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THE LOCAL HOSPITALS ISSUE

Board member criticizes district over knife case

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQTRS One Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District board member is sharply criticizing the district's handling of an incident in February in which two high school students were arrested for allegedly bringing nearly two dozen knives and a loaded BB gun to campus.

The students were arrested Feb. 25 and 26 at Santa Monica High School, but the district didn't inform parents about the incident until April 9, when Superintendent Tim Cuneo sent an e-mail bulletin to parents stating that "there was no public safety threat."

Many parents first heard about the incident when a story ran in the Santa Monica Daily Press.

Cuneo this week defended his administration's handling of the incident, saying the two boys posed no risk to campus safety, but were merely fascinated with ninja knives and paraphernalia. The students also allegedly brought face masks, ninja stars and hand cuffs to the school.

Santa Monica Police Department detectives who investigated the incidents also said there was no evidence of a threat at the campus.

But School Board Member Oscar de la Torre this week said he believed the incident should have been made public much earlier.

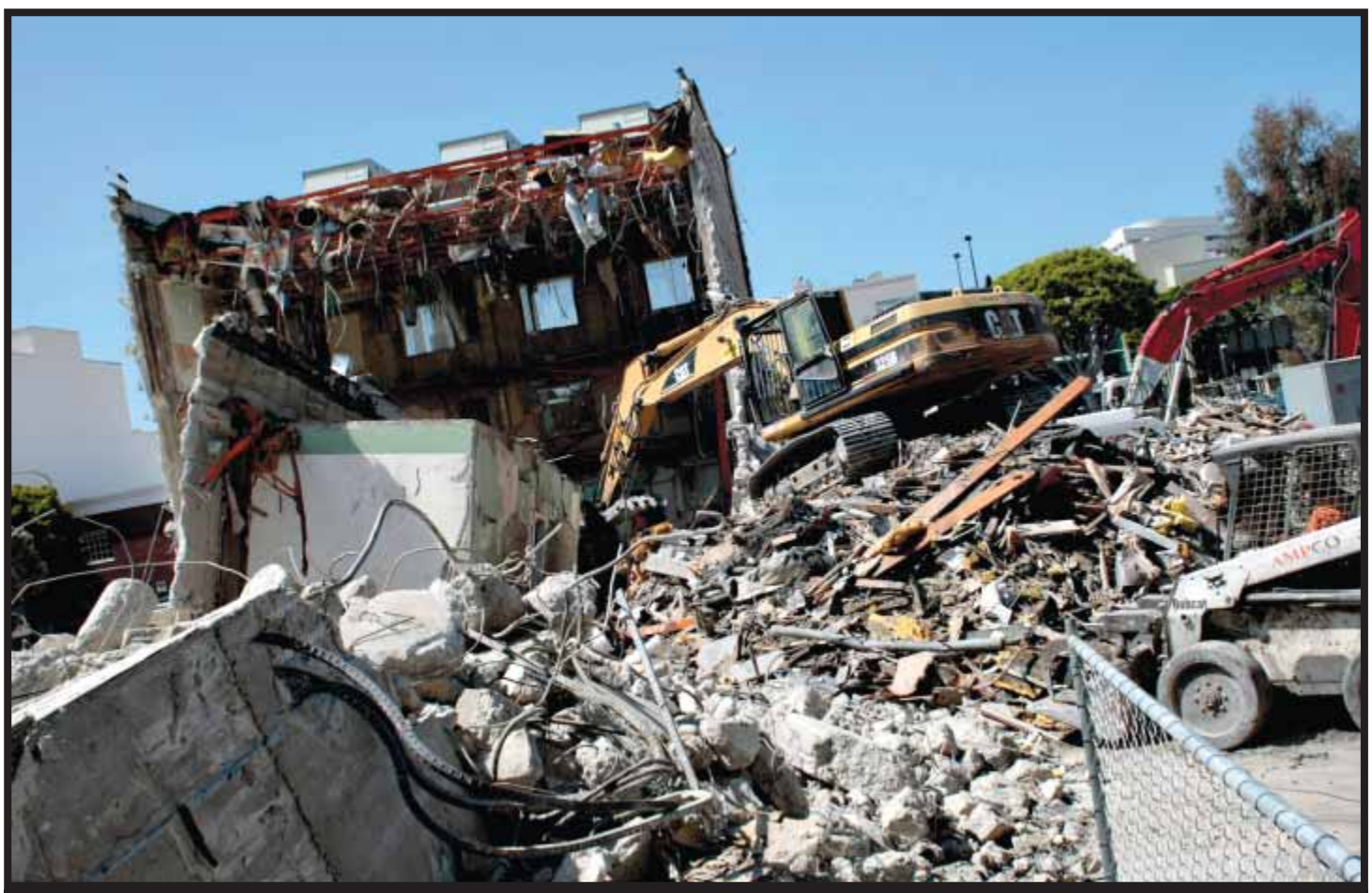
"I disagree with the superintendent on keeping this information internal and I believe parents deserve to be informed when weapons in large amounts are found on students," he said. "Unfortunately we live in violent times and young people have committed horrible crimes throughout the nation, so we should be overly cautious when dealing with weapons."

He also said he wasn't convinced the incident could easily be explained as springing from a harmless interest in ninjas.

"I understand the fascination with ninja knives, but I'm still confused how a loaded BB gun and handcuffs play into that fascination," he said.

The students, who have not been named because they are juveniles, were charged with bringing weapons onto campus and are fac-

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TAKEDOWN

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A demolition crew is nearly finished tearing down what was once home to the Santa Monica Library. City Hall purchased the building and adjacent lots as part of the Downtown Parking Program. The site will most likely be turned into a parking structure with housing and retail.

St. John's racks up sewage fines

BY NICK TABOREK
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MID CITY St. John's Health Center has been cited six times since December for sewage system violations, resulting in $9,000 worth of fines as City Hall has ramped-up its efforts to bring the hospital into compliance.

The citations were for pumping excessive amounts of dissolved sulfides — raw sewage that can give off a rotten egg odor — into the sewer, and come after at least two years of complaints about noxious fumes from residents who live near the hospital and from St. John's nurses.

Tests have repeatedly shown that the hospital's waste pumping system fails to meet City Hall's standards, said Gary Welling, City Hall's wastewater administrator.

"For most of 2009 they've been out of compliance," he said. "When an industrial user isn't able to get into compliance one of the things we do is increase the monitoring activity."

