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THE LAW AND ORDER ISSUE

Gang members found guilty in Juarez murders

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

DOWNTOWN L.A. A pair of imprisoned gang members has been found guilty of murdering two brothers who were gunned down more than a decade ago while visiting their cousin's clothing store on Lincoln Boulevard.

The verdict was read Tuesday in the murder trial of David Robles and Jessie Garcia, cousins affiliated with local street gangs and the Mexican mafia who law enforcement officials said were out to settle a dispute over drugs and money when they and two other suspects drove to the Westside Clothing store on Oct. 27, 1998 and shot and killed Michael Juarez, 27, and Anthony Juarez, 19, and wounded two others.

The shooting raised alarm in Santa Monica because of the extreme nature of the crime. The Juarez brothers, who were visiting from out of town, and the two who were wounded were described by police as innocent victims who had no ties to gangs.

"We've been waiting for this day for a long time," said Francisco Juarez, the victims' uncle. "Justice has finally been served and now we're hoping this brings some closure."

The defendants were convicted on two counts of murder and two counts of attempted murder. Robles is scheduled to be sentenced on May 3. Garcia is expected to return to court on May 19. Both could receive life in prison.

For Ginger Blackstone, the mother of Anthony Juarez, the verdict was welcomed but it has done little to ease the family's pain. She and her ex-husband, Bill Juarez,

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COMING SOON? **This property on Euclid Street is the proposed future site of a senior housing development that has its share of detractors.**

Council OKs controversial bond for senior housing

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL A private developer will be allowed to seek tax exempt bonds through the state to finance three controversial senior housing projects in Santa Monica, the City Council affirmed Tuesday.

The decision came over the protests of angry neighbors from the Pico-Euclid neighborhood that decry the project as too expensive, too dense and out of line with Santa Monica's municipal code.

Members of the First African Methodist Episcopal Church also protested, saying that The Rev. Rubin Ford had no authority

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Synagogue blast suspect returning to California

THOMAS J. SHEERAN
Associated Press

CLEVELAND The suspect in an explosion at a Santa Monica synagogue agreed Wednesday to return from Ohio to face charges.

Ron Hirsch, 60, waived a detention hearing and told a federal magistrate judge that he was ready to be returned to face charges in the blast. No plea was entered on a federal fugitive count.

Hirsch waved and smiled at reporters in court and offered short, polite answers to the judge's questions about his case.

Los Angeles County prosecutors have filed four felony charges, including possession of a destructive device and explosion with intent to murder.

His attorney, Daniel Chaplin, said Hirsch will fight the California charges and maintains his innocence.

"He's anxious to go back to California," Chaplin said outside court.

While Hirsch confirmed to Magistrate Judge Greg White that he was the man named in the California charges, "What they're saying about him, he denies," Chaplin said.

The U.S. Marshals Service said it expects to fly Hirsch back to California next week.

Hirsch, a transient known to seek charity at synagogues and other Jewish community centers, was charged Tuesday with fleeing to avoid prosecution after the explosion last week in Santa Monica.

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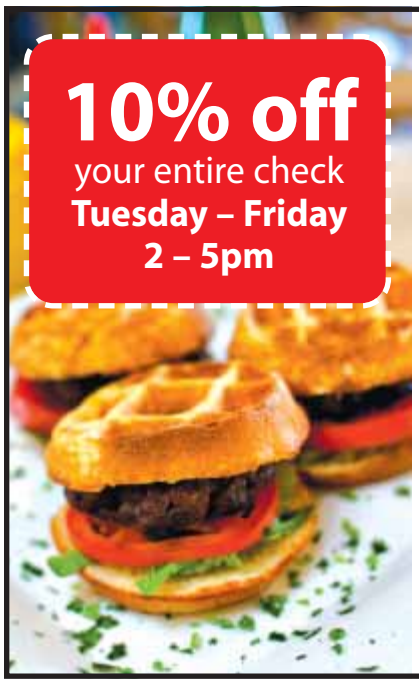
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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Thursday, April 14, 2011

Opening night: 'The Merchant of Venice'
The Broad Stage
1310 11th St., 7:30 p.m.
Academy Award winner, F. Murray Abraham attacks the role of Shylock in this riveting update of the bard's darkest of comedies, where religion, race and sexuality collide with love, family and justice. The currency of society and humanity has never been so changeable in this Royal Shakespeare Company commissioned production, the first production by an American company to be invited to the RSC's Complete Works Festival. This production runs through April 24. For information, call (310) 434-3200.

Los Angeles Antiques Show
Barker Hangar
3021 Airport Ave., 11 a.m. — 7 p.m.
Sixty prestigious national and international exhibitors presenting an extraordinary collection of rare and beautiful antique furniture, decoration and fine arts reflecting all periods from ancient to the 20th century. For more information, visit losangelesantiqueshow.com.

Water wise
Ken Edwards Center
1527 Fourth St., 7 p.m.
Water self-sufficiency by 2020 is a goal Santa Monica has recently adopted. The League of Women Voters of Santa Monica is sponsoring a meeting with city staff to talk about how we can all work to meet that goal. Neal Shapiro, Senior Environmental Analyst and Kim O'Cain, Water Resource Specialist will discuss conservation efforts the city is making and how we can all contribute to these efforts. Gil Borboa, Water Resource Manager, will talk about how the water department is contributing to these efforts. The meeting is free and open to the public.

Friday, April 15, 2011

'Locked and Loaded'
Santa Monica Playhouse
1211 Fourth St., 8 p.m.
"Locked and Loaded," Todd Susman's first published play, stars stage and screen personalities Paul Linke, Andrew Parks, Tarina Pouncy, Terasa Sciortino and Sandra Thigpen and is helmed by award-winning director Chris DeCarlo. For more information, visit santamonicaplayhouse.com.

'The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee'
Morgan-Wixson Theatre
2627 Pico Blvd., 8 p.m.
"The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" is a hip musical comedy which follows six young people in the throes of puberty, who are overseen by grown-ups who barely managed to escape childhood themselves, as they learn that winning isn't everything and that losing doesn't necessarily make you a loser. At each performance, four audience volunteers are selected and invited on stage to participate in the Bee, making each performance unique. This play also takes place on Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call (310) 828-7519.

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15th indicted in piracy that killed local yachters

BROCK VERGAKIS
Associated Press

NORFOLK, Va. A Somali man accused of acting as chief negotiator for pirates who took four Americans hostage, including a pair of St. Monica parishioners, and killed them in February is the highest-ranking pirate the U.S. has captured in its efforts to help crack down on a rash of hijackings off Africa, prosecutors said Wednesday.

Mohammad Saaili Shibin, 50, was ordered by a federal judge to remain jailed until his trial. He faces piracy, conspiracy to commit kidnapping and firearms charges in an indictment unsealed Wednesday.

Thirteen Somalis and a man from Yemen pleaded not guilty last month to the same charges in the case. The trial for those men is scheduled for Nov. 29. Shibin's arraignment is April 27.

Prosecutors acknowledge Shibin never boarded the yacht Quest and say he was higher up in leadership chain than the other men, who are about half his age.

Instead, Shibin is accused of operating as a land-based negotiator. He was apprehended by the FBI and the military in Somalia last week and brought to the U.S. on Friday.

U.S. Attorney Neil MacBride called Shibin's arrest a breakthrough because he's the first pirate boss the U.S. has captured onshore in Somalia. The other 14 men accused in the case were captured at sea.

"We're prosecuting not simply the pirates who go to sea and take hostages, but a pirate negotiator that is responsible for developing the ransoms," he said. "It's our hope that this will send a message that whether you're at sea or whether you're on land in Somalia that the FBI will find you and bring you to justice."

The indictment says Shibin was the one who researched the four Americans on the Internet to determine how much of a ransom to seek and to identify family members they should contact.

The owners of the Quest — Jean and Scott Adam who were parishioners of St. Monica — were shot to death along with friends Bob Riggle and Phyllis Macay of Seattle after they were taken hostage several hundred miles south of Oman.

Pirates have increased attacks off Africa's eastern coast despite an international flotilla

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Santa Monica Stories

Tom Viscount — Send comments to editor@smdp.com



Photo courtesy Santa Monica History Museum

CATCHING A GLIMPSE OF AVIATION HISTORY: **A raucous and appreciative crowd of more than 200,000 gathered at Clover Park to welcome home the first planes to travel around the world. The planes were designed by Santa Monica-based Douglas Aircraft Co.**

Aircraft take on the world

LEGENDARY AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURER

Donald Douglas had already designed a groundbreaking World War I bomber when he began manufacturing military planes in an abandoned movie studio in the fields of Santa Monica in 1922.

