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THE SPEND AWAY ISSUE



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UP AND AWAY: **A plane rolls down the runway at Santa Monica Airport on Monday.**

Airport Commission no place for pilots

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMO As city officials begin to look toward the possibilities of a post-2015 Santa Monica Airport, the commission that is meant to advise them on all things aviation received its fifth member, who has a history of involvement with an anti-airport neighborhood group and, like his four colleagues, has no background in aviation.

David Goddard, a real estate executive and the lone council nominee, received unanimous support from the council to fill a vacant seat on the commission with a term ending June 30.

He will replace former Commissioner

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Crews complete dead fish clean up

ASSOCIATED PRESS

REDONDO BEACH Cleaning crews on Sunday finished removing millions of fish found floating dead in a Southern California marina, five days after the slimy, stinking mass of sardines was discovered.

Crews from several coastal cities and more than 700 volunteers removed about 140 tons of dead sardines from King Harbor in Redondo Beach, city officials said in a statement.

The fish were taken to a composting center where they will be turned into fertilizer.

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FUTURE SITE: **The proposed Pico Library will be located in Virginia Avenue Park. The project is slated to be built using RDA funding.**

City secures loan to fund redevelopment projects

General fund will be safe, even if state shuts down RDAs

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL City staff took out a $60 million loan Friday to provide immediate capital for four redevelopment projects that will enter the design and build phases in upcoming months.

The deal, struck between City Hall and Wells Fargo, is a boon to the city, said City Manager Rod Gould.

"It was a major interdepartmental effort," Gould said. "I'm happy the money is sitting in the city's account, ready to be used to design and construct capital improvement projects."

That $60 million, seven-year loan will prime the pump on four projects — the Palisades Garden Walk, Pico Library, Parking Structure 6 and the Civic Auditorium renovation — which are each at different stages of completion.

Together, the four projects are expected to cost $112.3 million, but the initial influx of cash will get them started, and then city staff plan to use a combination of pay-as-you-go and financing to complete the projects, said Finance Director Carol Swindell.

The loan will act as a complement to the Redevelopment Agency funding, garnered through property taxes, that City Hall will use to complete the projects.

"This provides an immediate source of capital funds to allow us to begin paying now," Swindell said.

Not covered was the possibility that the RDA will no longer exist as of July 1 should Gov. Jerry Brown's proposed budget become law.

In the budget, Brown calls for the elimi-

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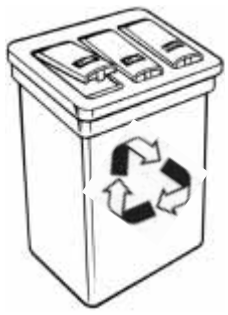
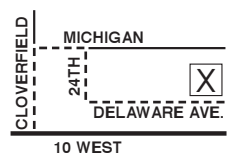
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Santa Monica College presents the spring Environmental Issues Lecture Series, encompassing topics such as green films and electric vehicles. This lecture is "SMC Drives Towards Sustainability." It will address the many campus groups and individuals that make SMC a role model in sustainability. From Club Grow to Eco Action and from education to transportation, SMC is a leader in commitment to the environment. The lectures are free and seating is on a first-arrival basis. Parking is also free. For information, call (310) 434-3909 or go to www.smc.edu/ceus.

'Waiting for Superman'
Fairview Branch Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 7 p.m.
Catch a free screening of the popular documentary, "Waiting for Superman." The film follows a handful of students to learn more about the public education system and what can be done to improve it. For more information, call (310) 458-8681.

Move it
Roosevelt Elementary School
801 Montana Ave., 2 p.m.
The United States Tennis Association is supporting Michelle Obama's "Let's Move" campaign by bringing the third annual National Youth Registration initiative to over 500 U.S. cities, including Santa Monica. The USTA will roll into Santa Monica to get kids 10 and under excited about the sport of tennis and encourage a healthy and active lifestyle on the court. For information, call (310) 458-8540.

Wednesday, March 16, 2011

Living right
Main Library, MLK Auditorium
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m.
The Santa Monica Public Library is pleased to present the latest in its Quality of Life Forum series: "It's All About Quality of Life: A Psychotherapist/Life Coach Roundtable." Hosted by Quality of Life Project founder Kit Cooper, the forum is a quarterly program that spotlights accomplished, inspiring and grounded guest speakers who share best practices on what they do to get the most out of life. This time, join Kit in conversation with three of Southern California's most respected life coaches and pyschotherapists: Steve Hasenberg, writer and co-developer of the corporate video series "Stress Management: A Positive Strategy;" Jamie Greene, on-screen therapist for ABC's "The Bachelor;" and life coach Alissa Finerman, a former pro tennis player and author of the just-published book, "Living in Your Top 1%." These three professionals will discuss how they improved their own quality of life and inspire others to do the same. To obtain further information about the Quality of Life Project, visit www.qualityoflifeproject.org. Admission is free, and seating is first come, first served.

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SHRED AWAY

Ray Solano *news@smdp.com*

City Hall held a free shred event on Saturday at the City Yards. Residents were urged to bring sensitive documents for safe shredding.

Utilities: Nuclear plants can handle quakes

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES Operators at California's two nuclear plants said Monday that their facilities can withstand a higher magnitude earthquake than scientists predict could ever strike the plants.

Americans have become increasingly concerned about domestic facilities in the wake of the disaster unfolding in Japan. Earthquakes and a tsunami have damaged at least two nuclear complexes in Japan and officials have declared states of emergency at six of the country's 55 reactors.

The San Ononofre Nuclear Generating Station in northern San Diego County was designed to withstand a magnitude-7 earthquake, according to Southern California Edison, which operates the nuclear plant. When it was under construction, studies at the time determined that the nearest fault, located 5 miles offshore, was capable of producing a 6.5-magnitude shaker.

A 30-foot concrete seawall also surrounds the plant, which is equipped with redundancy systems should something fail, the utility said.

"The objective is not to continue operating during an emergency, but to shut down safely," said Southern California Edison spokesman Gil Alexander.

Similarly, Paul Flake, a spokesman for Pacific Gas and Electric, which operates the Diablo Canyon Power Plant in San Luis Obispo County, said their plant was designed to withstand a magnitude-7.5 shaker. Based on historical studies, scientists say the biggest earthquake near the plant would be a magnitude-6.5, Flake said.

"That's the margin that we have based on our long-term seismic program," he said.

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has tried to reassure the American public, saying that harmful levels of radioactivity from Japan are unlikely to reach the United States.

The agency said weather conditions have taken the small releases of radioactivity from the damaged reactors out to sea but given the thousands of miles separating the two countries, no harmful levels are expected to reach U.S. shores.

Education advocates push for tax vote

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO With uncertainty looming over negotiations to close California's huge budget deficit, a coalition of teachers, parents and public school employees descended on the capital Monday to lobby lawmakers to approve Gov. Jerry Brown's budget plan and let voters decide if tax increases should be extended.

The education advocates were followed later in the day by more than 4,000 college students from across the state to deliver the same message: "Let us vote." A group of students from Santa Monica College made the trip.

State Superintendent for Public Instruction Tom Torlakson and others warned that schools already have lost billions of dollars due to recent years of budget cutbacks and that one-time federal stimulus aid is expiring.

"Why are we doing this to our children?" Dennis Smith, secretary-treasurer of the California Federation of Teachers said at a rally and news conference involving 300 education advocates. "The governor that we have elected has presented to us probably the most honest budget that we have seen in three years."

Brown wants to close California's $26.6 billion deficit by cutting $12.5 billion in spending and extending temporary increases in the sales, personal income and vehicle taxes for five years. Democratic leaders said they hope to bring the budget to a legislative vote this week.

Republicans so far have refused to put the tax question before voters, saying that extending the tax increases enacted two years ago would cripple the state as it struggles to recover from the recession.

Five Republican senators have engaged Brown in negotiations for pension reform, a state spending cap and ways to cut government regulations, although the status of their talks is uncertain.

The escalating cost of providing health care coverage for retired state workers has been among the concerns of the lawmakers. On Monday, the state controller's office reported that California faces a $59.9 billion unfunded obligation to pay for health and dental benefits for state retirees during the next 30 years.

Brown continues to talk to legislators on both sides of the aisle, said Brown's spokesman, Gil Duran.

