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THE HISTORICAL WIN ISSUE

Council approves airport study

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL The City Council gave the green light to a study that represents the first step in a process to determine the future of the Santa Monica Airport in 2015 after its agreement with the federal government expires.

Council members approved the $79,750 contract with HR&A Associates, a Santa Monica-based firm, to examine the first phase of the three-part venture at the council meeting Tuesday.

In that first phase, the company will examine the economic impacts of the airport as it runs today, including the businesses that run on airport property and any ancillary impacts, like extra jobs or economic activity that arise from airport employees spending money locally.

The RAND Corporation and PointC will also work on the project.

It's a complex model to build, said Airport Director Bob Trimborn, but necessary to have a clear picture of how the airport fits within the community.

"We're going to rely on them to help us create the process for the vision of the future of the airport," he said. "It's an art form, but its also very specific on what you need to do."

The study is expected to take eight months. Once compiled, the information will be used as a launching point for several months of public meetings in order to build an image of what the citizens of Santa Monica want out of the airport in the future.

According to the staff's report to the council, the results of phases one and two will be brought back before the council in February 2012 for consideration.

The airport has never undergone such a

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LEGENDARY: **Samohi's Bianka Balthazar was a force against Long Beach Poly on Wednesday.**

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Samohi dispatches Long Beach Poly on way to semi-finals

BY SLAV KANDYBA
Special to the Daily Press

LONG BEACH Bianka Balthazar's inspired play led Santa Monica High School's girls' basketball team over national powerhouse and defending champion Long Beach Poly Wednesday night, as the Long Beach State-bound forward sunk a free throw with .4 seconds left on the clock to secure her team's 57-56 victory.

Samohi's three NCAA Division 1-bound stars, Moriah Faulk, Balthazar and Kristina "KJ" Johnson scored a combined 42 points of the team's 57 (Balthazar 17, Faulk 15 and Johnson 10) but it was tough defense and hustle to the offensive boards from Briana Harris and Ahmani Fatari-Daniels that paved the way for the Vikings to shut down the Jackrabbits when it mattered.

Balthazar had four blocks and rebounded well on both ends of the court. When Faulk went to the bench in the third quarter with four fouls. It was Fatari-Daniels who played big minutes in her absence, something that Faulk was quick to acknowledge following the game.

"I just knew they'd step up when I got in [foul] trouble," Faulk said. "They never stopped playing … That's why we won this game."

The hard-fought upset of the Jackrabbits, who defeated the Vikings (22-8; 8-2) earlier this season in a non-league game, means Samohi head coach Marty Verdugo's team is still in the running to repeat as CIF-Southern Section champs, this time in the tougher Division 1AA.

"This is one of the best feelings of my life," Verdugo said. "I can't say how proud I am of these girls."

But, before the team can consider a repeat

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Police advise community to keep eye out for transient

DAILY PRESS STAFF

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY The Santa Monica Police Department issued an advisory Thursday that a man convicted of committing lewd acts with minors has been seen in the area.

Aaron Montgomery, a 6-foot-1 white male weighing 160 pounds with brown hair and blue eyes, is a transient that often wears black clothing including a trench coat and a belt with many



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Saturday, Feb. 26, 2011

An Afternoon with Dolen Perkins-Valdez
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 2 p.m.
Meet the author of this year's Citywide Reads selection, "Wench." Dolen Perkins-Valdez will be on hand to read from and discuss the work set during the Civil War. For more information, visit www.smpl.org.

'The Threepenny Opera'
Santa Monica High School
610 Pico Blvd., 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Samohi's Theater Department presents the classic musical "The Threepenny Opera." With classic songs like "Mack the Knife" and "Pirate Jenny," this gripping musical grapples with the bourgeois capitalism and modern morality prevalent in Victorian London. This show runs through March 4. For more information, visit www.samohitheatre.org.

Wrenching on your ride
Santa Monica Museum of Art
2525 Michigan Ave., 11 a.m. — 1 p.m.
Tour SMMoA and participate in a bike maintenance workshop with local bike cooperative Bikerowave. Following the class there will be a mini-ride with Cyclists Inciting Change thru Live Exchange (C.I.C.L.E.). For information, visit smmoa.org

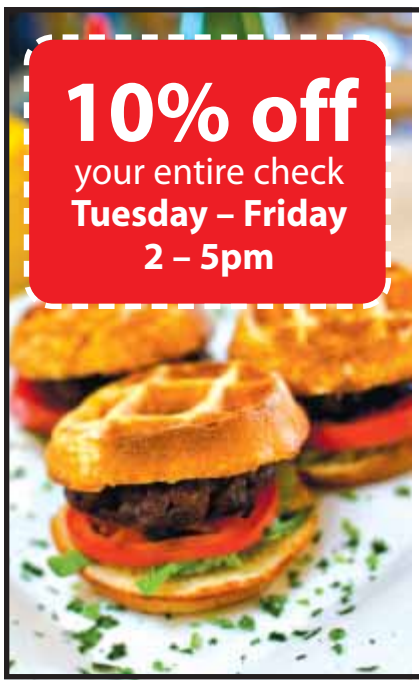
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Santa Monica's Resource Recovery & Recycling Division encourages residents to bring clean and dry textiles and carpets to this collection event.

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SO CLEAN: **The Santa Monica Water Treatment plant uses three banks of filters at any given time, which treat up to 6 million gallons of water a day.**

City leaders celebrate opening of water treatment facility

Santa Monica expected to be self-sufficient by 2020

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

WEST L.A. City staff and notables celebrated the opening of the Santa Monica Water Treatment plant Thursday with an ambitious new goal — to make Santa Monica self-sufficient for water by 2020.

The event marked the end of a 15-year saga that began when methyl tert-butyl ether, or MTBE, was found in the water supply, the result of leaking pipes from nearby gas stations.

The chemical contaminated seven of the 11 water wells that served city residents, cutting the local water supply in half.

