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THE STRATEGY ISSUE

Council wants more out of proposed Agensys deal

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

BERGAMOT STATION Less well-to-do cities would throw out the welcome mat for a company like Agensys, a biotech firm researching cancer treatments that is both a clean manufacturer and a provider of high-paying jobs.

But not Santa Monica.

The company, which already occupies several buildings in the city, wants to expand and consolidate its operations by constructing a 153,000-square-foot building at 1800 Stewart St., a City Hall-owned site next to the future Bergamot Station light rail stop.

Because the company's site is in a specially designated zone called the Light Manufacturing and Studio District, Agensys needs the City Council's approval to move ahead, though the scale of its project otherwise wouldn't trigger the requirement for a

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VIVA CINCO DE MAYO

(Above) Grupo Folklórico Mexcaltitán performs at the fourth annual Cinco de Mayo festival at Virginia Avenue Park on Sunday.
Fabian Lewkowicz *FabianLewkowicz.com*

(Right) Visitors walk around the many vintage cars while enjoying traditional Mexican music and food at the fourth annual Cinco de Mayo festival at Virginia Avenue Park on Sunday afternoon.
Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*



Making a stand on development

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

OLYMPIC HS The leading political party in Santa Monica is sharpening its stance in favor of residential development over commercial space as City Hall prepares for a final series of meetings to complete its general plan update.

Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights, which has backed a majority of the sitting City Council members, held its bi-annual meeting to update its platform on April 25, amending its "guiding principles" document to emphasize that only residential space should be permitted above ground level in new mixed-use projects, and stating that new projects should include residential units on the ground floor to better accommodate elderly and disabled residents.

About 100 members of SMRR — an organization that comprises some 4,000 residents — voted on the changes, said SMRR Chairperson Patricia Hoffman.

The additions to the party's platform come as City Hall is gearing up for its final series of meetings on its Land Use and Circulation Element, the long-range planning document the City Council is expected to adopt this summer.

To some members of the group, the changes suggest there will be a spirited debate about significant details of LUCE in coming months, as development interests are expected to argue against a rigid ban on above-ground-level office space.

Developers can generally increase rental income by increasing the percentage of floor-area in a project devoted to office uses, in part because of City Hall's affordable

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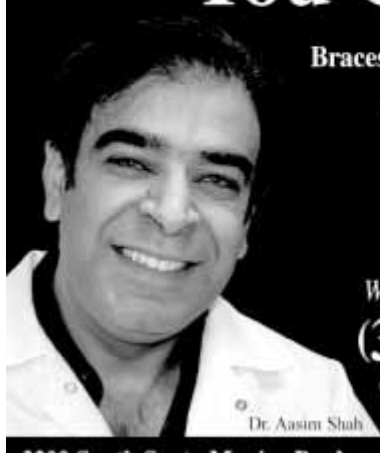
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Story time for toddlers
Ocean Park Branch Library
2601 Main St., 10 a.m. — 11 a.m.
Join Mr. Jesse for stories, rhymes, songs, and puppets with your youngsters! To register or for more information, call (310) 458-8683.

Wednesday, May 5, 2010

Freshen up
Downtown Santa Monica
Arizona Avenue & Second Street, 8:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m.
Get the freshest fruit and produce available at this weekly Farmers' Market. There are also a variety of prepared foods available.

Sustainable workshop
Santa Monica Public Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7:30 — 8:30 p.m.
Attend this second workshop in a series of six dedicated to teaching those interested in learning about and taking action to solve the environmental problems we face today. Topics covered include: water, energy, waste, chemicals, transportation, shopping and food. Admission is free for Santa Monica residents and a $50 donation is suggested for non-residents.

Thursday, May 6, 2010

'Celebrity Portraits' by Robert Zuckerman
Edgemar Center for the Arts
2437 Main St., 6 p.m.
If you aren't familiar with his name, then you are most certainly familiar with the images he shoots. Robert Zuckerman is a photographer whose images have driven the advertising campaigns for films such as "Training Day," "Terminator 3," "Transformers," and "The Pursuit of Happyness." Come and witness celebrity portraits captured by this critically acclaimed photographer. Admission is free but RSVP is required.
Call (310) 392-0815 to RSVP.