"He's working hard to find common ground to forge an agreement to allow the people to vote on a balanced proposal in

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Allen missed the point

Editor:

Ben Allen, in his letter to the editor ("Missing the point," March 8) says his disapproval of Superintendent Cuneo's memo disparaging three special education parents was lost on Bill Bauer (My Write, "Cuneo's paranoid rant," March 7).

Inadvertently or on purpose, Allen has missed Bauer's point: That each and every school board member, in the public interest, should have made Cuneo's confidential communication public. Allen did not do that; he initially expressed his disappointment in the memo's content, but at the same time denounced the board member who made it public. That was Bauer's point: Allen, as usual, was playing both sides of the street by sticking up for the parents as well as the superintendent's right to assassinate their character without answering for it.

Lea Plotkin
Santa Monica







Back to Nature

Reese Halter — **Send comments to editor@smdp.com**

Time to stop desecrating nature

IN A WARMING WORLD THE MOST important natural resource is fresh water. Yet, as the price of crude oil soars above $100 a barrel our insatiable addiction runs the risk of polluting 4.2 percent of Earth's fresh water in the Mackenzie River system.

Alberta's Athabasca and Peace rivers drain into Lake Athabasca, Canada's eighth largest lake which flows northward into Slave Lake and eventually the Mackenzie River system reaches the Arctic Ocean carrying 20 percent of Canada's freshwater.

Northern Alberta has 175 billion barrels of oil locked in sand mixed with bitumen. The bitumen sands are a result of ancient (200-300 million year old) marine life mostly made up of algae and plankton. The exquisite, slow-growing northern or boreal forests are the emerald crown covering the vast gooey-oil deposits.

Over millions of years and with heat from the outer mantle the prehistoric life transformed into bitumen. Bitumen is five percent sulfur, a half a percent nitrogen and 1,000 parts per million heavy, toxic metals.

There's two methods of extracting bitumen from the boreal forests and both exemplify unbridled destruction. About 20 percent of the bitumen can be open mined by 400-ton Caterpillar trucks and gargantuan Bucyrus electric shovels. To get one barrel of bitumen from the Athabasca gooey sands, hundreds of old trees are felled, wetlands drained and four tons of earth yielding two tons of bitumen sand are hot washed. Every second day, open bitumen sand mines handle enough dirt to fill the Dallas Cowboy Stadium.

Most of the bitumen sands are deep within the earth and must be steamed or melted out of the ground. An immense amount of freshwater is required for this process; it kills millions of trees and exacerbates the loss of species including caribou, fish, bears, beavers and moose and many others critters.

Alberta's bitumen sands are the second largest hydrocarbon reserves in the world; only Saudi Arabia has more. In order to extract oil from the bitumen sands a forest about the area of New York state will be irreparably destroyed.

Every major oil company in the world is present in the bitumen sands as it currently produces 1.3 million barrels a day. By 2018, it's projected to reach 3 million barrels a day. Each barrel of bitumen sands oil requires three barrels of Athabasca or Peace river water.

The bitumen sands guzzle water in a semi-arid climate that relies upon a diminishing Rocky Mountain snowpack that feeds the headwaters of both the Athabasca and Peace rivers. Shell's Albian Sands project sucks 1.9 billion cubic feet of water a year from the Athabasca River. Imperial's (mostly owned by Exxon) Kearl project siphons another 3.7 billion cubic feet from the Athabasca. In fact, all the other projects take over 76 percent of all the water from the Athabasca River.

Global warming is taking a bite out of everything and every industry on the planet. Last year was the warmest year ever recorded in Canada and temperatures in the north-country were 11 degrees warmer than normal. Will the Athabasca River carry enough water to meet the profligate water demands of 100 bitumen sands projects in the coming decade?

Steam-mining bitumen from the gooey sands produces at least 30 million pounds of salts and water-solvent carcinogens a year, which are trucked to landfills. Arsenic, a cancer-causing heavy metal, is also a by-product of bitumen mining, and it has a propensity of seeping insidiously into ground water from landfills.

Most of the contaminated wastewaters or tailings are stored in toxic ponds along the Athabasca River. These ponds are so large that they are visible from space; astronauts have confused them with lakes.

Each pond is about 240 feet deep and contains toxic sludge filled with phenols, benzene, cyanide, arsenic and dozens of other known cancer-causing agents including polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons.

Experts have estimated that the tailing ponds contain 7 billion cubic yards of sludge, of which one billion cubic yards are fine deadly tailings. Many of these ponds are located on the banks of the Athabasca River, and should an accident occur like the Hungarian alumina fiasco of October 2010 the Arctic Ocean would become toxic.

The bitumen sands oil is eventually refined just east of Edmonton, a city of a million people. University of California Irvine scientists found the air pollution levels in Upgrader Alley were comparable to those of the most polluted cities on the face of the Earth.

Mining the bitumen sands is leaving a colossal global footprint, which has risen 27 percent since 1990; in fact, Canada has the highest increased, heat-trapping, greenhouse gas emissions of any industrial nation on the globe.

Intact ecosystems provide services that benefit all life forms on Earth. Canada's boreal forests and fresh water hold an astounding 186 billion tons of carbon and they help suck rising CO2 (from burning fossil fuels) out of the air. The Mackenzie River system accounts for 52 billion tons of that Canadian carbon helping citizens of the U.S. and all other nations.

Economists estimate that the trees of the Mackenzie River system provide $252 billion worth of stored CO2. Furthermore, intact boreal forests with peat bogs, wetlands and forests filter water and the air; they are worth $1,064 per acre or 10 times the value of the $99 per acre of bitumen that desecrates intact ecosystems.

Globally, the natural carbon absorbing systems are beginning to shut down. A recent worldwide study has shown the forests in the U.S. Amazon, Russia, Canada, Australia, Europe, Central America and Africa are dying due to rising temperatures and prolonged droughts linked to global warming. Moreover, 40 percent of oceanic phytoplankton is missing due to rising ocean temperatures.

Extreme weather from intense flooding to prolonged droughts has caused the price of all staple food crops including cotton to dramatically rise.

Each of us must lend a helping hand by powering down and consuming less — our children are counting on us to lead by example.

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What's the Point?

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Some things can't be prepared for

RANDOMNESS IS A VERY BIG FACTOR IN our lives. The problem is that, by its nature, we can't count on it happening. Sometimes random events happen that make us happy — those coincidences like when you are just thinking of a client you haven't seen in months and he walks in the locker room of Equinox. That happened to me last week.

Other times, the randomness leads to not so happy events like a fender-bender I experienced when a stupid college student decided to put her car in reverse and backed into my new Lexus.

Looking at the horrific videos that are coming out of Japan how can we not wonder if and when it will be us. When the first news reports were made, I was blissfully asleep, but my phone started vibrating anxiously. The East Coast was hearing about the massive quake and I started to receive warning phone calls about the coming tsunami, at 3 a.m.

I awoke and checked out the news only to find that the warning for the Santa Monica coast was for an expected 3 foot surge in wave height. Hardly enough for some surfers to even get out of bed.

Heading down to the beach I figured that an estimated 3 foot swell from an undersea earthquake about 5,000 miles away was probably not going to be a major event. From the safety of the Loews Hotel pool deck, I watched as runners cruised along the water's edge.

In the air were the usual suspects of seagulls and terns, along with helicopters from the Coast Guard, the police, L.A. County Lifeguards and a news outlet. There was a rescue boat just off the coast, and other than that, it was a gorgeous blue sky day and everyone seemed to be going about their lives as usual.

We were lucky, it remained as beautiful and peaceful a day as it started. No real damage was reported in Santa Monica Bay, unlike the major damage that occurred in Crescent City and Santa Cruz. Boats were sunk, piers were damaged and the Governor declared a state of emergency in four Northern California counties.

But that's the random factor at work. Why should a boat owner in Santa Cruz have his boat sunk by a natural event like an undersea earthquake 5,000 miles away, and my partner's boat is peacefully moored in the Dolphin Marina, unharmed? There's no explanation for it. No sense of morality or justice is at play, it's the classic Forrest Gump line, "S*&t happens."

Try as we may to buy insurance, plot out our lives, make the "right" choices, avoid the "stupid decisions" and work hard to protect our children, the fact of the matter is that life is full of random events — some good, some bad.

