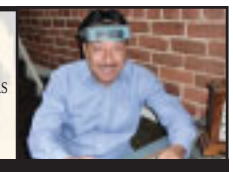
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THE HELLO, SPRING ISSUE

Report: Teacher pensions need $4.5B more every year

JUDY LIN
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. California needs to pay an additional $4.5 billion a year for the next three decades to shore up its financially shaky teacher retirement fund, according to a report released Wednesday by the state's nonpartisan budget analyst.

The nonpartisan Legislative Analyst's Office declared that the California State Teachers' Retirement System "may be the state's most difficult fiscal challenge" and suggested that tackling the shortfall is perhaps more important than other state debts. It cited CalSTRS actuary figures that found that the pension fund would run out of money by 2044 without corrective action.

When combining the $4.5 billion with the current $1.4 billion annual contribution, the state would pay more for the pensions of retired K-12 teachers and community college instructors than it does for the entire University of California and California State University systems combined.

The bulk of that additional money will likely have to come from taxpayers because investments and teacher contributions aren't enough.

The report was presented to lawmakers during a hearing on ways to address the pension fund's unfunded liability, which stood at $73 billion as of June 2012.

"The CalSTRS liability is about double the governor's so-called wall of debt, a collection of budgetary obligations the state has incurred in recent years to mitigate its significant budget problems," analyst Ryan Miller said in a video released ahead of the hearing.

CalSTRS serves about 862,000 people, or about 2 percent of California's population. It is funded by employees, school districts and the state.

Its shortfall dates to the dot-com boom in the late 1990s, when the state reduced its contributions and handed out more generous retirement benefits. Last fall, Gov. Jerry Brown signed sweeping pension changes that would largely affect new state and local government workers but also imposed salary caps and eliminated numerous abuses of the pension systems.

The report urged lawmakers to make changes soon because the fund's liability grows faster than other debts.

Trailer park development wins approval

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL A split City Council approved a development Tuesday night that will replace an existing trailer park with a 377-unit apartment complex after resolving some issues surrounding affordable housing in the deal.

Village Trailer Park co-owner Marc Luzzatto agreed to increase the number of affordable units in the three-building complex to 38 by the end of the evening, with three of those available to extremely low-income tenants and another 35 available to very low-income tenants.

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SPRING IS HERE

Daniel Archuleta *daniela@smdp.com*

Ina Zec shops for fresh-cut flowers Wednesday at the Skyline Flower Growers stand at the Downtown Farmers' Market. It was the first market of the spring.

High schoolers keep eye on bag ban

Older adults use most reusable bags, study shows

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

SAMOHI Over a year after Santa Monica banned plastic bags from local grocery stores, Santa Monicans are converting to a plastic-bag free reality, although younger adults still cling to disposable paper versions, according to a study conducted by local high school students.

The results, released last weekend by Santa Monica High School's Team Marine, showed that the ban succeeded in reducing plastic bag usage from 70 percent of bags in local grocery stores to zero, while use of paper, reusable bags and the no-bag option all increased by varying percentages.

Which of the non-plastic options a person chose varied depending on gender, age and even which grocery store a person visited, be it a traditional store or a store with "eco-friendly" credentials, like Whole Foods or Trader Joe's.

The study provides the only analysis available on how bags are used in Santa Monica, and compares both a pre- and post-ban world, said Benjamin Kay, marine science teacher at Samohi and coach for Team Marine.

"I believe this is Team Marine's most significant contribution to environmental science thus far," Kay said.

For 19 months spanning a time period before and after the ban took effect, the students posted up in front of five local grocery stores including the Downtown Vons and Whole Foods, Albertsons on Ocean Park Boulevard, Trader Joe's on Pico Boulevard

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Thursday, May 21, 2013

Get slimed
Santa Monica Place Center Plaza
1 p.m. — 6 p.m.
In preparation for the Kids' Choice Awards, Center Plaza will be transformed by a green-screen digital sliming station, a true sliming unit and a Toyota Rav4 vehicle display. Kids are invited to enter to win four tickets to the awards show on March 23. Children under 18 will need a parent present if they choose to be slimed. Admission is free.

Home sweet home
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 2nd Floor,
4:30 p.m.
The Santa Monica Housing Commission will discuss the latest citywide homeless count numbers and the pros and cons of unbundling parking. The housing manager will also give a report, which will include the impacts of federal budget cuts on housing production and assistance. For more information, call (310) 458-8411.

Hearing on hotel
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.,
Multipurpose Room, 7 p.m.
Residents who want to learn more about a proposed 22-story hotel designed by world-renowned architect Frank Gehry for the corner of Ocean Avenue and Santa Monica Boulevard are encouraged to attend this community meeting to give feedback on the concept. Gehry is expected to attend.

Setting the table
SMC's Bundy Campus
3171 S. Bundy Dr., 7 p.m.
Santa Monica College will celebrate Women's History Month with a discussion entitled Women at the Political Table: Set it or Sit at it?, which will feature former State Sen. Sheila Kuehl, founding director of SMC's Public Policy Institute. The event is free. Seating is on a first-arrival basis. Call (310) 434-4303.

Friday, March 22, 2013

Hotel melodies
Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel
1700 Ocean Ave.,
6:30 p.m. — 9:30 p.m.
The hotel will present its monthly concert series "Live from Loews: California Classics," featuring California food, wine, locally-crafted beer, and specialty cocktails. The Cara Lee Band will be performing. Regular admission is $99. For more information, visit santamonicaloewshotel.com.

Saturday, March 23, 2013

Book of wonder
Lincoln Middle School
1501 California Ave.,
2 p.m. — 4 p.m.
Author R.J. Palacio presents a discussion of "Wonder," followed by a book sale and signing. A staged reading of scenes from "Wonder," directed and adapted for the stage by Edward Edwards, will precede the author's presentation. For more information, visit smpl.org.

Knit, knit, knit
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LOCAL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Samohi invites fans to watch state basketball final

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOHI Santa Monica High School will host a live stream of the CIF-State Boys Basketball Division I Championship between the Vikings and Pleasant Grove on Friday in the Humanities Center.

Doors will open at 7 p.m. and the tip-off is at 8 p.m. The game is being played at the Sleep Train Arena in Sacramento, Calif.

School officials hope to make the event a fundraiser for the program and are accepting donations to attend.

There is limited parking on campus due to construction so fans are being urged to park in the Civic Center Parking Structure on Fourth Street, directly across from the campus. Seating is limited to 200 people.

LOCAL SOCCER TEAM REPEATS AS STATE CHAMPS

After a successful regular season, the AYSO Girls U12 Extra Team from Santa Monica defeated Mission Viejo in

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

MAIN STREET

Trash cans, recycling bins get smart

During the week of March 11, 13 BigBelly solar-powered trash compactors and recycling units were added on Main Street near shops, restaurants and coffee houses.

The compactors have a computer chip that sends a message to Resource Recovery and Recycling Division staff when the units are in need of collection.

City officials said the BigBelly units are cost effective because they reduce overflow and decrease the number of times city workers need to drive out and empty them.

