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Downtown Santa Monica has evolved DNA

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

A group of residents have formed a new neighborhood organization, the Downtown Neighborhood Association (DNA) to represent the voice of residents who were previously excluded from one of the existing neighborhood groups.

Santa Monica has several groups that represent local neighborhoods including Friends of Sunset Park, North of Montana Association, Ocean Park Association, Pico Neighborhood Association, Santa Monica Mid City Neighbors, Santa Monica Northeast Neighbors and the Wilshire Montana Neighborhood Coalition.

Elena Christopoulos, a 10-year resident of Downtown, said the voice of downtown residents was being left out of community discussions.

"As a downtown resident, I had a meeting in November of last year to see if there was interest and interest in an association," she said. "I thought that there's was a voice that wasn't heard, a new voice a voice that represents an urban environment and I hadn't heard the voice."

She said the 74-member group is diverse, but united behind a desire to live in an urban environment with a focus on sustainability, transit, density and a love of the location.

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The geopolitics of preschool

As programs expand, some worry about potential loss of cross-city connections

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

With momentum building for early childhood education locally and across the country, the Santa Monica-Malibu school district is in the process of expanding pre-kindergarten programming.

But during a recent Board of Education meeting, when SMMUSD officials unveiled long-term plans to have children go to preschool at the elementary sites in their home neighborhoods, the ensuing discussion hinged on two underlying questions:

Will such a system limit young kids' interaction with students of other races, cultures and socioeconomic backgrounds? And does that matter?

"This seems to be one of those cases when you have good goals that are a little bit in conflict with each other," board president Laurie Lieberman said. "You get the benefits of being in your neighborhood school, but by doing that you then eliminate the possibility of mixing southside with northside. That is a loss. There's no two ways about it."

Edison Language Academy and Grant Elementary School have been chosen as pilot preschool sites for fall 2016, and officials hope to launch preschool at Juan Cabrillo Elementary School in Malibu by 2017.

The district has been hosting information sessions for prospective parents in recent weeks, including one at Edison on Feb. 23 and another at Grant on Feb. 24. A meeting at Juan Cabrillo, which already offers a transitional kindergarten program, is scheduled for Wednesday night at 5:30 p.m. The

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Compassion captured in a snapshot

Creators of Helpguide.org honored in photo exhibit of 'unsung heroes'

BY JENNIFER MAAS
Daily Press Staff Writer

Robert Segal is extremely proud of his new horse. Though the horse is not a living breathing animal,

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Photo by Stella Kalinina

THE TEAM: Robert and Jeanne Segal run Helpguide.org.



LOCKDOWN

Matthew Hall matt@smdp.com

A suicidal man prompted the temporary evacuation and closure of the Santa Monica Courthouse yesterday. The Santa Monica Police Department issued an alert at 8:53 a.m. announcing the closure of the Courthouse and road restrictions on Main Street between Olympic and Pico. The suicidal man had driven his truck onto the lawn in front of the court where he stayed for about half an hour before eventually leaving on a stretcher. "The suicidal individual surrendered without incident or harm," said Sgt. Rudy Camarena. Officers removed the truck from the lawn and reopened the court at 9:15 a.m.

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, March 9

Celebrate National Bubble Week with Best Bubble Party

Enter the captivating world of bubbles in this engaging and informative show, bursting with fun for the whole family! Ages 3 and up. No tickets required. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 11:15 a.m. - 12 p.m.

The Living Room presents "The Big Kid's Table: Graphic Novels"

Part of a monthly series of programs designed to inspire adults to get in touch with the big kid inside. This month: start and color your own graphic novel. They'll also have coloring books and relaxing music. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Commission on the Status of Women Meeting

Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Commission on the Status of Women. Ken Edwards Center, 7 p.m.

Considerations for College-Bound Artists

Interested in pursuing a career in the visual or performing arts? Independent college counselor Nick Soper will discuss the different types of opportunities and requirements for participating in the arts during college. Grades 9-12. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 - 8 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting

Meeting of the Planning Commission. City Hall, 7 p.m.

New Moon of Pisces 2

The second month of Pisces opens a window in time where the spiritual bank vault of joy is especially open. To open the vault, we need only take advantage of the tremendous opportunity to face the most rewarding of spiritual challenges: To choose joy regardless of our circumstances. No charge, donations welcome. Please RSVP by calling (424) 332-5350. The Kabbalah Centre of Santa Monica, 1221 2nd St., 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 10

Sayer Question Wall

Predict, poll, question and answer all of the big questions in life. As people pass by, they are invited to write their question on our board. For more information call 858-395-9329 or visit www.sayerapp.com. 1300 block of Third Street Promenade, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Computer Class: Internet Basics I

Learn what the internet is, how to use a web browser, find information, evaluate online sources and more. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St., 4 - 5 p.m.

Reducing Stress Through Meditation

The scientific community has recently been exploring the use of meditation as a healing modality. Join Doug Frankel as he discusses the extraordinary effect of meditation to reduce stress-related responses, improve concentration, and enhance clarity of thought and mental equilibrium. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 6 - 7 p.m.

Movie Screening: 'Grandma' (2015)

In this comedic drama, Lily Tomlin turns in an award-worthy performance as a pot-smoking, lesbian grandmother, reunited with her estranged granddaughter in a scheme to deal with the younger girl's unexpected pregnancy. (79 min.) Seating first come, first served. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Rent Control Board Meeting

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Sacramento

Santa Monica Assistant City Manager Elaine Polachek to be honored at State Capitol

Assemblymember Richard Bloom (D-Santa Monica) has announced that Elaine Polachek, a long-time administrator with the City of Santa Monica, has been chosen as the 2016 "Woman of the Year" for the 50th Assembly District. Polachek will be honored along with 77 other women around the state selected by their Assembly representatives in a ceremony held on the Assembly Floor of the State Capitol on Monday, March 14.

"Ms. Polachek demonstrates the intelligence, integrity, and resolve that we all look for in a public servant," said Bloom. "But more than that, as a woman in city leadership, she has been a trailblazer in what has traditionally been a male-dominated profession. She is an inspiration for woman of all ages as our society continues to break down barriers and inequalities."

A resident of the City of West Hollywood, Elaine Polachek is currently the Assistant City Manager for the City of Santa Monica where she supervises eleven city departments and leads the City's economic development efforts. In this role, she focuses on developing, enhancing, and sustaining relations with residents and key business partners such as the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce, Convention and Visitors Bureau, Downtown Santa Monica, Inc., and the Pier Corporation. With over 30 years of public administration experience, she has served in several key positions with the City.

"I'm deeply touched by Assemblymember Bloom's invitation to represent the 50th District as Woman of the Year," said Polachek. "It's been an honor to serve the community of Santa Monica for 27 years and receiving this acknowledgement with the other distinguished women being recognized, is a hallmark in my career."

In 2014, Polachek received the John H. Nail Award from the League of California Cities. This award is presented to outstanding municipal leaders who have contributed significantly to their city and to the advancement of the community as a whole.

Polachek previously served as Deputy City Manager, Director of Community Maintenance, and Open Space Manager with the City of Santa Monica. Other noteworthy past positions for Polachek include Vice President of Marketing at the Pacific Design Center, and Operations Manager for the Pier Restoration Corporation, where she played a key role in the redevelopment of the Santa Monica Pier from 1984 to 1995. She has also served in management positions with the Province of Ontario and the City of Scottsdale, Arizona.