And the unspoken truth of the matter is that for the most part, we have no real idea whether something is good or bad until we can view it in hindsight. We need perspective on events to know the proper characterization of them. Frequently, our first reactions to an event prove to be the emotional reaction, which is usually rooted in fear. It's an old, very old, genetic predisposition of the "fight or flight response." And while it is useful when faced with the risk of being eaten by a saber toothed tiger, it serves us much more poorly today.

As humans we need to put the events of our lives in context. The bigger the event, the bigger the context. But some events are so big that we must use all our resources to find the right context.

The Japanese earthquake and tsunami are having, and will continue to have for years, a huge impact on their society. In ours, it was but a good day for surfing. I say that not to minimize the human loss, but to recognize that we must be aware that there is human loss.

The tsunami devastated homes and buildings up to six miles inland, the death toll is still climbing and the rebuilding will go on for a decade. Our tsunami warning was cancelled after five hours.

Why Japan and not California? Why Crescent City and Santa Cruz and not Santa Monica and Marina del Rey? It's a total crap shoot. A roll of the dice.

Can we prepare for it happening here? Not really. There's no preparing for the devastation that occurred in Japan. So much of it was a result of the tsunami that no amount of preparation could prevent the damage that happened.

So, enjoy today, be grateful you live where you do, but be mindful of those who suffered a loss, that just as likely could have been us.

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The Q Line

Building bridges in Malibu

For years some parents in Malibu have said they feel like second-class citizens and have complained about a lack of inclusion in the school district. Some have tried to break away from Santa Monica, and recently parents tried to make Point Dume Elementary a charter school. School board members and district officials are trying to heal old wounds and build bridges by meeting with parents, some of whom want to change the charter so there is always a school board member elected from Malibu.

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

Do you think Malibu parents have a legitimate beef? Should at least one school board seat be reserved for a Malibu resident? Is the school board sincere this time around?

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Abused horses chosen to join sheriff's patrol

A pair of abused, starving horses are so well trained that they are going to rehab and school to be part of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department mounted patrol unit.

Sgt. John Hargraves says his horse is old and has to retire, so he started looking for a replacement. He checked out abused horses recently seized by animal control officers and found two.

At equine shelters in Lancaster and Castaic, he chose a thoroughbred mare and former race horse found starving on a ranch and a Palomino who had been abandoned and gotten stuck under a fence.

He says both responded to cues and were eager to please.

Hargraves says you don't have to have an expensive horse to have a good horse.

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LOS ANGELES

LAPD officer convicted of sexual assault

A Los Angeles police officer has been convicted of sexually assaulting a woman and soliciting from another while he was on duty.

A Superior Court jury deliberated two hours on Monday before finding Russell Mecano guilty of three felonies and a misdemeanor count of solicitation of prostitution.

Mecano, who had been free on bail, was taken into custody after the jury's verdict. He faces up to 10 years in prison when he is sentenced April 14.

A grand jury indictment alleged that Mecano told an 18-year-old woman in 2008 that he would not arrest her for having a marijuana pipe if she had sex with him, then assaulted her near a library. Prosecutors said he sought sex from a transient following her arrest for battery.

AP

SACRAMENTO

Brown sets July 12 election for congressional seat

Gov. Jerry Brown has scheduled a July 12 special election to replace Democratic Rep. Jane Harman.

Monday was the governor's deadline to call the election in the 36th Congressional District. Harman, who was in her ninth term, resigned at the end of February to become president and chief executive of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

Several candidates have announced their intentions to run for the Los Angeles County congressional seat, including Secretary of State Debra Bowen and Los Angeles City Councilwoman Janice Hahn, both Democrats.

Democrats hold a 45 percent to 28 percent edge among registered voters in the district. Independents account for 22 percent.

AP

LOS ANGELES

Police say man run over by party bus

Police say a man was run over and severely injured by the party bus he was trying to catch.

Los Angeles police say 22-year-old Namar Burton of Murietta was injured late Saturday as he tried to catch the bus at the corner of McCadden Place and Yucca Street. Officers say the bus was headed south on Yucca and turned east on McCadden, where Burton was struck.

Police say Burton was treated by firefighters, then taken to a local hospital where he was listed in grave condition.

The accident is under investigation.

AP

Judge: Bohemian Grove logging plan violates law

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SANTA ROSA A plan to log part of an old growth forest on a 2,700-acre grove owned by an exclusive secret society called the Bohemian Club violates California environmental law, a judge ruled on Monday.

Sonoma County Judge Rene Chouteau ruled that California forestry officials violated the Environmental Quality Act when it approved the club's logging plan for the Bohemian Grove in 2009.

The Sierra Club and others opposed the plan, saying the group's land near Monte Rio contains old-growth redwoods and Douglas fir that are protected. The club has said no old growth redwoods would be cut.

"The ruling is significant because it requires (the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection) to consider reasonable alternatives that are less damaging to the environment," said Paul Carroll, an attorney for Sierra Club.

In his ruling, Chouteau questioned the state's decision to allow clear-cutting as part of the plan, which the club says is needed for fire safety. He said that the plan needed to better explain why alternatives to harvesting trees could not be implemented.

Members of the 135-year-old Bohemian Club, which hosts an annual closed-door retreat, have included every Republican president in the past century and elite business and political leaders.

Sam Singer, a spokesman for the club, told the Santa Rosa Press Democrat that the ruling does not do away with the logging plan, but requires changes.

"We will come back with the alternative the judge has requested," Singer told the paper.

Former club member and activist John Hooper said he discovered that the Bohemian Club had logged 11-million-board-feet from its surrounding forests between 1984 and 2005, including some of the old-growth trees.

The discovery led to his complaints to the club's board, which Hooper said were ignored. He resigned from the club in 2004.

Club officials maintain it is conducting a logging plan that is sustainable and merely meant to remove enough trees to protect against wildfires.

But some forestry experts said the logging is too extensive to be passed off as fire protection.

"The harvest rates and cutting schedules were totally inconsistent with the plan's claims of restoring natural forest conditions," said Philip Rundel, an ecology and evolutionary biology professor at the University of California, Los Angeles.

L.A. shock jocks make splash in politics

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LOS ANGELES California's new governor faces daunting obstacles as he tries to erase a $26.6 billion budget gap, but one of the hardest to ignore is a pair of AM-radio shouters whose conservative-minded audience has a track record of making life uncomfortable, even miserable, for politicians who lose the pair's favor.

John Kobylt and Ken Chiampou have used their daily "John and Ken Show" to browbeat and menace any Republican who might consider sidling up with the Democratic Gov. Jerry Brown, who wants to raise about $50 billion over five years by extending higher sales, vehicle and income taxes.

Their website is a public pillory: the heads of suspect legislators are crudely pictured impaled on what appear to be sharpened wooden spikes — "heads on a stick," they call it. Even Brown, who has yet to win over a single Republican vote, has suggested the threats might be stifling a compromise.

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Not everyone is listening — or at least not admitting to it.

"I don't care about John and Ken," says Assemblyman Paul Cook, a Republican whose photograph sits on one of the spikes. But he acknowledges the hosts can whip up a crowd — his office switchboard has been gridlocked in the past when the hosts have ridiculed him and urged listeners to complain.

"I don't believe in those intimidation tactics," adds Cook, who opposes Brown's plan but has earned the show's wrath by failing to endorse a no-tax pledge. "I wish we could bring it up to a higher level."

Dismiss them as political shock jocks or admire them as conservative crusaders, but there is no dispute that Kobylt and Chiampou are entertainment hotshots in Southern California and part of the fabric of conservative politics in the state.

They have been on the air for nearly two decades in the Los Angeles market and have a grip on the loudest megaphone around: their KFI-AM program is the top-rated talk-radio show in the region. About 1.1 million listeners tune in at some point over a week's time.

With prankster instincts, an eye for scandal and bawdy (some might say offensive) humor, they can go on for hours, days, even years about politicians and policies they dislike.

Favorite targets: illegal immigration, global warming, taxes, the mainstream media and generous union contracts.

Some samples: Democrats just want to "feed the union beast." Republicans who might consider tax increases are "Republican worms ... weasels." It's a ruse the state will collapse if taxes are not extended.

"California will still be here, even if California goes bankrupt," Chiampou says.

Though it's difficult to make a precise measure of their influence, Kobylt and Chiampou fit loosely into a conservative media universe of radio shows, websites and blogs that pound away at the Sacramento statehouse and local government in California. They could be considered distant cousins of nationally prominent figures like Rush Limbaugh or Matt Drudge.

