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Access to more than fun and games

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

JAMS Brandon McDonough is a sports fanatic. When he's not playing golf at the Riviera County Club with his grandparents, the 7-year-old student at Franklin Elementary is out with his father Ashley playing soccer or football.

On a recent Saturday afternoon, McDonough and his father were at John Adams Middle School practicing tennis despite the cloudy skies.

"We try to get out as often as we can," Ashley McDonough said as his son chased tennis balls that had rolled passed him during a previous rally. "The schools are good places to play because there usually aren't as many people using the courts or the fields as in the parks. There it can get pretty crowded."

Like many families in Santa Monica, the McDonough's find the playgrounds and other amenities at school sites to be very accessible, which, according to a recent RAND study, is a good thing for schools not only keep children engaged mentally, but physically as well, helping them stay fit and trim.

It seems the more accessible a school site is, the healthier children living nearby seem to be.

The study, which visited school sites in six major cities, found that playgrounds and athletic facilities can be important tools in the fight against childhood obesity, but many are locked and inaccessible to children on weekends, especially in poor and minority neighborhoods.

Researchers focused on sixth-grade girls in Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Columbia, S.C., Minneapolis, New Orleans, Tucson, and San Diego. Researchers visited all the schools and parks within a half-mile radius of the homes of the girls on Saturdays in the spring of 2003. The 407 schools surveyed represented 44 percent of potential neighborhood sites for physical activity.

Researchers found that, on average, 66 percent of the

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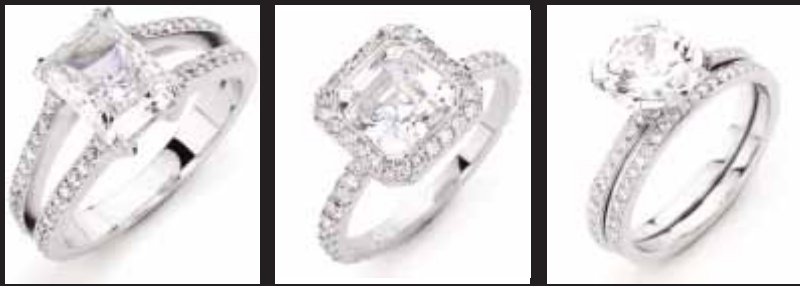


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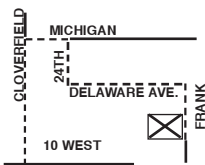


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1211 Fourth St., 11:30 a.m. — 1 p.m.

For more information on this family-friendly theatre experience, call the Playhouse box office at (310) 394-9779, ext. 2 or visit www.SantaMonicaPlayhouse.com.

Wednesday, May 2, 2007

Montana screens 'For Your Consideration'

1704 Montana Ave., 3 p.m. — 5 p.m.

Montana Avenue Branch presents an afternoon series of recently released DVDs. The first film in the series is 'For Your Consideration,' a satire directed by Christopher Guest about a low-budget indie film receiving Oscar buzz. The screening is free and open to the public. Popcorn and beverages will be served.

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Kiwanis Club Weekly Meeting

1332 Sixth St., noon — 1:30 p.m.

The Santa Monica Kiwanis Club holds its weekly luncheon with guest speakers at the YMCA. For more information, call (310) 828-1766.

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.

Immigration rallies should be smaller

BY PETER PRENGAMAN
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES Hispanic and other civil rights groups wrapped up plans for immigration reform marches and rallies Tuesday in dozens of cities, but conceded a replay of last year's huge turnout was unlikely.

Still, organizers said the demonstrations reflect a robust movement determined to win a path to citizenship for the estimated 12 million illegal immigrants in the country.

"Just because the 12 million people who don't have legal residency don't attend a march doesn't mean they don't want it," said Eduardo "Piolin" Sotelo, a popular Spanish-language disc jockey.

"I tell my listeners that no matter what they do, just don't stop doing something," he said.

Marches, meetings and voter registration drives were planned from Oregon to Florida.

In Miami, Democratic Party Chair Howard Dean planned to speak to immigrant groups. In Washington, D.C., about 400 members of Asian groups from across the country were set to lobby lawmakers. Two large demonstrations were planned in Los Angeles County — home to an estimated 1 million illegal immigrants.

Last year's May 1 boycott brought out more than a million protesters across the nation.

But later rallies failed to produce large turnouts, as legislation stalled in Congress and bipartisan proposals for illegal immigrants to gain citizenship have become more conservative.

The developments have disheartened many would-be marchers, but organizers said the frustration with Congress also brought out new supporters.

"It used to be that Hispanic immigrants, those who came legally, were more conservative on the issue," said Joe Garcia, a Cuban-American who heads the Democratic party's Miami-Dade County chapter.

"But now it's become so wrapped up with issues of racism and identity, even Puerto Ricans and Cubans care about immigration," he said.

Yet stepped-up raids in recent months have left many immigrants afraid to speak out in public — a major change over rallies in 2006 when some illegal immigrants wore T-shirts saying "I'm illegal. So what?"



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CLOSER LOOK: Santa Monica Fire Chief Jim Hone, left, and Mayor Richard Bloom at the city's Disaster Preparedness press conference on Monday.

Lessons in being prepared

City officials kick-off 'I've Got 7' disaster preparedness month

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

SEVENTH STREET The next time an earthquake rocks Santa Monica, will you be ready to protect your family?

That's an important questions the local chapter of the American Red Cross would like all residents to ask themselves in May, which is emergency preparedness month.

As part of its "I've Got 7" campaign, the Red Cross has partnered with City Hall and the Santa Monica Fire Department to challenge residents to store enough food, water, pet supplies and medicine to last up to seven days or more.

By following seven recommended steps, one can save lives and protect their family

when danger strikes, officials said Monday during a press conference at Fire Station No. 1.

Standing near a table covered with cans of chili and green beans, packets of water, a sleeping bag and first-aid kit, Mayor Richard Bloom, along with public safety officials and members of the business and education community, urged residents and those who work in Santa Monica to stock up on supplies and send in an "I've Got 7" pledge card to let the Red Cross know who is prepared for an emergency.

"You never really know when an emergency will occur," said Bloom, who referenced the 1994 Northridge earthquake and the Farmers' Market crash in 2003. "We all have the responsibility to prepare ... We want the whole community to come together. Everyone is encouraged to participate."

Some of the supplies that are recommended include ready-to-eat canned meats, juices, fruits, vegetables and soups, along with high energy foods such as peanut butter, granola bars, trail mix, dried fruit, jam and crackers.

One should also pack a few comfort foods, such as hard candy, sweetened cereals, instant coffee, tea or whatever else could be considered a guilty pleasure.

Parents with infants or children with allergies should also remember to pack foods their children can eat, especially for those dealing with a child who is on a special diet and needs certain medications.

And don't forget about personal hygiene. Store some toothpaste, toothbrushes, garbage bags and toilet paper along with the flashlights and extra batteries.

Packing some cash is also recommended along with a current list of family phone numbers and e-mail addresses, including someone out of the area who may be easier to reach if local phone lines are out of service.

One should get trained in CPR too and participate in the Disaster Training Program offered by the SMFD, public safety officials said.

Those who work in Santa Monica but live

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Aero Theatre history lesson

Editor:
Donald Douglas built the Aero Theatre ("Marquee attraction," page 8, April 19) because before technology was upon us, the Aero provided a source to not only entertain people but inform people with the news reels since there was no TV. People were informed by radio or news reels. He also wanted to let his workers have access to this entertainment and information so the Aero was the place to go because he ran it 24 hours so when each shift got off from work they could go there even though we were not fighting in the war yet when it opened.

Paul Mauen
Santa Monica

Love for black cats

Editor:
I am writing in defense of the black cat. I was very concerned to see a rendition of all the ignorant superstitions over the years, put upon beautiful, innocent black cats. ("Don't cross black cats... not today," page 1, April 13)
Black cats are cats – beautiful, affectionate, loving, most gentle, loyal and pure. I had a black cat for many years. Anyone who would harm a black cat or any cat are the ones who should be wary of and superstitious about. Black cats are good they just want to be loved and cares for by good people like any other cat.