In 1923, the Army Air Service, (the Air Force had not yet been created) approached Douglas about designing and manufacturing a plane so tough and durable it could withstand the rigors of a never-before-attempted, around-the-world flight. Douglas was asked to first construct a successful prototype and then manufacture a squadron of four more for the history-making flight. Douglas, an aircraft visionary and born risk-taker, fully understood what this venture could mean to the future of his new company and quickly agreed to develop the prototype at no charge.

Once the prototype was approved, Douglas, with the help of fellow engineer Jon Northrup, who would later found Northrup Aircraft, designed and built the four aircraft. The "Douglas World Cruiser" was an open-air cockpit plane, constructed mostly of wood with taut English cotton stretched over its 50-foot wings. The cotton was lathered with "Dope," a lacquer that once dried, increased the cotton's stretchability and strength. To extend its flight range the plane's gas tank was increased in size from 115 to 644 gallons, giving it the ability to fly an unheard of 2,200 miles on one tank.

Douglas successfully tested the aircraft at nearby Clover Field, named after World

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HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Samohi Vikings thump Hawthorne, 11-1

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOHI Looks like another dominant Ocean League season is in the offing for Santa Monica High School's softball team.

The defending CIF-Southern Section Division 4 champs again proved that for the 10th straight year the league title would have to go through the Vikings as Samohi dispatched Hawthorne 11-1 in five innings Wednesday on campus. Samohi improves to 2-0 in league and 6-8 overall.

"They are a strong team," Hawthorne head coach Jerry Contreras said of the Vikings. "Samohi is still the favorite."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Stop fighting the FAA

Editor:

Martin Rubin, Zina Josephs and Councilman McKeown have all started beating the drums to raise support to try to close Santa Monica Airport when the current agreement with the FAA expires.

Rubin's thing is pollution. He has claimed for years that the airport environs are being poisoned by jet fumes and has advocated a 300 foot buffer zone at the runway ends to protect the neighbors. Josephs cries constantly that there is a grave danger of planes crashing on take-off or overshooting the runway and crashing into houses in a ball of flames. This claim was incorporated last year into a hysterical rant about the FAA's small test of an alternate take-off route designed to lessen pollution at both SMO and LAX. In a blatant attempt to turn public opinion against what was a "green" initiative by the FAA, the rant was published (along with stolen artwork) and hand delivered to thousands of homes at City Hall's expense.

McKeown spearheaded a plan to ban C and D size jets from SMO by pretending that these jets were somehow less safe than other planes using the airport and that this ban was a valid alternative to the crushable concrete barriers the FAA proposed. He directed the city attorney's office to waste over half a million dollars in what was obviously a battle lost before it ever began. Now he is championing a citizens commission to discuss the "Airport Visioning Process." Already, hundreds of thousands of dollars have been allocated to consultants to determine the possible uses for the land after it supposedly becomes available in 2015.

Like all of McKeown's appointments to the Airport Commission, the citizen's commission will be populated almost entirely with airport haters. Commercial and recreational pilots, airport businesses and other persons or organizations who benefit from the use of the airport will never be given equal standing on the committee. The committee's conclusions will be pre-decided and guided by City Hall.

It is most likely that the airport will not close after the current agreements expire in 2015. SMO is an important reliever airport for the L.A. basin and a vital part of the system. It is more likely that the FAA will fight to keep it open and available to all the current types of planes.

Instead of throwing more money down the drain proposing future uses for airport land, City Hall should stop now and apologize to the taxpayers for wasting hundreds of thousands of dollars on a politically motivated attempt to appease local airport haters. Then they should start to honestly work with the FAA to add the recommended crushable concrete safety zones and initiate a program that would buy the few buildings within 300 feet of the runway ends. (This wouldn't be much more than the gas station at the north end and possibly a few houses that border 23rd Street at the south end of the runway. Maybe not even that much, in spite of how it is portrayed.) To now ignore the safety concerns that they sued the FAA over will leave the city liable for any accident that happens in the future. The FAA has grant programs that would pay most or all of the expense of both the safety zones and the home purchases. City Hall could save its own money and spend it on vital programs like chasing leaf blower violators, creating taxi cartels for their friends and narrowing main traffic arteries to force cars and trucks into residential neighborhoods.

John Noot
Venice



Your column here

Lee H. Hamilton — **Send comments to editor@smdp.com**

With Congress and the courts, what matters most is balance

A YEAR AFTER THE PASSAGE OF THE healthcare reform law known as "the Affordable Care Act," its legal future is up in the air. Judges in five federal courts have weighed in on it, two of them declaring it unconstitutional and three supporting it. These decisions underline anew the tensions between Congress and the courts that our system of government creates.

The political opponents of the health-reform law have been quick to seize on the rulings against it. Republicans in Congress declared that they validated their opposition, while a number of governors announced they would halt implementing the law in their states. Supporters of reform, on the other hand, point out that the two antagonistic rulings came from judges who'd been appointed by Republican presidents; the three judicial decisions upholding the law, meanwhile, have come from judges appointed by Democrats.

With the law clearly headed toward the Supreme Court, partisans on both sides have drawn attention to the court's Republican-appointed majority and suggested that the reforms may face tough sledding there.

In theory, of course, the politics should be beside the point. A cardinal tenet of the American system of government is an independent, impartial judiciary, and among both politicians and ordinary citizens there is a broad understanding that the courts have a central role to play in the checks and balances woven into our constitutional system.

Yet that hasn't stopped politicians and citizens from reacting with outrage to various judicial decisions. The unseating of state Supreme Court justices in Iowa who'd decided in favor of gay marriage; the death threats against U.S. District Court Judge John Roll — who was killed in January's shooting rampage in Tucson — for his decisions on illegal immigrants' rights; public anger over decisions decriminalizing sodomy, furthering civil rights, upholding abortion rights, governing the display of the Ten Commandments on public property; the near certainty that presidential appointments to the bench will be held up by senators of the other party who object to this or that item in the nominee's past — all of these illustrate how blurred the line is between the judicial and the political.

Which may be why some judges provoke such animosity. I still remember campaigning for Congress in southern Indiana and driving past signs on the rural highways reading, "Impeach Earl Warren!" — long after the Supreme Court chief justice had died. And today, Congress has been forced to increase security arrangements for federal judges, while courthouses are coming to resemble fortified stronghouses more than the tribunals of an open democracy.

Members of Congress often decry "activist" judges who they claim disregard the law in favor of their political preferences. Every session some member is bound to propose legislation stripping the courts of their jurisdiction over one issue or another, or threaten to cut funding for the courts in retaliation for a particularly controversial decision. Some want to investigate or monitor the courts, while every so often, a serious move will get under way to impeach a judge.

AS OUR SYSTEM HAS EVOLVED, THE POWER OF CONGRESS, THE PRESIDENT, AND THE JUDICIARY ARE MEANT TO BE IN CAREFUL BALANCE, AND MOST OBSERVERS ARE KEENLY AWARE OF THE RISKS IF THAT BALANCE IS UPSET.

Yet significantly, most of these steps never get very far. As our system has evolved, the power of Congress, the president, and the judiciary are meant to be in careful balance, and most observers are keenly aware of the risks if that balance is upset. Congress has enormous power over the judiciary through its control of the purse-strings; it could, if it wanted, make the judiciary a subservient branch. And the courts have enormous power over Congress, with their ability to strike down a law as unconstitutional or to interpret a law in light of the Constitution in a way that may differ from Congress's sentiments. For the most part, both act with great restraint and try to avoid unnecessary confrontations.

This is as it should be. As Indiana University law professor Charles Gardner Geyh argues in his crucial book, "When Courts and Congress Collide," with two such immensely powerful institutions the system can only work if there is a balance between them. Congress needs to respect judicial independence; judges need to remain accountable for their decisions. The public, for now, continues to have confidence in the fairness and impartiality of judges. Congress and the courts may be separate branches of government, but they are interdependent, and it's crucial that each respect the core powers of the other as they interact with one another. Every year will bring a new test of where that balance ought to lie — which in a living democracy like ours is exactly as it should be.