She holds a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of California, Los Angeles and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Southern California.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the Woman of the Year event at the State Capitol that began in 1987 to celebrate the contributions to society by remarkable women throughout the state. This annual event, sponsored and organized by the Legislative Women's Caucus, honors women who selflessly contribute to their communities.

To learn more about the Woman of the Year Event and the history of the California Legislative Woman's Caucus you can visit http://womenscaucus.legislature.ca.gov.

- SUBMITTED BY SEAN MACNEIL, CHIEF OF STAFF FOR ASSEMBLY MEMBER RICHARD BLOOM

SMC

SMC 'Masters Of Dance' series resumes March 10

The Santa Monica College (SMC) Dance Department will present the Spring 2016 Masters of Dance series, an eclectic series of master classes and lectures. The series opens on March 10 with "Acting for Dancers," presented by Dendrie Taylor, who has originated and played a variety of lead roles in films and on the stage.

All dance master classes are free and open to the public as observers or participants. The master classes are held on the SMC main campus, 1900 Pico Blvd. Seating is limited and on a first-arrival basis.

Taylor - an actress who earned her BFA in Drama at the NYU Tisch School of the Arts (where she studied Ballet at Joffrey and Modern Dance at Alvin Ailey) - will lead acting exercises designed to help dancers reveal their own unique talent and bring storytelling and authentic emotion to their dance. If participating, wear comfortable clothing. Taylor's master class will be held Thursday, March 10, at 12:30 p.m. in Gym 104.

The Masters of Dance series is sponsored by the SMC Dance Department and SMC Associates (www.smc.edu/associates), a private organization that funds speakers and special programs on the Santa Monica College campus.

For information, please go to www.smc.edu/dance or call (310) 434-4100 or (310) 434-3467.

- SUBMITTED BY GRACE SMITH, SMC PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

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Regular meeting of the Rent Control Board. City Hall, 1685 Main St., 7 p.m.

Friday, March 11

Art Journaling: The Paint and Paper Experience with Kelly Kilmer

You will create unique and expressive art journaling pages as you learn a multitude of ideas that can be applied to any art form. This is more than just an art journaling class, this is an experience in seeing, thinking, processing and experimenting. Cost $55. 1450 Ocean Ave., 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

March Moves: Bollywood Bhangra Beats

Learn basic moves, then ramp up to a heart-pumping, hopping Indian dance incorporating choreography in the Bollywood and Bhangra styles of the Indian subcontinent. Cost $5. 1450 Ocean Ave., 6 - 7 p.m.

The Difference Between Astronomy and Astrology

Gemini 50-year retrospective continues & guest lecturer Shelley R. Bonus takes on astrology at SMC's Drescher Planetarium. Bonus will give her lively take on the relationship between astronomy and astrology, two once-synonymous, but now-sundered ways of looking at the sky. Double bill with Night Sky Show only $11. 1900 Pico Blvd., Night Sky Show 7 p.m., Main Show 8 p.m.

Basketball: SMPD Guardians vs. Boys & Girls Club

Join your SMPD family and community friends as the SMPD Guardians play a fun basketball game against the Boys & Girls Club basketball team. There will be a contest for spectator kids, free hot dogs after the game and giveaways. Boys & Girls Club, 1238 Lincoln Blvd., 6:30 p.m.

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NO LUVE LOST

SINCE THIS COLUMN turned out to be so artsy-fartsy I might as well start out with the event I attended at the Robert Berman Gallery at Bergamot Station last Sunday, along with more than 300 others. I can't really call them, as a group, art lovers, but they were there for L.U.V.E., the presentation of the much-anticipated Land Use Voter Initiative. (I'll say it again: I hate the name. Acronym. Whatever.)

Co-sponsors Tricia Crane and Armen Melkonians explained that the initiative (if it gets enough signatures then passes a city-wide vote) intends to put control of height and density of new construction in Santa Monica in the hands of the voters, not the City Council. It's a more comprehensive initiative than the referendum that stopped the Hines Project last year.

You're going to read lots about this in the next few weeks so I won't say anything more here except that I picked up my petition Sunday, and though I think it's not perfect, I believe this is crucial and our best bet to guide development in Santa Monica that works for the benefit of the residents. If you want to back this and can't find a petition to sign, email me and I'll bring mine to you. Please allow 30-45 minutes if you live more than 10 blocks away.

If you want to know more about this complex but very important issue you can go to a Q&A at the monthly meeting of the Northeast Neighbors tonight, at 7 p.m. at the Main Library. And you can get in the mood for it by attending the Ocean Park Association mixer from 5 - 7 p.m. at Lula's, on Main Street. Yes, no question, Santa Monica politics drives you to drink.

PARDON MY SCOTTISH lowlands low-brow descriptive language, but if you want to see a lad simply act his arse off, non-stop intense for more than an hour, you can, for the next seven weekends.

Where? The Ruskin Group Theatre, at the airport. In what? "A Gambler's Guide to Dying" by Gary McNair, directed by Paul Linke.

Who? None other than Maury Sterling, who you may well know from TV if you watch more TV than I do, but I have heard good things about "Homeland" and he was Max, for 16 episodes. (Also did two episodes of "24" - now, that's a credit!)

In "Gambler," it's all him, 65 minutes alone on stage, on a bare room set where a single chair is as much action as you get. (Well, he does throw himself around on the floor a couple of times.) The play unfolds, strictly through narrative, of how a young boy comes to know and understand his quite interesting, locally notorious grandfather. Seems too simple and at first common and in some ways it is, and at some points "Gambler" feels like it's too slow making enlightening revelations.

Hang in there. The journey's always entertaining and often spellbinding, and wrapped up nicely at the end. The small town Scottish characters may seem a bit alien and overblown to Americans, and this particular grandfather is not like most folks, but through all the exotic language (the program provides a two-page glossary) and thick accents we come to glimpse their universal humanity.

Sterling's characters seem sometimes, at first, just a bit too loud, too animated, too enthralled with the family fable. But that's what keeps you so engaged. It's an amazing feat, this piece of acting - just memorizing more than an hour's worth of lines! - maintaining the story, plumbing the emotion, keeping you looking for clues and wondering what's next and what it all means and how the Millennium is going to turn out.

Well done, lad.

NO MONSTERS MASHING but it was a graveyard smash. Last Saturday the place to be was the cemetery, specifically Woodlawn, where local history came to life. In conjunction with our Commission on the Status of Women, they presented their second annual Living History Tour, and they killed it.

Appropriately costumed actors stood by 14 selected gravesites and as groups came to "their" final resting place they put on a dramatization of that person's fascinating life. Actors Barbara Billingsley (Beaver's mom June Cleaver), Irene Ryan (Granny, "The Beverly Hillbillies"), Glenn Ford ("Cimarron"), Doug McClure ("The Virginian") and Leo Carillo ("The Cisco Kid" and also a political cartoonist and conservationist - see? you didn't know this stuff, did you?), astronaut Sally Ride (first American woman in space, youngest astronaut), Miss America 1945 Bess Myerson (first Jewish Miss A, also a politician), cartoonist Elzie C. Segar (created Popeye), director/producer/muralist Hugo Ballin, suffragette Christabel Pankhurst and local political figures Abbot Kinney, Christine Reed, Thelma Terry and Emma Leavitt.

Make it a date to check in to the cemetery this time next year.

This Sunday, I hope I'll see y'all at our 10th Annual Santa Monica Airport Artwalk - live music, theater, tours, demonstrations, food trucks, workshops, shuttles and bike valet, all free (well, not the food trucks), and of course oodles of art to behold and/or buy. Noon to 5 p.m. Since you're already there, catch dinner at the Spitfire Grill or Typhoon and hit the Ruskin at 8 p.m. for "A Gambler's Guide to Dying." Where are we, New York, London, Paris, or lil ol' Santa Monica?