'SKATEBOARD: Evolution and art in California'
California Heritage Museum
2612 Main St., 11 a.m. — 4 p.m.
May is the last month to see this exhibition, which traces the evolution of boards from pre-1950 to today, showcasing the riders, artists, and manufacturers that created the California phenomenon known as the skateboard. The works were guest-curated by legendary Z-Boy Nathan Pratt and are appropriately housed in the heart of "Dog Town," right where the California skate movement was born. General admission is $3, senior and student tickets are $2, and members and children under 12 are free.
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State Supreme Court to hear BBB discrimination case

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

DOWNTOWN A former Big Blue Bus driver who sued City Hall for allegedly firing her because she got pregnant will have a chance to argue her case before the California Supreme Court.

The high court, which agreed to take the case April 22, will be asked to make a ruling on whether a "mixed-motive" defense exists under the state's Fair Housing and Employment Act (FEHA), providing employers with more ammunition in discrimination cases. The ruling could significantly impact every discrimination or retaliation claim filed in California.

Wynona Harris claims that in May of 2005 she was fired because she told her supervisor that she was pregnant. Attorneys for City Hall said Harris, who had recently completed her training and was a probationary driver, was let go because of her poor driving record, which included two preventable accidents. Harris also allegedly failed to properly notify her supervisor that she would not arrive on time for a shift because she was in juvenile court proceedings with her daughter.

Harris sued City Hall for discrimination in October 2005, saying she was unfairly treated once people found out about her pregnancy. She was fired roughly one week after disclosing that she was pregnant.

A jury ruled in favor of Harris, awarding her more than $177,000 in damages and more than $400,000 in attorney fees.

City Hall appealed and won on the

SEE CASE PAGE 7

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Xrds' Flyer tosses no-hitter

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

CLOVER PARK In just his third start of the season, Crossroads' Josh Flyer threw a no-hitter.

The feat came last Thursday during a 10-0 Delphic League win over Kilpatrick that was called after five innings because of the mercy rule.

While Kilpatrick (1-13 overall, 1-2 in league) is far from a world beater, the accomplishment was not lost on the senior pitcher who has never tossed a no-hitter while playing high school baseball.

"I was feeling loose," Flyer said. "I just tried to stay calm and throw strikes."

Flyer has been limited on the mound this season. A shoulder injury kept him out of the rotation for the first half of the season, but he returned to pitch during a loss to Santa Monica High School last month and again versus Sierra Canyon two weeks ago.

The victory improved Xrds' record to 11-7 overall and more importantly 4-0 in league, setting up a crucial pair of games this week against co-league leader Windward.

Game one of the series takes place today at Windward. The 3:45 p.m. game will go a long way toward determining who wins league. Crossroads has not defeated Windward since 2006, before Flyer even suited up for the Roadrunners.

Flyer is expected to start on Friday at home against Windward.

"Windward will be the toughest test for league," Flyer said. "We've never beat them.

"It's extra incentive going in."

SAMOHI SOFTBALL RANKED NO. 2

Santa Monica High School's softball team is ranked second in the latest California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section Division 4 poll.

The poll released Monday has Samohi (19-5 overall, 6-0 in league) jumping a spot from last week. Last week saw the Samohi Vikings win the El Segundo Tournament and three Ocean League games over Hawthorne, Inglewood and Culver City.

Samohi will host Beverly Hills in a league matchup today at 3:15 p.m.

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L.A. begins process of closing pot dispensaries

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES Hundreds of medical marijuana dispensaries are being told they must shut down to comply with a recently approved city ordinance in Los Angeles.

More than 500 letters were expected to be mailed Tuesday to collectives across the city, where dispensaries had been multiplying in recent years as city officials struggled to approve a local law.

Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa on Friday signed an ordinance that sets fees for the pot clinics allowed to remain open if they meet stricter guidelines. About 137 eligible dispensaries have six months to comply.

City officials say the remainder will have until June 7 to close.

Twenty-one collectives have sued Los Angeles to block enforcement of the new law.



HAVING A HEART

Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

The Kurland family walks with 60 plus people to save the lives of children afflicted with congenital heart disease in the Music for Heart Foundations annual fundraiser 'Heart Walk by the Sea' at Palisades Park on Saturday morning.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Nothing like it used to be

Editor:

Regarding airport noise:

I often read the argument that those who buy near an airport have no right to complain about the noise since they knew what they were getting. That's like converting a suburban side street into a shipping highway for 18-wheelers, and telling residents, "hey, you knew when you moved in that there's a street in front of your house."

The endless stream of massive corporate jets using the airport bear no resemblance to the single-engine Cessnas that predominated back in the 1970s when I grew up in Santa Monica.