"The Big Belly also provides the opportunity to recycle on the public street, a component that was lacking," said Kim Braun, Resource Recovery and Recycling manager for the city of Santa Monica.

The total cost of the BigBelly containers, which are two containers in one unit, is just under $100,000, which is approximately $3,845 per container. The new units will be replacing up to five existing concrete public litter containers, which cost approximately $1,100 to replace, Braun said.

– ALEX VEJAR

SMC

'DnA' becomes podcast

"DnA," KCRW's show exploring the world of design and architecture, will become a weekly podcast and a blog, with design journalists reporting on emerging talent in Los Angeles and beyond.

The show was originally broadcasted monthly on the air. The new online format will include interviews, featured articles by guest contributors, video reporting on buildings and products, and an interactive map of design and landmarks recently discussed in the podcast.

KCRW is a public service of Santa Monica College.

For more information on "DnA," visit blogs.kcrw.com/dna or kcrw.com/DnA.

– AV

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Ferris wheel earns honor

The Pacific Wheel on the Santa Monica Pier has been named one of the "world's coolest Ferris wheels" by Travel + Leisure magazine.

Other wheels mentioned by the magazine are the Big O in Tokyo, the Texas Star in Dallas, the London Eye, and others. The wheel was highlighted for being solar-powered and for offering a "fantastic LED light show made possible by 160,000 energy-efficient LED lights that cover the wheel," according to Travel + Leisure's website.

To view the entire article, visit travelandleisure.com.

– AV



HE'S OUT

Morgan Genser *editor@smdp.com*

St. Monica High School's Jake Georgeff tags out Animo Leadership's Hector Vallejo at second base on Wednesday afternoon at Marine Park. St. Monica would lose the game, sending the Mariners to a 1-8 record on the season.

Ex-officials convicted in Bell corruption case

JOHN ROGERS
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Five former city councilors in a small, blue-collar Los Angeles suburb that became a symbol of political greed were convicted Wednesday of stealing taxpayer money by creating a panel that helped boost their part-time pay to nearly $100,000 a year.

One former councilman was acquitted and the other five were found not guilty of several counts each, as jurors returned verdicts on only about half of the more than 80 charges prosecutors had filed. Jurors said they were deadlocked on the other charges, but the judge ordered them to continue deliberations after some members said they thought a verdict could still be reached.

The trial was the first such proceeding following revelations that Bell's leadership had bilked the hardscrabble city of $5.5 million, using the money to pay huge salaries to the

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Pre-determined

Editor:

The public meeting hosted by the Worthe Real Estate Group to sell their proposal for a 22-story hotel designed by Frank Gehry on Ocean Avenue will go the same way as the Miramar – token compromise by the City Council, no matter who shows up to protest. Expect the council to also solicit input from residents and do what they're going to do anyway.

Holbrook, Davis, O'Day and O'Connor were all endorsed by developers for a reason. McKeown will vote against, as will Vasquez and Winterer, unless Davis develops a conscience, which is unlikely. In that case, one of the swing votes could help "broker" a compromise and switch to the majority.

Jonathan Mann
Santa Monica

Not a fan of illegal aliens

Editor:

I am sick of articles saying we should let illegal aliens stay and give them amnesty ("Time is now for humane immigration reform," Your Column Here, March 12). First off, never give amnesty to illegals. It is time for real Americans to take America back and demand mass deportation of all illegals in America. This scum have brought crime, disease and overpopulation and are an insult to my grandfather, who came to America from a foreign country and learned the language of America and learned to be American. These scum want us to speak their language and let them be as they were in their country. If they don't want to be American, then go home.

Joe Thompson
Santa Monica

No cars allowed?

Editor:

Jim Gerstley's letter ("Car culture lives on," Letter to the Editor, March 18) about Santa Monica parking has his assumption about what he believes are the city's assumptions about residents and workers and noted some examples, namely San Francisco, New York and Mackinac Island, Mich. He may have something here. Leaving aside New York and San Francisco, Mackinac Island may indeed be the model Santa Monica has in mind because there are no private cars on the island. Perhaps that's the goal of the so-called traffic planners here in Santa Monica.

Bill Hasson
Santa Monica





Life Matters

JoAnne Barge & Katrina Davy Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Sister always knows best

DEAR LIFE MATTERS,

My sister and I grew up very close, being only a year apart in age and having a mother who died young. We never knew our dad and were raised by grandparents and an uncle. We shared so much and were and still are close, but somehow we have turned out so different. I married and had three children. I went to college and I own my home. My sister has children but never married, they have different fathers and she moves constantly. I am even unsure how she supports herself.

First of all, I cannot believe how different we turned out since we came from the same family circumstances and were so close and in agreement growing up. But my real problem is my nieces and nephew. My sister is not a very good mother, in my opinion. I love and worry about her children. I often find myself intervening on their behalf.

I have tried over and over again to show my sister a better way of doing things, and instead of being grateful, she seems annoyed and gets angry with me. I am only trying to help, to show her the best way for herself and her children. Perhaps I am not approaching it right. Can you help me find a way to get through to her?

Thanks,
Worried Sister

DEAR WORRIED,

It is indeed very interesting how different we can be from our siblings.

We immediately think, just as you said, that we had the same experience, and same family, but actually this is not completely correct.

While it may be the same family, not everyone has the same experience within a family system. There can be subtle and not so subtle differences in the relationships within a family.

Having said that, even if it seems identical, we all experience things differently. While we humans have much in common, we are each unique in terms of feelings, physiological profiles and various states of mind and how we perceive things. I often hear this same comment or question, how could we be so different when we grew up in the same family?

So while you shared a lot with your sister growing up, and even seemed to agree, I assume, on how things were experienced or perhaps your opinions on what was going on, you should realize that under stressful experiences people can tend to agree even if they don't (perhaps haven't even had a chance to think it through) in service of being together and feeling the protection of togetherness.

You and your sister clearly took in your same or similar experiences in very different ways. You reacted completely differently. I cannot say why, only you and she might know.

But your bigger question has to do with why she doesn't do things your way, clearly the best way, and why won't she listen to your helpful advise?

Wow! I must ask you why you are so certain that your way is the way? I don't mean to insult you, but have you ever heard of "different strokes for different folks?" Her way just may not be your way, end of story! It seems it would be better for you to put your energy into accepting this.

You will not be able to change her unless she asks you for help and truly wants it. And even then, you won't change her; you might help her change herself. It is best to not interfere, especially with someone else's children, unless they ask you for help.

I started some time ago to avoid giving advice or even my opinion, unless I was asked. Telling people what they should do, how they should be is not only asking for trouble, it is a tad arrogant. And be careful because some people will go on and on about their troubles and it really may sound like they want your help but I think it is best to ask first, "would you like to hear my thoughts about this?" They may say yes because they feel they should after going on and on, so ask again, "are you sure?"

Often people just want us to listen. We may want to help and think that we can, but be sure the help is wanted or you will end up with some bad feelings between you.

I think the best way to help your sister is by example, never by preaching or scolding or pointing out the ills of her way. Be available to your nieces and nephews and let them know you care about them so that they know that they can turn to you, but do it without saying anything about their mother.

Good luck!

