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Minimum wage law gets final approval

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Revisions to Santa Monica's minimum wage law were met with maximum approval this week thanks to backing from a coalition of local residents, labor unions and business leaders.

City Council formally adopted a $15 hourly minimum wage schedule in January, but several details were deliberately left vague with an expectation that a specially appointed working group would fill in the gaps.

According to city staff, the new rules will be phased in over four years. Starting on July 1 of this year, the minimum wage will start at $10.50 per hour and increase to $15 per hour in 2020. Some nonprofits and businesses with fewer than 25 employees can receive a one-year delay, and there is an 18-month exemption for transitional employees.

The City has a separate hotel minimum wage set at $13.25 per hour in 2016 that will match the Los Angeles hotel minimum wage in 2017 at $15.37 per hour plus a consumer price index increase.

Santa Monica's rules exempt union-negotiated contracts when the union has chosen to forgo the minimum wage during its bargaining process. The local ordinance includes provisions for paid sick

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Board has leaning on Samohi campus plan

Architect's scheme for high school will be developed further

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

The Santa Monica-Malibu Board of Education is feeling blue. Well, in a way.

Presented with two options for the future of the Santa Monica High School campus, the local school district's governing body favored the so-called Blue plan over the Gold plan as it assessed the merits of both during its meeting earlier this month.

Rebecca Binder, whose architecture design firm was hired by

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Workshops unite women in entertainment

BY JENNIFER MAAS
Daily Press Staff Writer

Following the success of their Women in Entertainment summit held last November, ArcLight Cinemas is launching the ArcLight Women in Entertainment workshop series.

"After the summit there was a lot of talk and one of those things we were hearing from the participants and the women who were there was how much they enjoyed hearing other peoples' stories," ArcLight executive vice president Gretchen McCourt said. "But we also knew we wanted to create a tool belt and start giving these women tools to achieve their goals. And not just young women start-

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Old pier Ferris wheel installed in Oklahoma City

Project coincides with upgrades to Santa Monica's current ride



Courtesy Image

REINVENTING THE WHEEL: The first Ferris wheel from the Santa Monica Pier is now in Oklahoma.

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

An iconic piece of Santa Monica is now featured at a new development along the shore of the Oklahoma River.



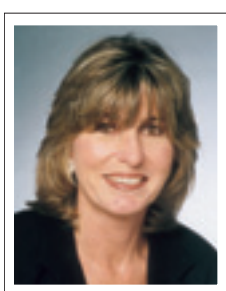
The Ferris wheel that previously stood at Santa Monica Pier is being installed in an up-and-coming part of Oklahoma City, giving the amusement landmark a new home halfway across the country.

The site had already been prepared. The foundation was in place. And the wheel's circular frame was reassembled in position this week, serving as a towering emblem of future construction in the area.

"It's the exciting culmination of a long journey," said Jeff Klocke, vice president of the pier's Pacific Park. "It was a sentimental moment for us."

The wheel's 1,300-mile journey to the Sooner State began in 2008, when Pacific Park auctioned it off online. Oklahoma-based real estate developer Grant Humphreys bought it for $132,400 and made clear his intention to bring it back to his home state. It originally cost approximately $800,000.

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Saturday, April 30

Santa Monica Mid City Neighbors Annual Meeting

Keynote speaker at meeting is Mayor Tony Vazquez. To see bylaws for all voting rules go to http://midcityneighbors.weebly.com/uploads/1/8/2/5/18251727/smmcn_bylaws_2014.pdf. To join go to midcityneighbors.org. The Edye at Broad Stage, 1310 11th St., 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

#ShakeIt for Self-Acceptance!

Kick off National Mental Health Awareness Month with information, inspiring speeches and a flash mob dance in Santa Monica. Third Street Promenade, 1300 block.

Arts & Literacy Festival

Join us to discover local arts, literacy resources, and enjoy a day of fun activities and performances. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd., 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Wanderlust 108

Mindful triathlon with 5K race, meditation, yoga, local vendors, healthy food, live music. For more information visit wanderlust.com. Santa Monica Pier, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Voter Registration

The Santa Monica League of Women Voters will be in the lobby to provide online and hard copy voter registration and information about the election. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 2 - 4 p.m.

Repair Cafe

Free repair offered for various items (i.e. clothes, electronics, jewelry, etc.) Marine Park, 1406 Marine St., 2 - 5 p.m.

Santa Monica Conservancy Walking Tour

Come along on a Saturday morning stroll through the streets of Downtown Santa Monica and learn about the Santa Monica you never knew. Meet at 1436 Second St., 10 a.m., $10 general admission, $5 for Conservancy members. Reservations: Email: dwt@smconservancy.org or call (310) 496-3146.

Sunday, May 1

Gear Up! Bike Swap and Community Celebration

The 2nd Annual Bike Swap is here to match you with the ideal ride. If your kids have grown too big, the cruiser isn't cutting it, or that seat is giving you cramps, then come swap for your best fit. If you don't want to swap, but would like to contribute - a riding-ready bicycle, then contact jack.moreau@smgov.net for details. McKinley Elementary School, 2401 Santa Monica Blvd., 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. http://smspoke.org/gearup/

Santa Monica Certified Farmers Market (Main St.)

The Main Street market hosts a variety activities including bands, a bi-weekly cooking demonstrations, arts and crafts, a face painter, a balloon animal designer as well as seasonal California grown fruits, vegetables, nuts, meats and cheeses. 2640 Main St., 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Monday, May 2

Tasti D-Lite "Mommy Mondays"

Tasti D-Lite in Santa Monica celebrates the best lady in our lives this May - Moms! All month long, Tasti will offer a free 16 oz. cup of Tasti D-Lite for moms every Monday, as well as activities, games and more for the kids. And, to kick it off, they'll host a "Mommy Mondays" launch party on Monday, May 2 from 3-6 p.m. with free Tasti for moms, $2 cups for kids, entertainment, balloons and more fun in honor of Mother's Day.

Architectural Review Board Meeting

The ARB generally meets on the first and third Mondays of each month unless there is a holiday. Meetings are held in the City Council Chambers at City Hall unless otherwise noted. City Hall, 1685 Main St., 7 p.m. www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Boards-Commissions/Architectural-Review-Board

Disabilities Commission Meeting

Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Disabilities Commission. Ken Edwards Center, 1527 4th, 6:30 - 9 p.m. www.smgov.net/Portals/AccessibleSM/content.aspx?id=16032

Beach Volleyball-Adult

Ages 16+; all levels; in a semi-private setting. $25/class or $48 (4 classes). Mon 5/2-5/23. 6 - 7:30 p.m., Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Highway.

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Trump making case to GOP insiders after chaotic rally scene

MICHAEL R. BLOOD
Associated Press

Donald Trump, the outsider, is making his case to California's Republican establishment after he kicked off his crucial campaign for the state's presidential primary with a rally marred by confrontations between protesters and his supporters on the streets.

The front-runner and his two rivals pitch their campaigns from the stage and in behind-the-scenes cajoling at the GOP convention outside San Francisco, with Trump and Ohio Gov. John Kasich appearing Friday and Texas Sen. Ted Cruz and his new running mate, Carly Fiorina, up Saturday.

