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THE EXCITING SEASON ISSUE

Deli not long for promenade

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

BROADWAY In a move that almost certainly spells the end of the line for the venerable Broadway Deli, the Planning Commission on Wednesday granted the restaurant's landlord, Promenade Gateway LLP, a permit it needs to move ahead with plans to replace the deli with two new, higher paying tenants.

The land owner wants to subdivide the Broadway Deli's 8,500-square-foot space into separate storefronts for a smaller eatery and a retailer. The commission on Wednesday voted 5-1 to grant Promenade Gateway the conditional use permit (CUP) it needs to reconfigure the space to fit its plans for the property.

A land use consultant for Promenade Gateway, Howard Robinson, on Thursday said his client's decision to transform the space reflects the significant changes to the Third Street Promenade real estate market that have taken place since Broadway Deli first opened its doors more than 20 years ago.

"The message is, 8,500 square feet for a restaurant on the promenade made sense in 1988 when these guys first made their deal, at the rents back then, given what the promenade was. But it's unsustainable today. There's no restaurant that size that can survive," he said.

Marc Zeidler, the Broadway Deli's general manager, said in lease extension negotiations last year Promenade Gateway wanted to nearly triple the business's monthly rent from $55,000 to $150,000. The restaurant has signed a short-term lease extension and plans to continue doing business until the landlord begins renovating the space.

"We're still in here until [the owner] finds a tenant or someone willing to pay his price. I don't see us being out of here all that quickly," Zeidler said.

While he doesn't expect to close the deli before the end of the year, Zeidler said he's told the restaurant's 65 employees that the business is expecting to close its doors for good.

"They are not happy about it," he said. "It's an uncomfortable situation. There's no long-term solution."

The landlord's plans for the space were

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EARTH FIRST

Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District students help plant the 'Earth Tree' in honor of Earth Day on Thursday at Los Amigos Park. Each student took turns shoveling dirt for the new planting.

Third time's a charm

SMC's Broad Stage announces lineup for upcoming season

BY LISA ANDERSON
Special to the Daily Press

MADISON CAMPUS The Broad Stage's third season will feature an eclectic mix of talent that spans mariachi to jazz to improv.

The venue's schedule was released Thursday during a press conference that featured some of the acts that are scheduled to perform at the venue, giving boosters and reporters a glimpse of what's on tap this coming season.

"In two years, I think we're well on our way to becoming a cultural institution," said Austin Beutner, chair of the Broad Stage board of directors.

Santa Monica College's Broad Stage was constructed at a cost of $45 million, with $40 million coming from local taxpayers in the form of two bond measures.

Dale Franzen, founding director of The Broad Stage, emphasized the need to produce multiple performances despite the struggling economy, which has forced other cultural institutions to cut back.

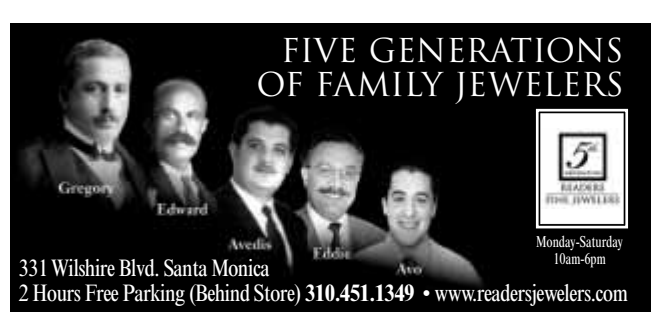
"At times like these, it's even more important," Franzen said of hosting multiple shows.

Broad Stage officials said the third season will bring the highest caliber of performers yet to the venue.

"For two seasons now, The Broad Stage has brought to the Westside some of the best artists performing today from the worlds of jazz, Broadway, coffeehouse and concert hall," read a press release from Artistic Advisory Board Chair Dustin Hoffman, Board of Directors Chair Austin Beutner and Franzen.

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Writer & director, Fred Burwick says, "In his poem, John Keats has created a wonderfully woven plot, but provides little dialogue. To keep the poetry and to shape it into dialogue is perhaps the most stunning transformation of all. Jackie Hoang, who has written her stage adaptation of Lamia, is now directing the performances to open in Santa Monica. It is an amazing and thrilling accomplishment - not to be missed." Come see this extraordinary show set in Ancient Greece!

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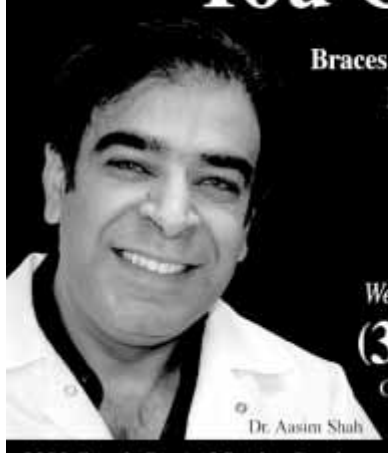
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Friday, April 23, 2010

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Last Friday's gives visitors to Main Street a chance to check out special events and take advantage of extended hours at businesses along this popular shopping district. For more information, visit www.mainstreetsm.com.

Live at the Apple Store: Luke Reynolds
Apple Store
1248 Third Street Promenade, 7 p.m. — 8 p.m.

A Grammy-nominated songwriter and multi-instrumentalist, Luke Reynolds plays an eclectic variety of vintage and analog instruments. Witness his talent firsthand at this special live performance and hear songs from his upcoming solo album.

Magic School Bus fun with Joanna Cole and Bruce Degen
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 4 p.m. — 5 p.m.

Celebrate Earth Day week with Joanna Cole and Bruce Degen, creators of the new Magic School Bus and the Climate Challenge. In their latest book, Joanna Cole explains why the earth is getting warmer, and together with Bruce Degen's bright, action-filled illustrations, makes the science easy to understand and fun to learn. This book and others in the Magic School Bus series will be available for purchase and signing at the event.

Saturday, April 24, 2010

Getaway to the Huntington Library
Santa Monica College
1900 Pico Blvd., 9 a.m.

This trip visits the 120 acres of the Huntington Library, art collection and botanical gardnes. The Huntington art gallery offers visitors one of the nation's finest collections of European art and includes Gainsborough's "Blue Boy," Thomas Lawrence's "Pinkie," and works by John Singer Sargent and Mary Cassatt. The botanical gardens include more than 14,000 different varieties of plants showcased in 12 specialized gardens arranged within a park-like landscape of rolling lawns. Admission is $40.

Dino fair
The Growing Place
401 Ashland Ave., 11 a.m. — 4 p.m.

This annual family festival event features bouncies, volcanoes, petting zoo, games, live music, food, prizes and much more. Entrance is free. Tickets are required for activities. All proceeds go to scholarships and educational materials for The Growing Place.

National Psoriasis Foundation Walk
Ocean View Park
8 a.m.