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Culture Watch

Sarah A. Spitz
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ANIMATED FLICK: **Opening this week at the Landmark Theatres in West L.A. and expected to open next week at Laemmle's Monica 4-Plex is a beautiful, simple and moving animated feature from G-Kids, distributors of animated and youth-oriented films, called 'From Up on Poppy Hill.'**

Rockin' the blues

ETTA JAMES, BESSIE SMITH, ODETTA, Janis Joplin: these great singers all passed on years ago. But their music, voices and spirits are being resurrected onstage at The Pasadena Playhouse. Even before its opening night, "One Night with Janis Joplin" had to be extended because of the buzz this concert-style musical has generated from all of its sold-out performances across the country.

And these truly are tour-de-force performances. Mary Bridget Davies doesn't just sing Janis, she inhabits her in this walk through the singer's brief life and influences. It's an uncanny and brilliant immersion into the heart and soul of the woman known as the queen of rock 'n' roll.

It's not a simple biographical musical; it's a concert event that incorporates Janis' short monologues between stellar performances of classic blues and Joplin's own songs, performed by Davies as Janis, and the impossibly brilliant vocal stylings of Sabrina Elayne Carten as "the blues singer."

As Janis speaks about them, Carten illuminates the singer's blues influences. Carten sings "Summertime" from Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess" like the professional opera singer that she actually is, but when she embodies Odetta, Bessie Smith, Etta James, Nina Simone and Aretha Franklin, she demonstrates one of the most powerful and versatile voices I've ever heard, sending chills up my spine.

If Davies weren't so believably real as Janis, Carten's singing might steal the show. But the staging is beautifully balanced between the two of them, backed by a great band that replicates all the rock licks, solos and jams that Janis and Big Brother and the Holding Company made famous, and the Joplinaires, the backup singers who also appear as alternates for the two stars.

Davies is phenomenal. It's an intensely physical show. Her physical resemblance to Joplin is spot on, and she's got Janis' "hair in the face," pulsing, foot-stomping rhythmic body gestures, and of course the hippie clothes, feather boa halo and giant pink eyeshades down cold. But the extraordinary thing is her ability to capture the essence of Janis in the rasp, the grit, the purity, the power of that voice, sadly silenced too young.

Joplin fans will rejoice to hear her classics sounding just like the originals: "Piece of My Heart," "Ball and Chain," "Me and Bobby McGee" and "Mercedes Benz" among many other of her hits. The revelation is how Joplin came to be the voice that we remember, finding out about how much influence her mother's love of Broadway musicals and vocal coaching had on her, the women whose blues taught her about life and discovering that Joplin loved the local library, whose art books helped her become a visual artist as well.

"One Night with Janis Joplin" is a wonder, and not to be missed. Visit www.pasadenaplayhouse.org for information and tickets.

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The Q Line

Running around town

The Los Angeles Marathon returned to Santa Monica this week. Tens of thousands of runners and even more friends, family and fans crammed streets for the big day.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
Do you think city officials handled the event properly, or do you have advice for managing the throngs of people for next year?

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Play Time

Cynthia Citron

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ACTION: **Virginia Newcomb and Dan Shaked star in 'On the Spectrum.'**

Fountain Theatre soars with 'On the Spectrum'

HE IS A 23-YEAR-OLD COLLEGE GRADUATE preparing to go to law school. He is verbose, awkward and intensely focused; the sort of young man who will offer a 20-minute response to "Hello." He has Asperger syndrome.

She is a recluse living in a fantasy world of her own creation, tied to her computer and communicating in a mellifluous computer-generated voice. She is autistic.

What could possibly go right?

"On the Spectrum," by Ken LaZebnik, Is a love story between two people on different ends of the Autistic Disorder Spectrum and the play's presentation is yet another triumph for the remarkable Fountain Theatre. "On the Spectrum" is a brilliant, flawless masterpiece.

Mac, an amazing Dan Shaked, lives with his mother (Jeanie Hackett) in an apartment in New York City. Stiff and clumsy, with a line of chatter that is a classic example of TMI (Too Much Information), he is nevertheless charming and infinitely lovable. Though he functions fairly well, his Asperger syndrome shows itself in his naiveté and his proclivity for taking all conversation literally. As he notes, he doesn't "waste a lot of time on emotions."

Iris, an equally awesome Virginia Newcomb, lives alone in an Otherworld that she has invented for herself in Queens. Her "Crystal Palace" in her imaginary forest is inhabited with Tolkien-like creatures who are her only friends. Her autism is severe; she is Our Lady of Perpetual Twitches.

In an effort to find a job, Mac develops a classified ad offering his services as a computer graphic designer to which Iris responds. She would like to illustrate her magic world, and she captures his imagination with her unrestrained fancies. They begin a conversation on their computers that flashes back and forth on screens behind them.

And here I must comment on the extraordinary set. Disappointing at first sight, it consists of what seems to be a hodgepodge of empty overlapping wooden frames and a few sticks of furniture. But thanks to the technical wizardry of video designer Jeffrey Elias Teeter and set designer John Iacovelli, the background becomes a world of its own. Her crystal palace in the forest alternates with his graphic moving train presented complete with puffing smoke and the evocative sound design of Peter Bayne. Full of fantasies drawn in black and white, the background suddenly bursts into vibrant color as the two correspondents begin to fall in love. It's an enchanted moment.

The plot is straightforward and believable, and Jeanie Hackett, though less flamboyant than Mac and Iris, is a perfect illustration of a loving mother stretched for a lifetime by unbearable burdens.

The three principals shine under the pluperfect direction of Jacqueline Schultz, theater director, award-winning actress, and educator who has worked with learning disabled students for more than a dozen years.

This is a production that will take your breath away. If you only have the opportunity to get to one play this spring, On the Spectrum is the one to see!

"On the Spectrum" will continue at the Fountain Theatre, 5060 Fountain Ave. (at Normandie), Los Angeles, Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. through April 28. Call (323) 663-1525 or visit www.FountainTheatre.com for tickets.

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YouTube now serving videos to a billion people

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SAN FRANCISCO YouTube says more than 1 billion people are now visiting its online video site each month to watch everything from zany clips of cute kittens to sobering scenes of social unrest around the world.

The milestone announced Wednesday marks another step in YouTube's evolution from a quirky startup launched in 2005 to one of the most influential forces in today's media landscape.

YouTube crossed the 1 billion threshold five months after Facebook Inc. said its online social network had reached that figure for the first time.

The vast audience has given YouTube's owner, Google Inc., another lucrative channel for selling online ads beyond its dominant Internet search engine.

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Local actors yuck it up gangster style

BY JACK NEWORTH
Special to the Daily Press

"Silver Case," winner of six L.A. Indies Awards for 2012, opens Friday night at Hollywood's Arena Cinema, home to many of L.A.'s groundbreaking independent films.

Featuring longtime Santa Monica resident Seymour Cassel, a veteran of over 100 movies, "Silver Case" is billed as a comedic gangster thriller. Written and directed by Christian Filippella, "Silver Case" stars Eric Roberts and two other actors with strong ties to Santa Monica.