It's a key event in the campaign for the nation's largest GOP primary, June 7, an exercise that usually comes after the party nominees are known but this time looms as a decisive contest that could either clinch the prize for Trump or force him into a contested convention in July.

All three candidates are looking to galvanize supporters, sway undecided party members or poach from rival campaigns at the convention. "It's going to be a free-for-all," predicted the state party vice chairman, Harmeet Dhillon.

That label clearly applied to Trump's Orange County rally Thursday night, which filled the Pacific Amphitheatre to its capacity of about 8,000, with many hundreds more turned away.

Protests that stayed mostly peaceful during the event grew in size and anger after. Police in riot gear and on horseback pushed the crowd back and away from the arena; one Trump supporter had his face bloodied in a scuffle as he tried to drive away. One man jumped on a police car, leaving its front and rear windows smashed and the top dented and other protesters sprayed graffiti on a police car and the venue's marquee.

About 20 people were arrested, said the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

Trump's remaining rivals can't beat him in what's left of the primary season. Their only hope is to deny him a majority of delegates heading into the July convention and wrestle for the prize in multiple ballots there.

But questions persist in the party — nationally and in California — about Trump's electability in the fall and his conservative credentials. So the reception Trump in particular receives from the state's party activists and grassroots organizers will be noteworthy. He rarely speaks to Republican establishment groups and he rails against what he calls a rigged party system that governs the nomination.

The convention crowd defies expectation in a state known as a Democratic fortress. There have been pushes toward moderation, but the group tends toward conservative leanings and favors calls for free markets, tax cuts and shrinking the size of government. It's also socially conservative: The state party's platform defines marriage as between a man and a woman, and wants the Supreme Court's affirmation of abortion rights reversed.

Trump has spoken favorably about Planned Parenthood, which provides abortion services. He has warned against cutting into Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security, often targets for conservatives who want to slow government spending.

When Trump earlier this month said transgender people should be able to use whichever bathroom they choose, Cruz's campaign released a statement saying Trump was "no different from politically correct leftist elites." The California platform endorses free markets; Trump has long criticized U.S. trade policy and advocated steep tariffs on Chinese goods.

The California primary will award 172 delegates. Trump now has 994 delegates, Cruz has 566 and Kasich has 153, according to the AP's delegate count. It takes 1,237 to clinch the nomination.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Virginia Avenue Park

Community forum on closing SMMUSD achievement gaps

Educational equity consultant Pedro Noguera on April 7 presented his report and recommendations to the Santa Monica-Malibu Board of Education for addressing the inequities contributing to an achievement gap in the school district.

During a Committee for Racial Justice workshop May 1, a community discussion of this report will begin with a panel presentation. The five panelists are board members Oscar de la Torre, Craig Foster and Ralph Mechur, Human Relations Council chair Karen Gunn and lifelong educator Robert Gordh.

Attendees will learn about what is being proposed in the school district to improve efforts to maximize the potentials of our local students and address the persistent inequities around race that some other school districts have been able to manage with more success.

This is part of an ongoing monthly workshop series sponsored by the Committee for Racial Justice. The event is co-sponsored by Virginia Avenue Park; the African American Parent, Staff, Student Support Group; and the Church in Ocean Park. For more information, call (310) 422-5431. The event will be held Sunday, May 1, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. (potluck supper at 6 p.m. and program at 6:30 p.m.) at the Virginia Avenue Park Thelma Terry Building, 2200 Virginia Ave. Free.

- SUBMITTED BY JOANNE BERLIN

Citywide

UCLA Health Primary Care and Pediatric Clinics nationally recognized for high-quality care

Twenty UCLA Health clinics in the Los Angeles area — 19 primary care and one pediatric practice — have been recognized for excellence in ambulatory patient care delivery.

The recognition was awarded by URAC, formerly known as the Utilization Review Accreditation Commission, an independent, nonprofit organization that strives to promote healthcare quality and accountability through accreditation, education and measurement.

UCLA Health is one of only two hospital systems in the nation to be recognized by the organization, and the only one on the West Coast.

This accreditation, known as Patient-Centered Medical Home, is based on a care-delivery model that emphasizes coordination of care, enhanced access, quality, innovative use of technology, and patient-centered care.

The UCLA Health clinics receiving accreditation met rigorous standards in each of these categories, with examples including access to same-day appointments, programs to improve management of chronic conditions and a team approach to patient follow-up after appointments and hospitalizations.

"This accreditation is validation that the way we deliver care to our patients is reflective of national best practices," said Dr. Samuel Skootsky, chief medical officer, UCLA Faculty Practice Group and Medical Group. "The rigorous measures and standards met by our primary care physicians, pediatricians and staff show their dedication to the health and healing of patients on every level."

The 20 UCLA clinics receiving certification are located throughout the Los Angeles area including Pacific Palisades, Porter Ranch, Santa Monica, Thousand Oaks, Westlake Village and Westwood. The remaining UCLA Health primary care and pediatric offices are expected to receive accredited by 2017. UCLA Health currently has more than 150 primary and specialty care offices in communities throughout Southern California and is expanding to other parts of the state and Nevada.

For more information, visit www.ucla-health.org.

- SUBMITTED BY SIMI SINGER ON BEHALF OF UCLA HEALTH

Citywide

Santa Monica to observe National Day of Prayer

Santa Monica will hold its annual observance of the National Day of Prayer at 8 a.m. Thursday, May 5, at the Tongva Park amphitheater west of City Hall between Main Street and Ocean Avenue. The address is 1615 Ocean Ave. This year's theme is "Wake Up America," inspired by Isaiah 58:1a, "Shout it aloud, do not hold back. Raise your voice like a trumpet."

Santa Monica and Westside pastors and community leaders will offer prayers for the president, governor, and other governmental leaders, the armed services, peace officers, legislators, judges, the community and nation and such topics as personal renewal and moral awakening, youth, the family, business, education, the sick, the imprisoned and persecuted, churches, missionaries and ministry organizations.

Among those leading prayers will be Pastors Steve Snook, Metro Church Calvary Chapel; John Gunter, Pacific Crossroads Church; Zach Drake, Santa Monica Church; John Thomas, Vintage Church; Matt Kladnik, Vintage Faith Church; and Trevor DeBenning, Risen Church. Also participating will be Rosty Gore representing the legal profession and veteran Joshua Nolan representing the armed services.

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City of LUVE

"THINK ABOUT THE PLACES THAT YOU remember fondly visiting, I think you and discerning visitors from all over this country and all over this world, actually prefer places that retain a sense of place, that boast a unique identity, that retain their local flavor, that nurture their authenticity, that emphasize their cultural and artistic richness ...

"You come to Downtown Santa Monica because it's a real place. It's a place that people love, it's a sense of history, a sense that this is a 'there' there." —City Manager Rick Cole, in an August 2015 speech at the annual meeting of Downtown Santa Monica Inc.