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Life Matters

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Be open, honest about a layoff

DEAR NEW SHRINK,

My company recently downsized and as a result I was laid off from my job. I have been a consistent and responsible employee for the past 12 years and my termination with the company had nothing to do with my performance. I am currently exploring new opportunities but feel really unsure about how to document this on my resume. I do not want to hide anything, but at the same time I do not want being laid-off to keep me from a new opportunity. Do you have any suggestions about how I should handle this?

Signed,
Seeking Employment

DEAR SEEKING,

I am sorry to hear about your news. In a time of tight budgets and difficult business decisions far too many competent and qualified professionals are finding themselves without work. Most employers are forgiving of layoffs and given our current economic climate it does not have the stigma it used to. However, even if they are understanding of your situation, there are several things you can do to handle this situation, both on paper and in person.

Most important is that you are honest and accurate with the information that you provide. Resist the temptation to keep "to present" listed on your resume. Put the month and year you ended your position and use the bullet-points below to describe your accomplishments and deliverables during that time. A potential employer will find out the truth through the interview or background check, so it's best for you to present them with the correct details from the start.

Fill potential gaps on your resume with volunteer work. Find a cause that you are passionate about or that relates to your career interests and volunteer your time. This will show perspective employers that you are committed to staying active and will help alleviate potential gaps on your resume. Employers want to hire candidates who are proactive and engaged in the work they do.

Use the cover letter to describe the circumstances of your recent departure. Even if you are upset about the termination, it is important that you remain positive in your explanation. Try framing your experience in terms of the news regarding your company or industry. Mention that they may be aware that your company/industry recently announced staffing reductions and that your position was included in those cuts. Then go on to describe your successful performance and the things you were recognized for. You can conclude your introductory statement by focusing on your current career goals and how the present opportunity fits those objectives.

Use your time and energy to focus on the positive, rather than explaining the negatives. Your resume should document your accomplishments, performance, and measurable results. If an employer gets a strong resume they will pay less attention to the timeline and more to the talents you bring to the table. Always focus on connecting your background and experience to the qualities described in the job description.

As with any position you apply to, you should also tap into your network. Having someone on the inside of a company sharing your information with a hiring manager will increase your chances of securing an interview. In addition, if that person knows more about the details surrounding your layoff they can share that with the hiring manager to reduce any concerns.

It is also important that you practice telling your story. The interview will require that you share the details surrounding your departure. Be prepared to answer questions about your previous employer and termination. Start by drafting a pitch of how you will introduce your layoff to a perspective employer. It may also help to prepare for more specific, challenging questions such as: "Why do you think you were laid off" or "did you see this coming and why didn't' you plan earlier." Share the details you are comfortable with and present your story in a positive, or neutral light. Even if you have negative feelings towards your former employer it is important that you do not voice these to your perspective employer. Employers are seeking specific qualities when they interview and hire new candidates, among those qualities are loyalty and commitment. Show them that you are a team player and that you remain positive and professional no matter what.

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The Q Line

Show a little hospitality

Saint John's is requesting a modification to its development agreement so that it will not have to build a new parking garage at the hospital. Residents have complained about hospital employees and visitors taking up all of the street parking, as well as raw sewage spills.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
How can Saint John's be a better neighbor?

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‘The Cripple of Inishmaan’ comes to the Westside

IF GLENN BECK DIDN’T EXIST, SOMEBODY would have to invent him. Somebody already has. It’s playwright Martin McDonagh, who brings us the character of JohnnyPateenMike, the town gossip in “The Cripple of Inishmaan."

JohnnyPateenMike, like Beck, considers himself a “journalist” as he delivers the “news” door to door on the small Irish island of Inishmaan. And when he doesn’t have any news, he makes it up.

As McDonagh’s play opens, JohnnyPateenMike (lavishly played by Dermot Crowley), arrives at the grocery owned by Eileen and Kate (a marvelously whimsical Dearbhla Molloy and Ingrid Craigie) to divulge his “big news.” It’s 1934 and JohnnyPateenMike is attired in his Important newsman’s outfit: jacket, vest, and bowler hat.

The big news (which is actually true) is that documentary filmmaker Robert Flaherty, celebrated for his 1922 film “Nanook of the North,” has come to the neighboring island of Inishmore to shoot a film called “Man of Aran." What’s more, he is scouring the local islands for villagers to serve as extras in the film.

This brings out the village vamp, Slippy Helen (a delightfully vulgar Clare Dunne), to try to persuade the fisherman BabbyBobby (Liam Carney) to row her over to Inishmore. He agrees to do it for a kiss.

The news also appeals to Cripple Billy, an orphan who has been cared for by his kind-hearted “aunties,” Eileen and Kate, ever since his parents drowned when he was a boy. Disabled at birth, Cripple Billy (Tadhg Murphy), is a charmingly unsophisticated young man who has an unusable right arm and a leg that he drags along behind him as he limps across the stage.

Cripple Billy would also like a ride to Inishmore and so he plays on BabbyBobby’s sympathy by telling him that he, Cripple Billy, is dying. This news, overheard by JohnnyPateenMike, is included in his next news bulletin, with the additional speculation that Billy is dying of cancer, or TB, or a brain tumor. As always, JohnnyPateenMike fills in the blanks.

Surprisingly, Cripple Billy is carted off to Hollywood by the American filmmakers for a screen test. But he is left stranded when the producers decide they would rather cast “an actor who can play a cripple, rather than a cripple who can’t act.”

This simple, bittersweet play, like all of McDonagh’s works, has a humorous undercurrent that director Garry Hynes keeps the actors delivering in a timely fashion. JohnnyPateenMike and his seriously alcoholic mother (Nancy E. Carroll) provide the bulk of it, and their scenes together are loudly hilarious.

“The Cripple of Inishmaan" is a collaboration between the Druid Company of Ireland and the Atlantic Theater Company, and all the actors are members of the Irish company. Many of them are veterans of McDonagh’s other plays, “The Beauty Queen of Leenane,” “The Lonesome West,” “The Lieutenant of Inishmore,” “The Pillowman,” and “A Skull in Connemara,” most of which have won multiple awards in Britain and America. (In addition, his film, “In Bruges,” was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Screenplay in 2008.) All this wonderful outpouring of creativity comes from a playwright whose first play, “The Beauty Queen of Leenane,” was first produced in 1996, when he was just 26 years old.

“The Cripple of Inishmaan" is enhanced by the folksy music of composer Colin Towns, which pipes through the various scene changes, and by the sets and costumes of Francis O’Connor and the lighting of Davy Cunningham.

The entire “Inishmaan" company is currently engaged in a five-month coast-to-coast tour of the United States and Ireland and are scheduled to finish up this June on the island of Inis Meain, the actual island that McDonaugh renamed Inishmaan for the play.

“The Cripple of Inishmaan" can be seen and enjoyed Tuesdays through Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., and Sundays at l p.m. and 6:30 p.m. through May 1 at the Kirk Douglas Theatre, 9820 Washington Blvd., in Culver City. Call (213) 628-2772 for tickets.

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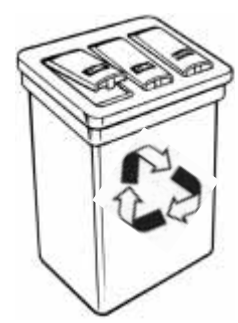

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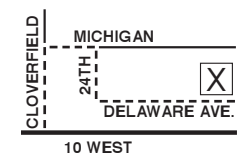

GUILTY
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Anthony and Michael's father, recently had to bury their daughter, who they said fell into a deep depression following her brothers' murder and committed suicide.

The family also had to endure a mistrial in 2009 when a jury failed to reach a verdict.

"We were extremely frustrated [after the first trial], but we are so grateful this time around," she said. "We thought the prosecution did an excellent job. It was tough to sit through it again and see those crime scene and autopsy photos. And even though I'm still dying inside at least we were able to get justice for our boys, something we've been fighting for for years."

Fighting through tears, Bill Juarez said he was extremely grateful for the work of Santa Monica detectives as well as the kindness and support given to the family from various sources over the past 11 years.

SMPD Detective Michael Bambrick, who took over the case in December 2004 after the previous lead detective retired, said eye witness testimony along with DNA evidence collected from a ski mask left at the scene of the murders were key pieces in the prosecution's case the second time around.

He said police initially believed the murders were in retaliation for an earlier shooting involving a gang member, however, further investigation led detectives to believe a dispute over drugs and money fueled the hit. The suspected target was not at the clothing store the day of the shooting, Bambrick said.