It forced City Hall to purchase water from the Metropolitan Water District, a northern California concern that transported the water hundreds of miles before it arrived in Santa Monica taps.

An arduous court process resulted in a total of $250 million across two settlements between the city and the culpable companies, as well as the design of a plant capable of removing MTBE from the water.

Some of that money paid for the imported water, but approximately $100 million of that was appropriated for the high-tech facility that began providing water to the city Dec. 4, 2010.

"There is a palpable sense of excitement," said City Manager Rod Gould.

The plant uses two different filtration systems to optimize both the cleanliness of the water and the lifetime of the facility.

First, water from the Charnock Wells, located 3.5 miles from the site, is pumped from 400 feet beneath the ground.

It then travels to the facility, located just outside the city's border in West L.A., on Bundy Drive.

Water passes through a series of large green tanks filled with "greensand," a substance that removes iron and manganese that would otherwise clog up the expensive filters that complete the purification.

Myriam Cardenas, Santa Monica's chief water chemist, said each of the greensand tanks are 40 feet long and weigh 60 tons while empty.

Water is also sent to a series of 16-foot-tall tanks filled with 20,000 pounds of granular activated carbon, or GAC, which acts as another filter before being sent to the actual treatment plant.

The treatment plant consists of four

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Storm likely to bring snow to local mountains

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LOS ANGELES Forecasters say a cold front that originated in Canada and is moving down the West Coast will likely bring significant snowfall to Southern California's mountains.

The National Weather Service says rain and and snow down to 4,000 feet will arrive in San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties Friday morning and reach Ventura and Los Angeles counties later.

Meteorologists say a southwest wind will enhance rainfall rates Friday night, especially along south-facing mountain slopes.

A very cold and unstable air mass behind the front will bring a threat of showers, possible thunderstorms and brief heavy downpours into Saturday. Forecasters say hail, gusty winds and waterspouts are also possible.

Snow levels are predicted to fall dramatically behind the front, as low as 500 feet north of Point Conception and to 1,000 feet south of the point. The Santa Monica Mountains above Malibu may even see snow.

229 collectives enter medical marijuana lottery

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES More than 200 medical marijuana collectives have applied to be in a lottery that will select 100 legal dispensaries in Los Angeles.

The city clerk's office said Thursday that 229 collectives submitted forms by the Feb. 18 deadline.

The lottery is the city's latest attempt to lower the number of dispensaries and separate legal from illegal ones.

It's unclear when the lottery will be held. The clerk's office must first review the forms to determine whether the applicants meet the criteria to be included in the drawing.

The collectives must submit proof that they've been in business since Sept. 14, 2007 and have at least one of the same operators since that time. City officials said they believe that fewer than 135 collectives can meet the requirements.

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Spare the secrecy

Editor:

Your article about the school district made me wonder what is going on with our leadership ("SMMUSD supe warns against 'sabotage,'" Feb. 24, 2011, page 1). First, Superintendent [Tim] Cuneo sends out "confidential" memos impugning the motives of parents who have given thousands of hours of their lives trying to ensure that our special education students are getting appropriate and consistent instruction. Then school board member Ben Allen defends the practice of "confidential" memos and says he is upset that fellow board members leaked this one.

What sort of secret ops world does Mr. Allen think he's living in? The school district isn't a private club, it's a public institution. The school board members take no secrecy oath, nor should they. If the superintendent has concerns he should be free to express them and the community should be free to know what they are. That is healthy public process. I hope Mr. Allen comes to understand that and keeps it in mind when selecting out next superintendent.

John Petz
Santa Monica



SMDP EDITORIAL

Restoring public trust

The Daily Press was impressed by City Manager Rod Gould's sobering report on the Santa Monica Police Department's disastrous investigation of school board member Oscar de la Torre, who, if you don't know by now, was caught on camera at a fist fight between two high school students. The question was, did de la Torre step in and break up the fight soon enough, or did he let it continue as part of an old-school, conflict resolution strategy where two people solve their problems by duking it out. Ultimately, de la Torre was investigated for possible child endangerment. Prosecutors declined to file charges.

We feel confident that Gould, who took full responsibility for the questionable tactics used by the lead investigator, and Police Chief Tim Jackman will begin implementing the seven recommendations made by the Office of Independent Review, which studied the de la Torre investigation at the request of the city manager and found serious problems with the way in which the lead investigator dealt with witnesses and wrote his final report. Gould and Jackman have committed to delivering a progress report within 90 days.

We were also pleased that members of the council expressed their concerns with the investigation, with City Councilman Kevin McKeown saying the OIR report was the most difficult material on Santa Monica he has ever had to read. Council members were upset, and rightfully so.

While the OIR report found that nothing illegal occurred and no evidence was planted, the way in which the lead investigator, Sgt. Dave Thomas, went about his job is reprehensible and he should be severely disciplined along with those who were supposed to be supervising his actions. From what the OIR report stated, Thomas had to answer to only one person, hardly the oversight needed for such a high-profile case involving a public official who has been on record criticizing the police department. Jackman and his command staff dropped the ball.

And why was Thomas' report written in a way that was based more on opinion than fact? Why was it written differently than the standard format as the OIR report said? Thomas is supposed to be one of the SMPD's top investigators. How could he veer so far from the typical police report, where just the facts are presented? Was he having an off day? Or was there a sinister motive, as de la Torre and his supporters believe? And who was the person responsible for sending Superintendent Tim Cuneo a copy of the video that sparked the investigation, and a note essentially accusing de la Torre of encouraging violence so that he can get more funding for the Pico Youth & Family Center, an after-school program he runs?

Many questions will most likely never be answered. The important thing is Gould and Jackman have promised publicly to make changes within the department to ensure that the public trust is restored and that the SMPD can continue to serve this community at a high level. Another critical step is to foster a stronger relationship between de la Torre, the youth center and the SMPD. While de la Torre may irk some people, at least he is doing the difficult, and sometimes dangerous, work of trying to keep kids away from gangs and drugs. The police, through their work at the Police Activities League, are trying to accomplish the same thing. de la Torre and the SMPD should be working together, not fighting each other.