Tests are being run on the health center's sewage system several times per month, part of increased enforcement regimen that began in December, Welling said.

St. John's has been fined a total of nine times since December of 2008, according to City Hall records. In recent months, water division officials referred the matter to the City Attorney's Office — an unusual though not unheard of step. The attorney handling the issue, Ybin Shen, could not be reached for comment this week.

City Hall's enforcement actions are paying off, Welling said, though the hospital was cited twice for violations in March.

"They're making a concerted effort now. They're starting to pay attention and working at this."

The hospital recently began renovating its sewage pumping system, and Welling said he expects the hospital to be in "substantial compliance" by the end of May.

The problem seems to stem from three pits where sewage is stored before it's pumped into the public system. A design flaw may be creating "dead zones" that pre-

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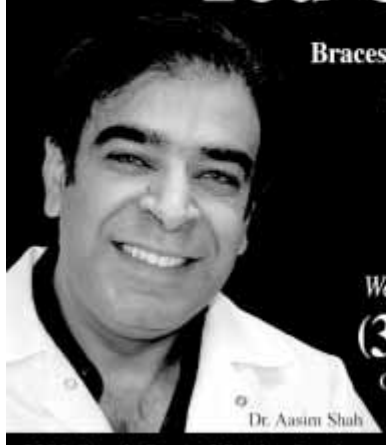
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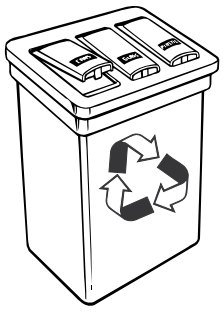
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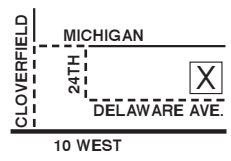
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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS



Saturday, April 17, 2010

Earth Day on the Promenade
Third Street Promenade
10 a.m. — 7 p.m.
The City of Santa Monica and Earth Day L.A. sponsor this day of exhibitors, music and food. This event is free.

Man v. Bar - Santa Monica pub crawl
Third Street Promenade
12 p.m. — 7 p.m.
This third-annual pub crawl is presented by Westside Los Angeles Team in Training's Byong Bark, Marvin Tabangay, Sheila Estaniel, Rommel Calderon, and Warren Perdon. The pub crawl will hit five bars in seven hours. A $20 donation guarantees food and drink specials. Bars include Ye Olde King's Head, Hooters, Barney's Beanery, Yankee Doodle's and Monsoon Cafe. Proceeds benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Red tie affair 2010
Fairmont Miramar Hotel
101 Wilshire Blvd.
The Red tie affair gala honors the humanitarian spirit of extraordinary individuals who have shown courage and unselfish character. This year, the gala will honor actress and executive producer Jada Pinkett Smith as the 2010 recipient of the National American Red Cross "Crystal Cross." The night also includes dinner, a reception, Casino games, live music and an auction. Call 310-394-3773 ext. 106 for more information.

Sunday, April 18, 2010

Lil' Red
Edye Second Space
1310 11th St., 3:30 p.m.
An interactive dance/multimedia program for families and children based on a tale popular all over the world: "Little Red Riding Hood," inspired by new technology in computer x-rays and used in the production. As we enter the story line, we meet Li'l Red and her Mama Blue; we discover her dilemma — a toothache. Sent to see her grandmother, who will take her to the dentist, Li'l Red must travel through a park where many different animals live and she meets the infamous Wolf. Dance and music from Dixieland to King Crimson. Phone: 213-385-1171. Cost: $10 children/students, $15 adults.

Grease
Lincoln Middle School
1501 California Ave., 7 p.m. — 9 p.m.
Grease is the word. Enjoy the great songs and dance of "Grease," (music, lyrics and play by Jim Jacobs and Warren Casey) Lincoln Middle School PTSA Drama Program presents this wonderful night of song and dance. Bake sale too! Supports the Lincoln Middle School PTSA. Phone: 310-393-9227. Cost: General Admission $10/adults; $5/students.

Time and space
Santa Monica Playhouse
1211 Fourth St., 8 p.m. — 10 p.m.
"A gripping, heart-wrenching, tender drama" (New York Times) by Toni Press-Coffman about the majesty of love's uniting bond, from the earth, to the night sky, and far, far into the cosmos. Directed by Bryan Belomo. Touch is a tender reminder that time and space are wondrous, miraculous healers, and that within even the most sheltered parts of the heart there exists a bright flash of hope. Phone: 310-394-9779 ext. 1. Cost: $15.

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COMMUNITY PROFILES | BARBARA BROWNING

Nursing star receives Red Cross award

BY MIRIAM FINDER
Special to the Daily Press

MID-CITY Barbara Browning always wanted to be a nurse.

As a little girl watching her aunt dress in her nursing uniform, Browning knew one day she would do the same.

However, as a child she was unaware of the impact she would make on nursing — an impact that led to her being honored Saturday at the Santa Monica Red Cross's Red Tie Affair at the Fairmont Miramar Hotel. At the dinner, Browning received the Rick Crocker Spirit of Volunteerism Award, which recognizes a community volunteer in memory of Santa Monica police officer Rick Crocker, who was killed while on patrol in Iraq.

"I'm honored and humbled," Browning said last week during an interview at Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center and Orthopaedic Hospital, where she has worked since graduating from nursing school in 1965.

She said she feels as though others who have won Red Cross awards have done much more than she, but Browning has had her fair share of accomplishments.

She moved to Santa Monica after nursing school with 10 classmates to work at Santa Monica-UCLA. She said they liked the idea of living near the beach, and if they worked there for two years, they would get back a portion of their tuition.

Browning never planned on staying at



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Sophomore Vincent Flores of the St. Monica High School varsity baseball team reaches out with his bat and hits the ball for a single and drove in a run at Marine Park on Friday. St. Monica hosted Bosco Tech High School and won 6-5 in a Southern Sectional league game. With the win St. Monica's record improves to 3-4 in league play and 9-8 overall.

Regulators approve movie box office futures market

RYAN NAKASHIMA
AP Business Writer

LOS ANGELES U.S. regulators have approved the creation of a market for movie industry participants and speculators to trade on predicted box office receipts, despite its denouncement by Hollywood studios as "legalized gambling."

But the decision announced Friday by the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission doesn't mean people can start trading right away on the Trend Exchange. The commission is still reviewing the kinds of contracts — essentially presales of a share of future box office receipts — that could be traded there.

