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THE IT'S BEEN A LONG WEEK ISSUE



Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

MAKING THE GRADE: **Santa Monicans chow down on some fare at the weekly food truck lot on Main Street. The City Council recently adopted county food safety codes that require food trucks to post letter grades like restaurants and provide health inspectors with a schedule of where the mobile vendors will be and at what time to help make inspections easier.**

Food trucks in Santa Monica now subject to county health codes

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

Editor's note: This story is part of an ongoing series that tracks the second and final reading of ordinances approved by the City Council. Second readings are generally held without public comment, although the issues have been discussed, often at length, during prior City Council meetings.

CITYWIDE Fans of the mobile food truck craze will be able to digest with greater ease now that the City Council has adopted food safety standards used by county health inspectors.

The council on Tuesday held the second reading of an ordinance adopting the latest changes to the county's health and food safety code, which require public health officials to increase the number of annual inspections of each mobile food vendor from one to two and assign letter grades after each inspection. Any mobile food vendor who receives below a C will be forced to close.

The county's roughly 6,000 mobile food vendors are also required to provide inspectors with a detailed route sheet showing where they will be setting up shop and at what time. The route sheet is intended to make it easier for health inspectors to find the food trucks and other vendors.

"We've always inspected all food facilities, including mobile food facilities," said Terrance Powell, director of the public health department's Bureau of Specialized Surveillance & Enforcement Environmental Health Division. "This ordinance is to simply disclose to the public in an organized way information to help them make objective choices as a consumer."

Powell said food trucks have always been there, it just seems like there are more because of the increased media attention and marketing efforts of the businesses. He said a task force has been created to look at the food truck phenomenon and how they can be better regulated. A major concern is trash created by the trucks and who should be responsible for keeping streets clean.

The council's action was merely a formality. Since 1963, Santa Monica has delegated all public health and food safety enforcement to the county, at no cost to City Hall. Thus, as county public health and food safety laws change, City hall has, from time to time, incorporated those changes into the municipal code. The most recent incorporation was in 1998, according to a city staff report.

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Mayoral selection focus of council's annual retreat

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

MAIN LIBRARY Members of the City Council will meet with city staff on Sunday to discuss different ways to select the mayor and decide whether or not to have council members continue to serve as liaisons to city commissions.

The annual City Council Retreat is scheduled for 1 p.m. at the Main Library.

"The retreat is really not about public policy and not about setting a new direction for the city, but more about council process-

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Pit bulls: Man's best friend or worst enemy?

BY SUE MANNING
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Pit bulls are the most abused, reviled, abandoned and euthanized dogs in the United States.

More than 500 cities ban the breed or require sterilization, muzzles in public or insurance. Some regulate the size of fences that keep pit bulls enclosed, or the weight of leashes that keep them restrained.

Even the Army and the Marines ban pit bulls in base housing.

In an Associated Press-Petside.com poll, 53 percent of American pet owners said they believed it was safe to have pit bulls in residential neighborhoods, but 43 percent said the dogs were too dangerous.

Of 60 percent who support breed bans, most put pit bulls at the top of the list, according to the poll conducted by GfK Roper Public Affairs and Corporate Communications.

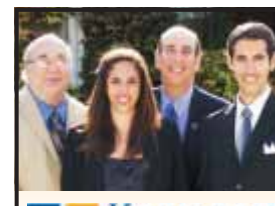
Only one state, Ohio, has a statewide pit bull law, requiring owners to confine them as "vicious dogs" and carry at least $100,000 in liability insurance.

Is the breed predisposed to be dangerous, or is man to blame? The divide between

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Saturday, Feb. 12, 2011

Rolling with Hellride
CENTRAL Social Aid & Pleasure Club
1348 14th St.
All-star outfit Hellride brings its star power to the CENTRAL. Comprised of iconic rockers Mike Watt, Stephen Perkins and Peter Destefano, Hellride is a free-form mix of punk rock with a dose of jazz-style improvisation. For more information, call (310) 451-5040.

Dancing with daddy
Santa Monica/Westside YWCA
2019 14th St., 6 p.m.
The second annual "The Princess and Her Papa" dance will bring fathers and their daughters together for a night of cutting a rug, food and prizes. Girls of all ages could also bring another man in their life. For more information, call (310) 452-3881.

Shopping in the park
Virginia Avenue Park
2200 Virginia Ave., 8 a.m. — 1 p.m.
Get the freshest of the fresh at this popular weekly Farmers' Market. For more information, visit www.smgov.net/farmers_market/pico.htm.

'Using Your Voice for Success'
WordTheatre (Private location)
10 a.m.
"Using Your Voice for Success" will teach participants a workout for you brain that will give you the confidence to express yourself in any situation. Writers, business people and actors could all benefit from this instructional workshop. For information, call (310) 915-5150.

Something special for sweetie
Santa Monica Museum of Art
2525 Michigan Ave.
Gracie, SMMoA's gift shop, will feature Valentine's Day gifts for your special someone on Friday and Saturday. Some of the more notable gifts are sweets from Morning Glory Confections and pop culture-inspired jewelry by Cast of Vices. For more info, visit www.shopgracie.com.

Sunday, Feb. 13, 2011

Final days of ICE
Fifth Street and Arizona Avenue
12 p.m. — 10 p.m.
ICE at Santa Monica offers the unique opportunity to ice skate in the sunshine. The rink will close on Feb. 15. Admission is $10. For more information, call (310) 393-8355.

Gem Faire
Santa Monica Civic Auditorium
1855 Main St., 12 p.m. — 6 p.m.
The 22nd Annual Gem Faire returns with all its glory this weekend. Over 70 renowned importers/exporters will be on site selling their wares. The event also includes classes and demonstrations by a host of experts. The faire takes place Friday through Sunday. For more information, visit www.gemfaire.com.

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With win, Samohi qualifies for playoffs

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOHI Santa Monica High School completed a late-season turnaround with a 75-64 victory over Hawthorne Thursday on campus.

The Vikings entered the night in a third place tie with Morningside with both teams needing a win to force a one-game playoff to determine the third team to qualify for the playoffs from the Ocean League.

It wasn't until after the game did Samohi learn that Morningside had lost to first place Inglewood, assuring the Vikings an automatic bid to the California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section Division 1A playoffs.

Upon learning that then second place Culver City lost to Beverly Hills also on Thursday, Samohi completed a late-season surge that saw the team catapult from last place two weeks ago to a second place finish in league.

"Our guys got it done," Head Coach James Hecht said. "We did our part."

After beginning the league season 0-4, the prospects of making the postseason was slim for a team that was the runner-up in last year's Division 1A playoffs. But, a 6-0 finish in league returned the team to the playoffs.

"At this state, [the team] knew that they had to play with some urgency," Hecht said. "Everybody stepped up. Hopefully we can keep this going."

Samohi will learn who it will play in the first round of the playoffs when brackets are released by the CIF-SS on Sunday.

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HACK: **Samohi's Holden Forshag is fouled from behind by Jacory Clarke from Hawthorne High during a critical Ocean League match-up Thursday at Samohi. The Vikings won by a score of 75-64. With the win and Morningside's loss to Inglewood, Samohi took second place in league and earn a spot in the playoffs.**

Santa Monican teaches students French through immersion

BY TAYLOR VAN ARSDALE
Special to the Daily Press

DOWNTOWN What's not to love about Paris? It has fabulous food, unbelievable clothing, all those iconic landmarks — the Louvre, Eiffel Tower and the Champs Élysées — and of course, that deliciously romantic language.

Whether a trip to Paris is on the horizon or not, if you want to really learn French — the essentials that only true "fashionistas" with discerning palates know — and embrace the full Parisian experience, you might want to think about taking one of Mary-Morgan Childs' French immersion classes.

Sure you can sit in a classroom and take lessons in the Language de Amor, but Childs, who has been teaching French for over a decade, takes her specialized immersion program beyond the classroom applying French studies in the community with fellow students, trotting them off to shops, restaurants and patisseries.

"The classroom is an excellent way to learn from your mistakes but it's limiting in that we can only practice but we can't use the material," Childs said. "I structured this program in a way that allows students to use the material in a real life setting that gets them closer to an authentic French situation."

The French speakers interacting with the class are from either France or Belgium and because of the limited class size (two to four students per class, in a semi-private setting) students receive a wider range of interaction with the instructor.

In advance of the classes, Childs interviews potential restaurant owners and their serving staffs to ensure they are prepared to speak to her students in French. There are several places she prefers.

"La Provence [in Brentwood] because the cashiers and waiters are all French and they play French music, and Acadie French Crepes Restaurant [in Santa Monica], which is a more casual country style restaurant that you might find on the Atlantic Coast," she said. "Acadie is a traditional 'creperie' which means they serve crepes of all kinds."

And what's more French than a crepe?

Childs began her unique program on the east coast in the upscale area of Greenwich, Conn. Residents there were frequent travel-

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Fee increase is shameful

Editor:

The user fee increase for vital community resources passed by the City Council this week is unfortunate on a number of levels ("Fee increase for recreation programs approved," Feb. 10, page 1). Focusing on the swim center, increases for use of the pool range from 25 percent to 86 percent! Notwithstanding statements by parks & recs staff and misinformed council members, financial assistance is not made available to adults: it is only available to youth.

Fitness swimming is a fantastic, low-impact, cardio workout. There are many unemployed, underemployed, retired, and poorly paid people who rely upon the pool. People who rely on the swim center faced with such large increases will be negatively impacted and might be forced to reduce or eliminate their swim workouts. This is not healthy.

The expenses of the swim center should be examined and reduced. Without spending constraints, and with the possibility of fee increases always available "to close the gap," as the City Council has just shown, expenses will inevitably rise. For example, salaries start at more than $18 an hour, plus there are substantial perks. Overtime is 5.6 percent of wages, indicating mismanagement. The swim center spent over $16,000 last year for "clothing."

