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RESTAURANT UPDATE:

Red O, Herringbone, Cheesecake Factory, and Yacht Club

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE Two Southern California restaurants are adding locations in Santa Monica, a local ice cream shop turns five, a ramen joint is getting good reviews, one massive chain is adding a space near the promenade, and one of Santa

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Scout's service project seeks cleaner neighborhoods

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

OLYMPIC BLVD. Sean McHugh had seen enough.

While walking his family's mini apricot poodle, Elvis, in his Pearl Street neighborhood, the Santa Monica High School senior was overwhelmed by the animal droppings: on the sidewalk, in the street, on residents' lawns. He felt as if he were walking through a minefield of fecal matter.

McHugh and his mother started thinking about all of the negative consequences of pets' waste - not just the unsightliness, smell and toxicity, but also the ill will it can create in a community.

"We wanted to change it," McHugh said.

McHugh decided to use his

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Buses and traffic circles in $19.4M consent

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

Editor's note: This story is part of an ongoing series that tracks the city's expenditures appearing on upcoming Santa Monica City Council consent agendas. Consent agenda items are routinely passed by the City Council with little or no discussion from elected officials or the public. However, many of the items have been part of public discussion in the past.

CITY HALL City Council will consider purchasing 29 new Big Blue Buses and metering the irrigation systems of four traffic circles on Michigan Avenue in a $19,440,112 consent calendar next Tuesday.

Gillig LLC would get the bulk of that money — $19,420,112 — for providing 30-foot and 25-foot compressed natural gas-powered (CNG) buses.

The purchases are necessary to meet the new services needs proposed to supplement the coverage of the incoming Expo Light Rail, city officials said in a report to council.

Four 30-foot buses would replace four 40-foot buses that have reached the end of their 12-year life cycle. Another 25 aging, 40-foot buses would be replaced by new 40-foot buses.

BBB is down-sizing those four buses because the 40-footers can't physically make the turns at two locations proposed along new Expo-supporting routes.

"BBB has explored various other options such as rerouting existing vehicles around these challenging turns, but was unable to find a suitable path for the bus," city officials said. "Based on maneuverability and functionality, staff recommends the purchase of four 30-foot CNG powered Gillig buses for replacement of the four 40-foot buses, with delivery dates as early as December 2015 and through January 2016."

These buses have about 30 seats and hold about 45 passengers.

Each of the 30-foot buses would cost about $578,000 and the 40-footers will cost about 594,000 apiece.

City Hall has about $10 million for the project coming from a

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PEEPSAPALOOZA

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Local youth, and a few adults, brought PEEPS dioramas depicting their favorite books to the Library's PEEPSapalooza contest on April 7.

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April 8

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Montana Mystery Book Group: The Templar Legacy

Cotton Malone, a former covert U.S. Justice Department operative, and his ex-supervisor Stephanie Nelle, follow a trail of danger, treachery, and overwhelming ambition across Europe on a quest that leads them to the enigmatic secrets of the Knights Templar. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Green Living Workshop

Learn what you can do on a personal level to live more sustainably while connecting with your neighbors and community. Join a free Green Living Workshop offered by the City of Santa Monica's Office of Sustainability and the Environment and Sustainable Works. Learn ways to save money, positively impact your family, community, and ultimately the planet. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Envisioning the future @ SMPL

Santa Monica Public Library is envisioning the future through the process of strategic planning and we need your input. Join us for this community forum where we'll ask community members like you to share your hopes and aspirations for the community and the Library's future. Refreshments will be served. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St. 6 - 7:30 p.m.

3, 2, 1 Launch Tube

Come to the Main Library at 2 p.m. to build mini vehicles from recycled materials and launch them with reDiscover Center's wind tube. Wind science has never been so much fun. For children and caregivers ages 4 and up. This program is free and open to the public. For more information call (310) 458-8621. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

April 9

Rent Control Board

Regular Rent Control Board Meeting. Visit www.smgov.net/rentcontrol for more information. City Hall, 1685 Main St., 7 p.m.

Lorraine Bracco presents To the Fullest

Join Oscar and Emmy-nominated actress Lorraine Bracco for the west coast launch of her new book, To The Fullest. The book chronicles Lorraine's mind, body and soul reboot after she had crossed the threshold of 50, faced the back-to-back deaths of her parents and decided she wanted to take her life in a healthy new direction. Free tickets for Auditorium seating will be released one hour prior to the program. On-site book sales provided by Book Soup. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 - 9 p.m.

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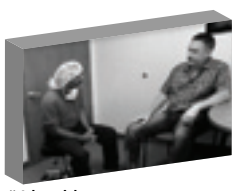

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Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant. The rest would come from the capital improvement program budget.

"BBB currently operates 86 Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) buses purchased between 2002 and 2006 of which 24 buses have reached the end of their useful life per Federal Transit Administration (FTA) guidelines," city officials said. "In addition, 52 New Flyer LNG vehicles will have completed their useful life of 12 years in 2016. FTA guidelines set the useful life of a bus at 12 years of age or 500,000 in miles."

TRAFFIC CIRCLE IMPROVEMENTS

Four traffic circles on Michigan Avenue need water meters that were not included in the contractor's original budget of $357,148. El Camino Construction and Engineering will likely get another $20,000 to cover those costs plus that of a community outreach campaign.

The water meters cost just over $4,000 a piece and the outreach is estimated to cost $3,300.

As was the case with the initial funding of the traffic circles, which occurred back in January, the water meters will be paid for by Community Development Block Grants.

The circles — at ninth, 10th, 12th, and Euclid streets — are some of the earliest segments of the Michigan Avenue Neighborhood Greenway (MANGo), which is a vein of pedestrian-friendly street improvements connecting the east side of the city to the west. It was approved last year.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Host families wanted

Global Student Housing (GSH) is recruiting host families in the Santa Monica area. GSH is currently seeking individuals or families to host international students who reside within five miles of Santa Monica.