It is also reviewing a proposal to create a second market called Cantor Exchange. That one would have lower investment requirements than Trend Exchange, making it more likely for movie fans and other amateurs to participate.

A ruling on the Cantor proposal, backed by Cantor Fitzgerald LP, is expected next week, while the commission has until June 7 to decide on the specific contracts for the Trend Exchange, which is backed by venture capitalist Veriana Ventures.

The two online trading forums would be similar to futures markets common for commodities such as corn and pork bellies. Although goods are rarely exchanged directly through such markets, they let buyers and sellers reduce risks by locking in prices months ahead of time.

Backers of the box-office exchanges say those markets would help Hollywood manage risk in a notoriously hit-or-miss business.

Investors would be able to hedge against potential flops by preselling a share of future box office receipts. The exchanges could even guard against likely hits such as the upcoming "Harry Potter" and "Twilight" sequels falling short of projections. If a movie doesn't do as well as expected, investors would at least be guaranteed revenue from those presales, known as futures contracts.

One member of the futures commission, Bart Chilton, said he "reluctantly" approved the Trend Exchange because it fulfilled the requirements of the law, and a deadline for approval had arrived. However, he said he still had "significant concerns" about whether such markets could effectively help offset risk and avoid manipulation.

"At this point in time, I have not heard any arguments to persuade me that 'movie futures' generally can overcome some fundamental design flaws," Chilton said in a statement.

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Nurses speak out

Editor:

As the leaders of the Saint John's RN organizing campaign – counting among our ranks the RN's whose rights were violated by the hospital administration – we read SMDP's article about the fallout from the hospital administration's trial ("Nurses' billboard ad draws hospital's ire," March 27-28) with great interest. We wanted to offer a clarification about the trial process and address some of the administration's statements in the article.

At the close of the article, the Press says we "aired their allegations at a trial before the National Labor Relations Board in Los Angeles this month and are awaiting a decision in the case." For those of us who took the stand to speak about our mistreatment by the people who control our livelihoods – some of whom were in the room – the phrase "airing our allegations" seems to trivialize the ordeal. It may seem like a small matter of semantics, but we feel that the Press' choice of words is indicative of the general public's underestimation of the fear and anxiety that conflict with administration can create for workers. Moreover, our accusations have already met a certain threshold of integrity: NLRB trials are prosecuted by federal officials, who carefully vet each case for merit before deciding to issue a complaint. In the case of the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth Health System – Saint John's parent company – the NLRB has issued complaints at both hospitals (the other is Saint Vincent's in Billings, Mont.) where a union organizing drive has taken place this year alone.

In this context it seems odd to us that CEO Lou Lazatin would suggest that Saint John's "will continue to work diligently to support and comply with the rules and guidelines that have been established by the National Labor Relations Board... ." Similarly, given the fact that the U.S. Council of Catholic Bishops has issued a document, "Respecting the Just Rights of Workers (downloadable on our campaign's Web site: saintjohnsnurses.org) calling on Catholic health care Institutions to negotiate local organizing agreements to provide a fair election process, which the hospital administration has flatly refused to do, it's baffling to us that Saint John's asserts that it is in accordance with Catholic social teaching.

We are embarrassed on Ms. Lazatin's behalf that her administration has damaged the reputation of what was once our community hospital by treating caregivers this way. "Respecting the Just Rights of Workers" says, "None of us – Catholic health care, the labor movement, or the church – has been well served by the status quo with all of its conflict and contention" and have called for local organizing agreements as a way to avoid the events like the hospital administration's recent trial. We think Saint John's should open its heart to an agreement and start a new relationship with its nurses.

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Getting to the meat of the matter

IT WOULDN'T SHOCK ANYONE TO LEARN that San Francisco recently passed a resolution to make Mondays "Vegetarian Day." Everyone in the city will be encouraged to eat vegetarian meals and to avoid eating meat every Monday. It sounds like the kind of thing that could easily happen in Santa Monica next. Don't worry. There will be no Vegetarian Police, clad in green outfits, barging into people's homes to make sure that they aren't having lamb chops on Monday night. This is not just a movement by people who want their fellow citizens to eat less meat to be healthier. The people behind this resolution point out, "If everyone in San Francisco eats a plant-based diet just one day a week for a year, we would save over 378,600,768 pounds of greenhouse gas emissions. That is the equivalent of taking 123,822 cars off the streets of San Francisco."

I wonder how many of those 123,822 cars are on their way to pick up a Big Mac.

Vegetarianism has, of course, increased over recent years. So it came as a big surprise to me to learn that some people are clinging onto meat. The weirdest way that they are consuming meat products is in their cocktails. They've given a whole new meaning to Beefeater gin.

Some hip, "in" bars are serving drinks like "Bring Home the Bacon." That's a concoction that contains beef bullion, vodka and a garnish of deep-fried bacon and a prosciutto-stuffed olive. Beef bullion doesn't sound all that over the top. However, would you want to drink a cocktail containing elk bullion? There is an elk based drink called, "Big Eye Bloody Bull." Sounds really appetizing, doesn't it? Where do you even buy elk bullion? I've never seen it on a grocery store shelf, have you?

This infusion of meat into people's lives during the vegetarian revolution doesn't stop at the corner bar. According to Time magazine, more and more people are butchering their own meat. I'm not kidding. People are butchering their own meat in their kitchens, right next to that beautiful white tile that they spent all that money on. Now, I would never suggest that all this home butchering would save the same amount of greenhouse gas emissions as VegDay. However, in one way this meat movement is "green." That's the color I'd turn if anyone ever did any butchering in my kitchen.

The last time I heard about a cleaver being in a home kitchen, she was named June. However, the author of "Julie and Julia," Julie Powell, has published a new book called, "Cleaving" about home butchering. I can hardly wait to see the movie in which Meryl Streep prepares a romantic dinner by chopping off a pig's snout.

