bars

FROM Q-LINE PAGE 5

the self-centered scum. City Hall is responsible for granting a permit to these new-age entrepreneurs. Who cares about you as long as they make a lot of money? What happened to civility in our town. City Hall has purposely divided us to further their own political utopia."

"SPORTS BARS DEFINITELY HAVE TO BE regulated so that they do not disturb people in residential neighborhoods. There seems to be plenty of complaints from neighborhoods where these sports bars are operating right now. So something has to be done to not disturb the residents and to also allow them to remain in business. There has to be some kind of balance."

"AFTER-HOURS BARS, INCLUDING SPORTS bars are not compatible with residential neighborhoods and shouldn't be anywhere close to residential neighborhoods."

"I HAVE VERY STRONG FEELINGS THAT these sports bars are very disturbing in our area where there is a lot of residents. I happen to live in one of those areas and find that in order for them to have a successful business they should be in an area in a place where they can stay open later and not disturb people. They should be regulated and not be near residential areas. It's best for the community."

"A SPORTS BAR IS JUST ANOTHER NAME for a bar. They attract the scum of the Earth, deafen them with loud music, intoxicate them, wash their hands of them and turn them loose on our quiet residential neighborhoods. These misfits loiter, yell, scream, trespass, vomit, urinate on private and public property, destroy private property, illegally park and damage our cars. … Clamp down on these guys and put them in industrial areas far away from homes. A right to a peaceful night's sleep should be a top priority."

"EVERYONE SEEMS TO HAVE FORGOTTEN that the Third Street Promenade and the adjacent streets originated as both an entertainment and retail district. In the early days of the promenade there was a sports bar at Third and Arizona, a nightclub on the ground floor of an office building on Fifth and Santa Monica Boulevard, and a nightclub on the second floor of what is now Forever 21. The city and Bayside District has never been particularly supportive of the entertainment component of the promenade. Just look at the prolonged agony of getting a state-of-the-art movie theater built there. And just look at the Bayside District's reaction to the loss of Borders book and music store when the consultant of Bayside shrugged off the loss of Borders, saying, "Who needs two bookstores within a few blocks of one another?" The promenade and the adjacent streets should be the select and exclusive location for sports bars and also other entertainment venues as businesses fail on the promenade or are pushed out by higher rents. The city should rededicate itself to attracting and regulating entertainment uses there. Sports bars should move to the promenade an downtown district as part of the entertainment zone that was envisioned for the promenade, and residential neighborhoods should not be burdened by the problems that entertainment venues cause."

SoCal group rejects $11M in ethanol funding

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES A Southern California group has declined about $11 million in federal money that was earmarked to build ethanol fueling stations across the region.

The Southern California Association of Governments rejected the stimulus funds Thursday. It says using more ethanol in Southern California would actually increase pollution because it must be trucked from farms in the Midwest.

The federal money would have been used to build 55 stations that could pump a blend of 85 percent ethanol and 15 percent gasoline. The corn-based fuel has been promoted as a cleaner burning, renewable fuel alternative.

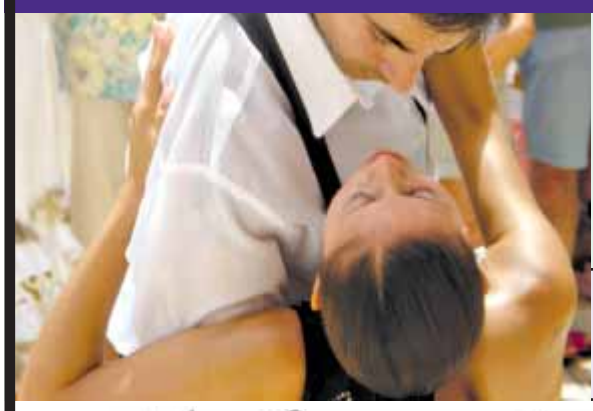
About 500,000 vehicles in California are equipped to use the blend.