MUSIC NOTES: A week from Sunday, March 20, one of the best places in the entire music universe to be will be right here in Santa Monica, at the Moss Theater at New Roads School. Longtime local and legendary jazz drummer Peter Erskine will be performing his new album, "Dr. Um and the Lost Pages," with his most tasty quartet. Erskine's credits are as long as they are impressive, so suffice it to say he says this album is a return to his Weather Report days.

I interviewed Erskine and his pianist John Beasley (equally long resume, how about Miles Davis?) and will recount that in my next column.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep." - Scott Adams (Dilbert)

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Consumer Corner

Adam Radinsky
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Reasonable accommodations and modifications

WE'RE ALL FAMILIAR WITH THE "NO PETS" rule in apartments. Property owners like the rule since it can help keep the units in good condition. Many tenants also like it since it helps cut down on noise and other problems. But there are times when the no-pets rule has to be bent - by law.

Sarah was a Santa Monica tenant whose anxiety and Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder were debilitating, until her therapist finally suggested she get a dog for emotional support. The only problem was, her apartment complex had a no-pet rule. So Sarah approached her landlord about getting an exception from the rule to allow her a dog.

"What will this animal be trained to do for you?" asked the landlord.

"It's not trained for anything in particular," replied Sarah. "Just to be my companion and for general support."

"Sorry, but we have a no-pets rule," her landlord said. "The only exception is for ADA-approved service animals with training and certificates. You know, like a guide dog for the blind."

Sarah filed a complaint with us - the City Attorney's Consumer Protection Division. We help to enforce the fair housing laws in Santa Monica.

The fair housing laws require landlords to provide both reasonable "accommodations" and "modifications" for tenants with disabilities. Accommodations are exceptions to the normal rules to allow disabled tenants equal opportunity to use and enjoy their homes. These include things like proximate parking, extra time to comply with notices - and service animals.

Typically the tenant has a letter from a doctor confirming the disability and the need for an exception to the rules. The accommodation has to be reasonable: it can't create an undue burden for the owner.

Landlords must also allow reasonable "modifications" to disabled tenants - physical changes to the apartment, such as wheelchair ramps and grab bars. The tenant has to pay for these modifications.

In Sarah's case, we explained to the owner and his attorney that disabled tenants can have emotional support animals. Unlike the federal ADA law, the fair housing laws don't require service animals to be trained or certified. So Sarah was allowed to get her support dog, which has been a huge help for her.

Tenants with disabilities - and their landlords - can and do call us every week with questions about their rights and responsibilities. We also help with the creative brainstorming that is often needed to assure that disabled tenants have equal access and enjoyment of their home, parking, and other amenities. Give us a call at (310) 458-8327, or visit smconsumer.org.

Santa Monica has another great resource for tenants who need help with modifications. The Westside Center for Independent Living (WCIL) has city-funded grants along with expert staff and vendors to help make modifications happen. When the City Attorney's office or WCIL get involved, the emphasis is always on what's needed and then what's reasonable and then how to work it out.

If you would like to read more about reasonable accommodations and modifications, please check out our website, reasonableaccommodations.org.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Editor:

On Friday morning my niece and nephew woke up and discovered their 2 1/2 year old child not breathing in his crib. They called 911 and the Santa Monica Fire Dept. and Emergency Medical Techs. came to the house and performed CPR. They rushed the child to UCLA hospital at 15th St. Sadly, their son passed away. Later that afternoon SM Fire Dept personnel visited their home and offered their condolences and presented them with a beautiful bouquet of flowers. Our family would like to express our sincere appreciation to the Santa Monica Fire Dept. for the professionalism and thoughtful consideration.

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Nancy Reagan to be laid to rest close as possible to husband

JOHN ROGERS
Associated Press

Just as she was always by his side in life, former first lady Nancy Reagan will be laid to rest just inches from President Ronald Reagan's side when she is buried Friday in a hillside tomb facing west toward one of the couple's favorite views - the Pacific Ocean.

Mrs. Reagan's funeral service, preceded by public viewings on Wednesday and Thursday, was planned down to the smallest details by the former first lady herself, including the flower arrangements, the music to be played by a U.S. Marine Corps band and the people who received invitations to the private memorial at Simi Valley's Ronald Reagan Presidential Library.

Among those who had RSVP'd by Tuesday were former President George W. Bush and his wife, former first lady Laura Bush; former first lady Rosalynn Carter; first lady Michelle Obama; and former first lady Hillary Clinton.

"No doubt about it, the most important of her special requests was that she be laid to rest right next to the president, as close as possible," said John Heubusch, executive director of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Library.

"The way the tomb is constructed," he continued, "her casket will literally be set forth in the ground inches from President Reagan's."

The hour-long service, to which approximately 1,000 people have been invited, is to take place on the library's lawn. On a clear day the gravesite affords visitors ocean views.

Others who have said they will attend include President Richard Nixon's daughter Tricia Nixon Cox and President Lyndon Johnson's daughters Lynda Bird Johnson Robb and Luci Baines Johnson.

"One of our saddest situations is we have so many people who have called or written, saying they would like to attend, but unfortunately it needs to be by invitation only because we only have so much room on the lawn, Heubusch said. "As a result, Mrs. Reagan was very adamant about having some time where the public could come by and pay last respects."

Public viewings are scheduled at the library from 1 to 7 p.m. on Wednesday and 10 to 2 p.m. on Thursday.

First ladies' funerals, once a quiet affair, changed significantly following the death of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's widow, Eleanor Roosevelt, in 1962.

Mrs. Roosevelt, a United Nations delegate, author and prominent political figure in her own right, tried to keep the event fairly quiet, limiting the guest list to 250 people, although those guests included President John F. Kennedy, former Presidents Harry Truman and Dwight D. Eisenhower, and future President Lyndon Johnson. More than 1,000 mourners jammed the streets outside the church in Hyde Park, N.Y.

The most recent first lady's funeral was for President Gerald Ford's widow, Betty, in 2011. Some 800 people, including Mrs. Reagan, attended a private memorial service for her in Palm Springs, California, followed by a second, smaller service in her hometown of Grand Rapids, Michigan.

When former President Richard Nixon's wife, Pat, died in 1993 some 4,000 people attended a public viewing for her at the Richard Nixon Library in Yorba Linda, California. A private service took place the next day, and Mrs. Reagan and her husband were among those who attended.

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A mandatory pre-submittal meetings will be held on April 7, 2 - 3 p.m.

Vendors will be selected for either on-going or seasonal services. On-going vendors will be awarded an initial term of one to three years and seasonal vendors will be awarded an initial term of one day to three months to be negotiated.

The Santa Monica Farmers Markets require all prepared and packaged food vendors to produce their products in a Certified Commercial Kitchen and do not accept Cottage Food Operations. Additionally, All farmers market vendors are responsible for compliance with the Health Code Requirements for Community Events in LA County.

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Contact Jodi Low, Farmers Market Coordinator II for more information at (310) 458-8712 x 5 or jodi.low@smgov.net

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SMC

SMC Extension wins statewide award

The newly launched SMC Extension program has won the 2016 "Excellence in Community Education" award from the statewide Association of Community and Continuing Education (ACCE). The award recognizes programs that have demonstrated a "profound effect" on the field of community and continuing education.