Liz Provenzano
Los Angeles

Columnist has no compassion

Editor:
In your Friday, April 13 issue, there was an article written by Jeanette Henderson. She described Nancy Pelosi's visit to the Middle East as criminal. I would like to know what she would describe President Bush's actions as. ("Pelosi's dirty deeds need to go punished," page 4, April 13)

He lied about Sadaam Hussein having weapons of mass destruction, and he has been lying about everything else since.
Nancy Pelosi's visit to the Middle East hasn't cost anyone their life, but the President's lies has cost hundreds of thousands of lives (and he claims to be a Christian).
Jeanette Henderson is no better than he is. It's unusual to see a female without any compassion, but Jeanette Henderson is just that.
Nancy Pelosi is a good woman in my eyes.
She went to the Middle East on a fact finding mission (God bless her) for being a decent human being and not a narrow minded fool. Their administration loves people like Jeanette Henderson.

Dannie Owensjs
Los Angeles

Keep busses cheap

Editor:
I once lived in a small town where the school bus served kindergarten through high school students. So many afternoon activities were available that the bus made frequent trips until 5 p.m. daily. ("Rough ride for council," page 1, April 12)
I was shocked to see such youngsters going to school on public transportation here. Otherwise, unfortunately, one percent each day would have to report to work late. What employee would stand for that?!

The outrageous doubling of fares and elimination transfers will send people back to their cars. Besides, the changes are based on false "comparisons."
Several Santa Monica stores sell fresh eggs daily for 99 cents a dozen.
Every movie at Laemmle's on Second Street can be seen on Wednesday afternoons for \$4 (and they show excellent movies!)
Comparing Big Blue Bus to the gas companies may be a proper "comparison," since that is what will be done to car-less families and seniors.
Please find another way to get your funds.

Cecilia Rosenthal
Santa Monica



What's the Point?

David Pizarra

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What plans do you have for summer?

TODAY IS MAY DAY. A DAY CELEBRATED around the world for a variety of multi-cultural reasons. In America it has been celebrated as a workers rights day, and it is now a day in Los Angeles that marks marches for immigrant rights.

Immigrants, whether legal or illegal, add tremendously to the cultural fabric that makes up our country. New people bring new social mores, flavors, likes and dislikes.
I'm a man that likes to explore. I am fearless about going into new stores and walking the aisles filled with products of foreign countries, that are labeled in a language I do not read. When it comes to new foods, I'll try just about anything that looks appetizing.
Living in the Los Angeles basin we are blessed with the variety of immigrants that we have, and the shops and cultural awareness that they bring to us. Most of us are not even aware of how lucky we are to have this variety, this access to other worlds, right at our doorstep.
We have the ability to get a taste of what the culture of Mexico is, which is not what Taco Bell delivers, but by eating tacos off a cart downtown, or getting homemade tamales in East Los Angeles.

When I want a slice of Asian life, I have the option of going for Japanese, which is only a few miles away on Sawtelle Boulevard, or I go a little further to Koreatown for Korean BBQ. When I am working downtown, I love to drop by Chinatown for some Dim Sum and shopping. Thai town is the place for Pad Thai, as are several places in Santa Monica.

Care to travel to India? There are a multitude of amazing Indian restaurants just in Santa Monica.
If I need to have some Armenian snacks, the valley is the place to be.
All of these, and many more, are brought to us courtesy of immigration. Because when people come to America, even though they are here for a better future, they always bring with themselves their homeland. It is one of the things that makes us a strong country. Our ability to adapt, and incorporate other cultures. It allows us to grow in our global understanding.
The image of Americans as uninformed, ill-mannered rubes, is not wholly true, just as it is not wholly untrue. There are certainly many of us who have no idea how to behave in other cultures. But that is more a matter of individual ignorance than cultural ignorance. We have the ability to learn about, and the access to, other cultures here.
For example, this summer Santa Monica College is offering programs to study a new language. They have Chinese, Japanese, Russian, Spanish, Korean, Italian, Hebrew, French, German, and American Sign Language. Personally I'm going to be in a Spanish class because I am tired of being unable to speak a second language and that one makes the most sense for living in Santa Monica. As much as I would love to learn Russian, Chinese and Japanese, for their business value, it makes more sense for me to be able to speak the language of what is a large portion of our current population.
This summer there are many opportunities

for us to travel and learn about other cultures, for example, my friend Kelly Hayes-Raitt is going on a delegation to Syria with the non-profit Middle East Fellowship. If I could get away for the six weeks of this trip, I'd be there.
The trip description is a six-week summer

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service program in Damascus, Syria, June 24 to Aug. 4. Participants will live with a host family for three nights, study Arabic at the Berlitz language institute in Damascus, serve the local community through volunteer projects (such as volunteering at a refugee camp) and explore the culture and history of Syria through meetings, discussions and excursions to sites of historical, political or religious significance. A maximum of 12 participants will stay in single and double rooms with private bathrooms near the Old City of Damascus. Cost for the six-week program is \$2,000 and includes rooms, homestays, breakfasts, most lunches and dinners, language and cultural courses, airport transportation, and weekend excursions, including in-country transportation. Transportation to Damascus is not included.
This is a cultural exchange that is a few steps above going to your local falafel hut. It is the result of immigrants coming to America, and now creating the opportunity for Americans to go and experience life in a host country and learn about their culture and language while there.
This May Day is an opportunity for people to try on a different culture. For those of us who live in a multi-cultural city, this is one more chance to expand our world and our understanding of it. Go have a falafel, or try a tikka misala, and think about what you want your summer to be, thanks to immigrants you've got options.

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Christian right a rascist movement?

"To a large extent, Dobson and his gang of thugs are real nasty bullies."

—Former House Majority Leader Dick Armey

IN HIS NEW BOOK AMERICAN FASCISTS:

The Christian Right and the War on America (2007), Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and former war correspondent Chris Hedges contends that today's Christian Right resembles the early fascist movements in Italy and Germany that emerged at the beginning of the 20th century.

Known primarily as Dominionists, these Christians promote the belief that they are destined to take over and rule the world by taking "dominion" over the political process and reinstituting biblical law. Many perceive this as a campaign to use America to create a global, Christian empire. And statements by evangelical leaders like D. James Kennedy, who has declared that "Our job is to reclaim America for Christ, whatever the cost," only serve to foster this perception.

For those on the outside looking in, it might seem as if there is reason to be alarmed. As professor Charles Marsh notes in a New York Times editorial, American evangelicals "have amassed greater political power than at any time in our history." This power, which can be traced to a handful of evangelical leaders with decided political agendas, reaches into the Oval Office and deep into the bowels of Congress.

Indeed, Dominionist-influenced leaders often have a direct line into the White House. For example, James Dobson, the head of Focus on the Family, reportedly held weekly telephone conversations with Bush advisor Karl Rove during the 2004 campaign. And as Jerry Falwell remarked to Vanity Fair, "Everyone takes our calls."

Calling this particular confluence of religion and politics "Christo-fascism," Hedges argues that today's Christian evangelical movement has many of the same characteristics as fascism: a claim for moral and physical supremacy of a master race, in this case American Christians; blind obedience to a male hierarchy that often claims to speak for God; intolerance toward non-believers; and disdain for rational intellectual inquiry.

Ann Coulter, a spokesperson for the Christian Right, is adept at magnifying her personality through her own useful idiots, the media. A darling of right-wing talk shows,

Coulter embodies some of the above qualities, especially the tendency to demonize one's opponents. As Susan Estrich points out in *Soulless: Ann Coulter and the Right-Wing Church of Hate* (2006), Coulter "has called the 9/11 widows 'witches' and 'harpies,' referred to Muslims as 'ragheads,' called Al Gore a 'total fag,' and said that both New York Times editor Bill Keller and antiwar congressman Jack Murtha deserved to die."

