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THE **DOING IT AGAIN** ISSUE

Hanging 10: Beachgoers may have to wait longer after storms

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

SANTA MONICA BAY Rain eased a lot of dire problems last week, but pollution in the bay wasn't one of them.

When it rains for the first time in a long time it helps with the current drought but all the pollution on the ground makes its way into the ocean. Longtime beachgoers know the rule of thumb: wait three days before swimming after a storm. On Monday, The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health put out an advisory warning swimmers to stay out of the water until today at 1:30 p.m. — about three days after the storm subsided.

Experts are suggesting that might be too soon.

A study from Heal the Bay, a Santa Monica-based nonprofit, and UCLA environmental science students released follow-

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ON THE RUN

Brandon Wise brandonw@smdp.com

Rikki Dunn of Washington runs at a constant speed of 12.4 mph at The Marathon Treadmill Challenge hosted by Asics on the Third Street Promenade on Tuesday afternoon. People were tested to see how long they could run at the pace of last year's L.A. Marathon winner. Asics is the official sponsor of the L.A. Marathon, which ends in Santa Monica this Sunday.

Landlord, city attorney resolve harassment complaints

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor-in-Chief

DOWNTOWN The owners of a landmarked apartment building have agreed to settle complaints filed last summer by disabled tenants who said they were harassed and had their privacy violated.

Under the agreement, which was finalized by the City Attorney's Office, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles and a private law firm, the owners of AZ Shores, a 49-unit brick building at 1305 Second St., agreed to adopt a written policy prohibiting discrimination, get fair housing training, conduct better record keeping, restore parking for disabled tenants, clarify tenants' rights to have guests and give city officials access to security cameras to make sure they are not being used to spy on residents.

The owners and property management company, Wilshire Skyline Inc., also agreed to improve response times to requests for repairs, provide contact information in the event of an emergency (the building caught fire in April 2012), and stop paying employees a commission if they can persuade tenants to leave, give up their parking spaces or have vehicles towed.

They'll also have to get rid of bed bugs and provide assistance to disabled tenants if they have to relocate for a time, according to the City Attorney's Office.

There will be enhanced penalties ($2,500 instead of $1,000) for any future violations

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Officials consider oil pipeline under city

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

EASTSIDE Maybe you didn't know there was a pipeline pumping crude oil underneath the city by the sea, but City Council will consider continuing to let it flow later this month.

A crude oil pipeline has been present underneath Santa Monica since 1941, according to Los Angeles Times archives. The last contract, with Shell California Pipeline company, was signed in 1989.

It runs petroleum from Ventura County to refineries in Los Angeles County.

In 2005, Shell sold the pipeline to Crimson California Pipeline, who took over

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

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Journey into the past
Santa Monica History Museum
1350 Seventh St., 10 a.m. — 5 p.m.
Come experience the remarkable chapters of Santa Monica's history in the permanent exhibit gallery. Place yourself in the front-page news of a past era, explore Santa Monica landmarks, or step into a re-created section of a Douglas C-47. Admission: $5 general, $3 seniors & students, free for children under 12. For more information call (310) 395-2290.

Wine Wednesdays
Buffalo Club
1520 Olympic Blvd., 6 p.m.
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Dance the night away
Santa Monica Bay Woman's Club
1210 Fourth St., 7 p.m.
Join fellow dancers for a night of ballroom at its finest. All ages and levels of experience welcome. There will be a combination of today's hits and old standards. Light snacks provided; bottled water for sale. Admission: General: $14; Students: $5 with ID. For more information call (310) 487-0911.

Thursday, March 6, 2014

Heaven for foodies
Barker Hangar
3021 Airport Ave., times vary
From its prestigious beginnings as a cooking demonstration with Julia Child in 1979, Food Fare has become one of the oldest and most recognized food events in Los Angeles. Over 100 of the city's best restaurants, caterers, wineries, florists, vendors and entertainers will be part of the festivities. Admission: $150-plus. For tickets visit http://pplafoodfare.com/

Family game night
Main Library
Children's Activity Room, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3:30 p.m.
Enjoy quality family time at the library. Play and "Kinect" with video and board games. Ages 4 and up.

Put it on a shelf
Annenberg Community Beach House
415 PCH, 6 p.m. — 8 p.m.
The Santa Monica Cultural Affairs Division will host an opening reception for Shelf Perception — a new exhibition that highlights the work of four Los Angeles-based female artists who reconsider the traditional art object by negotiating the spaces between painting, sculpture, photography, and domestic and architectural elements. Free admission, parking $5. No reservations necessary. For more information call (310) 458-8350.

Having it all
Main Library
MLK Auditorium, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m.
Santa Monica Public Library presents a discussion with Michelle Waters, author of "The Orange Line: A Woman's Guide to Integrating Career, Family & Life." Michelle's talk outlines a new career path for women which incorporates a full and enjoyable career as well as a robust, integrated life. This event is free and open to the public. Seating is limited and on a first arrival basis. The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair accessible. For more information, visit smpl.org or contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600.

For help submitting an event, contact Daniel Archuleta at **310-458-7737** or submit to editor@smdp.com

L.A. OKs workplace ban on e-cigarette use

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES The Los Angeles City Council on Tuesday voted to ban the use of electronic cigarettes in workplaces and public areas, placing "vaping" into the same category as tobacco smoking.

The council voted 14-0 to restrict e-cigarette smoking where tobacco use is restricted, including restaurants, parks, bars, nightclubs, beaches and workplaces.

E-cigarette lounges are exempted.

The restrictions would take effect after Mayor Eric Garcetti signs it.

Several other cities around the country already have restricted e-cigarettes, the battery-powered devices that heat up liquid nicotine so the vapor can be inhaled. Some states also are considering regulations, and a U.S. Senate bill introduced last month would curb electronic cigarette marketing while the fast-growing industry awaits regulation by the Food and Drug Administration.

Proponents say they lack the toxic tars of tobacco cigarettes and could help people kick the smoking habit.

Councilman Joe Buscaino said a relative who was a longtime smoker turned to e-cigarettes.

Electronic cigarettes "are not tobacco, and I don't think they should be regulated exactly the same way," Buscaino said.

However, his amendment to exempt bars and nightclubs — typically adults-only venues — from the restrictions fell short of passage.

Critics note the lack of research on e-cigarette safety and say it could be a gateway into smoking for young people.

Council President Herb Wesson said he began smoking cigarettes when he was a teenager.

"When you're 15, you want to be cool," he said. "And I will not support anything — anything — that might attract one new smoker."

"We don't want to risk e-cigarettes undermining a half-century of successful tobacco control," Jonathan Fielding, director of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, told the council.

E-cigarettes are a $1.5 billion industry "that has caught the attention of big tobacco, which historically has had scant regard for public health," Fielding said.

✉WHAT DO YOU THINK?
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Photos courtesy Thuan Nguyen

TAKING THE PLEDGE: Mayor Pro Tem Terry O'Day (right) talks shop with nail salon owner Chau Nguyen of Nancy's Nails who took the pledge Monday to create a safer, healthier work environment. He's been in the nail salon business for 28 years.

City Hall recognizes 'healthy' nail salons

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor-in-Chief

PICO NEIGHBORHOOD Santa Monica has become the first city in Southern California to officially recognize nail salons that create safer environments for their workers, owners and customers by using less toxic products, city officials said.

Mayor Pam O'Connor and Mayor Pro Tem Terry O'Day on Monday visited one such salon — Nancy's Nails — on Pico Boulevard to officially recognize four local salon owners for agreeing to participate in the Healthy Nail Salon Program.

Santa Monica joins the city and county of San Francisco and Alameda County in the growing movement to use recognition programs to promote healthier and safer nail salon environments, city officials said.

On July 16, 2013, City Hall, in partnership with the California Healthy Nail Salon Collaborative, held a kick-off press event to announce their intent to implement a Healthy Nail Salon Program. Since then Cute Nails, Nancy's Nails, Santa Monica Beach Nail Spa and Tracy's Nails have worked diligently to meet the requirements that warrant Healthy Nail Salon recognition.

On a daily basis, for long hours, nail salon owners and workers handle solvents, glues, polishes and other beauty care products containing a multitude of chemicals known or suspected to cause cancer, allergies, respiratory, neurological and reproductive harm. City Hall is concerned with their repeated and prolonged exposure to toxic chemicals.



THE DANGER: Nail polish contains chemicals that can pose a danger to people's health if there is not proper ventilation.

Some of those chemicals include: acetone (nail polish remover): headaches, dizziness and irritated eyes, skin and throat; ethyl acetate (nail polish, nail polish remover, fingernail glue): irritated eyes, stomach, skin, nose, mouth, and throat, high levels can cause fainting; formaldehyde (nail polish, nail hardener): difficulty breathing, including coughing, asthma-like attacks, and wheezing; allergic reactions; irritated eyes, skin, and

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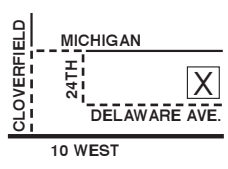


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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Hypocritical

Editor:

So there is another problem with the modern U.S. practice of foreign interventions (read invasions) in places like Haiti, Granada, and Panama, than they were blatant violations of international law.