While the SMDP reported minimal opposition to the fee increases this was not because people are disinterested or OK with the increases. It is because announcements about possible increases were not well publicized, and information was not readily available. (If the SMDP were to take a poll, asking if people were aware of these issues before they came to vote I think very few people would respond that they were aware.) The failures of City Hall to achieve transparency and adequately inform the average resident sufficiently ahead of time of these (and other proposals) should not lull anyone into believing that many residents are not concerned: silence is due to ignorance.

Those who voted for the fee increases, under the circumstances, should be ashamed of themselves.

Alex Knick
Santa Monica

The problem is poverty

Editor:

Santa Monica's Catholic schools intend to lengthen the school year because "studies that show American students falling behind their counterparts around in world ("Local Catholic schools move to longer school year," Feb. 5-6, page 1)."

Studies actually show that American children from middle class families who attend well-funded schools score at the top of the world on international tests. Our overall scores are less than spectacular because the U.S. has the highest rate of child poverty of all industrialized countries, over 20 percent. The rate of child poverty in high-scoring Finland is under 4 percent.

Poverty means inadequate nutrition, inadequate health care, exposure to environmental toxins, and little access to books, all of which are associated with lower school performance. The problem is not our teachers and not the length of our school year: The problem is poverty.

Stephen Krashen
Malibu



On the Beat

NRO Mike Boyd — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Don't get scammed on Craigslist

Q: I WAS INTERESTED IN BUYING AN ITEM I saw advertised on Craigslist. My mother told me to be aware of scams on Craigslist. She recently read a story about someone getting robbed from a Craigslist transaction. Is this true? Is there anything I should do to avoid becoming a victim?

A: Unfortunately, your mother is right. (Parents have a good track record of being right most of the time.) Craigslist scams or robberies have been on the rise over the last few years. Just as our environment evolves, so do crimes and the criminals who commit them. One of the things police departments nationwide are seeing is an increase of crimes against Craigslist users. Criminals set up accounts and advertise the sale of items that are highly desirable (iPods, iPhones, iPads, computers, etc). The advertised price appears to be a great deal. As people call in or e-mail about the items for sale, criminals are setting up exchange deals in public places and robbing their potential buyers. Although there is no full-proof way to avoid becoming a crime victim, there are some things you can do to minimize your risk. Here is a list of things you can do to make shopping on Craigslist safer:

• Try negotiating the price of the item you are attempting to buy. Most criminals won't bother dealing with you if they perceive you to be difficult.

• Try to get as much information from the person selling the item (e-mail addresses, Twitter accounts, Facebook, etc.). You can do a Google background check on the information you obtain. If there's no history of the person you're searching that could be a hint that he/she is using another name to hide their identity.

• Arrange meetings in public places or at police stations. Quiet neighborhoods can be secluded, especially during the day, when there may not be any witnesses around.

• If a meeting is scheduled with a seller, visit the area where you are scheduled to meet beforehand. Look for dark or heavily shaded areas that may not be visible to the average citizen walking or driving down the street.

• If you think a deal is too good to be true, it probably is.

• Avoid meeting a seller alone.

Those are just a few additions to the recommendations that are already posted on Craigslist. You can find more helpful ways to reduce your chances of becoming a crime victim by contacting your crime prevention coordinator or neighborhood resource officer.

If you were a victim of theft or burglary and you locate an item on Craigslist that you believe to be yours, contact the police agency that is handling your case and notify them of your discovery. Do not attempt to get the item back on your own. Your safety is paramount over stolen property.

Q: My family and I recently moved to Santa Monica from the east coast. We are off-road vehicle enthusiasts and own ATVs (all-terrain vehicles). Are there any locations on the beach where we can use our ATVs?

A. There are several areas in California that do allow for this type of recreation, but Santa Monica is not one of them. In fact, there is only one place along a beach in California where off-road or off-highway vehicles are allowed. The location is the Oceano Dunes State Vehicular Recreation Area. It's located near Pismo Beach in San Luis Obispo County. The park is approximately 175 miles north of Santa Monica off Highway 1. You can find out more information on this park or others in California by visiting www.parks.ca.gov. This website will give you information on all parks and recreational areas in California where off-road vehicles can be used.

You should also be aware that California law requires all ATV operators to wear an approved helmet when operating an ATV on public lands. There are other provisions pertaining to ATVs which can be found in the California Off-Highway Vehicle Law Book. You can read this book online at http://ohv.parks.ca.gov

COMMUNITY EVENT

On Friday, Feb. 18, at 3:30 p.m., the Santa Monica Police Department will participate in a charity baseball game at Santa Monica High School. Come watch the officers play against the Vikings in a high spirited rematch. The game will be played on the baseball field at Samohi (500 Olympic Blvd.). Admission is free to all spectators. There will be raffle prizes and delicious barbecue for purchase (all proceeds from food sales will be donated to the Santa Monica High School baseball team).

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The Q Line

Help the Daily Press out

The Daily Press is experiencing a few staffing changes in the newsroom. This got us thinking about what we're doing and why we're doing it.

This past week, Q-line asked:
Is there something that the community thinks we're not covering?
Here are your responses:

"THE BUS STOPS AT FOURTH STREET AND Wilshire Boulevard and Fourth and Arizona Avenue have been moved to the middle of the block — some of the busiest corners in the city. Bus riders are now forced to go half a block out of their way to transfer to another bus or get to their destination. In addition, the new bus stop creates a dangerous situation because it is between two parking structures. People are running to catch buses between cars coming in and out of parking structures — another pedestrian accident just waiting to happen! Inconvenient bus stops do not encourage ridership."

"I START EVERY DAY WITH THE DAILY Press. The paper has made a great leap in improvement over the last couple of years, in covering local news and school sports, etc. It is a great source of local information. Editorial content is wise and thoughtful. A problem is spin jobs from City Hall. Two examples are first the story today on Oscar de La Torre. Who was the police investigator? He apparently slanted the report to please someone. The chief's statement is generic, but will the investigator be disciplined? Will any of his past reports be checked for possible wrong criminal convictions? Will it be swept under the rug? Will there be any follow-up? Second on the "Bonus" story. Exactly who received them and for how much? A contractual bonus in an economic downturn to the highest paid people? We need to know. It is understandable that a newspaper needs advertising and some comes from City Hall. This should not restrict probative and ethical journalism. Otherwise many kudos as well for informing Santa Monicans about each other."

"I WISH YOU WOULD INVESTIGATE THE implication of City Hall shifting 400 tons a day of garbage over to Southern California Disposal. They already transfer 1,000 tons of garbage a day on an open air platform 12 feet high just up wind during normal onshore breezes from Mountain View Mobile Home Park. There have been six deaths in the back of the park closest to SCD's open air garbage transfer. At least three deaths are known to be from cancer. To my knowledge to date City Hall has not investigated the situation in light of these deaths."

"MY THOUGHT IS COVERING MORE OF Santa Monica. We think the columnists are good and I look forward to reading those. But you don't give enough use of Santa Monica. But to be a real Santa Monica paper, there is more going on than you report. We would like to have more Santa Monica news."

"YOU NEVER ASK THE HARD QUESTIONS. Though you mention the fee increases, you don't tie them together with the current budget surplus. You don't mention at all the recent tax increase. You don't criticize City Hall. I understand you don't have the staff to do investigative reporting. You take what City Hall shovels your way. It seems that you are bought by the interest at City hall. That's the way the paper comes across."

"I JUST WANT TO KNOW WHY BILL BAUER is so cranky about everything. He just gripes about everything. He is such a pessimist. He needs to take a happy pill."

"IT'S YOUR LACK OF DEPTH IN REPORTING why we have the third largest budget in L.A. County. Why are we constantly increasing taxes, fines and charges to support more overdevelopment. Why are certain board members running dubious nonprofit businesses that oppose law and order to gain street credibility. Lackadaisical reporting is just symptomatic of the progressive decline of our town. Investigate the power to corrupt authority."

"ONE ISSUE NOT COVERED IS WHY IS THE stop at Fourth and Wilshire has been moved. It makes no sense. All the busriders are complaining. I'm going to have to start driving again."

"YOU NEED TO IMPROVE YOUR BUDGET information by the City Council. You need to designate spending of each of the council members. You need to track the money."

"YOU ARE DOING A GREAT JOB IN ASKING this question. You're doing a great job of bringing this community together. The emphasis you give to sports and schools is so amazing. We read you every morning at the dog park."

"I WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE LOCAL human interest stories. A few years ago Jack Neworth wrote a memorable one about a man who had made a garden in the beach parking lot at the end of Ocean Park Boulevard. I had walked past that garden and wondered about it. It was a charming story.

"IN 2006 MEASURE BB WAS PASSED for our school district allowing them to raise $268 million in bonds for school improvements. It would be nice to know how the spending is going. There is also a citizens bond oversight committee that we have not heard anything about."

"SINCE YOUR PAPER IN THE PAST HAS reported on solid waste and found that a huge amount of money was missing. Then later on it was reported that there was abuse and fraud in the Big Blue Bus department a couple months later. I believe that it is in the best interest of this community that your paper focus on investigating all enterprise funds and departments to make sure there isn't any waste and fraud being perpetrated."

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Snow helps and hampers maple syrup producers

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RANDOLPH, Vt. The mountains of snow that have buried the Northeast this winter will have a sweet — and just slightly bitter — taste for the region's maple syrup producers.

Sweet because an abundance of snow actually helps with the production of the sap that is boiled down to produce syrup. But bitter because, well, too much snow is just as much a chore for maple syrup producers to deal with as it is for the rest of us.

And most of us don't make our livings — or even hobbies — out of clambering over snow drifts in the woods tapping trees and repairing plastic tubing to gather sap from far-flung maple trees.

Still, on the whole "snow is considered a good thing," says Steve Childs, New York state maple specialist with Cornell University.

It moderates the temperature in the woods, keeping it cool if the air warms up, which is good for maple. The snow layers also insulate the ground, keeping it from freezing too deep so trees can draw up moisture during sap flow, which can start in February, or earlier if there's a thaw.