"It could have been they were trying to send a message," he said of the shooters.

Three men wearing masks entered the clothing store shortly before noon, opened fire and ran out. Bambrick said Robles acted as the getaway driver and was positively identified by witnesses. Garcia dropped his mask in the store and was also identified by witnesses.

Using DNA evidence collected from the mask, Bambrick said detectives were able to link Garcia and Robles, who were roommates at the time, to the crime scene. The two other shooters were never identified. Bambrick continues to investigate in hopes of locating the suspects.

"We're still working it, but there's not a ton of information out there," he said, urging anyone who may have knowledge about the shooting to come forward.

As for the Juarez family, Blackstone said she is looking forward to sentencing when she will be able to speak directly to the defendants and tell them how their actions have hurt the family. She hopes Robles and Garcia spend the rest of their lives behind bars so they suffer for their crimes.

At the time that murder charges were filed, Robles, also known as "Puppet," was serving an eight-year sentence in Corcoran State Prison. He was convicted of voluntary manslaughter in February 2001. Garcia, also known as "Psycho," was convicted of carjacking and assault with a deadly weapon with a firearm causing great bodily injury in May 1999. He was serving a 15-year sentence.

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BLAST
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His arrest in Cleveland Heights late Monday came after a rabbi recognized him from news reports about the explosion near Chabad House Lubavitch.

An FBI affidavit said Hirsch was linked to the explosion by a mailing label on a box of demolition agent. The package was addressed to him and sent to a place across the street from the explosion site, federal authorities said.

Investigators initially believed the blast was an industrial accident because of the device's strange construction: explosives inside hundreds of pounds of concrete and poured into a trashcan.

Jewish groups have said they did not believe anti-Semitism was necessarily behind it.

A few hours after the explosion, Hirsch purchased a Greyhound bus ticket to New York, where authorities believe he has relatives, according to the warrant. But his bus was more than an hour late, so he missed his connection.

Surveillance cameras captured Hirsch getting off the bus in Denver on Friday evening, going to the ticket counter and then boarding another eastbound bus, the FBI said.

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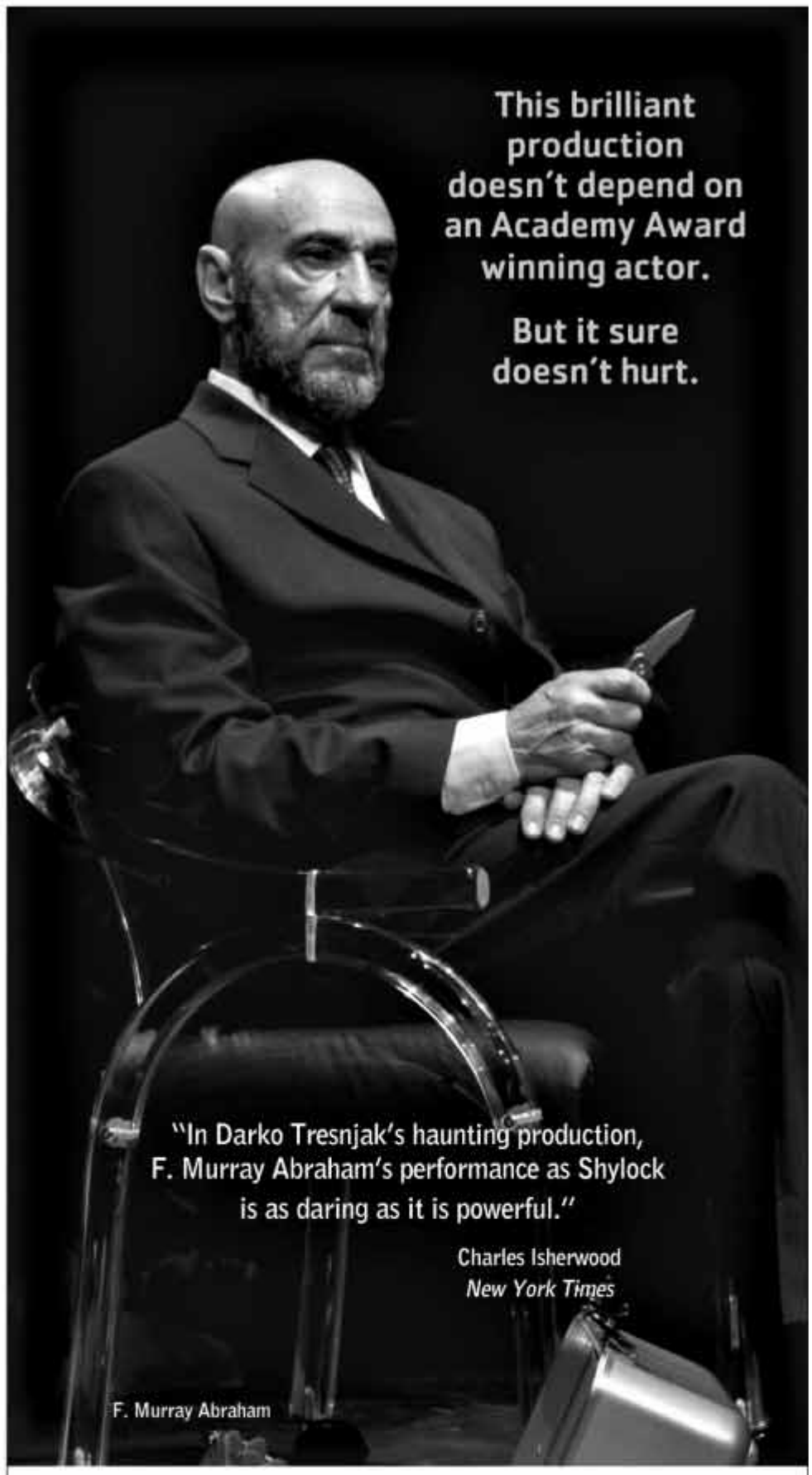

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The flight crew was a wily and rugged group of men, who were carefully chosen for their unique talents and experience. This elite crew would include a stunt flyer who also moonlighted as a summer stock actor, an expert in air-to-air refueling, seasoned long-range pilots, top trouble-shooting mechanics, and a pilot who once endured frostbite to set a flight altitude record.

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The Seattle crashed into the mountains in Alaska, after hitting heavy fog. Their two-man crew would ultimately survive, trekking 10 days through the dense wilderness to reach civilization. The three remaining planes pushed on, touching down in numerous distant cities that included Tokyo, Calcutta and Vienna. On Aug. 3, the Boston was forced to land and then sunk in the Atlantic, near Iceland, after completing nearly three quarters of the flight. The crewman survived, scooped up before the plane had totally submerged. On Sept. 28, 1924, the Chicago and New Orleans successfully touched down in Seattle, completing the first-ever flight around the world.

The two returning planes logged 27,553 miles and touched down in 28 countries during their odyssey. They traveled at an average speed of 103 mph, with an actual total flying time of 371 hours. It was hailed by national and international press as the greatest achievement in aviation history, and earned the Douglas Aircraft Co. its motto, "First Around the World." And when the two planes finally returned to Clover Field, a raucous and appreciative crowd of more than 200,000 would be waiting for them. The Douglas World Cruiser was such an important part of our city's history that it is featured in Santa Monica's official city seal. And as Donald Douglas had hoped when he took on this project, the aircraft's success was instrumental in making his company a major player in military aviation for years to come.