Hosts are expected to provide their students with a private furnished bedroom, as well as a warm and welcoming environment to learn about American culture. Hosts can choose to provide no meals or up to three meals per day based on their schedule. Hosts generally do not have to provide transportation. Students are usually college aged or above and from all different countries.

Hosts are compensated $600-1,000 per month depending on which program they participate in.

Contact info@globalstudenthousing.com, call (786) 999-2151 or visit www.globalstudenthousing.com for more information.

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Los Angeles

Samohi grad debuts show about grandfather's historic business

In 1948, a decade before Motown, black businessman and entrepreneur John Dolphin opened his soon-to-be world famous Dolphin's of Hollywood record store in South Los Angeles, just off legendary Central Avenue. Bringing this little-known slice of L.A. history to life on stage, the world premiere of Recorded in Hollywood opens at the Lillian Theatre on April 11.

Featuring a live on-stage band and a 19-member ensemble, Recorded in Hollywood, based on the biography "Recorded in Hollywood: The John Dolphin Story" by Jamelle Dolphin, features a book by Matt Donnelly and Jamelle Dolphin. Jamelle was raised in Santa Monica and attended Santa Monica High School.

The score includes 16 original songs by Andy Cooper plus covers of hit songs launched by Dolphin in his store, including Sam Cooke's "You Send Me," The Penguins' "Earth Angel" and "Wheel Of Fortune" by The Hollywood Flames.

Four-time NAACP Best Director recipient Denise Dowse directs; musical direction is by Stephan Terry and choreography is by Cassie Crump.

John Dolphin recorded a host of R&B, blues, jazz, rock 'n' roll and even western music talent on a series of labels with evocative names like "Lucky," "Money," "Cash" and "Recorded in Hollywood." The many great artists whose careers he advanced included Sam Cooke, Jesse Belvin, Charles Mingus, Pee Wee Crayton and Major Lance to name a few.

"John started from scratch and evolved into one of the most important figures in the history of American music," says Jamelle Dolphin, whose biography of his grandfather, inspired by years of colorful stories he heard growing up, was based on extensive research of historical records and hundreds of hours of verbal interviews with family and friends. "When he realized that no one was going to let him open his record store on all-white Hollywood Blvd., he brought Hollywood to Central Avenue. By naming the store 'Dolphin's of Hollywood,' he was telling the world that he was going to stare discrimination in the face and not blink."

Recorded in Hollywood opens on Saturday, April 11, with performances on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. through May 17. There will be two preview performances, on Thursday, April 9 and Friday, April 10, both at 8 p.m. Tickets to all performances are $30 except previews which are $15. The Lillian Theatre is located at 1076 Lillian Way, Hollywood. For reservations and information, call (323) 960-4443 or go to www.RecordedInHollywood.com.

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April 10

A Child Left Behind

In recognition of National Autism Awareness Month, Santa Monica Playhouse presents the return of Alan Aymie's critically acclaimed production, a compelling and powerful portrait of the daily challenges that teachers face in Los Angeles, and a poignant look at his own experiences of trying to teach his son who was assessed with Asperger's Syndrome. Friday, April 10 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, April 12 at 7 p.m. Santa Monica Playhouse Main Stage, 1211 4th St., Gen Adm: $20; $25 VIP tickets

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You do need a weatherman

GEORGE FISCHBECK WAS NO Fool, but the timing of the Daily Press's April Fools issue prevented me from acknowledging his passing, and as someone who knew him from his genesis in New Mexico, where I grew up, I've got a few things I can tell you about this TV weatherman who was our icon before he was yours.

If you lived in the LA area anytime after 1972 and had a television, you knew that face. He was the wildly popular and beloved, odd-looking, bespectacled, moustachioed, always enthusiastic, often disheveled and perpetually in motion TV meteorologist who did his thing, whatever that was, on the Channel 7 news broadcasts. (One night he did have to lead with an apology for not having gotten around to the actual forecast the previous show, because he got so carried away talking about the science of weather.) He was a most unlikely rock star, and held sway on the airwaves here for a quarter of a century.

Dr. George and the weather became synonymous. When it looked like anything other than our usual sunny skies, everyone ran to their TVs to get the gospel from Dr. George. He really was a trained and experienced meteorologist, unlike many of the pretty faces who read the weather forecasts today. I read in his LA Times obit that he would go to the federal building in Westwood twice every day to be briefed by government meteorologists, and that didn't surprise me, because growing up in Albuquerque we knew Dr. George as our own lovable TV science guy.

I say lovable, because comparisons to the also very popular Mr. Wizard (Don Herbert) were facile. Watch Mr. Wizard was a network broadcast show, whereas Dr. George's science show for kids was broadcast for more than a decade in Albuquerque on the public educational station KUNM, I think from some basement studio on the campus, long before PBS became a national watchword.

George Fischbeck was loved by kids and parents alike, and he pulled you in with his unbounded enthusiasm for science and his disarming way of teaching it. He wanted children to love science the way he did. Although a longtime science teacher in the local schools, he came across more like your loony lovable uncle showing you science-based tricks in the kitchen while everyone else talked boring stuff in the living room.

Mr. Wizard, on the other hand, always was the guy who knew more than you did, and made sure you understood that. He showed you cool stuff, but he lectured. I had forgotten how stiff his demeanor was until I went to look at some things he did that are archived on YouTube, and immediately came up with a couple of three-minute clips under the title, "Mr. Wizard's a Dick." He kinda was. Admittedly it's a selected mug shot, ala Daily Show clips, but the video doesn't lie. He did not hesitate to tell kids their answers, logic and even questions were "wrong." And then he proceeded to show you why you were wrong and he was — always — right. People watched and learned from Mr. Wizard, but he was not loved like George Fischbeck.