"So we like to see some snow," he said. "Of course, if it gets deeper than what maple tubing lines are then it gets to be quite a problem, but I don't think we're there in most places. That's usually like 3 feet to 5 feet."

Of course, winter isn't over quite yet.

With another big storm, the Silloway farm in Randolph Center, Vt., could be approaching that, with more than 2 feet of snow already in the woods at the beginning of February.

"The deep snow will keep the ground thawed out so sap will start when the air temperature is ready," said David Silloway, 65, a syrup producer and dairy farmer. "The deep snow will keep the sap cool, air cool, so that it will make lighter syrup."

Lighter syrup is typically produced early in the season when it's colder. As it warms up the syrup tends to get darker with a more robust flavor as microorganisms feed on the sugar coming out of the tree.

"It's kind of like cheese. The flavor is dictated by the microorganisms," said Timothy Perkins, director of the University of Vermont Proctor Maple Research Center.

Since Silloway has a bad knee, his nephew hikes around their nearly 20 acres in early winter when there's only about a foot of snow on the ground to check the plastic tubing that runs tree to tree to collect sap. After two storms dumped more than 2 feet of snow in early February, they'll have to use snowshoes and snowmobiles to get out to tap the nearly 2,000 trees, unless there's a big thaw.

Thanks to all that snow, the whole process could take three to four days, rather than one to two when there's not much left on the ground.

"It just gets harder to work in the woods," said Winton Pitcoff, coordinator for the Massachusetts Maple Producers Association. "The guys that are running tubing deep into the woods are used to having to use snowshoes and stuff like that, but with 4 feet of snow on the ground it just gets harder and harder."

His advice: wait. "The snow will compact eventually," he said.

Last year, spring came on fast in New England, warming up too much and cutting the season short for some, particularly those who collect sap in buckets hanging from trees. That's prompted more producers to install vacuum lines, which actually pull the sap from the tree.

"Particularly after last year the evidence was really there that it makes a huge difference," said Pitcoff. "You get more sap, significantly more sap."

But making predictions about the season is a crap shoot. It all comes down to the weather during those several weeks of sugaring season. That's the period when temperatures rise above freezing enough for trees to run sap and before it's warm enough for them to push out leaves.

Warm days followed by below freezing nights is prime sugaring weather, so that frozen trees full of sap thaw out and push out sap through holes and then freeze up at night and suck in moisture from the ground for more sap production.

The previous spring and summer also play a role.

Vermont — the country's maple syrup giant, which produced 890,000 gallons in 2010 — had a good growing season last year. With ample moisture and plenty of sunshine the trees were able to produce enough sugar through photosynthesis.

"They went into the winter being very healthy," said Perkins said.

The snow will help, Childs said. And it's likely to provide ample supply for sugar-on-snow parties. But syrup producers won't know what kind of season they're having until it's all over.

"It could turn 70 degrees and all the snow could leave in 3 days and we'd be right back where we started from," Childs said.

Maple-garlic roasted parsnips

Start to finish: 50 minutes (20 minutes active)
Servings: 6 to 8

2 pounds parsnips, peeled and cut into 1-inch pieces
4 cloves garlic, chopped
1 1/4 teaspoons salt
3 tablespoons maple syrup, or more to taste
1 tablespoon olive oil
1 teaspoon ground black pepper
2 tablespoons granulated maple sugar

Heat the oven to 350 F. Line a rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper.

In a large bowl, combine the parsnips, garlic, salt, maple syrup and oil. Toss well to coat, then transfer to the prepared baking sheet, arranging the parsnips in an even layer. Bake for 45 minutes, or until tender and starting to brown. During roasting, stir the parsnips every 15 minutes for even browning.

In small bowl, mix together the black pepper and maple sugar. Sprinkle this over the parsnips, then return them to the oven for another 5 minutes.

Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 126 calories; 19 calories from fat (15 percent of total calories); 2 g fat (0 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 27 g carbohydrate; 1 g protein; 6 g fiber; 312 mg sodium.

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es, particularly those that are not working that well," said City Manager Rod Gould.

Many residents have called on the council to change the way in which the mayor is appointed. Currently, council members nominate a colleague and then votes are taken to see who garners the most support on the dais. At times the selection has been relatively free of controversy, while at others there have been clear divisions on the council, creating a less than harmonious atmosphere.

In the most recent round, Councilman Richard Bloom was selected to serve a third term as mayor, while Councilman Kevin McKeown was left out once again even though he received the most votes in the November election.

Councilman Bobby Shriver in January called on his colleagues to explore other ways of selecting the mayor and the council agreed. Any change to the selection process, which typically occurs every two years, would have to come in the form of an amendment to the city charter, which can only be done at the ballot box.

The mayor chairs council meetings and works with the city manager to set the agenda but doesn't have any special powers. The mayor also makes a few thousand dollars more a year than his council colleagues. According to City Hall, the mayor pulls in $15,467 annually, while a council member makes $12,888.

According to a city staff report, of 83 cities surveyed, 55 have council-appointed mayors. Of those, 41 were appointed by the council with no formal or written process (like Santa Monica), and 14 were appointed with a specified process, including: by rotation, by seniority, number of votes received, and rotating 1-year terms, among others. The mayors from 28 cities were elected.

So, the council has plenty of options to discuss.

"Awarding the mayorship to the highest vote getter or on a rotating basis, affords equal opportunities and eliminates questions of fairness; but it may, as a practical matter, result in uneven council productivity over time because not all council members are likely to have equivalent skills or support," City Clerk Maria Stewart wrote in her report to council.

" Similarly, selecting the major by council vote is likely to produce the selection of a chair person who has at least the general support of a majority of his or her colleagues; but it may create friction amongst council members," she added.

Another issue up for debate is whether or not to continue assigning council members to act as liaisons to city commissions, a practice that has been done for many years and was intended to keep the council abreast of commission activities before commission meetings were broadcast on CityTV or had their agendas and minutes posted online.

A recent article in Western City Magazine focused on the ethical and legal hazards of having a council member serve as a liaison and actively participate in commission meetings. The article said a council member could have too much influence over a commission given that members are appointed by the council.

Also, more council members have decided not to serve as liaisons, while others have chosen to serve more, potentially giving those elected officials more sway.

The article raised some concerns amongst council members and the city manager, who felt it was important to bring the issue up for discussion.

Council will have the option of going with the status quo, eliminating the liaison positions or modify them so that the liaison meets with chairs or vice-chairs of commissions once or twice a year to talk about trends. Another option would be to adopt a resolution clarifying the role of a liaison and establish standards for conduct.

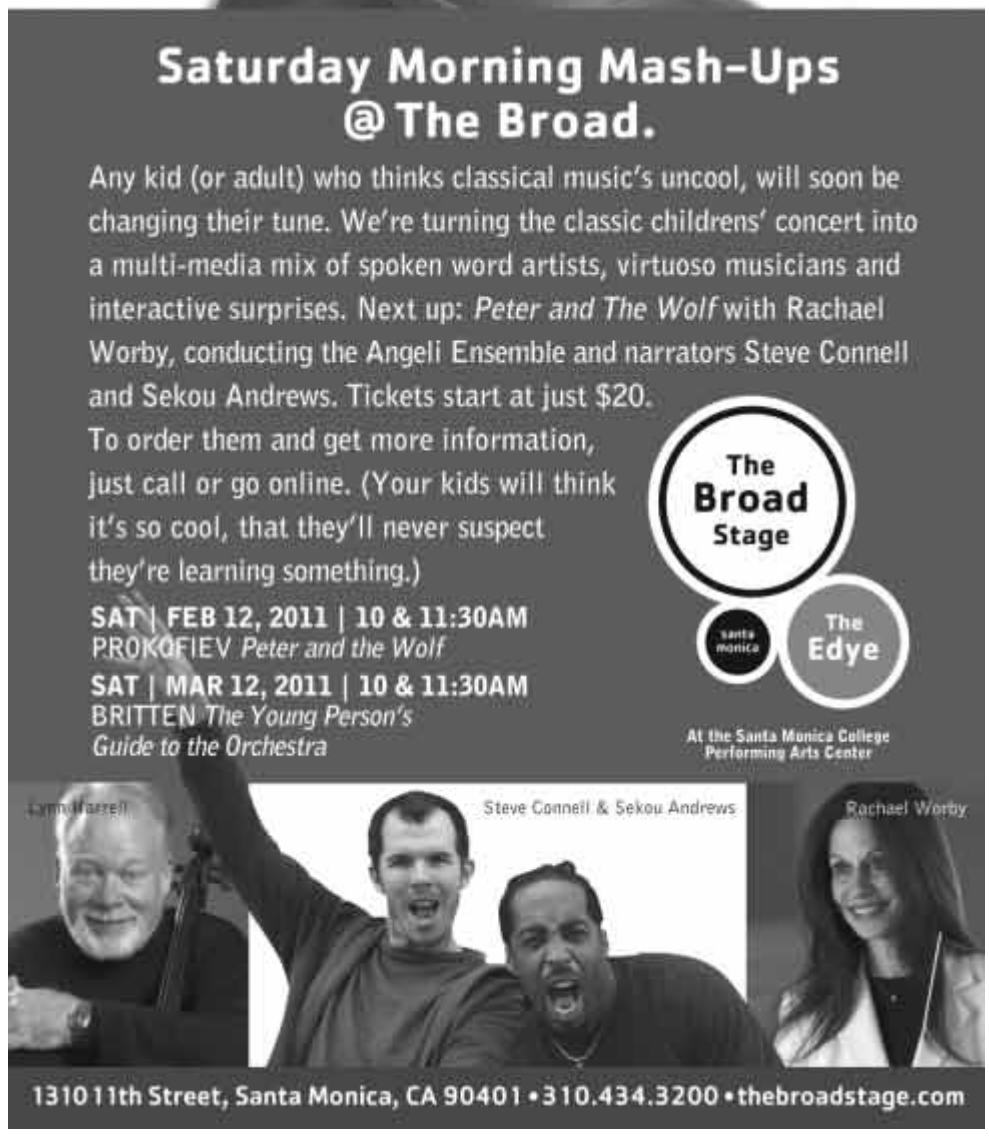
Council members will also discuss the appointment of emeritus members to commissions since there is no formal policy, and adopting a new annual evaluation process for the city manager, city attorney and city clerk, who are all hired by the council.