Versatile character actor Brad Light, the villain in "Silver Case," lives in Santa Monica and is engaged to actress Rebecca Sigl, who's also in the movie. Brian Keith Gamble, one of two thugs who temporarily have possession of the elusive silver case, is a physics professor, teaching at Santa Monica College for the past eight years. (Every gangster flick has heavies, but how many have real-life doctorates in physics?)

Cassel, 78, an icon in the Main Street area where he has lived for the past 30 years, continues to work steadily in films and commercials. Most known for his decades-long collaboration with the late actor and cinema vérité director John Cassavetes, Cassel was an Oscar nominee for his role in the 1968 Cassavetes classic, "Faces."

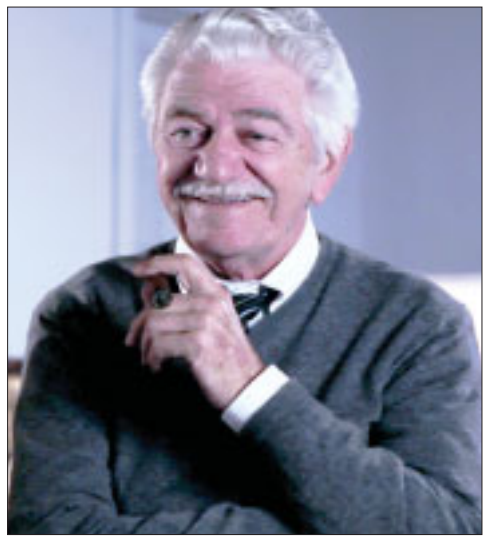


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CASSEL

Roberts has starred in such legendary movies as "The Pope of Greenwich Village," "Star 80" and "Runaway Train," for which he was nominated for Best Actor in a Supporting Role in 1985.

Arena Cinema is at 1625 N. Las Palmas Ave. in Hollywood, (323) 306-0676, www.arenascreen.com.

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WATCH
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JAPANESE ANIME, WESTERN VOICES

Opening this week at the Landmark Theatres in West L.A. and expected to open next week at Laemmle's Monica 4-Plex is a beautiful, simple and moving animated feature from G-Kids, distributors of animated and youth-oriented films, called "From Up on Poppy Hill." It was produced by Studio Ghibli, the Japanese production house that created the popular "Spirited Away."

Made in the Japanese anime style, it has been translated into English featuring a who's who of actors' voices: Beau Bridges, Chris Noth, Christina Hendricks, Gillian Anderson, Jamie Lee Curtis, Bruce Dern are just a few of the notables who bring these gentle characters to life.

The story is a coming-of-age tale, featuring the voice of Sarah Bolger as virtuous Umi and Anton Yelchin as brave student leader Shun, teenagers who find themselves attracted to one another. Set in 1963 Yokohama during a period of optimistic growth and renewal in post-World War II Japan, the story revolves around Umi's hope that her father, lost at sea in the war, will return; and Shun, who leads a movement to save his beloved, but rundown, school clubhouse from destruction.

Every day, Umi runs flags up the pole on her home's high hill to help guide her ship pilot father home; when she receives a mysterious note, she thinks he really is coming back to her. But it's Shun who sent the note, and their budding romance is in danger of being torn apart when confusion arises about whether they might actually be brother and sister.

This is such a beautiful movie. You quickly forget that you're watching animation and instead you'll marvel at how engaging the characters are as well as the near-photographic nature of the spectacular scenery, from misty harbors to sun-drenched, richly colored gardens and bustling cityscapes evoked in painterly detail.

"From Up on Poppy Hill" was Japan's highest-grossing film in 2011, and won the country's highest honor for animation. It's clearly culturally Japanese: American animation focuses on superheroes, loud noises, exaggerated action, cartoony characters and even violence. There's nothing of the sort in this film. Even the protests the kids engage in are seen as respectful.

I highly recommend "From Up on Poppy Hill." It's a respite from all the shoot-em-ups and even the artful, independent troubled youth films that populate our movie theaters. Seek it out at The Landmark and call Monica 4-Plex to find out when it runs in Santa Monica.

LAST CHANCE

Don't forget that tonight, March 21, at Santa Monica's YWCA, Santa Monica Rep presents "Shine," the storytelling series featuring amateurs and professionals who share true tales of positive change, specially enhanced this time with live music.

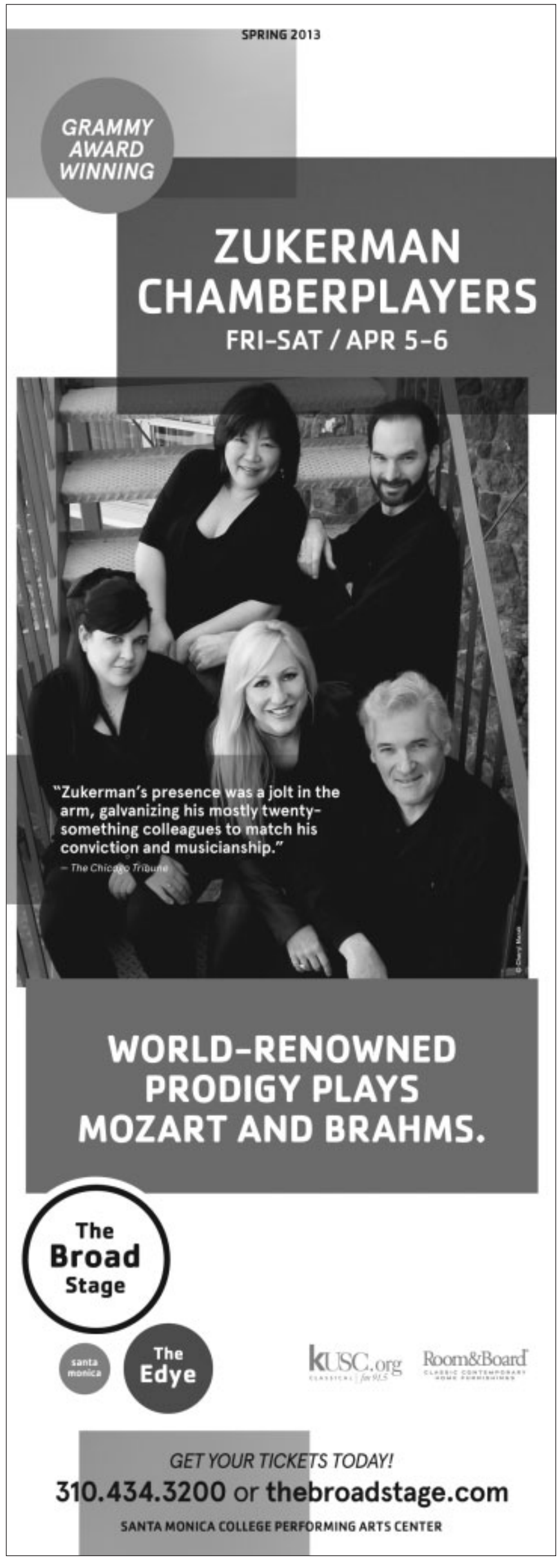
Tonight's theme is "storms" and the line-up features Reagan Payne, an award-winning published playwright who created the now 5-year-old blog, TheGoodMuse.com, which shares volunteer opportunities across the Southland.