"We're honored to have received this award," said Michelle King, SMC's director of career and contract education. "This demonstrates that we're going in the right direction and this brings new energy to our entire Community Education program."

SMC Community Ed recently expanded its career-oriented courses with the launch of SMC Extension to provide classes and workshops for professional development and continuing education. As part of its expansion effort, the department released a catalog with full in-depth program descriptions of professional development and short-term, not-for-credit career training programs.

Programs include Property Management, Import/Export, Computer, Internet, Social Media, Mediation, Customer Service, Entrepreneurial, Paralegal, Phlebotomy, Real Estate and more. It also includes the BankWork$ program - offered in partnership with Jewish Vocational Services - that will launch a cohort of the program at SMC's Bundy Campus in May.

"We believe this catalog is an excellent tool to reach deep into our community to let them know of the breadth and depth of career training programs we offer," King said. She said the program is being mailed and distributed widely to reach students and prospective students, industry partners, workforce training organizations and more.

"This allows the catalog to function in a very unique space," King said, "as the catalog is one of few college marketing tool that offer outreach to a wide cross-section of the local community."

For more information about SMC Extension and SMC Community Ed, go to http://commed.smc.edu or call (310) 434-3400 or email commed@smc.edu.

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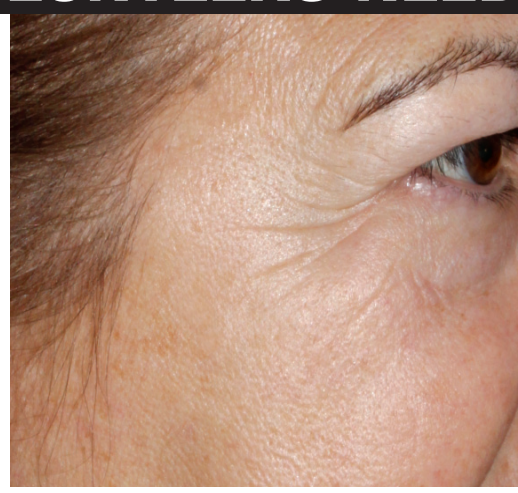
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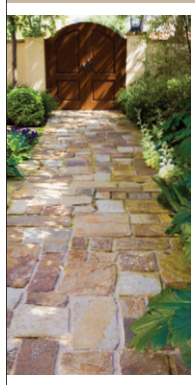
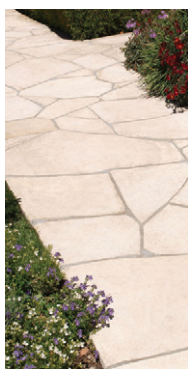
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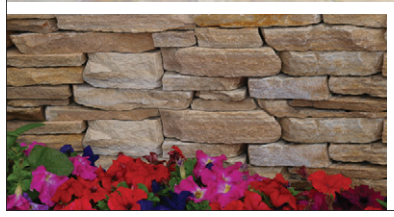


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HEROES

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but instead a mindful meditation tool on the website Helpguide.org; one his wife Jeanne will warn you may be upsetting for some to use, as mindful meditation is hard on those who are not comfortable with their emotions.

The Segals know a lot about emotions, as their non-profit guide, whose headquarters are located in Santa Monica, is focused on helping people deal with their mental health and wellbeing through articles and other tools available on the website.

"We try to give people, all audiences, no matter where they are, things they could do to help themselves," Jeanne said. "If you can afford the best medical care you won't go to Helpguide.org. That group is who we are trying to help the most."

The site is dedicated to the Segal's daughter, Morgan. Morgan committed suicide in 1996 and the Segals believe her death could have been avoided if she had access to professional self-help information on the Internet to help give her hope.

Robert will tell you that, though the site started as a local Rotary Club project, it has grown steadily over time into one that helps people all over the world.

"We have articles that are very help and search engine friendly," Robert said. "And what's more is people find us with zero publicity or marketing. It's all word of mouth. And with just that last year we hit 81 million sessions on the site."

And though both Segals will say they are still not that well known in their own community, that probably won't be the case soon, as the work they have done to help others with their site has garnered them a spot in a new photography exhibit, "Portraits of Compassion," which showcases 30 "Unsung Heroes" of Los Angeles County who are working to improve the region.

"We wanted to create an online experience that empowers people to help themselves create better mental, emotional and physical health," reads the caption that accompanies the Segals photo at the exhibit. "We kept polishing and expanding the website. By 2012, Harvard Health Publications approached us to collaborate, we reached 50 million visitors and the positive feedback was piling up.

"We thought, 'We must be doing something that's helping people.' Those numbers tell a story. We are 82 and 76 years old and more excited than ever. The creative process constantly delights us. We work with highly talented young people and savor the results. The goals set in 1999 are fulfilled beyond our wildest dreams. And we've been told that Helpguide.org has saved many lives."

Robert is responsible for the website's organization, navigation and presentation on both desktop and mobile devices. He creates the workflow, the article formatting and use of images. Jeanne is a sociologist, psychologist and writer who believes that we improve and repair our own lives and the lives of others. She is also a researcher encouraged by the wealth of new studies that link improved social and emotional well-being to informed self-help choices.

John Kobara, EVP and COO of California Community Foundation, the organization behind the exhibit, knows the Segals personally and can attest to the reason they were chosen for the exhibit.

"The exhibit is meant to honor people that are truly 'unsung,'" Kobara said. "The people who are making a difference in the community. Those who are really just doing good work."

Kobara said that there were 150 people nominated, and after reading through the applications and debating them, the foundation made the difficult decision of who would be the 30 "unsung heroes"; the Segals being included in that group.

"I am a big fan of Helpguide and what Robert and Jeanne have done. So I am very glad they were included in the exhibit."

The Segals are proud of what they do and hope to continue doing it into the foreseeable future.

"We do what we do, and the process is the reward. We are good at what we do. And it is such a privilege," Jeanne said.

To learn more about Helpguide, visit helpguide.org.

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PRESCHOOL

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preschool and TK programs have been dubbed Seaside and Bridges, respectively.

The 10-month preschool program will cost $1,353, according to an SMMUSD notice, with an option for extended day care costing an additional $164. Financial assistance will be available to qualifying families.

District leaders have discussed aligning the preschool programs with the transitional kindergarten and kindergarten options. Transitional kindergarten is currently offered at Will Rogers, McKinley and Webster elementary schools.

Irene Gonzalez-Castillo, the district's director of elementary curriculum and instruction, said that expanding early childhood education for students at their local campuses will improve equity and access, enhance relationships between families and educators, and streamline kids' transitions from grade to grade.

She noted that just 15 of the 44 students served by Child Development Services at Grant live within the school's attendance area. Thirteen come from other SMMUSD areas. Sixteen are from outside of the district.

"We want to serve kids at their neighborhood schools," Gonzalez-Castillo said.

Board member Oscar de la Torre and local Classroom Teachers Association president Sarah Braff said such a system could have potentially negative outcomes.

"Do we lose the cross-neighborhood connections that currently happen?" de la Torre said. "Are there any downsides to saying children are going to stay in their neighborhood schools?"

Gonzalez-Castillo said the intent of home-site attendance is to help students and families develop relationships in their neighborhoods, adding that there are opportunities for inter-campus connections, such as field trips. In October, she said, students from Franklin Elementary School participated in an event at Edison.

Lieberman said it's a conundrum that goes beyond the preschool level.

"It's the same issue we face as a district," she said. "Kids go to elementary school wherever they go. If they go to a more diverse school, they have great opportunities that others don't get until they get to high school. It is a real issue. There's no resolving those two things."