"I could teach kids anything once I had their attention," he told People magazine in a 1981 interview, "and if I could make them smile, they would even remember it."

When he was recruited to do the weather segment on an Albuquerque station's nightly newscast, they quickly shot to #1 in the ratings. Someone at KABC noticed, and 18 months later he was delivering his weather-as-science to millions in Los Angeles. If he weren't so well liked and respected, that defection would have made him a traitor in the Land of Enchantment. Instead, people were shocked and puzzled by his departure. LA? How could Dr. George go to LA? (Subtext: why would anyone go to LA?) They must have offered him barrels of money, we figured, yeah, that's the only reason, probably hates the idea but they made him an offer he couldn't refuse. Poor guy.

Planning my own escape west, which didn't happen until 1980, I could understand perfectly. But Albuquerque in '72 was a burg of 385,000 (metro population is now close to a million), and a mindset even smaller. I mention this for two reasons: as a reminder of how many folks east of Riverside and north of Magic Mountain mock and despise us (but — many of them would move here in a New York minute if they could), and also of what a great place New Mexico is to live, for many reasons, even in "the big city" of Albuquerque.

I'm pretty certain Fischbeck left with much regret. But never looked

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All our children deserve the best chance at a great start

NEXT WEEK, THE COUNCIL WILL consider the first comprehensive update of our zoning ordinance in more than three decades. This document should reflect the values of our community. Equitable access to safe, affordable, high quality early childhood education for working families is truly indispensable for our community.

The zoning ordinance update wisely proposed that early child care education centers be allowed in single-family home neighborhoods pursuant to conditional use permit, consistent with the way they have been treated in all multi-family residential zones for many years. However, the version being proposed to the Council next week eliminates early childhood education centers from ever being considered in single-family residential neighborhoods, where many children live.

This is unnecessarily drastic. Under the standards proposed in the zoning ordinance update, an early childhood education center planned for a single-family neighborhood would have to go through a regulatory gauntlet, including public hearings before the Planning Commission and potentially the City Council, to obtain a conditional use permit. Neighborhood residents would have multiple opportunities to weigh in with concerns and objections, as well as to impose conditions to mitigate the challenges a new early childhood education center might bring to the neighborhood.

Additionally, these centers exist for the education of our youngest children. It simply doesn't make sense that schools are allowed to operate in single-family residential zones, but early childhood education centers are not. The zoning ordinance update would hold early childhood education centers to the same standards to which we hold our schools. All education facilities should be given equal treatment under our zoning standards and be allowed in our single-family neighborhoods because we want them near to the families they serve.

Even though high land prices make it unlikely that early childhood education centers would open in single-family residential neighborhoods, we should not foreclose the possibility when the need for high quality early childhood education is so great.

Another change being considered is restricting supervised outdoor play in existing day care and early childhood education facilities to no later than 6 p.m. Currently, children are allowed to play outdoors while supervised as late as 8 p.m. in the summertime, so long as the sun is out.

The proposed restriction, however, would mean that kids can't be engaged in outdoor programs during spring and summer when it's light outside after 6 p.m. If their parents can't pick them up before 6 p.m., they will lose out on essential outdoor play experience, which, leading experts agree, is essential to the educational development of young children.

Our community has been dedicated to high quality early childhood education for decades.

The most recent example of Santa Monica's commitment to our children's future is the joint effort between the city and Santa Monica College to create the Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) at the Civic Center. The ECEC will provide much needed full-day care for many of our community's working families.

The Center will not only provide early childhood education for up to 106 infants, toddlers, and pre-school aged children, it will also be a place for our future educators to learn from leading experts in the field in a hands-on environment.

Centers like SMC's ECEC as well as family day care centers, the largest of which each serve up to 14 children, are vital institutions for working families and the future of our children. If quality early childhood education is not available, especially for infants and toddlers, many working Santa Monica families find themselves forced to choose between continuing to work and staying home to take care of children. Or, if one parent simply cannot stay home, then the family must scramble to piece together substandard care for their children. Those difficult choices have grave consequences for many families.

While the proposed zoning update may look to many like an arcane and tedious document, some of what lies within can profoundly affect the lives of our most vulnerable residents.

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Freedom from Choice

AFTER THE RECENT CYNICAL ATTEMPTS by the Indiana and Arkansas legislatures to authorize LGBT discrimination, watching Republican presidential hopeful Jeb Bush contort his social conservatism to head off competitor Ted Cruz made me wonder why are they in the same political party — and by extension, fighting for the same presidential nomination?

Not because they belong together, but because the electoral system forces them together — and we voters lose in the process.

The U.S. Electoral system aggressively discriminates against political diversity — from winner-take-all single seat elections, to large legislative districts that increase election costs and favor big-monied interests, to debates that only feature candidates from two political parties, to overly restrictive ballot access laws.

By contrast, a recent British Political Party Leaders Debate included representatives from seven political parties — with a refreshingly diverse and representative range of views. Featured were leaders from three traditional establishment parties — Conservative, Labor and Liberal Democrat, as well as the UK Independence Party (UKIP) which often gets included because of its media-grabbing anti-immigrant rhetoric. But also included were leaders — all women — of three parties not normally invited: the Greens, the Scottish National Party and Plaid Cymru (Wales). These three women most forcefully challenged the crushing economic austerity embraced by the Conservative-Liberal Democrat government and the xenophobia of UKIP, while only the Greens raised climate change.

Our U.S. presidential debates are mostly missing those kinds of voices. This is not be accident. The debates are run by the Commission on Presidential Debates, a non-profit organization run by Democrats and Republicans, and funded by large corporate interests. This exclusion is often mirrored in down ticket races for state wide and state legislative office. The result is an absence of societal debate on critical issues, the effect of which trickles down to us in Santa Monica.