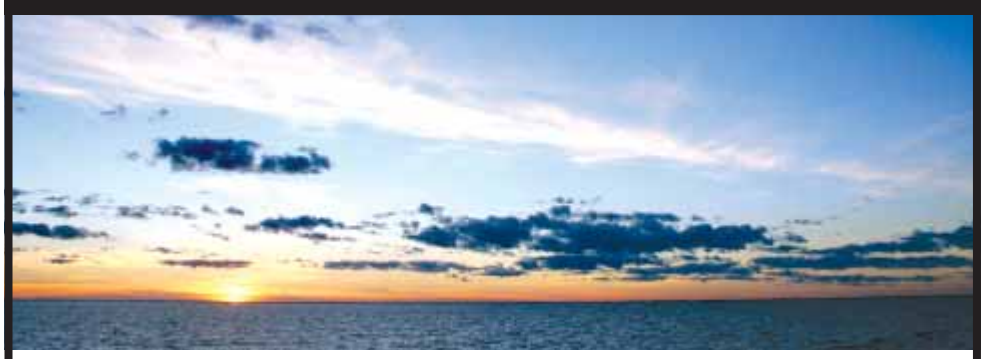
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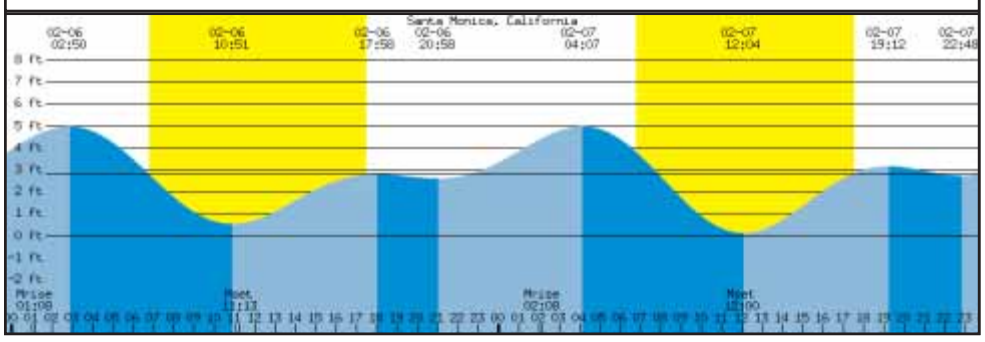
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Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



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- Number of sewage spills -- 0
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- Number of wet days -- 12
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 43 / 10
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 4 / 34

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LOCATION	DRY	WET
Los Cerrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lachusa 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+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A	F
Paradise Cove Pier at Rominer Canyon Creek mouth.	A	B
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A	F
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Solstice Canyon at Don Blacker County Beach.	A	B
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Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	F
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Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	A+
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zone).	A+	F
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A	F
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Tuna Canyon.	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	B	F
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	F
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	F
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	F
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	F
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A+	F
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A+	F
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	A+	F
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	F
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A+	F
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	C	F
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	F
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	F
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A+	C
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	F
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	F
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A+	F
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	F
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	F
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Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	A+

LEGEND

DRY -- each location is graded on an A – F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone
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ns -- no sample taken

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Obama admits health care overhaul may be doomed

ERICA WERNER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON No, maybe he can't.

President Barack Obama, who insisted he would succeed where other presidents had failed to fix the nation's health care system, now concedes the effort may die in Congress.

The president's newly conflicting signals could frustrate Democratic lawmakers who are hungry for guidance from the White House as they try to salvage the effort to extend coverage to millions of uninsured Americans and hold down spiraling medical costs. Obama's comments Thursday night came hours after Republican Scott Brown was sworn in to replace the late Edward M. Kennedy, leaving Democrats without their filibuster-proof majority in the Senate, and Obama's signature health legislation with no clear path forward.