It was heartening to hear the city manager speak of the essential value in preserving the history and identity of our city. Cole went on to say, "Let's work together to retain the support of all the residents…" Cole's words spoke to the need for residents to buy in to the future development of Santa Monica. The Land Use Voter Empowerment (LUVE) initiative is important for the future of Santa Monica because the voters, the residents, must have a voice in the responsible growth and destiny of our town.

Why do we live here, what do we feel when we walk the streets, or along the pier, or the edge of the sea? Is it the blue skies and ocean breezes, the low-rise courtyard buildings, palm trees and sunlit sidewalks? Or large-scale buildings casting shadows and blocking sky and breezes? What is our vision for Santa Monica: Will it be a city primarily for residents or for tourists? Our collective challenge is to provide for responsible growth, by creating an environment that improves residents' lives, making them feel comfortable and even joyous.

Roughly 15 percent of our city is available for development, either for reasonable development or excessive development. There is still a considerable amount of growth available in our downtown and along our boulevards without sacrificing what we LUVE about Santa Monica. With 30 percent of our downtown and 75 percent of our boulevards composed of low-rise buildings, there is room to responsibly develop up to 6 million square feet of ground floor commercial space (half of the existing downtown area!), and numerous apartments housing thousands of additional residents. Our civic duty should be to avoid turning Santa Monica into a carbon copy of Downtown Los Angeles. Reduced height limits will bring down land prices and reduce construction costs, resulting in more realistic housing prices, while still providing developers a yearly 15- to 20-percent return on equity!

But how much growth is necessary, realistic and environmentally responsible? Some organic growth in cities is necessary, but how much and where? Are we willing to triple the average heights of buildings in our existing downtown and along our boulevards, as proposed codes and development agreements would allow? Density is not synonymous with quality of life. Traffic, parking problems and the "canyonization" of our downtown streets need not become the norm. Ours is a city seemingly for sale to the highest bidders. Do we want to live by the mantra of the cash register instead of one of birds and blue skies? Have we lost a sense of balance and scale? We're better than this; at least, we hope we are.

Our civic growth shouldn't be at the expense of the spirit and uniqueness of Santa Monica. Otherwise we become victims of our own success. We need to make decisions based on human needs rather than economic gain. We need to focus on quality over quantity, ensuring we have open space and access to blue skies.

Have we created a vibrant community only to sow the seeds of its destruction? Is our perceived anxiety over tax revenues worth excessive traffic and density? The future of our downtown and boulevards shouldn't just be about increased height and density. With this over-development crisis, our traffic arteries are already clogged and we are at gridlock today. The emphasis by developers on maximized commercial development, and the city's acquiescence, is destructive to our way of life. In essence, our residents get crumbs while developers are eating cake! No additional number of community benefits can make a poor project a good project.

Do we need more height and density at the expense of the city we love? LUVE is about embracing what we have: a comfortable way of life while still leaving enough room for responsible growth. The stakes here are tremendous. We can retain our beachfront environment or become indistinguishable from Los Angeles. The soul of our city must always be protected.

LUVE chooses smart, responsible growth over excessive one-size-fits-all density. Our city government must represent our residents rather than that of special interests. LUVE will take our city off the auction block and put a stop to the trading of our beachfront environment for buildings that are too tall and too dense. It's interesting that downtown Santa Monica development advocates seem smitten with the talk of iconic architects creating high rises within our midst, as those same architects have also created award-winning low-rise buildings that fit within the texture of our city.

Santa Monica once had a unique housing identity. Bungalow and courtyard homes once dominated our city. A significant part of architecture is the way buildings interact with open space — not imposing their will on nature, but existing within nature. Destroying our connection to the beach and ocean with over-development is not acceptable.

Santa Monica is quickly slipping away, as is our council's consciousness. It's alarming that our city council doesn't seem to realize the reckless course they're on. Approval of these large-scale projects is happening rapidly. Development agreements shouldn't be approved while ignoring density and design, traffic and parking, water scarcity and open space. In Santa Monica we must only approve new construction that fits the authenticity and uniqueness of our beachfront community.

Proper infrastructure must always precede new development. We would become unglued if our infrastructure should begin to fail rapidly. The already excessive load on our downtown grid is already evidenced by numerous and increasing power outages.

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John Thatcher

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LUVE is a leap in the wrong direction

I'M SURE THAT YOU HAVE NOTICED the recent proliferation of people on the street with signs and flyers taped up in your neighborhood. Yes, election season is upon us again and there is concerted effort to gather signatures for the Land Use Voter Empowerment (LUVE) initiative.

It's my view that the residents of Santa Monica should ignore this measure, as it appears to be a desperate run-around of local government and a measure which will only drive up housing prices, increase traffic and hurt the local economy.

The writers of the LUVE initiative appear to have a very negative view of our local government. I firmly believe that it is to our benefit that we live in a representative democracy with checks and balances.

Representative democracies do a much better job of ensuring that minority opinions are heard and reflected in the government. By stripping power away from our representatives and holding nearly every development over 32 feet tall to a vote, we are not allowing all parties to have a voice in the development process of our city.

Instead, only the majority of those who turn out to vote, and not necessarily the view of all of Santa Monica's residents, will be expressed. My view is that the development of a city should reflect all those that live in it. By reverting to mob rule, we are shutting out diverse viewpoints on our city's growth. That's a shame, and it makes Santa Monica less representative of the people who live there.

People might disagree with the direction a city is taking, but we have a fantastic control over this: we get to throw the government out every couple of years.

You don't like the view of certain members of our local government? Voice your views publicly and support the candidates that do. If enough people find your views compelling, your view will now help shape policy.

Secondly, the LUVE initiative is a great way for a small, politically active group to take control of the development process for the entire city. The United States has a well-publicized problem of low voter turnout in general elections, and it's even worse in primaries.

The people who show up consistently — and in large numbers — tend to be smaller groups of voters representing more extreme views. If every large development requires a direct vote from the population, you can bet turnout will be laughably small and the same people who are highly invested in this measure will be the ones most likely to show up. The LUVE initiative will just further disenfranchise the views of most of the citizens in the city.

Last, LUVE is bad from a fundamental economic sense, and will only make the housing crisis worse.

Almost everyone is familiar with the idea that price depends on supply. It's no different for housing. People who live and want to live in Santa Monica are competing for a fixed number of homes (supply). The rents and home prices in this city are a reflection of the desirability and the level of competition for a home.

However, by capping the growth of housing supply prices will be pushed higher as the availability of homes becomes even less. Also current lower-income residents will be pushed out as landlords become more incentivized to find ways to work around current regulations and push out lower-cost renters to be able to charge a higher rate. One cannot complain supposedly rampant development is causing high rents in Santa Monica. New development increases the supply of homes.

You also cannot say that stopping development will solve traffic. If you cannot build up, then you build out. By hampering development further in Santa Monica, you are simply going to push more people out of neighboring communities, and force lower-income people farther away. That sprawl forces them to commute longer distances to reach their jobs, increasing traffic and pollution in the nation's capital of both.

There is no denying that affordable housing, traffic, and responsible development are important problems facing Santa Monica, and all of the Los Angeles area. We need to be approaching these problems with proactive solutions and collective discussion, not a knee-jerk effort to stop the conversation.