In 2010 after years of statewide structural budget deficits — combined with deep austerity cuts to education and our social safety net, something needed to change. But in that year's governor's race, the only candidate talking about progressive tax reform to Proposition 13 — Green Laura Wells — was excluded from the debates. Democratic candidate Jerry Brown said he would put any tax increase before the people, but failed to offer what kind. Republican Meg Whitman only talked about tax cuts.

The result was no electoral mandate. Instead, it came down to post-election maneuvering, with the new Governor and several interest groups each crafting their own measures, then slugging it out until only two were left standing - Brown's Proposition 30 and Molly Munger's Proposition 38. The Millionaires Tax — which was polling ahead of the Governor's, dropped out and folded into Proposition 30, in exchange for making Proposition 30 mildly more progressive - a mixed triumph for the 'tax the rich' and Occupy movements, because of the lost opportunity had the Millionaires Tax gone onto the ballot itself.

In November 2012, Proposition 30 passed and Proposition 38 did not. But while Proposition 30's stop-gap measures halted the further hemorrhaging of funds for education and other needs, it did little to reverse austerity cuts. Now with Proposition 30 set to sunset in 2018, some organizations like California Calls, a Los Angeles-based coalition of over 30 community-based social justice groups statewide — are looking at how to reform Proposition 13 in a way that preserves its homeowner protections, but also restructures commercial property taxes and closes corporate tax loopholes, so that Proposition 13's great inequities and the resultant underfunding of public services are addressed.

However other state leaders — saying the political environment is not 'ripe' to reform Proposition 13 — are advocating taking the easy way out and simply recommending extending Proposition 30 — which was sold to voters as a one time, temporary fix.

Who is to blame for the 'unripe' political environment? Not only was Wells excluded in 2010, but since then, corporate California funded the propaganda campaign to sell us Proposition 14 — the Top Two primary, which eliminates all but two voices from the general election ballot in all state and federal races (except president). The result was that in 2014, the two candidates who campaigned on progressive tax reform and addressing poverty — Green (and Los Angeles Poet Laureate) Luis Rodriguez and anti-war activist Cindy Sheehan (Peace and Freedom Party) were not even on the November ballot. Not only did this lack of choice fail to inspire voters (California had the largest drop in voter turnout of any state in the November 2014 election, compared to November 2010), but discussion of progressive tax reform was entirely absent from the fall campaign.

One such progressive reform is to establish a land value tax that captures the socially-created value of land and returns it to society by raising the tax upon land, while simultaneously rewarding the property owner who adds value by lowering the taxes upon improvements.

Socially created value can be as the result of public investment — like a new park going in across the street, or a new light rail line crossing through a city — like the Expo Line in Santa Monica. While neighborhood activists are rightfully concerned about the growing gentrification and displacement of families in the Pico and Mid-Cities neighborhoods occurring in anticipation of Expo's arrival, the zoning and financial tools that cities have to confront such dynamics are limited.

What a statewide land value tax could do in Santa Monica is capture the socially-created increase in property values along the Expo line corridor and return that money to Santa Monica to purchase, rehabilitate and deed-restrict existing affordable housing — and preserve existing residents in the process. Similarly, such funds could be available to subsidize housing proposed projects in the downtown and Bergamot Plan areas, to increase their affordability beyond what the developer could pencil on their own.

In a healthy multi-party democracy, such ideas would already be on the table and part of our popular debate — and Santa Monica could be lobbying to ensure that Proposition 13 reform would be on the 2018 ballot in a way that would help our community.

Next time you hear about candidates from smaller parties being excluded from debates, remember that its not the candidates' and parties' voices that are being excluded. Its your own.

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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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

ON SATURDAY MARCH 28 AT APPROXIMATELY 6:18 P.M .

Officers responded to a call of a non-injury traffic collision at the Chevron Gas Station at the corner of Lincoln Blvd and Olympic Blvd. The reporting party stated that approximately 20 minutes earlier she was driving her vehicle, traveling southbound on Pacific Coast Highway when the driver of a white van sideswipe her vehicle. The victim followed the suspect while honking to call the suspect's attention. The suspect ultimately stopped at the Chevron Station. Suspect displayed the objective symptoms of intoxication. Suspect failed a field sobriety test and was taken into custody. Hernandez Juan Palacios, 58, of Los Angeles.

CITY

FROM PAGE 4

back. He was famous for returning your wave, with a huge smile and a thumbs up, if you spotted him driving around town. My little Dr. George story is that I was new to LA and driving on the freeway when I heard a car honking away. I ignored it, it continued, then I could see a car changing lanes to get closer to me, and more honking. Oh nooo, what sort of LA weirdo do I have here? Dare I make eye contact? Finally I had to know what was up, and looked right to see that famous face, grinning a huge, really delighted smile and waving at me furiously. Because he saw my New Mexico license plate, and we Lobos stick together, rich and famous or otherwise.

Something I didn't know about him before was that his only son died at 22 from an accidental shooting. That horror destroys many people's lives from that point forward, and Fischbeck told the LA Times, the following year, "It changed my life completely. I'm sure I'm a different person now." But here's how he handled it: "I've got so much more compassion and understanding." That lesson is probably the most important one the old science teacher ever taught.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TODAY to one of the finest, funniest, smartest, most loving and compassionate humans ever to walk this earth, and sing a Billie Holiday song to bring you to tears: Diane Michelle, AKA Dian Andrews.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "It doesn't matter who you are, there are stars in every city, in every house, and on every street." — Ray Davies

CHARLES ANDREWS has lived in Santa Monica for almost 30 years and wouldn't live anywhere else in the world. Really. You can reach him at therealmrmusic@gmail.com

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SANTA MONICA–MALIBU Education Foundation

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 32 calls for service on April 6.