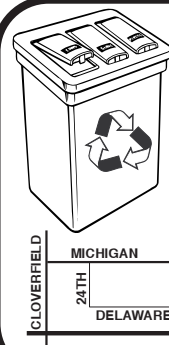
Whether the leaders of the Christian Right are really fascists or whether their hateful bombasts are just ploys to stir up their supporters and shore up their funding base is open to question. But I do know that they are not Christo-fascists. In fact, the word Christo-fascist is a contradiction in terms because Christ was certainly not a fascist. Indeed, what Jesus taught undermined both the religious and political empires of his day. And it got him killed.

Where the Christian Right gets it wrong is that the present spiritual problems we face today will not be changed through the political system. Although it is a valued and necessary part of the process in a democracy, the ballot box is not the answer to mankind's ills. And, in fact, Christians who place their hope in a political answer to the world's ills often become nothing more than another tool in the politician's toolbox.

Former House Majority Leader Dick Armey, remarking about those who want to impose their version of "righteousness" on others through the hammer of law, wrote in October 2006, "Our movement must avoid the temptations of power and those who would twist the good intentions of Christian voters to support policies that undermine freedom and grow government."

The influential Christian theologian Francis Schaeffer went one step further when he stated that Christians must avoid joining forces with the government. "We must not confuse the Kingdom of God with our country," Schaeffer writes. "To say it another way, 'We should not wrap Christianity in our national flag.'"

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The Q-Line

Grub on the cheap

The Daily Press recently scoured the area looking for inexpensive eats. We were surprised to find quite a few gems that offered a well-rounded meal for under \$10. While we know we did our best to uncover the best bargains in town, we know that you, our readers, have some favorites that are worth recommending.

This week's Q-Line question asks:

Is there anyplace in town other than chain restaurants that offer a hearty meal for a crisp Hamilton or less?

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Dear Dorie

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Learning to cope with 'Terrific Twos'

Dear Dorie,

My son is 26 months old and I have a 9-month-old daughter that is just starting to crawl. Lately, he has been throwing tantrums anytime we have to leave someplace and go home. I can handle the screaming but the kicking when I have to get him into the car seat is really difficult physically and emotionally. I'm aware that this is typical sibling rivalry stuff but any suggestions on how to stop the fits would be appreciated.

Tantrum Tolerater

Dear Tolerater,

Welcome to the "Terrific Twos!" Your son is attempting to communicate his frustration about being demoted to the number two slot in your life (sorry Dad, you're number three) and his verbal skills are either in development or just don't feel good enough to use.

The good news is that your son's behavior is perfectly healthy and developmentally appropriate. The bad news is that struggling to get a healthy toddler into a 5-point car seat while he's in the middle of a tantrum can throw your back out faster than his sister dirties her diaper. So let's see what we can come up with to save your spine.

First, take a look at what's going on at home. My hunch is that your outings are probably local parks with playgrounds, library story times or maybe a special class for toddlers...something fun for your son. Home, on the other hand, is

probably where you're breast- or bottle-feeding the baby, carefully supervising her early attempts at crawling or nurturing quietly while she and anyone else sleeps. Home, therefore, becomes not-fun-anyplace-but-here-is-better-land to a toddler.

Start by setting aside specific time for you and your son at home doing something fun without the infant. Create this special one-on-one time as much as possible remembering that his world has been put into crisis with the arrival of his little sister. A mentor of mine suggested that it would be like my husband bringing home another woman and saying, "I still love you just as much as I always have, but now there's going to be three of us." Accommodate his needs as well as the baby's.

Second, be flexible on the departure time from your morning adventures. You don't need to rush home to get lunch when you bring it with you. The baby can nap anywhere; so unless you're trying to get a few Zs, let her nap in the stroller or jogger while big brother gets some extra time to play.

Finally, if he's had a series of bad tantrums, look back at what is happening right before and see if you can identify a trigger. Oftentimes, fatigue or low blood sugar can throw a toddler right over the edge. If you can sense his rhythm with a baby on your hip (no small task), you might be able to prevent his crisis. Good luck.

Dorie

Newest generation of toys can read kids' brain waves

BY RACHEL KONRAD

AP Technology Writer

SAN JOSE A convincing twin of Darth Vader stalks the beige cubicles of a Silicon Valley office, complete with ominous black mask, cape and light saber.

But this is no chintzy Halloween costume. It's a prototype, years in the making, of a toy that incorporates brain wave-reading technology.

Behind the mask is a sensor that touches the user's forehead and reads the brain's electrical signals, then sends them to a wireless receiver inside the saber, which lights up when the user is concentrating. The player maintains focus by channeling thoughts on any fixed mental image, or thinking specifically about keeping the light sword on. When the mind wanders, the wand goes dark.

Engineers at NeuroSky Inc. have big plans for brain wave-reading toys and video games. They say the simple Darth Vader game — a relatively crude biofeedback device cloaked in gimmicky garb — portends the coming of more sophisticated devices that could revolutionize the way people play.

Technology from NeuroSky and other startups could make video games more mentally stimulating and realistic. It could even enable players to control video game characters or avatars in virtual worlds with nothing but their thoughts.

Adding biofeedback to "Tiger Woods PGA Tour," for instance, could mean that only those players who muster Zen-like concentration could nail a put. In the popular action game "Grand Theft Auto," players who become nervous or frightened would have worse aim than those who remain relaxed and focused.

NeuroSky's prototype measures a person's baseline brain-wave activity, including signals that relate to concentration, relaxation and anxiety. The technology ranks performance in each category on a scale of 1 to 100, and the numbers change as a person thinks about relaxing images, focuses intently, or gets kicked, interrupted or otherwise distracted.

The technology is similar to more sensitive, expensive equipment that athletes use to achieve peak performance. Koo Hyoung Lee, a NeuroSky co-founder from South Korea, used biofeedback to improve concentration and relaxation techniques for members of his country's Olympic archery team.

"Most physical games are really mental games," said Lee, also chief technology officer at San Jose-based NeuroSky, a 12-employee company founded in 1999. "You must maintain attention at very high levels to succeed. This technology makes toys and video games more lifelike."

Boosters say toys with even the most basic brain wave-reading technology — scheduled to debut later this year — could boost mental focus and help kids with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, autism and mood disorders.

But scientific research is scant. Even if the devices work as promised, some question whether people who use biofeedback devices will be able to replicate their relaxed or focused states in real life, when they're not attached to equipment in front of their television or computer.

Elkhonon Goldberg, clinical professor of neurology at New York University, said the toys might catch on in a society obsessed with optimizing performance — but he was skeptical they'd reduce the severity of major behavioral disorders.

"These techniques are used usually in clinical contexts. The gaming companies are trying to push the envelope," said Goldberg, author of "The Wisdom Paradox: How Your Mind Can Grow Stronger As Your Brain Grows Older." "You can use computers to improve the cognitive abilities, but it's an art."

It's also unclear whether consumers, particularly American kids, want mentally taxing games.

"It's hard to tell whether playing games with biofeedback is more fun — the company executives say that, but I don't know if I believe them," said Ben Sawyer, director of the Games for Health Project, a division of the Serious Games Initiative. The think tank focuses in part on how to make computer games more educational, not merely pastimes for kids with dexterous thumbs.

The basis of many brain wave-reading games is electroencephalography, or EEG, the measurement of the brain's electrical activity through electrodes placed on the scalp. EEG has been a mainstay of psychiatry for decades.

An EEG headset in a research hospital may have 100 or more electrodes that attach to the scalp with a conductive gel. It could cost tens of thousands of dollars.

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Eating good

Ray joins forces with Clinton to get kids to eat healthy meals

BY J.M. HIRSCH
AP Food Writer

Having mastered the 30-minute meal and daytime television, Rachael Ray is on to her next challenge — childhood obesity.