For when a country like Russia seems to do the same, by now going into Ukraine, I think people and governments abroad find it hard today to take Obama and the secretary of state seriously. These leaders' condemnations are hypocritical and disingenuous, and don't stand a chance to contribute to peace necessary now in that region.

Andy K. Liberman
Santa Monica

Living with a bad decision

Editor:

The Davis-O'Day Hines column ("Defending the Hines vote," Your Column Here, March 1-2) reads like it was written by a Hines corporate publicist talking about the generous "concessions" that include allowing the public to pass through their billion-dollar development. But nowhere does it even attempt to spin the biggest problem with this mega-project – the traffic impact.

According to the environmental impact report paid for by the Hines Corporation, this project will add close to 7,000 more daily car trips after the Expo Line is up and fully running. Until then, we can reasonably estimate that it will add far more than 7,000. Currently it takes about 45 minutes at rush hour to travel the one block from Olympic and Cloverfield to the freeway entrance. Now, imagine adding 7,000 more cars to this congestion.

When he was running for the City Council, Mr. O'Day's campaign brochures talked about his fantasy of getting everyone out of their cars and onto bikes. If he keeps rubber stamping mega-projects like this, that will be the only way we will ever be able to get around town.

The Hines Corporation is going to build something on this property, but long after the checks are cashed and the favors are forgotten, we will have to live with the traffic. That is why I am signing the petition to send them back to the drawing board.

Joel C. Koury
Santa Monica

Required reading

Editor:

Kudos to Bill Bauer on his beautifully written piece, "Chain of Fools," My Write, March 3. It should be required reading for all Santa Monica taxpayers.

It illustrates how City Hall seems to be ruling by decree, ignoring the opinions of those pesky Santa Monica residents.

Maybe it's time for the voters to cause their own "Chain Reaction."

Don Wagner
Santa Monica





Curious City

Charles Andrews — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

The difference between winning, losing

I WAS GOING TO DEDICATE THE LARGEST part of this week's column to some not so widely known aspects of the Hines project controversy that would likely send many residents running, or weeping, for their pens to sign the referendum petition. (Absolute deadline: March 14.) But decided not to.

Things like, did you know the developers are permitted to build just the one six- or seven-story office building (actually two, large connected ones) and stop right there, no penalty? Forget all those lovely, idyllic renderings of families frolicking in verdant new parks. No housing, affordable or otherwise, and no open space to speak of. Just thousands of office workers, driving their cars to work. Unless you really believe they'll all take the light rail, in which case I have a bridge I'd like to sell you. Many think that's exactly what will happen, one and done by Hines, and then they will subdivide and sell the rest of the 7 acres to other developers, and… then what?

Speaking of the light rail, you do know it is, ridiculously, without dedicated parking, at least at the Bergamot Station? So how are you going to get there from where you live in Santa Monica? You couldn't even practically be dropped off/picked up if traffic is so dramatically increased at that already jammed intersection, by an additional 7,000 car trips per day.

That number seems unthinkable, but it's from the environmental impact report. And since Hines, by most accounts, lowballed the number of estimated office workers (Wall Street Journal study, 2012), we could more realistically be looking at 14,000 extra car trips daily. Seriously impacting 26 intersections, not to mention our local parking lot called the 10 Freeway.

If the housing is built, 498 units, do you think every one of them will be occupied by those office workers? Even if they were, at an average of 1.8 persons per unit, that's more than 900 new residents, but the office space will bring in nearly 4,000 new people per day. You do the math.

Did you know Santa Monica is already one of the most densely populated cities in California? A study of coastal towns by the city of Santa Barbara in 2009 ranked us in a virtual tie with Berkeley and Redondo Beach, half again more dense than Los Angeles. (Try to remember: we're not Los Angeles.)

And what's up with the bombshell at the last council meeting that the Bergamot Station Arts Center across the street will now include a hotel and another 40,000 square feet of office space?

Recently Councilmembers Gleam Davis and Terry O'Day asserted that if the current bloated plan is rejected, Hines could just turn the existing building into offices anyway, even adding space, with no community benefits whatsoever, so we'd better take what they're offering. That, to my knowledge, is just not so, and a scare tactic. If they add even 5,000 square feet, which I'm told would be almost inevitable, it has to go though city approval, and pedestrian walk-throughs and other accommodations would have to be included. That's no reason to support what stands before us now, because it's better than doing nothing. Doing nothing, right now, is our wisest course. There are many options other than what's being pushed on us.

So why are four of seven council members approving all these maxed out development plans? I've been trying to figure that out for some time. I eliminated envelopes full of cash being passed around. But payback doesn't have to be so direct.

I went to the Santa Monica Democratic Club meeting last week, because I'd never been to any party's official anything ever, and because they intriguingly billed it as "A Peek Behind the Curtain: the inner workings of the political process. Learn what's happening 'behind closed doors.' How to fight City Hall? Who decides things?" At last!

Alack. Not the full Monty, but I did learn a couple things I didn't know but everyone else seems to, like the names of two of the intertwined local PR (The Karie Group) and law (Harding Larmore Kutcher & Kozal) firms that represent developers and have great influence on everything that is decided here politically. (I had heard both those names come up before in other discussions.)

Who named names? None other than Councilman Kevin McKeown. Not in any condemning way, just in line with the evening's theme of who's influencing the process, behind the wizard's curtain.

So McKeown's stock went up in my book. Even something so innocuous as mentioning in public what (almost) everyone already knows can have consequences in the back rooms of politics. We have an election coming up in November. Let's elect or re-elect candidates who will end government by stealth and seat a City Council that listens to its constituents and makes decisions based on our best interests, and in the open. The impossible dream? It's California, we make dreams happen.

Speaking of which, I was going to tell you why I changed my mind about giving you those lesser-known reasons to sign the petition to halt the Hines project. I wanted to instead share an image I had that both made me smile, and feel fear for our future.

I was parked at the Palisades Saturday morning after chatting with some referendum organizers, about to leave, when a car pulled in next to me and out poured five young women, mid- to late-teens, who literally bounced and grinned uncontrollably and waved their arms in childlike delight at being at the ocean. They took selfies with the Pacific behind them, the palm trees above them, and all quickly ran to the edge for a better look. Their joy was palpable.

The ocean will still be there if we line Ocean Avenue with skyscrapers, if it takes people an hour to drive across our small town, if pulling right into a parking space facing the ocean is a thing of the past. But watching those young ladies so appreciating that idyllic setting that for so many represents Santa Monica, captured for me in a moment what we're fighting for, and must not lose.

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Saving 'Chain Reaction' a responsible move

THE NEAR UNANIMOUS CITY COUNCIL vote to support and fund the restoration of "Chain Reaction" was a responsible and positive vote indeed, and the city manager and city staff recommendation of support was the right and responsible decision.

The 26-foot-tall nuclear mushroom cloud sculpture was designed by the late Pulitzer Prize-winning political cartoonist Paul Conrad. Mr. Conrad gifted the public art peace sculpture to the city through a $250,000 philanthropic anonymous donation. We now know that donation was made by Joan Kroc, the late San Diego philanthropist, nuclear abolition proponent and widow of McDonald's founder Ray Kroc. The City Council voted in 1990 to accept the gift and it was completed in 1991. I have heard from construction experts that, given inflation and rising construction costs, if "Chain Reaction" were to have been constructed and gifted today, it could easily have required a $700,000 philanthropic contribution.

Although there was very little maintenance since, there now are more positive maintenance strategies available, as well as organizations that promote and advocate for outdoor public art and its upkeep. Somehow the unfortunate "first to go" cutting of art and culture budgets and programs in cities and schools throughout America is standard practice. But we can do better, and our city has been an art and artist-friendly leader for quite some time. When some people criticized Santa Monica for spending more than $600,000 for the recent GLOW art event on the beach, I strongly disagreed. Although it is a one-night art show once every few years, GLOW is a wonderful and creative multifaceted art extravaganza that has a profound effect on stimulating interest in and appreciation of art, and was worth every penny. There always will be some disagreement about various aspects of specific art pieces, programs or projects, but it seems to me that you can't go wrong when you make a commitment to substantially increase funding for art and art maintenance.

The restoration of "Chain Reaction" is also worth the funding costs, as substantial as they may be. It should be noted that there has been expert input stating "Chain Reaction" could very well be repaired and restored for no more than the $100,000 the Conrad family and community have raised this past year. But everyone wants the job to be done respectfully and done well. The city has shown a positive and true commitment by voting to supplement private donations with any necessary city funds. The city has also responsibly agreed to fund a landscape barrier around the sculpture, possibly a "peace garden" comprised of sustainable native plants.

"Chain Reaction" is not simply a sculpture of a bowl of fruit. It is a thought provoking, educational and positive enhancement of dialogue and civil debate. It was meant as a symbol of peace and as a warning monument as to the dangers of nuclear escalation. But, people can disagree with the unique sculpture's message and/or its aesthetics. Good art can serve education just as good education can serve art.