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SECOND READINGS

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City staff is participating in the county's task force. Food trucks have raised concerns amongst some in the Santa Monica business community who say the trucks are creating an uneven playing field as restaurants have to pay rent and sometimes assessments while food trucks only have to apply for and purchase a permit from City Hall to operate. The council has tried to create a compromise, setting up a food truck lot on Main Street where vendors congregate once a week.

"State law does not regulate competition and this gives rise to serious questions and examination that every municipality will have to conduct," Powell said.

BIKES, BAGS AND BIG DEVELOPMENT

The council also held the second reading for three ordinances dealing with the banning of single-use plastic bags, mandatory bicycle registration and development standards for real estate projects, particularly those planned for Downtown.

The issue that generated the most media attention of the three was the ban on single-use plastic bags. The council voted in favor of the ban after hearing from environmentalists about the dangers posed by plastics, particularly on marine life.

Under the ban, grocery stores, pharmacies, liquor stores and convenience stores are allowed to provide recycled paper bags at the point of sale but must charge customers at least 10 cents for each one. Restaurants are exempted from the ban. Plastic bags found at grocery stores to hold produce and meat will still be allowed.

The council first considered adopting a plastic bag ban in 2008, but went back to the drawing board when the plastic industry threatened to sue if City Hall didn't first conduct a complete environmental impact report on the proposed ban.

Abolishing mandatory bicycle registration was something advocated by cyclists who felt fining those who failed to register their bikes was harsh given that most didn't even know the law existed.

The registration law was intended to discourage theft and help cyclists recover stolen bicycles, city officials said.

Around 300 and 400 cyclists per year registered their bikes, according to city staff. There's no official count of cyclists in Santa Monica, but it's clear that the number represents a small fraction of the total.

The council also voted to have more control over real estate projects with buildings higher than 32 feet, essentially putting the breaks on development that normally would have been administratively approved by city planners.

The council made the move because it is in the process of enacting the Land Use and Circulation Element, a planing document that will dictate traffic and development in Santa Monica for the next 20 years. Since current zoning standards are not compatible with the goals of LUCE, city planners wanted council to approve an interim ordinance that would force developers to enter into development agreements. In doing so, the council could have more power to force the developers to embrace the new LUCE standards and not build something that may be out of character with future projects.

Plans had already been submitted for 750,000 square feet worth of development, according to a City Hall report.

Several neighborhood activists and city boards and commissions pushed for the interim ordinance.

The council agreed to exempt affordable housing projects of up to 50 units.

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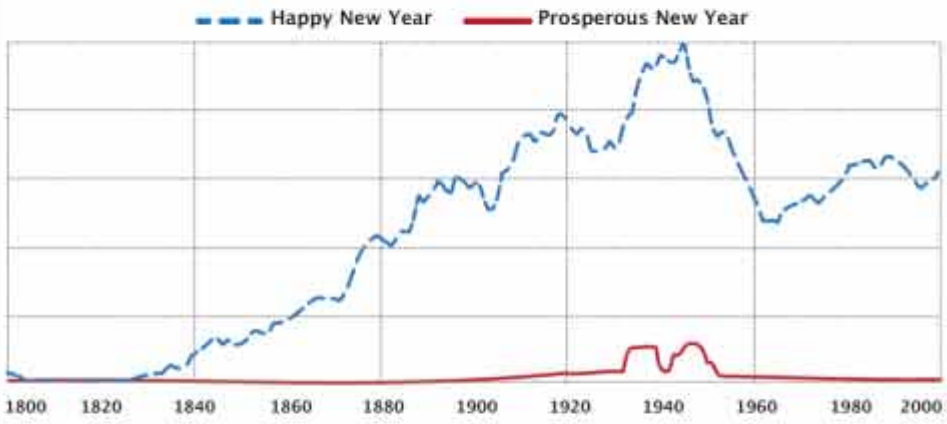
After weeks of trying to get some attention, we got some! We thank David McCoul of UCLA for the following enlightening response to our question regarding the frequency of use of the greetings "Happy New Year" and "Prosperous New Year".

Hi Lotus Platforms,

I saw your ad printed in the SMDP for the first time today, and I wanted to offer my input. I'm currently an engineering Ph.D. student at UCLA, so I tend to be scientifically-minded anyway, and also these sorts of things are interesting to me.

As background information to our readers, Google Ngram is an amazing new feature of Google Labs that attempts to extract data from the millions of scanned books and magazines in Google's digital library. You see, when Google scans a work, it uses optical character recognition (OCR) technology to turn the scanned images of words into searchable text.

In this way, you can search for any word or phrase, and Ngram will show you its percent occurrence in all of its digital books over a 200-year period. Search for more than one word, and you might be able to find relationships between the occurrence of these two words in the written corpus of literature. And that's exactly what Lotus Platforms did for the phrases "Happy New Year" and "Prosperous New Year".



Now, having looked at the graph of this search, I agree that there might be a correlation between the lone incidence of "Prosperous New Year" ("PNY") from 1930-50 and the bicentennial global maximum for "Happy New Year" ("HNY"). I have two hypotheses for how these peaks could be related; one deals with human psychology, and the other, history.

First, it may be that as the commonness of the phrase "HNY" reached an all-time high, people were just tired of it and wanted to try something new, so someone started saying "PNY" and it caught on. Then, as soon as "HNY" started to lose popularity, "PNY" died out because it is harder to say. (It has an extra syllable.) That extra syllable may also explain in part why "PNY" never got nearly as popular as "HNY". (That is, the "HNY" peak is ten times as tall as the "PNY" bumps ever got.)

Playing around with Google Ngram, I realized that the data printed in this column was from the corpus of both American and British English. And if I select data for British English only, no notable peaks show up for "PNY" at all! Peaks for both phrases show up only in the American body of literature during that time, implying that something historically significant must have occurred domestically (vs. in England) between 1930 and 1950.

And as it turns out, 1929 was a significant time in American history: Wall Street crashed, ushering in the Great Depression. And as if by magic, the first major peak for "Prosperous New Year" starts to appear in 1930. In light of this, I don't think that word choice was an accident. And, after about a decade, the main effects of the Great Depression wore off in the late 1930s, which is marked by a sudden drop in the use of "PNY". This explains the first hump.

What about that second, twin hump? Another major event happens in 1941: Japan bombs Pearl Harbor, marking the start of World War II for America. Suddenly, in the early 1940s we see "PNY" rise again, as if authors and journalists decided its audience needed extra encouragement for this surprise war, situated right at the tail end of the United States' recovery from the Depression. Finally, WWII ends in 1945, and use of "PNY" eventually fades into oblivion by 1950.

I hope this helps to shed some light on these curves!

A Happy (and Prosperous!) 2011,

David J. McCoul

P.S.: While it may be beyond the scope of your main audience, scientists reading this would be interested to know that Google Ngram is based on the following work:

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P.P.S.: When your ad went to print, it was in black and white. As a result, it was difficult to see which line was for which expression. Using solid vs. dashed lines, in addition to color, helps avoid this (despite the fact that Google Ngram doesn't provide the feature to dash lines). To solve that problem, I've attached a version of the graph that I've edited to make one of the curves dashed. You may want to use it for your next printing.

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advocates and detractors is wide.

"Dogs are products of their environment. Dangerous dogs are not born, they are created," said Adam Goldfarb, director of the pets at risk program for the Humane Society of the United States in Washington, D.C.

More than 250,000 pit bulls are maimed or killed in dog fights every year, he said. Up to 75 percent of dogs in many shelters are pit bulls.

"When you hear about a dog being set on fire or attacked by an ax, it usually involves a pit bull and it's not their fault. In some communities, there is a perception that pit bulls have less worth than other dogs," Goldfarb said.

Colleen Lynn of Austin, Texas, isn't convinced. She was jogging in Seattle on June 17, 2007, when she was attacked by a pit bull that knocked her to the ground and grabbed her arm. The dog was being walked on a leash and was pulled away, but not before Lynn's arm was broken, she said.

Last year, 33 people were mauled to death and two-thirds of the dogs were pit bulls, Lynn said. California reported the most fatal maulings with seven.

Under most laws covering the dogs, pit bulls are defined as American pit bull terriers, American Staffordshire terriers, Staffordshire bull terriers, or any dog displaying the physical traits of one of those three.

Lynn, through her DogsBite.org, encourages breed bans. "A ban saves the most human lives by preventing attacks before they occur," she said.

Jennifer Walsh of Los Angeles doesn't consider her 7-year-old pit bull TC a threat.

"I have a dog a lot of people might be really scared of and think he might be ready to attack at any moment. But he's like a little bundle of love. I can pick him up, I can roll him over, I can do anything I want to him and he doesn't care," she said.

A pit bull traditionally loves people, play and attention, Goldfarb said. They are smart and athletic, and owners have to nurture those qualities, he said. "A misbehaving dog might be a dog whose needs are not being met."

Lynn doesn't believe pit bulls are born vicious. "We believe pit bulls are born dangerous. They are born with a dangerous tool set. They can use it or not use it," she said.

In 2007, pit bulls and dogfighting became synonymous with Michael Vick, an NFL quarterback who served 18 months in prison over a dogfighting operation based on his property in Surry County, Va.

Fifteen of the dogs seized in Vick's case are rehabilitating at the Best Friends Animal Society in Kanab, Utah, far from the basements where they were chained and forced to fight. Their recoveries have included disease, injuries and skittishness.