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Ike Eisenhower had it right

LATELY, THE BIG NEWS FROM WASHINGTON D.C., and state houses across the country, is budget cuts. Under attack are programs such as food stamps, school nutrition and even veterans' medical benefits. And yet, curiously, we always find money for war. Dwight Eisenhower had some thoughts on the subject and, as a former general, he would have known.

As Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces in WWII, Ike led the victory over Hitler. In 1952, he was elected the 34th President of the U.S. on the GOP ticket. At his farewell address on Jan. 17, 1961 he issued a warning that went almost entirely overlooked. (Go to YouTube and type "Eisenhower Farewell Address.")

Ike spoke of the imminent danger of the military industrial complex. Essentially, he foresaw that lobbyists for munitions and related industries could control Congress which would then be pre-disposed to lead us into unnecessary wars. (Why does that sound so familiar?)

So, you can see why I have to laugh (or cry) every time I hear right-wing politicians harangue about cutting budgets. The vast majority of them voted for the Iraq war, which made Ike's warning downright prescient.

The eventual cost of the Iraq War is estimated by numerous economists as between $3 trillion and $5 trillion! (That's trillion with a "t.") But, on a daily basis, we're told by House Speaker John Boehner or Sarah Palin, it's monies spent on schools, Planned Parenthood and the environment that are ruining our economy. (Personally, Boehner can say anything he wants if he'd just not cry those crocodile tears.)

When Ike was president the Republican Party stood for fiscal responsibility. Those days are long gone. The last GOP president to balance a federal budget was Nixon in 1969! In foreign affairs many in the GOP advocated isolationism. This, as opposed to going thousands of miles to fight two wars, one possibly illegal, both clearly unwinable.

The GOP of the 50s didn't have "birthers," neo-cons or the Tea Party. They did have a powerful, alcoholic demagogue, Sen. Joe McCarthy, and his infamous Communist witch hunts. But eventually his own party helped censure McCarthy whose decline and disgrace was relatively swift. Oh, but how I wish the same for Limbaugh, O'Reilly, Beck, Hannity and Palin.

Actually, I take that back about Sarah. As you may recall, the former Governor of Alaska inexplicably quit in the middle of her term. She also suggested that she could practically see Russia from her front porch. (Assuming she could, how did that qualify her for anything?)

Frankly, I long to see Sarah win the GOP presidential nomination. Then again, I long to see the Dodgers win the World Series and neither seems likely in my lifetime.

When Ike made his startling farewell address, it was the end of what many considered America's "golden age," the 1950s. While it wasn't terribly "golden" for minorities, or women's rights or those of the disabled, the decade is remembered as being idyllic. The country had survived the Great Depression and WWII and now was about to experience an era of prosperity and bliss.

During the '50s families bought homes in record numbers. A father, especially if he had a union job, could afford to support his family on just his income. And his kids could go to public universities where tuitions were low. This will make me sound like I attended UCLA in a horse and buggy, but I remember paying $75 a semester. These days, just to park one's car is triple that amount.

For most of America's history a college education had been primarily for the elite and generally only males. But after WWII it was available to all who qualified. Recently, because of budget crises, tuitions have skyrocketed. These days, to get a college degree a student has to have rich parents, or a scholarship, or get student loans that will leave them saddled with debt for years. (But did I mention that we always seem to have money for war?)

In the '50s, the middle class was strong and the difference between rich and poor relatively narrow. The average CEO earned approximately 20 times the average worker. Today, the middle class is vanishing before our eyes while the average CEO's salary is often 400 times or more than that of his workers. Meanwhile the gap between rich and poor is almost what it was during the Depression and is getting wider. (Well, at least the banks are prospering.)

Actually, my parents voted for Adlai Stevenson, not Ike. And, young as I was, I never cared for Eisenhower's policies. (Nor his VP, Richard Nixon!) But on January day in 1961 Ike opened my eyes. I just watched his farewell address again on YouTube. Curiously, while Ike ominously warned us about the military industrial complex, he didn't say a word about food stamps.

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The Q Line

Safe on the streets

There has been talk lately that Santa Monica's streets could stand to be safer for bike riders and pedestrians.

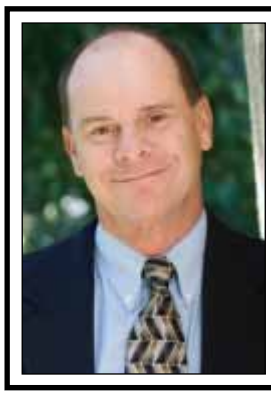
So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
What would you do to make the streets safe for all parties involved?

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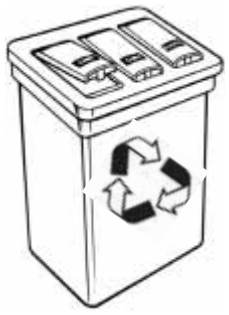
Santa Monica officers responded to the 1200 block of 23rd Street regarding a burglary. Upon arrival, officers were advised by the victim that he was inside of his residence when he heard his dog barking. He had left the door partially open for his dog to enter the front yard. As the victim came downstairs, he noticed that the door was partially closed more than he had left it. He went to go outside and noticed his shoes were missing. When he went outside, he saw his security gate closed and a subject looking at something in his hands. He confronted the subject and saw that the suspect was holding his shoes. When confronted, the suspect apologized and said his shoes were "shot." The victim started to call the police. The suspect dropped the shoes and fled. Officers located the suspect, David Schneider, 33, a transient in Santa Monica, a short distance away and booked him for burglary. His bail was set at $50,000.

FRIDAY, FEB. 18, AT 7:10 P.M.

Officers responded to the 800 block of Montana Avenue regarding a female unconscious in a vehicle. Upon arrival, officers observed a female sitting behind a vehicle. When officers located the individual, they attempted to wake her. After several attempts, the female acknowledged the officers. Upon talking with the female, they observed symptoms that she was impaired. After further investigation, officers believed the suspect was under the influence of an opiate. Officers arrested the suspect, Beverly Chung Thorbus, 59, Beverly Hills, for being under the influence of narcotics. Her bail was set at $250.