The threat of nuclear devastation is still a major concern for our planet. We must find ways to promote peace in our communities and worldwide. We must work towards a goal of eliminating nuclear weapons from the face of the earth. Conrad's inscribed warning at the base of "Chain Reaction" reads: "This is a statement of peace. May it never become an epitaph." It has been said that war is costly but peace is priceless. On that merit alone, the cost of restoration is well worth it!

Certainly the Conrad family and the Save Chain Reaction team have shown that the iconic sculpture has substantial and broad-based community support. There are community leaders and residents who disagree on numerous issues who have all joined together to support the timely restoration. More than 3,800 individuals signed the online support petition. And hundreds contributed to the more than $100,000 in private donations. The list of creative and dedicated individual supporters and groups is quite impressive. I do recommend you visit the website at SaveChainReaction.com to look at the list because I'm certainly not going to be able to list them all here.

Finally, there is another important reason why the City Council and city staff made the right and responsible decision. This year marks the first year Santa Monica has added art as one of the city's sustainability goals. It was a creative thing to add art to our other goals. How many cities would even think of including art as a goal of sustainability, let alone even have an Office of Sustainability or a Sustainable City Plan?

For the positive aspects of supporting art, landmarks and peace, as well as acknowledging the Conrad family and community's outreach and fundraising efforts, our City Council and city staff have made, not a wasteful or foolish decision as some have suggested, but a decision that is very supportive, responsible and pro-Santa Monica.

RUBIN is a longtime peace activist and Santa Monica resident. He is a co-founder of the Save Chain Reaction campaign.

The Q Line

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Petula Clark sure knew what she was talking about in the classic, "Downtown." There is no finer place, at least according to a survey released by Downtown Santa Monica Inc. last week, which showed that the area is thriving, with more residents living there than every before, new restaurants and retail and plenty of tech jobs.

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

What are your fondest memories of Downtown Santa Monica? How has it changed and what do you think of it now?

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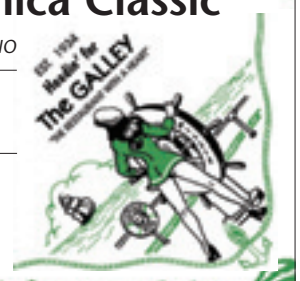
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LA Police Chief says gangsters may be fighting in Syria

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES Los Angeles Police Chief Charlie Beck says two men claiming to be fighting in Syria are gang members who were deported.

Beck said Tuesday he believes they've joined foreign fighters in Syria, based on a YouTube video.

In it the men, wearing camouflage, call themselves "Creeper" and "Wino," fire assault rifles at what they term "enimigas," shout out greetings to two Los Angeles street gangs and say they're "in Syria, gangbangin'."

LAPD counter-terrorism chief Mike Downing told ABC News Sunday that the tape's been investigated for a month. He says the men are not U.S. citizens and are fighting for the regime of President Bashar Assad.

Downing says he worries about their appeal to recruit other gang members and what might happen if the battle-hardened men return to the U.S.

Lawmakers report thousands in gifts from various groups

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO, Calif. California lawmakers, including two Democrats who are on leave after being charged with criminal offenses, have reported thousands of dollars in gifts and travel expenses they received from donors.

The required reports, filed this week and covering the previous year, also show payments for Gov. Jerry Brown's trip to China last year and a trip to Armenia for Assembly Speaker John Perez. Tickets for events, meals and rounds of golf, as well as travel expenses, were the most commonly reported gifts.

The Los Angeles Times reported that many of the gifts were paid for by powerful interest groups that have business before state government.

Brown's financial disclosure statement with the state Fair Political Practices Commission showed more than $11,000 in gifts last year, including $8,400 from the San Francisco-based Bay Area Council, which sponsored Brown's weeklong trade mission to China last spring. Brown, a Democrat, also reported receiving a private flight to attend a meeting of the State Sheriffs Association in Lake Tahoe and a flight to Bakersfield from the California Association of Hospitals.

Perez, D-Los Angeles, reported receiving nearly $38,000 in gifts and travel payments last year. That included more than $9,600 paid by the National Assembly of the Republic of Armenia for Perez to visit the nation, where he received gifts of books, religious relics and Armenian brandy.

Perez's other gifts included three trips totaling about $16,000 from the State Legislative Leaders Foundation, a nonprofit group that hosts policy conferences for lawmakers. Perez is a member of the group's board and served as host of its national speakers conference last year.

Sen. Ron Calderon, D-Montebello, who pleaded not guilty last month to federal charges that he accepted nearly $100,000 in bribes, disclosed $6,827 in legal gifts, including concert and fight tickets, expensive meals and travel.

They included a $265 golf game paid for by the nonprofit group Californians for Diversity, which is controlled by the senator's brother, former Assemblyman Thomas Calderon. The indictment against the senator alleges that he directed undercover FBI agents "to make bribe payments to Californians for Diversity," which in turn paid $13,000 to a consulting firm run by Thomas Calderon.

Ron Calderon also disclosed thousands in gifts from insurance industry associates while he served as chairman of the Senate Insurance Committee: $2,400 in travel and lodging from the Association of California Life and Health Insurance Companies; $440 in event admission and meals from Farmers Group Inc.; a $365 dinner from the Personal Insurance Federation; a $341 dinner from Pacific Life, and $87 in food from State Farm.

Calderon announced Sunday that he would take a leave of absence from the Senate while the charges are pending.

The other senator on leave, Democrat Rod Wright, reported a total of about $8,500 in gifts and covered travel expenses. He is scheduled to be sentenced in May after being convicted of voter fraud and perjury for misstating where he lived on candidate papers.

His reported gifts last year that included: $3,000 for lodging, airfare and meals to attend an Independent Voter Project Conference; $1,965 for lodging, meals and a spa while attending a leadership seminar sponsored by the California Legislative Black Caucus Policy Institute; and about $960 for lodging and meals to attend two separate conferences sponsored by the California Foundation on the Environment and the Economy.

Wright also reported receiving admission, meals and parking at the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club valued at $345 and a dinner from the Cigar Association of America valued at $207.

Other gifts reported by lawmakers include: $424 in fight tickets from Zuffa, which promotes mixed martial arts bouts, to Sen. Lou Correa, D-Santa Ana; $270 in Disneyland tickets from the Walt Disney Co. to Sen. Alex Padilla, D-Los Angeles; and $270 in Cirque du Soleil tickets from the government of Canada to Sen. Ted Lieu, D-Torrance.

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Courtesy city of Santa Monica

WHERE IT IS: **A map of the Santa Monica showing where the underground oil pipeline runs.**

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the agreement until it expired in 2009.

Crimson "continues to operate and maintain the pipeline in accordance with" the ordinance, despite the fact that it expired nearly five years ago.

On March 18, council will consider giving Crimson a new 20-year agreement.

In return for the privilege of running crude oil through the Bay City for the next 20 years, Crimson would pay City Hall $170,000 upfront.

Shell agreed to pay City Hall $2.1 million for use of the pipeline from 1981 through 1989, according to L.A. Times archives. Numerous lawsuits were fought between the two parties throughout the 1980s, with City Hall ultimately prevailing. For that period of time, they were able to charge market rates for the land that the pipeline traversed.

In the upcoming agreement, the base rate is determined by the California Public Utilities Code.

Crimson will also be required to purchase insurance to cover the cost of injuries or pollution caused by their pipeline. The pollution insurance would cover up to $35 million in damages.

In the event of a leak, Crimson is responsible for making the repairs to the satisfaction of the director of Public Works and the Fire Department will be immediately notified. It would be required to repay the cost of any damages to private property.

Council could reject the agreement, city officials said, but it may not matter.

"Should a franchise be rejected, Crimson, operating as a regulated common carrier pipeline utility, may have eminent domain and other rights under state law that may allow it to continue to operate the pipeline," city officials said in a report.

The pipeline, 10 inches in diameter, carries the oil along a 3.9 mile stretch underneath the east end of Santa Monica, running along large portions of 26th Street, Cloverfield Boulevard, and 23rd Street.

In 2010, according to the Los Angeles Times archive, Crimson spilled oil into the Port of Los Angeles. Los Angeles attorneys claimed it was 1,300 barrels of petroleum over three months but Crimson said it was fewer than 40 barrels.

In 2012, the company agreed to a $1.75 million settlement with Los Angeles to end a criminal case. Company officials said that the spill was a result of damage done to the pipe during the construction of a drainage system for a nearby railway. An attorney for the company claimed, according to the Times archives, that the damage occurred before Crimson purchased the pipeline and that company officials didn't know about it until the time of the leak.

Company officials attended last year's Santa Monica Festival to raise awareness and provide information about local pipelines and pipeline safety.