The effects politically and economically of the LUVE initiative would be disastrous in the long run, and I urge everyone not to sign the petition to put the initiative on November's ballot.

JOHN THATCHER is a Santa Monica resident.

SMART

FROM PAGE 4

Rather than continue to approve new development, let us pause and spend our valuable tax dollars on reinforcing our city's existing infrastructure. Is anxiety over tax revenues worth architectural and environmental mediocrity? Residents have begged the city council to veer from this reckless course, but sadly to no avail.

Santa Monica can continue to be a progressive city while balancing growth and maintaining its quality of life. Our beachfront character is our city's sense of place. Handled correctly and with LUVE, Santa Monica can embrace the future and above all else maintain a strong sense of community.

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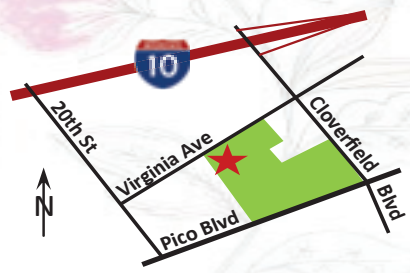
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Educator Spotlight

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Martha Vasquez

Kindergarten Teacher
Will Rogers Learning Community



VASQUEZ

The Educator Spotlight recognizes those who contribute to the education of local students. Educators were chosen by consulting with site PTA, student government organizations and staff. Educators were chosen for their reputations with students, staff, parents and the community.

Martha Vasquez shares a quote from Steve Jobs, "The only way to do great work is to love what you do. If you haven't found it yet, keep looking. Don't settle. As with all matters of the heart, you'll know when you find it."

Vasquez started off planning to earn a degree in Design, but she didn't settle for that. Instead, she found, by working as an instructional assistant with SMMUSD, that teaching was what she loved to do.

"The impact of seeing great teachers in action inspired me to change majors - Design became plan B," she said.

She has been with the district in different capacities for years: as an instructional assistant for preschool, a long term sub at Grant Elementary, a 3rd and 4th grade teacher, and finally a permanent kindergarten teacher at Will Rogers Learning Community (WRLC) where she has been for four years.

She loves working for SMMUSD and at WRLC. In particular, she enjoys the diverse community she gets to interact with daily, the families who trust her to care for and teach their children, and the hard working staff. But best of all she gets to witness her students "blossoming into well rounded individuals." She enjoys seeing them smiling daily as they "sing, dance, rhyme, and play" while developing their social, emotional, and academic skills.

Feeling there is always room for improvement in everything we do, Vasquez always strives to find ways to grow professionally. She is currently working on earning her National Board Certification.

VASQUEZ SPEAKS:

Kindergarten holds a special place in my heart. It is a magical place, in which children come at the beginning of the year, ready to learn their letters, and then leave at the end of the year reading books. It is very exciting to witness a child reading for the first time. Fireworks go off! Their eagerness to learn and their love for school allow their growth to continue and my passion for teaching to excel.

My biggest inspiration when teaching is ART! I love incorporating art in my teaching and enriching learning in other subjects with the use of the arts. I feel that art allows my students to express their creativity and individuality. It is very important to learn to create and appreciate visual aesthetics and to be able to think creatively!

Hopefully my students will learn to always aim for progress - not perfection.

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Whole Foods exec: No tattoo shops planned for new chain yet

CANDICE CHOI
AP Food Industry Writer

Whole Foods is prepping for the launch of its hipster new grocery chain. But shoppers won't be able to get a tattoo with their cheese just yet.

The company says its "365" chain will have a minimalist layout, affordable prices and third-party vendors who set up shop inside the stores. That generated fanfare earlier this year when Bloomberg noted the chain's website said the vendors might include sellers of body care products, record shops and even tattoo parlors.

But Jeff Turnas, president of 365 at Whole Foods, said in an interview this week that there are no plans for tattoo parlors to date, and that he doubts that there will be. He said the example was given to illustrate that 365's partners could include any number of possibilities.

"I think the point of it is that it's going to be diverse - it's not going to be just food," he said.

For instance, Turnas noted a pet grooming service that uses organic shampoos has expressed interest in being a partner.

Still, Turnas said the press coverage about the potential tattoo parlors sparked genuine excitement among his employees, who started asking if they would be able to use their employee discounts for tattoos. Even if a tattoo parlor isn't likely, Turnas said the idea reflects the culture of Whole Foods employees.

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"I would say 75 percent of our team members have tattoos," he said of the team working on the 365 chain.

That includes Turnas, 44, who has a tattoo on his leg is of a Grateful Dead bear with a lacrosse stick, a memory of his time as a lacrosse player at Michigan State University.

The offshoot chain by Whole Foods comes as sales growth has slowed at the company's flagship stores, which are being pressured by traditional supermarkets with expanded organic selections. Whole Foods Market Inc., which has more than 430 locations, says it still sees potential to expand to 1,200 locations in the U.S.

Some analysts question whether the offshoot chain will cannibalize sales from Whole Foods stores. But the Austin, Texas company says 365 will help it reach new customers, particularly those who want more affordable prices or are looking for a quicker shopping experience.

Turnas noted that 365 stores won't have meat or seafood counters, and described it as Whole Foods' "younger sister, a little scrappy."

The first 365 store is slated to open in Los Angeles on May 25; its third-party vendor will be an outpost of a New York vegan eatery. Two more locations are slated for Lake Oswego, Oregon and Bellevue, Washington this year, and 10 additional stores are slated for 2017 including a store in Santa Monica.





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Ordinance Number 2512 amends the Municipal Code to clarify provisions of the City's relocation requirements, particularly as to temporary relocations necessitated by habitability standards and permanent relocations.

Ordinance Number 2513 modifies the City's Green Building Standards Code by replacing existing "solar ready" requirements with an on-site solar energy generation requirement and by codifying flashing installation requirements.

Ordinance Number 2514 authorizes, on a one-time basis, the issuance of temporary use permits for temporary sidewalk sales undertaken in conjunction with the City public street event celebrating the opening of the Expo rail line to Santa Monica. The ordinance achieves its goal of facilitating sidewalk sales during the event by exempting such permits from the standard numeric limitation on temporary use permits for sidewalk sales.

Ordinances number 1512 and 2513 will become effective thirty days after their adoption. Ordinance Number 2514 is effective upon adoption. The full text of the ordinances is available from the Office of the City Clerk located at 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California 90401; phone (310) 458-8211.

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COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

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SAMOHI

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SMMUSD to work with officials on a long-term vision for the district's flagship campus, said the two concepts feature the same general elements organized in different ways.

In developing the two possible concepts, Binder's firm tried to come up with arrangements that made sense for academic and athletic facilities. The firm is also accounting for open space, parking concerns, accessibility and drop-off locations, among other issues.

Binder's firm is expected to refine the Blue plan with input from district officials and stakeholders.

The projects will likely require additional bond funding. Voters in 2006 approved a $268-million bond with Measure BB and in 2012 passed the $385-million Measure ES, $180 million from which has been allocated for upgrades at Samohi.