With help from former President Bill Clinton, the celebrity chef known for cutesy phrases and a fast, freewheeling cooking style this week is launching a charitable group that aims to help children eat healthier at home and in school.

Ray says The Yum-o! Organization (the name is drawn from one of her signature phrases) will work with schools to improve cafeteria food, create scholarships, educate parents about healthy eating and help fund charitable groups that feed needy children.

The school food overhaul — which Ray and Clinton were to announce Thursday on her syndicated talk show — involves teaming with the Alliance for a Healthier Generation, an effort by Clinton and the American Heart Association to clean up school food.

“Great food changes the entire quality of your life,” says Ray, who taped Thursday’s episode of “Rachael Ray” earlier in April. “It’s just this great building block for families.”

Working with Ray is part of the Alliance’s overall strategy of enlisting celebrities (others include NBA players and musicians) to help make healthy eating hip for children, says Bob Harrison, the group’s executive director.

Harrison, whose 2-year-old group already is working with about 1,000 schools and hopes to be in 30,000 after four years, called Ray a trusted name in the food world who can help get the Alliance’s message to parents.

Some in the public health community — which is grappling with a nation in which nearly 1 in 5 children are overweight — are intrigued by the influence Ray’s celebrity could bring to the struggle against obesity.

Celebrity involvement can prompt action, says Dr. A. Mark Fendrick, a University of Michigan School of Public Health professor who found that former “Today” show host Katie Couric’s televised colonoscopy increased appointments for the procedure 20 percent.

There is, however, a difference between making an appointment for a procedure and making lasting lifestyle changes. And though Fendrick thinks it certainly will help, he says it has yet to be seen whether the celebrity factor can overcome that sort of inertia.

Nevertheless, the news was welcomed by Dr. David Ludwig, an obesity specialist at Children’s Hospital Boston who says notable personalities until now haven’t taken up the childhood obesity battle.

That change is a sign that obesity is being taken more seriously and Ludwig thinks the publicity could have significant influence.

Ray says her plan was inspired by the efforts of other food celebrities, including Jamie Oliver (who led a televised crusade to revamp England’s school lunches) and Alice Waters (whose Edible Schoolyard program in Berkeley, Calif., helps schools serve healthy food).

And she is borrowing from Paul Newman’s philanthropic model, which donates the profits of his food products to charity. Ray is developing various products, including children’s cookware and books, the profits from which will go to The Yum-o! Organization.

The group’s budget still is being developed, but Ray expects to spend close to \$750,000 of her own money launching Yum-o! this year, and has pledged to cover any fundraising shortfalls in the future.

“It’s a blank check as far as I’m concerned,” Ray says of the proceeds, as well as the seed money she provided to launch the organization. “I have no idea what it’s cost so far. I don’t care. As long as the check doesn’t bounce.”

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Rachael Ray
celebrity chef

Solutions to obesity have proved elusive, largely because they require major lifestyle changes and the causes are so multifaceted.

Ray and Harrison believe the key to success is getting parents to consider healthy cooking something easily woven into already overscheduled lives, as well as getting children to consider it cool to eat good-for-you foods.

Both messages will become regular fodder on Ray’s talk show, and form the core of Yum-o!’s Web site, <http://www.yum-o.org/>.

Much of The Yum-o! Organization’s work will be pursued via existing programs. She plans to encourage children to join Nickelodeon’s Go Healthy Challenge and will funnel money to hunger relief programs throughout the country.

She also wants to use her contacts in the food industry to pressure food service companies to offer schools healthier options. And schools that make changes will receive financial incentives, such as money for scholarships.

For Ray, this is the realization of an long-time wish to help people with little time and money eat right.

“It’s the reason I do 30-minute meals,” she says. “It’s been the center vibe of everything I’ve ever done in my own life, simplifying good food and leading people to the good life, whether they’re have nots or haves.”

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Gaining entrance to grounds aids kid fitness

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schools were unlocked on weekends. But only 57 percent of schools were both unlocked and had accessible facilities for weekend physical activities such as playgrounds, athletic fields, basketball courts and paved playing surfaces.

The percentage of schools that kids could access varied across communities, with New Orleans (pre-Hurricane Katrina) at the bottom with 23 percent and Minneapolis at the top with 93 percent.

"Girls who lived near locked schools tended to be heavier, and neighborhoods with locked schools were disproportionately poor and had larger minority populations," said Molly Scott, lead author of the study and research analyst with RAND, a nonprofit research organization based in Santa Monica.

"These neighborhoods, where risk of obesity is high and public parks and playgrounds are often lacking, could benefit from convenient and safe places for physical activity. And making schools accessible doesn't require construction. It's a policy change."

City and school officials here have made that change. Under Playground Partnerships, a facilities use agreement between the school district and City Hall, as well as the CREST after-school program, elementary and secondary schools across the city are open after school and on weekends, providing a safe and secure place to play.

The Playground Partnership program is available to youth 18 years old and younger and friends and family who are with them. Others are encouraged to use one of the city's parks. CREST, which stands for Child Care-

Recreation-Enrichment-Sports-Together is for grades K-8.

"This is a model for school district and city partnerships around the nation," said Michael Hill, the recreation facilities coordinator for the school district. "You can't ask for a more cooperative agreement between school sites, user groups, the city and the school district."



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ONE, TWO, THREE: Personal trainer Sean Neff, right, counts out sit-ups for Harry Binzack, 14.

Hill said that at issue is the lack of open space for adults. Fields are heavily used by youth sports groups, leaving adults scrambling for soccer fields and tennis courts. Hill would like to see relatively vacant stretches of beach greened so that people could play soccer or football year round.

City Hall, this past weekend, held the grand opening of the 8.3-acre Airport Park,

which includes the city's first synthetic turf athletic field that can withstand far more wear and tear than a normal, grass field. The ability to play at nights and during the off-season has prompted City Hall to create an adult soccer league. The pilot program is for adults of all skill levels.

The partnerships are paying off, according to physical fitness figures released by the district.

Amy Teplin, coordinator of teacher support and professional development for the school district.

Although the RAND health study didn't find a relationship between school accessibility and increased weekend physical activity rates, the number of locked schools was associated with a significantly higher body mass index for the girls tracked. Body mass index, or BMI, is a mathematical formula representing weight relative to height that can be used to determine whether a person is overweight or underweight.

The study found differences in BMI and physical activity by the girls' race and socioeconomic status, consistent with the findings of previous studies. Hispanic and African-American girls had 7.2 percent and 7.8 percent higher BMIs respectively than whites, and non-white girls recorded less physical activity than their white counterparts.

"Studies consistently find that people of different races have different BMIs, but the policy implications of that are often unclear," Scott said. "This study identifies locked schools as great points of policy intervention where gains in the fight against obesity could potentially be made."

More research is needed, Scott said, noting that the study did not measure whether the girls in the study actually used the school facilities for exercise. The fact that girls with higher BMIs tended to live in areas with locked schools also could signal that the girls live in a more stressful, high-crime area or a neighborhood with less access to stores that sell healthy food.

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ON DECK: A garden apartment building on San Vicente Boulevard is awaiting designation.

Making room for city's landmarks

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE Sitting amongst the high rises and mixed use developments popping up throughout the city are pieces of Santa Monica's past.

The city might only be 132 years old, but with buildings like the old Zephyr and Jeff Ho Productions surf shop on Main Street (expected to receive landmark status next month) and the old yellow beach cottage on Ocean Avenue (whose landmark status might be repealed next month) Santa Monica does have its share of historic structures.

More than 60 buildings in Santa Monica have been designated as landmarks since the city began saving these historic structures in 1975, with its first designations being the Rapp Saloon/Old Town Hall on Second Street and the Miles Playhouse on Lincoln Boulevard. One year later, the City Council adopted the Landmarks and Historic District Ordinance in March of 1976, paving the way for preservationists to save some of the city's oldest and most significant structures.