The National Psoriasis Foundation is sponsoring its annual Los Angeles 5K Walk at Ocean View Park in Santa Monica. Psoriasis is a non-contagious auto-immune disease affecting 7.5 million Americans. Admission is free. Food, drink and live entertainment will be provided. Please call (877) 825-9255 or (310) 575-3737 for more information.

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



HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Samohi basketball caps successful season with awards

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOHI Capping what was one of the best seasons in recent memory, Santa Monica's boys basketball team held its end-of-season banquet last weekend to honor its own.

Aside from a number of California Interscholastic Federation and Ocean League awards previously bestowed on the Vikings, the team handed out its own set of honors with Corey Walker taking home the squad's most valuable player award. The team awarded honors for some of the more elite categories as well, but one of the main reasons for the ceremony was to shed light on some of the guys who don't get the recognition or ink that some of the other players receive.

Notable awards: Leo Mancini was named Mr. Hustle; Asante Lewis was selected most inspirational; Alex Cephus won the sportsmanship award; and Trey Thompson was named rookie of the year.

The remainder of the awards were doled out primarily to the team's graduating seniors. James Montgomery was tapped as the defensive player of the year; Soloman Singer was noted for being the team's top rebounder; outstanding team play was given to Harry Horn; Jovan Maze was the team's sixth man; Danilo Toskovic was presented the coaches' award; and Jared Green received the Viking bench basketball award.

The awards top a season that saw the

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HUGE WIN

Morgan Genser *news@smdp.com*

Santa Monica's Jasmine Linares swings at a pitch against Morningside on Thursday at Samohi. Santa Monica won the game, 15-0. The win improves Samohi's record to 12-5 overall, 3-0 in league.

Santa Monica's unsung heroes

BY MIRIAM FINDER
Special to the Daily Press

DOWNTOWN Some heroes are closer to home than most people realize.

Eight community members were recognized Thursday as this year's recipients of Santa Monica Human Relations Council's Community Heroes awards. These standout citizens represent a broad spectrum of volunteer organizations to which they have made significant contributions.

The recipients were chosen by a committee of the Santa Monica Human Relations Council based on nominations from their respective nonprofits.

"These are the people that are not the normal people that get honors," said board member Mark Benjamin, noting organization directors and officers normally receive the recognition. "They're the actual people that are in there volunteering and doing the hard work."

In its second year of existence, Benjamin said the Community Heroes awards raise excitement in the community. A list of 100 non-profit groups was narrowed down to 12, from which the committee sought nominations and decided upon its eight recipients.

"They're kind of the unsung community heroes," Benjamin said. "We're trying to let them sing."

Charlie Yen, Santa Monica College director of contract services, was honored for his involvement in not one, but three local organizations. Yen has been active in the American Cancer Society's "Relay for Life" and overseeing finances as a board member for both the Red Cross and Police Activities League (PAL). Additionally, Yen organized Santa Monica College's annual Fourth of July event, "Celebrate America" this past summer.

"I think people living in Santa Monica should be involved with all the community activities as much as possible, benefiting especially the youth," Yen said. "I encourage everybody to do stuff for our youth."

Joan Colman, another Community Hero, gets some help from a friend while volunteering with PAL.

"What I've done is I supply myself and my dog," Colman said. She helps run the America Reads program and America Reads to Dogs. Colman and her child-safe certified therapy dog teach children everything from communication skills to reading to comprehension to animal care. For the past eight years on Wednesday afternoons, the pair gives young readers an audience.

"The dogs are very accepting of all reading levels," Colman said. "The dogs don't judge."

As a semi-retired speech language pathologist, Colman enjoys that she can combine her love of dogs with her desire to give back to the community and is thankful for PAL treating her and other volunteers so well.

Serving the community's hungry is Jeanne Laurie, who volunteers at the Westside Food Bank. Laurie has written a human resources handbook on maternity leave, overseen the food bank's booth at community events and written grants at the organization.

"To be a part of the food bank is great," said Laurie, noting the staff's dedication and hard work. "There was just more and more that I was able to do."

During her 10 years with the non-prof-

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More equal than others

Editor:

I found your article entitled "BBB fare hike delayed for SMC" (Tuesday, April 20, 2010) to be interesting. With the impending substantial fare hikes facing the general public, including seniors, disabled persons, and students who do not attend SMC, I wondered why weren't we given the same courtesy provided to SMC and its students? So, SMC students are given another year before their "Any Line Any Time" program fare is "negotiated."

Was there a BBB representative that "negotiated" the fare restructuring with the general public? There were no negotiations on the table at the community meetings I attended. I was told that I was going to pay up no matter what my personal circumstance might be, or those of my neighbors. I found it comical that Stephanie Negriff states that the Big Blue Bus' "partnership" (with SMC) has been "so important that she thinks that the BBB can take that extra time to get it right."

Really? What about the BBB's partnership with its general ridership and the taxpayers of Santa Monica that fund the BBB? Are we meaningless? I can only assume that the elderly, the disabled, non-SMC students, and myself are not $1.2 million important are we? SMC's senior director of government relations, Don Girard, really made me laugh. Mr. Girard states that the college is a "major user of BBB service" and that "[b]y some estimates we are about 10 percent of their ridership." So what? Does that entitle SMC to special privileges? Ten percent as compared to what? How can Mr. Girard make such a statement when Ms. Negriff states that the delay was caused because SMC has to come up with an accurate count of how many SMC riders use the bus system, and that there are no detailed records of how many people use the program. So SMC skips out on the fare hike because nobody bothered to keep records, yet they keep claiming how successful the program has been. Residents have been piggy-banking SMC and its student body (approximately 85 percent of which are not Santa Monica or Malibu residents) for far too long. Not only are we paying for facility bond measures that benefit SMC, but now we get to pay higher bus fares while SMC does not. Way to share the cost, SMC! Way to be a "community" college! Way to be a public transportation system, BBB! I am fortunate though as I have a job and am able-bodied so I can afford to pay the higher fares ... but, I won't! I cannot and will not pay a higher fare when I know that my elderly, disabled and not-as-fortunate neighbors are being force fed these astronomical fare hikes while the student body of SMC is not. This reminds of a quote from one of my favorite novels (Orwell's "Animal Farm"):

"All animals are equal, but some are more equal than others."

Simply, this is gross. I would strongly urge the City Council to take Denny Zane's advice:

"Big jumps in fares have big impacts, so the council, I think, needs to be very cautious in how it proceeds here."

And remember that this goes for all of us, not just for the student body of SMC.

Laura Thixton
Santa Monica





Write Rachel

Rachel Iverson

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Too skeptical to live happily ever after

DEAR RACHEL,

I'm freaking out! I'm in the best relationship of my life and I feel lost. In the past, I spent all my time and energy trying to salvage one rocky relationship after another. Now that I have a perfect boyfriend, I don't know what to do with myself. I've never experienced peace in a relationship before and it's terrifying. Either my boyfriend has a hidden, evil side or I'm about to live happily ever after. The suspense is driving me crazy. What's a girl to do when her relationship seems too good to be true?