"What we're talking about is a 20- to 25-year process," said Steve Massetti, the district's bond program manager. "We all want what's best for the kids in this district," he said. "We'd like to have a world-class campus. We have limited space, but we can get there."

The Blue plan features separate buildings for each of Samohi's five house communities. (The Gold plan fits the five houses into three larger structures.) The cafeteria would be located in a lower level of a new house building.

The Blue plan also stacks tennis courts on top of a gymnasium west of Barnum Hall and places a pool under a building on the northern end of the campus.

"Outdoor spaces are somewhat more ample in this concept," Binder said. "We've saved some amount of land for other facilities."

Craig Hamilton, co-chair of Santa Monica subcommittee for the district's recently created advisory committee on facilities, said his group didn't feel comfortable making a recommendation in favor of a particular scheme. But he said he personally prefers the Blue plan because it better organizes the academic and athletic features of the school.

"We have to think boldly about what this should be in the future, the kind of place that will have a life and purpose and sense of place that is of value to the community," he said.

One advantage of the Gold plan, Binder said, is that softball would have a permanent home on campus sooner. She said the Gold plan was driven by an attempt to keep the tennis courts at surface level if there was resistance to elevating them.

In either plan, she said, classrooms are expected to increase in size from 960 square feet to 1,200 square feet and science labs will be 1,800 square feet instead of the current 1,200. Samohi, which serves roughly 3,000 students, is expected to grow by nearly 50 percent in square footage.

Board member Ralph Mechur said the Blue plan appeared "more coherent" and asked about the possibility of adjustable walls to account for future changes in class sizes and learning methods.

"One can't pre-think the future in terms of how education will go," Binder said. "But building flexibility into classrooms is a wise idea in terms of size."

Board member Jose Escarce wondered about the longevity of the school's five-house system, asking if it was wise to construct buildings for an organizational structure that might not last forever. Binder said the Blue plan lends itself to several different academic formats.

"Construction is not easy to live through," Binder said. "We're going to significantly impact this campus, and I'm sure we'll hear about those impacts. Those are growing pains."

Samohi PTSA president Joan Krenik, co-chair of the district's advisory committee on Santa Monica facilities, said the pros and cons of the plans could be debated forever and that it was important to keep the process in progress.

"Our campus site is very constrained by size, access, geography and many other things," she said. "This is another step in moving us forward."

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WOMEN

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ing out, but women who are already in this industry and struggling, or women making career changes. So we made a commitment we would have some sort of workshops."

The workshops will take place May 17-19, will be hosted by McCourt and will feature some of the "brightest and most creative" leaders across film and television.

The event is meant to provide a comfortable setting to gather friends of ArcLight and those women and men that are leaders in entertainment including, Susan Cartsonis (Storefront Pictures), Julie Lynn (Mockingbird Pictures), Gabriela Cowperthwaite (director, producer and writer of "Blackfish"), Carolyn Harris (Skydance Television), Theresa Won (Myriad Pictures), Jennifer Cochis (Los Angeles Film Festival), Dalia Ganz (Freeform), and Joseph Beyer (Sundance Institute), among others.

McCourt said the topics for the workshops "sort of presented themselves."

"And we went after our partners that were really making a difference in those areas," she said. "We went to those who came to our women in entertainment summit, we reached out to film festivals, big players in L.A. and in our areas and all were willing to give their time to do this."

McCourt also said that during their planning process is when ArcLight decided to host the workshops in Santa Monica.

"We as an organization were in the middle of opening ArcLight in Santa Monica right before Thanksgiving," she said. "So it was important to us as a company at the time to plan for the event to be on the Westside. We don't just want the event to be Hollywood-centric. And the Santa Monica ArcLight is a great partner."

McCourt said the goal with the workshops is that each and every participant walks away with new information that is useful in helping them in where they are in their career but also helping them move forward.

"I want these women and these other partners to look at ArcLight as someone who is serious in this topic and this world and that we weren't just a venue," she said. "ArcLight is putting this on and ArcLight is passionate about the topic of women in entertainment and feminism in our industry and we want to be a partner. If we walk away with that we will be very successful."

To apply for tickets, visit www.arclight-women.com/wie-workshop. The deadline for applications is May 6.

Each workshop will take place at Sonoma Wine Garden at Santa Monica Place from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

McCourt stated that another Women in Entertainment summit is planned for next November.

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His brother, Blair Humphreys, is currently overseeing the creation of the Wheeler District in Oklahoma City, a 150-acre mixed-use urban development project. They decided to use the Ferris wheel as an anchor for a plaza that will become an integrated part of the waterfront community.

And it probably won't be the only wheel for long. It's Blair Humphreys' hope that the new district, which is being built on former airpark land, will give residents access to a recreational bike trail system that connects to Oklahoma City's downtown area. He envisions it becoming one of the most cycling-friendly neighborhoods in the country.

Asked why the old Santa Monica feature was purchased for the Wheeler District, Humphreys said it was cheaper to refurbish the existing wheel than to pay for a new one. And the wheel's chronology, he said, gives it a certain esteem and stature. An Oklahoma-based appraiser recently told Humphreys that he worked on the so-called Pacific Wheel when he lived in Southern California. A colleague sent him wedding pictures that were taken in front of the Santa Monica symbol years ago.

"We're excited not just to have a Ferris wheel, but to have the former Santa Monica Ferris wheel," he said. "We can tell people about its history and where it's been. ... It makes it special in people's minds and a special thing to have here in Oklahoma City."

Making its debut in Santa Monica in May 1996, the 122,000-pound wheel was modified two years later to run on solar power. The 90-foot structure was used for roughly 3 million rides in its 12 years on the pier.

After a 10-day eBay auction in April 2008, the wheel was taken apart for shipment and later put in storage in Wichita, Kansas. That city is home to Chance Rides, the manufacturing company that made the original.

The old amusement feature required significant refurbishment, Humphreys said. The wheel itself has been repainted, and the 20 gondolas will have a color scheme specific to Oklahoma City. An upgraded LED light package was also added.

Humphreys said he expects the wheel to be ready for passengers by July 4.

"It's the same wheel, but it's dressed in different clothes," he said. It's like having a historic building. It might be more work and take a little more time because it's historical, but you have a great story. It's been an exciting event for people to see it rise on the river."

The installation in Oklahoma City comes as Santa Monica's current wheel, which was introduced in May 2008, prepares for upgrades of its own. Within the next month, Pacific Park will be installing a nearly $1-million lighting package that features higher resolution, better color depth and faster display speeds.

"It'll take the pier and the beach line to a new level," Klocke said. "It's coincidental and perfect."

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leave, service charges, first-time workers and enforcement, many of which were subject to the working group's recommendations.

In approving the recommendations Tuesday night, the council took time to praise the work of the working group and several councilmembers credited City Manager Rick Cole for creating the group.

"I think we should take all the people that disagree on issues and put them in a room and have Rick give them a mandate. It apparently works out really well," Councilman Kevin McKeown said.

McKeown said the completed rules will be a model for others.