Almost 20 years later, the City Council established the Landmarks Commission, charging it with the responsibility to nominate and designate landmarks.

Since landmarking began in 1975, structures like the Marion Davies Estate, the Loeff Hippodrome on the Santa Monica Pier, and the old Mayfair/Majestic Theatre in Downtown Santa Monica have been rescued from a fate of rubble. The Shotgun House, the Ocean Park Library and the Bay Cities Guaranty Building — commonly known as the skyscraper clock tower looming above Santa Monica Boulevard — have also been spared.

Landmarking can also help the property's value.

"Perception is everything and I know with architectural properties, there is a great value assigned to them because they have the design and structural integrity," said Landmarks Commissioner Ruth Shari, a real estate licensee.

The next structure that could be added to this list is the old Zephyr and Jeff Ho Production surf shop at 2001-2011 Main Street, currently the home of Horizons West

Surf Shop. The Landmarks Commission nominated the structure, known as the birthplace of modern skateboarding, at its April 9 meeting and is expected to vote for designation at its May 14 meeting.

The building and its history in changing the world of skateboarding inspired two motion pictures — "Dogtown and Z-Boys" and "The Lords of Dogtown."

Santa Monica's most famous park — Palisades Park — is also up for designation and has been for a while. The landmarks nomination was filed in October 2006 and has been continually postponed from hitting the commission's agenda.

"There's quite a bit of coordination [needed] in terms of getting input from Recreation and Parks," said Jing Yeo, the city's senior planner. "The park is being evaluated in the context of it being a cultural landscape. It's been an integral part of the city for a very long time."

Palisades Park is scheduled to go before the board at its May 14 meeting.

THE DESIGNATION AND THE APPEALS

Anyone can file an application to nominate a structure as a landmark, though the majority of applications are filed by the Landmarks Commission because it reviews all demolition permits for buildings older than 40 years.

After an application is filed to nominate a structure as a landmark, the commission has 60 days to schedule a public hearing for the application. The city's historical resources consultant compiles an assessment report to determine whether the structure meets any of the six criteria required in qualifying a structure for historic preservation. The staff then makes a recommendation to the Landmarks Commission based on the consultant's report.

A structure is eligible if it meets any one of six criteria — the building has cultural significance; architectural significance; artistic significance; historic personages; sense of location and/or was built by a significant architect.

The commission's decision is not always final. That power rests with the City Council, which has repealed some of its designations

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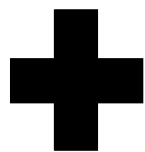
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WORD ON THE STREET: Mayor Richard Bloom speaks during the city's Disaster Preparedness press conference on Monday.

Safety when disaster strikes

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elsewhere are also being encouraged to prepare for the worst. Those who participate can receive a free, "I've Got 7" tote bag to carry essentials to the office, just in case one gets stranded while at work.

"With around 100,000 employees in Santa Monica, it is important for our businesses to get on board," said Jim Lynch, president of the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce.

Being prepared means more than just packing away food and water. Fire Chief Jim Hone wanted to remind the public to also make sure their homes are earthquake safe by securing large items like refrigerators and dressers that can fall down and cause severe injuries or trap someone inside a back bedroom where they cannot access emergency supplies.

"If we don't have to respond to your fallen refrigerators, china cabinets

...that can hurt you and your children, we can focus our attention on larger issues," said Hone, who recalled the Northridge quake and how it created 350 gas leaks and 14 structure fires, keeping his department on its toes. "You need to be prepared as you can so you can take care of your families."

In addition to creating an emergency kit at home, public safety officials also reminded drivers to create one for the car as well.

"Just think, what would you do if you were stuck on PCH because of some serious accident or a fire," said Fire Marshal Jim Glew.

Even if a disaster never strikes, it is still important to keep an emergency kit handy in case danger strikes elsewhere. For example, when Hurricane Katrina hit, roughly 350 families relocated to Santa Monica and were desperate for food, water, clothing and shelter. The Red Cross was able to meet those needs thanks to generous dona-

tions by residents and city employees.

"We learned a valuable lesson from Katrina," said John Pacheco, president of the Santa Monica Red Cross. "Preparedness is really a shared responsibility ... In a catastrophic event, citizens have to participate in that [emergency] response as well" as law enforcement and health professionals.

For lower income residents who may not be able to put together a kit all at once, Pacheco recommends building one's emergency stash bit by bit, adding things when they are on sale or perhaps buying one extra bottle of water or can of soup every time one goes to the market.

"By participating you are not only helping your family, but you are helping others as well," Pacheco said. "It doesn't cost much money to be prepared."

But it can cost dearly if one isn't

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Santa Monica history one building at a time

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in the past.

On May 8, City Council will hold a public hearing to consider repealing a landmarks designation for a three story vernacular modern style garden apartment at 130 San Vicente Blvd., formerly known as the Teriton Apartments.

The property owner, Khaim Hashalom, is also the appellant. "The main point of the appeal is he felt that the property does not meet the criteria," said Elizabeth Bar-El of the city of Santa Monica.

Also coming before City Council next month is a possible repeal of a landmarks designation for a yellow beach-facing cottage at 2219 Ocean Ave, for which the commission voted 6-0 in favor of the designation in August 2006. City staff is recommending the council uphold the appeal, believing that the cottage does not meet the criteria listed in the Landmarks ordinance.

"It's disappointing as a commission of the public body," said Landmarks Commissioner Ruthann Lehrer. "We would hope the staff would support our decision. As a unanimous decision, we all felt it did meet standards."

Known as the last beach facing cottage of its kind in Santa Monica, the 109-year-old structure was owned by philanthropist William Hobson until his death in June 2005, when

it was then deeded to the University of Illinois Foundation.

The foundation filed an appeal with the City Council to strip the cottage of its landmark status. The City Council was scheduled to decide on the matter at its April 24 meeting, but the agenda item was postponed to June 26 because city staff had received material from cottage preservationists at the last minute.

"There was additional information submitted at the last minute, which included a fairly detailed report from another consultant," Yeo said.

The Save the Cottage organization, which formed in response to the appeal of the landmark's designation, was responsible for the late submission, which included a petition containing 2,000 signatures, letters from community members and a report from a consultant hired by the organization.

The report by Galvin Preservation Associates to Save the Cottage found that the cottage was eligible as a city landmark and met four criteria under the city's landmark ordinance. This is contrary to the original report by PCR — the city's consultant — to the Landmarks Commission last year, which did not see the cottage as historically significant.

"We're hoping staff reverses the decision in light of all evidence that has come up," said Erin Maynes.

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NFL DRAFT

Raiders gamble by taking Bush

BY JOSH DUBOW
AP Sports Writer

ALAMEDA Michael Bush sat and watched every agonizing minute of the first day of the NFL draft, waiting to hear his name called.

Considered a first-round pick before a broken leg cut short his senior season at Louisville, Bush had to wait until Sunday when the Oakland Raiders selected him with the first pick of the fourth round to find out where he'd play in the NFL.

"I'm just ready to go," Bush said. "I got a chip on my shoulder because guys were scared to take a risk with just a broken leg. I'm just ready to go and prove some people wrong and show them that I'm the back I once was in college."

Bush was considered one of the top running backs in the country before breaking his leg in Louisville's opener against Kentucky in September. He was coming off a junior season in which he ran for 1,143 yards and an NCAA-leading 23 touchdowns.

He applied for a medical redshirt in case he decided to come back to school, but instead opted to enter the draft. The Raiders were happy to take a chance on him with the 100th overall selection.

"Our guys had him evaluated as a first-rounder and potentially if he would have played, a top first rounder," Raiders coach Lane Kiffin said. "So to get him in the fourth round maybe wasn't the position we needed at that time but it was more important to get a big-time playmaker like that."

The second day of the draft was a busy one for Oakland, which also traded disgruntled receiver Randy Moss to New England for a fourth-round pick.