Signed, Too Good To Be True

DEAR TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE,

First of all, take a deep breath. It sounds to me like you're in a healthy relationship. Although it may feel foreign to you to feel romantically content, resist the urge to self-sabotage your relationship out of fear.

Your past experiences have caused you to accept dysfunction as the rule, rather than the exception. Now that you've found harmony, you're scared to be out of your comfort zone. Don't worry. You're not alone. Even women who say things like, "I knew he was The One from the moment we met," may have felt doubts and fears about their partners in the beginning, just like you.

The fact that there's nothing to fix, save or change about your boyfriend is a good thing. For the time being, hold off on making any impulsive decisions, and fight the tendency to create unnecessary conflict with your boyfriend for the sake of drama. Acknowledge your uneasiness, and let it pass. If you're the kind of person who needs a project, find a hobby or some other constructive outlet for your nervous energy. Give yourself time to adjust to your newfound happiness, and soon, you'll grow comfortable with the sensation of peace and fulfillment.

DEAR RACHEL,

My girlfriend and I have intense chemistry! Unfortunately, I can't say the same for our sex life. Our sexual encounters never live up to my expectations. My girlfriend is hot, sexy and intelligent. How can great chemistry not lead to great sex?

Signed, Unsatisfied

DEAR UNSATISFIED,

There are several types of chemistry: mental, emotional and physical. While friendships are based on mental and emotional chemistry, most romantic relationships function best when all three types of chemistry are present.

If you fantasize about great sex with your girlfriend, but it's just not happening in reality, your physical chemistry might be slightly off. Don't despair. Instead, talk in bed. Couples who talk in bed have more intimate relationships than those who don't, so use some pillow talk to learn more about your girlfriend's sexual expectations. For starters, use this time to discuss which one of you prefers to initiate lovemaking. If you both take on the same passive or aggressive role, you may feel out of sync with each other. If this is the case, take turns initiating lovemaking to get back on track. If that doesn't do the trick, get down to specifics about the way each of you like to be kissed, for example, and give one another positive encouragement and feedback as opposed to telling each other what kind of touch you don't like. However, beware of giving too much instruction all at once. Nothing kills the mood faster than a lover who behaves like a drill sergeant at sexual boot camp.

Begin by using your bed as a private meeting place where you and your girlfriend can share your most intimate desires, and soon you'll be using that bed to turn your sexual expectations into your reality.

DEAR RACHEL,

If I love my boyfriend unconditionally does that mean I can't disagree with him? Sometimes I feel like his doormat. How can I stand up for myself while still demonstrating unconditional love?

Signed, Doormat

DEAR DOORMAT,

Personal boundaries and unconditional love are not mutually exclusive. A parent who loves their child unconditionally doesn't allow that child to play in the street. Love means having to sometimes say "no." All relationships, including romantic ones, benefit from setting healthy boundaries. You should never let anyone walk all over you, whether it's a friend, a family member or a lover.

You may worry that speaking your mind will be a turn-off to your boyfriend. Don't worry. No one worth your time wants a girlfriend who's a doormat. Setting boundaries is a form of self-love and self-respect and most men find this quality extremely attractive.

You don't have to be confrontational to be strong. Next time your disagree with your boyfriend, gain his respect by kindly telling him your honest opinion.

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Laughing Matters

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Time to offload some junk and collectibles at yard sale

AMERICA IS A COUNTRY ON THE MOVE, residences that is. (It's also a country of yard sales, which I will get to below.) Last year, 40 million Americans moved to a new home. Apparently, Bekins is recession proof.

The average person moves approximately every six years. That's 13 moves in a lifetime, before, pardon the expression, the "final move." That is, unless you believe in reincarnation, in which case we're continuously moving (sounds exhausting to me). In Santa Monica, with our rent control law, you could say the only way a renter moves is when they're carried out. (Sorry about that.)

Wrapping everything you own in bubble wrap and handing it to four burly guys to truck across country, or even across town, can be traumatic. In fact, after getting fired or divorced, moving is listed among life's most stressful experiences. From personal experience, I'd add standing in line at the DMV.

In a way, America was founded by moving. Aside from Native Americans, everyone who settled here came from somewhere else. This is especially true in Santa Monica. Whom do you know who was born here? I imagine those who were hardly recognize the place now. I moved here in 1975 and I definitely don't recognize it.

There are many reasons why Americans move so much. The weak economy has prompted migrations to the Silicon Valley and the Southwest from the chronically depressed rust belt. Frankly, I'd be depressed just living in an area called the "rust belt."

Another factor contributing to moving mania is divorce, which generally results in one, if not both, spouses relocating. (The word "spouse" sounds so rodent-like. Ironically, it was my ex-wife who pointed that out to me.)

Divorce rates are at epidemic levels. And I'm not counting Elizabeth Taylor's eight, Larry King's possible eight (on, off and who cares?) and Mickey Rooney's seven. The Mickster will be 90 in September so he's unlikely to tie the celebrity divorce record but he definitely has the most kids, nine, from four different wives. (Does Maureen Dowd provide you with this type of pointless info? I think not.)

One advantage of moving is the opportunity it provides a person to go through his or her belongings to see what's worth schlepping i.e. is it "move worthy." We Americans have so much stuff that we actually rent lockers in which to keep our excess, making self-storage a booming business. We don't provide housing to the homeless, but we do for our extra stuff. Go figure.

Since rent controlled tenants generally stay put, their "stuff" tends to mushroom. In the extreme it can develop into "hoarding," defined as when a person accumulates so much he or she is almost buried in their belongings.

I know more than a few rent controlled tenants (not naming names, Michael) who suffer from this obsessive-compulsive disorder. It's so prevalent that there's a reality show on A&E called, appropriately enough, "Hoarders."

If I watch reality TV, even for a few minutes, I can feel myself getting dumber (something I can't afford). But, as research for this column, I checked out "Hoarders," which is oddly fascinating, though I'm not sure why.

"Hoarders" popularity may be due to the car crash syndrome where passersby rubberneck to get a look at what may be a gruesome sight. Hoarders' dwellings can be pretty gruesome. And perhaps we all have a little hoarder in us. Though I keep my apartment neat, I know I do.

Somehow I collect things I never use but am reluctant to throw out. I've got enough VCRs, answering machines, and even a fondue set, to start my own thrift shop. (Which may be where I got them in the first place.)

Finally, the tie-in to yard sales. I mentioned all of the above because this Sunday, TSRA, the residents association of the Shores apartments in Ocean Park, where I'm fortunate to live, is having its annual yard sale. (Warning: if you have a hoarding issue, you probably should stay away. Without this caveat I'd feel like I was describing a delicious cocktail to an alcoholic.)

For everybody else, the Shores yard sale will take place between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., on the Ashland Walkway between Neilson and Barnard ways (as if walking toward the beach). It's just south of the Shores south tower which is located at 2800 Neilson Way. And there will be some very cool collectibles, which is such a nicer word than "stuff."