They tend to be oppositional, with scant patience for counter-argument. Brown has said solving the budget crisis with cuts alone would devastate California, but the pair belittle such doomsday scenarios

They also have plenty of critics and have been accused of not letting facts clutter a good joke, but a Los Angeles Times magazine in 2006 placed them on a list of the most powerful people in Southern California.

Their rants against former Democratic Gov. Gray Davis were credited with contributing to his eventual 2003 recall, and their listeners flooded Los Angeles City Hall with toilet brushes after Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa said, "We clean your toilets," while praising the contribution of immigrants.

They turned up the pressure after the Los Angeles City Council agreed to pay black firefighter Tennie Pierce $2.7 million to settle a racial harassment lawsuit in which he claimed he had been tricked into eating dog food by co-workers. Villaraigosa vetoed the settlement, which was slashed by more than $1 million.

In 2009, former state Assembly Minority Leader Mike Villines was eviscerated on air for his vote to raise taxes to help close the state budget deficit. After relentless skewering, he struggled to a 1-point victory in the Republican primary for state insurance commissioner against a little-known government worker who spent less than $5,000 on his campaign. Villines went on to lose in November.

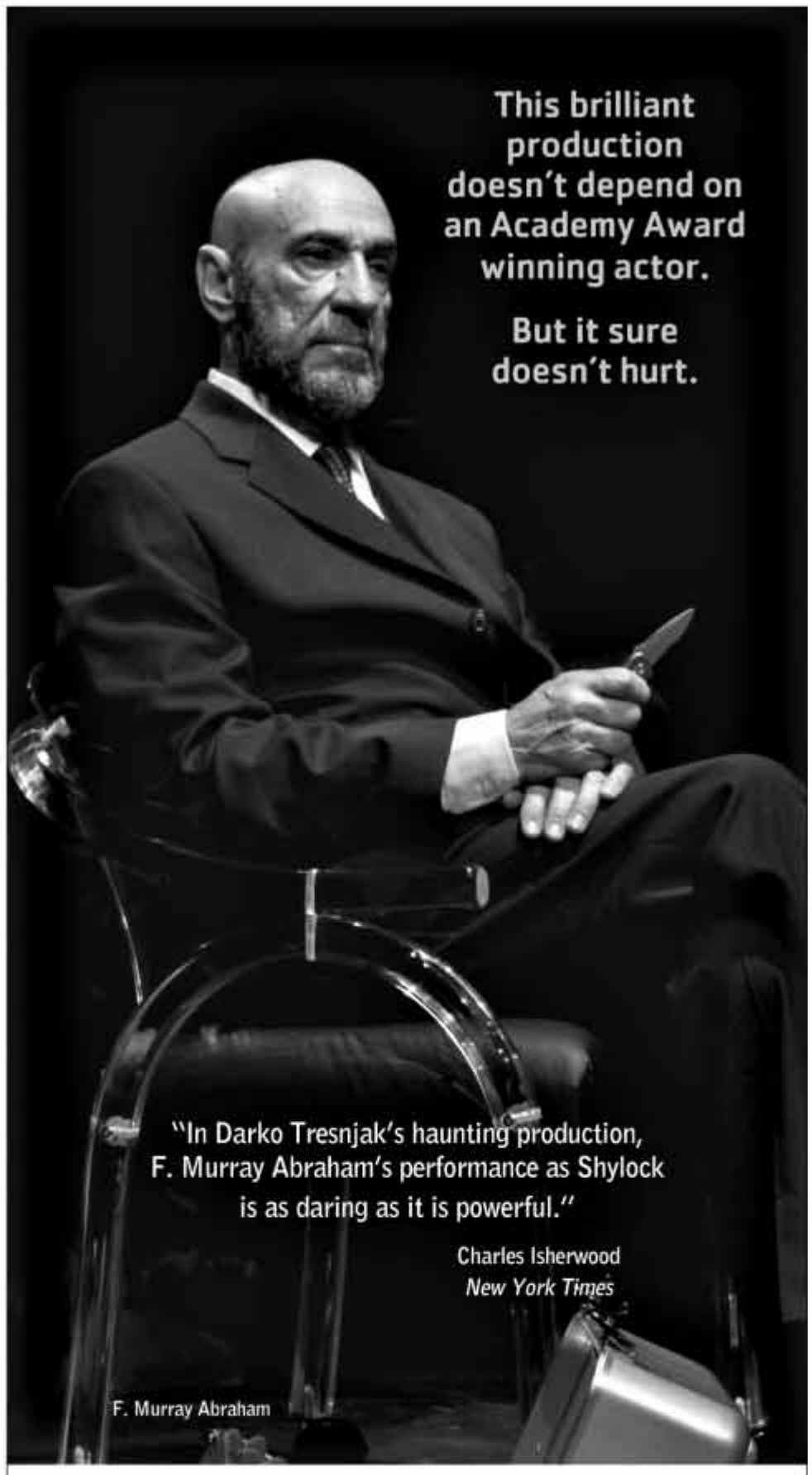
Their fierce resistance to higher taxes is another push-back against what Kobylt sees as an eroding quality of life in the nation's most populous state. He places much blame on Sacramento and its workers, or "cubicle pigs."

"The state has really gone to hell in the last 10 years," Kobylt said in an interview Thursday. "We look for explanations for why life has changed so much."

Politics is "under-covered, drastically undercovered, by all forms of media" in the region, Kobylt says. "We make it relevant to your life."

Brown needs a two-thirds vote in the Assembly and Senate to place the tax question before voters in a June special election, which means he needs to enlist at least two Republicans in the Senate and two Republicans in the House. He also has called for $12.5 billion in spending cuts.

Lately, the show has focused on five Republican senators who are continuing to negotiate with Brown, seeking in return a state spending cap, a freeze on pension benefits for government workers and reduced businesses regulation.



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Jean Gebman, who worked for the RAND Corporation, and was knowledgable about aviation matters.

Several other candidates with applications on file with the city had extensive flight experience, including one former military pilot.

Councilmember Kevin McKeown nominated Goddard on recommendation from Sunset Park residents.

"David Goddard came highly recommended from neighborhood activists who have been working on airport issues for many years," McKeown wrote in an e-mail. "He is a Sunset Park resident with a perspective on airport impacts that can be valuable to us in the just-begun process of clarifying practical options and community intentions for the airport after 2015."

Goddard's appointment rounds out the five member board, including UCLA health policy professor Richard Brown, music produer Peter Donald, television and movie editor Stephen Mark and civil attorney Ofer Moshe Grossman.

All but two of the five commissioners wrote that they work with Friends of Sunset Park, a neighborhood group that has taken an opposing stance to many airport activities, including flight paths over the neighborhood, pollution, noise and concerns over the safety of jets on short runways.

None of them have flight experience, a background which can be helpful, but is not necessary said Airport Manager Bob Trimborn.

"It can be helpful to have aviation experience, but it's not a requirement because that's what we're here for," Trimborn said. "Any commissioner can call us up. We are a wealth of information."

It doesn't take a pilot to discuss the economic and land use analysis an outside firm will be conducting in the coming months, said Cathy Larson, of FOSP.

Larson wrote a letter of support for Goddard's nomination to the City Council on behalf of FOSP.

"The issues that come before the airport commission aren't necessarily operational in nature. The fact that the commissioners do not have a pilot's license is not necessarily a detriment to qualifications," Larson said.

In fact, much of what will come before the commission will deal with real estate and land use when the leases that govern much of the airport expire in 2015, one of several reasons FOSP backed Goddard.

That year also marks what City Hall believes to be the end of its operation agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration, although the FAA protests that the agreements will not expire at least until 2023, and that continuous operation of the airport will be required after that.

Despite the FAA's position, the council approved the $79,500 study examining the economic impacts of the airport, which will lead into a series of community meetings about the future of the airport in coming months.

Goddard's background in real estate led the community to believe he would be a good representative of its interests, said Sunset Park resident Ping Ho.

"He's knowledgeable in dealing with the FAA, and his knowledge as a real estate executive could be helpful in making the determinations that have to be made," Ho said.

Goddard, who refused to comment for this story, will be sworn in at the next regular commission meeting on March 28.