Earlier this month, Bush took part in his first full workout since he was hurt in September, and also received a thumbs-up prognosis from James Andrews, an Alabama-based orthopedic surgeon who specializes in sports injuries. He said he hopes to be full strength by June, although his doctors are targeting July.

Bush had a second operation in March when a new rod was inserted into his leg after the bone didn't heal quickly enough from the initial surgery.

The injury led Bush's draft stock to fall, but he still expected to be picked Saturday.

"I was just stunned," he said. "I didn't know what to expect, what to think. My agent and I didn't have anything to go by. I just felt like maybe it wasn't right for me to go on the first day. It was a little disappointing but everything worked out fine."

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Michael Bush
Raiders running back

Before being hurt, the 6-foot-1, 251-pound Bush was noted for running with both power and speed, while also being a capable receiver. He actually came to Louisville as a quarterback.

The Raiders already signed free agent running back Dominic Rhodes from the Super Bowl champion Indianapolis Colts and have LaMont Jordan and Justin Fargas returning at the position. Kiffin has compared Bush to LenDale White, the running back he coached in college at Southern California.

With the pick the Raiders got for Moss, they selected speedy cornerback John Bowie from Cincinnati, a former 100-meter Big East champion. Oakland then selected defensive lineman Jay Richardson from Ohio State and safety Eric Frampton of Washington State in the fifth round.

NBA

Spurs' Duncan and Bowen highlight All-Defensive team

By the Associated Press

NEW YORK San Antonio forward Tim Duncan made his 10th straight NBA All-Defensive first team Wednesday, and Spurs teammate Bruce Bowen was the top vote-getter in being selected for the seventh time.

Bowen, also a forward, received 42 votes, six more than Duncan.

Denver Nuggets center Marcus Camby, the Defensive Player of the Year, was chosen for the first time.

"Honestly, besides winning a championship, that was the only other goal I had," said Camby, who had made the All-Defensive second team the last two seasons.

Rounding out the first team were guards Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers, who earned his seventh selection, and Raja Bell of

the Phoenix Suns, making his first appearance on the team.

Bowen and Duncan helped the Spurs hold opponents to 90.1 points (first in the NBA) and .433 shooting from the field (third). San Antonio has finished in the top five in both categories in each of Duncan's 10 seasons.

Camby led the NBA in blocks per game (3.30) and was tied for fourth in rebounds (11.7). Bryant ranked 17th in steals (1.44), while Bell often matches up against the opposition's best offensive player.

The second team consists of Chicago teammates Ben Wallace and Kirk Hinrich, New Jersey's Jason Kidd, Detroit's Tayshaun Prince and Minnesota's Kevin Garnett.

Voting was done by the league's 30 head coaches, who were not allowed to vote for their own players.



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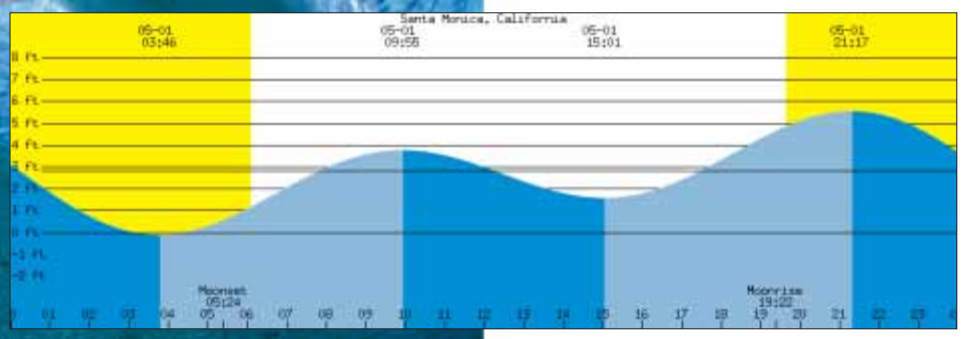
SURF CONDITIONS

WATER TEMP: 58°

SWELL FORECAST (3-4 FT)
Today is looking like a small day, just trace amounts of NW with some background southern hemi SW for waist high surf most everywhere, occasionally chest high at west facing breaks. Onshores are expected to pick up early. The tide won't be an issue with a high just above 3 feet mid morning.

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QUICK STATS
(for the last 28 days)

Number of sewage spills -- 2
Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
Number of wet days -- 0
Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 38 / ns
Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 7 / ns

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lachusa and Los Aliso creeks	A	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private)	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	A	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach	C	ns
Latiago Canyon Creek mouth	A	ns
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach	B	ns
Puerto State Beach at creek mouth	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerto Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	D	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily	A	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	F	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero)	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs	A	ns
Pena Creek at Las Lunas County Beach	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth	A	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	F	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain)	A+	ns

LEGEND

DRY -- each location is graded on an A - F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone

WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days

ns -- no sample taken



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

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Lie low, Sagittarius

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS
The stars show the kind of day you'll have:

★★★★★	Dynamic	★★★★★	Positive
★★★	Average	★★	So-So
		★	Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ With the first day of May, you could feel the promise of things to come. Accepting mystery and allowing situations to unfurl draw extremely positive results. Understanding grows. Tonight: Time with a special person.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Others add somewhat of a mysterious aura. Encourage people to display their true colors. Visualize and look at life from a different perspective, or from others' eyes. Tonight: Visit with a pal.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Gather your energy and get your job, project or errands done. You could be surprised by what you can accomplish given time and space. You are full of get-up-and-go. Imagine what would make you feel more in touch with your needs. Tonight: Go for what you want.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Your imagination wanders. Though you might mainly entertain yourself, relax and don't worry so much about productivity. Understanding takes you down a new path. Realize your limits within a relationship. Tonight: Once more, dial up your ingenuity!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Knowing which side your bread is buttered on might be instrumental to success. You might not always have the right answers. Consider your options and worry less. Nothing is actually written in stone. Tonight: Make it easy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ You add a certain flourish to your words, but there is no telling the frills your imagination adds to others' statements and situations. You could see life from a renewed perspective. Speak your mind. Add that creativity. Tonight: Add your special perspective.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Expenses could go way overboard if you aren't careful. Listen and think before you make a major decision. Realize which way you want a financial matter to tumble. Understand that you have less control than you thought. Tonight: Look at your budget.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Your smile is a sure winner. Your ability to navigate through rough waters is enhanced by your instincts and magnetism. Think positively when you hear news that might evoke a knee-jerk reaction. Given a little time, a situation will look different. Tonight: As you like.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★ Keep yourself together in spite of a situation that might weigh quite heavily on your mind and heart. Know that time is your ally, and refuse to give a knee-jerk response. Take in information; make no decisions just yet. Tonight: Lie low.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Emphasize the possibilities rather than say "no." Though you might feel as if your friends are a very loud voice in your day, let them in rather than fight city hall. Ultimately you will smile much more. Tonight: Toss yourself into the whirlwind of life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Examine possibilities with an eye to growth and possibly a more rewarding day-to-day life. If you plug into someone else's ideas, you might view a situation differently. Think positively and create options. Tonight: Lead others to a fun evening.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ You might be able to point to new possibilities and take the high road. While your mind wanders, you discover ideas and options that you hadn't even considered. Think positively about someone at a distance. Tonight: Relax to music or a movie.

Born Today
Musician Judy Collins (1939)
Singer Tim McGraw (1967)
Singer Kate Smith (1907)



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Happy Birthday!
You see life from a renewed perspective this year. Others often play a large role in your decisions, as they provide a kaleidoscope of options. Nothing is as simple as it might seem, but certainly many of your choices will be worth the extra effort. Tune in to your creativity and use your imagination. Certainly there are many ways to handle a problem, as you will discover this year. "Learn" and "grow" become bywords. If you are single, your popularity is undeniable. Play the field until you are sure of yourself. If you are attached, plan a special trip that your sweetie has been promoting or certainly hinting about.