Lynn said Vick's dogs hadn't been bred for generations like those in so many illegal fighting rings. But, she said, all fighting dogs should be euthanized because they are too unstable.

Despite temperament tests given by some shelters, Lynn said a dog that has been trained to fight will always be a risk to people and their pets.

Goldfarb disagrees.

"If genetics were as strong a factor as they're suggesting then every dog fighter could easily breed lots of super aggressive dogs. Every dog in every fighter's litter would be unmanageably aggressive and that's just not the case," he said.

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MERCI: French instructor Mary Morgan-Childs (center) guides her new students in how to order food at La Provence Patisserie and Cafe on San Vicente Boulevard Friday afternoon.

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ers to Geneva and Paris and their goal was to learn practical French — how to understand menus, how to get around, how to interact with shopkeepers. Childs combined practicality with what France is known for — food and fashion. She wanted her students to go beyond understanding the menu. She wanted them to be able to carry on conversations.

"Students explore French through interactive group work, themed dialogues [skits] and excursions. The outings are designed to enjoyably reinforce the material covered in class," she said.

Though she was born in Connecticut, from the early age of 3, Childs spent time in France over the summers. Exposed to the language and culture and raised in France she finally moved to Paris when she was 18 where she worked as an interpreter for a French artist.

Today she resides in Santa Monica, though she travels annually to Paris, and her students learn the beautiful French language in their community, while dining at local French restaurants and shopping on the grand avenues, such as Montana Avenue and the Third Street Promenade. The course not only promotes local businesses but also offers an immersion experience for motivated travelers and French enthusiasts.

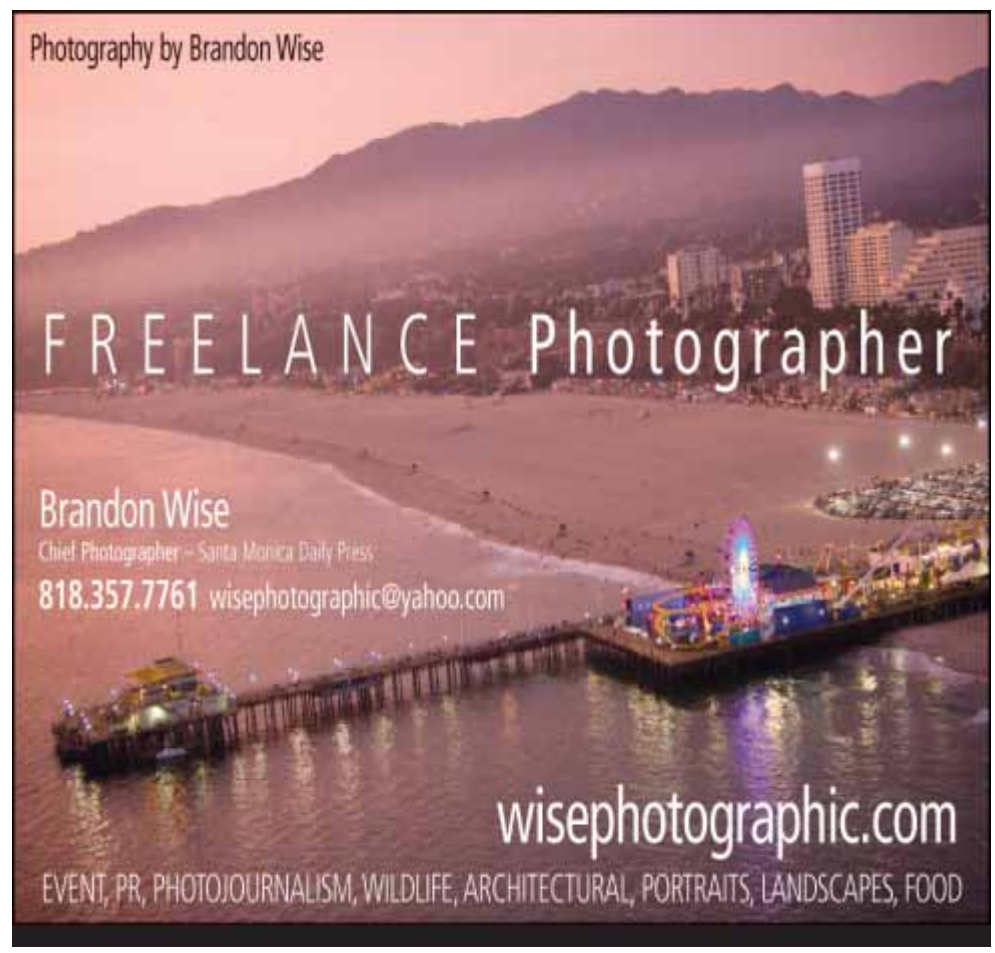
The beginners' program is designed to provide maximum exposure to the French language and culture in a short period of time. There are also intermediate and advanced levels. The price is about $297 for a six-week course and the classes meet for three hours at a time.

If you're worried about having to purchase a cumbersome textbook, you can stop now. You don't have to. Childs culls material from college textbooks that she has used in the past and provides each student with tear sheets.

"What I love most about France is that their society is not as stressed out. They respect the 30-hour working week and there is always time for family and friends, which are considered just as important. It's a more harmonious way to live," Childs said.

She wants to bring that joie de vivre to her students, helping them learn the language of love though community immersion, dining, shopping and socializing à la française!

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San Francisco high schoolers hold HIV-testing day

BY MARCUS WOHLSEN
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO By the time today's teenagers were old enough to read, new drugs were available that meant HIV was no longer a death sentence.

But with infections among youth and young adults in the U.S. still rising, one senior at The Urban School of San Francisco decided his peers needed more than just another classroom lesson.

Nearly all 75 members of the senior class got tested for HIV in the school gym Friday.

"A lot of kids have never thought about it," said Oliver Hamilton, 17, who organized the testing. "The goal . is to make HIV relevant."

The testing was voluntary, and organizers of the unusual event will not make any results public.

Tens of thousands of new HIV infections are diagnosed in the U.S. annually. Nearly a third of those involve youth and adults under 30, according to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention data.

Hamilton and the classmates he enlisted say it's important for teens to recognize that HIV/AIDS is their generation's disease, too — not just something that happened in the 1980s or afflicts only intravenous drug users and men who have sex with men.

Yet they also say that at a high school, any event that touches on such an intimate and often stigmatized health issue is a delicate endeavor.

In a class of just 75 students, news and gossip travel quickly.

"It's like CNN," said Daniel Alexander, 18. Of the HIV screening, he said, "It's definitely a test of our maturity."

Students attended forums in recent days to learn about HIV and the importance of respecting one another's privacy.

The students believe they're the first in U.S. to organize voluntary HIV testing for high school students, even though the CDC recommends that everyone ages 13 to 64 know their HIV status. Under California law, minors 12 and older can obtain testing and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases without their parents' permission.

Students at Urban signed their own consent forms to be tested. Administrators and students at the $32,000-per-year private school just a block off Haight Street say there was little friction with parents over the plan.

"It just made sense to me, especially considering the latest statistics with teens and this disease," said Diane Welch, co-president of the parents association at Urban. "It just makes sense that this generation start monitoring their HIV status as a regular part of their health care routine."

Students at Urban say setting an example that shows HIV testing in high schools can work is part of the incentive to handle the experience like adults. Though the test being used can provide same-day results, students and administrators agreed that they should receive their results in private and at home. They will hear via telephone or email on Tuesday.

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White House wants less gov't in mortgage system

BY DANIEL WAGNER & DEREK KRAVITZ
AP Business Writers

WASHINGTON The Obama administration wants to shrink the government's role in the mortgage system — a proposal that would remake decades of federal policy aimed at getting Americans to buy homes and would probably make home loans more expensive across the board.

The Treasury Department rolled out a plan Friday to slowly dissolve Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, the government-sponsored programs that bought up mortgages to encourage more lending and required bailouts during the 2008 financial crisis.

Exactly how far the government's role in mortgages would be reduced was left to Congress to decide, but all three options the administration presented would create a housing finance system that relies far more on private money.

"It's clear the administration wants the private sector to take a more prominent role in the mortgage rates, and in order for that to happen, mortgage rates have to go up," said Thomas Lawler, a housing economist in Virginia.

Abolishing Fannie and Freddie would rewrite 70 years of federal housing policy, from Fannie's creation as part of the New Deal to President George W. Bush's drive for an "ownership society" in the 2000s. It would transform how homes are bought and redefine who can afford them.

Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said the plan would probably not happen for at least five years and would proceed "very carefully." In the meantime, he said the companies would have the cash they need to meet their existing obligations.

"We think there's very broad consensus on the Hill and in the broader private market that there needs to be a transition to a much smaller role for the government," he said.

Ever since the housing market went bust and the country fell into a financial crisis, pressure has been building for the government to do away with Fannie and Freddie and reduce taxpayer exposure to risk.

Fannie and Freddie own or guarantee about half of all mortgages in the United States. Along with other federal agencies, they played some part in almost 90 percent of new mortgages over the past year.

The two agencies buy mortgage loans from primary lenders, pool them, and sell them with a guarantee that investors will be paid even if borrowers default. The idea is to give people a chance to buy homes at affordable interest rates.

But the two nearly collapsed in 2008, after the subprime mortgage market collapsed and defaults and foreclosures piled up. So far, they have cost taxpayers almost $150 billion and could cost up to $259 billion, the FHFA says.

The first option proposed by the administration would give the government no role beyond helping poorer and middle-class borrowers through agencies like the Federal Housing Administration, which provides insurance on mortgage loans. The second and third options would give the government a role as an insurer of mortgages, and each would prompt mortgage companies to pass along fees to borrowers.

Under one, the government would step in to guarantee private mortgages during a severe economic downturn, such as another housing slump, but would provide limited support during normal times.