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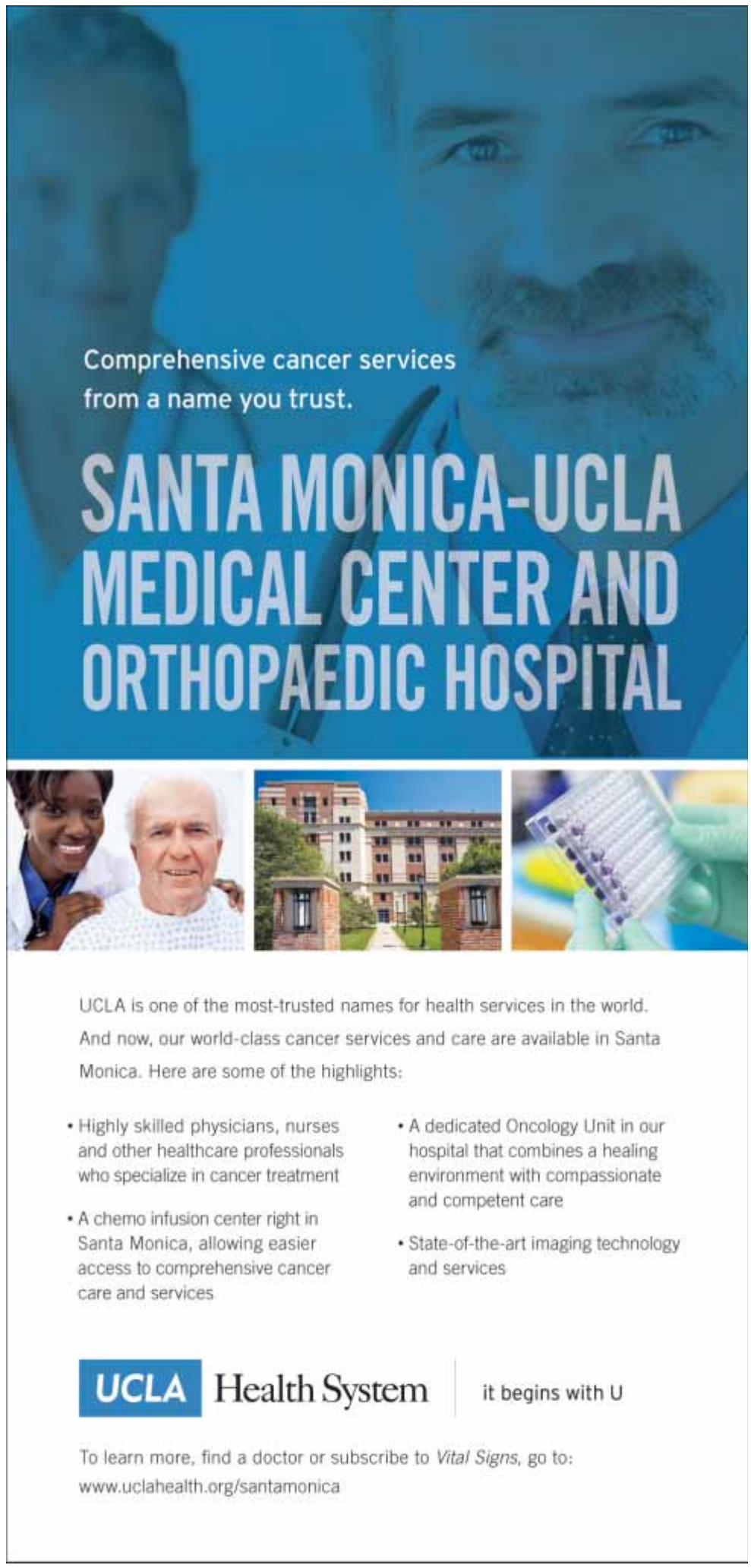



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to lease the three parcels for the project.

The church formally owns the property at 1754 19th St., and has a ground lease with the FAME Santa Monica Redevelopment Corporation to develop that site.

The other two properties, at 1924 and 1930 Euclid St. and 1753 18th St., respectively, were bought by the redevelopment corporation with a $4.4 million loan from City Hall.

Developer Gary Squier, in partnership with the nonprofit FAME Santa Monica Redevelopment Corporation, requested that City Hall approve the bond measure so that a state agency could offer up to $9 million in tax exempt bonds to help finance the project.

City Hall has no financial obligation for the bonds, but as the local agency, has to give its assent for the California Statewide Communities Development Authority, or CSCDA, to issue the bonds.

At present, total development costs for the project — which will provide 49 affordable housing units for seniors spread across three addresses in the Pico-Euclid neighborhood — come to $16.8 million, with $11.475 million coming from a Santa Monica Housing Trust Fund loan, according to Santa Monica Senior Development Analyst Ava Lee.

Roughly $4 million of that loan has already been used for property acquisition and design for the project, said Andy Agle, director of Housing and Economic Development.

The remaining $7 million is conditional on receiving building permits.

The low- or no-interest bond money and loan will help keep the rents low, city officials have stated.

The matter first came before the City Council as a consent agenda item at its March 22 meeting, which was pulled for discussion after residents of the Pico-Euclid neighborhood protested what they saw as a project that neither fit in their neighborhood nor met the needs of the seniors that are intended to live there.

Concerns focused on what neighbors viewed as inadequate kitchen facilities for the number of residents proposed for the 24-unit parcel, which they felt violated municipal code with the intent of getting a too-dense project approved.

"Deciding on these plans, as approved, has wide implications," said community member Wendy Lamm. "If it's approved and built, it's critical because it sets up precedent."

Neighbors also took issue with a supplemental staff report, which was meant to answer questions raised by council members at the March 22 meeting.

The staff report was full of "misstatements and half-truths," said Linas Baskauskas, a resident of the neighborhood.

"This project, as stated, is a charade," he said.

Squier spoke to defend his project, which he enumerated as one of many low-income senior housing projects he had ushered through both as the former executive director of the Community Corporation of Santa Monica, as well as the director of the Los Angeles Housing Authority under former L.A. Mayor Tom Bradley.

"This project has been debated extensively," Squier said. "We haven't cut corners, and we haven't dodged criticism."

One member of the FAME church, Beverly Collins, had a different issue to raise.

Collins told councilmembers that Ford had no right to enter into a lease agreement with church property, and had signed documents without the assent of the church trustees, a body of parishioners.

Rev. Ford dismissed the accusation, saying that FAME's Bishop T. Larry Kirkland Sr. gave his verbal approval of the project.

"There always can be argument about who's in charge, but ultimately our bishop is in charge," Ford said.

Council members questioned aspects of the project, including the term of the loan — 55 years — and the ability to give preference to Santa Monica residents and employees.

The 55-year loan allows City Hall to maintain a deed restriction on the properties, ensuring that low-income seniors live in the apartments and that Santa Monica residents get a preference when determining who rents them.

If the city chooses to extend the loans, those restrictions will also be extended, Agle said.

Council members generally supported the concept of the project, but Bobby Shriver noted that it almost didn't matter what they thought, because affordable housing is part of a fast-tracked process, much of which is handled administratively.

That policy to push forward affordable housing is also why notification, which some neighbors complained about, was relatively poor, he said.

"Policymakers decided that for affordable projects to be built, they have to proceed quickly enough, or without community opposition, or they won't get built," Shriver said. "It's the 800-pound gorilla which we don't like to talk about because it doesn't sound democratic."

Council member Terry O'Day confirmed that the council had little to do but vote on whether or not the CSCDA could issue bonds, rather than the merits of the project.

"The standard of review for us if we were to deny or amend this project is very high," O'Day said. "I appreciate the concerns raised through the cost and procedure of the church, but I don't think we have the findings to deny under the standard of review that Mr. Shriver just described."

The resolution passed unanimously, 7 to 0.

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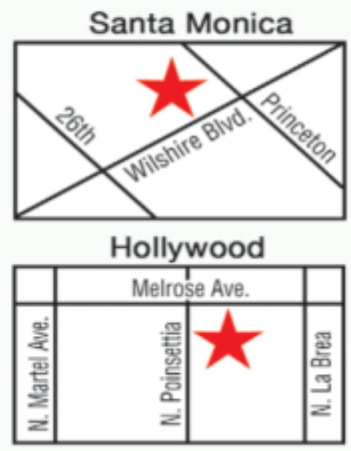

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PIRATES
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of warships dedicated to stopping the pirate assaults.

U.S. naval forces were tracking the Americans' captured yacht with unmanned aerial vehicles and four warships, and negotiations were under way when the pirates fired a rocket-propelled grenade.

Special forces boarded the vessel and found the Americans had been shot, according to the military. Pirates have blamed the deaths of the American hostages on the U.S. Navy, saying the pirates felt under attack.

It was the first time U.S. citizens have been killed in the pirate attacks that have plagued the Gulf of Aden and the Indian Ocean in recent years. The pirates are typically motivated by the potential for millions of dollars in ransom money.

The Adams, who were retired, had been sailing full-time on their 58-foot yacht and delivering Bibles around the world. The indictment accuses at least three of the indicted men of shooting and killing the four Americans without provocation.

SAMOHI
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The game began quickly for the Vikings, who scored four runs in the first inning off Hawthorne starting pitcher Elisa Marin. Marin was pulled in the middle of the first-inning rally after surrendering the four runs, but Hawthorne's prospects didn't improve as the game wore on. While Hawthorne would escape the first inning rally, it didn't take long for the Vikings to strike again.