James Toomey
Gardena

Do the math

Editor:

An excellent article on Big Blue Bus fares ("Council delays vote on bus fare increase," April 29). Will a 17 percent reduction in bus ridership with a fare increase mean: 1) bus routes, fuel use and labor costs (numbers of drivers, mechanics, etc.) can be correspondingly cut 17 percent to match the reduced ridership, which means less need for a fare increase; or will Blue Bus expense metrics increase with fewer riders? 2) a 17 percent reduction in BBB administration costs, including a 17 percent salary reduction for the personnel earning over $100,000 per year who will have 17 percent less bus riders to administer (i.e. less work per bus rider)? 3) a 17 percent reduction in the number of buses, which means 17 percent less maintenance costs and additional revenues from the sale of surplus buses (or does the Waxman/Stimulus fleet expansion mean more buses at the same time that bus ridership is being reduced)? 4) Will 17 percent less bus riders coming into the city mean a reduction in sales tax revenues, because of reduced business from fewer bus riders entering the city? 5) Will automobile traffic and parking problems increase because car travel will become relatively more economical compared to public transit?

It reminds me of Los Angeles County's "no-brainer" of transferring the Santa Monica courthouse to LAX/Westchester to save the county $500,000 while increasing expenses to the city of Santa Monica. In other words, might BBB Director Stephanie Negriff be reducing her workload and making money for the public bus company at the expense of the rest of the city, thereby worsening overall city budget problems?

Joel Grossman
Santa Monica





Back to Nature

Reese Halter — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

The next generation of cities

MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF THE PLANET'S 6.8 billion people live in cities. Cities consume 75 percent of the world's energy and produce 80 percent of anthropocentric greenhouse gases.

Clearly, we need to reinvent the way the cities of the future are designed. In fact, on the outskirts of Shanghai the most remarkable and intriguing 21st century urban project is just getting underway. It will redefine the way people live, work and enjoy leisure time in a metropolis.

China has experienced explosive urban growth. Shanghai's economy is growing three times faster than the U.S. economy did at the height of the dot.com boom. Over the past decade and a half, about 2,200 high-rises have gone up within the city limits. One-hundred-and-thirty million people live within a two-and-a-half hour drive of Downtown Shanghai.

China's economy really began to rumble in the early 1980s. Foreign firms began putting the most toxic manufacturing plants in China. Prosperity and a rush to boomtowns like Shanghai have driven the demand for energy sky-high.

Today, China is opening a new coal-fired power plant every other week. Its government conservatively estimates that 300,000 people die prematurely each year because of polluted air. The prevailing westerly jet stream carries toxic mercury vapor and 60 trace minerals and heavy metals from the burnt coal across the Pacific to the western half of the U.S., including Los Angeles, and as far north as Anchorage.

Moreover, 400 million Chinese daily drink contaminated water.

An intrepid Chinese government biologist is on a mission to protect one of the rarest birds on the globe — the black-faced spoonbill. The bird uses the marshy easterly tip of a massive, mostly undeveloped island — Chongming — at the mouth of the Yangtze River.

Chongming Island is about three quarters the size of Manhattan and is located on the outskirts of Shanghai.

The Shanghai Industrial Investment Corporation attained the rights to develop Chonming Island. They have two mandates: protect the black-faced spoonbill habitat and create the world's first sustainable city or ecopolis, designed around village-style neighborhoods instead of separate business and residential areas. The city has been named Dongtan.

The Chilean architect and urban designer Alejandro Guitierrez from the design giant Arup and a team of 100 planners including architects, engineers, landscape designers, energy and water specialists and conservation biologists have set about to change the course of history.

The first task was to set the density levels at 105 residents per hectare (equivalent to Stockholm). They decided on buildings ranging in heights between four and eight stories allowing for a population of about 500,000.

The ecopolis began to take shape: a reasonably dense urban middle with important breaks for green space, all surrounded by farms, parks and undisturbed wetlands.

Guitierrez visited some magnificent water towns along the Yangtze River Delta, which are much older and better designed than Venice. He's incorporated the clever Chinese design into Dongtan by creating canals in one zone, ponds in another, and a big lake in a third. Courtyards and lawns will drain away from buildings.

Essentially, the design has created flood-cells within the city — analogous to chambers in a submarine. When a major storm hits Chongming Island the sea-water will stay in a single cell. Along the water's edge there is no high levee but rather a gentle hill, which recedes into the native wetlands.