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

EMS, 1400 block Promenade, 12:15 a.m.
Elevator Rescue, 1100 Block 2nd, 1:50 a.m.
EMS, 1700 block Ashland, 8:54 a.m.
Haz Mat, 1700 block 9th, 9:36 a.m.
EMS, 1800 block Lincoln, 9:56 a.m.
EMS, 1900 block Cloverfield, 10:29 a.m.
EMS, 2300 block Kansas, 10:31 a.m.
EMS, 1800 block Ocean, 11:09 a.m.
EMS, 2200 block Colorado, 11:09 a.m.
EMS, 1300 block Promenade, 11:18 a.m.
EMS, 2100 block Wilshire, 11:30 a.m.
EMS, 300 block Santa Monica, 12:24 p.m.
EMS, Main/Kinney, 12:54 p.m.
Automatic Alarm, 1900 block Euclid, 1:18 p.m.
EMS, 1400 block Promenade, 1:22 p.m.
EMS, 300 block California, 1:38 p.m.
Dumpster Fire, 1900 block Lincoln, 2:16 p.m.
EMS, 1800 block Lincoln, 3:05 p.m.
EMS, 1400 block 17th, 4:04 p.m.
EMS, 300 block Santa Monica Pier, 4:24 p.m.
EMS, 1000 block Centinela, 4:38 p.m.
EMS, 1400 block 7th, 4:43 p.m.
EMS, 2500 block 26th, 5:38 p.m.
EMS, 1500 block 5th, 6:34 p.m.
EMS, 1900 block Ocean, 7:37 p.m.
EMS, 1700 block Delaware, 7:49 p.m.
EMS, 2900 block Exposition, 8:20 pm.
EMS, 1300 block 20th, 8:45 p.m.

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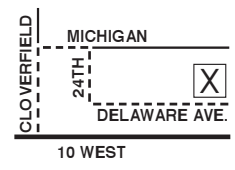

SCOUT

FROM PAGE 1

Eagle Scout project as an opportunity to address the issue in Santa Monica. He and other members of Troop No. 2 are constructing tubed bag dispensers that residents can put outside to encourage pet owners to clean up after their animals.

McHugh said he read about the success of similar initiatives in Arizona and Colorado, so he figured it was worth trying in Santa Monica. He added that pet owners might not have easy access to bags and that they might not be aware of the environmental impacts of their inaction.

"It's neighbors helping each other out," he said. "It's a good system."

Of the 50 tubes that McHugh and his troop peers are building, 30 will be distributed publicly through a sign-up drive from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at the Santa Monica Animal Shelter, 1640 9th St., which is located between Olympic Boulevard and Colorado Avenue. The tubes will then be delivered Sunday, April 19.

An additional 20 tubes will be donated to the animal shelter.

McHugh said he's responsible for financing the project and that he's seeking donations from area hardware stores.

For McHugh, a longtime dog owner, this project isn't necessarily the precursor to a career in zoology or veterinary medicine. Rather, he said, it's a potential solution to a common local issue.

"I don't plan to go into the field, but I want to help my community in some way," he said. "I thought this would be a good fit."

McHugh, who attended Will Rogers Elementary School and John Adams Middle School, has been a Cub Scout since he was in first grade and joined Troop No. 2 in fifth grade. He's worked at the troop's annual Christmas tree lot and participated in a variety of service projects.

McHugh is currently the Associated Student Body senior class vice president at Samohi and a member of the varsity baseball team. In the fall he'll attend the University of California, Berkeley, where he plans to study business.

For more information about the Eagle Scout service project, contact McHugh at seanmchugh98@gmail.com.

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DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 386 calls for service on April 6.

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

Fraud, 300 block Olympic, 2:40 a.m.
Vandalism, 1800 block, 16th, 3:35 a.m.
Party complaint, 2300 block Virginia, 4:38 a.m.
Battery, 1200 block Lincoln, 4:46 a.m.
Theft of recyclables, 300 block San Vicente, 6:21 a.m.
Petty theft, 1700 block Ocean, 6:53 a.m.
Identity theft, 1100 block Cedar, 8:57 a.m.
Petty theft, 1000 block 17th, 9:06 a.m.
Assault, 2400 block 3rd, 9:29 a.m.
Petty theft, 300 block SM Pier, 9:50 a.m.
Petty theft, 200 block Arizona, 9:57 a.m.
Hit and run, 1100 block Wilshire, 10:14 a.m.
Fraud, 2800 block Virginia, 10:16 a.m.
Bike theft, Promenade/Broadway, 10:19 a.m.
Petty theft, 1700 block Cloverfield, 10:19 a.m.
Grand theft, 2000 block Lincoln, 10:35 a.m.
Burglary, 400 block Santa Monica, 10:57 a.m.
Vandalism, 1100 block Wilshire, 11:25 a.m.
Bike theft, Stewart/Pico, 12:03 p.m.
Vandalism, 400 block California, 12:31 p.m.
Car burglary, 200 block SM Pier, 12:57 p.m.
Petty theft, 2900 block 31st, 1:10 p.m.
Petty theft, 300 block Pico, 1:31 p.m.
Petty theft, 300 block Santa Monica, 1:41 p.m.
Identity theft, 1800 block 9th, 1:52 p.m.
Burglary, 1200 block 10th 2:45 p.m.
Car burglary, 1500 block PCH, 2:56 p.m.
Grand theft, 1500 block PCH, 3:03 p.m.
Identity theft, 1400 block 5th, 3:46 p.m.
Petty theft, 1300 block Pico, 3:55 p.m.
Sexual assault, 2100 block Pearl, 4:13 p.m.
Battery, 20th/Broadway, 4:31 p.m.
Car burglary, 1600 block Appian, 4:31 p.m.
Fraud, 300 block Strand, 4:33 p.m.
Strongarm robbery, 300 block Colorado, 4:35 p.m.
Petty theft, 300 block Colorado, 5:01 p.m.
Domestic violence, Lincoln/Pico, 5:37 pm.
Grand theft, 1300 block 2nd, 5:57 p.m.
Bike theft, Stewart/Pico, 6:40 p.m.
Indecent exposure, Main/Olympic, 7:14 p.m.
Car burglary, 1500 block PCH, 8:40 p.m.
Burglary, 900 block 5th, 8:54 p.m.
Car burglary, 300 block Olympic, 9:22 p.m.
Receiving stolen property, 100 block Santa Monica Pl. 10:22 p.m.
Vandalism, 1800 block Lincoln, 10:41 p.m.