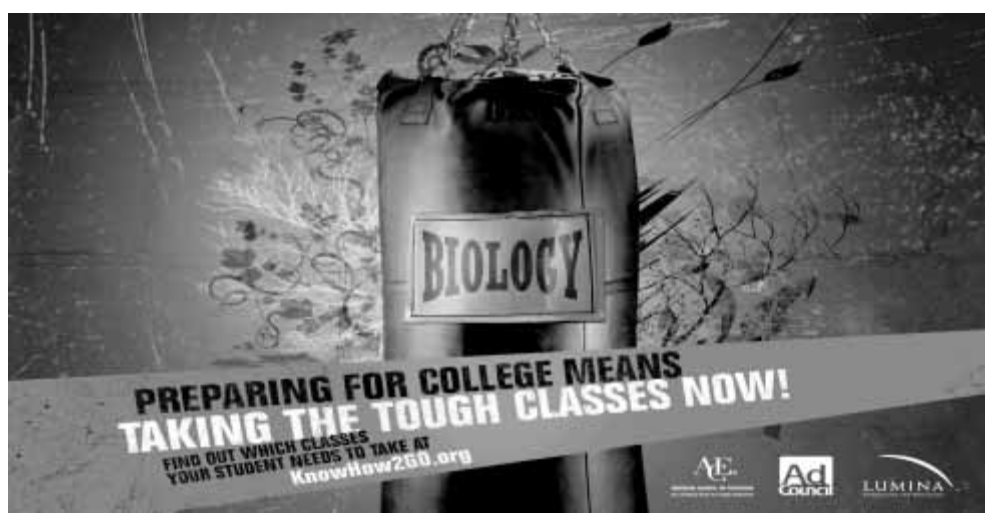
So what's this culinary counterrevolution all about? Why are people bringing dead animals into their kitchens? Why are they excited about a dinner of braised hoof? I have a theory. In these difficult economic times, people want to hold onto something that they've always felt was special. Meat has traditionally been a symbol of wealth and good times. When people want to celebrate something, they have often celebrated with the most expensive meat they can find, not with an avocado and sprouts sandwich. So maybe the attitude is, "You can take away my raise. You can take away my fancy car, you can even take away the house I bought with ridiculous credit three years ago. But keep your hands off my meat."

IN THESE DIFFICULT ECONOMIC TIMES, PEOPLE WANT TO HOLD ONTO SOMETHING THAT THEY'VE ALWAYS FELT WAS SPECIAL. MEAT HAS TRADITIONALLY BEEN A SYMBOL OF WEALTH AND GOOD TIMES.

Evidently, to some people, meat is an economic comfort food. Maybe when their finances are back up where they want them to be, they will look back and laugh at the time they moved yesterday's mail, the laptop, and their kid's relief map of South America off the kitchen counter so they could make oxtail soup from scratch.

So is it possible to reconcile these polar opposites of vegetarianism and meat-ism? I think it is. I think both sides can be happy. All the people who serve that elk bullion cocktail have to do is make sure that the menu states that the bullion is made from free range elk.

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In case of an emergency

Q: HOW CAN I PREPARE MYSELF AND my family for a natural disaster?

A: You are already heading in the right direction simply by asking questions about emergency preparedness. Step one is having a plan. Talk with your family about what you need to do in the event of a natural disaster, including where to go or who to contact. Make sure you talk to your children about what they should do if they are alone or with friends at the time of a natural disaster.

The second step is making sure you have the supplies needed to sustain yourself and your family after a natural disaster. Some items you want to have on hand to keep you, your family and your community prepared would be non-perishable, high energy foods that require no refrigeration or preparation, water and survival items (first aid kit, batteries, flashlight and radio). You want to have at least seven days of food and water for each member of your family, as well as any medicine or medication that will be needed. The city of Santa Monica police and fire departments have teamed up with the American Red Cross of Santa Monica to encourage the entire community to make Santa Monica the most emergency prepared city in the county. "I've Got 7" is a program developed by the Santa Monica Fire Department to encourage every member of this community to keep at least seven days of supplies on hand in case of an emergency so we can take care of ourselves and our families until emergency services are available to assist. For more information on the Santa Monica "I've Got 7" pledge, please visit www.ivegot7.com, the Santa Monica Fire Department Web site at www.santamonicafire.org or the Red Cross of Santa Monica's Web site at www.redcrossofsantamonica.org.

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DOOR-TO-DOOR MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

Every year, the Santa Monica Police Department responds to numerous calls regarding door-to-door magazine solicitors. There are many legitimate organizations that solicit door-to-door, either to sell products and services or to promote a religious, political or charitable cause. However, there are also a growing number of individuals who illegally solicit with the purpose of committing fraud or to see if the house is unoccupied for the purpose of committing a crime.

So when someone knocks at your door, ask the person to produce the required license before he/she begins a sales pitch. Be aware that your average con-artist will have a thousand reasons for why he/she has no license, but there is no legal reason to be without one. And don't forget, if an offer seems too good to be true, it probably is!

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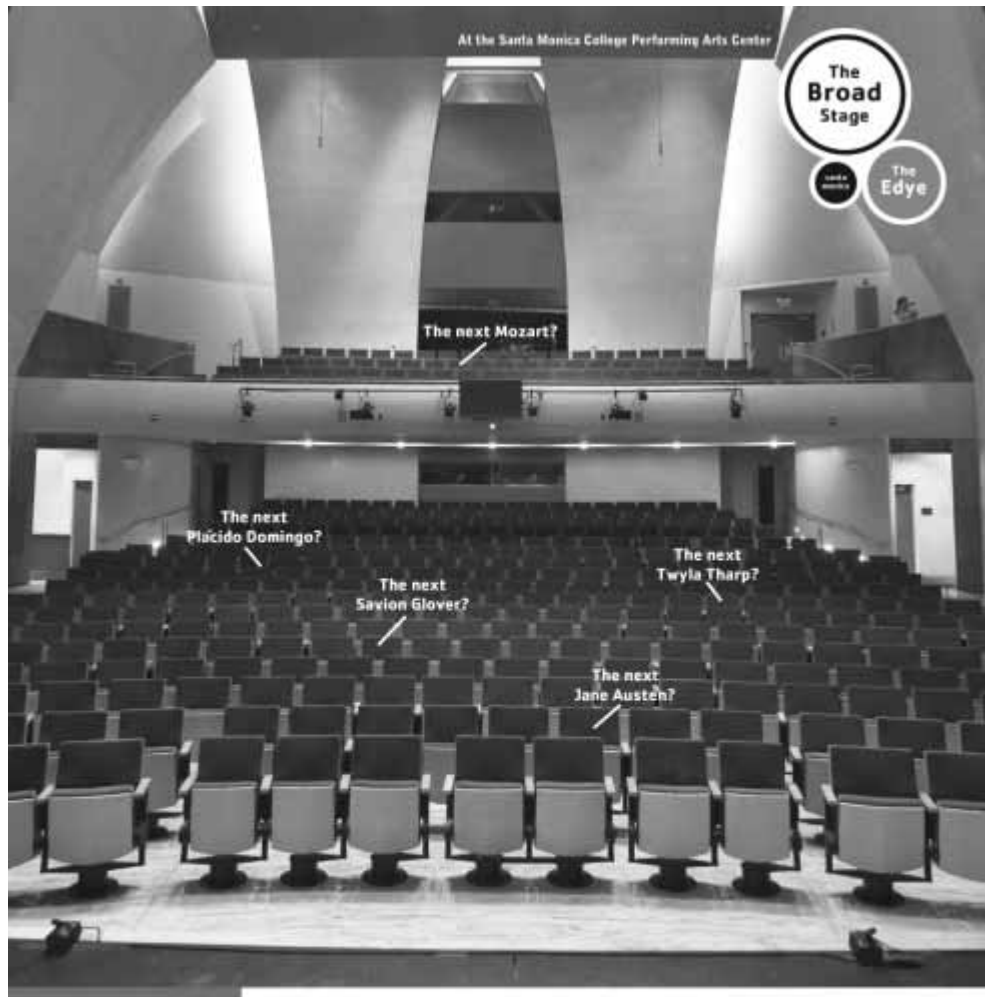
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THE FINAL SAY