There are 532 units in the Shores and, in the spirit of spring cleaning, many residents will be "divesting" themselves of their hidden treasures. Items will likely include: antiques, books, tools, DVDs, CDs, jewelry, clothes, toys, furniture and sports memorabilia. And fever or not, I promise I won't be selling any fondue sets.

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The Q Line

Travel plans

A good indicator of the local economy is travel. The same goes to be said about other tourist destinations.

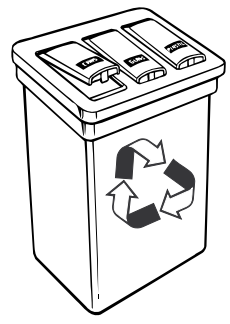
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FOR THE PLANET

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Santa Monica High School students paint flower pots to grow native plants in during the first annual Earth Day Rally at the campus on Thursday afternoon.

Broad rolls out schedule

FROM **BROAD STAGE** PAGE 1



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SEASON THREE PREVIEW

"The 2010-11 season is even more ambitious, with more programming featuring visionaries in contemporary dance and film, more community and multi-media events, and a recognition that in times like these it is even more important to achieve our founding promise to grow into a global laboratory of creativity and an artistic playground for world famous and emerging talents alike," the released stated.

The performances will begin with a summer pre-season which Franzen described as "filling in the gap," of the absence of artistic performances on the Westside during the summer. The Broad is also launching some new programs this season.

To display their self-described state-of-the-art screening capacities, The Films 4 Change Festival will make The Broad Stage host to "socially conscious and award-winning documentaries," Franzen said. The films scheduled to run are "Food, Inc.," "No Impact Man," and "Dirt! The Movie."

Saturday Morning Mash-Ups will also be offered; an invitation for the whole family to come to the Broad. It's a twist on old-fashioned children's concerts. One of these performances, which will play from Feb. 2 until Feb. 6 of 2011, will be based on Lemony Snicket's "A Series of Unfortunate Events."

The first group of performers who took the stage Thursday was the Mariachi Divas, the first all-female Mariachi group to win a Grammy. Their energetic and engaging performance was the perfect choice to open up with, captivating the audience with their powerful vocals and strong trumpet-playing in their cover of "La Bamba."

They had the audience clapping along with them, performing for just enough time to give the crowd a sense of what to expect from them on Sept.19, when they will be celebrating the Mexican Independence Bicentennial.

The second performance was from Saturday Night Live alum Laraine Newman, who satirically read from broadcaster Jo Anne Wilder's autobiography, eliciting several laughs from the audience. This was a preview of five different nights to come this season which will feature a rotating roster of comedians acting out the memoirs of various celebrities such as Star Jones, Sylvester Stallone, Elizabeth Taylor, and Mr. T.

To find out more about the Broad Stage, visit thebroadstage.com.

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New Roads takes to the road

FROM **ROUNDUP** PAGE 3

Vikings make it to the CIF-SS Division 1A final against Leuzinger, where they lost. The team was also selected for the CIF State Championships where they lost in the second round to eventual state champ Westchester.

The team is losing all five starters to graduation, but Head Coach James Hecht is confident that his team won't suffer a hangover following such a successful run.

NEW ROADS TAKES ON ANIMO

New Roads baseball and its impressive 10-4 record will travel to Harbor League rival Animo Leadership today at 3:15 p.m. The game will take place at Darby Park.

Animo enters the game 9-5 overall and 0-1 in league.

The New Roads Jaguars have been experiencing a breakout season following a 12-11 record last season.

The Jaguars will also be in action on Saturday, this time at Viewpoint. The game will begin at 6:30 p.m. at Birmingham High School in Calabasas.

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CRIME WATCH
BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Letting the cat out of the bag

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 11, AT 12:10 A.M.,
Santa Monica police officers were working undercover in a burglary suppression detail in the 2900 block of Colorado Avenue when a suspect approached them and offered to sell them methamphetamines, officers said. Officers said they were and waited for the suspect to contact his dealer. While trying to contact him, the suspect allegedly told officers that he had just committed a burglary at a church across the street. Officers followed the suspect to the church and watched as he showed them where he entered and stole band equipment. When the suspect entered the church to remove more items, officers arrested him. The suspect, John Fadem, 51, or Santa Monica, was arrested for burglary, possession of stolen property and a parole violation. He was not eligible for bail.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, AT 12:04 A.M.,
Officers responded to the area of Ninth Street and Wilshire Boulevard regarding two people attempting to sell bicycles. When officers arrived, they made contact with a witness who told them that he felt the bicycles were stolen. He directed officers toward the beach, where they were located attempting to load four bikes onto an MTA bus. Officers made contact with the suspects and determined that they were in possession of four stolen bicycles. Officers arrested the suspects for burglary, possession of stolen property and theft. They were identified as Michael Sheline, 32, of Los Angeles, and Lauren Robinson, 30, of Los Angeles. Sheline was also arrested for a probation violation. His bail was set at $81,000. Robinson's bail was set at $50,000.

THURSDAY, APRIL 8, AT 9 P.M.,
Officers received a phone call from the Gardena Police Department regarding a suspect in custody who was wanted in Santa Monica for possession of marijuana for sale. Officers took the suspect into custody. The suspect was identified as Tsuru Toshio, 41, of Lytonville, Calif. No bail was set.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, AT 11:07 P.M.,
Officers responded to the alley south of Marine Street regarding a report of vandalism in progress. When officers arrived, they observed the suspect spray painting a well. Officers said the suspect spray painted "sad girl" on a wall. The suspect allegedly admitted to tagging the wall and she was placed under arrest for vandalism. The suspect was identified as Sophie DiStefano, 21, of Korea Town. Her bail was set at $500.

MONDAY, APRIL 12, AT 6:20 P.M.,
Officers responded to the 100 block of Pico Boulevard – Sunsations – regarding an armed robbery. When officers arrived, they made contact with the alleged victim who told officers that a suspect entered the store and began to look at some sunglasses. When store employees asked him if he needed any assistance, he immediately left the store. The suspect came back into the store roughly 10 minutes later, went to the middle of the store and removed a pair of pink JLO brand sunglasses. The suspect started to leave the store without paying. When confronted by employees, the suspect threatened them with a fishing pole. He then left the store without paying. Officers located the suspect a short distance away and placed him under arrest for robbery, burglary and a probation violation. He was identified as Michael Agnello, 33, a transient. His bail was set at $50,000.

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, AT 9:29 P.M.,
Officers responded to the Santa Monica Pier regarding an assault with a deadly weapon. When officers arrived, they made contact with several witnesses who pointed out the victim to officers. The victim had been stabbed. Officers talked to the victim, who said that he and some friends were walking on the pier when one of the suspects walked up to him and said "18th Street." The suspect and victim became involved in a physical altercation. As the fight ensued, the second suspect allegedly came up and stabbed the victim in the back with a small knife. The suspects fled the location and the victim was treated for his injuries. Officers were able to locate the suspects a short distance away in the 1550 Lot. The suspects, a 14-year-old male from Los Angeles and 27-year-old Carlos Merlos Cortez of Los Angeles, were arrested for assault with a deadly weapon, participating in gang activity and a probation violation. Neither suspect was eligible for bail.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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DUI checkpoint planned for weekend

If you're planning on partying in Santa Monica this weekend, don't drive drunk. You never should, but the Santa Monica Police Department will be conducting a sobriety and driver's license checkpoint on April 24, in the 2300 block of Pico Boulevard.