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DOWNTOWN

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"Overall we want to embrace and welcome visitors from all income types, all family types, all ages and also including kids, that unifies us," she said.

Christopoulos, who also serves on Santa Monica's Commission on the Status of Women, said downtown residents haven't been heavily engaged with local politics, perhaps because they generally felt happy with the way the area is developing. However she said inaccurate descriptions of the people living Downtown have prompted locals to band together, particularly in light of the recent Downtown Community Plan.

She said many Downtown residents have lived there for years and the impression that Downtown is an area of high turnover and disconnected residents is wrong.

"It's offensive to a lot of people that have settled down and have roots here," she said. "It's a different voice that's on the scene, we love working, living and enjoying an urban environment. We thought why not share this voice with the City Staff and Downtown?"

Christopoulos said the organization is still in its formative state but some themes are becoming clear. She said Downtown residents are more supportive of density and height, committed to sustainable practices and enthusiastic about train/bike/pedestrian transit options.

"People in the Downtown, we chose to live in an urban center," she said. "We understand the fact that there are taller buildings, we care more about design than height."

She said issues related to homelessness tend to cluster Downtown and her group would like to see more resources put into tackling homelessness in a compassionate way.

"Police and Fire are doing what they can but perhaps there could be more housing for the homeless and that they are treated with respect," she said.

The association has set its borders to the City's definition of Downtown. The area runs from Lincoln to Ocean and Wilshire to Olympic.

Anyone can create a neighborhood group and the City of Santa Monica has no authority over their creation or borders.

"The City encourages and supports the civic engagement that neighborhood groups generate and does not regulate their formation or activities," said Debbie Lee, Communications & Public Affairs Officer with the City of Santa Monica. "The only criteria that we have pertains to the City's Neighborhood Matching Grant Program, which allows qualified Neighborhood Groups to apply for grant to support their communications efforts."

Those grants are administered by the City Managers office and there are rules in order to qualify including representing a commonly recognized neighborhood within Santa Monica, possessing current tax-exempt status as a nonprofit organization, an active board of directors or officers, selected in accordance with association bylaws, who meet regularly, with meetings open to the public, at least one general membership meeting annually and a membership list of at least 50 active members (residing at separate addresses) or 10 percent of eligible households within the neighborhood boundaries as defined in the bylaws, whichever is less.

While those rules are required to receive grant money, they are not mandatory for a group that has no interest in the grants. Some groups currently apply for those grants but others have declined to do so for years.

Neighborhood organizations have no legislative or regulatory authority but the organizations often act in an advisory capacity when discussing city issues. An informal neighborhood council, composed of board members from each active association, sometimes meets with City staff to discuss specific issues.

Without any kind of regulation, the borders of each organization and total number of groups are entirely at the whim of the public. In the past, some neighborhoods have given rise to multiple organizations (currently there is just one group per neighborhood) and border expansions have created some overlap. The Pico association unilaterally declared itself to contain a section of Downtown several years ago but that action was not asked for, nor necessarily approved by, Downtown residents.

For more information on the existing neighborhood groups, visit https://www.smgov.net/content.aspx?id=4241. A website will be available for DNA at http://www.smdna.org.

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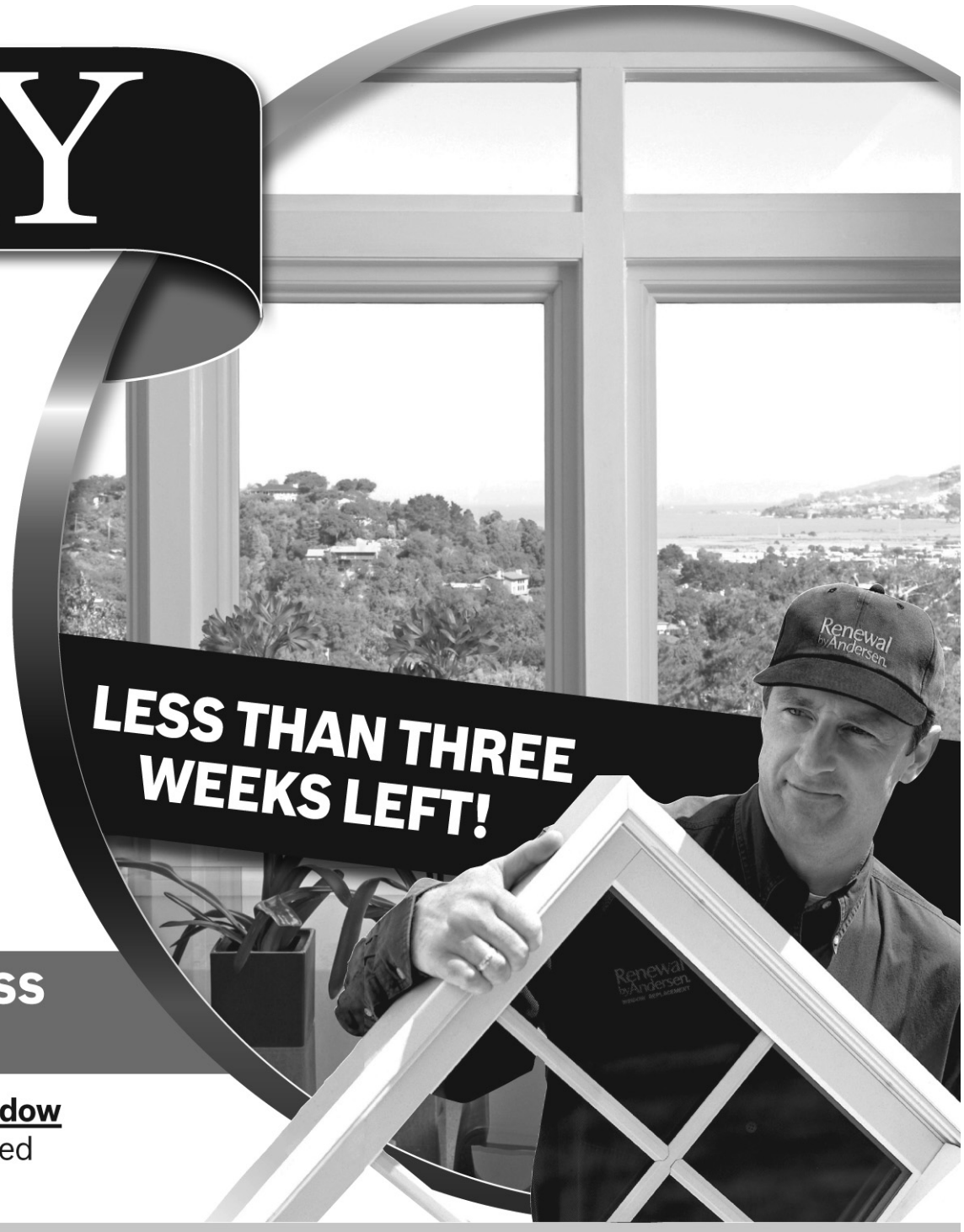
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Judge lets planning, funding proceed for bullet train

JULIET WILLIAMS
Associated Press

A judge has removed a major hurdle to California's high-speed rail system, ruling that the $64 billion system does not violate promises made to the voters who approved it and that planning and financing can proceed.

The ruling announced Tuesday came in a lawsuit filed by attorneys for Kings County and a group of landowners who claim the state's projections on ridership, construction and operating figures are not reliable.

They asked the judge to block the state from spending money on the project.