This past week, Q-line asked:

City planners are in the midst of finalizing the Land Use and Circulation Element, or LUCE, which will determine what shape development takes for the next two decades. What should Santa Monica look like in 20 years?

Here are your responses:

"SANTA MONICA HAS BEEN ON A downward spiral for a long time now. I shudder to think what 20 more years of these planning idiots will bring. A bigger extension of downtown L.A. and skid row."

"I KNOW WHAT SANTA MONICA SHOULD look like in 20 years — a nice, small community. But unfortunately, what it will be is Disney by the beach. The Bayside District Corp., the most corrupt corporation in the country, will try to privatize the Third Street Promenade and surrounding area and this way they can push out the less fortunate."

"I BELIEVE SANTA MONICA IN 20 YEARS should look the like Miami coast or the coast of Copacabana Beach and Ipanema in Brazil."

"CONSIDERING THAT I HAVE LIVED BETWEEN Palos Verdes and Point Dume all of my life and realizing this geographical area is truly a Garden of Eden, it is easy to understand why there are so many American Indian gravesites within this area. What magnificent beauty these Indians visually ingested as they looked west over the ocean at sunset. A pristine ocean filled with the very best saltwater fish and sea creatures with the beauty of the seagulls flying overhead. When one considers the congestion of this area today I can easily picture in my mind Chief Iron Eyes Cody sitting on a pinto stallion with a hackamore bridle up on the tip of Palos Verdes looking north eastward at all of the construction and clutter with tears welling in his eyes. Trust me, I have cried the same tears. Still, as long as there is a profit to be made, whatever the city plans for the future will render down to more congesting clutter with very little thought regarding the aesthetics of the community. Alas, what fools these mortals be."

"SANTA MONICA WILL PROBABLY BE clogged with traffic, crawling with drunks and bums and full of empty apartment buildings owned by landlords who are sick of the rent control and refuse to re-rent vacant apartments."

"IN 20 YEARS TIME I THINK SANTA Monica should look something like it is today except less big development, more smaller stores and smaller buildings. I've been in Santa Monica now for 30 years and it's just getting too big. Years ago Montana Avenue had gas stations and they're gone and Wilshire Boulevard had a lot of A&W's and things like that and they're gone. So, you know, we're just getting too big and too many big changes, too many tall buildings. We tried to get back to the way it was years ago and another thing we must make sure of is that there is not only residential rent control care but we need to do commercial rent control too. Look what's happening to the board — all these people are going to lose their jobs. It's terrible that they can jack up the rent like that and just try to force all the small businesses out of business."

"OUR SANTA MONICANS FOR RENTERS' Rights City Council sells the beach to pay for its communist programs. Giant hotels replace all the small apartment buildings that have gone bankrupt from rent control. It now takes five hours to drive from Pico Boulevard to Wilshire Boulevard because of our city's crazy traffic plan, and far more traffic from the hotels and tourists. Smoking anywhere is illegal, and you can no longer cook or fart in apartments because the smell of cooking a burger might bother the vegetarian next door. Parking meters are $200 an hour, and parking tickets are $1,000. Because of the water shortage, a glass of water now is $15 and watering your garden is now a capital crime. The city's low-income housing has brought so many inner city criminals to town, that gang wars rage in our parks, and our schools are filled with gangbangers. Because of the terrible economy, and the jerks running our town, the homeless are sleeping everywhere. And you must wear a gas mask to walk down the street because of the stench of homeless people."

"NO BUILDING OVER TWO STORIES. NO low-income housing. Not more than three condos on a piece of property with the rest devoted to green space. No light rail, no two-lane roads when there were four before. No bicyclists or runners. No billionaires allowed to rip off the citizens with a not-needed marathon or a non-needed 30,000 square foot museum with 80,000 square foot of definitely not-needed office space. A new City Hall built at the end of the Santa Monica Airport runway, a monorail running from the mall and Wilshire down through Santa Monica, past City Hall, and then down Main Street to Marine. Pedestrian walkways above the street in the downtown area to improve traffic flow. More free parking. But most of all, I would like to see less people of the progressive entitlement society that Santa Monica has become."

"IN 20 YEARS SANTA MONICA SHOULD look like a city by the sea still, open and practical, without housing coming out of every single corner, because it's beginning to look like Manhattan or Brooklyn by the sea. We the people who have lived here for decades do not want that. We want the City Council to be more sensitive to the needs of we, the common people."

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SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 58°

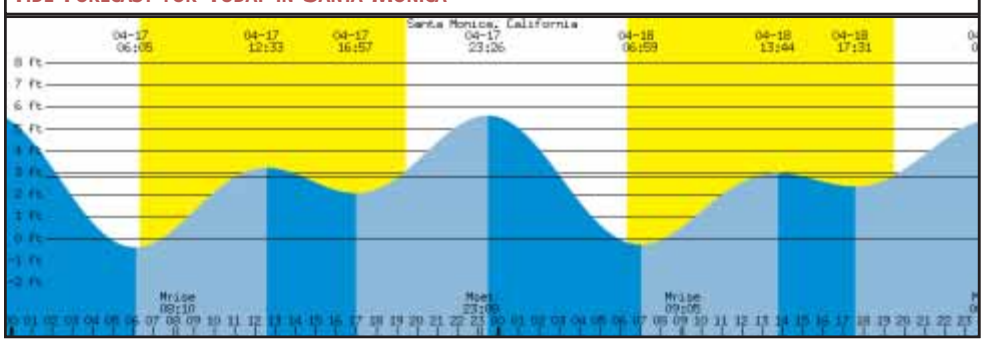
Swell Forecast

Should waist to chest high sets around south facing breaks. West facing breaks are looking at knee to waist high waves. Note that the tide will be exceptionally low for the dawn patrols, with some tidal push likely mid morning to help out on the size.