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **61.5°**

WEDNESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
Shorter period WNW swell holds. SSW-South swell holds. Lightest wind early.

THURSDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high occ. 3ft
Easing mix of shorter period WNW swell and SSW-South swell. Lightest wind early.

FRIDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high
Minimal SSW-South and NW swells.

SATURDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high
New SW-SSW swell starts to creep in - bigger sets showing for summer magnets before dark.
Possible new dose of shorter period Westerly swell - stay posted for updates.

FOOD

FROM PAGE 1

Monica's most acclaimed restaurants is opening a sister location up the street.

Rick Bayless' Red O, which currently has locations in Los Angeles and Newport Beach, is expanding to Santa Monica this year.

The two existing up-scale Mexican restaurants are known for their duck taquitos ($15) and goat cheese tamales ($13), among other things.

Bayless is known for his PBS television shows about Mexican cuisine. He's also the brother of ESPN personality Skip Bayless.

The new Red O is headed for Ocean Avenue, near the corner of Colorado Boulevard. It replaces the Ma'Kai Lounge.

HERRINGBONE

Also coming to Ocean Avenue is a third Herringbone, which currently has locations in West Hollywood and La Jolla.

The upscale seafood restaurants are the work of chef Brian Malarkey. Restaurant owners are hoping to add two patios to the 4,000-square-foot space inside Civic Center Village. The patios would include string-of-bead succulents, climbing Vanilla Trumpet Vinces, and Mexican Feather Grass.

The patios would add just over 50 seats.

JINYA RAMEN BAR

JINYA Ramen Bar opened on Main Street last week and is already pulling in good reviews. JINYA's got more than a dozen locations, most in Southern California. The ramen joint gets accolades for its shrimp toast and thick noodles.

It replaced Bravo Pizza.

CHEESECAKE FACTORY

A Cheesecake Factory, the large chain, replaced restaurants La Sandia and Zengo in the Santa Monica Place mall. Owners are seeking approval of facade design, colors, materials, and sign plans from Santa Monica's Architectural Review Board. There's no word as to when the large space will open.

SANTA MONICA YACHT CLUB

Chef Andrew Kirschner, who debuted with the extremely popular rustic restaurant Tar + Roses on Santa Monica Boulevard at Sixth Street, will open the seafood-oriented Santa Monica Yacht Club just up the street today.

The restaurant, at 620 Santa Monica Blvd., replaces La Botte.

Early reports from city officials note that it will seat about 90 people and include a small, enclosed outdoor patio.

It got alcohol permits from the Planning Commission last summer.

SWEET ROSE TURNS 5

Sweet Rose Creamery, the ice cream shop backed by the restaurateurs behind Rustic Canyon, Milo + Olive, and Huckleberry Cafe, will have been open for five years on May 9. In celebration of the half-decade, the ice cream shop will begin hosting free kitchen tours at the headquarters on Pico Boulevard starting on April 11.

The tours will be held on the second Saturday of each month for any ice cream lover over the age of four.

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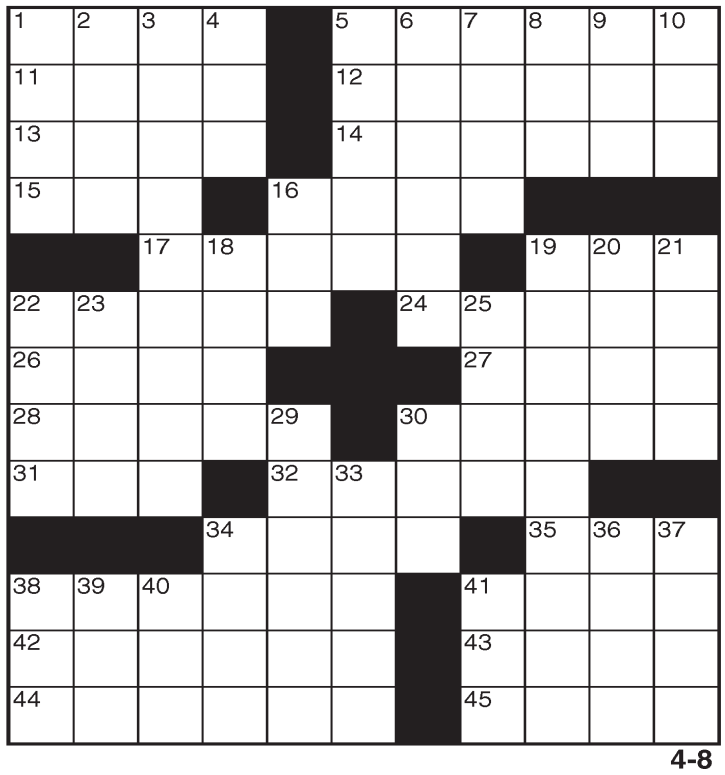

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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8	5	1	2	9	4	3	6	7
7	9	2	6	3	8	4	5	1
9	2	8	4	6	3	7	1	5
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10 36 47 63 74
Mega#: 2
Jackpot: 30M

SUPER LOTTO Draw Date: 4/4
1 4 20 27 36
Mega#: 15
Jackpot: 23M

Fantasy 5 Draw Date: 4/6
6 19 33 36 37

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WORD UP!

badinage
1. light, playful banter or raillery.
2. to banter with or tease (someone) playfully.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1904 – British mystic Aleister Crowley transcribes the first chapter of The Book of the Law.