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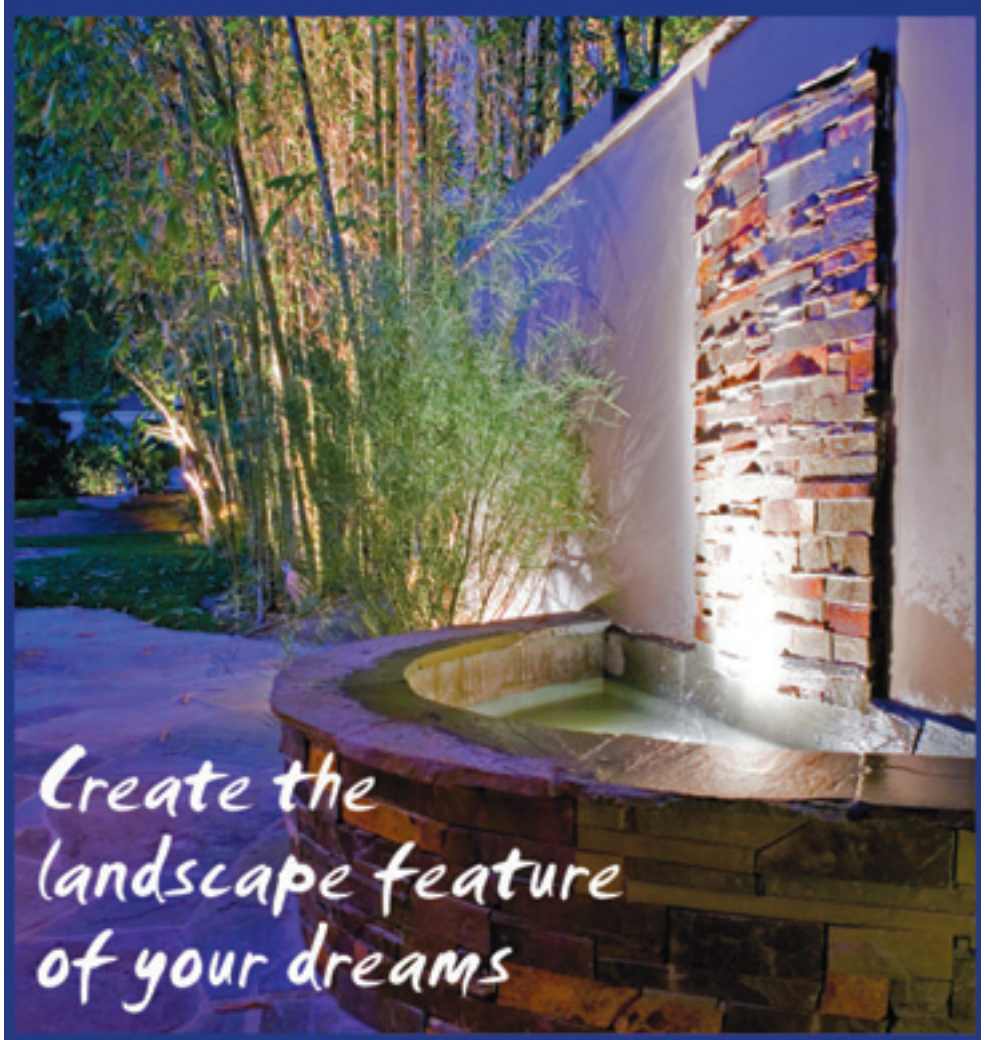
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ON TO THE FINALS

Morgan Genser *editor@smdp.com*

St. Monica's Sasha Meyer goes in for a hug from her coach, Maura Diorio, moments after winning their Division 7 CIF Southern Section semi-final over the Archer School for Girls 1-0 at Santa Monica Airport Soccer Field on Tuesday. St. Monica will play in the finals either this Friday or Saturday

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throat; formaldehyde can cause cancer.

To reduce exposure to these harmful chemicals, the Healthy Nail Salon Program requires that salons go through a rigorous checklist of safety measures including use of gloves by all technicians, installation of localized ventilation, hours of training for all employees, and choosing safer nail products. This voluntary program is available to all of the approximately 30 nail salons across the city.

There are roughly 120,000 licensed nail technicians in 48,000 salons across the state, according to a 2012 report by the L.A. Times. About four in five are Vietnamese women. Their health has long been an important issue for advocates, who say salon employees work long hours in hazardous conditions and suffer health problems as a result.

Actress and former model Tippi Hedren, who appeared in Alfred Hitchcock's "The Birds," is believed to have given rise to the Vietnamese nail salon movement in the 1970s. According to Nails Magazine, Hedren's nails were admired when she visited a Vietnamese refugee camp in Sacramento, which prompted her to help refugees receive training in the nail business.

There's a national campaign with funding from the National Association of County and City Health Officials, in partnership with the U.S. surgeon general, to help communities develop programs like Santa Monica's that can be replicated elsewhere.

The California Healthy Nail Salon Collaborative surveyed hundreds of consumers on the Third Street Promenade and found that roughly 80 percent support a city program that calls on nail salons to use less toxic products and 95 percent would be more likely to go to a less toxic salon than one that is not.

For more information about the Healthy Nail Salon Collaborative and the nail salon community visit www.cahealthynailsalons.org

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File photo

WAIT LONGER: A young boogie boarder heads into the surf. Environmental watchdog Heal the Bay and UCLA student researchers are recommending people stay out of the ocean anywhere from five to 10 days following a rain storm, instead of the three recommended by county health officials.

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ing last week's storm shows that beaches impacted by storm drains, like Santa Monica's, can remain a health risk for five days and beyond.

"Exposure to bacteria from runoff can cause a variety of illnesses, most frequently respiratory infection and stomach flu," said Heal the Bay officials in a release. "Human pathogens of unknown origins can also be carried down gutters."

For enclosed beaches, like Mother's Beach in Marina del Rey, that don't get as many waves as open beaches, the water often remains unhealthy for 10 days and beyond, researchers found. Santa Monica doesn't have any enclosed beaches.

Victor Shaw, a surfer who works at ZJ Boarding House, a surf shop on Main Street, said that he's been noticing it anecdotally for years.

"It could take five days or a week depending on the conditions," he said.

Shaw's come down with sinus infections and eye infections after surfing in the bacterial soup.

"There's trash floating around," he said. "There's murkiness in the waters. You definitely notice it."

If the surf's good, which it often is after a rain, the pollution doesn't stop Shaw.

"You learn ways to mitigate it," he said. "You can wear earplugs and things like that."

They discourage customers from renting boards up to three days after a storm, he said, and if the experts are recommending five days then they would consider following suit.

Emily Flavin, 13, a member of Lincoln Middle School's surf team, was bummed that she had to take a few days off.

"The runoff goes directly from storm drains to where I surf so I can't surf for several days after," she said. "It's sad because I love surfing."

She wasn't fond of possibly having to wait five or even 10 days either.

"I'd hate it," she said in an e-mail. "The pollution not only affects sea life, it also affects our fellow citizens. It's like an Olympic runner not being able to run for 10 days. That's not cool!"

The water quality data analysis looked at pollution levels from the last seven years. The beaches around the Santa Monica Pier were found to be impacted by storm drains. Researchers looked at the 32 beach sites most frequently monitored in L.A. and Orange counties for the 10 days following a storm.

They found that rainfall over a half inch made the water at enclosed and storm drain-impacted beaches unhealthy for longer than the county's advisories allowed. The impacts were small on open beaches.

County health officials could not be reached for comment.

"The UCLA study indicates that the 3-Day Rule may not be adequate to protect the health of all ocean swimmers," said Amanda Griesbach, a Heal the Bay scientist, in a release. "Until the rule is modified, swimmers are better protected by avoiding storm drain-impacted and enclosed beaches for (five to) 10 days after a storm."

Tourists, often drawn to the city's world-class beaches, spent $1.5 billion in the city by the sea in 2012.

"It's notable for Santa Monica because it's not even three days after the rain and it's sunny out, it's nice on the beaches," said Lily Tsukayama, a UCLA graduate who worked on the project last June. "It's not like it's freezing out and people aren't going to want to be out there."

Heal the Bay recommends that the counties extend their advisories.

They also recommend standardizing the beach-monitoring programs, noting that many are not checked weekly during the rainy winter months. Some counties measure the water right in front of storm drains while others monitor up to 100 yards away.

Tsukayama encourages swimmers to check Heal the Bay's Beach Report Card online. It grades various beaches along the West Coast based on water sample reports. As of Tuesday afternoon, the area around the pier was receiving a failing grade from the organization. The report cards can be viewed at www.beachreportcard.org

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THIS OLD HOUSE: The AZ Shores apartments at 1305 Second Street.

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of Santa Monica's Tenant Harassment law by the owners.

Officials with Wilshire Skyline said the family-run management company took over the building in October 2012 and immediately began making repairs. New laundry facilities were installed and a security system was put in place, along with other upgrades.

"Despite Wilshire Skyline's best intentions, four tenants expressed concerns about Wilshire Skyline's efforts and actions during these first few months," a statement from the company read. "It was never Wilshire Skyline's intent to inconvenience these tenants or otherwise give them the impression that they are not welcome to stay in their homes. To the contrary, Wilshire Skyline was attempting to improve conditions at a building which had not been upgraded in many years. Wilshire Skyline was also attempting to institute a more professional property management structure.