THURSDAY, FEB. 17, AT 4 A.M.

Officers responded to the 1500 block of Lincoln Boulevard – Denny's – regarding a group of people who left without paying for their meal. Officers checked the area but were unable to locate them. Officers went back and talked to the waitress who served the suspects. As officers were talking to the waitress, another patron advised he could not pay for his meal of $16.43. Officers arrested the suspect, Damion Bradbury, 24, Inglewood, for defrauding an innkeeper and a probation violation. His bail was set at $10,000.

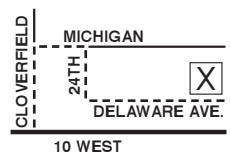


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CRIME WATCH
BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16, AT 3:30 P.M.

Officers responded to the 200 block of Pico Boulevard —Bay Shore Bowl — regarding a theft that just occurred. The victim stated that he walked up to the second floor and saw the suspect exiting the office with his hands in his jacket pockets. The victim confronted the suspect who stated he was looking for the manager. When advised the manager was not upstairs, the suspect rapidly walked away. The victim started to follow and the suspect fled the location. The victim checked the office and noticed that his wallet had its contents removed (money and credit cards). The victim quickly canceled his cards and was immediately advised that someone was trying to use them. The subject was gone when officers arrived. The next day, officers were flagged down by citizens who said the suspect from the burglary was outside of the bowling alley. Officers located the suspect and arrested him for burglary. He was identified as Henry Washington, 42, Santa Monica. He was booked for burglary. His bail was set at $20,000.

THURSDAY, FEB. 17, AT 5:20 P.M.

Officers received a call from Santa Monica College Police advising they were en route to a call of a male assaulting a female at 17th Street and Pico Boulevard. Upon arrival, officers were advised that the suspect and victim, who recently broke up were in an argument over property. The victim stated that the suspect wanted headphones he had left at her residence. She said that she left them out for the suspect to pick them up, but they were gone. The suspect then wanted her phone that he bought her for Christmas. She said that it was rightfully hers. The suspect then pushed her against a wall and then to the ground in an attempt to snatch the phone. Citizens and police eventually broke up the altercation. The suspect, identified as Christopher Woods, 24, Palmdale, was booked for attempted robbery, assault and a probation violation. His bail was set at $50,000.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16, AT 12:50 P.M.

Officers responded to Parking Structure No. 4 regarding a vehicle burglary. Officers were advised that a suspect had entered a vehicle and was putting items into a red sedan with an Oregon license plate. The victim had advised officers that her vehicle had been entered by someone who had slit the roof of her car and took items. Officers observed the vehicle driving eastbound on Santa Monica Boulevard. Officers conducted a traffic stop. Further investigation revealed that missing items from the victim's vehicle were inside the car. Officers arrested the suspect, Deborah Dekema, 48, Santa Monica, for burglary, possession of stolen property, a probation violation and a warrant for vehicle theft. She was not eligible for bail.

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WATER
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banks of filtration. Only three are operating at any given time, with the fourth standing by in case one of the others fails or needs maintenance, Cardenas said.

Water gets pushed through three rounds of filtration in order to get the most water at the end of the process. The system captures 82 percent of the water that goes in, Cardenas said.

Plant operators then add chemicals back into the water, such as fluoride for dental health or sulfuric acid to balance pH levels.

The plant represents not only a huge amount of work on the part of city staff, it also stands as a promise to residents of self-sufficiency and self-reliance.

Forced use of MWD water when the contamination was first discovered meant being subject to political whims and resource shortfalls, said Water Resources Manager Gil Barboa.

With the new treatment facility online as of December 2010, Santa Monica will never have to cede local control over the vital resource, Barboa said.

Today, the plant produces approximately 70 percent of the water residents use.

City staff believe it will be possible to be 100 percent self-sufficient by 2020, and will present methods of achieving that high goal at a March City Council meeting.

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thorough analysis in its long history, Trimborn said.

"It's been here since 1917," he said. "It's one more chapter in its 100 years."

The post 2015-era holds great significance for both supporters and detractors of the airport.

City officials believe it could be the year that it will regain a measure of control over the fate of the airport, which is otherwise heavily controlled by agreements with the FAA.

Other citizen groups hope for drastic changes.

Marty Rubin, of the Concerned Residents Against Airport Pollution, was invited to participate in the process.

His group has expressed concerns about the effects of the pollution generated by the airplanes on people living in homes adjacent to the airport.

The scope of the study leaves room for a variety of opinions to be aired, including the possibility of shutting down the airport altogether, which Rubin believes would benefit Santa Monica both in economic and environmental terms.

"To me, it seems like a no-brainer, but we'll see what the studies come up with," Rubin said.

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SAMOHI
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title, the Vikings will have to beat a vaunted Mater Dei squad in the semi-finals at Anaheim Arena on Tuesday. The Vikings couldn't dislodge Mater Dei at home in January, taking a 70-54 loss.

Throughout the regular season, Verdugo stayed on message that playing top competition would allow his team to become familiar with its opponents in time for a rematch. Still, the coach prepared his squad specifically for Long Beach Poly's play.

"We worked on not letting them down the lane," Verdugo said. "We talked about [the possibility that] someone would have to be at the free-throw line" to win the game.

The game-changing play came with about 5 minutes left in the fourth quarter. Long Beach Poly's Sheila Boykin dribbled down the middle of the lane for a lay-up, but Balthazar was in position to take a charge and the referee called it in her favor. The defensive play swung the momentum of the game, tied 47-47 at the time, in Samohi's favor.

"Charges change the game," Verdugo said.

Balthazar, whose late-game heroics and solid play on both ends of the court propelled her team to victory against a hard-nosed opponent, was tepid in her response regarding the Mater Dei rematch.