The city will derive energy from burning rice husks to drive steam turbines, also photovoltaic cells and wind mills will augment its clean renewable green energy.

Along the edge of the city, underground "plant factories" will grow organic crops powered by solar LED lights. They will yield six times more produce per hectare than conventional farming.

Twin water networks throughout the city will supply drinking water to kitchens and treated wastewater for toilet flushing and farm irrigation.

Trucks delivering goods from throughout China will park at consolidated warehouses on the edge of the city.

Waste will either be recycled or gasified for energy — captured heat will be converted into more power and only 10 percent of the city's waste will be designated for the thermal conversion landfill.

Trees will be planted to promote cool summer breezes, block icy winter winds thereby reducing demand by 40 percent for heat or air conditioning.

Each neighborhood will have two downtowns: one at the center and one on the edge, both within easy walking distance from homes and offices.

Dongtan's power company will sell excess energy into Shanghai's grid. To help people use less power, easily visible meters will be located in kitchens and offices — once a reasonable energy limit has been exceeded the price will spike.

Only electric and hydrogen cars will be allowed in Dongtan. Wide bicycle lanes will provide excellent, safe and clean transportation corridors throughout the ecopolis.

Construction began in late 2007 and over the next decade or so an interesting and most necessary ecopolis with a near-zero footprint will begin to take shape, setting the standard for the rest of the world to follow.

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What's the Point?

David Pisarra
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When accidents happen

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That's what my editor says. I do my best, but the problem is that sometimes, and with increasing frequency as the world becomes smaller, it's all local.

The world has become a more intertwined web of interests and with each passing day we become a smaller planet, at least in the impact that our actions can have. That's a good thing, and a bad thing.

It's wonderful that I can make friends online from Sweden to India. The fact that the human race is in many ways coming together as one people, through intermarriage, or interracial breeding at least, means that hopefully one day xenophobia may be reduced to the point of extinction. Maybe.

But the smallness of the world means that when something bad happens far from home, it can reach us.

For example, the April 20 deep water oil spill that is happening in the Gulf of Mexico and is fast approaching the shores of Louisiana and is certain to contaminate other shorelines. The spill itself is enormous and growing, and no one can give accurate numbers as to the true enormity of it all.

We cannot believe the spokespeople for British Petroleum, the lessees of the rig. They originally said the leak was only 1,000 barrels a day, then it jumped to 5,000 barrels, and now possibly 25,000. A barrel is 42 gallons. At the low end that is 42,000 gallons of crude pouring out for the past two weeks; at 25,000 a day it's 1,050,000 gallons of crude pouring out, for the past 14 days.

The Exxon Valdez spill for comparison was 10.8 million gallons and was closer to shore so its impact was more concentrated, but still 20 years later there are significant amounts of oil still present and contaminating the shore and intertidal ecosystem. There is a website for the trust that was created to restore the Sound which has good information regarding the long term impact of the spill (www.evostc.state.ak.us/).

Non-BP experts are suggesting that the leak could be much larger, based on their estimates of the size of the oil slick. The repairs that are being pursued at the depth of about a mile, are two fold. There is a failed shut off valve that the underwater robots are attempting to get operational, if that doesn't work there are back up plans, which may take weeks or even months, to complete. In the interim, BP is going to put domes over the existing leaks which collect the oil and can then route it to collector ships.

So why does any of this matter to us? Because not very far up the coast we have oil rigs, and yes, they have worked well for years, and most of the offshore drilling that we do as a planet does not result in giant spills that cause damage and loss of life to ecosystems and damage to economic systems. But, as this latest spill shows, and the history of the Exxon spill demonstrates, the long-term effects are far greater than we anticipate.

Imagine if one of those rigs that are only a few miles offshore were to begin pouring crude oil into the ocean, and it was to come ashore at Zuma, and then work its way south to the Santa Monica Pier, as it rounds the bay, polluting the beaches and spoiling the ecosystem. It's a nightmare scenario, and we don't even have a huge dependence of fishing as a way of life here.

But it would be catastrophic to tourism, which we do rely on.

Now I'm not going to say that we should end the drilling based on this accident, though it's not necessarily a bad idea. What I do think is that we cannot rely on the oil companies to have enough resources in place, and contingency plans to deal with a spill, unless they are made to account for them before a spill. I know this is sure to get me a phone call from some PR person telling me of the significant government regulation they labor under and how they are fully compliant at all times. Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Corporations exist for profit. Their own self-interests are not best served by spending money on spill containment procedures and are unlikely to do so unless forced to.