The third option would be more complex. The government would insure a targeted range of mortgage investments that already are guaranteed by private insurers — serving as a "reinsurance" broker to those financing companies. In the event the private insurers couldn't pay the owners of the mortgage investments, the government insurance would pay.

The third option would leave the government with the largest role and probably have the smallest impact on mortgage rates. While lenders would have to pay fees, which would ordinarily drive rates higher, the government guarantees would also make mortgages a safer investment. That would attract more private money and hold rates down.

"Compared to the way things operated in the past, credit would be a little less easy to obtain, and the terms would be a little less attractive," said Nigel Gault, chief U.S. economist with IHS Global Insight.

This option would face sharp opposition from lawmakers. They fear that private lenders would inevitably take on too much risk if they had the government as a backstop. Democrats and consumer groups said they feared mortgage rates would soar if the housing finance system were left mainly to the private market, and that fewer people could afford traditional 30-year, fixed-rate mortgages. Mortgage rates today are rising but are still some of the lowest ever recorded. The national average for a 30-year, fixed loan is about 5 percent.

The changes would be felt by nearly everyone who applies for a mortgage, from first-time homebuyers to middle-aged buyers trading up for a bigger house to older buyers scaling back to a smaller home, said Joseph Murin, a former president of Ginnie Mae, the government-owned corporation that guarantees bonds backed by home mortgages.

Gault said there is an upside to making housing a less attractive investment: People who can't afford houses would be less likely to buy them, and might rent instead. Bankers would presumably lend more carefully.

Removing those buyers from the market could cause home prices to fall, however — which would help first-time buyers but hurt those who already own homes.

By sending Congress three proposals instead of a single recommendation, the administration sidesteps a politically delicate task that the new financial overhaul law left undone.

It also put pressure on Republicans in Congress, who have blamed Fannie and Freddie for the financial crisis but have yet to offer a viable plan for reforming them. Democrats control the Senate, so any new policy would have to be approved by a split Congress.



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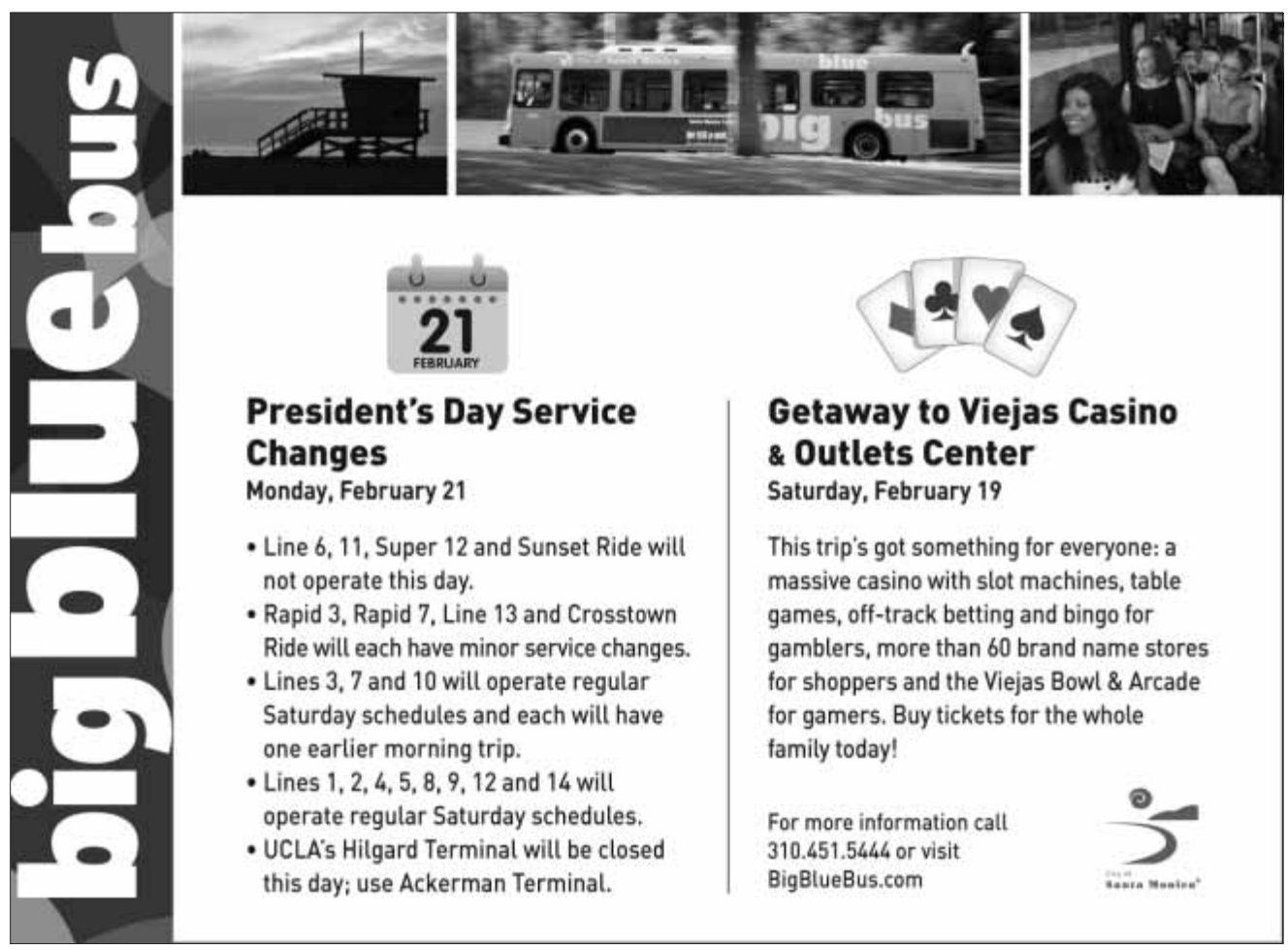
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Egyptians in US already looking toward the future

BY VERENA DOBNIK
The Associated Press

NEW YORK Waves of celebration rippled out of Egypt and washed onto America's shores Friday, with Egyptian-Americans already looking to the future after the departure of President Hosni Mubarak and his three decades of authoritarian rule.

Three weeks after protests began in Cairo, members of the nation's largest community of Egyptian-Americans gathered at mosques, near the Egyptian mission to the United Nations in Manhattan and in their cultural "capital" in Queens to mark the protesters' success.

"I feel freer than I've ever felt in my life, although I'm 10,000 miles away from my homeland," said Ashraf Abdelhalim, 47, on Manhattan's Upper East Side near one of New York's largest mosques.

Even living in America, he said, he still felt "the oppression and the fear" from Mubarak's reign. "Now the dictator is gone," he said.

Sherine El-Abd found herself sobbing with joy at her home in Clifton, N.J. A board member of the Washington-based nonprofit Arab American Institute, she predicted that the military in Egypt will "oversee a clean, democratic election."

"Listen, if the person with the thickest skin and the densest brain in the world — Mubarak — got the message the military gave him, the message is loud and clear," El-Abd said.

Ayman El-Sawa, an activist from Highlands, N.J., who has helped organize protests including one in Times Square, fielded more than 50 celebratory phone calls in just the first half hour after Mubarak shocked his homeland by finally crumbling and resigning.

"But we should celebrate with one eye — and keep the other eye open for the next step: We have to be sure the army agrees with all the people's demands and does not repeat history," he said.

Among the calls El-Sawa took at home was one cancelling a no-longer-needed protest on Saturday at the White House.

Instead, people met up near the mission or waved flags Friday after noon prayers on Steinway Street in Queens' Astoria neighborhood. Gatherings were also planned Friday in Dearborn, Mich., in the heart of the nation's largest Arab-American community; in Los Angeles; and near the Egyptian embassy in Washington.

Close to 60,000 Egyptian-Americans live in the New York area, according to government figures. Community members say there are really twice as many. Nearly 200,000 U.S. residents identify themselves as Egyptian, according to a 2009 survey by the Census Bureau.

Omar Zaki, a 44-year-old insurance agency owner who lives in Riverside, Calif., said he couldn't believe his eyes when he read the caption under the television images of jubilant protesters in Cairo's Tahrir Square.

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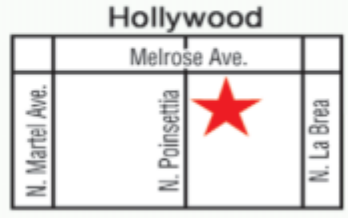
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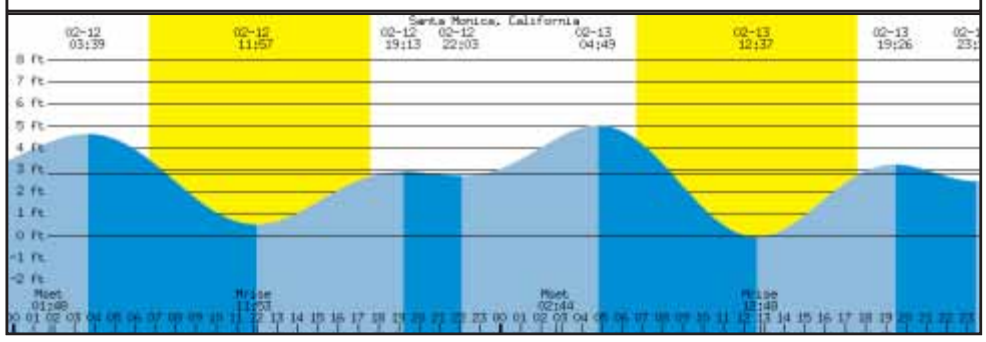
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LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A	B
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	B
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Las Alisa creeks.	A+	A+
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	B	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A	B
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A	A+
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	B	B
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	B	B
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A	C
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A	A+
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Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	A+	A+
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	A
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	F	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	D	D
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A	A+
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	A+
Tuna Canyon.	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	F	A+
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	A+
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LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	A+
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).	F	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	B
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	F	D
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	A	C
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	B
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	F
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Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	B
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	B
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Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	A	A
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North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty).	A+	D
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	B	A+
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	B	F

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
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MLB

Dodgers, Loney agree to 1-year deal for $4.8M

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES First baseman James Loney and the Los Angeles Dodgers have agreed to a one-year contract worth $4,875,000.

