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PREP SPORTS ROUNDUP



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**SAFE AT HOME: Crossroads' Jake Berg-Rosenblatt slides into home before Vistamar's Alex Rias can apply the tag at Clover Park on Thursday. Crossroads won the game 9-1. With the win, the Roadrunners improved its record to 5-1 on the season.**

## Samohi softball loses hurler

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

**SAMOHI** It seems that Head Coach Debbie Skaggs' deck is missing an ace.

Santa Monica High School's softball team has been without the services of junior Celisha Walker for the past couple of games, but the specter of losing the star pitcher for a protracted period of time will force Skaggs to look elsewhere for quality innings.

"Having Celisha out makes a difference in the pitching," Skaggs said. "It changes everything.

"We'll also miss her bat as well."

Walker, who is nursing a pulled oblique muscle first suffered during a 5-6 loss at Fullerton, will visit with doctors during the next couple of days to determine how much time the reigning Ocean League MVP will miss.

In her absence, junior Kaile Nakao has been called upon to fill the void at the top of the rotation. Skaggs praised Nakao's effort and believes she is capable of being a no. 1 starter despite the fact that she hasn't pitched since her freshman year.

Nakao pitched well during the Vikings' most recent game against Redondo on Wednesday. Samohi won the road game, 6-2.

Next up for the Vikings is a double header against South Torrance today at 2:30 p.m. at Samohi.

### LEMBERGER, KUNNU NAMED MOPS

A season that saw both the boys and girls basketball teams reach the semifinals of the California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section Division IA playoffs has yielded yet another bounty.

Junior guard Thea Lemberger and senior Kunnu Shofu were named the Most Outstanding Players in the Ocean League for the 2009 season.

Jennie Harding was named to the girls' first team while senior Ellessee Brandis and sophomore Kristina "KJ" Johnson made the second team.

Lemberger was also selected for the CIF-SS Division IA first team. Harding earned a spot on the second team.

For the boys team, Dante Bowie was named to the Ocean League first team.

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## Dry cleaning regulations could pose problems

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

**CITY HALL** Concerned about the environmental impact of harsh dry cleaning chemicals, city officials are considering developing regulations that would force local shop owners to use non-toxic solvents and green methods.

The City Council on Tuesday requested its staff to explore dry cleaning alternatives and prepare an ordinance requiring businesses to use non-toxic and non-smog forming garment care technology.

Councilman Kevin McKeown, who introduced the request, said that while many dry cleaners have phased out perchloroethylene, which is classified as a toxic air contaminant, they have turned to a petroleum-based product also considered environmentally unsound. The ordinance would not take

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## Officers in need of some backup

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

**PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY** Santa Monica police officers need the public's help, but this time it's not to identify a hit-and-run driver or a suspect in a robbery. It's to help save the lives of those suffering from Leukemia and other diseases in which the only cure is a bone marrow transplant.

In connection with the National Marrow Donor Program and Officers Give Hope, the SMPD is hosting a bone marrow registry drive today from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Public Safety Facility, 333 Olympic Dr. The

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**TIME:** **10:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 14, 2009**

**LOCATION:** Council Chambers, Room 213
Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica

A Public Hearing will be held by the Zoning Administrator of the City of Santa Monica at the above noted time and place in regard to the following requests:

**SUBJECT OF HEARING:**

**Use Permit 09-002, 355 22nd Street.** The applicant requests Use Permit approval to construct a two-story accessory building. The project will include changing the existing roof line of a 19.58-foot high garage to construct a new second story consisting of a 250 square foot accessory room above the existing non-conforming two-car garage. The proposed accessory building is approximately 23.66-feet in height. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 9.04.08.02.040(c), approval of a Use Permit is required to construct a two-story accessory building when located in the R1 Single Family Residential District north of Montana Avenue. (Planner: Gina Szilak) **APPLICANT/PROPERTY OWNER: Ian & Megan Epstein.**

**Variance 09-004, 2428 Main Street.** The applicant requests approval of a parking variance to construct a new two-story, 1,274 square foot commercial building on the subject parcel without providing the four required on-site parking spaces on the subject property. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.04.20.10.030(b), the applicant may request a variance to modify the off-street parking requirements through a variance application. (Planner: Tony Kim) **APPLICANT: Tim Petersen Associates. PROPERTY OWNER: David Jarvis.**

Any person may comment at the Public Hearing, or by writing a letter to the City Planning Division, Room 212, P.O. Box 2220, Santa Monica, CA 90407-2220. Plans are available for public review at the City Planning Division. For more information, please contact the City Planning Division at (310) 458-8341. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 64009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing. The meeting facility is accessible. If you have any disabilities related request, contact at (310) 458-8341 or TTY (310) 458-8696 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, #4, #7 and #8 serve the City Hall.

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# WHAT'S UP WESTSIDE

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS




### 'Jumping the Median'

The Other Space at Santa Monica Playhouse
1211 Fourth St., 8 p.m.

Steve Connell's five new plays run the gamut from sexy and outrageous to moving and provocative. Above all, they're unabashedly fun. The evening explores love, loss and life as we know it, accompanied by live music under the direction of Josh Foy and Sekou Andrews. "Jumping the Median" also runs on Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 7 p.m. Tickets are $20. Call (562) 547-6207 for more information.

### 'Into the Woods'

Lincoln Middle School
1501 California Ave., 7:00 p.m. — 9 p.m.

An ambivalent Cinderella? A blood-thirsty Little Red Ridinghood? A witch who raps? They're all among the cockeyed characters in James Lapine and Stephen Sondheim's fractured fairy tale which happens to be the Lincoln Middle School's annual Spring Musical. Student admission is $5 per ticket and adult admission is $10. Call (310) 393-9227 for more information.

## Saturday, March 28, 2009

### The alternative way

Santa Monica Pier
380 Santa Monica Pier, 11 a.m.

Pacific Park on the pier is set to electrify the city with a community-driven alternative fuel car rally on the pier upper parking lot while introducing its all-new SIG Alert electric bumper cars. The first 100 drivers will receive free parking on the pier along with fresh coffee and doughnuts. All drivers of alternative fuel cars will receive two free passes to SIG Alert EV from 11 a.m. to midnight. Call (310) 260-8744 for more information.

### 'The Sacred Prostitute'

Church in Ocean Park
235 Hill St., 7:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

The play written and performed by Santo Cervello and followed up by Grace Lebecka presents an ancient ritual performed for thousands of years in the temples of the Goddess of Love. Learn the significance of the ancient wisdom and how it benefits contemporary men and women to live a joyful and fulfilling life. Admission is $20. Call (310) 664-3767 for more information.

## Sunday, March 29, 2009

### Celebrate for a cure

Roosevelt Elementary School
801 Montana Ave., 9:30 a.m. — 2:30 p.m.

Join Man of the Year candidate Gregory Rutchik for a children's celebration of the arts festival. Enjoy live music, puppet shows, face painting, yoga sessions, acrobats, arts and crafts, a photo booth and healthy food and drink. Admission is $10 for person, children under two are admitted for free. Call (650) 224-2621 for more information.

### Fire and spice

Royce Hall at UCLA
10745 Dickson Plaza, 7 p.m. — 9 p.m.

Spanish master of the classical guitar Angel Romero performs his signature piece, "Concierto de Aranjuez." Guest vocal artists will turn up the heat on the classical music experience. (310) 873-7777.

For more information on any of the events listed, log on to smdp.com and click the "Events" tab for the given day's calendar.

# Sewer project keeps with the status flow

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

**DOWNTOWN** It isn't a sleek new office complex or colorful parking garage, but there's something worth celebrating about the completion of a relatively unglamorous sewer system — the people performing dirty jobs.

That's exactly what a group of city officials did on Thursday when they gathered at the former Rand Corp. site on Ocean Avenue to rejoice in the conclusion of a relief sewer project, taking a peek at the system located three stories underground.

"We don't always get together to celebrate the opening of sewer lines," said Councilman Kevin McKeown, who brought a new plunger to commemorate the event. "They are underground, we don't see them, we don't think about them, but they are just as important to the functioning of the city as many of the other things we see above ground everyday and appreciate."

The estimated $12 million project — an interdepartmental effort that involved Public Works, Finance and Housing and Economic Development — came more than 15 years after the Northridge Earthquake hit, which severely damaged the 1950s era sewer main below Colorado and Ocean avenues beyond repair.

Damages sustained from the 1994 natural disaster prompted City Hall to receive funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to begin repairing and replacing more than 80 percent of the 125 miles of sewer lines in Santa Monica, giving about $6 million to the Colorado Ocean Relief Sewer Project. Approximately $6 million more for the project came from AB1600 funds, which are fees associated with new development.



Fabian Lewkowiz *FabianLewkowicz.com.*

**HELLO, DOWN THERE:** **Santa Monica Councilmember Kevin McKeown, along with staff from the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce and the Daily Press, look into the Colorado Ocean Relief Sewer during the dedication ceremony on Thursday at the former Rand site directly west of City Hall. Damages sustained from the 1994 Northridge earthquake prompted City Hall to receive funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to begin repairing and replacing more than 80 percent of the 125 miles of sewer lines in Santa Monica, giving about $6 million for the Colorado Ocean Relief Sewer Project.**

The relief sewer project is the last piece of the program, said Lee Swain, the director of Public Works. More than 66 percent of wastewater in the city goes through the main, including from the Holiday Inn and Sears.