Accidents happen accidentally. But the point is that they happen and we need to be prepared to deal with them. We should take the opportunity we have, prior to an accident, to make sure that the plans we have in place are sufficient, based on the knowledge we have today of the long term-effects of a spill.

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The Q Line

City for rent

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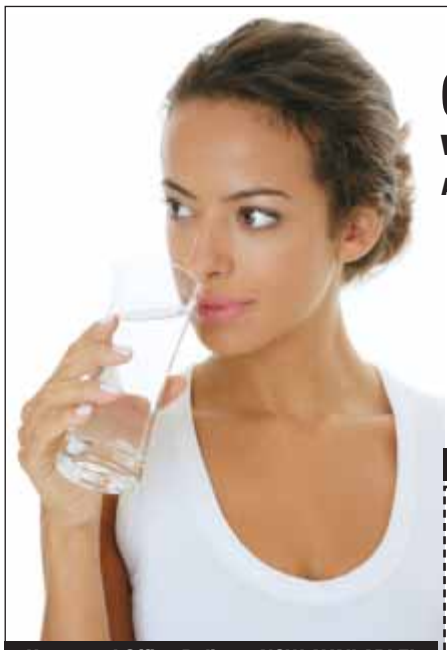
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Company says it has other options

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development agreement.

At a hearing on the firm's plans last Tuesday, members of the council praised the company as an example of a successful, locally-founded operation that has demonstrated a willingness to adapt to community concerns.

Then they made it clear that if Agensys is going to win permission for the expansion, it's going to have to provide significantly more "community benefits" than it's already proposed.

Agensys has suggested offering benefits that include incorporating publicly accessible open space into its design, offering programs to introduce youths to the field of biotechnology, possibly offering shared parking for events at Bergamot Station, and taking steps to reduce its employees' vehicle trips.

Those proposals, Councilman Bobby Shriver said at the meeting, aren't nearly enough.

In particular, he said, the notion that offering school children tours of the facility constitutes a significant community benefit is a stretch.

"That kind of stuff, which I would think of as just sort of good neighborliness, I think doesn't cut it in return for the four acres of land," he said.

Agensys would pay City Hall market-rate rent for a long-term lease agreement should the project move forward. Representatives from the company last Tuesday said they plan to seek a deal with City Hall that would give the company a 50-year lease on the property.

Despite the rental income, Shriver said granting Agensys the long-term use of a valuable City Hall resource means the council has leverage to exact significant benefits from the company.

"Since I feel that that's a very, very, very valuable thing that we're giving them, that we have to, when we come up to vote on this, see some really very valuable things on the table," he said.

Among those valuable things should be a cafe that's open to the public and a firm and enforceable commitment from the company to hire local people for lower-level jobs, he said.

Other members of the council echoed Shriver's sentiments and added their own ideas for improved benefits to the mix.

While Councilman Kevin McKeown in an interview with the Daily Press praised the company for scrapping an earlier design for the project that he called an "Orange County office park-looking structure that just was wrong," he said Agensys would have to find a way to incorporate a bike route into the project to gain his support.

And Councilwoman Gleam Davis, who called the proposal a "tremendous project," added her voice to the chorus calling for an enhanced local jobs program that would include recruiting residents for high-tech positions.

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>
> **Bobby Shriver,**
> City Councilman

"Given the present state of the economy, I think it's really important that when people want to come and invest in our community that they not just invest in terms of infrastructure but invest in terms of people," she said.

A jobs program, she said, shouldn't just require the company to hire locals for low-paying jobs at the company, but should seek to give Santa Monica residents priority in getting high-paying technical positions with Agensys.

"I think it really is an opportunity for us to create a high-tech job pipeline," she said, perhaps by setting up an internship program with local schools.

To attorney Dale Goldsmith, who is representing Agensys in the proposed deal, the council's ideas are just the starting point in a negotiation that he said he hopes will result in a balance between public benefits and his client's legitimate needs.

While Agensys prefers to remain in Santa Monica, he said "a number of other jurisdictions have actively courted" the company and are willing to offer inducements to land the company's headquarters.

"If it doesn't work out [in Santa Monica] there are options B, C and D that would be very attractive as well," Goldsmith said.

He said simply having a cancer treatment research company in town should be considered a public benefit in itself, and that should prompt the City Council to deal with Agensys differently from how it might negotiate with a developer seeking to make a profit by renting newly-built commercial space to a third party.