The Vikings would put another four runs on the board during a fourth inning that was highlighted by a double off the wall in left field by Sara Garcia that plated lead-off hitter Meghan Bradley and Jamie Hom.

"Today was one of our better games," first-year Samohi head coach Marybell Moreno said. "In fact, it may have been our best yet."

Moreno said that her team has started to come together after beginning the season with five straight losses. She admitted that she would relish the opportunity to face some of those teams again to see what a little seasoning has done for her squad.

"Most of those losses we did to our selves," she said. "I think we're starting to come together at the right time."

If Wednesday was any indicator, Moreno may be on to something. In addition to the team's strong day on offense, the team was led by senior pitcher Natalie Abel, who pitched five innings with two strikeouts en route to the victory.

Like Moreno, Abel likes what she sees.

"I think we're starting to mesh," Abel said. "With a lot of young players, the upperclassmen have had to show them how to play at this level."

She said that the slow start was trying on the defending champs, but she's confident that Samohi should have little trouble capturing a 10th straight league title.

"As long as we don't make mental mistakes, we'll be fine," Abel said. "The physical mistakes are easy to fix, it takes time to teach young players to be mentally tough, to know that we can't quit."

Next for Samohi is a league game against Beverly Hills today at 3:15 p.m.

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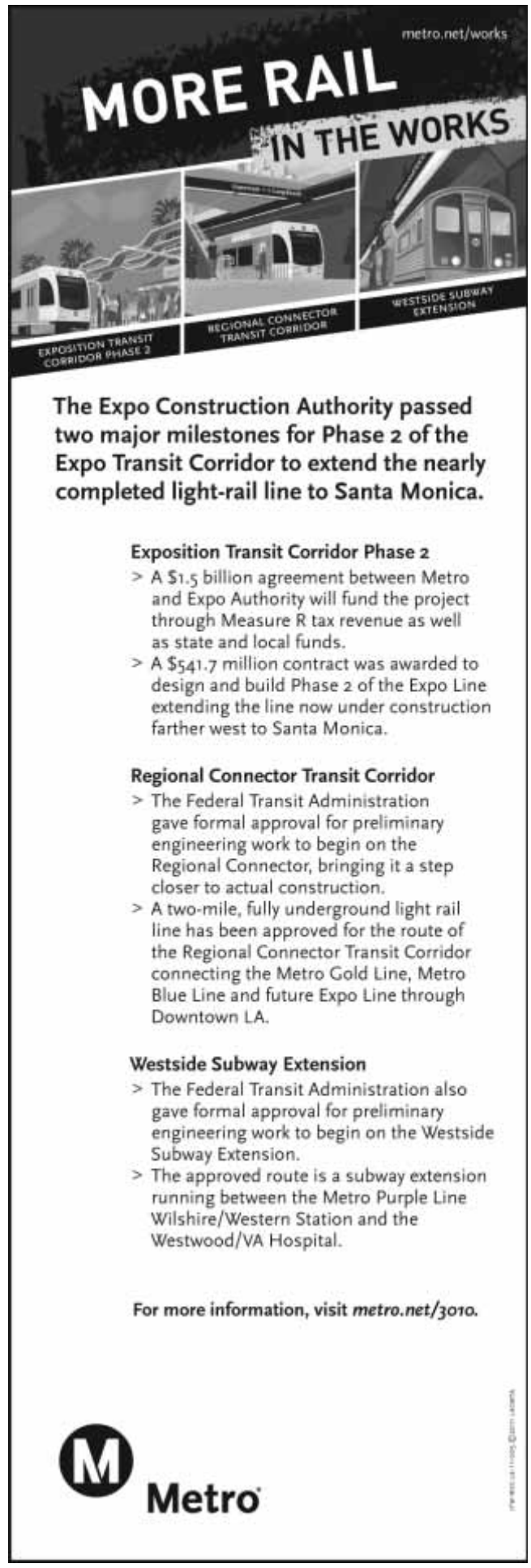



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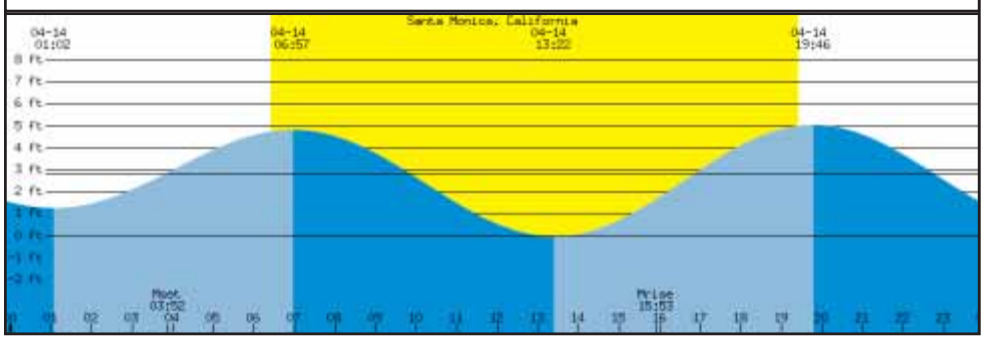
NW is likely to drop off to waist+ at west facing breaks. Southern hemi should pick up a tad to waist high.

Long Range Synopsis

Looks similar to Thursday: waist+ NW wind swell at west facing breaks and waist high SW ground swell at south facing spots.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of **April 6, 2011**

HEAL THE BAY - 1444 9th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401 - www.healthebay.org - brc@healthebay.org - 800 HEAL BAY

QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 10
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 34 / 12
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 11 / 32

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Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for 3 days after a rainstorm. After a rain, indicator bacteria counts at beaches throughout California usually far exceed health criteria in the state's Beach Closure and Health Warning Protocol.

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	F	F
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lachusa and Los Aliso creeks.	A+	A+
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	B	F
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	F
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A	A+
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	F	F
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	F	A+
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A	F
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A+	F
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	F
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	F	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	C
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	F	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	B	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	F	F
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	C
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	B
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	F	F
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	A+
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	F	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+	C
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A+	C
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	D	F
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	C	F
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	C
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	F
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	F
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	C
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A	A+
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	C
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	C
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	A	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	A+	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A+	B
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty).	A+	C
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	A+
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	F

LEGEND

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

Heal the Bay's Beach Report Card℠ is based on weekly water quality monitoring data provided by the City of Los Angeles' Environmental Monitoring Division and the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. Data is analyzed as soon as it is made available to us by the public agencies. Beaches are graded on an A–F scale based on the risk of ocean users becoming ill. Samples are analyzed for bacteria—enterococcus, total and fecal coliforms—that indicate biological pollution. A fact sheet detailing the exact methodology used in determining grades for each location is available from the office or on our web site. The report is not designed to measure the amount of trash or toxins found at local beaches.

The Beach Report Card is an indication of past water quality and is not a warranty of the current safety of those areas surveyed. Our lawyers are happy.

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My Personnel File: Why Do I Want it and How Do I Get a Copy?

The permanent record from our youth may have been a ruse cooked up to keep children in line, but these days, we are close to having permanent records due to our rapidly all encompassing digital world. Thankfully, personnel files are not yet in digital format. While we still can, we should at least always be prepared to have access to these records to check and to fix any wrong information. We may also want access when we think we should get a raise and want to use former evaluations, client letters, or training records to get it.

The Why:

More often than not, employees do not even know how to access this information until they talk to a lawyer. And if you are talking to a lawyer about work, something's already gone wrong. Lawyers want to see what your performance record is, any personnel actions and the basis, or any other records that could help determine whether, say, a termination was legally wrongful or justifiable in light of the bigger history. Most of these employment cases turn on performance, the reason the employer gives for the termination, versus whatever you as a plaintiff will show. For example, one good way to maintain better records in your file is to put in writing what you disagree with, such as in a negative evaluation. Later when these are reviewed, and the employee has these notes, it will be more difficult for a bad employer to justify their wrongful behavior through performance issues.

Another reason to keep track is that personnel records can be subpoenaed by a third party, which is something that could happen in any type of legal action where you are involved. The law does require that you are given a notice and opportunity to object to the subpoena. If any of it is relevant to whatever legal action is happening, not necessarily even an employment case, then usually the subpoena is allowed.