Also on the line up are Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District Facilities Manager (and teacher, actor, director and clown) Carey Upton; award-winning screenwriter, playwright and producer Arlene Sarner ("Peggy Sue Got Married") and breast cancer survivor and activist Spike Dolomite, among others.

Admission is by donation; more details at www.storiesbloom.com. The YWCA is located at 2019 Fourth St. in Santa Monica.

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BAN
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and Ralphs at Olympic and Cloverfield boulevards.

They watched store patrons leave with their purchases and documented the customers' gender, approximate age and, of course, what kind of bag they used to carry their groceries.

Some people gave them weird looks, or came over to ask why the students were standing outside of grocery stores, said Angelina Hwang, co-captain of Team Marine and a junior at Samohi.

"They were really interested in what we were doing," Hwang said.

The team members then crunched the data and came out with the results.

The results were fairly consistent. Females tended to use reusable bags more than men, and reusable bag usage went up more at an "eco-friendly" store compared to "normal" stores.

Most surprising to Team Marine co-captain and senior Evie Cote was not the gender of the bag users, but the age.

While older adults used plastic bags more often than younger people in pre-ban Santa Monica, they actually adapted better to reusable bags than other age groups.

That was big news for Josephine Miller, who spreads the word on reusable bags and the ban for the Office of Sustainability and the Environment.

She planned to spend much of this year reaching out to seniors, but the students' presentation before city officials and the Santa Monica Task Force on the Environment suggested her efforts might be better spent with younger customers.

Teens and younger adults tended to walk out of grocery stores carrying their purchases in their hands, and showed the lowest percentage of reusable bag use amongst the four age groups surveyed.

That points to people who may work but not live in Santa Monica and stop by stores to grab lunch, Miller said.

"I thought that 20 to 30 year olds would be pretty on it, but there is a large community that don't live here that need to be educated on it," Miller said.

She wouldn't have known that without the work of Team Marine. City officials don't have the resources to conduct so extensive a survey, she said.

"Having those students go out was pretty fantastic," Miller said. "We appreciate the work that they did."

Before the ban, Santa Monicans and those from outside the area who shopped in local stores used 26 million single-use plastic bags each year. They contributed to litter, green house gas emissions and cost residents and other taxpayers in clean-up and landfill fees.

Only 5 percent of plastic bags are actually recycled, according to the Office of Sustainability and the Environment. Many find their way into the ocean, where fish and other wildlife mistake them for food.

Although Santa Monica's efforts help, there are still 19 billion bags used each year in California, according to some statistics. More and more cities, most recently Huntington Beach, are jumping on board with bans.

Such legislation can have negative consequences as well, said Donna Dempsey, a spokesperson for the American Progressive Bag Alliance, a group of plastic bag manufacturers.

The plastic bag industry supports 1,900 jobs in California and 30,800 nationwide, Dempsey said, and the products can be recycled.

Although only 14.7 percent of bags and film get recycled, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Americans tend to reuse plastic bags as trashcan liners and for other household uses, Dempsey said.

Reusable bags are no panacea, as they can harbor dangerous bacteria if not properly cleaned which result in illness, she said.

"We just want people to be informed. When you have a ban, their choice is taken away," she said.

Supporters also hold that plastic bags weigh less than paper bags and take up less space, reducing greenhouse gas emissions from trucks needed to deliver the products.

"There is a reason why 20 to 30 years ago we switched from paper to plastic," Dempsey said.

You don't see Team Marine making the case for paper bags.

Approximately 3.5 million paper bags were sold in the first year, according to the Office of Sustainability and the Environment, although the number sold dropped 5.6 percent between the first and second six months of that year.

"They're better than plastic because they are recycled, but they're definitely not the solution," Cote said. "I think it would also be helpful to have a ban on those eventually."



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IN USE: **Reusable bags have become a common sight since a ban on plastic bags began.**

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Courtesy rendering

FUTURE: **This rendering depicts a development proposed for the Village Trailer Park site.**

APPROVAL
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Ten trailers will also remain on a small parcel connected to the property, although unlike in the arrangement that went before the City Council in December, it will remain with the owner with the intention that it be developed later into multi-family housing rather than be donated to City Hall.

The park owner can close that mini-park within 10 years, regardless of whether or not people are still living on the site.

Other notable changes to the deal included the conversion of 216 condominiums to apartments and an increase in the number of parking spaces built in the development that would be available to those who do not live in the apartments.

"I think this was a positive step,and we look forward to the April 9 second reading," Luzzatto said.

It will be the second time that he's been to such a hearing.

The previous incarnation of the development agreement, which had already been fully approved by the City Council, was reversed in December after Councilmember Kevin McKeown made a motion to rescind it until questions about affordable housing requirements had been resolved.

With him were the two newest councilmembers, Ted Winterer and Tony Vazquez, and Gleam Davis. Both Winterer and Vazquez had just been sworn in that day, leading Luzzatto to call the action unfair.

Although McKeown, Winterer and Vazquez all voted against the agreement Tuesday night, Davis changed her vote to a "yes" with the explanation that the change had nothing to do with a pending lawsuit filed by Luzzatto.

"This has been a difficult road. My issue when we addressed this in December was affordable housing. Those concerns have been met," she said.

Both McKeown and Winterer continued to object to the agreement, in part because they felt that the developer had brought back a substantially worse deal than had been rescinded in December. They pointed to the loss of the remaining trailer park parcel — which could have been used by City Hall to develop additional affordable units — and that the affordable housing units in the deal remained far less than the 109 rent-controlled trailer park pads that would be lost.

"The residual parcel is a disaster," Winterer said. "We'll be keeping people there knowing that five to 10 years hence we'll be making them go through this all over again?"

Vazquez did not formally state his objections before the vote, although he seemed upset that Luzzatto would not agree in advance to a structured local hiring agreement, which the City Council directed staff to examine following the four-hour Village Trailer Park hearing.

Luzzatto has already agreed to a local hiring provision as part of the development agreement and said he would be open to strengthening it, but could not agree in advance to a plan that did not yet exist.

Still, efforts persist to preserve the park.

Resident and former Rent Control attorney Brenda Barnes filed a $1 billion claim against City Hall alleging that the City Council granted Luzzatto the development agreement with the intention of fattening municipal coffers.

The damages include $59 million claimed immediately and an extra $1 billion in estimated future costs with the note "constitutional rights — priceless."

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ROUNDUP
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Davis, Calif. last Saturday to repeat as state champions.

The team defeated Camarillo in the semi-final to reach the title game.

The Extra Team has been winning tournaments all season en route to their victory at the state championship.

The team features many of the same players from last year's winning side. A total of six players returned to pull off the repeat.

ST. MONICA SOCCER PLACES TWO ON ALL-CIF TEAM

St. Monica senior defender Julia Gomez and junior forward Sasha Meyer were named to the 2012-13 Girls Soccer All CIF Southern Section Division 7 first team.

The pair helped lead St. Monica to a 18-4-1 record and an appearance in the third round of the playoffs where they were eliminated by University Prep.

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BELL
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city manager, police chief, City Council members and others. The former city manager and his assistant are expected to face trial on similar charges later this year.