Long Range Synopsis

Should also see waist to chest high sets around south facing breaks. West facing breaks are looking at knee to waist high waves.

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, 2010**

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 -- 2
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather - 38 / 26
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 5 / 19

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: The Diller – von Furstenberg Family Foundation; simplehuman; SIMA

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
Los Cerrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lachusa and Las Alisos 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.	B	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	A+
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	F	B
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	F
Solstice Canyon at Don Blacker County Beach.	A+	F
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	F	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	A+
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	D	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	C	C
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	F
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A	F
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	A+
Tuna Canyon.	A+	A+
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.	A+	A
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	F

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

LEGEND

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

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Heal the Bay

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.

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PTA pres OK with district response

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ing expulsion, pending a decision by the school board.

Cuneo and Deputy Police Chief Phil Sanchez met with leaders of the district's Parent Teacher Association at a regularly scheduled meeting this week and explained their decision not to inform parents about the incident immediately after the arrests were made.

"If we thought that there was a threat to students and or faculty, [parents] would have known immediately," Cuneo said in an interview.

Although a couple of parents felt differently, Cuneo said most who attended the meeting on Tuesday were "very appreciative of the steps we took" and understood the district didn't alert parents "because of our concern of raising anxiety around the school when in fact there was no safety issue for our faculty or students."

Shari Davis, president of the PTA council, said after listening to Cuneo and Sanchez explain the protocols that were followed most parents were comfortable with how the situation was handled.

"It was about the safety and welfare of the students involved in the situation, so I respect that," she said.

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Browning established first Oncology Unit

FROM **CP** PAGE 3

the hospital for more than a few years because she enjoys trying new things, but found new opportunities continued coming her way, keeping her content.

"I love my job," Browning said. "I've never had a job in nursing that I haven't loved."

As a nurse, Browning undertook projects as different hot topics began receiving attention in her field, demanding new programs at the hospital. In the 1960s, she organized the first mother-baby class while working as the Postpartum Unit and Nursery head nurse. In the 1970s, she created the hospital's first medication administration course for licensed vocational nurses. In 1975, she established the Westside's first Oncology Unit, which was expanded to include AIDS patients in the 1980s. In 1982, Browning began working on her favorite project — Hospice in Home, a program she created with Pastor Bob Richards to care for cancer and AIDS patients.

"I've enjoyed every aspect of nursing, but oncology and end of life issues really strike me, and my heart went into it," Browning said. "It was that continuity through the end of it, it really captured me."

She said at the point that patients reach hospice care, they have what they need in terms of medicine and doctors. However, they and their families are often overwhelmed by the transitional process and the daily tasks they must do. Hospice workers support the medical and emotional needs of the patient and family. She plans to focus more time in her retirement on securing volunteers for Hospice in Home.

In 1990, Browning took her nursing skills and dedication to patient programs to the administrative side of the hospital, although the transition was not easy.

"It was hard," Browning said. "I remember sitting in my office the first day I got the desk job and I said, 'What do I do now?'"

Soon, however, she had her hands full with patient safety, risk management, infection control, and more as director of quality assurance.

As an administrator, Browning continued to innovate new programs and practices for patients, such as the Palliative Care Program to address end-of-life needs and the Center for Humane and Ethical Care at the hospital. She also works to provide medical care for homeless patients and is active in Santa Monica's annual American Cancer Society "Relay for Life."

Browning said she is able to manage her work and continue to accomplish new goals thanks to those around her.

"Everybody I've worked with is supportive, I've had supportive friends and family," Browning said. "You put all of that support together, you can't help but make it through."

She also finds support in prayer, and mentioned that her spirituality is very important to her.

When Browning is not at work with other hospital staff, which she said is like one big family, she spends her time volunteering with the Santa Monica Red Cross or in the company of her friends and church. She loves the community feel of Santa Monica, and how no matter where you go, people know your name. Perhaps Browning's friendly demeanor when out and about in Santa Monica stems from her years as a nurse, and how she believes a nurse should behave.

The best nurse is "someone who cares, who sincerely cares, who treats the patients as they would want to be treated and willing to go the extra mile," Browning said. "Because what you get back from that is much more than the couple minutes you spent."

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Hospital working to fix sewage system

FROM **FINES** PAGE 1

vent some sewage from being regularly pumped out of the pits, Welling said. Renovation of one pit has been completed and work to fix the other two is ongoing.

"While the situation does not pose an immediate health risk, we take this matter very seriously and have been working closely with the city to resolve the matter as quickly as possible," a spokesman for St. John's said in a statement.

A registered nurse who works at St. John's, Jack Cline, said fowl smelling odors continue to irk some employees at the hospital and have prompted others to complain of watery eyes.

"Some of the nurses are afraid that it's toxic," he said. "It's more of a nuisance than anything to me."

One room normally used for treating patients has been placed off limits because of the stench, he said.

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MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
(323) 466-FILM

Saturday, April 17
Double Feature
The Emerald Forest (NR) 1hr 54min
Tombstone (R) 2hr 10min
Discussion between films with Powers Boothe
7:30pm

Sunday, April 18
Double Feature
Alice in Wonderland — 1933 (NR) 1hr 16min
Alice (NR) 1hr 24min
Special Mad Hatter tea party
5 p.m.