The How:

There are no federal laws about these records, but California has very clear laws. Still, some employers do not know them or follow them properly so it is better to know your rights and educate your employer if needed. Here are the types of records that you are legally entitled to get: Pay Records: Employers have to keep for at least three years of your pay records and give their employees a copy within 21 days of request or face civil penalties (Labor Code 226). Personnel Files: Employers have to keep records and give you access to them within a reasonable time (Labor Code 1198.5). All documents you signed: These are the ones signed at hire or as continuing term and condition of employment (not documents signed in the course of conducting business). (Labor Code 432).

Tips: Though these requests do not have to be in writing, it is usually better so that you can keep track of the response time. Employers may have part of your personnel file in different offices. Be sure to know where yours is kept so when the time comes you know how to find it without being given the run around.
Ask for or make copies of all personnel documents as they come up and hold on to the hiring paperwork so that you have your own set for comparison later.

Unemployment Benefits: Do I Qualify?

The news is not getting better about the economy and the unemployment office has to be really picky when it comes to claims. You were not laid off, but instead quit or were terminated. How can you file for unemployment and be approved? This is one of the most often asked questions from my clients. Some who are still working want to know if they should quit or wait to be terminated. The decision will vary from person to person to situation. The decision can also be personal or health related or that you just want to be out of there. Here are some legalities to consider in your decision.

The Quit:

In a situation with a quit, there is generally just one type of circumstance that will get you these benefits. If you can show that you quit because the work conditions were such that no reasonable person could be expected to work there, then you can still qualify for the benefits. This is a high standard limited to what the law requires of the workplace, such as safe conditions, free from harassment, being paid, and free from retaliation. This is not an easy showing to make and so arguments based on personality, rudeness, bad bosses, etc, will not fly.

The Termination:

Most people think that if you have been terminated, there is no unemployment for you. However, there are exceptions to this. Of course, if you have been terminated based on policy violations, gross misconduct, and other severe actions, then you are disqualified. One way to overcome that, if the facts are there, is the exception that the conduct may not have been appropriate but it was an isolated instance of poor judgment, or something excusable that happened the one time for a good reason. Criminal activity at work or assault or harassment is never excusable.

The Wrongful Termination:

If you have been "wrongfully terminated" in the legal sense, you may still qualify for unemployment. Most employees who file lawsuits have been terminated. If the facts are there for a lawsuit, then they should be there to qualify you for unemployment. You need to show that the termination was not based on whatever the employer is claiming, but because of some legal violation they have committed. For example, if you complain of sexual harassment, then a week later, you are terminated for some work issue that happened two months ago, then the termination was retaliation. When an employer retaliates for your report of a prohibited workplace activity, that employer just violated anti-retaliation laws.

Tip: If you are unemployed but develop a disability and you can't work, then you no longer qualify for unemployment. At this point, apply for State Disability Benefits. Again, these is not easy to get and you will need medical proof, but it is one safety we are lucky to have here in California.

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MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
(310) 260-1528

James Caan double feature
Harry and Walter Go to New York (PG) 1hr 55min
Cinderella Liberty (R) 1hr 57min
7:30pm

Call theater for information.

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade
(888) 262-4386

Rango (PG) 1hr 47min
1:00pm, 4:00pm, 6:35pm, 9:15pm

Paul (R) 1hr 40min
2:00pm, 4:30pm, 7:10pm, 9:40pm

Battle: Los Angeles (PG-13) 1hr 56min
1:10pm, 4:05pm, 7:00pm, 9:45pm

Insidious (PG-13) 1hr 42min
2:05pm, 4:35pm, 7:15pm, 9:50pm

AMC 7 Santa Monica
1310 Third St.
(310) 451-9440

Scream 4 (R) 1hr 43min
12:01am

Sucker Punch (R) 2hrs 00min
11:00am, 1:40pm, 4:30pm, 7:20pm, 10:05pm

Hop (PG) 1hr 30min
11:25am, 2:00pm, 4:35pm, 7:10pm, 9:40pm

Adjustment Bureau (PG-13) 1hr 46min
12:10pm, 2:45pm, 5:20pm, 8:00pm, 10:35pm

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules (PG) 1hr 36min
11:05am, 1:45pm, 4:25pm, 7:00pm, 9:35pm

Hanna (PG-13) 1hr 51min
10:55am, 1:50pm, 4:40pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

Source Code (PG-13) 1hr 34min
10:30am, 12:40pm, 2:55pm, 5:15pm, 7:40pm, 10:10pm

Soul Surfer (PG-13) 1hr 45min
11:40am, 2:25pm, 5:10pm, 7:50pm, 10:30pm

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
1332 Second St.
(310) 478-3836

Certified Copy (Copie conforme) (NR) 1hr 46min
1:30pm, 7:00pm

Of Gods and Men (Des hommes et des dieux) (R) 2hrs 00min
3:00pm, 8:00pm

Potiche (R) 1hr 43min
1:50pm, 4:30pm, 7:20pm, 9:55pm

Win Win (R) 1hr 46min
1:40pm, 4:20pm, 7:10pm, 9:50pm

Super (NR) 1hr 36min
4:10pm, 9:40pm

I Am (NR) 1hr 16min
1:00pm, 5:50pm

AMC Criterion 6
1313 Third St.
(310) 395-1599

Your Highness (R) 1hr 42min
11:45am, 2:30pm, 5:15pm, 8:00pm, 10:40pm

Limitless (PG-13) 1hr 45min
11:10am, 1:55pm, 4:40pm, 7:20pm, 10:00pm

Jane Eyre (PG-13) 2hrs 01min
1:00pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:55pm

No eres tu, soy yo (PG-13) 1hr 45min
12:00pm, 2:35pm, 5:10pm, 7:45pm, 10:20pm

Lincoln Lawyer (R) 1hr 59min
11:00am, 1:45pm, 4:30pm, 7:25pm, 10:15pm

Arthur (PG-13) 1hr 50min
11:30am, 2:10pm, 4:50pm, 7:30pm, 10:10pm

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Hang with friends tonight, Cancer

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ An even approach works wonders. Your instincts guide you past a problem. Be ready to flex with someone's request. You really have no choice, no matter how you look at the matter. Relax with a boss or elder. Tonight: Could go till the wee hours.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ You might feel like you cannot get a perspective no matter how hard you try. Be adaptable, and tap into your creativity. A meeting provides food for thought. Gain a different perspective by talking to some experts. Tonight: Start your weekend early.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ If you can work from home, by all means, do. You could be overly tired and drawn from the recent pace. Deal with a partner or associate directly. You could find a key person inspiring yet confusing. Tonight: Your home is your castle.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Follow your instincts, as you will tumble onto a problem otherwise. If you think a friend is being deceitful or hiding something, he or she probably is. Know that you might not understand why. Revamp your plans and adjust accordingly. Tonight: Hang out with friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Be aware of how much you bring to different situations. You often might feel as if you push beyond what you should. Giving 100 percent is different from being motivated by insecurity. Stop and ask yourself what your motivation in a situation is. Tonight: Treat yourself on the way home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Someone close seems nearly perfect! You need to be aware that perhaps you are wearing rose-colored glasses. Stop and take another look. Allow greater creativity and flow with others. You don't need to worry about giving too much away. Tonight: As you like it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ You might want to slow down. You'll gain new information by not being as active of a player in a situation. You might need to revamp your approach, stand and/or attitude as your perspective transforms. Tonight: Vanish happily!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Zoom in on what you want. You could be surrounded by people nearly all day as you go from meeting to meeting. You gain support for a new or seemingly foreign idea. Approach the topic in a novel way, much like the idea. Tonight: Where the action is!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Take the lead on a project. Yes, you could be distracted at first. A personal matter knocks on your door. Others want to hear more of your opinions. Also consider the personal ramifications of a situation. Tonight: A force to behold.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Reach out for others, especially if you want another perspective. The more views and opinions you gather, the stronger your decision and plan will be. You might need to revamp your thinking as a result, turning some heads. Tonight: Let your imagination be the lead player.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ Deal with others on a one-on-one level. Your time and attention mean more than you imagine. You draw a strong response. You learn a lot more of what others expect and what they think they offer. Tonight: Dinner for two!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You have the unique ability to draw in others. Though you might not always see eye to eye with certain people, you appreciate their feedback. Don't push so hard to make an impression. You don't need to! Tonight: Think "weekend plans."

Happy birthday

This year, focus on your health and your day-to-day life, work or commitments. You can break patterns and open up to new possibilities, making this period very exciting. You also need to curb a sweet tooth and a tendency to go overboard. A little self-discipline goes a long way. If you are single, you could meet someone in your normal daily routine. This person might not be "the one," but it could be a significant relationship. If you are attached, the two of you become more of a team. VIRGO keeps you grounded.