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Love to sell Courtney plans to unload Cobain's belongings at auction

COURTNEY LOVE, widow of Nirvana singer Kurt Cobain, says she plans to sell most of his belongings. "I'm going to have a Christie's auction," Love, 42, tells AOL music Web site Spinner.com. "(My house) is like a mausoleum."

'VIEW' CO-HOST PREGNANT



ELISABETH HASSELBECK, a co-host on "The View," is pregnant again. She announced the news Monday on the daytime ABC talk show. Hasselbeck, 29, and her husband, pro football player Tim Hasselbeck, have a 2-year-old daughter, Grace. "When you said you had an announcement, my heart sank!" joked Barbara Walters, co-host and creator of "The View." Last week, Rosie O'Donnell announced she was leaving the show in June because she and ABC, owned by The Walt Disney Co., couldn't agree on a new contract. "We're going to be lonely without you, so Tim and I thought we should get busy and, you know, maybe make a little co-host," Hasselbeck said. "And what is November?" asked Walters.

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Love and Cobain wed in 1992 and had a daughter, Frances Bean, that year. Cobain committed suicide in 1994. "My daughter doesn't need to inherit a giant ... bag full of flannel ... shirts," says Love, former frontwoman of

the rock band Hole. "A sweater, a guitar and the lyrics to '(Smells Like) Teen Spirit' - that's what my daughter gets. And the rest of it we'll just ... sell." No date has been set for the auction, AOL publicist Kurt Patat told The

Associated Press on Monday. Love, whose upcoming album is titled, "Nobody's Daughter," says friends support the idea. "Everyone's been positive and behind me on it," she says. "We'll make a lot of money and give a bunch

of it to charity." She'll have a chance to move on from Cobain, too. "I still wear his pajamas to bed. How am I ever going to go form another relationship in my lifetime wearing Kurt's pajamas?"

ASSOCIATED PRESS

McCartney looks back to old days in upcoming retrospective album

PAUL MCCARTNEY says his upcoming album, "Memory Almost Full," looks back to the past. "In places it's a very personal record and a lot of it is retrospective, drawing from memory, like memories from being a kid, from Liverpool and from summers gone," the 64-year-old ex-Beatle said Monday

in a statement. "The album is evocative, emotional, rocking, but I can't really sum it up in one sentence," he said. "Memory Almost Full," McCartney's 21st solo album, will be released June 5 in the United States. It is his first for Hear Music, Starbucks' new music label.

A medley of five songs on the 13-track disc is "purposely retrospective," said the legendary singer-songwriter. "I thought this might be because I'm at this point in my life, but then I think about the times I was writing with John (Lennon) and a lot of that was also looking back." Film director Michel

Gondry has directed a music video - starring Natalie Portman - for the opening track "Dance Tonight," but McCartney said he's "not going to give the plot away." McCartney last released the acclaimed "Chaos And Creation In the Backyard," in 2005.

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Fame is weird for Bruce Willis

BRUCE WILLIS says being a film star hasn't brought him many perks. "It's really ... weird to be famous," the 52-year-old actor tells Vanity Fair magazine in its June issue, on newsstands May 8. "It gets you into restaurants easier than other people, but beyond that, personally, you could set fame on fire." Willis reprises his role as John McClane in the upcoming "Live Free or Die Hard," the fourth installment in the action series, which began in 1988. "A lot of the physical stuff that they had me doing (for 'Live Free') was still, let's say, low-tech," he tells the magazine. "I

don't bounce as well off the concrete floors as I used to. There are those 'ouch' moments that actually hurt." "It gets really un-fun on Take Two, you know? You hope they got it in Take One," he says. "I'm glad I didn't wait a couple more years to do this." Willis, who has three daughters from his marriage to Demi Moore, says he's not a popular subject in the press these days. "They're not writing about guys my age much anymore, unless I do something naughty," he says. "They're writing about the kids. That's what drives the pop culture now."

As for his relationship with Moore, who married "That '70s Show" actor Ashton Kutcher in 2005, Willis says: "It's hard to understand, but we go on holidays together. We still raise our kids together - we still have that bond." "Demi is the mother of my children and Ashton is the stepfather of my children," he says. "I'm thrilled that Ashton turned out to be such a great guy. I love Demi, and I know she loves me." "Live Free or Die Hard," from New Corp.'s 20th Century Fox, is set for release June 27.

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'SURVIVOR' PRODUCER WEDS



"Survivor" producer **MARK BURNETT** and "**ANGEL**" **ROMA DOWNEY** have tied the knot. The couple were married Saturday in a private ceremony at their home. The ceremony was officiated by Downey's "Touched by an Angel" co-star Della Reese, an ordained minister, the couple's publicist, Jim Dowd, confirmed Monday. "It was wonderful to have shared our big day with our family, Roma, myself, our children and our parents," Burnett, 46, told People magazine in an interview. "It was so meaningful and so intimate."

A small plane hired by Downey, 47, towed a banner that read: "...and they lived happily ever after." Burnett's sons from a previous marriage, James, 13, and Cameron, 10, were best man and ring bearer. Downey's daughter, Reilly, 10.

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Jolie and Pearl discuss 'A Mighty Heart'

ANGELINA JOLIE, who portrays the widow of slain Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl in "A Mighty Heart," found it tough to film a scene in which Mariane Pearl is told of her husband's death. "I had to express the worst time in her life and the moment when she received the worst information of her life," Jolie, 31, tells Glamour magazine in its June issue, on newsstands May 8. "It became the worst acting day of my life - and really, the hardest thing I've ever done." "A Mighty Heart," directed by Michael

Winterbottom, is based on Pearl's account of her husband's abduction and murder in Pakistan in 2002 while researching a story on Islamic militancy. Dan Futterman plays Daniel Pearl. The movie, to be released by Viacom Inc.'s Paramount Vantage, will be shown at the Cannes Film Festival in May. "You know, Mariane, you're somebody who has every right to have a lot of anger," Jolie tells Pearl, who was also interviewed for the Glamour article. "And the fact that you take a deep breath and stand up with a very clear voice of

tolerance and dialogue - that's why I wanted to do the film." "Well, that kind of self-control hasn't been easy for me," replies Pearl, who was five months pregnant with her son, Adam, when she learned of her husband's fate. Her first reaction was to grab "an AK-47 from one of the guards. ... If they had brought a person who was guilty (of Pearl's murder) to the house, I would have shot him," she says. "But then I would have destroyed everything Danny believed in, and everything we did as a cou-

ple - and I couldn't do that. Putting that gun down was my biggest act of courage." Pearl says she wanted to meet Jolie after reading an interview with the actress a few years ago. "I thought, 'This woman could be my friend.' I'd never experienced anything like that before in my life. "It was something in her tone, in the answers that she gave. I felt also that Maddox and Adam (then both about 3) could be good friends. So I sent her a note saying, 'Do you want to have a play date?'"