"We just have to look at it as the next step," she said.

Samohi plays Mater Dei at the Anaheim Arena Tuesday at 4:45 p.m.. The winner will move on to the CIF-SS Div. 1AA title game.



VIKINGS CELEBRATE

SAMOHI LOOKS FOR ROOTERS

Santa Monica High School officials are organizing a pair of rooter buses for a CIF-SS semi-final matchup between the girls' basketball team and Mater Dei.

The game will take place Tuesday at the Anaheim Arena at 4:45 p.m. The Vikings were succesful in gathering 250 fans for a quarter-final matchup against Long Beach Poly on Wednesday. They are trying to organize twice that number this time around.

For more information, contact Assistant Coach Marisa Silvestri at msilvestri@smmusd.org.

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DANIEL ARCHULETA contributed to this report.

ADVISORY
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tools.

His primary mode of transportation is a bicycle.

Montgomery attracts his victims by engaging them in conversation and then offering them a business card. His convictions stem from activities in the West Los Angeles and Santa Monica areas.

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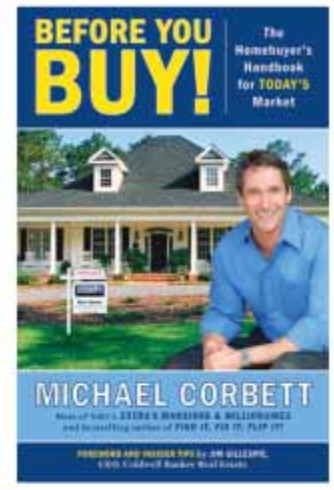
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Metro buying L.A.'s Union Station for $75 million

DAISY NGUYEN
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES The county Metropolitan Transportation Authority said Thursday it has negotiated a deal to buy land in and around historic Union Station for $75 million, giving the agency the right to develop real estate around the downtown transportation hub.

The purchase from Catellus, a subsidiary of real estate investment trust ProLogis, includes 38 acres and nearly 6 million square feet of entitlements.

The deal will allow the Metropolitan Transportation Authority to make investments in the station that will help it accommodate ridership increases and "anticipated future arrival of high speed rail," said Don Knabe, a county supervisor and chairman of the MTA board.

Last month, the California High-Speed Rail Authority announced it would contribute $30 million toward the purchase, thereby giving it the rail right of way and the flexibility to design a station on the property. However, authority needed approval from state Public Works board, and there wasn't enough time to join in the negotiation with Catellus.

Authority CEO Roelof van Ark said the state agency remained interested in the station and will work with the MTA to determine whether they can work out a partnership.

Plans to connect San Francisco to Los Angeles, Anaheim and San Diego via the proposed, 800-mile high-speed rail line call for a stop at Union Station.

The designated landmark, which opened in 1939 as the last great railroad station built in America, serves passengers of Amtrak trains, Metrolink commuter trains, three MTA rail lines and several bus services. The MTA is expanding its rail system that is anticipated to increase connectivity and attract more passengers to the station, which serves about 80,000 passengers per month.

Knabe said the MTA will also be able to count on revenue in the form of leases to retail and transit operators that use the station.

"The purchase price is good at this time in the real estate market," he said. "There's not a downside to this deal."

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Clippers send Davis to Cleveland

BY TOM WITHERS
AP Sports Writer

INDEPENDENCE, Ohio With the NBA's power shifting eastward, the Cleveland Cavaliers didn't want to fall too far behind.

Just hours before the league's trading deadline, the struggling Cavs acquired point guard Baron Davis, who played at Santa Monica's Crossroads, and an unprotected 2011 first-round draft pick from the Los Angeles Clippers for guard Mo Williams and forward Jamario Moon.

While it's not comparable to the blockbuster Carmelo Anthony-to-New York or Deron Williams-to-New Jersey deals, it's an important step for a Cleveland team rebuilding in the wake of LeBron James' departure.

"We're excited about the future here," coach Byron Scott said.

At 10-47, the Cavs have the league's worst record in their first season without James, the two-time league MVP who bolted for Miami as a free agent last summer. Cleveland general manager Chris Grant's goal has been to add draft picks to replenish his roster, and he'll go into June's draft with two first-round and two second-round picks.

"We feel good about it," Grant said. "We're eager to keep going and keep moving. Our scouting department just got a little busier, which is a good thing."

Grant said the club could make another move before the deadline.

In Cleveland, the 31-year-old Davis will be reunited with Scott. The two clashed repeatedly during their time in New Orleans, but Scott said they fixed their relationship last summer.

Scott said Davis approached him before a preseason game and apologized for his behavior.

"He hugged me and said, 'I love you,'" Scott said, adding he was moved by the gesture. "It's water under the bridge. We let it go."

The Cavs are taking on Davis' huge contract, another sign that owner Dan Gilbert is determined to get his team back on top. Davis is owed $29 million over the next two seasons.

"We knew that whenever Baron was right (physically), he was going to be a dominant point guard for us," said Clippers GM Neil Olshey, who downplayed any rift that may have developed between Davis and team owner Donald Sterling. "But we've got to think big picture. We can't keep waiting for incremental pieces. We've got to make big moves. And we're not done."

The Clippers are taking on Williams' $9.3 million contract this season. He has player options over the next two years, so Los Angeles may be able to get him off their books if things don't work out. Moon's $3 million contract expires after this season.

"I've seen Mo a lot the last couple of years, being in Chicago in the playoffs the last couple of years. He plays with thrust," Clippers coach Vinny Del Negro. "It's the right time for Mo, it's the right time for us, and the deal just made sense for both teams."

Both Davis and Williams sat out their games Wednesday night with apparent injuries. Davis didn't play in New Orleans because of swelling in his left knee while Williams, who has battled injuries all season, missed Cleveland's loss against Houston with a sore ankle.

Scott is counting on Davis being a mentor for young guard Ramon Sessions, who is excited about the chance to play with one of the league'e top point guards.

"He's a guy who can teach me a few things," Sessions said.