Although residents may stand for one candidate or another, it is ultimately the City Council that appoints commissioners to the board in question.

The voice of airport proponents will be heard through pilots, who are well-organized, and the FAA, which continues to dominate the discussion for the future of the airport, McKeown said.

"It is our beleaguered residents who need to have a more consistent and effective voice," he wrote.

Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association spokesperson Chris Dancy, whose organization has lobbied in support of the airport in the face of local opposition, said that no matter who's on the commission, AOPA will continue to advocate to keep the airport open and operational.

"In general, it's beneficial to have a person with flight experience on the board or commission," Dancy said. "However, AOPA will continue to be a strong supporter of the airport."

Others believe membership on the commission should open up even further.

A portion of SMO lies in Los Angeles, and the airport is bordered by Mar Vista, Venice Beach and West L.A., but because the commission has a Santa Monica residency requirement, the Los Angeles-dwellers have no representation.

The idea of including even a non-voting member from the other communities has not been popular with incumbents, said Martin Rubin, a West L.A. resident involved with Concerned Residents Against Airport Pollution, or CRAAP.

"I've mentioned sitting in an advisory capacity," Rubin said. "I think unique things could be brought up by Venice and Mar Vista residents."

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Prayer spurs security alert aboard L.A.-bound flight

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LOS ANGELES Pilots on an Alaska Airlines flight from Mexico City to Los Angeles locked down the cockpit and alerted authorities Sunday when a flight crew grew alarmed at the behavior of three men who turned out to be conducting an elaborate orthodox Jewish prayer ritual, officials said.

The men, all Mexican nationals, began the ritual that involves tying leather straps and small wooden boxes to the body, and the crew of Flight 241 alerted the cockpit, airline spokeswoman Bobbie Egan said.

"Shortly after takeoff, a flight attendant saw what she believed was unusual behavior from three passengers on board," Egan said in a statement. "The three passengers were praying aloud in Hebrew and were wearing what appeared to be leather straps on their foreheads and arms."

The cockpit was placed on a security lockdown for the rest of the flight — meaning the door couldn't be opened even for pilots to leave briefly. Normal protocol calls for the cockpit to be locked, but on longer flights the pilots will leave and return from the flight deck.

FBI and customs agents along with police and a full assignment of fire trucks met the plane at the gate at Los Angeles International Airport, and the men were escorted off.

After questioning from the FBI, the men were released without being arrested. They continued in their travel which took them overseas, FBI spokeswoman Laura Eimiller told City News Service.

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nation of redevelopment agencies across the state to free up $1.7 billion he proposes to use to cover deficits in MediCal and court costs.

"Successor agencies," usually the cities or counties that formed the redevelopment agencies, will then pay off existing debt obligations using the tax money that would have gone to the original agency.

Under the terms of the loan, which only leverages tax increment money, Wells Fargo will not be able to go after the General Fund to recoup the loan losses if Santa Monica's Redevelopment Agency goes under.

Draft language in a trailer bill issued by the California Department of Finance might invalidate new loans or other debt obligations entered into after Jan. 1, when the governor proposed his budget, but it hasn't been considered or adopted by the legislature.

City staff are monitoring the situation closely, Swindell said.

"I don't think there's any real possibility they won't get paid," Swindell said.

In a special meeting of the RDA and City Council last Tuesday, the RDA representatives sought permission to pursue the loan from Wells Fargo.

Staff had also reached out to Bank of America and JP Morgan Chase.

Only Councilmember Bobby Shriver expressed any misgivings about the deal, which he worried had been put together too quickly for council members to know exactly what the terms of the loan were.

He advocated for a small committee of council members to review the loan, and then respond back to staff before signing away power to the city manager to enter into the agreement.

Gould objected, saying that timing, in this case, was everything.

"If you think it's a good idea to borrow these funds, we must do so expeditiously," Gould said.

The council voted to allow the city manager to go through with the loan in a five to one vote, with Gleam Davis absent and Shriver against.

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June," Duran said.

Assembly Republican leader Connie Conway told Fresno talk radio station that she believed negotiations had stalled with the five senators. Conway, of Tulare, has not been in the talks herself but has been getting updates from lawmakers.

"'It's their impression that even though the governor seems willing, that labor has said no to all the requests so I think everybody left very unhappy from the table," Conway said.

Duran said any suggestion the talks had broken off was "highly exaggerated."

Throughout the state, education advocates are bracing for another round of spending cuts to public schools. They warn that tens of thousands of pink slips will go out Tuesday to teachers and other school employees.

Teachers said more cuts will result in larger class sizes and a shorter school year. Meanwhile, school employees said they already have accepted salary cuts and furloughs to help districts grapple with diminishing revenue.

"We already are working with over 19 percent less revenue than we've had in the last few years," said Renee Hendrick of the California Association of School Business Officials. "Without the extension of the tax revenues, we're looking at at least another $2 billion cut for education. What else can we cut?"

Allan Clark, president of the California School Employees Association, said custodians, secretaries, bus drivers and other support staff also have been affected by the cutbacks.

College students also rallied in front of the Capitol.

Harrison Wills, an international development major at Santa Monica College, a community college, said he felt compelled to act because so many students have to beg their way into full classes that professors lock doors or designate students to turn others away at the entrance.

"The quality of education is going down, while the price is going up," he said.

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The city said that while the fish were gone, local crews will continue cleaning up the aftermath of the die-off in the harbor for another week.

Biologists from the University of Southern California and the California Department of Fish and Game have said critically low oxygen levels in the water caused the sardines to suffocate.

But the USC scientists said high levels of domoic acid were found in the sardines, which may have distressed them off the Los Angeles coastline and caused them to swim into the Redondo Beach marina.

Fish and game officials also were testing fish for toxins at its animal forensics laboratory. Results were expected this week.

Domoic acid is often found in the stomach of fish that have been feeding on plankton during toxic algae blooms, one of which was spotted off Redondo Beach on Wednesday.

The toxin has been linked to neurological disorders, illnesses and deaths in seabirds, sea lions, sea otters and whales, spurring concerns for the gulls, pelicans and other sea life that have been feasting on the dead fish in King Harbor.

The sardines died late Monday and caked the water's surface the next morning, stacking up to 2 feet deep in some spots.

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Fears of a slowdown in Japan push stocks lower

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NEW YORK Concerns over the economic impact of the massive earthquake and tsunami in Japan, the world's third-largest economy, led to a broad sell-off in the stock market on Monday.

Nine out of the 10 sectors that make up the Standard and Poor's 500 index lost ground. Utilities companies fell 1.4 percent, the most of any group, as explosions at Japanese nuclear reactors in the wake of the disaster dimmed prospects for the nuclear energy industry.

The S&P index, the basis for most U.S. mutual funds, fell 7.89 points, or 0.6 percent, to 1,296.39.

The Dow Jones industrial average lost 51.24, or 0.4 percent, to 11,993.16. The Nasdaq composite dipped 14.64, or 0.5 percent, to 2,700.97.

"Everything is linked now," said David Katz, senior portfolio strategist at Weiser Capital Management. "There is no such thing as a catastrophe happening in any major country and it not affecting the global economy."

Japan's central bank pumped a record $184 billion into money market accounts to encourage bank lending. Financial analysts said the move could put pressure on Japan to raise interest rates, particularly since the country is saddled with massive debt that, at 200 percent of gross domestic product, is the biggest among developed nations.

"The fiscal position is deteriorating in Japan," said Channing Smith, managing director of equity strategies at Capital Advisors Inc. "If we get higher interest rates, that is a major threat to ... the global recovery."

Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 index fell 633.94 points, or 6.2 percent, to close at 9,620.49 — its lowest level in four months. The decline wiped out this year's gains.

Shares of upscale retailers with large businesses in Japan also fell. Tiffany & Co. and Coach Inc. both dropped 5.3 percent. Caterpillar Inc. gained 2.1 percent on assumptions that it will benefit from the country's large-scale rebuilding efforts.

In the U.S., Warren Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway Inc. said it would purchase chemical company Lubrizol for $9 billion in cash. Berkshire will pay $135 per share, a 28 percent premium to Lubrizol's closing stock price Friday of $105.44. Berkshire's Class B shares fell 1.3 percent on the news, while Lubrizol rose 28 percent.