"This is a proud night for Santa Monica, it's proud for our values, it's proud for our process," he said. "With the adoption tonight we will flesh out a minimum wage ordinance that is the best and most complete minimum wage ordinance in the country."

Councilwoman Gleam Davis said the final resolution is an example of compromise.

"It is truly a Santa Monica-type evening," she said. "I don't think a lot of jurisdictions in the state, much less the country where you would have unions, hotels, the chamber of commerce all coming together and supporting a single proposal and I think that's what's really special about tonight, the process brought disparate interests into the room, got them to negotiate, as been stated, everyone gave a little, everyone got a little and that's the best way to accomplish good policy."

In a statement, Mayor Tony Vazquez said the rules will help maintain Santa Monica's sense of community.

"Affordability is one of the City's five strategic goals and increasing the minimum wage is a big milestone in our pursuit to preserve Santa Monica as an inclusive, affordable, and diverse community," he said. "This will have a direct impact on workers' lives, especially those in the service industry. Families will have a little more, which offers more of an opportunity to build a strong future."

Minimum wage law

Starting January 1, 2017, Santa Monica workers will begin earning additional paid sick leave beyond state requirements, reaching 72 hours for larger businesses and 40 hours for smaller businesses by January 2018. Accruals carry over annually, up to the accrual cap. Employers can provide sick leave plans that are more generous than the minimum requirement.

Employers collecting service charges must distribute 100 percent of the proceeds to employees, which can include back of house workers. Heathcare-related surcharges must also be distributed to employees in segregated accounts or as wages. Employers must clearly describe service charges to customers, must share how revenue is distributed with employees, and must maintain service charge distribution records.

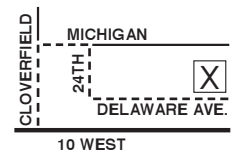
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Employers cannot retaliate against employees for rights protected under the minimum wage law, including reducing employees' hours or other benefits directly related to the minimum wage increase. The enforcement portion of the ordinance also includes penalties for noncompliance, and offers flexibility in penalty assessment, as well as an emphasis on employer outreach and education.

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Officers responded to a radio call for service of a traffic collision involving a vehicle striking several parked vehicles in the 600 block of Santa Monica Boulevard. An investigation of the driver for driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage was performed. Arturo Parral Rodriguez, 20, of Los Angeles, was arrested and cited for misdemeanor driving under the influence, driving without a license and no insurance at the scene of a traffic collision.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 354 calls for service on April 28.

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

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Battery 2400 block of Lincoln 3:29 a.m.
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Construction noise 1400 block of 4th 6:58 a.m.
Fraud 3100 block of Wilshire 8:13 a.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 1200 block of Franklin 8:20 a.m.
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Traffic collision 2700 block of Main 8:42 a.m.
Person down 1800 block of Lincoln 8:56 a.m.
Fight 500 block of Santa Monica 9:08 a.m.
Traffic collision 11th/Wilshire 9:56 a.m.
Traffic collision 2400 block of Santa Monica 10:09 a.m.
Identity theft 2500 block of 3rd 10:22 a.m.
Burglary 700 block of Ocean 10:29 a.m.
Auto burglary 100 block of California 10:33 a.m.
Traffic collision 11th/Michigan 10:35 a.m.
Vehicle burglar alarm 1000 block of Pier 10:42 a.m.
Auto burglary 700 block of Ashland 10:47 a.m.
Loud music 1400 block of 3rd Street Prom 10:58 a.m.
Person down Yale/Wilshire 10:59 a.m.
Auto burglary 2400 block of 21st 11:18 a.m.
Indecent exposure 20th/Santa Monica 11:38 a.m.
Grand theft 100 block of Santa Monica 12:16 p.m.
Traffic collision 1500 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 12:32 p.m.
Hit and run 2400 block of Ocean Park 1:16 p.m.
Indecent exposure 1500 block of Lincoln 1:24 p.m.
Indecent exposure 1500 block of Lincoln 1:54 p.m.
Petty theft 1300 block of 20th 2:05 p.m.
Traffic collision 4th/Pier 2:23 p.m.
Vehicle with excessive tickets 3300 block of 17th 2:26 p.m.
Battery 1300 block of 20th 2:49 p.m.
Burglary 2000 block of Cloverfield 3:19 p.m.
Speeding Ocean/Montana 4:16 p.m.
Theft of recyclables 200 block of Pacific 5:03 p.m.
Overdose 1200 block of 11th 5:03 p.m.
Trespassing 1300 block of 9th 5:41 p.m.
Traffic collision 23rd/Airport 6:02 p.m.
Traffic hazard Euclid/Carlyle 6:03 p.m.
Grand theft auto 500 block of Washington 6:06 p.m.
Traffic collision Lincoln/Broadway 7:19 p.m.
Petty theft 1000 block of 10th 7:34 p.m.
Hit and run 2400 block of Virginia 8:08 p.m.
Vandalism 900 block of 19th 8:38 p.m.
Burglary 2900 block of 2nd 8:47 p.m.
Stolen vehicle recovered 900 block of 3rd 8:59 p.m.
Battery 1300 block of 20th 9:07 p.m.
Party complaint 100 block of Alta 10:57 p.m.
Traffic hazard Centinela/Pico 10:58 p.m.
Assault 1300 block of 2nd 11:02 p.m.
Petty theft 600 block of Pier 11:07 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 41 calls for service on April 28.

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

Automatic alarm 200 block of Santa Monica Pier 12:17 a.m.
EMS 900 block of 10th 12:52 a.m.
EMS 1100 block of Pico 1:08 a.m.
EMS 2300 block of Oak 3:02 a.m.
Injuries from assault 2400 block of Lincoln 3:29 a.m.
EMS 800 block of 4th 4:44 a.m.
EMS 1900 block of Wilshire 6:25 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1600 block of Ocean Front Walk 8:36 a.m.
EMS 2700 block of Main 8:41 a.m.
EMS 1800 block of Michigan 8:56 a.m.
EMS 2000 block of Santa Monica 9:04 a.m.
Structure fire 2900 block of Main 9:06 a.m.
EMS 1800 block of 19th 9:18 a.m.
EMS 2800 block of Wilshire 10:15 a.m.
EMS 100 block of Wilshire 10:19 a.m.
EMS 2400 block of Arizona 10:30 a.m.
EMS 11th/Michigan 10:34 a.m.
EMS Yale/Wilshire 10:59 a.m.
EMS 1200 block of 15th 11:22 a.m.
EMS 1200 block of 15th 11:31 a.m.
EMS 2100 block of Ocean 1:59 p.m.
EMS 1900 block of Pico 2:23 p.m.
EMS 1200 block of 2nd 3:11 p.m.
EMS 2400 block of Ocean Front Walk 3:44 p.m.
EMS 200 block of Bay 4:29 p.m.
EMS 300 block of Pico 4:57 p.m.
Odor of natural gas 1000 block of 3rd 5 p.m.
EMS 1200 block of 11th 5:04 p.m.
EMS 1100 block of 7th 5:21 p.m.
EMS 1400 block of Lincoln 5:53 p.m.
EMS 2700 block of Main 5:57 p.m.
EMS 23rd/Airport 6:02 p.m.
EMS Ocean/Pico 6:23 p.m.
EMS 0 block of Pacific 6:24 p.m.
EMS Lincoln/Broadway 7:18 p.m.
EMS 2500 block of Main 7:51 p.m.
EMS 1200 block of California 8:55 p.m.
Miscellaneous outside fire Neilson/Hollister 9:04 p.m.
EMS 900 block of 4th 9:54 p.m.
EMS 1800 block of Euclid 10:18 p.m.
EMS 3100 block of Neilson 11:31 p.m.