Williams is getting another fresh start after a rough few months in Cleveland.

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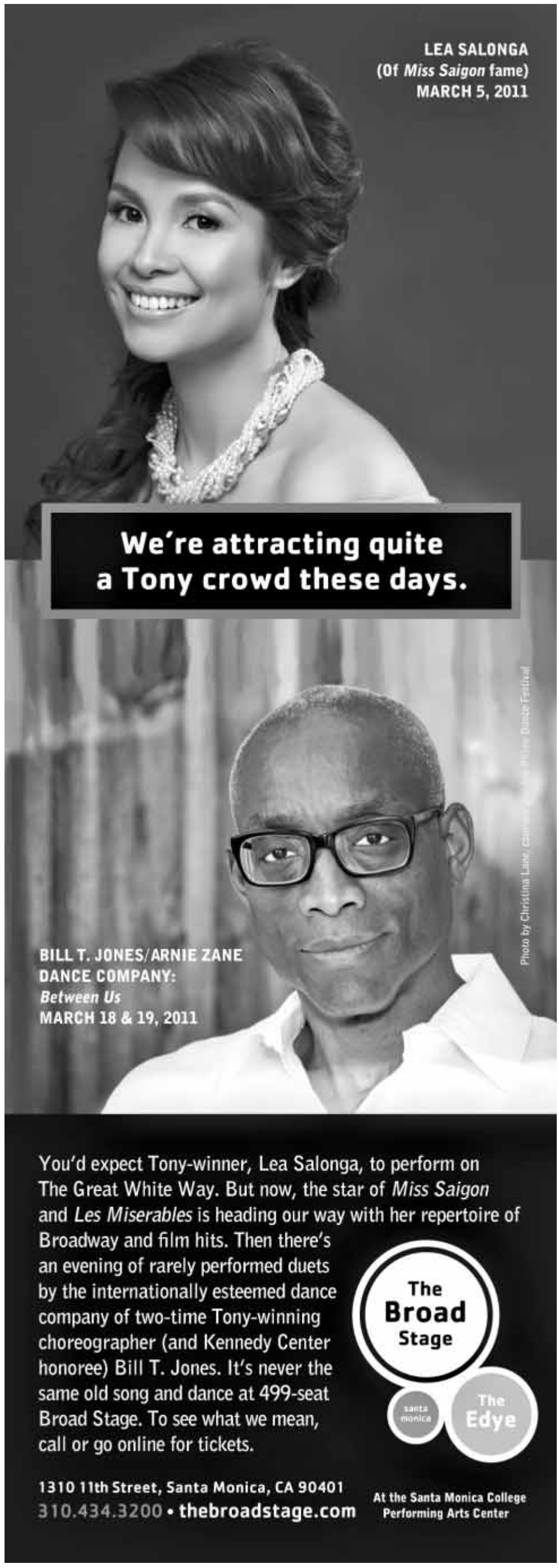
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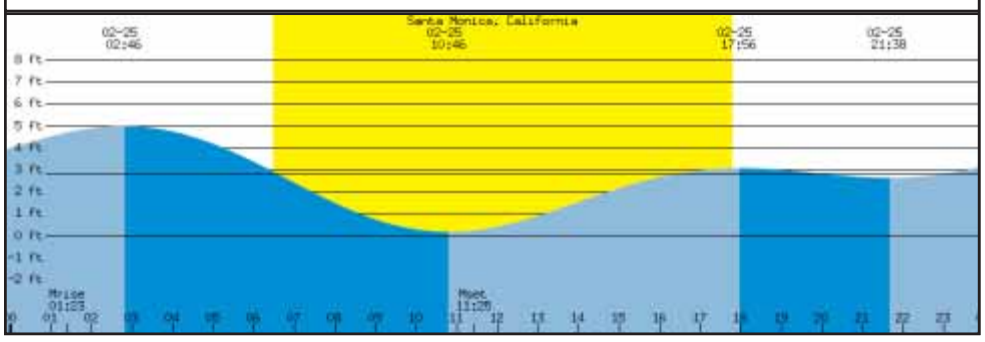
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Los Cerrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Las Alina creeks.	A+	A+
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	B	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	C	A+
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.	F	A+
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	B	B
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A	B
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A	A+
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	D	A+
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	B
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 Los Tunos 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+
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	A+

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+	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	F	B
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
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	A+
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Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	A+
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A	F
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	A	B
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	A	A
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A+	A+
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.	A	D

LEGEND

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WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days
ns -- no sample taken

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL: Civic Center Shared Parking Assessment

The City Council will consider the Civic Center Shared Parking Assessment and recommendations for strategic parking solutions to address shared parking needs of existing and future Civic Center uses. Discussion may include timing and phasing of a potential new facility, strategies for more efficient management of the City's parking resources, consideration of shared parking opportunities that can connect the Downtown and Civic Center, shared parking opportunity sites, management strategies, supportive trip reduction programs and shuttle opportunities.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2011, at 6:45 p.m.**

LOCATION: City Council Chambers, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: Civic Center Shared Parking
1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

MORE INFORMATION
For more information, please contact Sarah Lejeune at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at sarah.lejeune@smgov.net.

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #2, #3, Rapid 3, #7 and #9 service the City Hall and Civic Center.

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: **Text Amendment 11TA-001**
APPLICANT: City of Santa Monica
PROPERTY OWNER: City of Santa Monica

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to consider the following request:

Introduction and First Reading of a Zoning Text Amendment to modify development standards for City-owned public parking structures, including: incorporating the Bayside Specific Plan permitted height of 84 feet in Bayside District Zone 2 (BSC2); allowing a modification of the 75-foot minimum retail depth in BSC2; modifying the required BSC2 building stepbacks and citywide building volume envelope; and allowing a maximum 6-2/3% slope for parking structure decks citywide. This application is associated with a Conditional Use Permit application to replace the existing 342 space public parking structure at 1431 Second Street (Parking Structure #6) with a new public parking structure containing approximately 750 parking spaces in subterranean levels and up to eight above-ground levels for a maximum height of 84 feet, and approximately 6,300 square feet of ground floor retail, a bicycle parking area for 90 bicycles, storage space, and solar panels on the rooftop deck.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, March 8, 2011, AT 6:30 PM**
LOCATION: City Council Chambers, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT
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Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: TA11-001
1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Liz Bar-El at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at liz.bar-el@smgov.net. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours and on the City's web site at http://www.smgov.net.