"Every dollar spent on public benefits is a potential dollar taken away from cancer research," he said. "We're hopeful that the city recognizes that and seeks to come up with an equitable balance."

Shriver, though, said the council is negotiating with a strong hand. While other cities might have to offer incentives to attract desirable employers to town, he said that's not the case in Santa Monica — recession or no recession.

"Santa Monica is a block from the beach. It doesn't take a lot of heavy lifting to get people interested in stuff a block from the beach," he said.

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Samohi softball reaches new heights

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The Vikings currently have a firm grasp on first place with Hawthorne in second with a 4-2 league mark.

NEW ROADS SLIPS IN POLL

Losers of two of their last three games, New Roads' baseball team has slipped from No. 3 to No. 7 in the latest CIF-SS Division 7 poll.

New Roads (12-6 overall, 3-1 in league) is coming off an 8-15 loss to Harbor League rival Rolling Hills Prep last week.

Next for New Roads is a non-league game against Vasquez on Wednesday at 2 p.m. The game will take place at North Venice Little League.

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Final LUCE meetings set to begin this week

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housing requirements for residential space.

Although an "overwhelming majority" of SMRR members present for the meeting voted to adopt the provision that "land-use policy should allow only housing above the first floor on commercial boulevards thereby enhancing affordability, sustainability, and preservation of neighborhood character," Hoffman said some members felt the language didn't allow developers enough flexibility.

Some members, including Mayor Pro Tem Pam O'Connor, said the provision could limit developers from creating upper-story office space that might accommodate local businesses. Others said it could make it harder for nonprofits to find space.

Despite some dissent, though, Hoffman said the updated principles reflect the majority's belief that "where there's development, we'd like to see it focused on housing rather than commercial development."

> **WHERE THERE'S DEVELOPMENT, WE'D LIKE TO SEE IT FOCUSED ON HOUSING RATHER THAN COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT."**
>
> Patricia Hoffman,
> SMRR chairperson

The first of four Planning Commission meetings to discuss the LUCE's final environmental impact report is scheduled for May 6 at 7 p.m. at City Hall. City Council meetings on the LUCE are set to take place in June.

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Ruling could bring big changes to California's discrimination law

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grounds that the jury should have been instructed to consider a mixed-motive defense, which is allowed in federal court. Attorneys for Santa Monica's City Hall argued that a mixed-motive defense does apply to FEHA and the jury should have been instructed to consider whether or not the bus company would have fired Harris regardless of her pregnancy. Mixed-motive defenses force juries to consider both discriminatory and non-discriminatory factors.

City Hall is not admitting pregnancy was a factor.

"We fired her because she had a bad driving record," said Deputy City Attorney Barbara Greenstein. "It's a public safety issue. We have an obligation to have safe drivers working for us."

The appellate court ordered a new trial. This led Harris' attorneys to file a request for consideration with the high court.

"I'm very happy that the Supreme Court granted a review because it is an important issue not only for employees but for employers, both public and private," said Michael Nourmand, who is representing Harris. "Everyone needs to understand how [mixed-motive defense] is going to work if it applies to FEHA … ."

Nourmand said his client was terminated because of her pregnancy and that there were several inconsistencies made by BBB management during trial. Harris is "struggling" financially, he said, and losing her job with the Big Blue Bus, "has affected her life drastically."

"She thanks God for her health, but financially she's on life support," Nourmand said. Nourmand is working on contingency and has not received any money from Harris for his services.

Mixed-motive defenses were allowed in 1989, when the U.S. Supreme Court held in the seminal case Price Waterhouse v. Hopkins that an employer could escape liability in a civil rights case even if a discriminatory motive was involved in an employment action.

In that case a female attorney up for partnership at the accounting firm said she was denied a promotion because she was not feminine enough and had an aggressive personality. She claimed she was denied because she was a strong woman. Price Waterhouse said she was denied because of her rough dealings with staff.

The court ruled that even though her sex may have been a consideration, Price Waterhouse showed that they would have come to the same conclusion not to promote her based on her performance on the job.

Two years after that decision, Congress passed the Civil Rights Act of 1991 that said a mixed-motive defense would not guard against liability, but would only limit remedies.

Nourmand said mixed motive should not be considered in the Harris case since City Hall's position from the beginning is that Harris was fired for purely legitimate reasons — performance issues. At no time did they argue mixed motive, which is why the trial judge did not give the jury instruction to consider it.