Former Bell Mayor Oscar Hernandez and onetime City Council members Teresa Jacobo, George Mirabal, George Cole and Victor Bello were convicted Wednesday of misappropriating public funds.

Former Councilman Luis Artiga was acquitted of all charges. The pastor of Bell Community Church broke down in tears and pointed heavenward as the not guilty verdicts were read.

"I said, 'Thank you, Lord,'" a beaming Artiga, surrounded by his wife and four children, said outside court. "I never lost faith. I knew it, I just knew it."

After the four-week trial, the other defendants were convicted of illegally taking money for sitting on Bell's Solid Waste and Recycling Authority, an entity they could not prove had been legally established or did any work. Artiga was not on the City Council when it was created.

Records showed it met only one time between 2006 and 2010.

After the verdicts were read, the jury foreman told Judge Kathleen Kennedy the panel was deadlocked 9-3 on the other charges, which involved their paid service on other, similar boards that prosecutors said were created for no purpose other than to inflate their salaries.

When four jurors told her they still believed a verdict on those charges was possible, she ordered them to continue deliberations. They were to meet again Thursday.

At the heart of the case is whether the six officials broke the law by paying themselves annual salaries of up to $100,000 to govern only part-time in the city of 36,000 people where one in four residents live below the poverty line.

An audit by the state controller's office found the city had illegally raised property taxes, business license fees and other sources of revenue to pay the salaries. The office ordered the money repaid, which for a time put Bell in danger of filing for bankruptcy.

The defendants, many of whom took the witness stand during the trial, insisted they earned their salaries by working around the clock to help residents. Their lawyers blamed Bell's disgraced former city manager, Robert Rizzo, for creating the fiscal mess.

City records have revealed that Rizzo had an annual salary and compensation package worth $1.5 million, making him one of the highest paid administrators in the country.

His salary alone was about $800,000 a year — double that of the president of the United States.

To fund salaries of officials, Rizzo masterminded a scheme to loot Bell's treasury of $5.5 million, prosecutors said.

Witnesses at the trial of the former council members depicted Rizzo as a micro-manager who convinced the city's elected officials that they too deserved huge salaries.

He was said to have manipulated council members into signing major financial documents, particularly Hernandez who does not read English and, according to his lawyer, was often unaware of what he was signing.

After the scandal was disclosed, thousands of Bell residents protested at City Council meetings and staged a successful recall election to throw out the entire council and elect new leaders.

Current Mayor Ali Saleh, a leader of the recall, hailed the guilty verdicts on Wednesday but said residents won't be truly satisfied until Rizzo and Spaccia are tried.

"Our community will rest when the legal process has come full circle and justice has been served," he said.

Hernandez, whose family members wept after the verdicts, was convicted of five counts of misappropriating public funds, as were Jacobo and Mirabal. Bello was convicted of four of the same charges and Cole of two.

Prosecutors declined to comment on possible sentences for the defendants until all the charges have been resolved.

Prosecutors brought an extensive, complicated case against all six defendants.

The jury had deliberated since Feb. 28 after one member of a previous panel was replaced and the judge told the reconstituted group of 12 to start over.

The defendants' lawyers told jurors their clients had no idea what Rizzo was doing or that what they were doing was illegal.

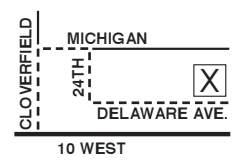
Jacobo testified that when Rizzo told her that he was increasing her salary enough that she could quit her job selling real estate, she asked the former city attorney if that was legal and he assured her it was.

Hernandez's lawyer said the once popular mayor, who ran a small grocery store in Bell, was unschooled and not one who understood the city's finances.

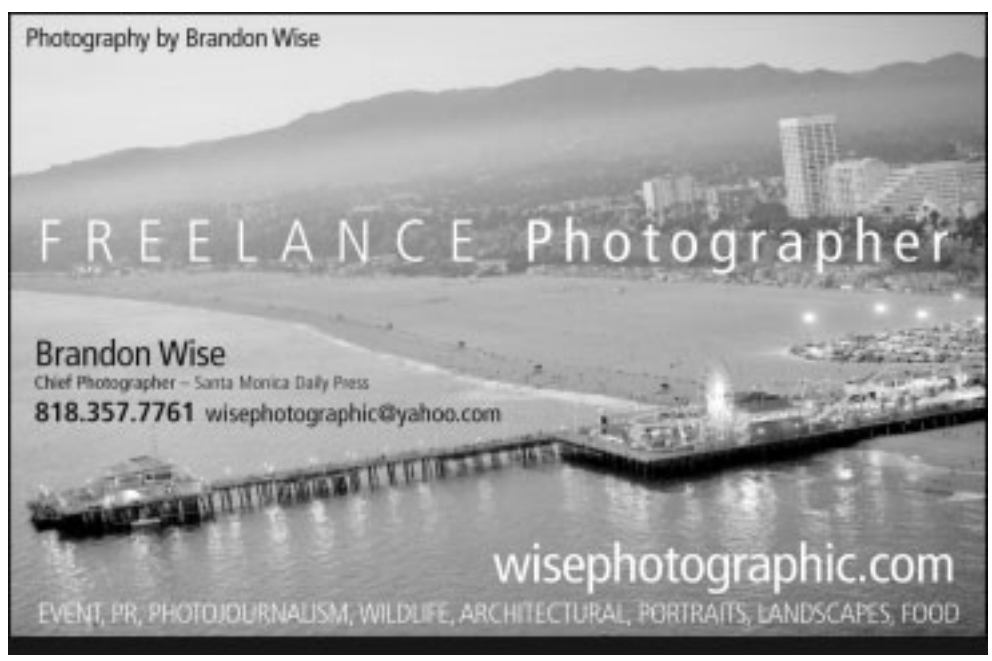
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LOCATION	DRY	WET
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El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Las Alisos creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	A
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	A+
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	B
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	A+
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Solstice Canyon at Ben Blocker County Beach.	A+	A+
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	A+	A+
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	D
Surfrider Beach (beach location)- daily.	A	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	B
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A	F
Los Flores State Beach at Los Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19548 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Los Tunas County Beach.	A+	A+
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Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	B	B
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	A+
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	F	F
Will Rogers State Beach at 17308 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.	A+	A+
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	D	F
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	F	F
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	A+
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	F
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+	A+
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	A+
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	A+
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach - lifeguard tower.	D	F
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 CIWW 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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Fed stands by stimulus, sees stronger U.S. economy ahead

MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON The Federal Reserve isn't yet convinced that the U.S. economy's growth can accelerate without the Fed's drive to keep borrowing costs at record lows. It wants to see sustained improvement.

That was the message Fed officials sent Wednesday, when they reinforced their plan to keep short-term interest rates at record lows at least until unemployment falls to 6.5 percent.

An unemployment rate of 6.5 percent is a threshold, not a "trigger," for a possible rate increase, Chairman Ben Bernanke said at a news conference.

"We are seeing improvement," he said. "One thing we would need is to see this is not temporary improvement."