"While Wilshire Skyline denies all of the allegations made by these four tenants, it voluntarily elected to work cooperatively … to reach an amicable resolution."

The owners and manager entered into the agreement as a compromise and without admitting liability, fault or guilt.

Wilshire Skyline representatives said they were confident they would have prevailed if a lawsuit were filed, but felt a settlement "was more prudent from a business standpoint … ."

The City Attorney's Office, along with Legal Aid, will continue to monitor certain provisions of the agreement for a period of 10 years.

"This is a great result for the tenants," said Deputy City Attorney Gary Rhoades. "It covers nearly all aspects of their tenancy. And we believe the privacy terms dealing with security cameras and guests are the first of their kind in the city and probably the county."

Tenants, some of whom were disabled and formerly homeless, told city officials that management was harassing those on Section 8, a federal housing assistance program for low-income individuals. They also said management was using video cameras to spy on tenants instead of increase security, and would not allow tenants to have guests over.

Some said they had their parking taken away from them, the price increased threefold and then sold to the general public.

Legal Aid senior attorney Denise McGranahan said the apartment building, designated a landmark in the heart of Santa Monica, has been among the most affordable housing options for some of the most-vulnerable low-income tenants living in the city.

"The tenants [we] represented all suffered from some form of disability and were formerly homeless individuals, and had we not intervened on their behalf, they may very well have become homeless again," said McGranahan. "They deserve to live in a safe and affordable home, close to the many services that allow them to continue to live independently. This agreement, which was entered into as a compromise, provides them a robust set of protections against arbitrary displacement."

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Nation's first primary in Texas as GOP pushes right

BY PAUL J. WEBER
Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas Republicans decided who was more conservative while Democrats sought to galvanize new voters as Texas held a first-in-the-nation primary that could push the state farther right even as the left looks to stake new claims.

Six of Texas' top jobs are open after GOP Gov. Rick Perry decided not to run again following a record 14 years in office, prompting a stampede of 26 Republicans candidates for various stepping stones to higher office. Democrats set on breaking the nation's longest losing streak in races for statewide office meanwhile hoped charismatic gubernatorial hopeful Wendy Davis would turnout long dormant voters.

"If people don't start supporting the Democratic Party and voting as a Democrat, instead of being a Democrat voting in the Republican primary, then we're never going to win races and we're never going to establish ourselves as a serious party here," said Janet Veal, 43, a Texas Tech student adviser who cast a Democratic ballot in Lubbock.

That possibility, and the rising influence of tea party firebrand U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz, has Texas Republicans flanking farther right this primary season. Some have blasted an "invasion" of immigrants coming across the Texas border, where immigration arrests have almost tripled in recent years but remain at about one-third of their historic highs. Others pledged to further tighten some of the nation's strictest abortion laws and doubled down on the state's gay marriage ban — one of several state bans recently ruled unconstitutional by federal courts.

"I think we need to bolster the border security and get tougher on immigration," 38-year-old conservative Republican Glendon Paulk said after voting in Lubbock. "I'm all for people who come over here legally but the illegal immigrants, it doesn't make sense for them to get a break while we're working and having to pay taxes."

Frigid weather greeted some voters with a dangerous drive to the polls. Austin locations opened late because of icy conditions and extended voting for two hours. Turnout was light in many places, with election workers seen knitting or reading a newspaper in between voters' sporadic arrivals.

Among those on the ballot Tuesday was a new member of the Bush dynasty: George P. Bush, the nephew of former President George W. Bush and son of former Gov. Jeb Bush, making his political debut by running for land commissioner.

Six of Texas' top offices lack an incumbent; the last time Texas had so many open statewide seats was 2002, when Perry won his first full term. While Democrats are running mostly unopposed in their primaries, crowded fields in the Republican races for attorney general, comptroller and commissioners for agriculture and railroads make May runoffs likely.

Davis' bid for governor headlines a roster of underdog Democrats girding instead for the Nov. 4 general election.

That's the only day that matters to Davis and her Republican opponent, Attorney General Greg Abbott, in the year's marquee showdown. Neither has a competitive primary, leaving Davis poised to become the first female gubernatorial nominee in Texas since Ann Richards in 1994, and Abbott the first new GOP nominee since Perry.

Beverly Hanson — who was among a handful of people who had voted at a Houston elementary school on a cold, rainy day — said women's issues are a key component of the election.

"And that means Wendy Davis," the 68-year-old retired teacher said, later explaining, "She's not one of the old boys. In Texas, we have for so many years had the old boys in office."

Hanson said Davis has an uphill battle against Abbott but believes the attorney general erred by campaigning with shock rocker Ted Nugent, who called President Barack Obama a "subhuman mongrel," a comment for which he later apologized.

"It just an example of Republicans having a narrow perspective of what Texas is," Hanson said, adding, "It will be a fight."

Unlike Davis and Abbott, few other Texas candidates have the luxury of uneventful primaries.

Almost all are on the Republican side, where candidates have wooed voters with vows to emulate Cruz's no-compromise style. Even U.S. Sen. John Cornyn and U.S. Rep. Pete Sessions, two of the state's most powerful Republicans, have spent money campaigning against longshot challengers who say the incumbents have grown too moderate in Washington.

Changes are far more likely in Austin. Republican Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who lost to Cruz in the U.S. Senate race in 2012, appears headed for his first runoff in 11 years for the state's No. 2 job, which doubles as the state Senate president and exerts considerably more influence than elsewhere in setting the legislative agenda. The race has been the nastiest and most competitive this primary season.

Ralph Kramer, 70, a semi-retired petroleum engineer from The Woodlands who described himself as more conservative than most Republicans, said he didn't like the tone of Dewhurst's recent campaign against challenger state Sen. Dan Patrick. Kramer described political ads as "just a way to lie, exaggerate."

"And I don't like a dirty campaign," he said.

Illinois holds the nation's next primary March 18, followed by a flood of state primaries in May and June.



Lawmakers press White House on pot rules

BY ALICIA A. CALDWELL
Associated Press

WASHINGTON A senior U.S. drug enforcement official urged Congress and others Tuesday not to abandon scientific concerns over marijuana in favor of public opinion to legalize it, even as the Obama administration takes a hands-off approach in states where voters have made legal its sale and use.

The deputy administrator for the Drug Enforcement Administration, Thomas Harrigan, testified Tuesday before a House oversight panel that easing laws governing marijuana threatens U.S. institutions.

"We should not abandon science and fact in favor of public opinion," Harrigan said. He echoed previous testimony from James Capra, DEA's chief of operations, who told a Senate panel in January that "going down the path to legalization in this country is reckless and irresponsible."

The subcommittee chairman, Rep. John Mica, R-Fla., said the country is "in a state of conflict and chaos right now" over U.S. marijuana policy.

In an election year that could tip the balance of power in Congress, some Republicans have accused the White House of cherry-picking which federal laws to enforce. The administration has said it continues to pursue dangerous criminals, but President Barack Obama himself last month in an interview declared marijuana no more dangerous than alcohol and contrasted it with "harder drugs" including cocaine and methamphetamine.

Twenty-one states and the District of Columbia have legalized marijuana for medical use. To date, only Colorado and Washington have allowed the sale and use of marijuana for recreational use. Several other states, including Oregon and Alaska, are expected to vote on legalizing recreational marijuana within the next year.

Colorado's recreational pot market became legal in January. Officials in Washington are expected to issue the first marijuana business license Wednesday.

Federal law is unambiguous: Marijuana is among the most dangerous drugs, it has no medicinal value and it's illegal in the United States. It's a stance supported generally by the president's Office of National Drug Control Policy.

But the Justice Department has made clear it won't interfere with businesses in states where marijuana's sale or use has been made legal so long as everyone adheres to state law and the industry is taxed and regulated. The Treasury and Justice departments last month announced formal guidance for banks, though the financial industry has suggested that banks will remain wary of opening accounts for marijuana businesses.

Harrigan, the deputy DEA administrator, stopped short Tuesday of criticizing the administration's enforcement policies. He said the Justice Department memo issued last year by Deputy Attorney General James Coles has had little impact on his agency's operations targeting large-scale drug trafficking organizations. He said law enforcement remains concerned about international drug organizations exploiting state drug laws that are more lax than the federal government.

The U.S. attorney in Colorado, John Walsh, said his office has never targeted casual drug users for federal prosecutions, and the Coles memo has had no impact on that.

Harrigan also told the panel that DEA's foreign counterparts have questioned why the U.S. appears to be easing its overall oversight of marijuana laws.

Hours before Tuesday's congressional hearing, the United Nations' drug watchdog agency said it "deeply regrets" moves by Colorado and Washington state to allow the sale and use of marijuana. The agency, the International Narcotics Control Board, said such legalization posed a threat to the international fight against drug abuse.