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



MYSTERY PHOTO

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The Meaning of Lila

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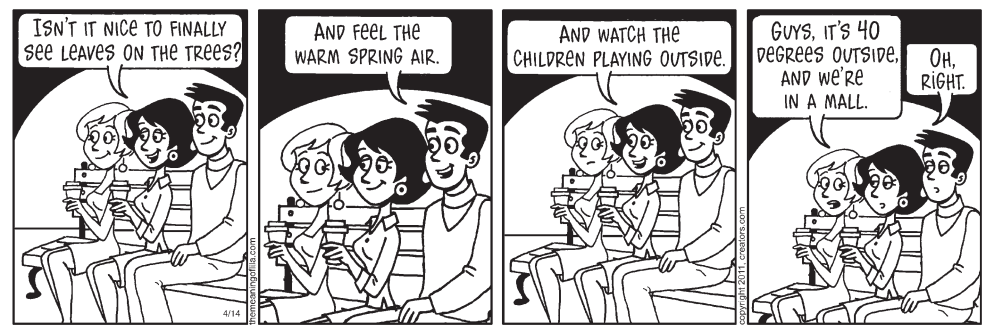

Garfield

By Jim Davis



Strange Brew

By John Deering



Speed Bump

By Dave Coverly



Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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

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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

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



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Toppers
5 Mirage
11 Rock's Clapton
12 Boxing combo
13 Shuttle group
14 Sing like a monk
15 One way to buy
17 Crew item
18 Network points
22 Antilles isle
24 Complain
25 Golfer Hogan
26 Mariner's milieu
27 Espresso order
30 "Speed-the-Plow" playwright
32 Collectible car
33 In the past
34 Brazil's largest city
38 Shylock's outwitter
41 Salon sound
42 Set straight
43 ASAP, in the ER
44 Undermines
45 Beliefs

DOWN

1 Late-night name
2 Neighbor of Turkey
3 Marks down
4 Egyptian emblem
5 Empty
6 Diamond period
7 District
8 "Give — rest!"
9 Possess
10 Word of denial
16 Chunk of history
19 Parts of high bar routines
20 Foil's kin
21 Theater fixture
22 Qualified
23 Peruse
28 Examined
29 Galahad's mother
30 GPS screen
31 Tennis star Andre
35 Stable diet
36 Neeson of "Taken"
37 Makes a choice
38 "Tamerlane" writer
39 Bruin Bobby
40 Carnival city

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U	P	S	E	T	■	H	A	V	E	N	
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Yesterday's answer

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

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Fill in the empty fields with the given numbers so when calculated together they satisfy all Equas in the gray boxes:

2, 3, 5, 6, 6, 7, 7, 10

Solution for Task 1039

DAILY LOTTERY

MEGA MILLIONS: 10 23 39 41 45
Meganumber: 15
Jackpot: $72M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS: 15 25 30 42 46
Meganumber: 21
Jackpot: $10M

Fantasy 5: 10 11 13 22 38

DAILY 3: MIDDAY: 8 6 4
EVENING: 0 0 7

DAILY DERBY:
1st: 08 Gorgeous George
2nd: 09 Winning Spirit
3rd: 03 Hot Shot
RACE TIME: 1:45.28

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Tough Guys: (1) In Houston in February, Christopher Harding, 23, was sentenced to three years in prison for beating up his mother (who is disabled and requires a caretaker) and yanking out her dentures. (2) In Long Beach, Calif., in February, police arrested two 19-year-old men, Kirk Lewis and Daniel Bard, and charged them as two of the three men they sought in the robbery of a 5-year-old girl.

■ Intra-Geek-Community Crime: In March, a teenager was charged with attempting to rob the Fun 4 All comic-book store in Southfield, Mich., with a homemade bomb (that looked realistic but turned out to be harmless) and presenting a list of the specific collectors' merchandise (not money) he wanted. After the clerk balked at the demands, the robber relented, paid cash for a few of the items on the list, and left. When arrested later, he called the incident a "social experiment."

TODAY IN HISTORY

1919 The Polish-Soviet War begins.

1920 The League of Women Voters is founded in Chicago, Illinois.

1924 The International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) is founded.

1929 Saint Valentine's Day massacre: Seven people, six of them gangster rivals of Al Capone's gang, are murdered in Chicago, Illinois.

1942 Battle of Pasir Panjang contributes to the fall of Singapore.

1943 World War II: Rostov-on-Don, Russia is liberated.

1943 World War II: Tunisia Campaign – General Hans-Jurgen von Arnim's Fifth Panzer Army launches a concerted attack against Allied positions in Tunisia.

1944 World War II: Anti-Japanese revolt on Java.

1945 World War II: Prague is bombed probably due to a mistake in the orientation of the pilots bombing Dresden.

WORD UP!

praxis
\ PRAK-sis \ , noun;
1.
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Constantine Cherkas (91)

Constantine Cherkas, resident of Julian and formerly of Santa Monica, a nationally renowned painter and museum consultant for over five decades, entered into eternal rest early on Sunday, April 10 at Villa Pomerado in San Diego. He was born Constantine Cherkashininoff in Moscow on August 5, 1919, to Michael and Antonina Cherkas. His father, a prominent Russian painter, organized the 1936 World Exhibit in Moscow. Constantine was predeceased in 2006 by Kira, his wife and business partner of 65 years.

Already a gifted painter, Cherkas at age 14 (in 1933) became the apprentice to Russia's most famous colorist, Ilya Mashkov, known as the "Russian Matisse" and a firm believer in the methods of instruction and composition favored by old masters of the Renaissance. At age 17 (in 1936), Constantine became the youngest artist ever admitted to the Moscow Academy of Fine Arts.

In 1941, Constantine and Kira married. While on their honeymoon, the Cherkases were captured by the Nazis at Kiev, and spent a short time during WWII in a prison-labor camp. Following their release, Constantine pursued a period of study at the Vienna Art Academy during the period of devastating Allied bombings of that city; the building in which the Cherkases lived was the only one for miles not destroyed. After the war, Allied forces relocated the Cherkases to a refugee camp in Munich. Constantine continued his studies at the Munich Academy of Fine Arts.

In 1949, they emigrated to the United States thanks to the personal intervention of Alexandra Tolstoy (Tolstoy Foundation). In 1952, they settled in Los Angeles where they felt at home in an accomplished Russian cultural community, anchored by the likes of Nicolai Fechin and Igor Stravinsky. Invited in 1954 by Dora and Leon Gaspard, the great Russian colorist, the Cherkases spent most summers over the ensuing three decades in Taos, New Mexico, where he captured the beauty of the Southwest in many of his paintings.

Over his career of five decades, Constantine refined his talents as a "Master Colorist." His works were based on the important trinity of color and light together with the element of passing time, thus expressing emotions and moods in a unique manner. Cherkas paintings combine both the real and the abstract to produce genuine masterpieces. In his words: "My goal is to produce highly abstracted, refined works which
fuse together elements of both classical composition and High Modernist abstract relationships of form and color."

As Professor V. Dimmel (Director, Vienna Academy of Fine Arts) said in 1946: "Colorists the like of Constantine Cherkas are born only once in a century."

Working as a team, Constantine and Kira also restored paintings for prominent collectors including Dorothy Chandler, Mary Pickford, J. Paul Getty and the estate of Randolph Hearst, Jr. Works by Rembrandt, El Greco, Titian, Tintoretto, Remington, Monet, Renoir, Picasso, Modigliani and many others were restored by the Cherkases for museums including the National Gallery of Art, Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Chicago and Detroit Museums of Arts, Los Angeles County Museum of Art and others.

Cherkas was so moved by the tragedy of 9/11 that he spent months creating two large paintings of this disaster, one of which is on display in New York City.

Cherkas was well known among artists and friends as a warm and charismatic man who, with Kira, enjoyed long conversations on topics of art, history and literature. All were welcome to the Cherkas home as if it were their own, and forever cherished memories of such visits.

Constantine is survived by sons Alex and Peter of Julian. His oldest son Andre' predeceased both Kira and Constantine in 2004.

Funeral service will be held at 1:00pm on Thursday, April 14 at Julian Town Hall, 2129 Main St., Julian (760)765-1857. Interment immediately to follow at Haven of Rest Cemetery, Julian. Questions? Please call:
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