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade

The Joneses (R) 1hr 33min
12:10pm, 2:45pm, 5:15pm, 7:45pm, 10:15pm

Greenberg (R) 1hr 47min
11:30am, 2:05pm, 4:40pm, 7:20pm, 10:00pm

Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 1hr 50min
12:45pm, 3:30pm, 6:15pm, 9:00pm

The Last Song (PG) 1hr 47min
11:15am, 1:45pm, 4:20pm, 7:00pm, 9:40pm

AMC 7 Santa Monica
1310 Third St.
(310) 289-4262

Alice in Wonderland (in Disney Digital 3D) (PG) 1hr 49min
11:30am, 2:05pm, 4:55pm, 7:45pm, 10:30pm

Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 1hr 50min
11:05am, 1:50pm, 4:30pm, 7:15pm, 10:00pm

Date Night (PG-13) 1hr 28min
11:15am, 12:15pm, 1:45pm, 3:00pm, 4:15pm, 5:30pm, 7:00pm, 8:15pm, 9:40pm, 11:00pm

Kick-Ass (R) 1hr 57min
11:00am, 12:30pm, 2:00pm, 3:30pm, 5:00pm, 6:30pm, 8:00pm, 9:30pm, 11:00pm

Hot Tub Time Machine (R) 1hr 40min
11:45am, 2:15pm, 4:50pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
1332 Second St.
(310) 394-9741

Mid-august Lunch (R) 1hr 30min
1:50pm, 7:00pm

The Ghost Writer (PG13) 2hr 23min
1:20pm, 4:10pm, 7:10pm, 10:10pm

La Mission (R) 2hr 12min
4:00pm, 9:10pm

The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo (NR) 2hr 49min
1:00pm, 4:30pm, 8:00pm

Who Do You Love (NR) 1hr 47min
1:00pm, 3:15pm, 5:30pm, 7:50pm, 10:10pm

Mann's Criterion Theatre
1313 Third St.
(310) 395-1599

Death at a Funeral (R) 1hr 30min
12:00pm, 1:00pm, 2:20pm, 3:20pm, 4:40pm, 5:40pm, 7:00pm, 8:00pm, 9:20pm, 10:20pm, 11:30pm

Diary of a Wimpy Kid (PG) 1hr 33min
11:40am, 2:00pm, 4:20pm

How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 1hr 38min
12:30pm, 2:50pm, 5:10pm, 7:40pm, 10:00pm

How to Train Your Dragon 3D (PG) 1hr 38min
11:30am, 1:50pm, 4:10pm, 6:40pm, 9:00pm

The Perfect Game (PG) 1hr 58min
1:30pm, 4:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:30pm

Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too (PG-13) 2hr 1min
6:50pm, 9:50pm

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Don't be a loner, Sag

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Trying to please someone older could be very difficult, especially if your mind is elsewhere when you're with him or her. This person is changing right in front of your very eyes. What worked awhile ago might not now. Tonight: Visit over dinner.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Expenditures could be off. A change in plans could disappoint you, but on the other hand, you might have been wanting to do something around your home, for yourself and/or for a family member. You now have the opening! Tonight: Treat someone to a movie.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Though a partner might be difficult, it doesn't mean you are impossible. Understand what is happening, and go off and make today just for you. Sometimes you are not even aware of the charisma and energy you exude. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★ If you have been feeling a bit off, maybe taking some much-needed personal time would work. You could be exhausted by everything that has occurred recently. Schedule a massage or get your hair done. Spend a little on yourself. Tonight: Continue the theme -- do for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Friends surround you. Perhaps you are focused on clearing out an important project. Ask one of your pals to pitch in, if it is possible. Clearly others miss what you have to offer. A person touches you with his or her insight and compliments. Tonight: The belle or beau of the ball!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Wherever you are, you discover that you must assume more responsibility than you might like to. If you can clear out, great. Nevertheless, have the expectation that this trend will continue. A partner or admirer pays you quite a compliment. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Your mind keeps wandering to those at a distance. Quit settling and doing things you really don't want to do. Be a little carefree and frivolous. Express yourself in a new way. Just take off. Be yourself. Tonight: Breaking new turf.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Relating to a key person might be more important than you realize. A newfound understanding arises. If you are attached, you could love this sense of connection. If you are single, you discover that there might be more between you and a key person. Tonight: Let another person be dominant.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Others seek you out, perhaps overwhelming you. The best-laid plans might need revamping, though don't forget a project for a family member who really is depending on you. Open up to a sense of being well liked and popular. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You could be uncomfortable with plans. Someone in your immediate environment seems much more energetic as well. If you don't want to join in, don't make any excuses; just explain where you are coming from. You might be happiest snoozing or taking a walk, nothing more. Tonight: Make it relaxing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Your playfulness is often misunderstood, as it has a random quality. Indulge a dear friend or loved one. A talk might be in order, especially if this person has been a bit combative or distant. Consider his or her point of view. Tonight: Why not make it dinner at your place?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Stay close to home and relax. Nevertheless, someone might show up, or you might decide to invite over a couple of friends. Just know that simplicity works as well as elaboration when you are with real friends. Tonight: Demonstrate your caring.

Happy birthday

This year, many opportunities come your way. Try not to be too ambitious. By this time next year, you will have begun another life and luck cycle. What appeals to you today might not then. If you are single, check out a new person with care. As much as there is an attraction, there also could be an element of illusiveness or unavailability. Is this person really available? If you are attached, the two of you will gain through more open communication and perhaps some old-fashioned dating. GEMINI makes you laugh.