The new system consists of a 108-inch-diameter inverted siphon that contains two, 42-inch and one 18-inch High Density Polyethylene carrier pipes, replacing the original 30-inch diameter main which is still in place and will be used as a backup. The sewer lines sit below the Holiday Inn on Colorado Avenue and the I-10 Freeway.

Greg de Vinck, a civil engineer with City Hall, said the 18-inch main will be in use most of the time and once it reaches capacity, which should happen every day, the extra flow will go to one of the 42-inch lines.

The inverted siphon functions to allow gravity to maintain the flow of wastewater to go downhill under the freeway and push sewage uphill on the other end, eliminating the need for a pumping station.

Swain said that there should be no issues with capacity and maintenance with the new system.

The project came within budget and completed about two months ahead of schedule.

The dirt lot that served as a construction staging site for the work below is slated to serve as a parking lot for when Cirque du Soleil comes to town in September. The lot

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# Local man raises money for leukemia patients

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Special to the Daily Press

**ROOSEVELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** In 2007, Tyler Cordova went to the doctor with cold symptoms and was sent home. When he woke one night unable to breathe, he was rushed to the emergency room and the diagnosis changed. Six-year-old Tyler had non-Hodgkins lymphoma, a deadly blood cancer.

Tyler and 10-year-old Kelly Delaney, who has leukemia, are the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Boy and Girl of the Year, poster children for a fundraising effort by Santa Monica local Gregory Rutchik this weekend.

The festival, called Celebrate for a Cure, will be held on Sunday, March 29 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Roosevelt Elementary School in Santa Monica. It's part of a larger campaign by the LLS to fund its cancer research and patient assistance efforts.

The event kicks off with a pancake breakfast with the Santa Monica Police Department and the rest of the day is filled with arts and crafts and musical performances by artists like Grammy-nominated children's music performers Peter Himmelman and Willie Aron.

Rutchik, a lawyer by trade, organized the event as part of his candidacy for the LLS of Greater Los Angeles Man of the Year award. The campaign runs from Feb. 1 to March 31. Fifteen candidates, nominated by people within the community, vie to raise the most money to donate to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. The top fundraisers from each gender are then selected to be the Man and Woman of the Year.

Rutchik wanted the event to be kid-focused to encourage other families to face the reality of childhood cancer and support the cause within their community.

"Kelly and Tyler out of the blue came down with a deadly blood cancer," Rutchik said. "We want to raise money and show people that cancer is scary and they should come out and support this cause, because these families can't do it alone."

While other candidates' events have included more adult activities like wine tastings, the children's arts festival was a blast out of Rutchik's past.

"My parents actually threw an arts festival when I was a kid," he said.

In that spirit, Rutchik decided to make the festival celebrate childhood. Cordova was thrilled to see one of the Man of the Year events geared toward a younger audience.

"A lot of the other events he's been going

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## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

CITYWIDE

### Living in the dark

On Saturday, Santa Monica goes dark.

City Hall, along with many residents and businesses, will participate in Earth Hour 2009, a global event to raise awareness about our energy use and how it affects climate change.

Residents and businesses are encouraged to turn off all lights and appliances from 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Saturday to show their commitment to working toward energy solutions and be a part of a sustainable Santa monica.

Although the nation is now focused on clean renewable energy sources like wind and solar to help reduce environmental declines, change comes slowly. Electricity production remains the greatest cause of pollution of any other activity on the plan-

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### Worried about Lincoln

**Editor:**

News is out that there is a proposed increase in Lincoln Middle School's "average" class size. With new Lincoln classes "averaging" 32 kids, the reality is there will be much larger classes. For the record, both my sons had actual classes of 36 kids for science and other core subjects and that was when the stated average was only 30 students. Lincoln has become "survival of the fittest." One can only hope that incoming Lincoln students are all above average, super organized and self starters given such overcrowded conditions. After the recent drug bust at Lincoln (March 13), where several Lincoln kids were handcuffed on school property and hauled off the school campus during lunch (scared a lot of other kids) and the horrific child molestation crime on campus last year committed by a Lincoln teacher, Lincoln suffers greatly from such overcrowding. This is a sad day for Lincoln.

**Dr. Lisette Gold**
Santa Monica

### The real California gold

**Editor:**

Tourists pour into Santa Monica in a diverse array for the hip beachtown vibe. Does the headline "Middle schoolers busted with pot" really reflect a message we want to be sending out?

We could be curbing teen violence through written word. The headline could have gone more like this, "Middle school knuckleheads thwarted in violent capitalist escapades." To call marijuana a gateway drug propagates the idea that marijuana users should graduate to other substances.

An even better message is that we need to be more careful of the messages we send to everyone about everything! It is gaining acceptance as a medicinal plant. Do we really want to launch a "war on drugs" campaign against marijuana while the crops are being harvested for medical use domestically?

We can be responsible in this declining economy. By increasing leniency we would be promoting tourism. Beyond categorizing marijuana as medicine for sick people, coffeehouses could bring a level of sophistication and refinement to this controversial subject, while also promoting free thought, the true California gold.

**R. McKenna**
Santa Monica

### Obama's plan for vets is wrong

**Editor:**

It didn't take long for President Obama ... to show [his] true colors with regards to the men and women who have stepped forward in defense of our great country. The commander-in-chief called the Commanders of The American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, The Disabled American Veterans and others to the White House and dropped a bomb in their lap. The administration is planning on requiring our service-connected disabled veterans to use their private medical insurance policies to pay the Veterans Administration for their treatment. This is simply unconscionable. Private insurance companies did not send our men and women in harm's way. The government did.

The government is responsible for caring for those who have been wounded, period. If our disabled veterans are required to use their family insurance plan, it would surely raise their premiums beyond affordable rates. The veteran would max-out his policy quickly and the rest of the family would not have any health insurance.

The new secretary of the Veterans Administration was asked about this and he confirmed that the plan was being considered. This is an outrage, this from an adminisration that is giving trillions of dollars to the greedy and giving the shaft to our injured troops. All Americans should get involved quickly. Call the White House, call your elected officials and tell them to stop this madness now.

**John Medlin**
**US Army, RVN 1969-70**
Santa Monica



## The Soap Box

Bennet Kelley — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

# Republicans use the 'S' word

**ONE OF THE FUNNIER MOMENTS OF** the 2008 campaign was the tongue lashing right wing talk show host Kevin James received from Chris Matthews for comparing then Sen. Obama's willingness to negotiate with our rivals to pre-World War II appeasement of Hitler when it was evident that James had absolutely no clue about that era.

If only Matthews could speak to the rest of the far right who are equally clueless about their new smear word of choice — socialist. The word echoes amongst Republicans in Washington, while National Review, the leading magazine of "conservative thought," ran a cover story on "Our Socialist Future" warning that Obama would lead the nation to European-styled socialism without ever bothering to explain how Obama's policies were socialist.

A simple visit to Merriam-Webster's Dictionary would reveal that Obama's policies have nothing to do with socialism, which is defined as a political theory advocating collective or governmental ownership of the means of production; a society in which there is no private property or the transition stage between capitalism and communism under Marxist theory.

Michelle Bachman, the enlightened Congresswoman who called for an investigation of Obama's and Democratic members of Congress' anti-American bias, recently shed light on what the flat earth society is talking about in their recitation of the "S" word. According to Bachman, "if you look at FDR, LBJ, and Barack Obama, this is really the final leap to socialism."

So socialism to the right means New Deal and Great Society programs such as (i) Social Security which reduces poverty among seniors by 75 percent, (ii) Medicare which has increased seniors' access to health care and life expectancy; (iii) Medicaid which provides health care for half of the nation's low-income children and 60 percent of nursing home residents; and (iv) Head Start which increases the likelihood a low-income child will pursue college and not crime. This is the red menace that the right is fighting against in order to return us to the days of laissez faire capitalism that gave us the Great Depression and Hoovervilles.

Bachman's next statement explained the true reason for the mass invocations of the "S" word, which is that Republicans "need to do everything we can to thwart [Democrats] at every turn to make sure that they aren't able to … secure a power base that for all time can never be defeated." Bachman's statement demonstrates that Republicans are motivated by politics not policy and they are prepared to call the president every name in the book — the "S" word just happens to be the smear word of the hour

We saw the same thing in 1994 when Republicans, who had initially been inclined to work with President Clinton in passing healthcare reform, instead followed the advice of William Kristol to reject the Clinton plan "sight unseen" and kill whatever plan was devised (including abandoning Republican alternatives) because it would revive the Democrats reputation as "the generous protector of middle-class interests" and thereby presented a "serious political threat to the Republican party; [while its defeat would be] a monumental setback for the president."

One Republican senator conceded to President Clinton that "we just don't believe in government very much, but we love power." Power and politics trump policy and progress regardless of the costs. It matters little that 18,000 people die prematurely each year due to lack of health insurance, as that is mere collateral damage.

Kristol again is calling for Republicans to "obstruct and delay" because they cannot win politically. This time the stakes are much higher, but "Party First, Country Second," remains the creed of the GOP. So despite the fact that we stand on a financial precipice or that President Obama's stimulus plan included the largest tax cut in history, it was opposed by all but three Republicans.