Cephalon Inc. closed down 1.6 percent after a federal court overturned two of the patents on its painkilling drug Fentora.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF SIGNIFICANT NONCOMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE INDUSTRIAL WASTE PRETREATMENT REQUIREMENTS IN 2010

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) General Pretreatment Regulations for Existing and New Sources of Pollution, 40 CFR 403 and SMMC 5.20.490 requires the City of Santa Monica to publish a list of industrial users who have been in significant noncompliance with applicable Pretreatment Standards or other applicable requirements. For the purpose of this provision, significant noncompliance is defined under 40 CFR 403.8 (f)(2)(vii) as:

A. Chronic violations of wastewater discharge limits, defined as those in which sixty-six percent or more of the measurements taken during a six month period exceed (by any magnitude) the daily maximum limit or the same average limit for the same pollutant parameter;

B. Technical Review Criteria (TRC) violations, defined as those in which thirty-three percent or more of all the measurements for each pollutant parameter taken during a six month period equal or exceed the product of the daily maximum limit or the average limit multiplied by the applicable TRC (TRC=1.4 for BOD, TSS, fats, oil, grease, and 1.2 for all other pollutants except pH);

C. Any other violation or violations of a pretreatment effluent limit (daily maximum or longer term average) that the Control Authority determines has caused, alone or in combination with other discharges, interference or pass-through (including or endangering the health of POTW personnel or the public);

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E. Failure to meet, within 90 days after the schedule date, a compliance schedule milestone contained in a local control mechanism or enforcement order for starting construction, completing construction, or attaining final compliance;

F. Failure to provide reports within 30 days from the due date, required reports such as baseline monitoring reports, 90 day compliance reports, periodic self-monitoring reports, and reports on compliance with compliance schedules;

G. Failure to accurately report noncompliance;

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NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

UCLA Bruins return to tourney after missing last year's dance

BETH HARRIS
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES UCLA is back in the NCAA tournament after sitting out last year, giving the Bruins a chance to erase the bad memories created by their early exit from the Pac-10 tournament.

The Bruins lost to Oregon 76-59 on Thursday night, allowing them time to reflect before learning their NCAA destiny on Sunday.

The Bruins (22-10) are seeded seventh in the Southeast Region, and will open Thursday against 10th-seeded Michigan State in Tampa, Fla.

"It's cool. We're in," freshman big man Joshua Smith said. "We kind of knew we were going to get a seeding like that. Our season was pretty good and no really bad losses."

Except for getting trounced by the Ducks, whom the Bruins swept in the regular season. Coach Ben Howland called his team's performance its worst of the season.

"If we had played better, we could have gotten a better seed in the West," Smith said. "That was a bad way to end our tournament. Right now we're hungry."

Howland had the team watch film of the Oregon loss for 2 hours.

"Every time we saw something wrong, we were going back over it," said Tyler Honeycutt, who was diagnosed with strep throat on Friday. "Just losing was a wake-up call."

It carried over to weekend practice, which was livelier than usual.

"The intensity was a lot harder," said Malcolm Lee, whose injured knee is feeling better.

The only UCLA players with NCAA tourney experience are juniors Lee and Jerime Anderson. They both played sparingly in 2009, beating Virginia Commonwealth in the opener and losing to Villanova in the second round. Neither scored, with each playing fewer than 19 minutes combined in the two games.

The Spartans, meanwhile, reached the Final Four last season, with most of its team still intact.

"Those guys have been there, done that, won in the tournament, and that's definitely an advantage for them," Howland said.

UCLA is three years removed from its run of three consecutive Final Four appearances, having endured several departures to the NBA since then.

NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL

First games a dilemma for tournament pools

JAIME ARON
AP Sports Writer

Filling out an NCAA tournament bracket is tougher this year, and it has nothing to do with the caliber of competition.

It's the bracket itself that is more maddening.

Instead of a single "play-in" game that most pool managers ignored, this year's tournament features the debut of an "opening round" of four midweek matchups. That left bracket meisters around the country to decide whether to ask their buddies to pick all 67 games by tipoff Tuesday evening, or to give them until the usual time on Thursday at the risk of skipping an entire layer of games that could produce the tournament's first upsets.

The purist might say "Pick 'em all."

But the realists seem to be winning this debate.

It looks like the the majority of contests are sticking with the old way of doing things. From ESPN.com and its pool that drew 5.4 million entries last year to Mark Fehrman of Wausau, Wis., and his pool of about 80 entries, the reasoning was the same: People already were pushing the Thursday deadline, so it just didn't make any sense to ask them to pick four more games in two less days.

"I thought about it all weekend," said Fehrman, a paper broker who is in his 12th year of running his pool. "I considered offering an incentive, maybe an extra point if they got their bracket in on time and got it right. But knowing the group, everyone is going to drag their feet. If there was a deadline of Tuesday, a lot of people might not enter."

Jason Waram, vice president of fantasy games and social media for ESPN.com, said his staff began kicking around this dilemma last summer, shortly after the NCAA decided to expand the field from 65 teams to 68. They also polled some contestants to see what they thought. After what he called "definitely a spirited debate," the status quo won out.

"First and foremost, it was about getting the most people inside and letting them have a chance," Waram said. "We all know that the more people in this, the more fun it is."

The same was true at Yahoo, which had another thing to consider — its $1 million bonus for accurately picking every game.

Considering that no entry has come closer than 56 of 63, there wasn't much of a push to make the challenge any more difficult, said Edwin Pankau, Yahoo's senior product manager for fantasy sports.

"I read somewhere that getting perfect with 63 is about as likely as winning the Powerball twice in a row," he said. "Getting perfect with 67 is probably up to 10 times in a row."

In addition to their nationwide contests, ESPN.com and Yahoo also host pools for people who put together a contest among family, friends and co-workers. This year, those pools are limited to the usual 63 games. Waram and Pankau said there may be an option for those smaller pools to switch to a 67-game format next year.

In a sampling of more than a dozen pools Monday by The Associated Press, one of the few that bumped up its deadline was in the clubhouse of the Houston Astros.

Third baseman Chris Johnson said he and his teammates were scrambling to get their ballots turned in, but they also had extra motivation about this year's tournament. The Final Four and the championship game are in Houston.

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SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 61°

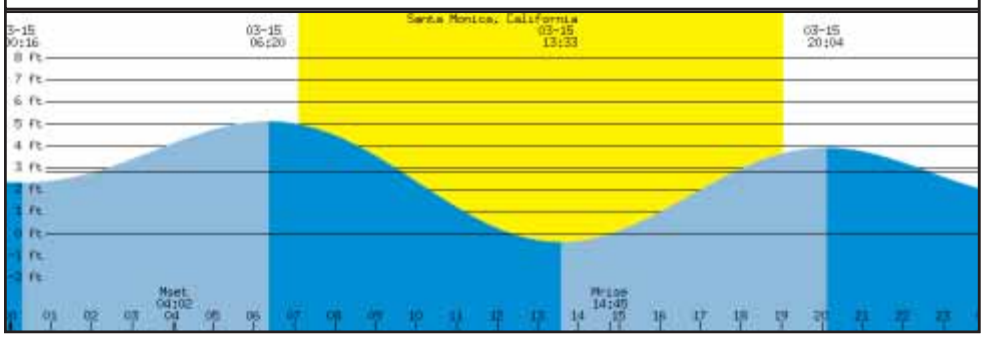
Swell Forecast

NW swell come ashore, hitting SB/VC early in the day, and finally SD mid to late morning. Size should run head high at most west facing breaks with pluses at standouts going about 2' overhead.