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

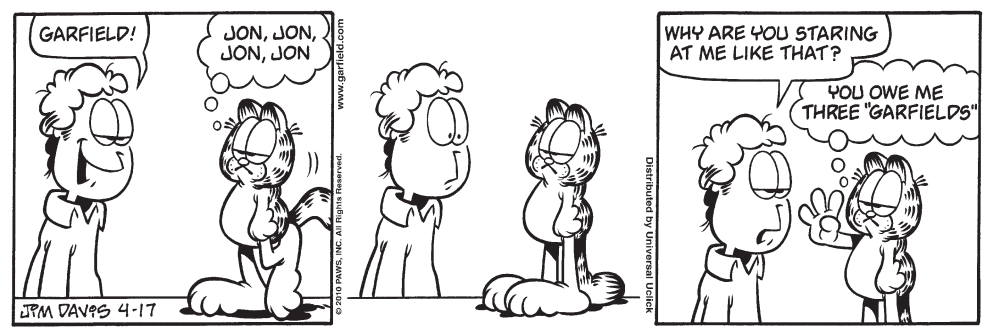
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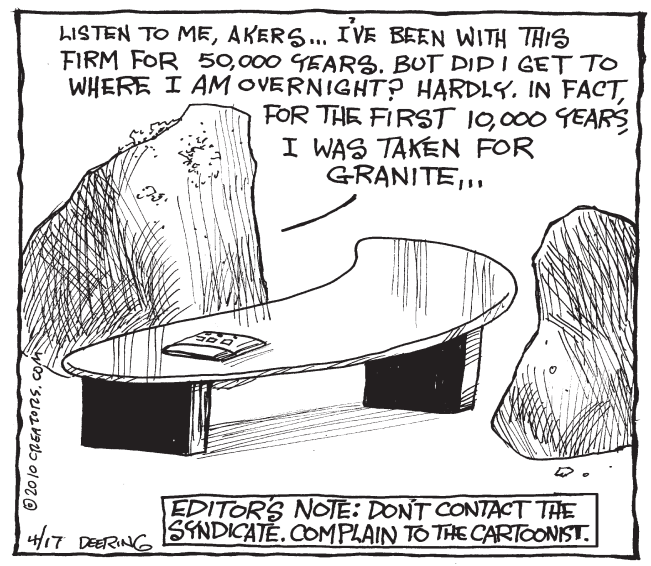
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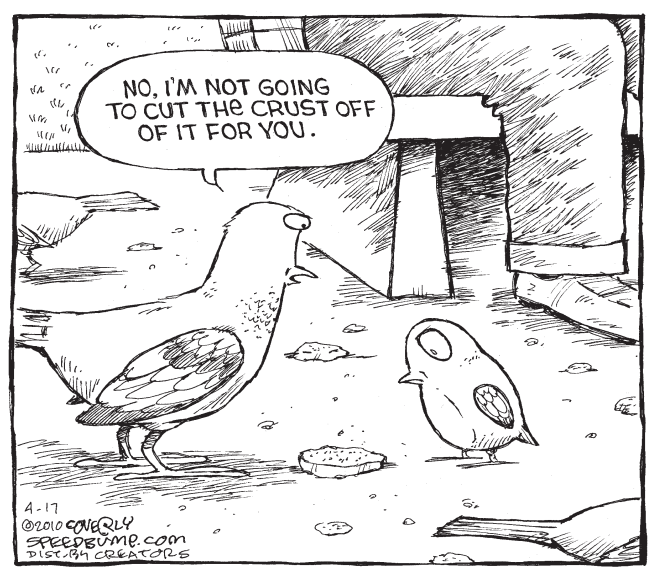
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Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★★★

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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.

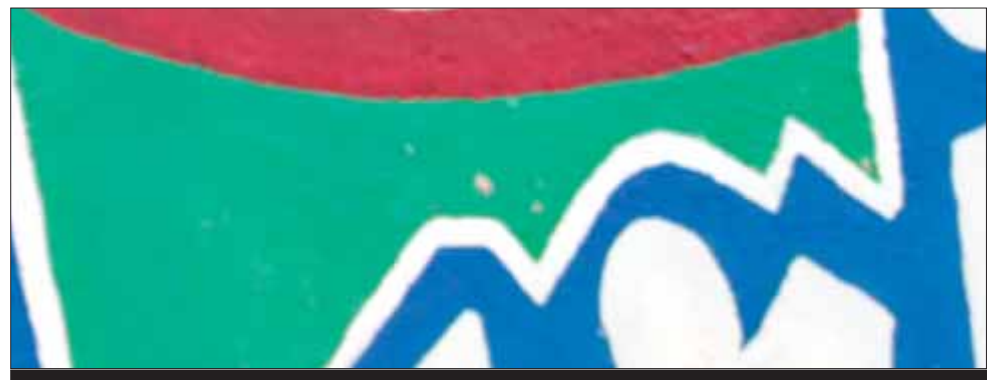
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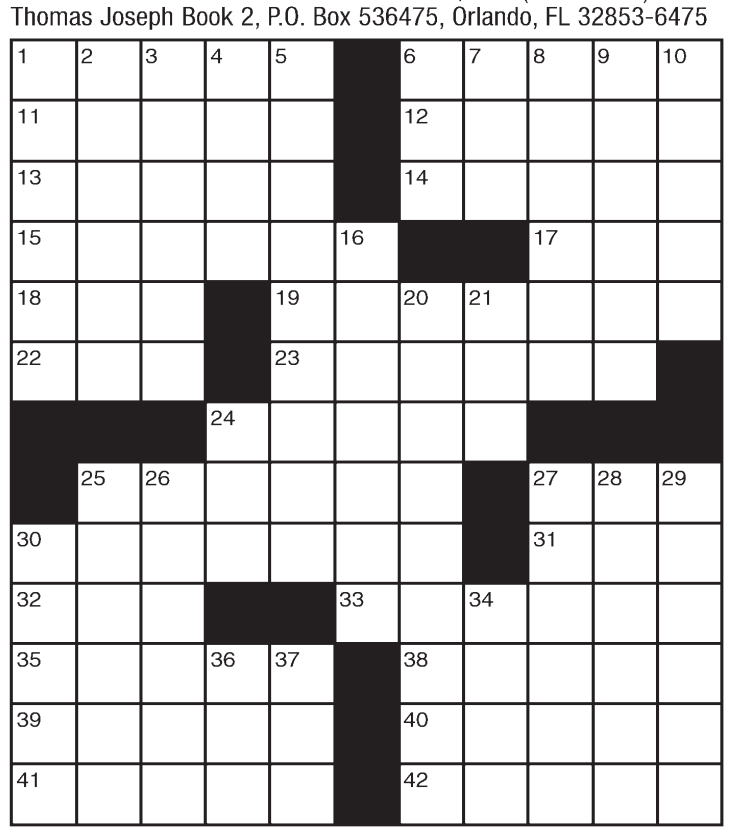
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Yesterday's answer

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ **Unintelligent Design:** (1) China's Yangcheng Evening News reported in March that a 6-year-old boy in Ha'erbin City, with 15 fingers and 16 toes, had surgery to get down to 10 and 10. (2) In March, Zhang Ruifang, 101, of Linlou Village in China's Henan province, was reported to have a "rough patch" of skin on her forehead that had recently grown to a length of 2 1/2 inches in the shape of a horn. (However, dermatologists in the U.S. point out that the condition is not all that rare.) (3) In February, the parents of Deepak Kumar, 7, of Belhari in India's Bihar state, sought financial help for surgery to remove the parasitic twin joined at the hip with the now-eight-limbed boy. (His father told an Agence France-Presse reporter that he rejected suggestions that Deepak remain as is so that villagers could worship him as a deity.)

■ Supervisors at the Department for Work and Pensions in Carlisle, England, issued a directive in March to short-handed staff on how to ease their telephone workload during the busy midday period. Workers were told to pick up the ringing phone, recite a message as if an answering machine ("Due to the high volume of inquiries we are currently experiencing, we are unable to take your call. Please call back later.") and immediately hang up.

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1964 Shea Stadium opens.

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