While Republicans may think the "S" word is their magic weapon in stopping President Obama's momentum, they fail to recognize that the 2008 election was a mandate for more government.

Republicans already are paying a steep price for their hyperbolic distortions and obstructionism since it exposes the fact that they are ideologically bankrupt and have nothing else to offer. For example, a Google search of "Republicans" and "bankrupt" yields 4.8 million hits — substantially more than the results for "Obama" and "socialist." That may explain why Congressional Democrats have a 27 point favorability advantage over their GOP counterparts.

If the Republicans continue in this course, they may be using another "S" word on election night 2010 when they discover that Chris Matthews was gentle when compared to an angry electorate tired of Republican obstructionism.

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## Laughing Matters

Jack Neworth

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# Shores goes to the dogs

**WHEN I FIRST MOVED TO THE SHORES** apartments, Gerald Ford was president and, coincidentally, his son, Steve, had an apartment here. Steve was an actor on the soap opera, "The Young and the Restless," which, mercifully, I never saw, but also in "Harry Met Sally" and "Black Hawk Down," which I'm glad I did.

Nosey as it sounds, I always wanted to ask about his father's pardoning Richard Nixon. If Nixon had gone to jail maybe Bush and Cheney would have thought twice before trampling the constitution. (Maybe they will go to jail yet? A guy can dream, can't he?)

I don't recall Steve's Secret Service here, but after Reagan left office, an agent of his lived next door. When he introduced himself, I panicked, assuming it was about my Iran-Contra column. (I eviscerated Ollie North, who deserved prison but got a job at Fox News, while I was kinder to Fawn Hall, who got immunity for sneaking documents out in her underwear and now works at a West Hollywood bookstore.) After all that info, the agent was merely returning swim goggles I had dropped in the hallway. We became friendly because Reagan had Alzheimer's and so did my mother.

He even introduced me to Reagan in an impromptu meeting in the beach parking lot. Wearing a suit, Reagan stood tall and broad-shouldered. They were going to take a walk, except that Reagan thought they'd already had. Alzheimer's is such a hideous disease. Thankfully, Obama's reversed Bush's stance on stem cell research.

In 1975 no pets were allowed at the Shores, but some tenants sneaked in cats (or dogs small enough for a gym bag). When these tenants needed repairs in their apartments there would be a frenetic, almost comical, pet transfer from one apartment to another, including kitty litter boxes.

Pets are now permitted with a doctor's note. I walk Oscar, a golden retriever who belongs to Colleen, a disabled neighbor. I'm with Oscar so much that Colleen gets slightly miffed when someone asks, "What are you doing with Jack's dog?"

Our previous landlord tried to evict Colleen over her first dog, Sali. The case finally went to the state Supreme Court, which ruled that service animals fall under the Americans With Disabilities Act.

Today we must have 20 dogs between the two buildings. Because of seniority, I call Oscar the "Rosa Parks" of the group. The doctor's note must state that the animal is necessary for the tenant's physical or psychological well being. Following that logic, I could have a Playboy Playmate assuming I could find a doctor to write that note. And assuming I could find the Playmate.

With the incredible demand for pets and medical marijuana, "Note Writing" may soon be a course in medical school. Actually, we had a medical marijuana MD living here and the traffic from his apartment was staggering, though, no more than for the female "escort" who also lived here. Forget what a country, what an apartment building.

We do have rather draconian doggy rules, however. With your dog, you can't chat in the lobby, walk between the two buildings, or use any of the many grass areas. But the dog-owning tenants are so grateful they don't mind. (And, so far, no dog has voiced, I mean barked, a complaint.)

When tenants take their dogs out simultaneously, the front of the building is like a Disney movie, as they're so many different colors and sizes (not to mention the dogs). We have two goldens, Oscar and Sammy, two Lab mixes, Bella and Goldie, and my favorite, Stella, a ridgeback/hound mix. Stella recently chased so rapidly after a battery-operated miniature car on the boardwalk (estimated 20 mph) she literally wore the pads off her back paws. She's now in dainty, pink casts for seven days and loving the attention.

In the "petite" canine category (under 10 pounds) is Rita, a miniature pincher, Princess, a silky terrier, and Milly a terrier mix who happens to be a "rescue" whose owner says Milly actually rescued them. In the "aristocratic" canine class is Portia, a white-haired terrier, Ooogie, an imperial Shih Tzu and Carmen, a papillon, a European breed that dates back 700 years (or 4,900 in dog years).

We have two dogs named Teddy, a playful Portuguese water dog and a bashful bischon frias puppy. There's Raja, a precocious pug puppy, Bella, a stocky staffordshire bull terrier, and a jowly English bulldog, appropriately named Winston.

At the Shores in 1975 no children or pets were allowed. Now we have both and we're far richer for it. To have kids, so far, you don't need a note from a doctor. Although, on some summer afternoons, as I'm trying to nap at the pool, and the little darlings in the water are screaming "Marco Polo!" I confess the thought has crossed my mind.

When he isn't walking Oscar, or vice versa, Jack can be reached at Jackneworth@yahoo.com.

## The Q Line

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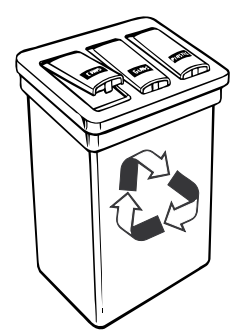
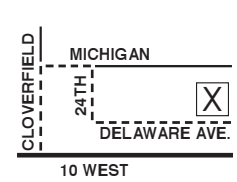
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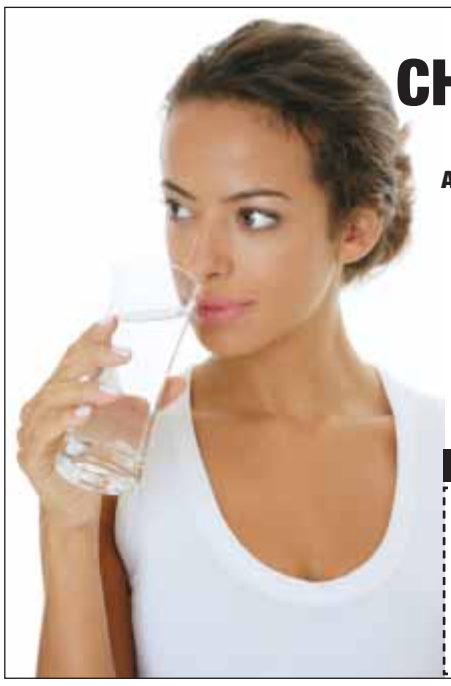

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**WHEN:** **Wednesday, April 1, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.**

**WHERE:** Council Chambers, City Hall
1685 Main Street
Santa Monica, California

City of Santa Monica

**MORE INFORMATION**

If you want additional information about the meeting agenda, please contact Kyle Ferstead, Planning Commission Secretary by e-mail at kyle.ferstead@smgov.net or by telephone at (310) 458-8341. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours or available on the City's web site at www.smgov.net/planning. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. If you have any disability-related accommodation request, please contact (310) 458-8341, or TYY Number: (310) 458-8696 at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, and #8 serve City Hall. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

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# CRIME WATCH
BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

## Caveman etiquette lands pair in jail

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

### SATURDAY, MARCH 21, AT 11:32 P.M.,

Santa Monica police officers responded to the 1100 block of Second Street – the Huntley Hotel – regarding a report of a fight. Witnesses told officers that a fight ensued near the hotel's valet area after a man inappropriately grabbed another man's girlfriend. In response, the boyfriend, who police said was under the influence of alcohol, allegedly punched the man. Both were placed under arrest. The suspects were identified as Mark David Kasden, 46, from Calabasas; and Jon Bliss Warren, 41, from Toluca Lake. Kasden was booked for battery while Warren was booked for battery and public intoxication. Bail was set at $20,000.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 17, AT 12 P.M.,

A motorcycle officer on patrol in the 1500 block of Ocean Avenue stopped a car for speeding. The officer made contact with the driver and learned that he had an outstanding warrant. The officer also recognized the two passengers as local gang members or gang associates. After arresting the driver for possession of a switchblade knife, the officer searched the car and found beer and marijuana inside. The officer also found a replica firearm, beanies and a pair of gloves behind the driver's seat. The officer believed the occupants and the driver had just completed a robbery or were planning to commit a robbery. All occupants were arrested for probable cause burglary and transported to the Santa Monica Jail for processing. Once there, officers said they found hashish on the driver. He was identified as Cody Kendall Reed, 19, of Santa Monica He was booked for possession of marijuana and a switchblade, an outstanding warrant, speeding and bringing a controlled substance into jail. His bail was set at $55,000. The two passengers were identified as Masoud Skamm Taniwal, 20, and Raul Mario Corcio, 18, both from Santa Monica. Taniwal was booked for participating in a crime for the furtherance of a criminal street gang and for being a minor in possession of alcohol and violation of probation. His bail was set at $50,000. Corcio was also booked for participating in a crime in the presence of a criminal street gang, being a minor in possession of alcohol and violation of probation. His bail was also set at $50,000.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 19, AT 2:45 A.M.,

Officers working an auto burglary suppression assignment in the 1200 block of Ninth Street observed a suspicious man in a carport standing next to a truck. Officers said the man began to urinate in the carport. Officers took the suspect into custody and found him to be in possession of burglary tools and a replica handgun in his waistband. Officers believed the man was in the alley with the intent to commit a robbery. Officers placed the suspect under arrest for probable cause robbery, possession of burglary tools, prowling, urinating in public and providing a false name to a police officer. The suspect was also found to be a parolee at large. He was identified as Ruben Eliaz Santos, 40, a transient. No bail was set.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 17, AT 4:52 A.M.,

Officers responded to the 1400 block of Wilshire Boulevard – Izzy's – regarding a woman trying to pass a counterfeit $100 bill. The cashier told officers the woman was trying to pay a bill for $19.17. Officers questioned the woman and determined that she came into the restaurant with the intent to pay for her meal with the fake bill. The suspect was arrested and booked for passing a counterfeit bill and commercial burglary. The Secret Service was notified. The suspect was identified as Myrthala Lanier, 44, from Burbank. Her bail was set at $20,000.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, AT 6:12 A.M.,

Officers responded to a report of an assault with a deadly weapon near the corner of Fourth and Bay streets. When officers arrived, they made contact with a woman who said she and her boyfriend were hit with a belt by a woman who fled before police arrived. On March 16, officers found the alleged attacker near Fourth and Bay and placed her under arrest for assault with a deadly weapon. She was identified as Trudy Carter-Torres, 46, a transient.