Officers from the SMPD will be contacting drivers to ensure they are sober and to check the status of drivers licenses.

This is the fourth out of several checkpoints to be conducted over a 12 month period. It was funded by a grant from the Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Since 2005, the number of alcohol involved fatalities has been dropping, and the police department says it is due to efforts like this. However, law enforcement is still working toward zero deaths.

DAILY PRESS

Local heroes recognized

FROM **HEROES** PAGE 3

it, Laurie learned that providing food for the hungry is easier than people think. She suggests making food donations routine by having everyone bring one item to regular office meetings or club gatherings. Simple things, like picking up extra canned food while grocery shopping, make a difference and make Laurie stand out.

"I'm really just an ordinary person," she said. "Everybody can be a hero."

She said high protein foods like peanut butter and tuna, as well as baby food, are always in demand at the food bank.

Community Hero Ann Buck was recognized for her work at the CLARE Foundation, an organization that provides treatment for alcoholism and substance abuse. Buck uses her peaceful demeanor to help others through meditation classes she leads once a week for CLARE's female clients.

According to the nomination submitted on behalf of Buck, "the women always leave Ann's meditation group with serenity, hope and the feeling that they too have a wonderful gift to give to the world." She has spent eight years inspiring and empowering women through meditation, and has become a well loved figure at the CLARE Foundation.

Another hero believing in the power of positive energy is Betty Darling of Meals on Wheels. Once a week for the past 30 years, Darling delivers meals to and visits with residents.

"I could see that there was quite a need for human contact during the day," Darling said. "I often feel that I get more out of it than the clients do simply because of how warm they are."

Darling began volunteering once her children left home and she had more time on her hands. Since then, she has made kind and interesting contacts during her routes.

"I feel that I'm really helping," Darling said. "It's very rewarding."

Other Community Heroes award recipients include the volunteer group from grief support center Our House, Colleen Hughes of PAL and Kathy Knight of the neighborhood organization Friends of Sunset Park. The entire group will be publicly recognized on May 8 at the Santa Monica Festival in Clover Park.

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No new tenants lined up for deli's space

FROM **DELI** PAGE 1

subject to Planning Commission approval because of strict rules governing restaurants on the promenade meant to keep the street lively with dining options and outdoor patios in key locations.

The Broadway Deli's space is required to house a restaurant at the corner of Broadway Avenue and Third Street, but the landlord's renovation plans call for devoting the corner space to retail and setting a smaller restaurant tenant back from the corner, with an entrance on the promenade. The retail space would be roughly 5,800 square feet, and the restaurant portion would be about 2,800 square feet, Robinson said.

The request was considered so uncontroversial it was placed on the Planning Commission's consent agenda, though commissioners chose to discuss the item before granting the CUP.

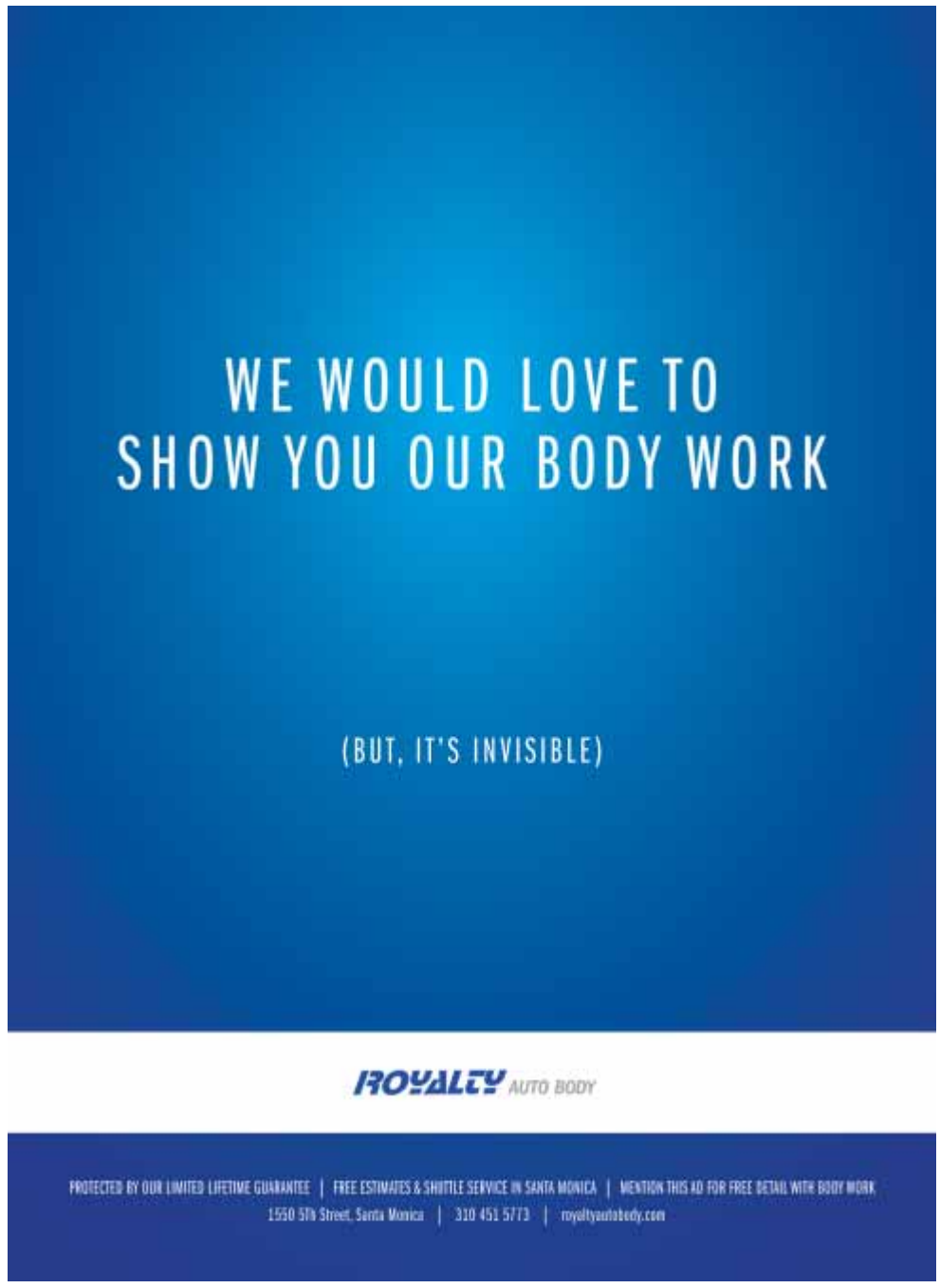
"Everybody would love to see it remain, but we also recognize the fact that people's businesses change, people's dining habits change ... . We don't have business rent control and we have to allow things to change," said Planning Commission Chair Hank Koning.