Carry-on crackdown: United enforcing bag size limit

BY SCOTT MAYEROWITZ
AP Airlines Writer

NEW YORK United Airlines is getting tough on passengers with oversized carry-on bags, even sending some of them back to the ticket counter to check their luggage for a fee.

The Chicago-based airline has started a push to better enforce rules restricting the size of carry-on bags — an effort that will include instructing workers at security checkpoint entrances to eyeball passengers for bags that are too big.

In recent weeks, United has rolled out new bag-sizing boxes at most airports and sent an e-mail to frequent fliers, reminding them of the rules. An internal employee newsletter called the program a "renewed focus on carry-on compliance."

The size limits on carry-on bags have been in place for years, but airlines have enforced them inconsistently.

United says it is just ensuring that bags are reviewed at the security checkpoint, in addition to the bag checks already done at gates prior to boarding.

Passengers are typically allowed one carry-on bag to fit in the overhead bin, which can be no larger than 9 inches by 14 inches by 22 inches. Fliers can also bring one personal item such as a purse or laptop bag that fits under the seat in front of them.

People flying with oversized bags can have the suitcase checked for free at the gate, a longstanding practice. But those who get halted at the entrance to security must now go back to the ticket counter and pay the airline's $25 checked-luggage fee.

Some travelers suggest the crackdown is part of a larger attempt by United to collect more fees. The airline says it's simply ensuring that complaint passengers have space left for them in the overhead bins. In recent years, the last group of passengers to board has routinely been forced to check their bags at the gate because overhead bins were already full.

"The stepped-up enforcement is to address the customers who complained about having bags within the size limit and weren't able to take them on the plane," United spokesman Rahsaan Johnson said. "That is solely what this is about."

It has nothing to do with revenue, Johnson said, adding that one non-complaint bag takes up the same space as two complaint ones.

But the airline is likely to benefit financially if more passengers are turned back at security.

"This new program is primarily to drive new revenue and will likely delay the boarding process even more unless better education is provided around what is and is not acceptable," said Brian Kelly, an industry watcher who writes about flying trends at ThePointsGuy.com.

But, he added, having fewer bags on board could also be good for passengers.

"I've been whacked more times than I can count by people loaded down with their life's worldly possessions," Kelly said.

United collects $638 million in checked-bag fees a year but wants to increase that figure. In a January earnings call, the airline's chief revenue officer, Jim Compton, said United hopes to collect an extra $700 million from extras such as baggage fees and the sale of extra legroom during the next four years.

Those fees have helped the airline industry return to profitability even as the price of fuel has climbed. While airfare has risen faster than inflation, it could have risen faster still without the added revenue.

Other airlines have bag sizers at checkpoints, but enforcement was sporadic at best.

American Airlines asks staff at some of its largest airports "to do an eyeball test on size of carry-ons." The airline has even used tape measures to enforce polices.

Delta Air Lines said that "during peak times at hubs and larger airports" it has agents near security to look for oversized carry-on bags and has improved technology to check bags faster at gates.

United is going further than other airlines. Its bag sizers have a space for bags going in overhead bins and another for those items going under the seats.

Christina Schillizzi, a frequent United flier from New Jersey, said she was shocked to see the flight crew stringently forcing people to check carry-on bags on a recent flight. They even questioned if her laptop would fit under the seat.

"Fliers were naturally annoyed" and did not want to give up their luggage, she said. "Ultimately, the less-than-friendly flight attendants won out."

United has also updated its website, telling passengers to use the new sizers "to find out whether your carry-on and personal item are able to be brought on board, so you can check any bags that are too large right there in the lobby."

"You may have purchased a bag that claims to be 'official carry-on size,'" the airline cautioned. "However, this labeling can be misleading because it doesn't specifically represent United's size restrictions."

The process of getting on a plane dramatically changed in 2008, when U.S. airlines started charging extra to check a suitcase. To avoid the fee, more passengers started bringing suitcases into the airplane cabin, many of them overstuffing the bags. Suddenly there was not enough room in the overhead bins for everybody.

Airlines now sell priority boarding passes guaranteeing those who pay extra get some space in the overhead bin. Everybody else is left jockeying for a position at the gate, hoping to get onboard before the bins filled up.

Once on the plane, passengers take longer to sit down because they are trying to cram over-packed suitcases into the already overflowing bins. Airlines have been installing new, larger overhead bins, but it has not entirely solved the problem.

"It was getting out of control with how much people were bringing on board," said Michel Jacobson, a frequent United flier who works for a Washington D.C.-based trade group.

Jacobson isn't so worried about paying the $25 checked-bag fee — it's waived for him as an elite member of United's frequent-flier program. Instead, he fears needing to show up at the airport earlier and earlier to check a bag he's used to bringing onboard.

When Spirit Airlines started charging passengers in 2010 to place bags in the overhead bin — something only Spirit and Allegiant Air do — executives said the move helped improve on-time performance. Spirit charges $5 more for carry-on bags than checked bags.

Last year, United reconfigured its gate areas to separate the people in boarding group 1 from those in group 2 and those in group 3 and so on. The goal was to instill some order and speed up boarding.

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Surf Forecasts

Water Temp: **60.4°**

WEDNESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high
Minimal new WNW swell. Best for standout spots which are up to waist high on the sets late.

THURSDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high
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BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of **February 26, 2014**

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QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 4
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 38 / 5
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 8 / 4

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: SMA Swain Barber Foundation

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	C	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	F	D
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	D	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon.	A+	A+
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	A
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	ns

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	A	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	F	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	F
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	C	ns
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	A+
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A	ns
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	C	ns
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	C	ns
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	F	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	A	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A	ns
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of DBW jetty).	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	ns

LEGEND

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

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Ducks get Robidas from Stars; deal Penner, Fasth

BY GREG BEACHAM
AP Sports Writer

ANAHEIM, Calif. Although Stephane Robidas isn't a flashy player, the sturdy defenseman could be exactly what the high-flying Anaheim Ducks need in their Stanley Cup chase.

The Ducks acquired Robidas from the Dallas Stars on Tuesday for a conditional fourth-round pick in this year's draft.

The overall NHL leaders made three deals on the day before the league's trade deadline, shaking up their roster with 20 games left in the regular season. Anaheim also sent backup goalie Viktor Fasth to Edmonton and shipped forward Dustin Penner to Washington.

Although the 37-year-old Robidas won't return from a broken leg for at least two more weeks, the Ducks were eager to acquire a hard-nosed veteran with superior passing skills and a nasty edge to his game.

They're all attributes Anaheim could use in its attempt to back up its outstanding regular season with playoff success. The Ducks lead the NHL with 91 points and three straight victories heading into Wednesday's game against Montreal, but they've won just one playoff series since winning their franchise's only Stanley Cup title in 2007.

Robidas knew he probably didn't have a future with the Stars, who haven't discussed a contract extension with him. When he heard Anaheim was interested, he jumped at the chance to play in the postseason for the first time since 2008, when Dallas eliminated the defending champion Ducks in the first round.

"We're going for a Stanley Cup, and that's what I've been waiting for for a long time," said Robidas, who is joining his fourth NHL club. "I think it's a great opportunity for me, and I'm just very excited for the chance the Ducks are giving me."

Robidas hasn't played since breaking his leg against Chicago on Nov. 29 while crashing into the boards behind the net, but he has been participating extensively in practice. He had four goals and one assist in 24 games for the Stars this season.

"Everything has been going really well," Robidas said of his recovery. "I've just got a few little things I need to get a little more comfortable."

Robidas should add experience and toughness to a defense that has spent the entire season without veteran Sheldon Souray, who got hurt in summer training. Robidas should be familiar to some Ducks fans from that 2008 playoff series in which Anaheim's Todd Marchant accidentally broke Robidas' nose with the puck — and Robidas returned to the game shortly afterward.

"That's how I play," Robidas said. "I'm not a finesse player. I know my role. I know what I need to do. I know how I need to play, and I'm not going to change the way I've been playing. I'm going to be the same player, and I think that's why they came and they got me."

Robidas is seventh in Dallas club history with 704 games played. He has 211 points in two stints with Dallas, his home for all but 45 NHL games since 2002.

The draft pick acquired by the Stars becomes a third-rounder if the Ducks reach the Western Conference finals and Robidas plays in half their playoff games.

The Ducks' other two deals trimmed their roster heading down the playoff stretch.

Anaheim dealt Fasth to the Edmonton Oilers for a fifth-round pick in 2014 and a third-round pick in 2015, abruptly cutting ties with the long-injured Swedish goalie right before he was expected to return to the club. Fasth has been out since Nov. 18 with muscle inflammation.

The Ducks signed Fasth before last season, and he played well as Jonas Hiller's backup before injuries kept him out for nearly four months. In his absence, Danish goalie Frederik Andersen emerged as an outstanding alternative, most recently making 49 saves in a victory over Carolina on Sunday.

Andersen is 15-3 with a 2.12 goals-against average and a .929 save percentage this season. Anaheim is rich in goaltending talent with Hiller — a free agent after this season — and elite 20-year-old prospect John Gibson, currently playing well for the Ducks' AHL team in Norfolk.