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# Wanderlust

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Photo courtesy Dan Dawson

**DEEP FREEZE: Kept at a chilly 23 degrees all year round, Minus 5 is certainly the coolest place on the strip. Located in Mandalay Bay the bar offers a wide range of vodkas.**

# Vegas is like fire and ice

**THE MASSIVE CHUNK OF ICE MY HAND** is on is huge, over 10 feet long and about 6 feet tall. After less than a minute it is so cold it burns. But, the waters on the night the Titanic sank were actually colder than this ice. The water in the iceberg was fresh water, but the dark water the over 1,500 souls from the Titanic landed in was salt water, which freezes at an even colder temperature. This tactile experience is just one of the frigid features that take you back in time on the fateful night that the Titanic sunk. This new exhibit is the most comprehensive Titanic exhibit ever seen and opened in January 2009 at the Luxor Hotel.

Vegas has several new very hot and some very cold things to see and do right now. And, with the economy down the sales in Vegas are up. So, now is a great time to take the short trip to Sin City, see some of the new sights and take advantage of the great sales.

"The Titanic: The Artifact Exhibit" brings to life the story of the ill-fated ship through over 300 authentic artifacts, dramatic room recreations and hands-on interactive experiences. I strolled along the deck of the Titanic hearing the sounds of the ocean and seeing the stars twinkle in the distance and had my picture taken on the steps of the grand staircase where the first class passengers would gather before dinner. These two-room recreations put you right into the ship like never before.

The artifacts are both big and small and feature some never before seen items. A ladies bag with perfume vials in it still filled with her favorite scents, a pair of men's pants, and a bottle of champagne still filled with the bubbly liquid have all been rescued from the bottom of the ocean and put here on display. But, the most dramatic item is what is referred to as the "Big Piece," the largest section of the Titanic ever recovered. This 15-ton piece of the Titanic's starboard hull was raised 12,500 feet from the ocean floor and is now dry again after more than 80 years at the bottom of the sea.

On the Vegas strip this is certainly one of the most extensive, educational, and touching experiences that should not be missed.

Now my hand is touching ice again, only this time I am donning a full-length winter coat and thick gloves to keep me warm. I am in Minus 5, an ice lounge and a truly unique vodka bar that is built completely out of ice. In fact, the frozen architecture uses over 30-tons of ice that make up the walls, the chandeliers and the impressive floor to ceiling bar. Kept at a chilly 23 degrees all year round, Minus 5 is certainly the coolest place on the strip. Located in Mandalay Bay the bar offers a wide range of vodkas to help keep you warm and also provides you with your choice of coats and mittens to wear while inside. There are several packages that range from $30 to $100 and get you different coats, drinks, and photos. I have been told that some Canadians stripped down to their skivvies for their picture to prove that they could beat the cold. Personally, I think they had one too many vodka shots.

After all that cold stuff I needed some warmth and pampering. So, I ended up at what Spa Magazine ranked as one of the best spas of the year, The Bath House. Small and personal for a Vegas spa, the Bath House is 25,000 square feet of pure bliss located in The Hotel, which is the high-end hotel that is part of Mandalay Bay. Peaceful Asian-influenced architecture and the sounds of bubbling streams and gently falling water almost immediately soothe you after the neon craziness of the strip. Their "scents of you" massage is a mixture of aromatherapy and hot stone massage where you can choose from over 30 scents depending on your mood.

Warm up in one of several hot whirlpools, in a redwood lined dry-sauna, or the glass enclosed steam room. Being pampered is what this experience is all about and the incredibly friendly staff will make sure you have everything you need from warm towels to cool drinks. Of course, the offerings of massages, facials, manicures, and body wraps are the ultimate way to melt away any stress you have left after a night of fun on the Vegas strip.

For something even hotter check out the Mirage's new Volcano show that runs every hour on the hour form 5 p.m. until 11 p.m. This free show has been around for a while, but has been recently re-made with more fire power and set to music to rival the famous Bellagio dancing waters. "Fire shooters" erupt from the lagoon and "lava" rolls down the side with enough heat to feel it from the

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# Merger proposal draws fire

BY CATHY BUSSEWITZ
Associated Press Writer

**CARSON CITY, Nev.** A proposal by Nevada Gov. Jim Gibbons to merge commissions on economic development and on tourism in this tourist-dependent state bogged down Thursday in a Senate-Assembly budget panel whose members agreed it's a bad idea.

Gibbons' proposal is part of broad efforts to reduce a looming state budget shortfall of more than $2 billion. The biggest savings achieved by the merger would be nearly $300,000 over two years through elimination of the position of Commission on Tourism director.

"This proposed merger ... sounds kind of dumb to me," said Assemblywoman Kathy McClain, D-Las Vegas, echoing opinions of other members of the joint budget subcommittee studying the proposed merger.

While panel members offered no solutions for funding both commissions, they expressed concern that the merger would dilute both agencies' ability to do their jobs and help recruit business and create jobs in the state.

Steve Woodbury, acting director of the tourism commission, said there's little overlap in job functions between the two panels, adding that the organizational chart for the new agency basically replicates the two old organizational charts "side by side."

"The functions, the audiences, the missions are so diverse that we're never going to make a complete combination. It just doesn't make sense," Woodbury added. "But like I said, we would make it work."

Lt. Gov. Brian Krolicki, who chairs both commissions, also spoke against the proposal.

"This merger makes little sense, in fact it makes harmful sense," Krolicki said, adding that the two commissions have "different missions" that would be diminished and hurt economic development and tourism which are Nevada's "bread and butter."

Lawmakers on the budget panel said the state should instead increase its tourism marketing efforts, and do everything it can to attract tourist dollars.

Under Gibbons' proposed budget, the tourism commission faces a 60 percent reduction in funding and would lose a third of its staff.

"Your budget, and I realize its not your fault, lacks vision and general business understanding," Assemblyman Marcus Conklin, D-Las Vegas, told Woodbury. "Those customers that would traditionally come to Vegas are going to be marketed to aggressively by everyone else, while we're sitting here playing tiddlywinks, because we don't understand what's going on in the market."

Woodbury said that other states are looking at Nevada's proposed tourism cutbacks as an opportunity to increase their own market share.

"I just wanted to make sure everyone understands that this is a bipartisan concern," said Sen. Warren Hardy, R-Las Vegas. "I think we should figure out a way to spend more, not less ... especially when our No. 1 industry is tourism."

State Budget Director Andrew Clinger said the governor's office asked agencies to submit budget reductions, but then decided some health and human services budgets couldn't be cut too deeply.

"We had to look other places," Clinger said. "That's when we went to agencies like the Department of Cultural Affairs. That's when we went to agencies like the Commission on Tourism, the Commission on Economic Development, looking to areas where we felt we could make cuts, where we're not going to have a direct impact on client services or the education of our children."

Senate Majority Leader Steven Horsford, D-North Las Vegas, called the decision to reduce the budgets of both commissions "shortsighted." Asked later where the state could find the money to fund the commissions, Horsford declined to state a specific source or an area of the budget that could be changed.

"There are so many places in the governor's budget that are not strategic," Horsford said. "I can't think of just one thing. There are areas that he could have chosen to scale back in order to make this area a priority."

# Las Vegas is a cool destination

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viewing area. The music, done by legendary Grateful Dead drummer Mickey Hart, choreographed to the fiery explosions.

With all these new things to do and see in Vegas and the deals on hotels, now is the time to head to this dessert playground. Hotels are desperate to fill their rooms and just a quick search on Vegas.com will show you dozens of never before seen special offers on even the most high-end hotels. Buy two nights, get one free and buy two nights and get a show for free are just some of the great offers now available.

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**TAKING THEM TO THE CLEANERS: Employee Kelly Farha helps customer Diane Danovich on Thursday afternoon at the Cleaner By Nature store on Wilshire Boulevard. The store is one of the few that uses only the earth friendly wet cleaning process. City Council directed staff this week to draft an ordinance forcing dry cleaners to use non-toxic chemicals.**

# City Hall to explore regulating dry cleaners

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effect for 10-15 years.