Robinson said Promenade Gateway doesn't yet have prospective tenants for the reconfigured space lined up.

"They will begin marketing the space and trying to find a retail and a restaurant tenant. In this market we have no idea how long that will take."

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Play Time

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A modern Rashomon?

THE FIRST ACT BEGINS IN MEDIEVAL Japan. A married woman and her lover, both in kimonos and lots of hair, are making love "for the last time" and singing to each other at the top of their lungs.

This sets up a fast forward to the next scene, which is set in New York in 1951. A married couple have just seen "Rashomon," the film by Akira Kurosawa that, you will remember, involves a rape and a murder in a forest in medieval Japan, followed by four conflicting eyewitness accounts of the crimes. Kurosawa built his film from two stories written by Rynosuke Akutagawa, and these stories serve as the foundation of Michael John LaChiusa's musical, "See What I Wanna See," currently having its West Coast premiere at The Blank Theatre in Hollywood after a run at the Public Theater in New York.

So, to return to our married couple. As they wander through Central Park they are accosted by a thief who rapes the wife and murders the husband. Or does he?

Then back to Japan where the two lovers are still saying goodbye.

And forward to New York in the "early 21st century" where a priest is having a crisis of faith which he confesses to his much-loved Communist/atheist aunt. Then as he wanders through Central Park he encounters three other modern-day characters who are also a little iffy about God and faith. And so he decides to stage a miracle.

Kurosawa made of these stories a classic film. LaChiusa just makes them confusing. According to Director Daniel Henning, however, there are definite threads that tie everything together. One, obviously, concerns "truth." And since truth is dependent upon one's own personal perspective, the play questions what is absolute truth.

Another "thread" is faith and belief. As the priest says as he is setting up his miracle, "If you have enough faith, anything you believe becomes possible."

Since this version of the Japanese story is a musical, the playwright has composed the lyrics and libretto as well, as he has done for many of his plays. This music, however, is not something you're going to whistle as you leave the theater. While some of it is quite beautiful, it is atonal and operatic — sort of like Andrew Lloyd Weber on acid. Fortunately for LaChiusa, the cast consists of five excellent singers: Doug Carpenter, Jason Graae, Lesli Margherita, Perry Ojeda and Suzan Solomon. They each have strong voices, but this is not an easy score to sing, and so their performances are occasionally uneven. The five musicians who accompany them, led by David O, are, however, are consistently fine. As is Jason Graae, who is always so terrific in anything he does that I would go to see him if he only stood in the corner and ate a hot dog.

While Jeremy Pivnick provides his usual deft lighting design, Ginnie Ann Held's almost-nothing set leaves a lot to be desired. So all in all, "See What I Wanna See" is a mixed bag.

You might wanna see something else.

"See What I Wanna See" will continue Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. through May 23. The Blank Theatre is located at 6500 Santa Monica Blvd. in Hollywood. Call (323) 661-9827 for tickets.

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Pilot season has few winners

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NEWTON, Mass. Turreted and stately, the house on a quiet street in Newton had been vacant for a while.

But for a few days last month, its "For Sale" signs went away. Trucks, trailers, crews and actors converged along Lake Avenue after fliers in every neighbor's mailbox gave fair warning: This picture-perfect homestead would temporarily be occupied as one of several shooting sites around the Boston area for a CBS pilot called "Quinn-Tuplets."

This wannabe series features Amber Tamblyn, Kenneth Mitchell, Sam Witwer, David Giuntoli and Anna Chlumsky as all-grown-up quintuplets named Quinn.

But further details weren't available, or worth a viewer getting too excited about, yet. "Quinn-Tuplets" may never make it to the air.

"Quinn-Tuplets" is just one of 80-plus scripted pilots in production and due to be evaluated soon by the five broadcast networks. Each is bucking for a berth on a fall prime-time schedule. But only a handful will make the cut.

That means if "Quinn-Tuplets" doesn't pass muster with CBS execs, it will be tossed, forever unseen by the public, on the lofty scrapheap of busted TV pilots.

Such is the game of win or lose played out each pilot season in a high-stakes, time-crunched scramble.

Lately, a year-round program rollout has found favor in the industry. Even so, the May "upfront" presentations — heralding a new crop of fall TV to advertisers and the world — remain. This half-century-old rite perpetuates the need for pilots to sustain it. Lots of pilots. Pronto.

Shawn Ryan, with series to his credit including "The Unit" and "The Shield," has a pilot in the works for Fox called "Ride-Along."

"When you're producing an ongoing show," he said one hectic day last week, "it feels like you're in an out-of-control car hurtling 100 miles per hour and you never know whether you'll get someplace, or crash. With a pilot, you start at a standstill, and you're told you've got to be at 100 miles per hour — tomorrow!"

Almost in lockstep, the process goes like this: Come January, scripts for dramas and comedies are picked by the studios from hundreds in development. Production begins. By the end of April, each finished pilot is delivered to the network that ordered it. Then, in mid-May, the networks unveil their fall lineups, with a lucky few new shows part of the mix — all whipped together in the frantic fortnight that went before.

"The advantage is, it's a system that everybody's used to," said David Stapf, president of CBS Television Studios. "The disadvantage: We're all going after the same directors, the same actors, at the same time. That makes it difficult."

Stapf has a dozen pilots under way for the sister CBS network (besides "Quinn-Tuplets," they include a revived "Hawaii Five-O" and "Reagan's Law," a cop drama starring Tom Selleck), plus two for the CW. These came from scores of scripts and series pitches he'd been shepherding since last summer.

But for Cindy Chupack, the script development phase of her NBC project, "Love Bites," took place two years ago. Then NBC opted not to go the next step to a pilot. Much to her surprise early this year, Chupack learned "Love Bites" had sprung back to life: The network's current bosses wanted a pilot. Under the aegis of NBC's Universal Media Studios, she started hiring a crew and casting roles.