The Fed will continue buying $85 billion a month in bonds indefinitely to keep long-term borrowing costs down. Bernanke said the Fed might vary the size of its monthly purchases depending on whether or how much the job market improves. The unemployment rate has fallen to a four-year low of 7.7 percent, among many signs of a healthier economy.

Investors seemed pleased with the Fed's decision to maintain its low-interest rate policies indefinitely for now. The Dow Jones industrial average close up about 56 points, having risen slightly after the Fed's statement was released at 2 p.m. EDT.

The Fed's statement took note of the global stresses that have been intensified by the turmoil in Cyprus, which is trying to stave off financial ruin. No longer does the Fed statement say, as it did in January, that "strains in global financial markets have eased somewhat."

Bernanke was asked at his news conference whether the flare-up in Cyprus signals that the U.S. financial system might be more vulnerable than bank "stress tests" have shown. He sought to downplay the dangers posed by the tiny Mediterranean nation. Bernanke said that "at this point," he sees no major risks to the U.S. financial system or economy.

The Fed noted in its statement that the U.S. job market has improved, consumer spending and business investment have increased and the housing market has strengthened. But its latest economic forecasts, also released Wednesday, show that the Fed still doesn't expect unemployment to reach 6.5 percent until 2015.

The Fed also cautioned that government spending cuts and tax increases could slow the economy. It predicts that growth won't exceed 2.8 percent this year, slightly lower than its December forecast of 3 percent.

A total of 13 Fed officials still think the first rate increase won't occur until 2015, the same number that thought so in December. One Fed official thinks the first boost in the short-term lending rate won't occur until 2016.

The statement was approved on an 11-1 vote. Esther George, president of the Kansas City regional Fed bank, dissented for a second straight meeting. She reiterated her concerns that the Fed's aggressive stimulus could heighten the risk of inflation and financial instability — a concern shared by other critics.

Some economists say they fear the Fed has pumped so much money into the financial system that it could eventually ignite inflation, fuel speculative asset bubbles or destabilize markets once the Fed has to start raising rates or unloading its record $3 trillion investment portfolio.

And while the Fed's low interest-rate policies are intended to boost borrowing, spending and stock prices, they also hurt millions of retirees and others who depend on income from savings.

"Things are not going to get better for savers," said Greg McBride, senior financial analyst at Bankrate.com. "Rates are going to stay low for borrowers, and the Fed's accommodation will continue to be a positive for the stock market. Right now, the market is addicted to Fed stimulus."

Jim O'Sullivan, chief U.S. economist at High Frequency Economics, said the Fed appears focused on "whether recent improvement continues, and no changes to the (bond) purchase program appear imminent."

But O'Sullivan said he thinks the Fed might scale back its bond purchases in the second half of this year if job growth continues to accelerate.

Brian Bethune, an economics professor at Gordon College in Wenham, Mass., said the Fed's first move might be to reduce its monthly bond purchases in the October-December quarter of this year and again in the first quarter of 2014. Reducing the Fed's bond purchases would likely cause interest rates to rise, making loans more expensive, and possibly cause stock prices to fall.

The economy slowed to an annual growth rate of just 0.1 percent in the October-December quarter, a near-stall that was due mainly to temporary factors that have largely faded. Economists think growth has rebounded in the January-March quarter to an annual rate around 2 percent or more. The most recent data support that view.

Americans spent more at retailers in February despite higher Social Security taxes that shrank most workers' paychecks. Manufacturing gained solidly in February. And employers have gone on a four-month hiring spree, adding an average of 205,000 jobs a month. In February, the unemployment rate, though still high, reached its lowest point since December 2008.

One reason for the Fed's reluctance to reduce its stimulus is the history of the past three years. In each of the three, economic prospects looked promising as the year began. Yet in each case, the economy stumbled.

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START THE WEEKEND EARLY, SAG

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Your immediate circle might be confused by your recent temper and rough edges. With the planet of love entering your sign, you will express more softness and caring. Tonight: Make a gesture to keep the peace.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You express yourself without hesitation or thought. Do notice a tendency to personalize what others are saying, and avoid making mountains out of mole hills. You easily might take a comment the wrong way. Tonight: Speak your mind.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Listen to news carefully, as it likely will have relevance to you. You will discover a different path to the same point. Listen to your sixth sense on this matter. A loved one feeds you a lot of information. Tonight: Treat a friend to dinner.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ A compliment could make your day. You might not be yourself right now, and others could be wondering what is going on with you. Investigate a new possibility with care, and be willing to accept responsibility if the option interests you. Tonight: It is your call.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Don't worry if you feel as if you are dragging your feet and have no energy. This, too, will pass. A call from someone at a distance might surprise you. Thoughts about a future visit and perhaps a more interesting situation come forward. Tonight: Get some much-needed sleep.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ You might want to head in a new direction. Your concerns about what responsibilities you can pass on in order to lighten your load will be significant. Tonight: A partner lets you know how much he or she cares.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Someone looks to you as a person who can be counted on. You could discover how interested you are in how this person handles him- or herself. If you are attached, your partner will capture your attention. Realize what is happening. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ What starts as a challenge could end in a different type of scenario that might surprise you. Knowing what it is you seek and heading in that exact direction will make a big difference. Do not settle, even if someone is pushy. Tonight: Sort through invitations.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You are a sign that is known to be creative. Today, you'll revel in others' acknowledgment of your originality. If you are single, you could meet someone quite unique. The love temperature heats up, no matter what your status is. Tonight: Start the weekend early.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Know that you do make a difference, no matter how you look at a personal matter. You might be considering an investment that seems too good to be true. If this deal involves your family, you are more likely to be successful. Tonight: Invite a special person over.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You express yourself with a precision that is quite unique. How you feel when in the company of others adds to your desirability. Who can resist someone with an ear-to-ear grin? Tonight: Ask, and you shall receive.

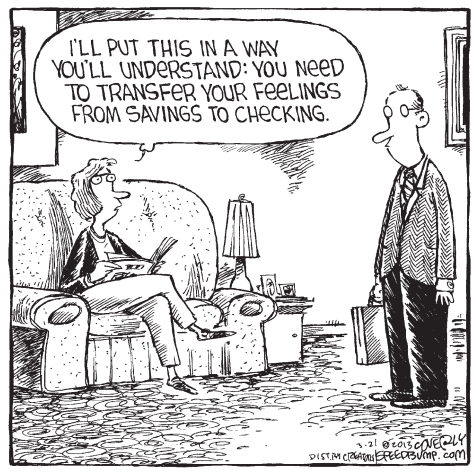
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Listen to your inner voice about a purchase; otherwise, you could go a bit overboard. You have no idea how much your attention is appreciated. Tonight: Your treat.

Thursday, March 21, 2013

This year you are sensitive yet assertive. You often experience conflicts regarding what you want to do and what you should do. Remember, the word "should" carries with it a moral obligation. Learn which voice guides you toward the right path and brings the best results. If you are single, you will attract quite a list of suitors. Have fun choosing. If you are attached, your domestic life is key to every other part of your existence. CANCER can and will drag you down. Handle this association with care.