"Instead of going to something that really was non toxic and safe, they were introduced to a new product by the petroleum (industry), which happens to be a petroleum distillate," he said.

The prospect of facing such regulations has raised concerns among some local dry cleaners, including Gary Futterman, who owns Flair Cleaners on Montana Avenue.

Futterman said that many dry cleaners have spent thousands of dollars purchasing new technologically and environmentally advanced hydrocarbon machines since various agencies have ruled that perc machines be phased out over the decade.

"These hydrocarbon machines operate in a safe, self-contained environment with overwhelming majority of solvent being recycled and reused," Futterman said.

But some environmentalists have criticized hydrocarbon as not being environmentally friendly as advertised, pointing out that the solvent is petroleum based, a source of greenhouse gases.

Futterman said the solvent is odorless and nontoxic.

He added that requiring alternative methods such as wet cleaning and carbon dioxide technologies, both of which are considered to be more expensive, would put dry cleaners out of business.

Wet cleaning, which uses water as a solvent, has been criticized by dry cleaners as being more expensive and for causing damage to fabrics, including permanent shrinkage and discoloring.

"From the expense standpoint, the wet cleaning process adds significant cost to a dry cleaning operation, which I believe needs to be discussed with a representative from the local dry cleaning community before action is taken by the council," Futterman said.

Hans Kim, who has consulted cleaners since 1998, said that he has helped 80 businesses across the state successfully convert to wet cleaning methods.

"As of today, my wet cleaners clean an average of a quarter million pieces a month," he said. "This number proves that professional wet cleaning is a viable alternative … to perc or hydrocarbon or any solvent technology out there."

Peter Sinsheimer, who serves as the director of the Pollution Prevention Center at Occidental College, said that there are about 10 dry cleaners in the state using carbon dioxide while another 125 are exclusive professional wet cleaners.

He said that the ordinance is fair because it would give cleaners about 15 years to comply, which is about the life of a machine.

Larry Aronson, who owns Eco Coastal Cleaners on Ocean Park Boulevard with his wife, Jennifer, said that wet cleaning has faults, pointing out that those who have adopted the method avoid shrinking the garment by running the dryer at a very low temperature, which means more electricity.

Eco Coastal Cleaners, which has been in business for about eight years, uses hydrocarbon.

Aronson said that he recently purchased a state-of-the-art hydrocarbon machine, which cost more than $60,000. He said a carbon dioxide machine would be double the cost.

He added that hydrocarbon is lighter than perc and has the environmental benefit of not seeping into the water table. The new machines also come with containment pans that capture the solvent and recycles it back in, Aronson said.

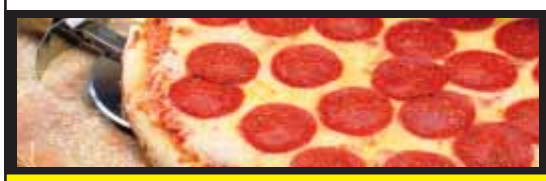
"I think personally that (carbon dioxide) is price prohibitive," he said. "There's a lot of problems with wet cleaning and people that use dry cleaners might go out of the city to get dry cleaning.

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# SMPD takes part in drive

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goal is to identify potential donors for the benefit of three local police officers and many others around the world, said SMPD Sgt. Renaldi Thruston, who helped organize the drive.

"There was already a drive scheduled at another location farther away for a (California Highway Patrol) officer who was diagnosed with cancer," Renaldi said. "I wanted to do something on the Westside so we can have more people involved and participate."

The officers who need help are Los Angeles Sheriff's Deputy Robert Corrales, Torrance Police Officer Steve Kroesen , and Los Angeles Port Police Officer William Paxson. All three are suffering from leukemia, a cancer of the bone marrow and blood. Organizers said it would be good to find donors for the officers, but the point of the drive is to find matches for those in need from across the globe.

In 2008, about 44,270 adults and 4,220 children were expected to develop the disease, according to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. On any given day, more than 6,000 men, women and children are searching the National Marrow Donor Program Registry for a life-saving donor. For many, a transplant may be the best and only hope for a cure.

But finding a donor can be extremely difficult. For a successful transplant, the tissue type of a bone marrow donor or a cord blood unit needs to match the patient's as closely as possible. Special testing determines whether a patient and bone marrow donor or cord blood unit are a good match. The closer the match, the better for the patient.

It is especially difficult to find donors who are of mixed racial and ethnic backgrounds. Those from the following communities are urged to register:

- African American
- American Indian and Alaska native
- Asian
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- Latino
- Multiple race

"It's really important for minorities and those of mixed race to donate and become registered because when you are looking for a match a lot of factors go into it and your genetic makeup is obviously a key factor," Thruston said. "If you just have one race or group, your chances of finding a match are slim. Diseases like leukemia can effect anyone."

The SMPD drive is free to the public. The process is quick and easy, Thruston said. Those interested answer a short medical questionnaire and a swab is used to collect a DNA sample. Anyone age 18 to 60 who meet the health guidelines and who are committed to helping a patient in need may join.

For more information on the guidelines and to read about myths associated with donating bone marrow, go to www.marrow.org.

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# Event benefits cancer research organization

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to he's had a great time at because he's the star of the show," Cordova said of her son. "But this is the first one he's going to that other kids will be at."

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# Samohi hoopsters earn honors

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Jerome Hatchet made the second team. Kunnu was also named to the CIF-SS Division IA first team.

Girls Head Coach Marty Verdugo said that the awards help validate what was the most successful season in school history. With all but two players returning, Verdugo believes that next season may hold more of the same for his squad.

"I think we're going to be strong," he said. "We're going to miss a couple of veterans, but we have a good core."

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# Colorado project part of larger sewer replacement/repair program

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will later be transformed into the Palisades Garden Walk, a four-to-six acre park.

A 25-year veteran of public works, Swain said that most people in the community do not understand the functions of the department and the services it provides.

"When we turn on the water fountain, we expect water to come out and when we flush the toilet, we expect that to be taken care of some how," he said. "A lot of what we do in public works is take care of the basic quality of life needs."

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## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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et; and even if power eventually comes clean, the nation will have to explore ways to reduce the demands placed on the grid from lighting, city officials said.

City Hall invites all residents and businesses to participate in this event. People can make their voices heard by registering online for the event at EarthHour.org and pledging to power down for one hour. People can also support Earth Hour and invite friends to participate on Sustainable Santa Monica's Facebook page.

On the Santa Monica Pier, the distinctive neon-lit sign will go black for Earth Hour, and the LED lights on the Pacific Wheel at Pacific Park will be turned off except for essential safety lights along the rim.

The City of Santa Monica's Community Maintenance Department will be lowering the lights at many city facilities to the lowest possible level that safety and common sense allows. The Civic Auditorium will turn off its exterior lights and the parking lot lights. Where possible, all the lights at parks and ball fields will be off.

Restaurants and businesses throughout the city are turning it off and sharing the event by offering special promotions. The Fairmont Miramar Hotel on Wilshire Boulevard has pledged to go dark for Earth Hour and will be welcoming guests by candlelight. Guests dining in the newly renovated Lobby Lounge restaurant or FIG can enjoy a green absinthe frappe, and the Fairmont is offering in-room dining specials with a choice of three sustainable champagnes.

Businesses and residents are encouraged to participate in Earth Hour by organizing a "lights out" event, offering a special candlelight-only dinner or just spending the hour stargazing.

Earth Hour began in 2007 when 2.2 million businesses and homes in Sydney, Australia switched off the lights for one hour. By 2008 that number grew to 50 million, with national landmarks like the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco and large billboards in Times Square going dark for the event. The organizers of Earth Hour 2009 hope to reach 1 billion homes and businesses on March 28.

For more information, visit www.earthhour.org

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# Obama goes online to talk budget

**STEVEN R. HURST**
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**WASHINGTON** President Barack Obama seized the bully pulpit Thursday and reprised the best of his acclaimed campaign skills in an unprecedented Internet town hall from the White House — a direct sales pitch for Americans to get behind his $3.6 trillion budget and be patient as he tries to right the tottering economy.

After an opening statement and declaring, "This isn't about me, it's about you," Obama took up a microphone and strolled the ornate East Room, playing to an audience of 100 invited guests and what the White House said were an estimated 67,000 people watching him in cyberspace.

The event capped a concerted Obama recent public relations foray in support of his young administration's assault on the country's twin crises in the economy and financial system, including two in-person town hall meetings in California and an appearance on Jay Leno's "Tonight Show." On Tuesday Obama held a nationally televised news conference, also in the East Room, calling on an unusual mix of reporters in an apparent attempt to shake up the focus of questioning.

Obama explained he had called the first-of-its-kind online town hall meeting as an "an important step" toward creating a broader avenue for information about his administration. Spokesman Robert Gibbs said there would be more such events.

Timing, of course, was key. Obama was beamed out through cyberspace a day after the House Budget Committee adopted a spending and revenue plan that broadly matched his massive $3.6 trillion outline even while seeking to reel back on deficit projections.

In a forum that gave him an essentially passive audience, Obama said the budget would put the country on a path to "a recovery that will be measured by whether it lasts, whether it endures; by whether we build our economy on a solid foundation instead of an overheated housing market or maxed-out credit cards or the sleight of hand on Wall Street; whether we build an economy in which prosperity is broadly shared."