1904 – Longacre Square in Midtown Manhattan is renamed Times Square after The New York Times.

1906 – Auguste Deter, the first person to be diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, dies.

1908 – Harvard University votes to establish the Harvard Business School.

1911 – Dutch physicist Heike Kamerlingh Onnes discovers superconductivity.

1913 – The 17th Amendment to the United States Constitution, requiring direct election of Senators, becomes law.

1916 – In Corona, California, race car driver Bob Burman crashes, killing three, and badly injuring five, spectators.

1918 – World War I: Actors Douglas Fairbanks and Charlie Chaplin sell war bonds on the streets of New York City's financial district.

1924 – Sharia courts are abolished in Turkey, as part of Atatürk's Reforms.

1929 – Indian Independence Movement: At the Delhi Central Assembly, Bhagat Singh and Batukeshwar Dutt throw handouts and bombs to court arrest.

1935 – The Works Progress Administration is formed when the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935 becomes law.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Too-Swift Justice: It is not unheard of for someone to commit a crime and then immediately surrender, usually for safety or the comfort of a jail cell. However, Gerard Cellette Jr., 44, tried to be even more helpful. Knowing that he would soon be arrested (and probably convicted) for running a $53 million Ponzi scheme in the Minneapolis area, he walked into a county judge's chambers in December (2009) and offered to begin serving time. The judge explained patiently that Cellette would have to wait until he was arrested and charges were filed and a plea recorded -- which would all take time. (He was disappointed but 12 months later was sentenced to eight years in prison.)

■ An unarmed man, suspected of no crime, who three years ago was shot 16 times by police while lying in his bed, told a Seattle Times reporter in March that he bears no ill will for the cops who shot him. Said Dustin Theoharis, now 32, "Sometimes (police) make mistakes." Theoharis was napping in a friend's house in Puyallup, Washington, when police arrived to arrest the friend's son, and when Theoharis reached for his ID, one officer imagined a gun, and the two officers opened fire, hitting Theoharis in the jaw, both upper arms, both lower arms, wrist, hand, shoulder, abdomen and both legs. He spent months in a hospital and skilled nursing facility and today is largely immobile and unable to work. (He "won" legal settlements totaling $5.5 million, but one-third went to lawyers, and much of the rest has paid medical bills.)

Dinner for two tonight, Taurus

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You seem to be expressing unusual impulsiveness. Once this passes, you are likely to rein yourself in and decide not to repeat this behavior. Try to understand where the root of the issue is stemming from. Use your instincts with someone at a distance. Tonight: Take in new vistas.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Deal with a child or loved one on a one-on-one level. You could feel as if you are off-kilter or not as sure of yourself as you would like to be. You might be in a situation where you can't make a decision. Know that more information is forthcoming. Tonight: Dinner for two.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Defer to someone else with the understanding that this approach might be the only way to get this person involved with a project. You have the ability to charm others to go along with your point of view. Tonight: Sort through your many invitations first.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You might be at the end of a cycle that has been very draining. Someone you need to answer to could cause you a problem with his or her unpredictability. You also tend to personalize what people say. Don't. Tonight: Schedule a massage.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Put yourself 100 percent into whatever you are doing. You might find that surprising someone could reveal much more information about a certain situation. You have a lot to discuss. A key issue will throw you into the limelight. Tonight: Frolic away.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Tension builds as others close to you make their expectations clear, especially a roommate or family member. A loved one could surprise you by offering a whole different perspective. You seem to be able to land on your feet no matter what. Tonight: Mosey on home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Keep communication moving. You could get an unexpected response from someone you look up to. This person seems to be overly serious, and you might be seeing another side to his or her personality. Observe, but do not play into the situation. Tonight: Out and about.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Be aware of your actions and the financial implications involved. What you see coming down the path might not be in sync with what you thought would happen. Nevertheless, a partner will help you in weighing the pros and cons of the situation. Tonight: Your treat.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ You'll move quickly through a difficult situation. Be clear about what a friend or coworker is doing, as this person has a way of adding chaos to your life. You know how to handle it. Reach out to an expert, if need be. Tonight: Your wish easily can be fulfilled. Just ask.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You might want to step back and let others make the first move to present their ideas. At the same time, you'll free yourself up. Confusion could surround a talk, so be ready to back off some. Be aware of your limitations. Tonight: Sort through a lot of gossip.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Zero in on what you want. Your words seem to get to the right person to produce the results you desire. Be more forthright about a difficult situation involving a friend. Clearly, you are not able to have a positive effect on this person. Tonight: Hang with the gang.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Be careful, as you could lose your wallet or be hit with an unexpected bill. Tensions are high, and it seems that, no matter what direction you turn, you feel challenged. You will have a lot of energy, so use it to get into a constructive project. Tonight: Stay on top of a situation.

Wednesday, April 8, 2015

This year you have the ability to look beyond the obvious. You see the implications of different ideas as well as their potential ramifications. As a result, your choices will become more solid. Often others will want to seek you out to get your feedback. If you are single, listen to your gut, and in the next few months, you could meet Mr. or Ms. Right. If you are attached, the two of you often get into tiffs that really are meaningless. Remember that you will have different opinions, and you both will think you are right. SAGITTARIUS can be willful and adventuresome.