However, Sacramento County Superior Court Judge Michael Kenny said the 2008 ballot initiative specified only that the state could issue bonds to construct a high-speed rail system and did not prevent modifications to the plan voters were given.

He agreed with the plaintiffs that the California High-Speed Rail Authority has not proven the rail system will be financially viable or can meet the travel times voters were promised but said the system continues to evolve so it is premature for the court to intervene.

"The authority may be able to accomplish these objectives at some point in the future. This project is an ongoing, dynamic, changing project," Kenny wrote.

Voters have approved $10 billion in bonds for what would be the nation's first high-speed rail line, and California has secured another $3.2 billion in federal matching funds. In addition, the project will receive money each year from the state's greenhouse gas emission fund. The amount will total $500 million this year.

That funding leaves it far short of its $64 billion price tag, and state lawmakers and the Republican-controlled Congress have balked at providing more money.

Still, backers believe segments of the project can be operating within the next decade.

Dan Richard, chairman of the board that oversees the rail authority, expressed relief at the judge's ruling. He said "a great myth" has developed that the system being built is different than the one voters approved.

"It's totally and completely false," Richard said at a board meeting Tuesday. "What we are building is exactly what the public voted for: a fully electric, 200-plus mile-per-hour train that can operate without a subsidy that is designed to operate in 2 hours and 40 minutes between our great cities of Los Angeles and San Francisco."

Plaintiffs argued that plans for the bullet train have strayed far from the promises made to voters, particularly on trip times, ridership and maintenance costs.

Plaintiffs' attorney Stuart Flashman said his clients would be evaluating their next steps.

"Though the high-speed rail authority may have won this round, the ruling ... provides ominous signs about the authority's future use of bond funds," Flashman said in an email.

Voters were told the trains would whisk travelers from San Francisco to Los Angeles in 2 hours and 40 minutes, and the system would operate without a government subsidy. Opponents say neither is possible under current plans.

It was also pitched as a stand-alone system that would not have to share tracks with slower commuter rail lines.

Since then, plans have changed repeatedly as state officials made political compromises, including the decision to share tracks with commuter trains in some sections.

Gov. Jerry Brown's administration lowered the cost estimate to $64 billion in February as part of a new proposed business plan that upended plans for the rail line.

The change, which still requires board approval, would send tracks from the Central Valley north to the San Francisco Bay Area instead of south as planned since 2012.

It also calls for a 250-mile segment from San Jose to north of Bakersfield to begin operating by 2025.

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SURF REPORT



SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **59.5°**

WEDNESDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
Decreasing WNW swell, potential for some new NW swell. Small SSW swell.. Stay tuned.

THURSDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to chest high
Modest NW swell. Modest SW swell builds. Light AM wind looks likely. Stay tuned.

FRIDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **3-4 ft** waist to chest high
Mid period W swell likely builds, with larger waves late. Modest to fun size SW swell fills in. Watching for onshore wind to possibly return. Stay tuned.

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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF



Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON FEBRUARY 24 AT APPROXIMATELY 4:30 A.M.

Officers responded to a radio call of a burglary in the 700 block of Palisades Beach Road. According to the call, a male had just jumped out of the window and possibly run toward the beach. Upon arriving on scene, officers spoke to one of the victim's who stated that she was asleep in bed with two of her children when she was awakened by one of her children calling out to that the suspect was touching her. The victim said the suspect, later identified as Gerardo Gonzalez-Perez, 25-year-old transient, had touched her over her clothing on her buttocks and breasts. When she asked what he was doing, Gonzalez-Perez told her it was okay. In an attempt to get Gonzalez-Perez out of the house, the victim escorted him out of the house and to the patio door. Gonzalez-Perez was seen climbing down the patio, scaling a gate and walking toward the 700 block of the beach. The victim told officers that she left the patio door open in the bedroom. The victim's husband told officers that he did not hear anything, but thought it was odd that the bedroom light was on and he entered to check on them. His wife told him what had occurred. In interviewing the additional victims, it was found that Gonzalez-Perez had also kissed the neck of a victim; who is a minor. While initial attempts to identify the suspect were unsuccessful, further investigation by the Crime Investigation Division led to the arrest of Gerardo Gonzalez-Perez on Feb. 25.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 318 calls for service on March 7.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Battery 700 block of California 4:54 a.m.
Disturbance at a business 1600 block of Santa Monica 5:09 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 2800 block of Main 6:04 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 300 block of Colorado 6:07 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 500 block of 10th 6:07 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 2100 block of La Mesa 6:09 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 1500 block of Broadway 6:09 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 2300 block of Georgina 6:15 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 800 block of 19th 6:17 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 1200 block of 2nd 6:39 a.m.
Trespassing 1200 block of 2nd 6:46 a.m.
Out of order traffic lights Centinela/Ocean Park 6:55 a.m.
Injured person 300 block of Santa Monica 7 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 1200 block of 2nd 7:09 a.m.
Burglary 800 block of 2nd 7:51 a.m.
Trespassing 1600 block of 19th 7:52 a.m.
Trespassing 1200 block of Wilshire 7:53 a.m.
Trespassing 1600 block of Lincoln 8:16 a.m.
Living in a vehicle 14th/Ashland 8:41 a.m.
Death investigation 2800 block of Neilson 9:08 a.m.
Silent robbery alarm 600 block of Alta 9:09 a.m.
Assault 2000 block of Santa Monica 9:16 a.m.
Vehicle with excessive tickets 1800 block of 10th 10:03 a.m.
Vandalism 1400 block of 2nd 10:31 a.m.
Auto burglary 2200 block of 22nd 10:31 a.m.
Arson 1300 block of 3rd Street Prom 10:45 a.m.
Petty theft 300 block of Civic Center 11:01 a.m.
Burglary 2800 block of Neilson 11:05 a.m.
Vehicle with excessive tickets 1400 block of 4th 11:14 a.m.
Petty theft 1800 block of Lincoln 11:25 a.m.
Extortion 2500 block of Ocean Park 11:25 a.m.
Critical missing person 300 block of San Vicente 12:03 p.m.
Petty 1300 block of 3rd Street Prom 12:30 p.m.
Vandalism Lincoln/Marine 12:43 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 34 calls for service on March 7.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

(EMS) 900 block of 3rd 2:38 a.m.
(EMS) 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 2:57 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1300 block of 3rd Street Prom 6:03 a.m.
Automatic alarm 800 block of Broadway 6:11 a.m.
(EMS) 300 block of Santa Monica 6:56 a.m.
(EMS) 900 block of 4th 7:45 a.m.
(EMS) 2800 block of Neilson 9:08 a.m.
(EMS) 800 block of 2nd 9:12 a.m.
(EMS) 1900 block of Pico 9:36 a.m.
(EMS) 2400 block of Lincoln 9:42 a.m.
(EMS) 1400 block of Franklin 9:51 a.m.
(EMS) 100 block of Wilshire 10:01 a.m.
Injuries from assault 2nd/Santa Monica 10:13 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1400 block of 4th 10:16 a.m.
(EMS) 1900 block of Colorado 10:47 a.m.
Wires down 800 block of Ozone 11:36 a.m.
(EMS) 1100 block of 11th 1:24 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1400 block of 7th 1:26 p.m.
(EMS) 1800 block of 17th 3:02 p.m.
(EMS) 800 block of 6th 3:22 p.m.
(EMS) 2400 block of Ocean Front Walk 3:51 p.m.
(EMS) 1700 block of Ocean 3:51 p.m.
Elevator rescue 2700 block of Colorado 3:56 p.m.
(EMS) 800 block of Palisades Beach 4:28 p.m.
(EMS) 11th/Ocean Park 6:37 p.m.
(EMS) 3100 block of Neilson 6:50 p.m.
(EMS) 400 block of Wilshire 8 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1400 block of Ocean 8:30 p.m.
(EMS) 1400 block of Lincoln 8:33 p.m.
(EMS) 200 block of Broadway 9:31 p.m.
(EMS) 2200 block of Colorado 10:54 p.m.
(EMS) 2100 block of Pico 10:56 p.m.
(EMS) 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 11:19 p.m.
(EMS) 100 block of Wilshire 11:40 p.m.