Penner had 13 goals and 19 assists in 49 games after the Ducks re-signed him in the offseason for his second stint in Anaheim, where he won his first Stanley Cup ring seven years ago.

Although Penner had every chance to cement his spot on the Ducks' top line with friends Ryan Getzlaf and Corey Perry, he has been a frequent healthy scratch by coach Bruce Boudreau.

Anaheim got a fourth-round pick for Penner, reacquiring the draft choice sent to Washington for center Mathieu Perreault earlier this season.



MOVIE TIMES

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

The Grand Budapest Hotel (R) 1hr 40min
7:30pm
Discussion following with director Wes Anderson.

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade
(310) 458-3924

About Last Night (R)
2:20pm, 5:00pm, 7:45pm, 10:20pm

American Hustle (R) 2hrs 09min
1:10pm, 7:25pm

Pompeii (PG-13) 1hr 42min
4:30pm, 10:05pm

Pompeii 3D (PG-13) 1hr 42min
1:35pm, 7:15pm

Son of God (PG-13)
1:25pm, 4:05pm, 7:00pm, 9:50pm

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

RoboCop (PG-13)
11:05am, 1:50pm, 4:35pm, 7:55pm, 10:45pm

Lego Movie in 3D (PG)
1:55pm, 6:55pm

Monuments Men (PG-13)
11:15am, 2:00pm, 4:45pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

Wolf of Wall Street (R) 2hrs 45min
11:10am, 3:00pm

Three Days to Kill (PG-13)
11:00am, 1:40pm, 4:20pm, 7:10pm, 10:30pm

Non-Stop (PG-13) 1hr 50min
11:30am, 2:15pm, 5:10pm, 7:45pm, 10:20pm

Lego Movie (PG)
11:20am, 4:25pm, 9:45pm

Wind Rises (Kazetachinu) (PG-13) 2hrs 06min
11:00am, 2:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:20pm, 10:15pm

Metropolitan Opera: Prince Igor ENCORE (NR) 4hrs 30min
6:30pm

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

Child's Pose (Pozitia Copilului) (NR) 1hr 52min
1:30pm, 4:20pm, 7:10pm, 9:55pm

Great Beauty (La Grande Bellezza) (NR) 2hrs 30min
1:20pm, 4:40pm, 8:00pm

Philomena (R) 1hr 34min
1:50pm, 4:20pm

Her (R)
7:00pm, 10:00pm

Tim's Vermeer (NR) 1hr 20min
1:10pm, 3:20pm, 5:30pm, 7:40pm, 9:45pm

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HAPPY AT HOME TONIGHT, SCORPIO

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ A friend whom you might not have heard from in a while could help perk up your day in the afternoon. Use your intuition when making a decision involving your funds. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You tend to blossom in situations where others might get frustrated. You might be used to someone being rather cold and difficult. Do not internalize this person's behavior or words. A boss might not openly compliment you, but he or she thinks highly of you. Tonight: All smiles.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★ Know that you might need to get a little perspective on a situation. Your best bet would be not to say too much and just observe more. Imagine what it must be like to be in the other person's shoes. Detach as much as you can. Tonight: Let it all hang out.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Zero in on priorities. A meeting could be more important than you realize. Once you see the discussion evolve and witness the immediate results, you will gain a sense of appreciation. A close friend might want to talk. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Follow your instincts. You might want to head in a different direction and follow a new path. Others could openly disagree with you. Once you feel that you have answered their questions, you'll be able to relax. Let go of the issue for now. Tonight: Take a break.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You'll have the opportunity to accomplish a lot. Detach and get opinions from people who do not think like you do. Once you recognize the myriad of possibilities, you will need to revisit the matter at hand. Tonight: Put on some great music, or drop in on a jam session.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Listen to what is being shared by a trusted pal -- there are nuggets of important information there. Build on an existing premise, rather than begin a new one. Remember that everyone is entitled to his or her opinion. Tonight: Visit and chat with a loved one.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You could decide that enough has come down your path. Understand that it is up to you to state your boundaries; otherwise, how would others know? Share what is happening on a more open level with a close friend. Tonight: Happy at home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Be aware of what is happening in your immediate circle. Not everyone will agree with you, so keep an eye on someone who is prone to backstabbing. You can talk until you are blue in the face, but reconciliation is unlikely until later. Tonight: Make exercising a must.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Honor your feelings by coming up with a creative solution for a child or loved one. You will see how grateful this person is. What he or she might not realize is how relieved you will be to get past this problem. Tonight: Around good music.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Someone might become stubborn in a conversation. Know when to pull back and say less; otherwise, it could be much harder to rectify the situation. If a situation is as you see it, time will be your ally. Tonight: Sink into the sofa, watch a favorite show or indulge in a relaxing pastime.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Examine alternatives with more care. Your innate ability to see the other side of an issue and find a way to make everyone happy will emerge. Tonight: Hang out with friends.

Wednesday, March 5, 2014

This year controversy often stems from misunderstandings. You will tend to worry too much and overthink situations. Learn to use a stressbuster, such as yoga, to ease the pressure. If you are single, you could be more fragile than you realize. Let a romance build at its own speed. Do not push, and the results will be better. If you are attached, the two of you will develop a new form of communication with each other in an effort to reach agreements and avoid misunderstandings. TAURUS knows how to draw you out of a funk.

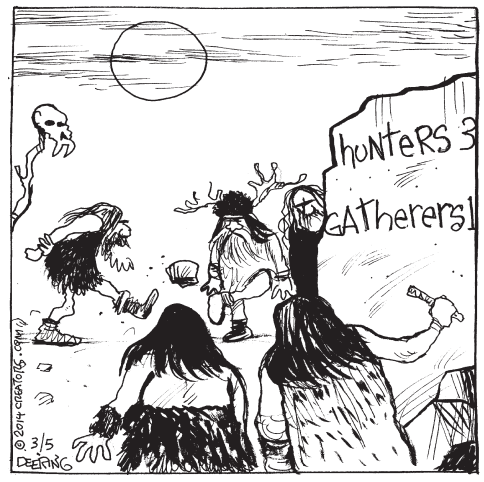
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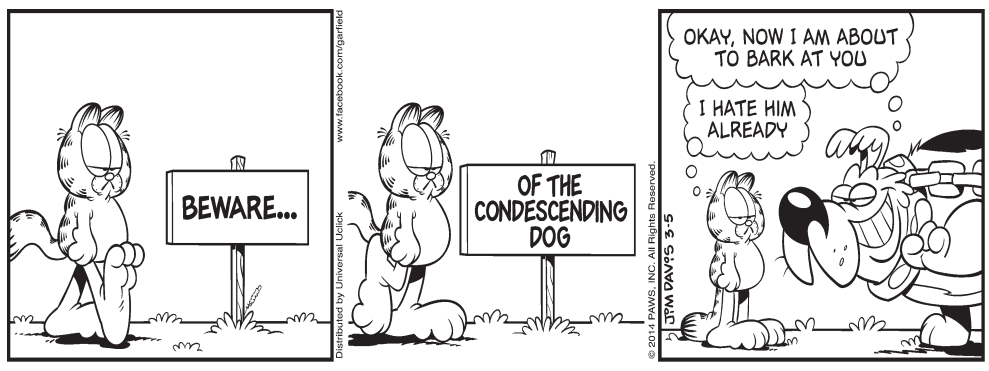
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Sudoku

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 ★★★

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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

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

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Hazardous gas
6 Fence part
10 Sung story
11 Seething
12 Divided
13 Man with a moral
14 Sine study, for short
15 Strike caller
16 Convoy truck
17 Runner on snow
18 Notice
19 Pale quality
22 Sicilian peak
23 Mystique
26 Sore quality
29 Letter before psi
32 Make fun of
33 Kilmer of "The Doors"
34 Upright
36 Courageous one
37 Prologue
38 Locker art
39 Atkinson of "Mr. Bean"
40 Polygon corner
41 Debate group
42 Spirited horse