Long Range Synopsis

NW is expected to back off a bit, more along the lines of chest to at times head high for west facing breaks.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



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 **March 9, 2011**

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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 -- 14
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 37 / 32
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 5 / 13

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Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for 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.	F	F
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Las Alina creeks.	A+	A+
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	D
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	F
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	A+
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	B	B
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	F	D
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Solstice Canyon at Don Blocker County Beach.	A	C
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	B	A
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	A	A+
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	A+
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	F	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	A
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	D
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	A+
Tuna Canyon.	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	F	F
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	A+
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	B	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	A+

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

LEGEND

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

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Just Go With It (PG-13) 1hr 50min
1:45pm, 4:30pm, 7:15pm, 10:00pm

Adjustment Bureau (PG-13) 1hr 39min
1:35pm, 4:10pm, 6:45pm, 9:20pm

Red Riding Hood (PG-13) 2hrs 00min
1:30pm, 4:00pm, 6:30pm, 9:00pm

Kill the Irishman (R) 1hr 46min
1:40pm, 4:15pm, 7:00pm, 9:35pm

AMC Santa Monica 7
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Gnomeo & Juliet 3D (PG) 1hr 24min
11:35am, 1:50pm, 4:00pm, 10:15pm

Rango (PG) 1hr 47min
11:15am, 2:00pm, 4:35pm, 7:15pm, 9:55pm

Battle: Los Angeles (PG-13) 1hr 56min
11:00am, 1:50pm, 4:45pm, 7:40pm, 10:30pm

Adjustment Bureau (PG-13) 1hr 46min
12:00pm, 2:35pm, 5:10pm, 7:45pm, 10:20pm

Mars Needs Moms in Disney Digital 3D (PG) 1hr 28min
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Hall Pass (R) 1hr 38min
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Red Riding Hood (PG-13) 1hr 40min
11:45am, 2:30pm, 5:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm

Carmen in 3D (PG-13) 2hrs 55min
6:30pm

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1:00pm, 3:10pm, 5:20pm, 7:40pm, 10:10pm

Over the Hill Band (Meisjes) (NR) 1hr 33min
4:45pm, 9:30pm

King's Speech (R) 1 hour 58 min
1:40pm, 4:30pm, 7:20pm, 10:10pm

Cedar Rapids (R) 1hr 26min
1:10pm, 3:20pm, 5:30pm, 7:50pm, 10:10pm

Phil Ochs: There But for Fortune (NR) 1hr 36min
2:20pm, 7:10pm

AMC Criterion 6
1313 Third Street Promenade
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Take Me Home Tonight (R) 1hr 54min
12:15pm, 2:40pm, 5:05pm, 7:35pm, 10:00pm

Rango (PG) 1hr 47min
1:05pm, 3:40pm, 6:15pm, 9:00pm

Beastly (PG-13) 1hr 35min
12:30pm, 2:45pm, 5:00pm, 7:20pm, 9:35pm

Battle: Los Angeles (PG-13) 1hr 56min
1:00pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 10:00pm

Unknown (PG-13) 1hr 49min
1:30pm, 4:20pm, 7:10pm, 9:55pm

I Will Follow (NR) 1hr 28min
12:40pm, 2:50pm, 5:10pm, 7:30pm, 9:45pm

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

Head home tonight, Taurus

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Your creativity surges. You feel good, and you smile. The unexpected pops up at an unexpected moment. Run with it, understanding exactly what your expectations are. You will find the correct path to your objective. Tonight: Ever playful, getting past the fact that it is Tuesday.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Clear out calls and meetings in the morning. You might be surprised by the insight you gain. Revel in the moment, as ideas stream in from the ether. Weigh certain concepts before presenting them. You have time. Tonight: Head home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Deal directly with others, knowing your goals. Communication surges in the p.m. Finally, someone gets it. A meeting or get-together could be a source of happiness. Recognize the common interests in this situation. Tonight: Accept another person's offer.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Move on a key matter in the morning -- you can work out the details later. Others agree that you possess a lot of the innate talents they seek. Add creativity, sensitivity and foresight to the list. Others value you far more than you think. Tonight: You have reason to smile.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Understand what needs to happen in the morning. In the afternoon, the time comes to act. Others greet you, your ideas and your projects positively. Manifesting a goal -- whether reconnecting with a friend or launching a new idea -- will be greeted positively. Tonight: You are on a roll -- continue.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Know that a lot is going on behind the scenes. You might want to pull back and determine as much as you can about what is happening. You will gain a better perspective of what is going on behind the scenes. Tonight: Get some much-needed privacy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Communicate what is on your mind, and others will hear you loud and clear. Mobilizing others' energy comes naturally. You might just find that a good time is had by all. You see a partner in a new, different light, which might make you smile. Tonight: In the middle of the action.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Listen to what is happening within your immediate circle. Make an educated decision as to what you feel it is necessary to do. Your leadership can and will make all the difference here. Count on a second and third wind. Tonight: Where the happening is.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Stay on top of your game, knowing full well what you can do if you stretch past your normal mental and emotional constraints. Then allow your creativity to kick in. Others respond, and you see a new perspective. How nice. Tonight: Continue looking past the obvious.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Imagine what it would take to break a pattern within a relationship. Don't automatically negate the issue; rather, open up to the possibility. Not so surprising, in the afternoon, you just might see an opening. Go for it. Tonight: Togetherness works.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ You might have every intention of working on or completing a project. But by the afternoon, the story changes. Networking and socializing take a higher priority than the old grind. Make it OK to veer in an unexpected direction once in a while. Tonight: So many people, so many invitations and so many choices.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ Your creativity flourishes in an unprecedented manner. How you open up a conversation and where you go with it reflect who you are. A sense of tension arises in the afternoon. You realize what you have not done. Why not realize what you have done? Tonight: Go easy on yourself.

Happy birthday

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

The first half of the year, you could be very nurturing and sensitive. Your libido energies soar during this period. If you are interested in romance, the possibility of a major relationship appears on the horizon. If you are attached, the two of you will enjoy this period. The second half of the year, you choose a more practical orientation. The quality of your daily life and work become a higher priority. The need for fun and romance takes a back seat. You will gain financially from a more serious orientation. LEO is loyal above all and can be a wonderful friend.



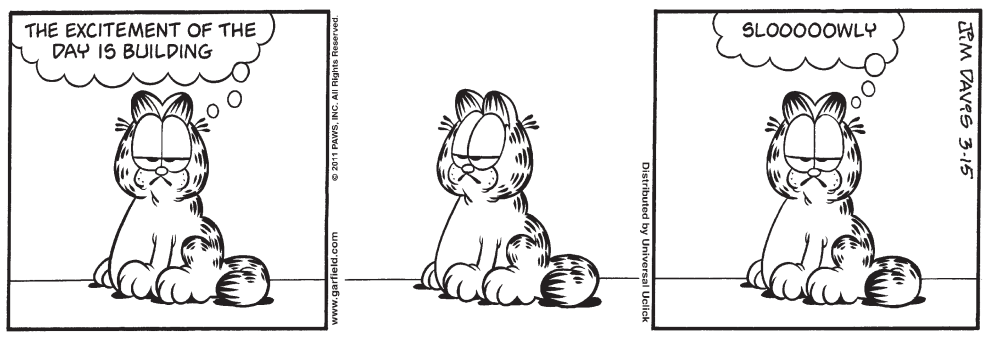
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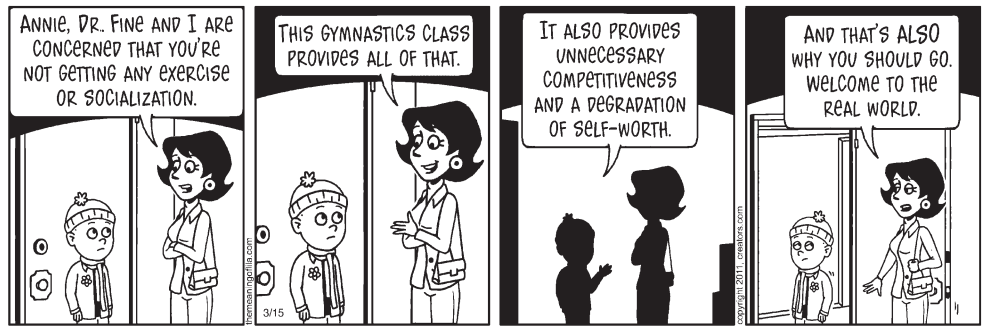
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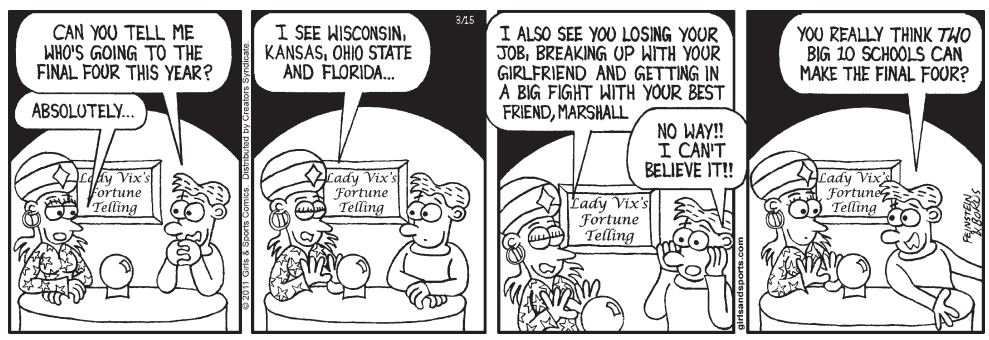
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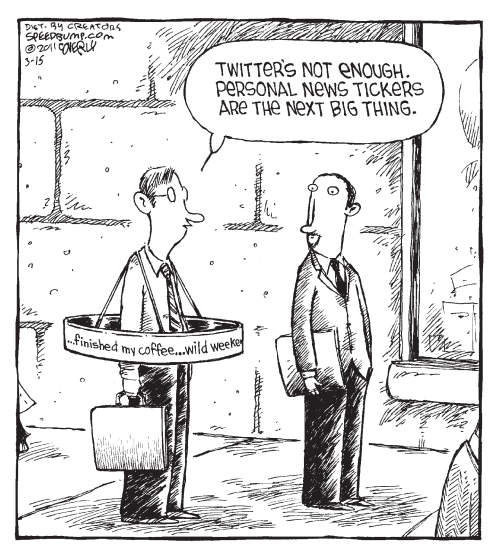
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Sudoku