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Kickin' It Old School (PG-13)
2:15, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00
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Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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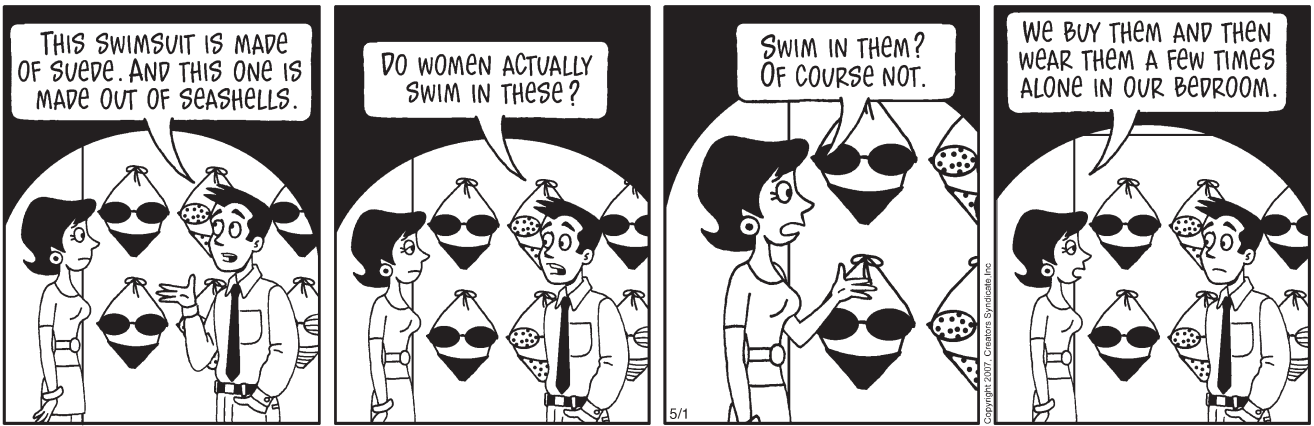
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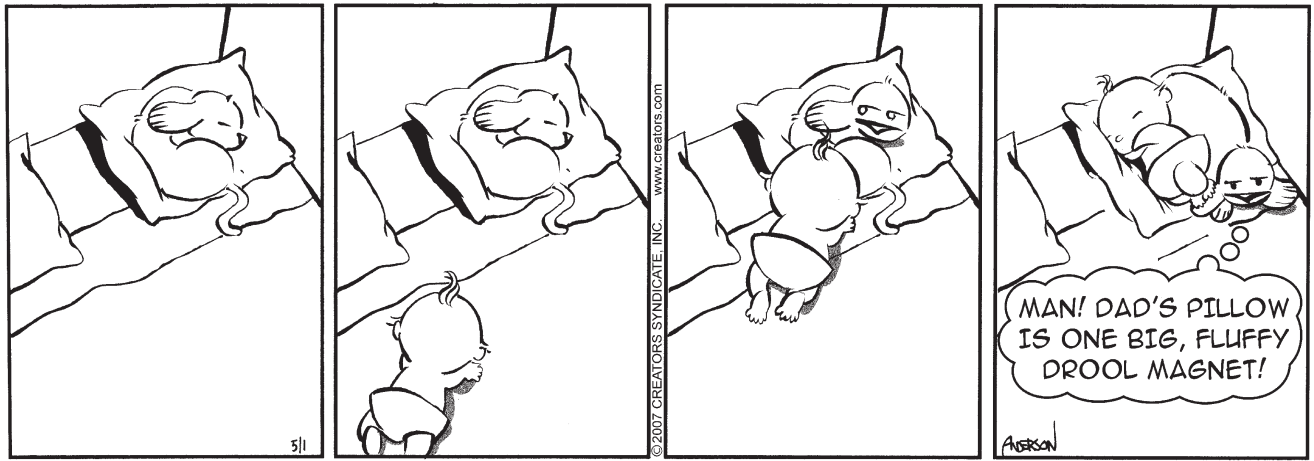
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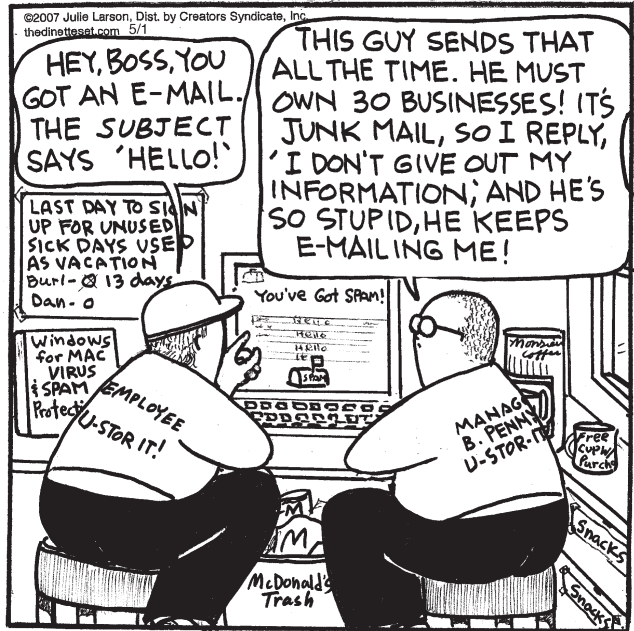


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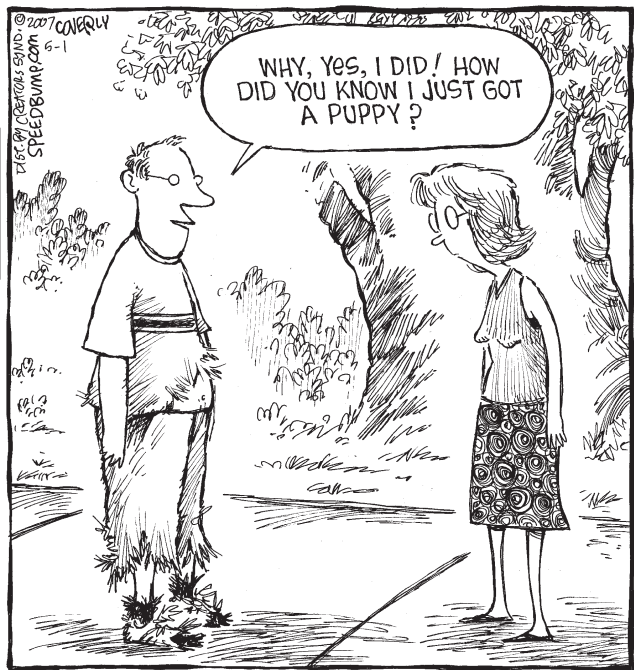
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23 Entice	14 Reward for waiting
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3rd: 05 California Classic
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ **First Things First: Preserve That Porn:** (1) It looked like just another case of a man's hoarding junk in his apartment and providing a home for several hundred animals (in this case, pigeons and mice), but health officials in Toronto learned in a March raid that the resident was lucid enough to protect, from animal feces, his extensive collection of pornography by carefully wrapping the items in plastic. (2) Reclusive high-tech engineer Michael Palmer, 53, was arrested in Los Gatos, Calif., in April and accused of hiding a massive cache of child porn in 15 ammunition canisters he had buried in seven Saddam-like spider holes on his property, near his ramshackle cabin.

■ **The Campaign to Make Everything Perfect: Safety First!** (1) Britain's Health and Safety agency headquarters reportedly posted signs in various locations in the building warning workers not to attempt to move chairs and tables by themselves, but to call for porters (for which 48 hours' notice was required). (In April, London's Daily Mail reported, not surprisingly, that the agency's workplace injury record was very low.) (2) The head teacher at Bramhall High School in Stockport, England, decreed recently that students, who wear neckties to class, must use clip-ons and not knotted ties, in part because of the risk of choking.

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1045 Gregory VI is appointed Pope.

1751 The first cricket match is played in America.

1753 Publication of Species Plantarum by Linnaeus, and the formal start date of plant taxonomy adopted by the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature.

1778 American Revolution: The Battle of Crooked Billet begins in Hatboro, Pennsylvania.

1884 Proclamation of the demand for eight-hour workday in the United States.

1930 The dwarf planet Pluto is officially named.

1931 The Empire State Building is dedicated in New York City.

1956 The polio vaccine developed by Jonas Salk is made available to the public.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF ELLIOTT KEITH ANDREWS

Case No. BP104180

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of ELLIOTT KEITH ANDREWS
 A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Karen Green in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Karen Green be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

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Case No. BP103739

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A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Sharon Gavin in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

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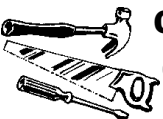
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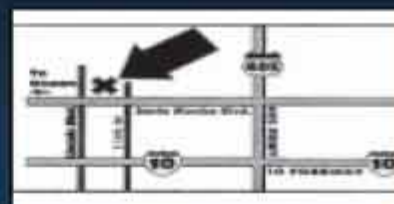
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