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'Basketball Diaries' (Blu-ray)

Based on cult author and punk rocker Jim Carroll's autobiographical book of the same name, Leonardo DiCaprio portrays young Carroll in this 1995 film. Jim (DiCaprio) and his cocky friends are talented high school hoopsters in New York, but recreational cocaine use leads to a descent into deep drug addiction that sends him to the gutter. (Palm Pictures)

'Everybody's Fine'

Robert DeNiro stars as recent widower Frank Goode. After his grown children cancel a family reunion, Frank sets off on a cross-country journey to reconnect with each of them. Co-starring Drew Barrymore, Kate Beckinsale and Sam Rockwell, the title comes with a making-of, deleted and extended scene segments. (Miramax)

'Flame & Citron'

This psychological thriller, set in Nazi-occupied Copenhagen, is a rather complex and thoughtful presentation of the price of heroism. A young idealist (Thure Lindhart) and a tense family man Citron (Mads Mikkelsen) form the underground's most proficient killers of collaborators and sympathizers, but the appearance of a mysterious woman and their latest directive to assassinate the head of the Gestapo, provide some explosive elements to the moral complexities of being a hero. (IFC Films)

'Man vs. Wild' Season 4

Extreme survivalist Bear Gryllis presents his innovative techniques for "roughing" it. It is "Fear Factor" gone crazy as this three disc offering takes viewers from Vietnam to Guatemala and from Alabama to Alaska with a vast new array of life-or-death scenarios. (Discovery)

'Gary Unmarried' The Complete First Season

Comedian Jay Mohr plays newly single father Gary Brooks, an uncomplicated guy trying to find his way in an increasingly complicated world. The three disc-collection centers around Gary's world as he heads back into the dating scene while dealing with his ex-wife of 15 years (Paula Marshall) and raising their two children. Bloopers, on-set visits, and an "eco" session with cast member Ed Begley Jr. are part of the extra materials. (CBS/Paramount)

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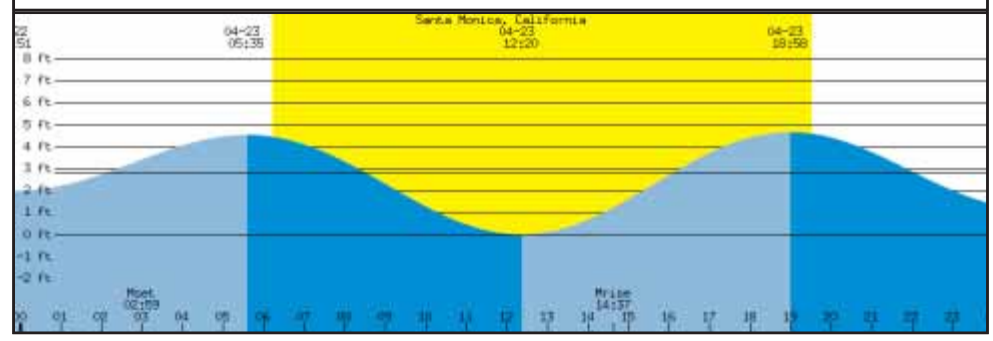
SWELL FORECAST

Should see the wind swell back off, but it's possible that chest to head high peaky stuff will persist at well-exposed west facing breaks in the very early AM hours.

LONG RANGE SYNOPSIS

SHOULD SEE A SLIGHT INCREASE IN NW SWELL. ALL BREAKS ARE LOOKING AT WAIST TO CHEST 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 13, 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 -- 7
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 41 / 22
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 6 / 22

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 Lechuza and Los Alisos creeks.	A+	A+
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	B	B
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	C	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	A+
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	C
Solstice Canyon at Don Blocker County Beach.	A+	B
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	F
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.	C	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	C	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	B
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A	C
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Los Tunos 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).	A	F
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	F
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+	B
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	A+
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	F
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A+	A
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	F
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	F
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+	D
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty).	A	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	A+
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	F
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
ss -- no sample taken

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Heal the Bay

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MOVIE TIMES

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

Double Feature
Welcome to L.A. (NR) 1hr 46min
Nashville (NR) 2hr 39min
7:30pm

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade

The Joneses (R) 1hr 33min
12:05pm, 2:30pm, 5:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:05pm

Greenberg (R) 1hr 47min
11:05am, 4:20pm, 9:40pm

Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 1hr 50min
1:40pm, 7:00pm

Alice in Wonderland in Disney Digital 3D (PG) 1hr 49min
11:00am, 1:45pm, 4:30pm, 7:15pm, 9:55pm

Hot Tub Time Machine (R) 1hr 40min
12:10pm, 2:40pm, 5:15pm, 7:45pm, 10:15pm

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

The Back-up Plan (PG-13) 1hr 38min
10:30am, 1:15pm, 4:10pm, 7:05pm, 9:50pm

Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 1hr 50min
11:30am, 2:15pm, 5:05pm, 7:45pm, 10:35pm

Date Night (PG-13) 1hr 28min
10:15am, 12:45pm, 1:45pm, 3:15pm, 5:40pm, 7:30pm, 8:15pm, 10:40pm

Kick-Ass (R) 1hr 57min
4:15pm, 10:15pm

Kick-Ass (Digital Presentation) (R) 1hr 57min
11:00am, 12:25pm, 2:00pm, 3:20pm, 5:00pm, 6:15pm, 8:00pm, 9:00pm, 11:00pm

Oceans (G) 1hr 24min
10:00am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm, 5:30pm, 8:00pm, 10:30pm

Kenny Chesney: Summer in 3D (NR) 1hr 39min
12:00am

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
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When You're Strange (R) 1hr 42min
1:00pm, 3:10pm, 5:20pm, 7:40pm, 10:00pm

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

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

City Island (PG-13) 1hr 55min
1:50pm, 4:20pm, 7:20pm, 9:50pm

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Death at a Funeral (R) 1hr 30min
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How to Train Your Dragon (PG) 1hr 38min
12:10pm, 2:40pm, 5:10pm, 7:40pm, 10:10pm

How to Train Your Dragon 3D (PG) 1hr 38min
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The Losers (PG-13) 1hr 38min
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Where your friends are, Scorpio

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Focus on coming up with viable answers during a brainstorming session. You gain insight into a friend out of the blue. In the p.m., think "Friday." Someone could keep calling or dropping in, interfering with your thought process. Tonight: Wander home, maybe visit with a friend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Pressure builds on the home front. Not until you say "enough" -- at least to yourself -- will you complete your work. A friend could be quirky and change plans back and forth. A boss appreciates your efforts. Tonight: Playtime!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ In the morning, ask for what you want clearly and directly. Hedging simply isn't going to cut it. In the afternoon, even if it is Friday, you want to pull back and do some thinking. If you're at work, you might be grasping the enormity of a project. Tonight: Happiest at home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Curb overindulgence. Take a deep breath and identify what you want. Communication will excel if you are able to identify with others. Allow someone who needs control to have it, for everyone's sake. Tonight: Hang with friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You are on cruise control. Someone isn't seeing a situation the same way as you do. Could this difference be a problem? In the afternoon, dig into work. Tonight: Your treat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Though you might be out of kilter with the world in the a.m., by the afternoon, you feel empowered. Don't allow an associate or coworker to distort your idea. You might need to simplify your language. Confirm that everyone is on the same page. Tonight: Do what you think is best to start the weekend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Dedicate the morning to a key issue. Your ability to zero in on what you want allows for more success. In the afternoon, you need some quiet time to center and make decisions. Tonight: Let your mind wander, even if you don't feel like following!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Accept your role in a project, as you cannot change it. Understand that others push you into the role of being the front person. A meeting could be more important than you realize; whether it's in your personal or professional life is yet to be determined. Tonight: Where your friends are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Gain understanding as to why a boss or older relative feels so strongly. What is clear is that you will be carrying that sword for them, like it or not. You might be surprised by what happens in that case. Tonight: A must appearance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ A partner lets you know exactly what he or she thinks. Finances could be involved in a semi-reluctance to follow through. Distance yourself from this matter, for today. In time, you will find a suitable arrangement. Tonight: Turn into a party animal.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Others might not be responding as quickly as you would like. The real bottom line is that they have many other matters on their mind. A conversation later in the day reminds someone exactly what you expect and where you are coming from. Tonight: Why not add some romance to your life?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Get an early start on paperwork or any matters that demand your complete attention. Others will meander in this afternoon, wanting your time and attention. You will want to network. Free up as much time as possible. Tonight: In the social whirl of life.