Nourmand claims the appellate court erred in its judgment and created several unanswered questions that the high court must clarify, one of them being whether or not mixed-motive jury instruction is warranted in every discrimination case filed under FEHA and whether or not is offers a complete defense or merely limit some remedies.

A date for the court hearing has not been set.

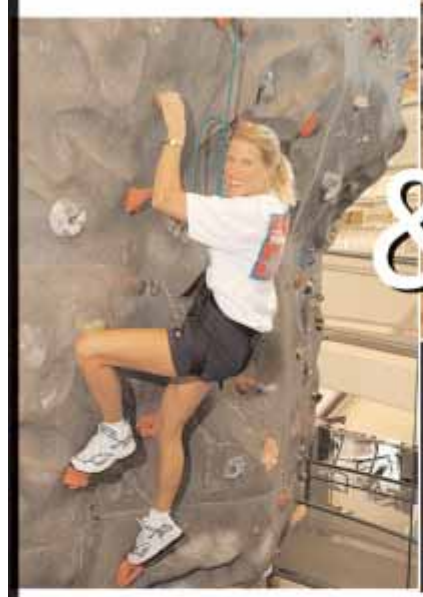
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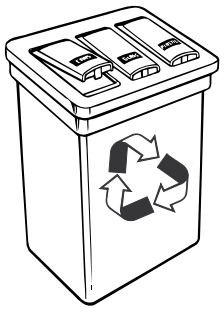
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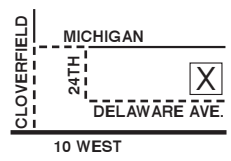


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Parents using text, IM, e-mail to avoid kid ears

BY LEANNE ITALIE
Associated Press Writer

Parents who want a way to talk so little ears can't hear have moved beyond s-p-e-l-l-i-n-g in favor of a new kid-proof system: the text message.

E-mail, text and instant messaging have become the go-to technology for parents on family outings or at the end of a long day, when mom's chilling on the couch in front of the TV and dad's reading in the bedroom more than a whisper away.

"There was a time when I would get really upset if I was IMed from another room in the house. Now it's a complete parental survival tool," says KellyAnn Bonnell, whose kids are 10 and 15.

Tammy Gold, a parenting coach in Short Hills, N.J., says phones and online tools are particularly important in tight spaces like apartments, where there are fewer secluded spots, and especially with older kids who stay up as late or later than the grown-ups.

"I've had parents who say it's weeks before they can speak," she says. "Parents these days put 'sex' into each other's phones or else it won't happen."

Parents in two-BlackBerry households are using the company's free text service and relying on the messaging features on Facebook since they're logging on frequently anyway. Others have come up with languages all their own.

"Should we partake in a visit to the place with aluminum obstacles or cages containing mammals?" Greg Abel and his wife value their synonyms — that's the playground and the zoo — when their kids are listening, especially when more open discussion would likely lead to a sibling spat or major disappointment.

"We have a bright 5-year-old who can spell, so we can't spell out words in front of him," said Abel, from Baltimore, Md. "If we're trying to decide if we should give him ice cream, but only after his younger brother has gone to bed, we might say, 'Should we give the elder a frozen confection?'"

With a 2-year-old, Melissa Kaupke in Nashville, Tenn., can still spell that and lots of other things, but she wishes her husband was on board with her own parents' secret language of "Ob." It sounds like you've got rocks in your mouth.

"My parents always used Ob," she says. "My dad's parents did the same thing when he was little. Unfortunately, my husband thinks it's too silly to do, because it works really well."

Mom-of-three Amy Wilson, who wrote the off-Broadway hit "Mother Load" and has a new book out about mothering called "When Did I Get Like This?" relies on e-mail in tight spots, especially when her pack — ages 2,5 and 7 — was younger.

"I have used it while my husband is driving," she said. "I'm in the passenger seat, and the baby is asleep in back. All of my kids were so attuned to my voice that if I talked at all, they would wake up. So I would sit and look out the window, and as the married couple to-dos occurred to me I would e-mail them to my husband, sitting not even an arm's length away."

Foreign languages, made up or the regular kind, are not only handy but can whip up interest in kids who want in on the secret.

"My wife and I were both French instructors, so we spoke French around our two children," says Robert Magnan of Madison, Wis., of his now grown kids. "Since they didn't understand French, the system worked well. It also motivated them both to learn French and become fluent in it."