Obama's Republican opposition — which he pointedly did not mention Thursday — has fought his budget proposal, broadly declaring it a spending recipe for national bankruptcy.

Not surprisingly, the Internet questioning dovetailed with the president's key projects: universal health care, improved education, energy independence and the range of promises made in the White House campaign.

At times flashing his broad smile and at others determined and serious, Obama drew on his own experiences with the American health care system to empathize with one questioner who supported his goal of universal coverage.

He threw bouquets of praise to nurses who helped the family when his daughter Sasha was stricken with meningitis and returned with vigor to a recounting of the experience of watching his fatally ill mother argue with an insurance company to pay what it owed her for ovarian cancer treatment.

In a lighter moment, Obama nsoted there had been heavy support for a question about legalizing marijuana as a means of boosting the economy and creating jobs.

"The answer is, no, I don't think that is a good strategy to grow our economy," he quipped. The in-house audience tittered.

The president did not make news, but ran smoothly through answers to questions posed to him on the White House Web site and chosen according to rankings by respondents. A moderator read Obama some of the questions and other questions were displayed on monitors in the room.

And with more than 100,000 questions submitted for the forum, it gave the administration a significant number of e-mail addresses for future outreach and the next campaign.

The economy dominated, allowing Obama to sell his agenda for putting the country on a sounder footing in the midst of the worst economic downturn in decades and a financial crisis unmatched since the 1930s.

# Workers scramble for short gigs

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**NEW YORK** Simone Sneed has been a brand ambassador for a telephone company, a backup singer in a local theater, a freelance grant writer and a psychic in a scavenger hunt — all for a day.

Sneed found those jobs and many others in Craigslist's Gigs section, where she finds work for a few hours or a day to earn extra cash. Sneed almost posed for an artist who wanted to paint her as a mythical creature that was half woman, half lion, but had to draw the line somewhere.

"I mentioned it to my mom and dad," she said. "My dad is an artist and he said it sounded a little sketchy."

At a time when many Americans are having trouble finding one job, some intrepid jobseekers like Sneed are creating a patchwork quilt of many, all short-term gigs found through Craigslist and other sites where companies and individuals seek out part-time help.

When she didn't get tenure, English professor Diana Bloom used the Web site's Services section to advertise herself as a tutor, editor and translator-for-hire. She's been able to make a living through the work the Web site directs her way since 2002, while staying home with her young son.

All that without ever having to pound the pavement.

"I'm not very outgoing and getting my foot in the door to companies would have been hard," said Bloom, of New York.

But for all the ease the site offers, most gigs and part-time work offer no health benefits, no sick days, no paid vacation. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the number of people employed part-time for economic reasons, also known as involuntary part-time workers or the "underemployed," rose by 787,000 in February, reaching 8.6 million. That is up from 4.9 million the previous February.

"There is a clear correlation between economic distress and social distress," said Paul Osterman, professor of Human Resources and Management at the Sloan School of Management at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. "Underemployment is not good news for families."

And while some of the short-term jobs are on the books — like Sneed's handing out seed packets and key chains for Sprint — others are not.

Job postings are down overall on Craigslist, the most-used job board in the United States, said Jim Buckmaster, CEO of Craigslist.org. But postings for short-term gigs are up.

Newspapers also run ads for temporary work, the kind of gigs often found on community bulletin boards. And temp agencies are reporting a flood of applicants for short-term jobs. The Active Staffing Services agency in New York, Jersey City, N.J. and Hialeah, Fla., has had to turn away applicants because they have had so many, and so few jobs to give them.

Some companies are now skipping temp agencies in favor of such ads, said Linda Gesell, executive vice president of Atrium Staffing in New York, New Jersey and Boston. Her company has seen a 25 percent decrease in business but is inundated with applicants.

"In general most companies are being so cautious that they're finding people on their own, by referrals or placing ads," Gesell said.

But for those looking for part-time work, short-term gigs like those on Craigslist have their benefits. Musician Will Knox managed to parlay one into long-term employment by meeting a country singer who he ended up co-writing songs and embarking on a tour with.

"You don't have to leave your apartment, and in the time it takes to go down to the job center, on Craigslist you could have applied for 10 different jobs, found a new roommate and bought a ukulele," Knox said.

Luana Michaels has used the site's Free section to boost her income. Michaels, a costumer for Broadway, TV and film, scours the site around the end of the month for people who are moving and can't take their stuff. Once she got a relatively new, 40" television set, put it back on Craigslist and sold it for $800.

Not everything is quite so easy. To find enough work, Bloom posts her ad every three days, as the site allows, which keeps her ad near the top of the list where people will see it. Craigslist does not allow exact versions of the same ad to be cross-listed, so Bloom also created a vast repertoire of ads, each with their own unique wording, so that she may post her services in different geographic areas and subject areas.

For Sneed, the gigs are mostly a tool to pay off bills and student loans and supplement her full-time job. For a scavenger hunt in Albany, N.Y., she dressed up to sit in a coffee shop and wait for team members.

"I had to pretend to be a psychic, read their fortune and then give them a piece of paper with the next clue on it," she said. "It was super campy and fit my temperament. I do enjoy indulging in a bit of melodrama every now and then."

She'll probably take up an offer next for $75 to $100 to paint faces at a child's birthday party.

"I'll use the extra money to pay off my school loan," she said. "Every little bit helps."

**ON THE NET**

- **Craigslist**
www.craigslist.org
- **Diana Bloom, Freelance Tutor**
mysite.verizon.net/dianabloom/
- **Simone Sneed's blog**
www.brownskinlady.com
- **Will Knox**
www.myspace.com/willknoxmusic

# Americans love their salt so much that they avoid restriction

MIKE STOBBE
AP Medical Writer

**ATLANTA** Seven out of 10 Americans should restrict their salt consumption, but very few of them do, according to a new government study.

About 145 million U.S. adults are thought to be more sensitive to salt — a group that includes anyone with high blood pressure, African-Americans and everyone older than 40.

That group should eat no more than about two-thirds of a teaspoon of salt each day. But only 1 in 10 people in that targeted group are meeting that guideline, according to estimates released Thursday by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"I don't think 'alarming' is too strong" a term for describing the results, said Dr. Darwin Labarthe, director of the CDC's Division for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention.

Sodium increases the risk of high blood pressure, which is major cause of heart disease and stroke. Salt — or sodium chloride — is the main source of sodium for most people.

Health officials estimate that about 80 percent of the average American's salt intake occurs without them salting their food. It comes from the salt in many packaged and processed foods and meals served in restaurants.

Salt reduction has become a recent focus of public health campaigns. New York City's health department, the American Heart Association and nearly three dozen other organizations are trying to persuade food manufacturers and chain restaurants to reduce salt content by more than 50 percent over the next 10 years.

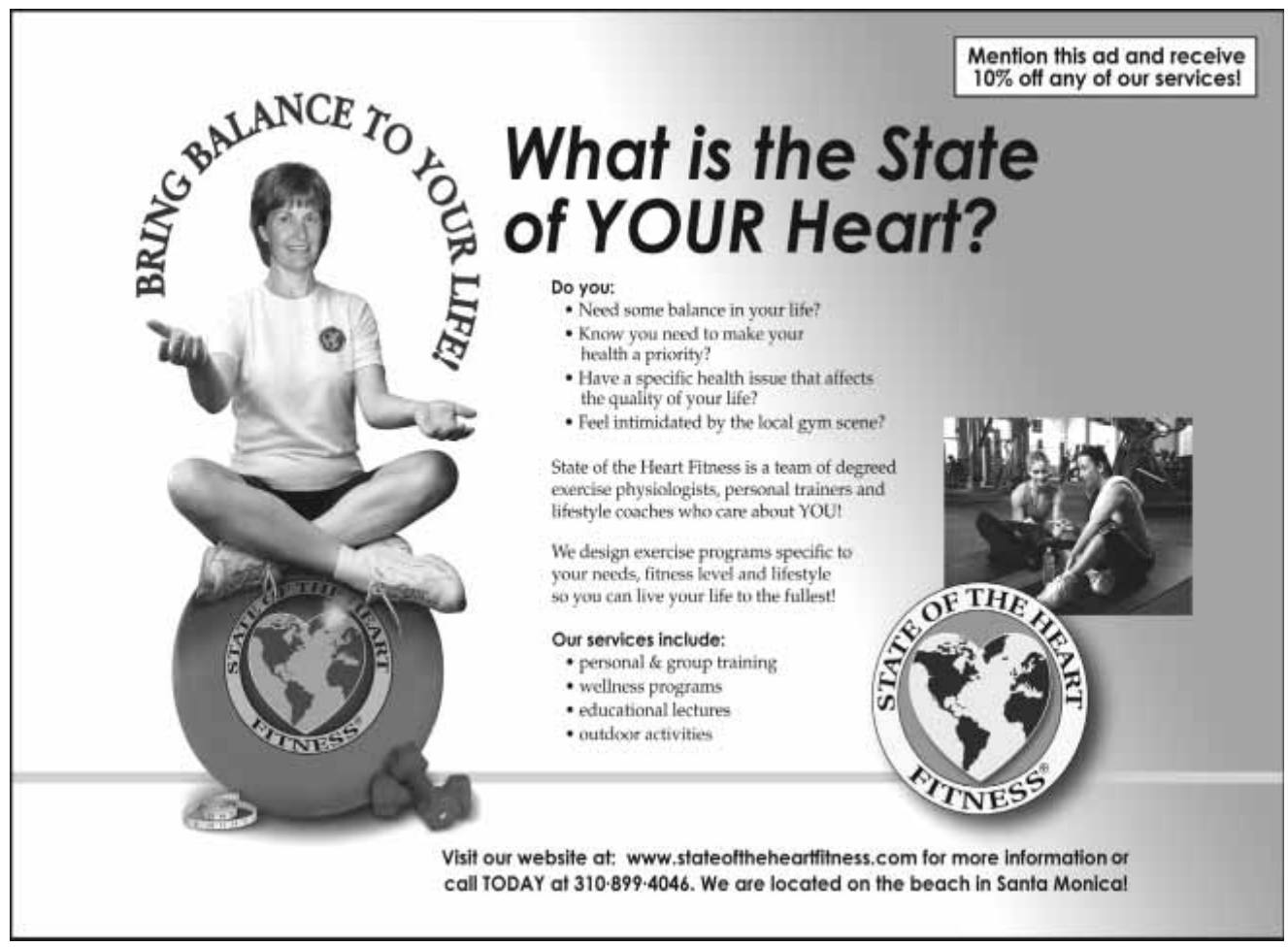
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# One woman's trash ...