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

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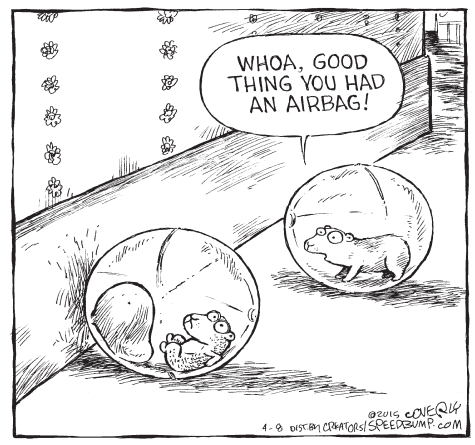
By Dave Coverly



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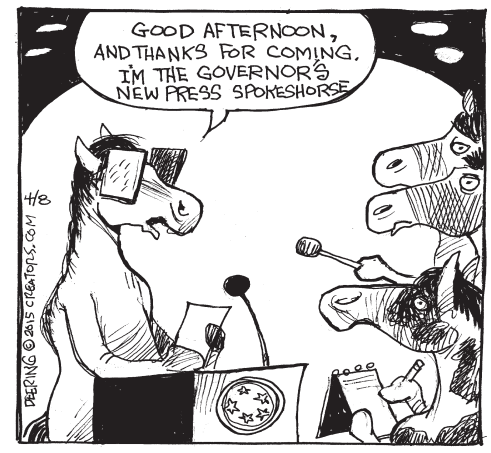

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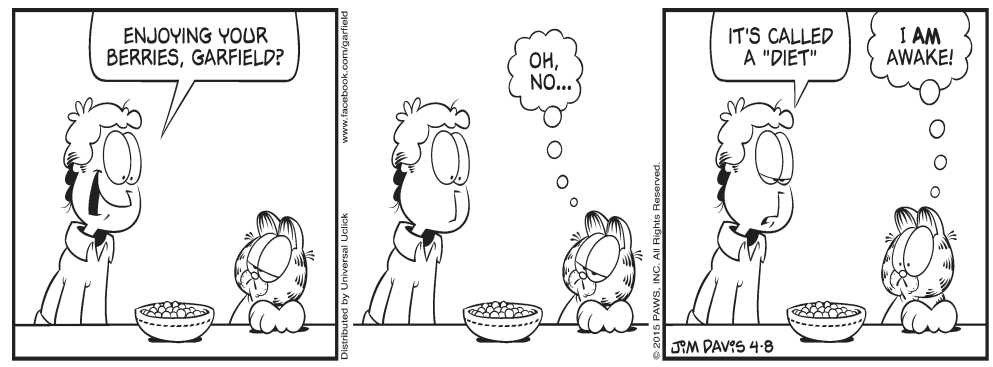

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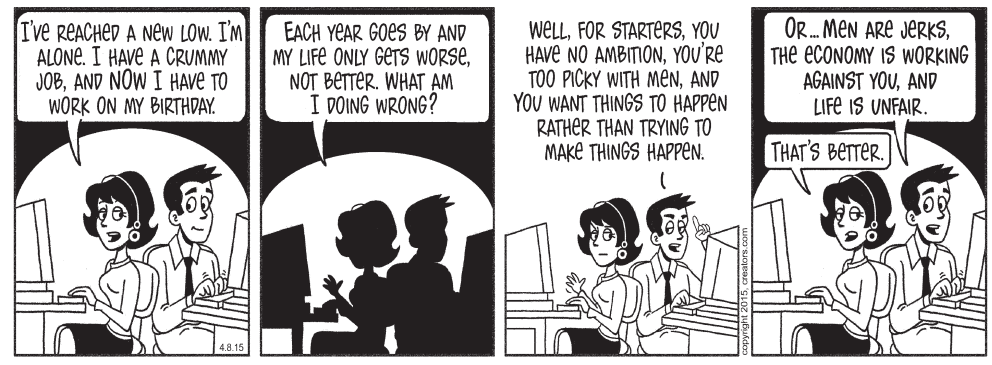

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April 6-12 is National Volunteers Week

Define your life by what you give to others

By Mikey Tittinger

Winston Churchill. He helped save the world during World War II. He won the Nobel Prize in Literature. He said things like "The price of greatness is responsibility" and "I like pigs. They treat us as equals." He even coined the net-obsessed "OMG" in a letter a hundred years ago ... a gift that just keeps giving. Some wish it would go away.

V is for Volunteer

But this week is National Volunteer Week (April 12-18) and April is National Volunteer Month. It's got decrees and everything, a recognition ol' Winnie would appreciate. It's enough to make us channel our own inner "British Bulldog".

"You make a living by what you get," Churchill said. "You make a life by what you give."

Forty-one years after President Richard Nixon created the first National Volunteer Week, more than 64 million Americans engaged in some fashion of volunteer experience, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Collectively, those volunteers dedicated more than a billion hours (valued at $173 billion) to philanthropic organizations.

So on this day, this week, this month, let the world know about your favorite volunteers, the ones defining their lives by what they give.

There are lots of innovative ways to show appreciation: Let them wear the company press passes like Olympic medals, pay for their parking, even cut out paper hands and pat it on their backs. We just happen to have a news column to thank everyone who has dedicated their time and talents to make Giive go. We'd also like to thank the creative writers who make *Giive a (bleep)* happen every day: Katharine Romefelt, Megan Tambio, Andrew Shane Walters and Sam Davidson. You rock. You roll. In the truest sense of the words, you give a (bleep).

"We are masters of our fate ... captains of our souls" Churchill once said.

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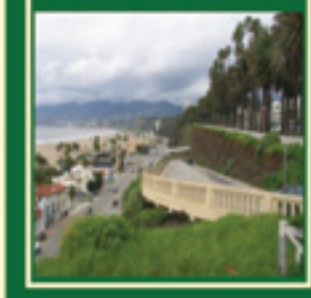

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