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Funny fellows
5 Bat abode
11 Franc's replacement
12 City way
13 Fancy button
14 Became close
15 Huck's pal
16 Thin cut
17 Dog show category
19 Zeus or Apollo
22 Roberts of film
24 Private's boss
26 Yale students
27 Secluded valley
28 Queen — lace
30 Circus star
31 Decrepit horse
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34 Wheedle
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43 Golden Rule word
44 Landed folks
45 They may clash

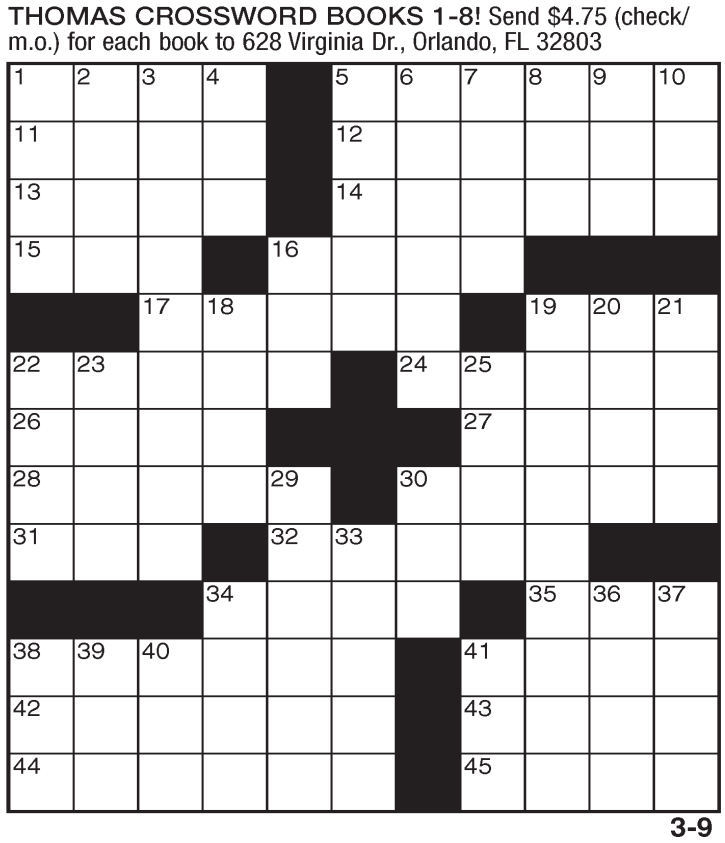
DOWN

1 Sunset setting
2 Lot buy
3 Curmudgeon's habit
4 Grassy clump
5 Bridge suspender
6 Steers clear of
7 Let off steam
8 Wrap up
9 Regret
10 Composer Rorem
16 Poseidon's domain
18 Ascend
19 Louisiana university
20 Lusty look
21 Glade grazer
22 Director Renoir
23 Radius partner
25 First person
29 Game official
30 Groom's garb
33 Lustful
34 Brusque
36 Choir voice
37 Derisive calls
38 Decline
39 Sports drink suffix
40 Heavy weight
41 Take to court

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Difficulty Level ★★★

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

8	9	2	5	7	4	6	3	1
1	6	5	9	2	3	8	7	4
7	4	3	8	1	6	2	5	9
9	5	1	2	6	8	3	4	7
6	3	8	7	4	9	5	1	2
4	2	7	1	3	5	9	6	8
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3	1	4	6	9	2	7	8	5
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Draw Date: 3/4
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Mega#: 14
Jackpot: 157M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS
Draw Date: 3/5
4 5 8 10 21
Mega#: 6
Jackpot: 7M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 3/7
4 7 10 16 18

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 3/7
MIDDAY: 9 3 1
Draw Date: 3/7
EVENING: 6 4 9

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 3/7
1st: 04 Big Ben
2nd: 11 Money Bags
3rd: 09 Winning Spirit
RACE TIME: 1:45.84

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TODAY IN HISTORY

1959 – The Barbie doll makes its debut at the American International Toy Fair in New York.

1960 – Dr. Belding Hibbard Scribner implants for the first time a shunt he invented into a patient, which allows the patient to receive hemodialysis on a regular basis.

1961 – Sputnik 9 successfully launches, carrying a human dummy nicknamed Ivan Ivanovich, and demonstrating that Soviet Union was ready to begin human spaceflight.

1967 – Trans World Airlines Flight 553, a Douglas DC-9-15, crashes in a field in Concord Township, Ohio following a mid-air collision with a Beechcraft Baron, killing 26.

1976 – Forty-two people die in the 1976 Cavalese cable car disaster, the worst cable-car accident to date.

1977 – The Hanafi Siege: In a thirty-nine-hour standoff, armed Hanafi Muslims seize three Washington, D.C., buildings, killing two and taking 149 hostage.

1991 – Massive demonstrations are held against Slobodan Milo‰eviç in Belgrade.

1997 – Comet Hale-Bopp: Observers in China, Mongolia and eastern Siberia are treated to a rare double feature as an eclipse permits Hale-Bopp to be seen during the day.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ The three young men charged so far in the Feb. 17 murder in a South Carolina bowling alley made their first post-crime courtroom appearances memorable ones. According to a WYFF-TV (Greenville, South Carolina) report, Albert Taylor, 22 (and labeled as the shooter by police), seemed indifferent to the charges, but questioned the judge about courtroom cameras, appearing preoccupied. As he was being ushered out, he turned to address the camera and barked, "What's up, y'all? You can follow me on Twitter, follow me on Instagram, Snapchat."

■ Alex Smith, 38, asked a sheriff's deputy in Limestone County, Alabama, at 3 a.m. on Feb. 19 for a "courtesy ride" to a nearby Wal-Mart, and the deputy agreed, but following procedure, said he'd have to search Smith before letting him into the patrol car, and according to the subsequent arrest report, Smith, needing the ride, consented. The deputy then turned up a veritable drug supply store in Smith's pockets, his backpack and his duffel bags: drugs (meth, marijuana and black tar heroin), two syringes, a drug cooking spoon, two marijuana pipes, a meth smoking pipe, and a supply of baggies of the type frequently used for drugs. Smith was charged with drug possession and trafficking.

Happy Birthday Councilman Winterer!