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Abstain
7 Forum wear
11 Comfortable
12 Saudi native
13 Talk excitedly
14 Con holder
15 Grabs (onto)
16 Motherless calf
17 Jane of fiction
18 Cellist Pablo
19 MP's quarry
21 Snare
22 Michigan city
25 Subway aid
26 Luke's sister
27 Online program
29 Movie excerpt
33 Begets
34 Classic 1953 western
35 Organ part
36 Basic need
37 Roof feature
38 Better ventilated
39 Whole lot
40 Secret meetings

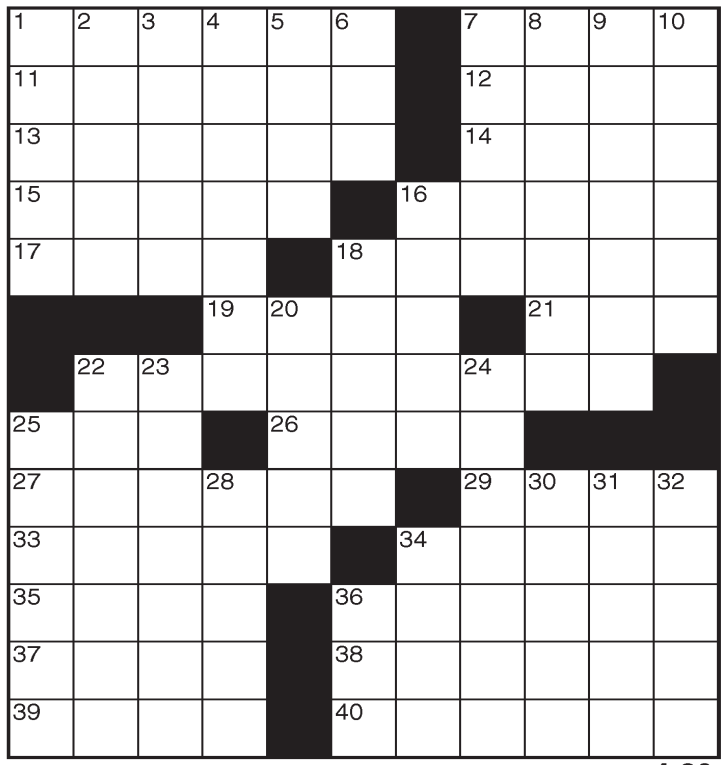
DOWN

1 Private's boss
2 Tuscany setting
3 Caruso, for one
4 Hot breakfast
5 Purposes
6 TV's Danson
7 Folded food
8 Pizza herb
9 Pisa genius
10 Most qualified
16 — Lama
18 Space sighting
20 Cardiff's land
22 Marx topic
23 Sanction
24 Millard's predecessor
25 Church services
28 Pepe of cartoons
30 Azure mineral
31 Bay
32 Jury members
34 Hoosegow
36 Plopped down

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Yesterday's answer

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Difficulty Level ★★★★

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

1	4	5	2	9	3	7	6	8
2	6	7	4	1	8	3	5	9
8	9	3	5	6	7	4	1	2
3	7	9	6	4	2	5	8	1
6	1	2	8	3	5	9	4	7
5	8	4	9	7	1	2	3	6
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WORD UP!

woodnote
1. a wild or natural musical tone, as that of a forest bird.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1900 – Casey Jones dies in a train wreck in Vaughan, Mississippi, while trying to make up time on the Cannonball Express.

1904 – The Louisiana Purchase Exposition World's Fair opens in St. Louis, Missouri.

1907 – Honolulu, Hawaii becomes an independent city.

1920 – Peru becomes a signatory to the Buenos Aires copyright treaty.

1925 – Automaker Dodge Brothers, Inc is sold to Dillon, Read & Co. for US$146 million plus $50 million for charity.

1927 – The Federal Industrial Institute for Women opens in Alderson, West Virginia, as the first women's federal prison in the United States.

1927 – Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford become the first celebrities to leave their footprints in concrete at Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood.

1937 – The Commonwealth of the Philippines holds a plebiscite for Filipino women on whether they should be extended the right to suffrage; over 90% would vote in the affirmative.

1938 – The animated cartoon short Porky's Hare Hunt debuts in movie theaters, introducing Happy Rabbit (a prototype of Bugs Bunny).

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ (1) A 69-year-old man was killed on March 17 while awaiting emergency care at Vidant Medical Center in Greenville, North Carolina. He had been seriously injured in an earlier accident and was in the waiting room when a 59-year-old driver's car crashed through the hospital doors and fatally struck him. (2) A 55-year-old man was killed in Memphis, Tennessee, on March 23 when a 15-foot trailer came loose and crashed into him on a sidewalk. The deceased, who had a lengthy criminal record for sexual assault, might have avoided the trailer if he had not been distracted by watching pornography on his phone as he walked.

■ Sri Lanka has, as an "unwritten symbol of pride and culture," the world's highest per capita rate for eye donation, according to a January (2012) Associated Press dispatch from Colombo. Underpinning this national purpose is the country's Buddhist tradition that celebrates afterlives. "He's dead," said a mourning relative of a deceased eye donor, "but he's still alive. His eye can still see the world." Doctors even report instances in which Sri Lankans consider giving up an eyeball while still alive, as a measure of virtue. A new state-of-the-art clinic, funded by Singaporean donors, is expected to nearly double Sri Lanka's export of eyeballs.