**GROWING UP, I SPENT A LOT OF TIME** in thrift shops. Rummaging through secondhand clothing provided my mother with the same rush as treasure hunting. One woman's trash was my mother's $2 Liz Claiborne dress with the original price tags.

But somewhere around the fifth grade, with all of the girls in Mr. Corely's class going crazy for New Kids On The Block, I started to realize that there was a place called "the mall."

The mall piped in pop hits like Amy Grant's "Baby Baby" and smelled like Orange Julius. It was filled with stores full of the same items in multiple sizes. There were ample dressing rooms with locking doors, tables topped with stacks of perfectly folded sweaters, and the girls who worked in the mall were young and pretty and seemed to enjoy their jobs.

The Liz Claiborne dresses at the mall were a lot more than $2. This is how I came to understand that the real reason we shopped secondhand was because we couldn't afford to buy all of our clothes new. Thrift stores went from fun to purgatorial.

Shopping secondhand didn't become fun again until I was in the 10th grade. By that time, the euphemism "vintage fashion" had caught on and stores with names like "Retro Rag" were popping up. These stores offered the cream of the thrift shop crop. Yes, they tripled and quadrupled the prices, but the markup was well worth not having to slog through pilled sweaters, shirts with bleach spots, and dresses missing buttons.

With pay from my part-time job at the mall – not as one of the pretty girls folding sweaters, but as a giant Mrs. Fields' chocolate chip cookie – I was able to fill my closet with dashikis, button-down shirts printed with parrots, bell-bottoms, pencil skirts, and more polyester than anyone should be allowed to own.

Now, vintage clothing stores have, ironically, become passé. With online vintage boutiques like Marion Mercer, a girl can forgo playing solitaire on her iPhone to shop for a 1970's Gucci halter sundress.

Sarah Buxton, the woman behind Marion Mercer, says, "I'm a big online shopper, and I couldn't find an online vintage boutique that had a strong, edited selection of quality vintage pieces, was well designed, easy to navigate, and included features such as free shipping, multiple angles and shots to carefully view each piece." And so, Buxton launched Marion Mercer.

Buxton creatively pairs beaded sweaters with black leggings, big black and gold belts embellished with pearls, black gloves, and chunky gold jewelry. She mixes 1960's pink metallic shift dresses with 1970's tan rabbit fur vests. She puts colorful blouses with jeans, cable knit ponchos, and wide Moroccan belts.

She says, "I love layering to create different looks, so I consider plain white tanks, solid T-shirts, leggings, and tights as basics. It's safe to assume most women already have these pieces in their wardrobe and won't have to buy them in order to complete a look."

When I asked Buxton if some looks should remain in the past (I was specifically thinking of M.C. Hammer pants), she said, "I never say never! There are so many trends that people never would have guessed would come back and have such staying power such as skinny jeans! But there are certain looks that are better left in the past. I know strong shoulders are back now, but the bulky shoulder pads of the 80's with the boxy silhouettes should probably not be repeated. I'm also not seeing petticoats and serious corsets ever fitting into our lifestyles again."

Marion Mercer specializes in designers like Yves Saint Laurent, Christian Dior, and Valentino, and Buxton only buys items in impeccable condition, so prices are higher than what you'd pay at a typical vintage clothing store.

### VINTAGE BASICS

- Nipped-waist dress from the 50's
- Short shift dress from the 60's
- Jumpsuit from the 70's
- Anything sequined from the 80's

Mariel Howsepian digs black coffee, fairy tales and a man in coveralls. She lives in Santa Monica and can be reached at Mariel_Rodriguez@antiochla.edu.

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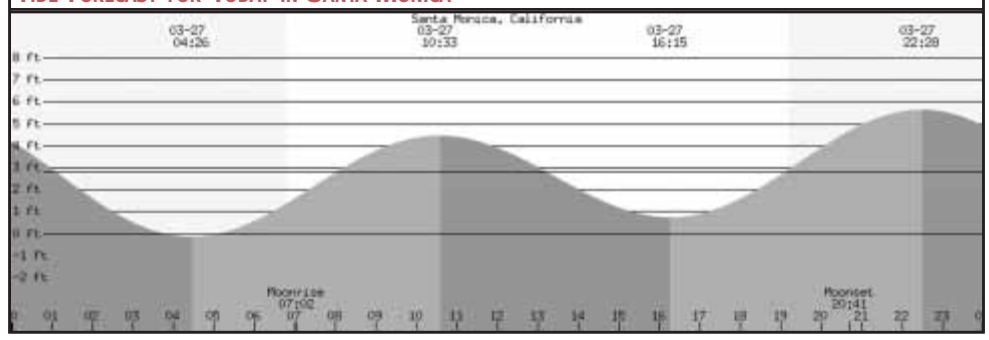
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- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 8 / 38

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

| LOCATION | DRY | WET |
|---|---|---|
| Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence | A+ | F |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain | A+ | F |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain | A+ | F |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua) | F | F |
| Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain | A | F |
| Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain | A | F |
| Santa Monica Municipal Pier | F | F |
| Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain | B | F |
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| Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain | A+ | F |
| Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain | A+ | F |
| Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain | A+ | B |
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| Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St. | A+ | F |
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| Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain | A+ | F |
| Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant | A | F |
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**LEGEND**

**DRY** -- each location is graded on an A – F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone
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**Gomorrah (Gomorra) (NR) 2hrs 17min**
1:40, 4:50, 8:00

**Sin Nombre (R) 1hr 36min**
1:45, 4:10, 7:00, 9:30

**Cherry Blossoms (NR) 2hr 4 min**
11a.m.

**Man on Wire (PG-13) 1hr 34min**
11 a.m.

**The Education of Charlie Banks (R) 1hr 40min**
1:50, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00

**Tokyo Sonata (PG-13) 1hr 59min**
1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 9:55

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**I Love You, Man (R) 1hr 50min**
11:50am, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50, 12:00am

**Knowing (PG-13)**
1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10

**Watchmen (R) 2hrs 43min**
1:20, 5:00, 8:30

**12 Rounds (PG-13) 1hr 48min**
11:00am, 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40, 12:20am

**Haunting in Connecticut, The (PG-13) 1hr 32min**
12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10, 12:30am

**Monsters vs. Aliens 3D (PG) 1hr 34min**
11:10am, 1:30, 4:00, 6:30, 9:00, 11:30

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# Curb over indulgence, Pisces

### ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You naturally move in the right circles and say the right thing. Nevertheless, a boss could pick holes in your actions. You'll prevail because of an innate gentleness. Tonight: Only what would make you happy.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Listen to what is being said. You'll gain more information through observation and thinking. Be careful with what looks like a secret. You'll see a situation in a new, dynamic light if you listen more. Tonight: Take a nap.

### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You can be found where the action is. For those of you who are willing to make fewer judgments and stretch your thinking, success will follow. Network, schedule meetings and be sensitive to others' alternatives. Tonight: Zoom in on what you want.

### CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Take a stand, but also be willing to listen to others' responses. You'll integrate new ideas as a result. Your humor and caring will come out if you drop your defenses. Be authentic. Tonight: A must appearance.

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Reach out for others and be willing to honor tradition. Make calls and touch base with the many important people in your life. Opportunity strikes out of the blue. You need to be able to make an immediate response. Tonight: Follow the music.

### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Working with one person at a time could make all the difference. Your ability to grow and evolve is highlighted because of a key associate or partner. Know that you don't always have to agree. Also understand that power plays do not work — respect will. Tonight: Be a duo.

### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Let someone else make the call. You could be taken aback by circumstances or a situation in your life. Remain open and direct when dealing with others or when asked a question. Don't let fear interfere with a relationship. Tonight: Out and about — TGIF.

### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Experience the feeling of a job well done. New beginnings are more than possible with a real estate or domestic matter. You'll achieve a lot if you don't try to push and just smile. Have faith in your abilities. Tonight: Put your feet up.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Allow yourself to become more playful and understanding. Your visualization of a situation needs to be shared, even if it is funny. Others will appreciate the laugh. If you can take a long lunch, do. Think about leaving work early. Tonight: Take off asap. Start your weekend.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Prioritize, and you will accomplish more. Be upbeat and handle a personal matter head-on. What you see and think could change radically with new information coming forward. Tonight: Order in.