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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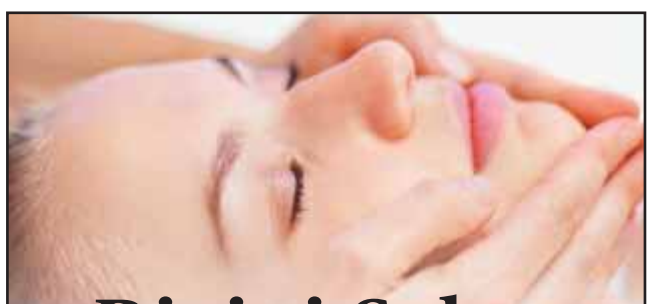
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GETTING STARTED

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

2	8	6	5	9	3	4	1	7
9	4	5	7	1	8	2	6	3
3	7	1	4	6	2	9	8	5
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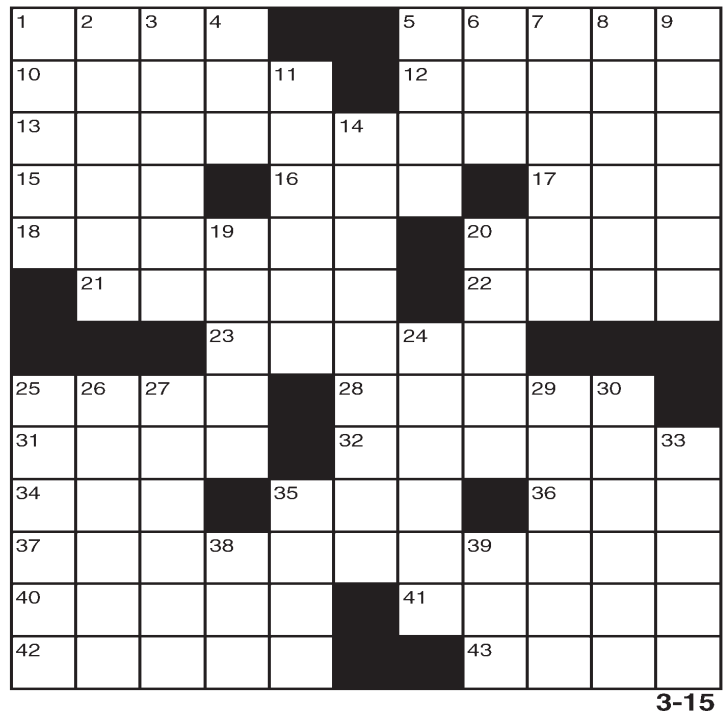
ACROSS
1 Policy wiz
5 Puzzled
10 "— With a View"
12 Lott of the Senate
13 Bad day for Caesar
15 Gender
16 German article
17 Homer's bartending pal
18 Native groups
20 Rhino feature
21 Begin
22 Wallet bills
23 Like neon
25 Easy gait
28 Judges
31 Roosters' mates
32 Doctor Who's foes
34 Second person
35 Suffer
36 Quirk
37 George Eliot novel
40 Pond growth
41 Iron output
42 Must have
43 Hockey's Phil, for short

DOWN
1 Belt setting
2 Picks an entrée
3 Sartre play
4 Ring wins, for short
5 Money machines
6 Song syllable
7 Sunday talk
8 Concert bonus
9 Acropolis setting
11 New-fangled
14 Paul Newman's role in "The Hustler"
19 Loads traps
20 Travel stop
24 Kingdoms
25 Police, in slang
26 Abuse verbally
27 Anxious
29 British measures
30 Winter topper
33 Chump
35 Pub pints
38 Mom's mate
39 Chowed down

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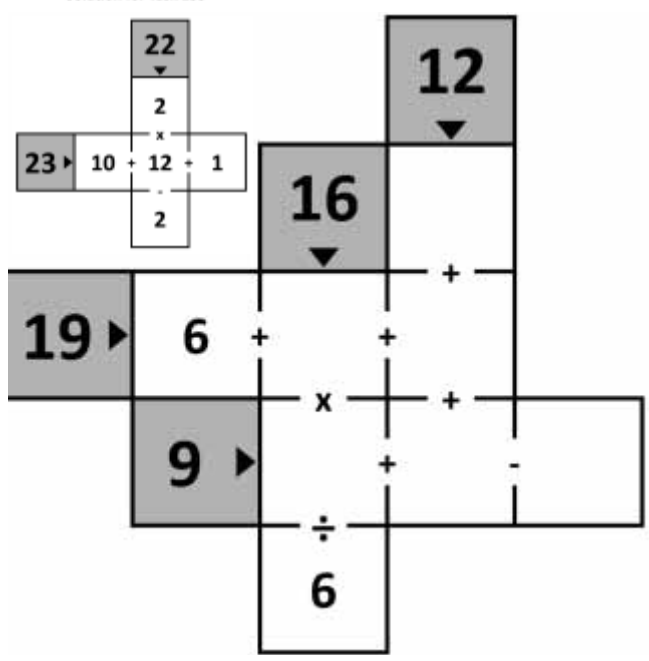
- Fill the grid with the set of given numbers (1 to 12) to satisfy the Equa demands (7 to 24) in the shaded boxes. The Equa demands represent the sum of the digits that you will insert into the empty squares.
- Each horizontal row has one Equa demand to satisfy; each vertical column also has one demand to satisfy. Each empty square in the grid dictates the math operation (addition +, subtraction -, multiplication X, and division ÷) that must be performed to meet the demands.
- You must follow the given math operations for each square and you must make sure all the numbers satisfy the demands in the shaded boxes when connected in adjacent threes and calculated together from left to right, and top to bottom.
- The numbers you insert into the grid must satisfy the Equa demands both horizontally and vertically.

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1, 4, 5, 6, 8, 12

Solution for Task 235



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BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Not Your Father's Scotch: (1) The Panamanian company Scottish Spirits recently introduced a straight Scotch whisky in 12-ounce cans, for a market of mobile drinkers who prefer not to invest in a whole bottle. The international Scotch whisky trade association expressed alarm. (2) At Clive's, of Victoria, British Columbia, Glenfiddich Scotch whisky is only one ingredient in the signature cocktail "Cold Night In," which, according to a January New York Times review, combines "molecular mixology" and comfort food. An especially buttery grilled-cheese sandwich is soaked overnight in the Scotch, along with Mt. Gay rum and Lillet Blanc wine. Following a brief freeze to congeal any remaining fat, and double-straining, it is ready to serve -- with a celery stick and other garnishments.

■ "Vulva Original," from a German company, VivaEros, is the "scent of a beautiful woman," reported in Harper's magazine in August 2010, and selling as a fragrance concentrate for the equivalent of about $35 for a small roll-on container. (Its promotional video is of a lavishly photographed gym scene, with a handsome male, observing a beautiful female working out on a stationary bike, followed afterward by the male's gently sniffing the seat.) "The female smell of intimacy," promised VivaEros, "triggers sexual attraction and desire," which men can address "more intensely during self-stimulation."

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