Time for a massage, Virgo

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Your focus is on friendship, even if you only have eyes for a romantic attachment. You will be reinforcing a new or old relationship with a solid friendship. Your sixth sense tells you what to do. To others, you seem to act impulsively. Tonight: Going for what you want.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Be aware of someone who has his or her eye on you. This person probably isn't making a harsh judgment, but you never know. What might be an excellent characteristic for one person could be undesirable for someone else. Tonight: The ring leader.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Reach out for someone at a distance. You will see someone make an effort to capture your attention. You could be overthinking a problem, but a sudden resolution could occur. Tonight: Allow others to entertain you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ A partner seems to open up far more than in the recent past. Lately, he or she could have seemed closed down, for the most part. Suddenly a smile and openness seem to come over this person. Grab the opportunity. Adapt your plans. Tonight: Togetherness works.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ As long as you can get over the "me" quality so frequently associated with you, you could experience a very special day with a loved one who has an interesting way of expressing his or her thoughts. You often delight in this person's originality. Tonight: Go along with the program.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Pace yourself. You seem to have a lot of ground to cover, and quickly at that. Your expectations might be abundant. You might feel disappointed as a result. You could wonder why a partner or loved one is so reactive. You are relatively high-strung at this point. Tonight: Go for a massage first.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Sometimes when you try to keep a conversation going, you might feel as if you are talking to yourself, especially with one person in particular. Perhaps you might try the icy-cold reception this person frequently gives you on him or her more often. Tonight: Hang out.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Pressure builds around your personal and/or domestic life. How you deal with this matter reflects your true essence. You could talk with this person until you are blue in the face. Tonight: A quiet dinner for two.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You are likely to say what you are thinking, and you could draw quite an undesirable reaction as well. Is that what you really want? Try dipping into your diplomatic tendencies and pick and choose your words with care. Tonight: Hang out with a loved one and/or friends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Check where you are financially before saying yes to an expensive item. Otherwise you might find yourself in a bind before you know it. Someone has a way of dropping surprises on you, surprises that cost a lot. Try to stay on a moderate course. Tonight: Your treat.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ You beam and draw in much more of what you want. You might wonder what would really make you happy. Right now you have an opportunity to explore different opportunities and choices. Try not to overthink this issue. Rather, go out and experience various facets of life. Tonight: All smiles.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Take your time understanding what is motivating another person right now. You could be overly tired and worn out. You could wonder when enough is enough. The time is now to slow down and get some extra rest. You need it. Tonight: Not to be found.

Weekend Edition, April 30 - May 1, 2016

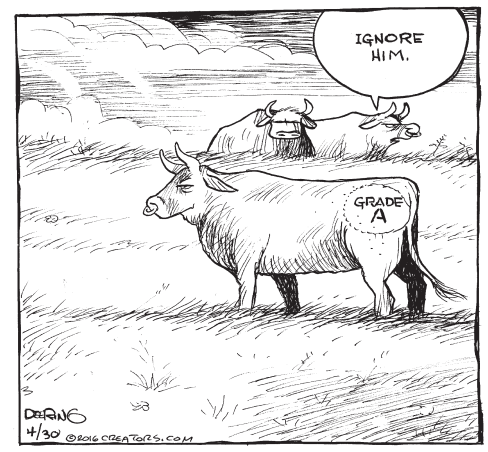
JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS
The stars show the kind of day you'll have:
★★★★★Dynamic ★★ So-So
★★★★ Positive ★ Difficult
★★★ Average

This year you express unusual sensitivity to those who seem closed off and not able to let go. They cannot be carefree like you. It might not occur to you, but these people, at least some of them, might be comfortable as they are. Be careful with financial ties with others; you might believe you are on top of your game, but in reality, you could find out otherwise. Use caution signing any business agreements. If you are single, your visibility is high. You are noticed nearly everywhere you go. You will see that several people want to get to know you better! Of course the decision lies in your hands this year. If you are attached, the two of you have an active interchange on many levels. You often could be in different camps of ideas, but you respect each other's thoughts. Spend plenty of one-on-one time together. AQUARIUS is full of energy!

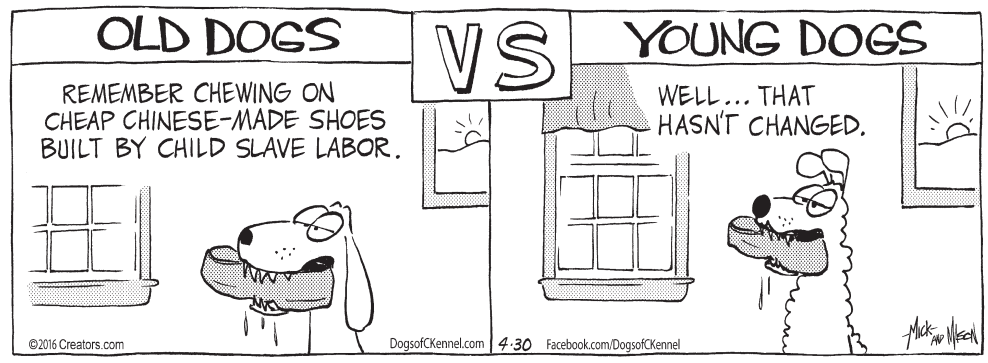
Speed Bump
By Dave Coverly



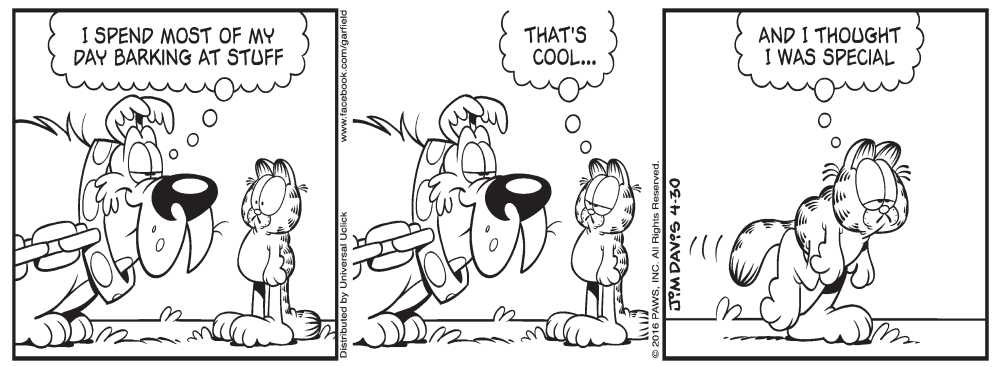
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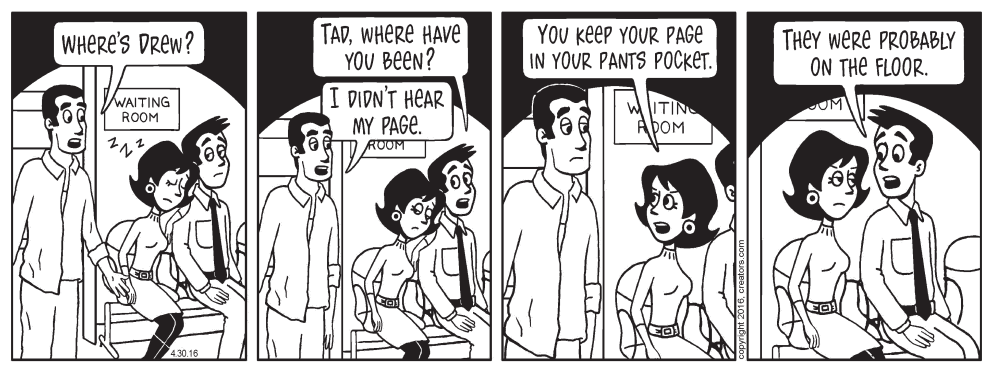
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The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 10/19/2015 in the county of LOS ANGELES.
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710 Montana Avenue
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7^{am} - 7^{pm}

LUVE Drive-Up Signing
2309 26th Street - *South of Pico*
Sunday, April 24th
9^{am} - 2^{pm}

Bay Screens & Shades
3225 Pico Boulevard
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