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You might start the day sluggishly, but by the afternoon your low energy will develop into unusually high enthusiasm. Getting some extra R and R only adds to your energy. You could feel the need to push past a restriction later in the day. Tonight: As you like it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Use the period before lunch for handling key matters. You have enough energy to encourage others to join you in an important project. You might hear some disagreement, but know that any feedback only helps you strengthen your position. Tonight: Catch some zzz's.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Handle an important work matter in the morning. Others will respond well to your efforts. By midafternoon, you will discover that you are heading toward success. A partner might be less argumentative than usual. Seize the moment. Tonight: Others seem extra willing to please.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ You might want to do more research than you normally do on a key matter this morning. However, others could be encouraging you to take action. You'll need to follow your instincts, because they usually point you in the right direction. Tonight: Out till the wee hours.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Spend time with an important friend who means a lot to you. You might hear news that sets your mind adrift and that encourages you to look beyond your immediate surrounding. An offer could be heading your way that seems too good to be true. Tonight: Opt for different.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Reach out to someone you care a lot about. This person could be an associate you often socialize with on a somewhat superficial level. Your efforts will be appreciated deeply. This person treasures the feedback you offer. Tonight: Opt for the individual, not for the crowd.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Get as much done in the morning as you can. What you'll discover is how much you are capable of doing. Squeeze in some time for networking. Return some calls. Communication takes a higher priority as the afternoon passes. Tonight: Don't stand on ceremony.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You have more energy than you might believe. You also could be full of ideas. Interactions will take on a lively yet efficient tone later in the day. Someone wants to tap into your creativity to find some answers. Be supportive. Tonight: Get some exercise.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You could find it hard to spend too much time at home, even if you have a home-based business. Try to schedule a late lunch with a friend or get into a pastime that you really enjoy. You'll discover the power of a breath of fresh air. Tonight: Go along with a playful idea.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Your ability to move past a difficult situation emerges in the morning. You might try to patch up a squabble, perhaps one that doesn't even involve you. You could see more of the psychological mechanisms at work than others do. Tonight: Visit with a fiery individual.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You will continue to deal with a financial situation, but by the afternoon you'll want to bring others together for a meeting or get-together. The sooner you are able to talk out a situation, the better you will feel. Do not stand on ceremony. Tonight: At a local spot.

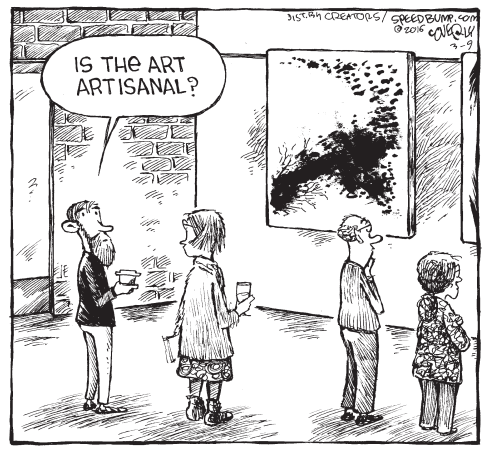
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Quickly handle what you can in the morning. Though you might not get a decision, you will hear news that makes you smile. Be careful with spending. Don't spend before you receive the check or before the funds clear. Tonight: Let someone else pick up the tab.

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

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

This year you often act on your emotions and lock in what you want. You are driven by various forces, but they are emotionally based. You have a tendency to overspend. If you are single, love and romance might be very important to you. You are likely to attract several desirable suitors. If you are attached, your significant other could be thrown by your strong feelings, but he or she will get used to it. You might want to communicate what is going on with you. ARIES can run you over with his or her strong will!

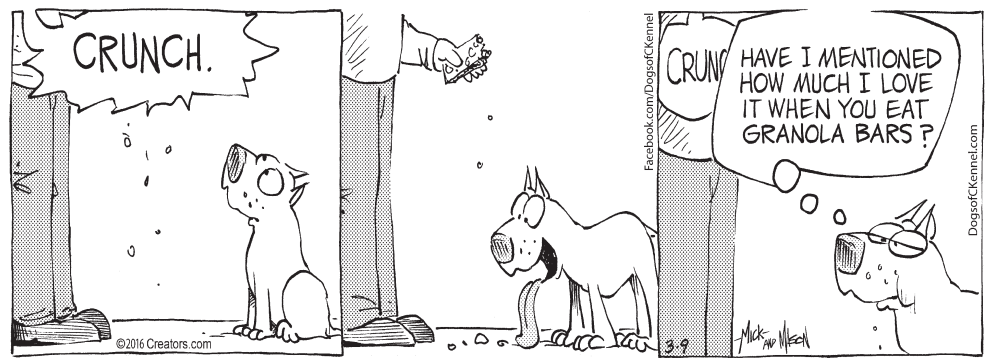
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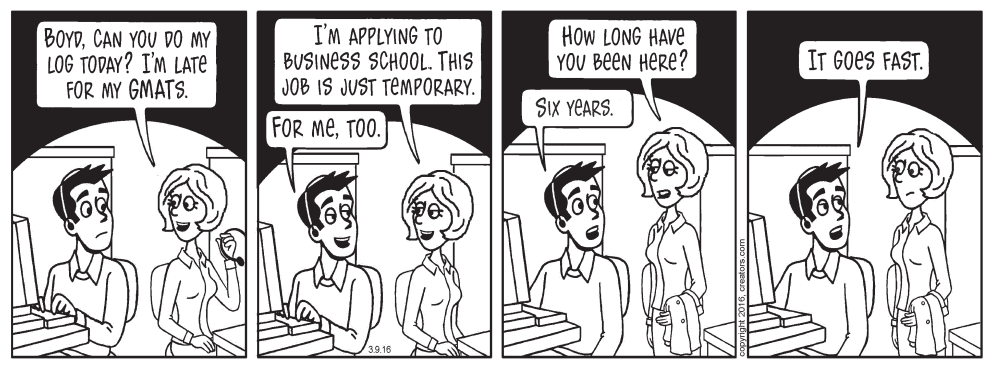
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By Jim Davis



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(Citacion Judicial)
CASE NUMBER 37-2015-00034649-CL-PA-CTL
DATE: 12/09/2015

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT:
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FARIDEH BAGHERI

YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF:
(LO ESTA DEMANDANDO EL DEMANDANTE):
MARY GOODHUE DEUTSCH DBA DEUTSCH & ASSOCIATES

NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the information below.

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the court clerk for a fee waiver form. If you do not file your response on time, you may lose the case by default, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court.

There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of $10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case.
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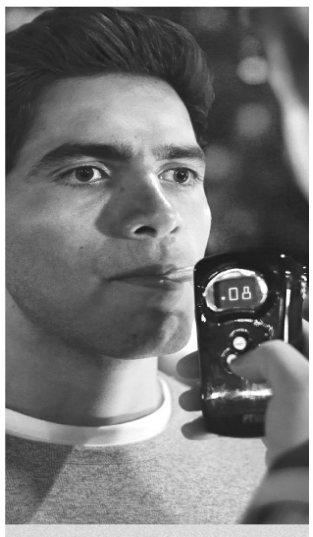
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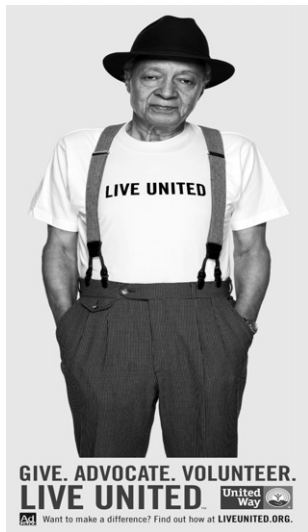
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Statement of Abandonment of Use of Fictitious Business Name Document Record No.# 2013-033155 Current File No.# 2016-046821

State of California, County of Los Angeles The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious Business name: EDWARD AVEDIS COLLECTION AND EDWARD AVEDIS FINE JEWELERS. 331 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 02/19/2013 in the county of LOS ANGELES. Registered owners: READERS FINE JEWELERS, INC. 331 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 02/26/2016. Published: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS: 03/02/16, 03/09/16, 03/16/16, 03/23/16.

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