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

Speed Bump
By Dave Coverly



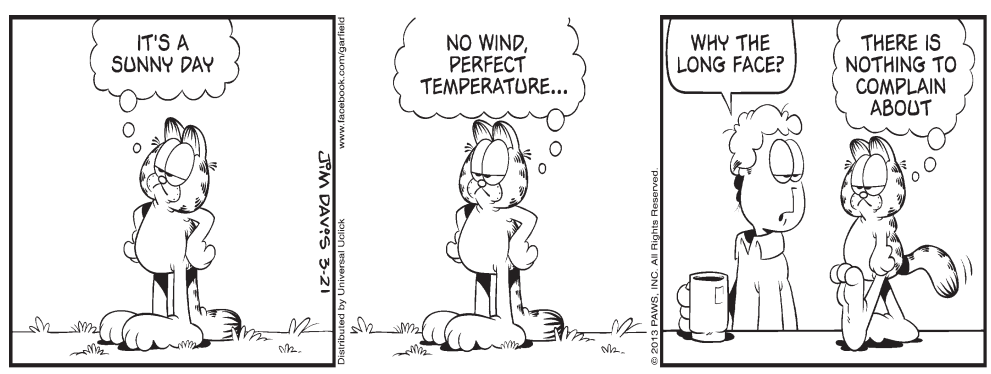
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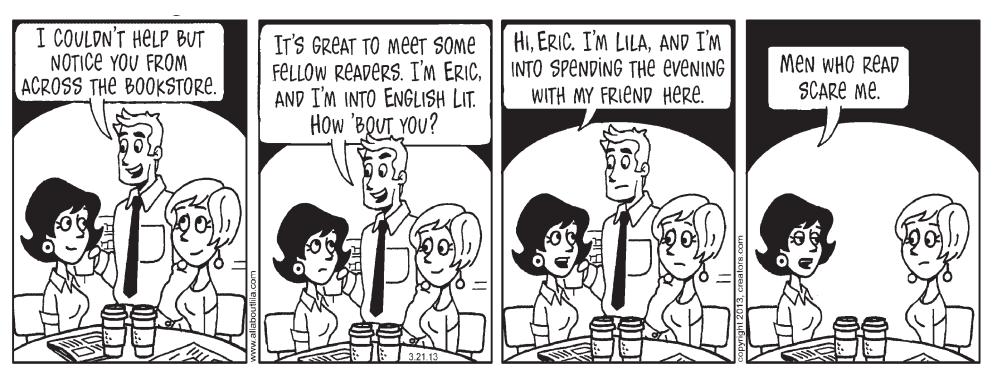
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Sudoku

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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	7	6				2	1	
	3			9			8	
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	9	3				1	5	
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GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Blocks
5 Producers' worries
10 Tooth part
11 Waste an opportunity
12 Visitor to Siam
13 Garland's frequent co-star
14 Deteriorates
16 Saves for later, maybe
20 Go to
23 Common verb
24 Be miserly
25 Smith's place
27 Curator's concern
28 Congress has two
29 Proves
32 Refrains from interrupting
36 Finn's friend
39 First name in jazz
40 Music award
41 Addition column
42 Car quartet
43 Enjoy the tub

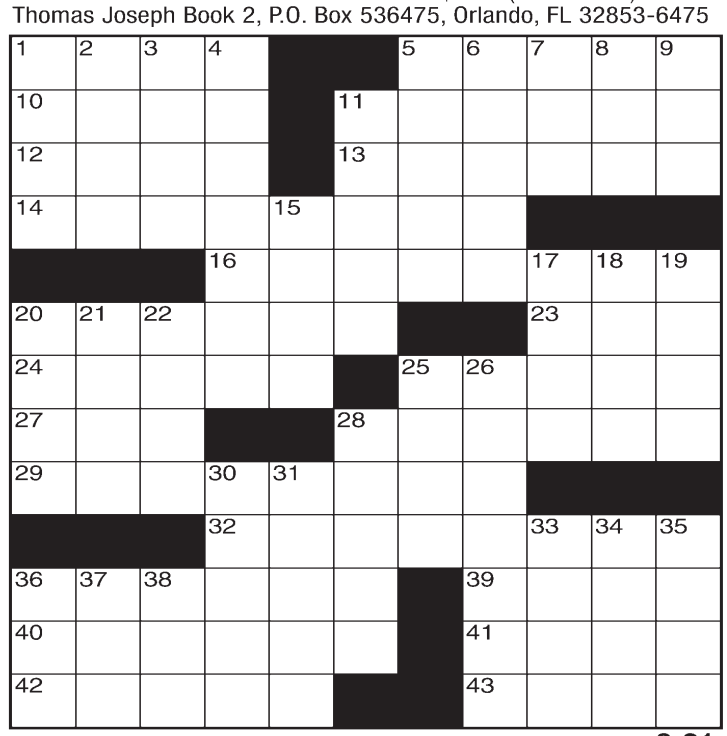
DOWN

1 Tie
2 First-rate
3 Poet Van Duyn
4 First-string player
5 Bakery need
6 Pillages
7 Possess
8 Diner dessert
9 Pig's digs
11 Wide
15 Dispatch
17 Galley need
18 Spur on
19 Golfer's supply
20 Role for Peck
21 Went fast
22 "Toodle-oo!"
25 Tea time
26 Beginnings
28 Ancient
30 Limerick part
31 Appears
33 Bread spread
34 Radius partner
35 To-do item
36 Corp.'s superior
37 Tycoon Onassis
38 Child's card game

S	A	M	E	■	■	■	S	A	G	S
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Draw Date: 3/16
14 23 28 30 35
Meganumber: 24
Jackpot: $10M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 3/20
2 4 6 24 30

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 3/20
MIDDAY: 9 1 6
EVENING: 9 7 3

SANTA ANITA
Draw Date: 3/20
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2nd: 01 Gold Rush
3rd: 04 Big Ben
RACE TIME: 1:46.63

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ A frequent sight on Soweto, South Africa, streets recently is crowds of 12-to-15-year-old boys known as "izikhotane" ("boasters") who hang out in their designer jeans, "shimmering silk shirts, bright pink and blue shoes, and white-straw, narrow-brimmed fedoras," according to a February BBC News dispatch. Flashing wads of cash begged from beleaguered parents, hundreds may amass, playing loud music and sometimes even trashing their fancy clothes as if to feign an indifference to wealth. Since many izikhotanes' families are working-class survivors of apartheid, they are mostly ashamed of their kids' behavior. "This isn't what we struggled for," lamented one parent. But, protested a peer-pressured boaster, "(Y)ou must dress like this, even if you live in a shack."

■ Yet Another Fatwa: Saudi cleric Sheikh Abdullah Daoud, in an interview in February on al-Majd TV, decreed that female babies should wear full-face veils (burkas) to help shield them from sexual advances. (According to a former judge at the Saudi Board of Grievances, Saudi authorities have issued standards for fatwas, thus urging people to ignore "unregulated" ones such as Skeikh Daoud's.)

TODAY IN HISTORY

1925 – Syngman Rhee is removed from office after being impeached as the President of the Provisional Government of the Republic of Korea.

1928 – Charles Lindbergh is presented with the Medal of Honor for the first solo trans-Atlantic flight.

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