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Your words have an unusual caring or appreciation in their tone. Others respond and finally want to talk. Let conversations flow and be sensitive to options. Tonight: Check out your favorite haunts.

### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You might need to spend some money on yourself. If you are feeling insecure, perhaps you need to buy a new item to dress up your wardrobe. Your instincts lead you in a financial matter, whether buying a lottery ticket or a bigger investment. Tonight: Curb over-indulgence.

## Happy birthday

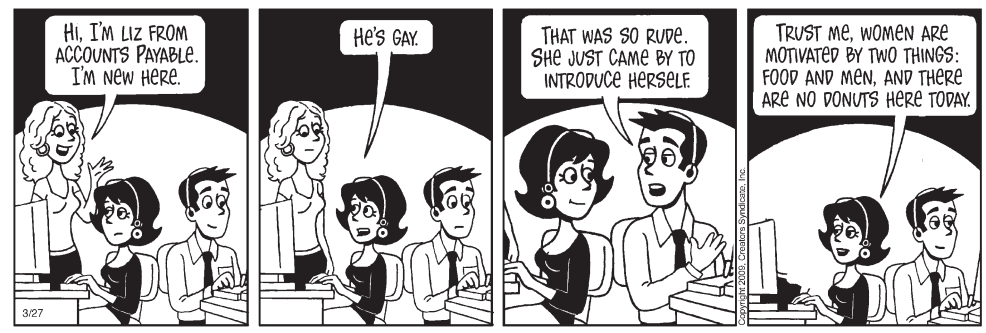
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The stars show the kind of day you'll have:
★★★★★Dynamic ★★ So-So
★★★★ Positive ★ Difficult
★★★ Average

Recognize how much you can accomplish this year. Saying no to power plays is the best way to come out ahead. Back off of people with that type of need for control. Meetings, networking and friendships play big roles and draw in more of your desires. Expand your immediate circle and meet new people. If you are single and you would like to "hook up," know that it can happen. Just be available. If you are attached, the two of you create much more of what you want through socializing and perhaps pursuing a new hobby. A fellow ARIES admires your way of handling difficult situations.

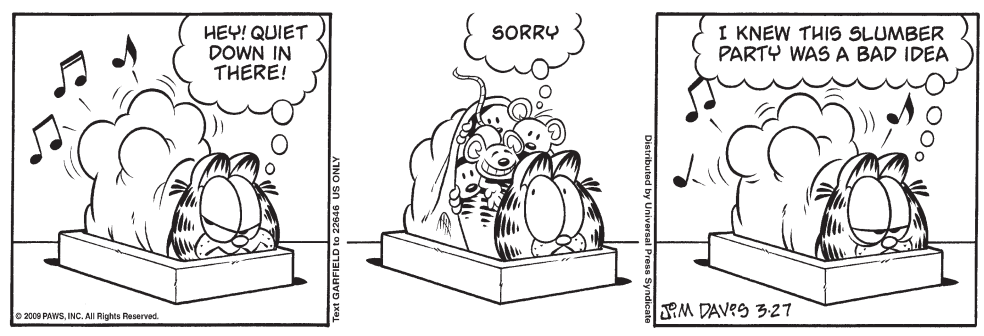
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Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from ★ (easiest) to ★★★★★ (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★★★★

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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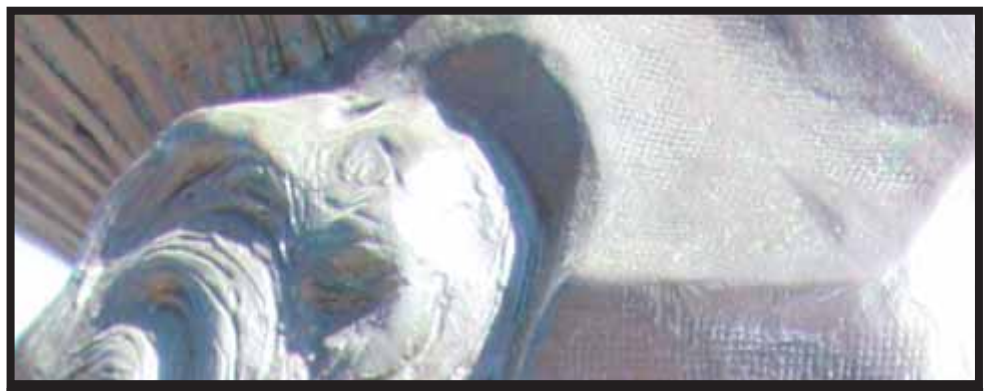


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# CROSSWORD

## By THOMAS JOSEPH

### ACROSS

**1** One-sided wins
**6** Avoids work
**11** Bert's buddy
**12** Ready to hit
**13** Flexible conjunction
**14** Feed the furnace
**15** Singing Sandra
**16** Reveal
**18** Mess up
**19** Calf cry
**20** German article
**21** Bit of lore
**23** Actor Oliver
**25** Deli choice
**27** Bat wood
**28** Cabinet wood
**30** "Smallville" name
**33** Lush
**34** — Lobos
**36** Golf support
**37** Credit card, in slang
**39** Golfer Woosnam
**40** "Sea-scape" playwright
**41** Houston player
**43** Ticked off
**44** School-bag item
**45** Maintains
**46** Supplies

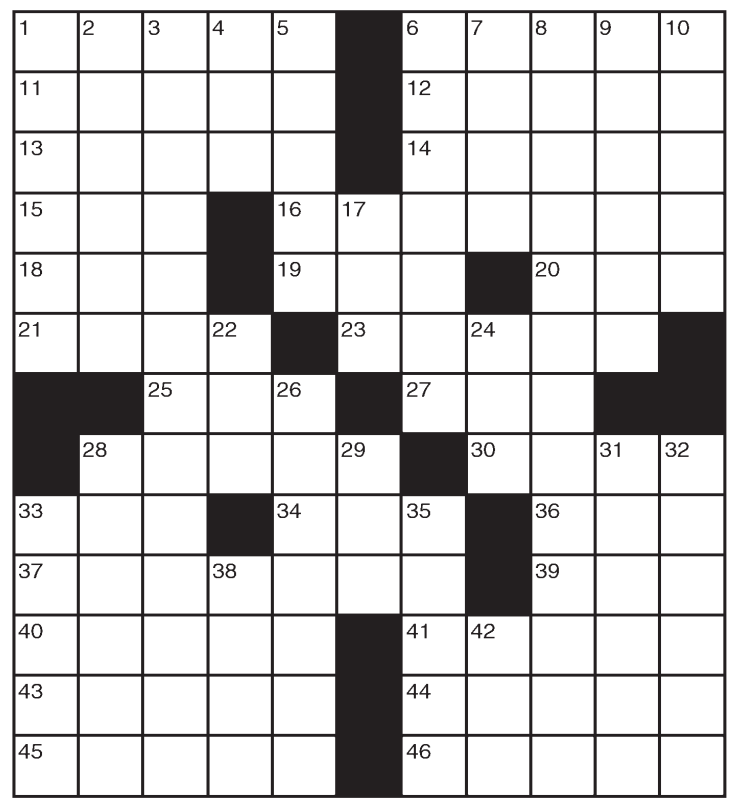
### DOWN

**1** "— and weep"
**2** Like an old cuss
**3** Covertly
**4** Uncle, in Acapulco
**5** Blood part
**6** Milan opera house
**7** "Beetle Bailey" dog
**8** Place for a star's credit
**9** Improvise
**10** Exacting
**17** Forty winks
**22** Suffered from
**24** Demand
**26** Some shakes
**28** Lassie, for one
**29** King of France
**31** Approached
**32** Some singers
**33** Flint creation
**35** Muffler's kin
**38** Ooze
**42** Take to court

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## NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ A 1970s-style San Francisco commune is organized around the practice of "orgasmic meditation," but for women only, in daily sessions that start promptly at 7 a.m. Men belong to the commune, too, but are useful only digitally to the women and must remain clothed, according to a March report in The New York Times. The founder of the One Taste Urban Retreat Center, Nicole Daedone, 41, is considered by some former members to be running a "cult," because of her dominant personality and ability to play on the vulnerabilities of her members, but the three dozen now in residence seem to admire her vision. One man said, according to the Times, that he had improved his own concentration at work (as a Silicon Valley engineer) through "the practice of manually fixing his attention on a tiny spot of a woman's body."

## TODAY IN HISTORY

**1625** Charles I acceded to the English throne upon the death of James I.

**1836** the first Mormon temple was dedicated, in Kirtland, Ohio.

**1884** the first telephone line between Boston and New York was inaugurated.

**1945** during World War II, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower told reporters in Paris that German defenses on the Western Front had been broken.

**1958** Nikita Khrushchev became Soviet premier in addition to First Secretary of the Communist Party.

**1964** Alaska was hit by a powerful earthquake and tsunamis that killed about 130 people.

**1979** the Supreme Court ruled 8-1 in Delaware v. Prouse that police could not stop motorists at random to check licenses and registrations unless there was reason to believe a law had been broken.

**1980** 123 workers died when a North Sea floating oil field platform, the Alexander Kielland, capsized during a storm.

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