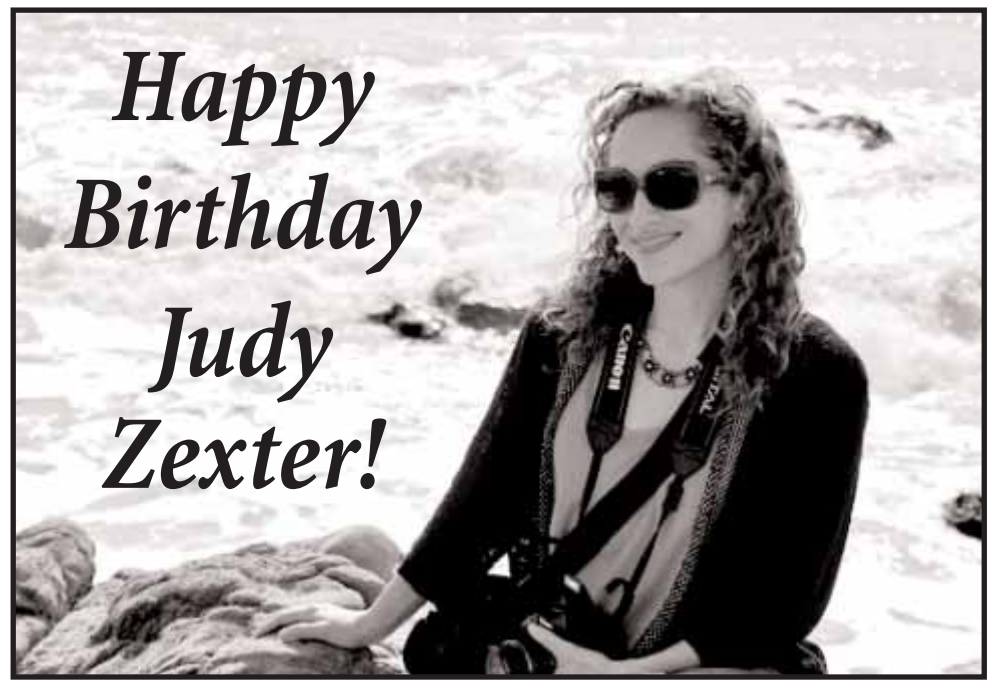
"I think it's very important for us to have a methodical, open process over the next several weeks, and then let's go ahead and make a decision," Obama said at a Democratic National Committee fundraiser.

"And it may be that ... if Congress decides we're not going to do it, even after all the facts are laid out, all the options are clear, then the American people can make a judgment as to whether this Congress has done the right thing for them or not," the president said. "And that's how democracy works. There will be elections coming up, and they'll be able to make a determination and register their concerns."

It was a shift in tone for the issue the "Yes we can" candidate campaigned on and made the centerpiece of his domestic agenda last year. In a speech to a joint session of Congress in September, Obama declared: "I am not the first president to take up this cause, but I am determined to be the last. ... Here and now we will meet history's test."

Sweeping health legislation to extend medical coverage to more than 30 million uninsured Americans passed the House and Senate last year and was on the verge of completion — though there were still disagreements between the two houses — before Brown's upset victory last month in a special election in Massachusetts. Since then it has been in limbo, and Obama has not publicly offered specifics to help lawmakers move forward. Congressional aides felt his remarks Thursday did not clarify matters.

"The next step is what I announced at the State of the Union, which is to call on our Republican friends to present their ideas. What I'd like to do is have a meeting whereby I'm sitting with the Republicans, sitting with the Democrats, sitting with health care experts, and let's just go through these bills. ... And then I think that we've got to go ahead and move forward on a vote," Obama said Thursday shortly after a White House meeting with Democratic congressional leaders that produced no apparent progress on health care.





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When in Rome (PG-13) 1 hr 31 min
11:10am, 1:35, 4:15, 7:15, 9:35

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11:00am

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11:00am

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1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:45