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Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ESPAÑOL
Esto es una noticia de una audiencia pública para revisar aplicaciónes proponiendo modificaciónes al reglamento municipal. Si deseas más información, favor de llamar a Peter James en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-8341.

MOVIE TIMES

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

Once Upon a Time in America (NR)
7:30pm

Call theater for information.

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

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

I Am Number Four (PG-13) 1hr 44min
10:30am, 1:00pm, 3:45pm, 6:30pm, 9:15pm

Unknown (PG-13) 1hr 49min
10:30am, 1:15pm, 4:10pm, 7:00pm, 9:45pm

Mooz-lum (PG-13) 1hr 39min
12:00pm, 2:30pm, 5:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm

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
10:30am, 1:30pm, 4:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:20pm

No Strings Attached (R) 1hr 50min
10:50am, 4:20pm, 9:45pm

I Am Number Four (PG-13) 1hr 44min
11:25am, 2:15pm, 5:00pm, 7:45pm, 10:30pm

Hall Pass (R) 1hr 38min
11:40am, 1:40pm, 2:30pm, 5:15pm, 7:05pm, 8:00pm, 10:40pm

Black Swan (R) 1hr 50min
10:55am, 1:35pm, 4:15pm, 7:00pm, 9:45pm

Justin Bieber Never Say Never 3D (G) 1hr 45min
10:15am, 12:45pm, 3:40pm, 6:40pm, 9:30pm

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

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

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

Illusionist (L'illusionniste) (PG) 1hr 22min
1:10pm, 3:20pm, 5:30pm, 7:40pm, 9:45pm

Immigration Tango (R) 1hr 30min
1:00pm, 3:15pm, 5:30pm, 7:50pm, 10:10pm

AMC Criterion 6
1313 Third Street Promenade
(310) 395-1599

Just Go With It (PG-13) 1hr 50min
12:30pm, 3:30pm, 6:30pm, 9:20pm

Drive Angry 3D (R) 1hr 44min
11:00am, 1:45pm, 4:45pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm

Big Momma's: Like Father, Like Son (PG-13) 1hr 47min
10:45am, 1:25pm, 4:15pm, 7:00pm, 9:45pm

Unknown (PG-13) 1hr 49min
12:15pm, 3:15pm, 6:15pm, 9:15pm

Fighter (R) 1hr 54min
10:45am, 1:30pm, 4:20pm, 7:05pm, 9:50pm

Gnomeo & Juliet (PG) 1hr 24min
10:50am, 1:00pm, 3:20pm, 5:40pm, 8:00pm, 10:15pm

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

Read between the lines, Cappy

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Reaching out for more information usually doesn't cause a problem, especially when dealing with a new topic. Follow that inclination, but also consider how to manifest a long-term dream. What would be the first step? Talk about this possibility with friends. Tonight: Take off, knowing you are going for something new.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Deal with someone directly. You can float from person to person once you see the power of this approach. Problems will ensue if you are trying to mesh new technology or ideas with an already comfortable situation. Remember how much you hate change! Then you can identify. Tonight: Sipping a drink, sharing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Going forward looks like incorporating others into your ideas. This is not to say that anyone is right or wrong. Teamwork is important more often than not in achieving a desire. At least turn a key person into a supporter. Tonight: Join a friend or loved one.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You might have many great ideas and want to move forward with a project. Work with someone who would like to turn an idea inside-out, and you will see a very different situation evolve. Testing your concept in this manner can only make it better. Tonight: Relax. It's finally the weekend. Make it yours.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Creativity floats through everything you do. You cannot seem to put a cap on it. Try. Dealing with people could be inordinately challenging otherwise. By not sharing, you trigger others to want to hear your opinions. Tonight: Let your imagination rock and roll.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Take another person's opinions with a grain of salt. What is important is not to get too involved in a risk. You could be very sorry in the long run. Beating around the bush might feel better but also could have a sum-total negative effect. Tonight: Skedaddle on home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Listen to what is happening with a friend. You could be closing down. Stop. Breathe. Though you might be uncomfortable with the topic, you do want to understand and be helpful. Tonight: Blowing off steam.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Listen to someone and make it a point to get his or her message. Accept an opportunity; you cannot say "no." Say "yes" and deal with those fears. You might be uncomfortable, but the end experience will be worth it. Indulge in a new item for yourself. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Your beaming smile warms up not only your day but everyone else's. Try it, especially if you feel you don't smile enough. A situation surrounding finances and a friendship could indeed be sticky. Tonight: Your wish hopefully is another's command.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Know when to back out. A light, mirthful approach brings many different reactions. Others depend on you being the voice of reason -- why not give up the role for a day or so? Tonight: Read between the lines.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Zero in on what you want, knowing full well what is going on behind the scenes. A meeting, networking and/or remaining responsive to others helps point out the way. Don't let a fear dominate; it can color a situation. Tonight: Where the gang is.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Acknowledge what is going on behind the scenes. Your ability to make a difference comes out. Someone might challenge a decision, and that could be costly on some level. Know how to establish some boundaries in order to prevent this type of happening. Tonight: Count on a late night.

Happy birthday

This year, you greet many changes. Your circle of friends transforms. Key friends seem to be changing. Support the inner growth of others. Sometimes this might be difficult. Take the lead at work, within your community and/or within your immediate circle. Your attitude rubs off on others. If you are single, you could meet many people. Who do you feel most connected with? What type of relationship does this person offer? Asking yourself these questions could help determine what you really want. If you are attached, the two of you become more visible as a couple. SAGITTARIUS likes you in the limelight.