The club announced the deal Friday, avoiding arbitration. Loney had asked for $5.25 million and had been offered $4.7 million when players and teams exchanged proposed arbitration salaries last month.

Loney hit .267 with 10 homers and 88 RBIs last season, when he made $3.1 million. His average and on-base percentage dropped during a slump in the second half, when he hit .211.

He was the last player in arbitration for the Dodgers, who open spring training Wednesday in Glendale, Ariz.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Pac-10 to restructure officiating program

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. The Pac-10 has hired the former head of officiating for the NFL to restructure its football officiating program.

Commissioner Larry Scott announced Friday that longtime coordinator of officials Dave Cutaia is stepping down and Mike Pereira will replace him on an interim basis.

Scott says it's essential for the conference to improve its officiating. Pereira worked as a consultant for the conference this year and reviewed the officiating.

The conference will begin an immediate search for a permanent coordinator of officiating.



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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 Thursday, March 10th 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.

ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE:	**$2,500,000**
CONTRACT CALENDAR DAYS:	**180**
LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:	**$1,100 PER DAY**
COMPENSABLE DELAY:	**$650 PER DAY**

Contract Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's Finance website at: http://www01.smgov.net/finance/purchasing/. Additional information may be obtained on the City's website at http://www.smgov.net/engineering. 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.



MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
(310) 260-1528

Saturday, Feb. 12
Gone With the Wind (NR) 3hr 58min
7:30pm

Sunday, Feb. 13
Double Feature
Casablanca (NR) 1hr 42min
Double Indemnity (NR) 1hr 47min
7:30pm

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade
(310) 458-6232

Blue Valentine (NC-17) 1hr 54min
11:40am, 5:05pm, 10:15pm

Company Men (R) 1hr 53min
2:30pm, 7:45pm

True Grit (PG-13) 1hr 50min
11:20am, 1:55pm, 4:35pm, 7:15pm, 9:55pm

Rite (PG-13) 1hr 52min
11:15am, 2:00pm, 4:45pm, 7:30pm, 10:10pm

Green Hornet 3D (PG-13) 1hr 48min
1:20pm, 4:10pm, 7:00pm, 9:50pm

AMC Santa Monica 7
1310 Third St.
(310) 451-9440

Gnomeo & Juliet 3D (PG) 1hr 24min
11:30am, 1:50pm, 4:10pm, 6:30pm, 8:50pm

Just Go With It (PG-13) 1hr 50min
11:00am, 2:00pm, 5:00pm, 8:00pm, 11:00pm

No Strings Attached (R) 1hr 50min
11:10am, 1:45pm, 4:30pm, 7:15pm, 10:00pm

Sanctum 3D (R) 1hr 43min
11:05am, 1:40pm, 4:15pm, 7:00pm, 9:45pm

Black Swan (R) 1hr 50min
11:35am, 2:20pm, 5:05pm, 7:45pm, 10:30pm

Justin Bieber Never Say Never 3D (G) 1hr 45min
11:15am, 12:15pm, 2:05pm, 3:00pm, 4:45pm, 5:45pm, 7:30pm, 8:30pm, 10:15pm, 11:15pm

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
1332 Second St.
(310) 478-3836

Dogtooth (Kynodontas) (NR) 1hr 34min
4:30pm, 9:55pm

Carancho (Las heridas) (NR) 1hr 45min
1:50pm, 7:20pm

King's Speech (R) 1 hour 58 min
1:10pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:50pm

Another Year (PG-13) 2hrs 09min
1:10pm, 4:10pm, 7:10pm, 10:10pm

Biutiful (R) 2hrs 27min
1:20pm, 4:40pm, 8:00pm

Waste Land (NR) 1hr 38min
11:00am

Queen of the Lot (R) 1hr 54min
11:00am

Troubadours (NR) 1hr 41min
11:00am

Caligula Encore Screening From Paris Opera Ballet (NR)
10:30am

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Roommate (PG-13) 1hr 33min
12:30pm, 3:00pm, 5:30pm, 8:00pm, 10:30pm

Eagle (PG-13) 1hr 54min
10:50am, 1:40pm, 4:30pm, 7:20pm, 10:10pm

Just Go With It (PG-13) 1hr 50min
10:10am, 1:00pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 10:00pm

Mechanic (R) 1hr 40min
2:40pm, 5:15pm, 7:50pm, 10:25pm

Fighter (R) 1hr 54min
11:00am, 2:00pm, 4:55pm, 7:45pm, 10:40pm

From Prada to Nada (PG-13) 1hr 47min
12:05pm

Gnomeo & Juliet (PG) 1hr 24min
10:00am, 12:20pm, 2:40pm, 5:05pm, 7:30pm, 9:50pm

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

Distance yourself, Pisces

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ As hard as you work, you certainly deserve some relaxing or fun time. You unwind while simply catching up on others' news. You might have an errand or two to accomplish, but after this week, the pace seems easy. Tonight: Catch up with friends for dinner.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Sometimes our need to change our mood could encourage some wild indulgences. You are no different, Taurus. In fact, you might be more prone to this type of behavior than many. Let go of your concerns, knowing all the worry in the world won't make it better. Tonight: Time to treat.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You seem to bloom with the slowing of the pace, or rather the quickening of your social pace. Others come toward you. Someone quite close makes you feel valued and special. Be willing to share your feelings more openly, with less intellectualization! Tonight: All smiles. The world is your oyster.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★ You might want to slow down. An easy day playing couch potato, reading a good book and perhaps fitting in a snooze or two fits the bill perfectly. Recharge by detaching from various issues. Lighten up about a difficult person. Tonight: Not to be found.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Understanding evolves to a new level. You see situations a lot differently when relaxed. Spontaneity marks your actions, often adding a certain unique pizzazz. Reorganize your plans if need be, but free yourself up. Tonight: Where you are there is a party.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Don't feel intimidated by what is happening. You need to stay on top of your responsibilities. Some of you will be checking in on an older relative or friend. Others follow your example, especially when you are out and about. They like your style. Tonight: A must appearance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ A call or an offer to take off at the last minute might be too appealing to say "no" to. You probably need to re-organize your day. Others appreciate hearing from you, in any case. Many people now are willing to express their affection. Tonight: Opt for something different.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Make plans to be with one special person at a time. On some level, you might be frivolous right now. Your high energy combined with not too much work results in a great deal of silliness and a sense of freedom. Others appreciate your attention. Tonight: Add that extra magic to a situation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Others seem to be full of energy. You can easily relate to a child or a friend who is in touch with his or her inner child. Opportunities for getting together should be grabbed. Be careful dealing with your finances. You still might not be on top of a situation. Tonight: Go with another's suggestion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You could be changing more than you realize. A disparity between you and your friends might become more and more distinct. For now, remain still and observe. Your choices and direction might not be complete. Tonight: Get together with friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Within you lies a wild child who could easily break through when you least expect it. Keep communication flowing. Be optimistic about a neighbor or sibling. This person will be able to clear out a problem. Take some alone time. Take a walk by yourself. Tonight: Paint the town red.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Your circle of friends could be changing, or someone within your circle of friends could be unusually controlling. You might want to distance yourself some and not get involved in another person's problem. Try to walk in his or her shoes. Tonight: Order in.

Happy birthday

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

This year, you simply seem to have more fun. Your sense of humor often blends with your creativity. This combo can produce something unique. Often you feel uncomfortable alone and will seek out friends. If you are in an artistic field, this year could be important to your work. If you are single, you don't need to maintain that status. Many people would like to be yours. If you are attached, some of you might decide to take that special trip or go on a second honeymoon. GEMINI is full of fun and games.