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11:00am

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2:40, 7:40

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Plan a special day with a dear friend or loved one. You might be a bit surprised by what this person says. Your instincts help you discover what is really bothering you. Open up to possibilities that surround this relationship. Tonight: Try a new spot.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Defer to others. You might feel that a lot more is going to happen. Loosen up with a friend. You could be most delighted by the end results. Review a situation with more care. Your ability to understand what is happening will increase if you don't make any judgments. Tonight: Dinner for two.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You have a lot to accomplish, and quite quickly at that. You see another person through new eyes, especially as he or she naturally pitches in. You could be surprised by everything that occurs once you let go of your expectations. Tonight: Put on your dancing shoes.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Your creativity bubbles forth in any situation you find yourself in. Romance is starred for those who want to be involved. Children also could play a dynamic role in your plans. Lose yourself in the moment. Tonight: Vanish early.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Be sensitive to your personal needs as well as the needs of those you live with. Someone could make an unanticipated demand. You might feel that you don't have enough control over a financial situation. Attempt to lighten up for now. Tonight: Let your hair down.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Keep conversations open. Things could be happening too fast for your taste. You keep responding to an ongoing and changing situation. Know when you have had enough. Tonight: Consider entertaining from home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You might be looking at the cost of recent developments with new eyes. Listen to your sixth sense, and realize what is going on behind the scenes. A child or loved one could be somewhat deceptive, or at best confusing. Tonight: Hang out with a favorite person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ You understand what is necessary when dealing with others. Opportunities come through ingenuity as well as openness. Process what is happening behind the scenes with a child. Don't let a secret go past the secret stage. Muzzle thyself. Tonight: Only what you want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Use today just for you, knowing that time by yourself is precious and not easily had. You might be surprised by what comes up out of the blue. Be aware of someone's demands. Juggle your finances with care. Perhaps there is another way to make ends meet. Tonight: Nap and then decide.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Zero in on what you want. You can only do something with the help of a key friend. Revise your vision of what you want. Use extreme care with your funds. You have a very special way of communicating. Tonight: Don't go too late.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Move away from your responsibilities only after you feel you have met your demands. You could be very confusing to an older friend or relative. Try to be as clear as you can. Friendship plays an enormous role in your later plans. Tonight: Where the action is.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ Make calls to those at a distance. Listen to others sharing their views. Take these calls as an opportunity to open your mind and come to new decisions. You could be excited by what comes up. Tonight: Share news with a key person.

Happy birthday

This year, you change gears from work to amusement. You have a tendency to let go and want to join your friends. Networking comes easily. Your perspective changes because you become more in touch with your psychological background. If you are single, you could meet someone through your friends. If you are attached, the two of you gain through socializing more together. SAGITTARIUS helps you lighten up.

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

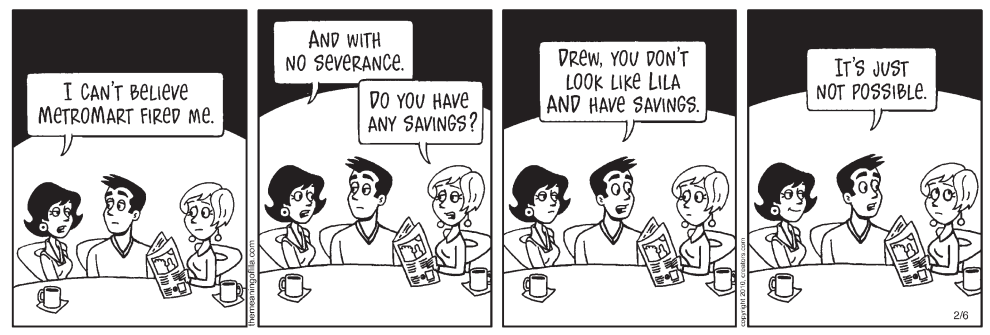
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Difficulty Level ★★★★

	3		6			4		2
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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