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



MYSTERY PHOTO

Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

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By Jim Davis



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By Dave Coverly



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 ★★★★

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

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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

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

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Permanent con
6 Peaceful protest
11 In the sky
12 Fight sight
13 Showed over
14 Shaping aids
15 Work unit
16 "Anne of Green Gables" setting
18 Spotted cube
19 Tyler of "The Lord of the Rings"
20 Singer Tillis
21 Stable diet
23 Summoned
25 Broadcast
27 "The Crying Game" star
28 Friar's place
30 Wanes
33 Twosome
34 Handful
36 Unconscious
37 Learned
39 Take advantage of
40 Boarded
41 Coffee-bar order
43 Come up
44 Put on ice
45 Quite full
46 Can't stand

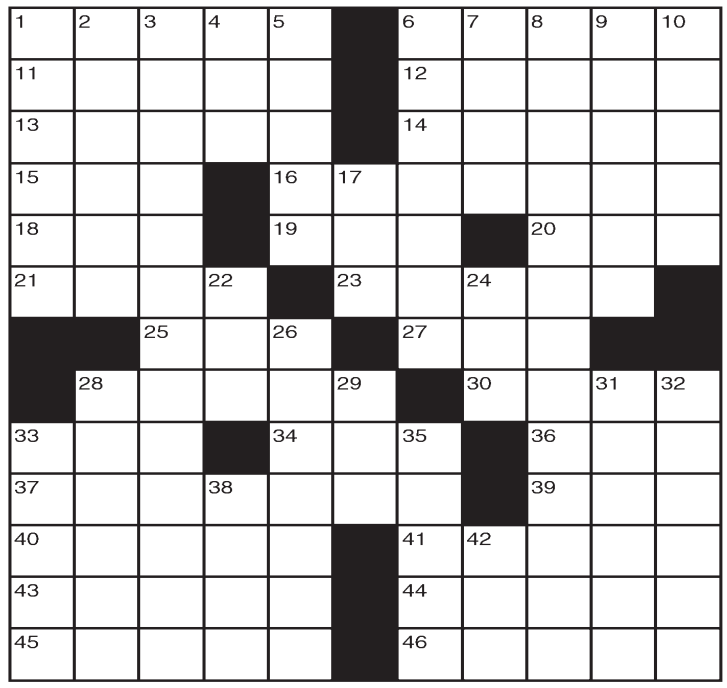
DOWN

1 City on the Rio Grande
2 Spain setting
3 "Not on your life!"
4 Longoria of TV
5 Of the kidneys
6 Fancy urn
7 Wrinkle remover
8 "I know exactly what you mean!"
9 Verily
10 Twangy
17 Bigwig
22 Bro or sis
24 "My word!"
26 Elegant
28 Dawn goddess
29 Besides
31 Hurry
32 Fills with resolution
33 "The Rehearsal" painter
35 Raquel of movies
38 Rx amount
42 Cry of insight

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Yesterday's answer

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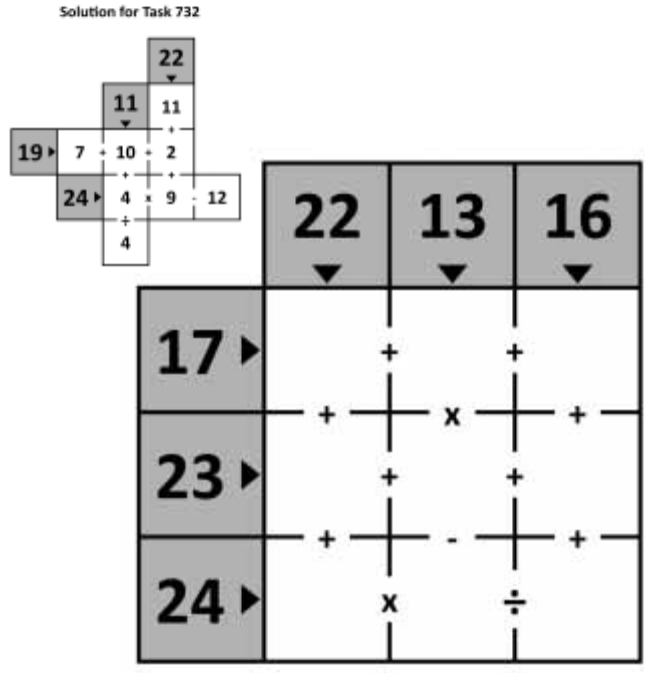
• The numbers you insert into the grid must satisfy the Equa demands both horizontally and vertically.

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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:

2, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 12, 12

Solution for Task 732



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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ **Failed to Think It Through:** (1) Kyle Eckman, 22, was charged with theft in Lancaster, Pa., in November after he was stopped leaving a Kohl's department store, mostly still in his own clothes but also wearing the pair of Elle high-heel shoes he was allegedly trying to shoplift. (2) Jimmy Honeycutt, 27, was arrested in Pawtucket, R.I., in October and charged with five recent robberies of liquor stores. Among the items found on Honeycutt was a telephone directory listing of liquor stores, with the ones recently robbed marked off.

■ **Recurring Themes:** (1) At a traffic stop, once again a passenger climbed into the driver's seat as the officer approached, trying to save a drug-impaired driver from a citation. However, once again it turned out that the passenger was just as drug-impaired as the driver, and both were cited (Gastonia, N.C., December). (2) Once again a woman tried to conceal drugs by stuffing them down her pants into her most private area, and once again, when police found them, the woman immediately denied that the pills were hers (Manatee, Fla., December).

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1992 Khojaly massacre: about 613 civilians are killed by Armenian armed forces during the conflict in Nagorno-Karabakh region of Azerbaijan

1994 Mosque of Abraham massacre: In the Cave of the Patriarchs in the West Bank city of Hebron, Dr. Baruch Kappel Goldstein opens fire with an automatic rifle, killing 29 Palestinian worshippers and injuring 125 more before being subdued and beaten to death by survivors.

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