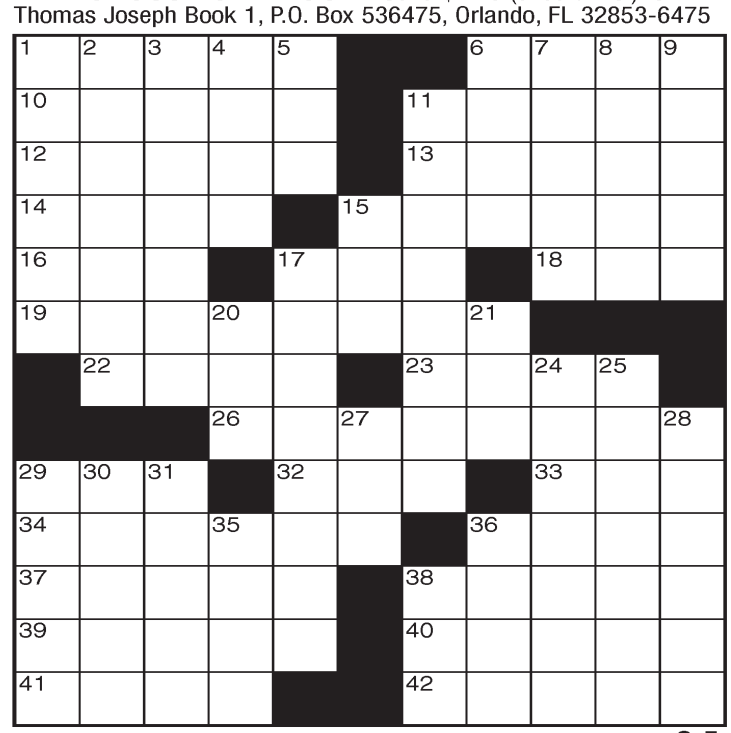
DOWN

1 Raised platforms
2 Inform
3 Tickle pink
4 Not a dup.
5 D.C. baseballer, for short
6 Make ready
7 Caravan stop
8 Mall business
9 Plains home
11 Neil Diamond song
15 Luau instrument
17 Enjoys, as chips
20 — nutshell
21 Nearest star
24 Retribution
25 Generally
27 Sold-out show
28 Not on the level
29 Nest sound
30 Accolade
31 Bisected
35 Historic times
36 Pointer
38 — de deux

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POWERBALL Draw Date: 3/1
3 8 25 30 47
Power#: 13
Jackpot: $40M

MEGA MILLIONS Draw Date: 2/28
3 31 50 58 59
Mega#: 6
Jackpot: $240M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS Draw Date: 3/1
4 10 20 30 35
Mega#: 13
Jackpot: $27M

Fantasy 5 Draw Date: 3/3
3 7 21 29 32

DAILY 3 Draw Date: 3/3
MIDDAY: 3 4 3
EVENING: 6 3 9

DAILY DERBY Draw Date: 3/3
1st: 10 Solid Gold
2nd: 01 Gold Rush
3rd: 07 Eureka
RACE TIME: 1:43.73

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ When a brand-new, exhaustively itemized medical coding system debuts in October (planned long before "Obamacare," by the way), doctors will find, for example, dozens of separate numbers to describe dealings with a patient's big toe (left one, right one, with or without nail damage, blisters, abrasions, critter bites, fractures, dislocations, sprains, amputation, etc.). Among the odder listed "origins of injury," reported The New York Times in December, are codes for "burning water skis" and injuries incurred in opera houses, or while knitting, or as a manifestation of sibling rivalry. The current system has about 17,000 codes, but the new one totals 68,000 for diagnoses plus 87,000 for procedures.

■ Clare Lally, weary of her three-flight front walk, demanded a wheelchair ramp on her government-subsidized house in Duntocher, England, for her daughter, 7, who has suffered from bulbar palsy since birth, and the West Dunbartonshire Council came through promptly. A front-yard-dominating concrete platform was built in January (costing the equivalent of $67,000), consisting of a 10-level "snake"-style series of ramps with steel railings. Not only does navigating the "snake" take time, but Lally now complains that the ramp has been taken over by neighborhood kids as a skateboard run.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1979 – America's Voyager 1 spacecraft has its closest approach to Jupiter, 172,000 miles.

1981 – The ZX81, a pioneering British home computer, is launched by Sinclair Research and would go on to sell over 1.5 million units around the world.

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2. Archaic. to blindfold.
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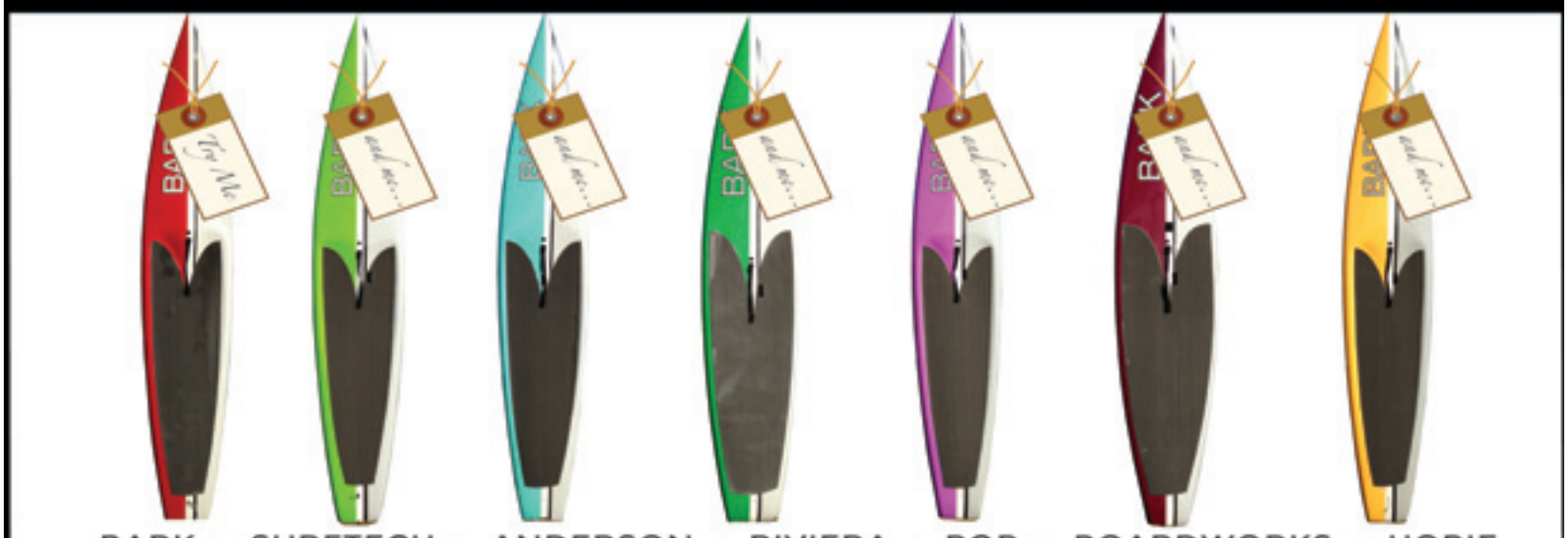


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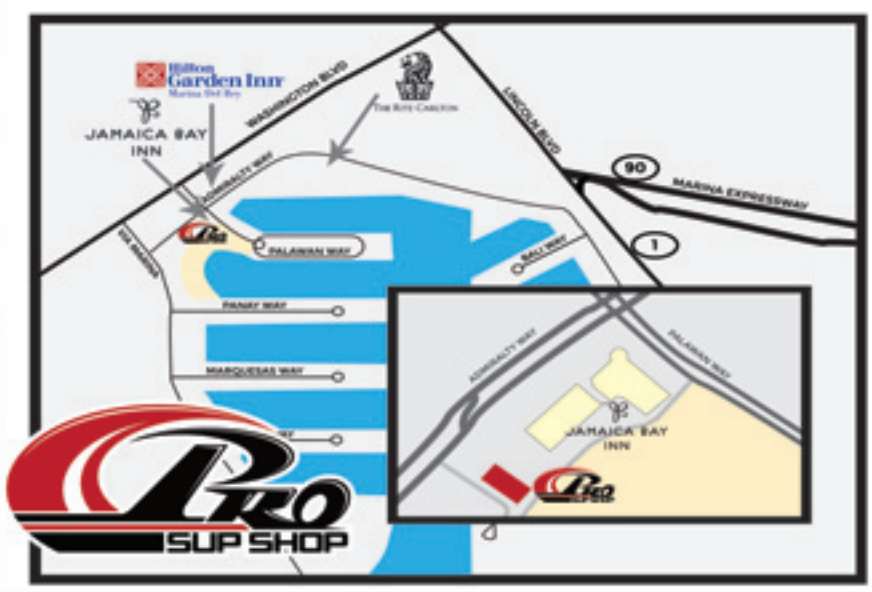
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As promised, twice a year I will remind you to take care of these important safety issues:

Interior:

- Change the batteries in all of your smoke detectors & carbon monoxide detectors.
- Clean and/or change the filters in your furnace.
- Clean out any lint and/or fabric from the vents of your clothes dryer.
- Check electrical outlets for potential fire hazards such as frayed wires or loose fitting plugs.
- Check for overloading of electrical outlets, fuse boxes, extension cords etc.
- Keep a filled and ready-to-use, multi-purpose fire extinguisher accessible.
- Check water heater for leaks and corrosion.
- Sump system should be checked several times during the rainy season (if applicable).
- Vacuum refrigerator condensing coils.
- Inspect shower, tub & sink caulking for deterioration.
- Inspect all plumbing fixtures and supply lines for leaks.
- Pour bleach down every drain in your home.
- Survey all vent openings for compromised screening or other deterioration.
- Upgrade washing machine hoses to stainless steel jacketed hoses to help prevent failure.
- Lubricate and service the garage door hardware and openers.
- The fire sprinkler system needs to be inspected periodically (if applicable).
- Termite inspections should be performed every 3 years.



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