3	4	2	6	5	1	9	7	8
9	7	6	3	8	4	2	5	1
5	1	8	7	2	9	3	6	4
6	8	3	2	4	5	1	9	7
7	5	4	9	1	3	8	2	6
2	9	1	8	6	7	4	3	5
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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1 Hunting garb, for short
5 Cribbage needs
9 Baltimore pro
10 Gathers
12 Came up
13 Prank
14 "Extra!" shouter
16 Chunk of history
17 Ingenuous cry
18 Skip the vote
20 Ultimate goal
22 Tire tracks
23 Pizzeria buy
25 Enjoy the mall
28 Canada's largest province
32 Tighten
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35 Not working
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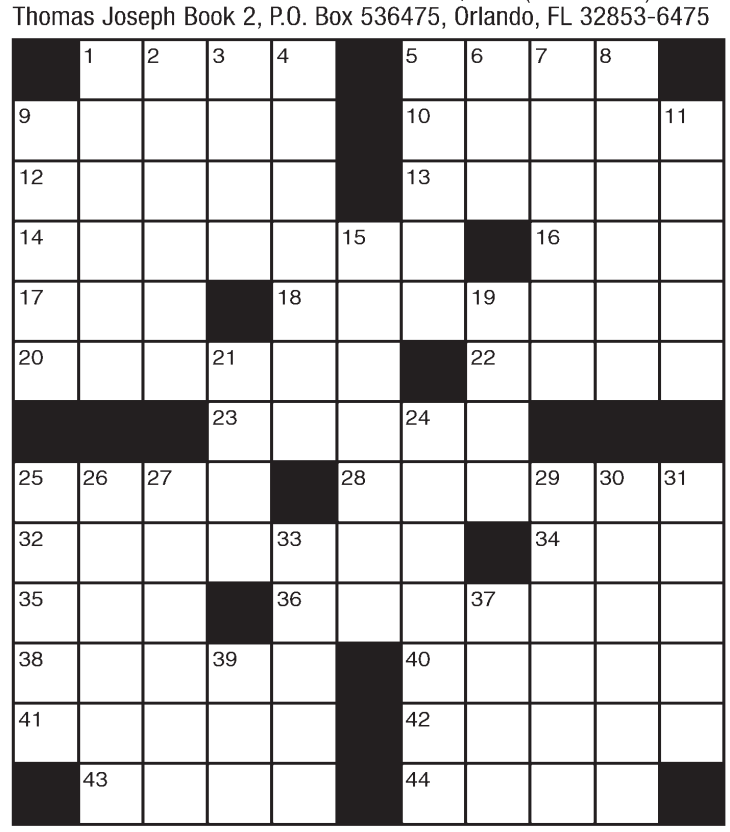
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1 Lurch
2 Swore
3 Base meal
4 Solid-yellow item on a pool table
5 Asks for divine help
6 Poet's contraction
7 Rich cake
8 Verve
9 Kitchen cooker
11 Reads over
15 Indirect
19 Grove growth
21 Nile slitherers
24 Bakery buy
25 Supply with fuel
26 Bunny's boss
27 Burning
29 Brit's sausage
30 Bars, legally
31 Broadway rosters
33 Bygone auto
37 Bailiwick
39 Bind up

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C	L	E	R	K	■	A	R	E	N	A
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ In November, Powhatan County, Va., prosecutors dismissed charges against five corrections officers despite evidence that they were involved in inappropriately fondling a K-9 service dog. During training, officers are expected to "bond" with their dogs, and one of the men was seen "touching the dog's penis with his hand," according to a prosecutor. However, Virginia law requires that the state prove "cruelty" to the dog, and the prosecutor, after consulting with veterinarians, concluded that he could not win the case.

■ Russell Vanderwerf, 44, an agent of the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, was arrested in Metairie, La., in December and charged with damaging property while staying at the Residence Inn hotel. According to police, Vanderwerf had removed the bedroom door to his suite and in its place installed a plywood plank which contained a hole at about pelvis level that had been rimmed in duct tape and which the arresting deputy said appeared to be used "in some sort of sexual act." Another guest told police that numerous young men had been entering and exiting Vanderwerf's room.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1958 Eight Manchester United F.C. players are killed in the Munich air disaster.

1959 Jack Kilby of Texas Instruments files the first patent for an integrated circuit.

1959 At Cape Canaveral, Florida, the first successful test firing of a Titan intercontinental ballistic missile is accomplished.

1978 The Blizzard of 1978, one of the worst Nor'easters in New England history, hit the region, with sustained winds of 65 mph and snowfall of 4" an hour.

1987 Justice Mary Gaudron is appointed to the High Court of Australia, the first woman to be appointed.

1989 The Roundtable talks start in Poland, thus marking the beginning of overthrow of communism in Eastern Europe.

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