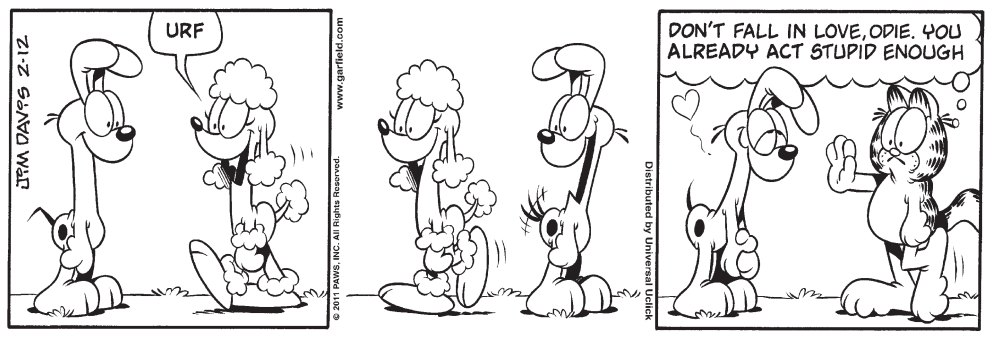
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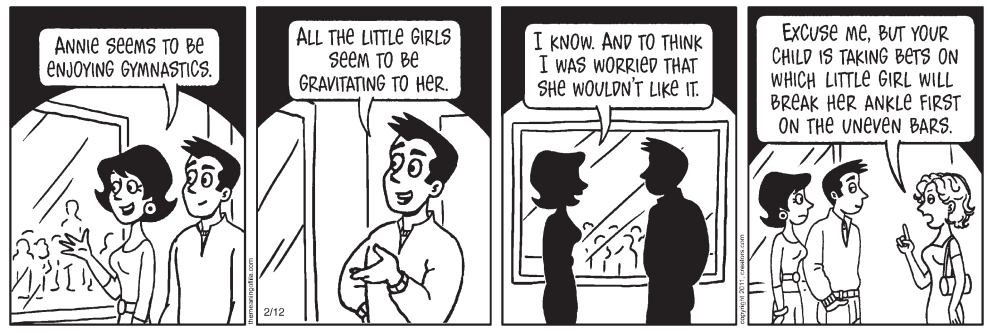
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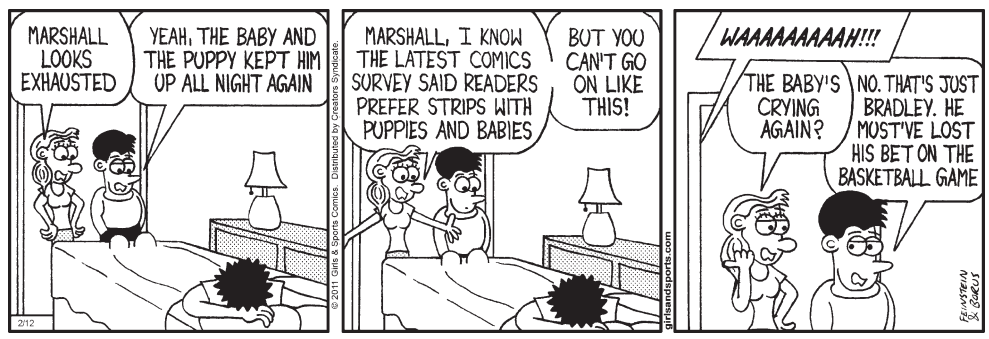
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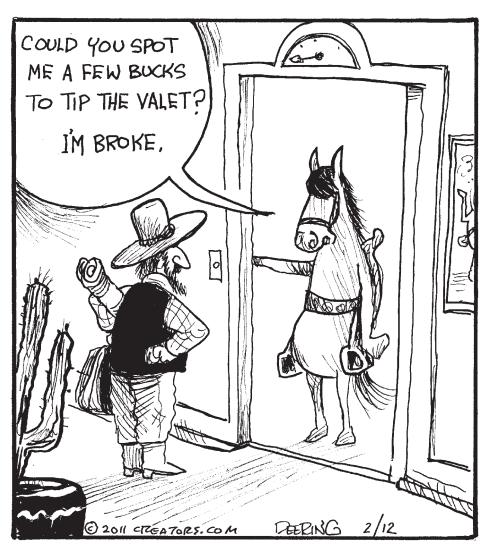
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By John Deering



Speed Bump

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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 ★★★★

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

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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

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



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Forms
7 Crones
11 Guam export
12 Throw off
13 Sworn
14 Company symbol
15 Shore fliers
16 Man of Madrid
17 "— Perpetua" (Idaho motto)
18 Rigid bracelet
19 Linen source
21 Grassy clump
22 The Titanic needed more of them
25 Outlaw
26 Left
27 Friend of Porthos
29 Kismet
33 "The Plague" writer
34 Try to pick up
35 Iowa city
36 Ghoulish
37 Shopping aid
38 Reduced
39 Minus
40 Made moist

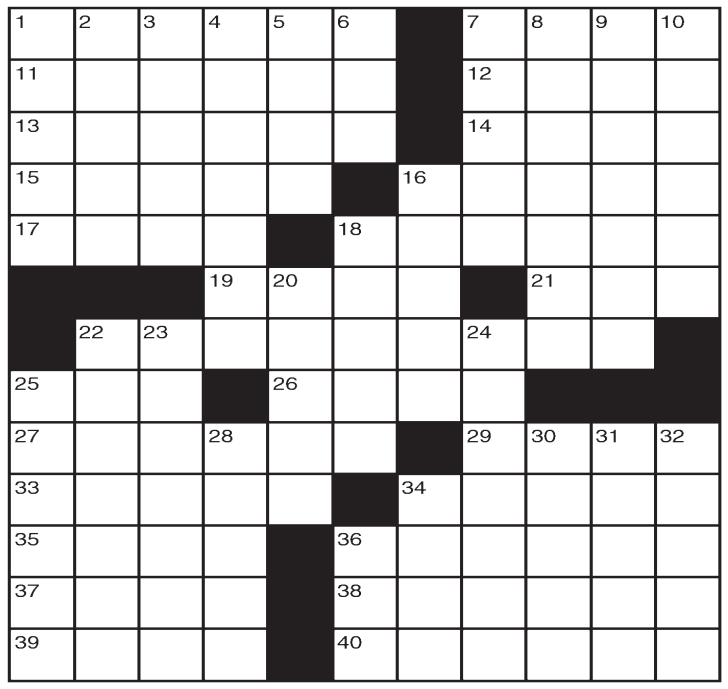
DOWN

1 Outpouring
2 Rich folks
3 Left on a liner
4 Get rid of
5 Peepers
6 Blue
7 Daughter of Leda
8 In the middle of
9 Paid escorts
10 Put away
16 Anglo- —
18 Innocent ones
20 Narnia's creator
22 University of Wyoming site
23 Botched up
24 Originally
25 Bogie's love
28 Requirements
30 Up
31 Linen fabric
32 Called off
34 Sharpen
36 Cut hay

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Yesterday's answer

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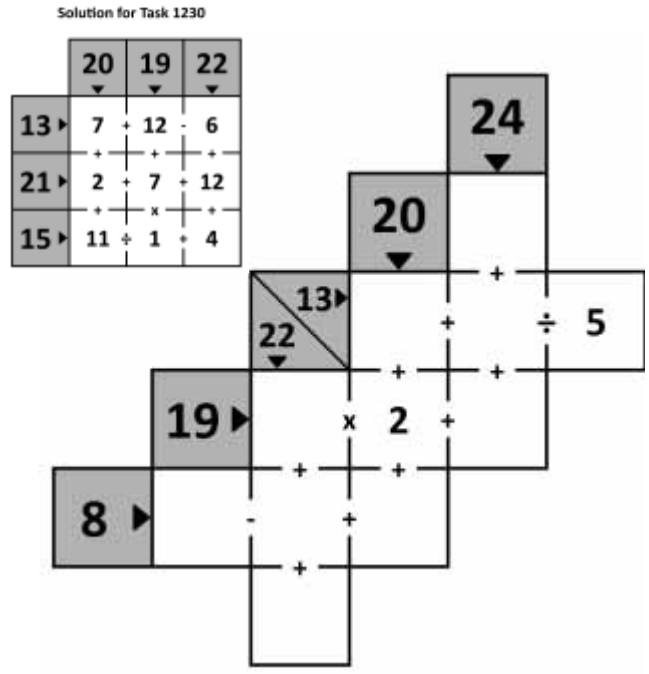
• The numbers you insert into the grid must satisfy the Equa demands both horizontally and vertically.

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Fill in the empty fields with the given numbers so when calculated together they satisfy all Equas in the gray boxes:

3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 10, 11, 11, 11

Solution for Task 1230



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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ "Ashley," attacked at age 15 by a counselor in a New York City lockup, finally received justice in September when the counselor pleaded guilty to that assault and two others. (Ashley had been in the lockup for lying on a police report and served one year in juvenile detention.) The counselor's guilty pleas came in a deal with the prosecutor, for which he was "punished" by a probation-only sentence, according to an October New York Daily News story. Thus, Ashley was locked up after the rape; the rapist remains forever free.

■ "H.S.," a high school cheerleader in Silsbee, Texas, claimed sexual assault in October 2008 by a classmate-athlete, who a year later was indicted (and pleaded guilty to simple assault, receiving a suspended sentence). In February 2009, while the attacker was still denying culpability, H.S., though cheering for the team at a basketball game, refused to specifically cheer for her attacker and was kicked off the squad. A federal judge and appeals court subsequently ruled that H.S. had no right to withhold her cheering (though the attacker's right to falsely claim innocence remained inviolate).

■ The epicenter of California's January (1994) "Northridge" earthquake was five miles from the United States's then-largest egg farm, where hens had produced their usual 1 million eggs in the hours before the quake hit. The damage to the farm was a snapped water line, toppled empty egg pallets and a total of one broken egg. Said manager Robert Wagner to his employees, "We had a 6.6 earthquake that broke less eggs than you guys do when we're working."

TODAY IN HISTORY

1909 The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is founded.

1912 The Xuantong Emperor, the last Emperor of China, abdicates.

1914 In Washington, D.C., the first stone of the Lincoln Memorial is put into place.

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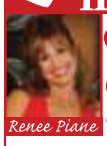
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2 Bed , 2.5 Bath
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Ocean View Condo on Ocean Avenue!



515 Ocean Avenue
507 South
3 Bed , 2.5 Bath
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2415 33rd Street
4 Bed , 3 Bath
$1,595,000
Open Sunday
February 13th
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Perfect Home to Expand in Sunset Park!



2310 31st Street
2 Bed , 1 Bath
$795,000
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934 2nd Street #3
2 Bed , 2.5Bath
$ 939,000
Open Sunday
February 13th
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Just Reduced! Ocean View Condo!



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#605 South
2 Bed , 2.5Bath
$ 1,399,000
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	Single Family Homes	Condos & Townhomes
Santa Monica Canyon	$2,125,000	$2,347,000
North of Montana	$3,087,500	$1,295,000
Between Wilshire & Montana	$1,990,000	$790,000
South of Wilshire	$775,000	$470,000
Sunset Park	$990,000	$552,000
Ocean Park	$1,295,000	$480,000
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1520 16th Street #101
2 Bed, 2 Bath + Loft
$899,000
Gorgeously Updated!
Open Sunday
February 13th
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

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New Listing!

1724 Cedar Street
3 Bed, 2 Bath
$1,299,000
Photos & Virtual Tour & Floor Plan Coming Soon!
Open House Tuesday, February 22nd
11:00 am - 2:00 pm

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Four New Construction TownHomes!



1814 12th Street

Unit 1	$859,000
Unit 2	$839,000
Unit 3	$839,000
Unit 4	$799,000

All Units have 3 Bedrooms 2.5 Baths



Rooftop Decks & Custom Kitchens

Open House
Saturday & Sunday
February 12th & 13th
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Open Saturday &Sunday!

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