Happy birthday

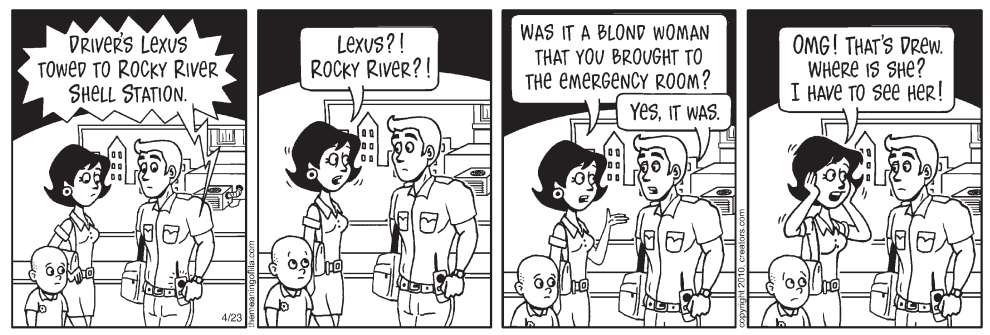
This year, you have many opportunities. You could opt for a home-based business or go into a profession that you really love. A mentor often inspires you. Enormous resourcefulness makes the world your oyster. Be sure of your goals. If you are single, a compulsive attraction could be all you see. If you are attached, with a little nurturing, the romantic flames could start blazing again. VIRGO reveals a different side.

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

Girls and Sports
By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



The Meaning of Lila
By John Forgetta & L.A. Rose



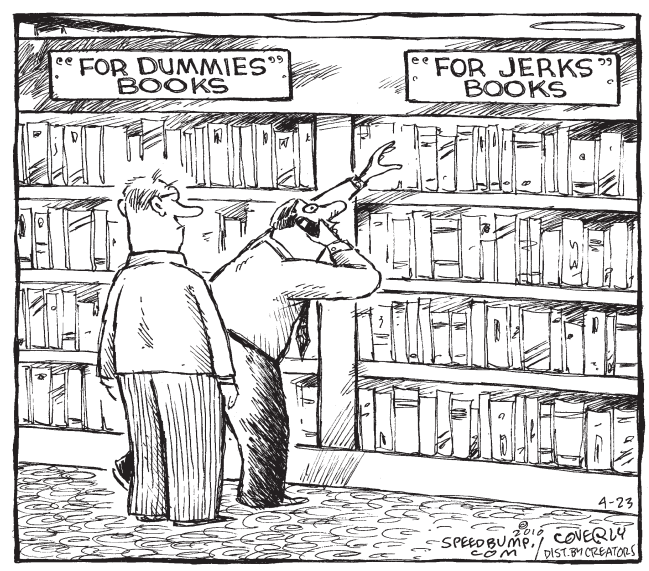
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Difficulty Level ★★★★

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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.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

7	1	5	2	8	6	4	3	9
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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Philatelist's find
6 "Halt!" from a salt
11 Candle
12 Pollster Elmo
13 Dark wood
14 Exact copy
15 Completely
16 Hamlet's love
18 Crooner Tormé
19 Coarse
20 Fate
21 Put away
23 Repair-bill line
25 Campaign pro
27 So far
28 Scout group
30 Liquefy
33 Twosome
34 Farm grazer
36 Hurler's stat
37 Software buy
39 Perform
40 Danger
41 Turning tool
43 Cheer up
44 Like chiffon
45 Rotunda tops
46 Bess' husband

DOWN

1 Prepares veggies
2 Pad
3 It aimed for the moon
4 Chess pieces
5 Comic Richard
6 Majestic entrance
7 Field mouse
8 Harlem landmark
9 Grad-to-be
10 Goodie
17 Crony
22 Court
24 Casino action
26 Spots
28 Elvis' birthplace
29 Okra unit
31 Tell, for one
32 Diluted
33 Hoodwinked
35 Like Tom Jones
38 Solemn act
42 "That's it!"

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Yesterday's answer

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Fantasy 5: 8 17 35 37 38

DAILY 3: MIDDAY: 8 5 0 EVENING: 3 6 4

DAILY DERBY: 1st: 11 Money Bags 2nd: 04 Big Ben 3rd: 07 Eureka RACE TIME: 1:49.20

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ On Jan. 29, more than 200 Alabama state troopers were amassed at 4 a.m. for the purpose of raiding several illegal bingo parlors. The raids were eventually called off, but a University of Alabama professor estimated the staging cost to the budget-shriveled state at $130,000. Said a spokesman for Gov. Bob Riley, "No matter what it costs, the law must be enforced."

■ A December Seattle Times profile of Rachel Porcaro (a single mother with an $18,000-a-year hair-cutting job, raising two kids, living with her parents) centered on the IRS's year-long, full-blown audit of her, and subsequently of her parents, because she was flagged for earning too little money on which to raise a family in Seattle. Ultimately, Rachel and her parents prevailed on every issue except the Earned Income Tax Credit, in that Rachel's kids receive a little too much help from her parents for her to qualify.

■ Raj Patel's recent appearance on Comedy Central's "The Colbert Report" was ostensibly based around his work on global poverty and food production, but followers of an 87-year-old Scottish mystic named Benjamin Creme received a different message that Patel was the long-awaited messiah that Creme had been promising would appear to unite humanity. Overwhelmed by the followers during a recent book-signing tour, according to a March profile in London's Guardian, Patel made public denials of any messianic role (which of course only confirmed the sect's certainty that he is the man) and engaged a few in conversation, but, he said, talking to them "made me really depressed, actually."

TODAY IN HISTORY

1920 The national council in Turkey denounces the government of Sultan Mehmed VI and announces a temporary constitution.

1920 The Grand National Assembly of Turkey is founded in Ankara.

1923 1st official celebration of Children's day, world's only Children's day that is offically being celebrated since 1923 and with international participation since 1979.

WORD UP!

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Trial to be held in the County of Onondaga. The basis of the venue designated above is the location of the Mortgaged Premises. Dated this 10th day of February, 2010, Steven J. Baum, P.C., Attorney(s) For Plaintiff(s), 220 Northpointe Parkway, Suite G, Amherst, NY 14228 TO: AARON PFEFFER, Defendant(s) In this Action. The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of HON. JAMES P. MURPHY of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated the 4th day of February, 2010 and filed with the Complaint in the Office of the Onondaga County Clerk, in the City of Syracuse. 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