Jessica Gottleib, the mother of an 11-year-old daughter and an 8-year-old son in Los Angeles, grew up with elders who spoke German when they didn't want the kids to hear.

"As soon as we heard 'der kinder' we'd start listening," she says. "I still can't speak it, but I know when my dad is talking about me, and I know exactly what he's saying. I wish we spoke another language."

Instead, she and her husband text at home for ears-only chats and aren't above a little incentive to keep their confabs confidential.

"We usually just send them out of the room and then whisper, though we've been known to give them a dollar if they scat faster."

Not everyone's on board the technology train in excluding kids. Sharon Hirsch, a child and adolescent psychiatrist at the University of Chicago Medical Center, thinks parents lose a lot when they rely too much on instant technology.

"Texting or e-mailing is fine for brief informational exchanges like I'm picking up Jimmy at 7," she said. "But the best way to communicate complex ideas, issues and concepts is directly, face to face. You don't do that in an IM."



Jersey Couture: Inside prom dressing-room dramatics

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AP Fashion Writer

SOUTH FREEHOLD, N.J. In books, movies and many memories, the high school prom may be about the big date. But boutique owner and soon-to-be-reality-TV star Diane Scali says for today's girls, it's about the dress.

"Every year the prom gets bigger, and some girls go to two proms in the season. God forbid anyone wears the same dress twice. Some of these girls have closets full of these dresses," Scali says. "I feel bad for their mothers having to pay for them all."

It's this overflow of Grecian goddess gowns, flirty baby-doll numbers and the wannabe-starlet showstoppers, however, that makes Scali fairy godmother to almost 4,000 teenagers each spring and the star of "Jersey Couture," a reality show about dressing-room drama that debuts on Oxygen June 1.

Don't let her unassuming strip-mall store at the gateway to the Jersey Shore fool you: Diane & Co. has built such a reputation as the go-to place for party dresses that lines of cars, with license plates from Connecticut, Maryland and even Canada, snake along Route 9. Girls with their moms or dads — having a parent or guardian present in the store is a prerequisite — often wait for hours before their numbers are called to gain entrance into the main part of the salon.

For the reality show, wardrobe surely was never an issue. Diane comes to work dressed to the nines and has done so for 32 years. Her jet-black hair is always "done." Same goes for her nails and makeup punctuated with a lot of dark mascara, and she would never even entertain the thought of jeans or flats. A jacket in a notice-me-color with a feminine blouse and black slacks is her uniform — an outfit she's wearing seven days a week during prom season, which starts in December and runs through the entire spring.

Yes, some girls go dress shopping before their dates are secured, Diane says with a smile.

The Scali family, including husband Sal, son Anthony, and daughters Kimberly and Christina, are Diane's supporting cast, both at the shop and in the show. Kimberly and Christina are increasingly involved in the buying, styling and selling of extravagant eveningwear that, realistically, starts at $279 for a Plain Jane dress and can go for thousands of dollars depending on the wattage of glitz and glamour. The amount of fabric has no bearing on the price, especially since many teenagers are looking to show off their youthful figures with backless, cutout or plunging V silhouettes.

The backless trend stumps both Christina and Kimberly. "Out of 100 girls, 55 of them come in saying they want a low back and a back slit, but no one walks into the prom backwards!" Kimberly says. She'd prefer to see girls in the of-the-moment bohemian looks that are "father favorites" because they tend to be flowing instead of form-fitting; or a more sophisticated halter top, perhaps with some Deco beading.

"Some girls come in saying, 'I don't want to look like I'm going to the prom,' which seems a little crazy since they are going to the prom," Kimberly says, "but we'll find her something — probably something in black."

Usually Diane, Kimberly and Christina agree on a style before placing an order with a manufacturer — they sit in a row like a firing squad in the showroom and make instant decisions based on their gut, not trend reports, celebrity lookalikes or magazine covers. Still, Diane is the boss and can (and will) occasionally break away and try something riskier, but then she either has to find someone to buy it or eat her pride. Those dresses are marked subtly on the hangtag with "MMS," or "mom must sell."

Meeting Diane, you get the feeling she could hawk anything, even the wacky, draped, neon-yellow "diaper dress" with fabric around the legs that her daughters are very happy to point out as one of her choices. Some people have tried it on, but so far no takers, Kimberly says smugly, before allowing that they sell to a varied clientele and eventually it will find the right girl.

"Every dress in here is someone's dress," she adds.

In some ways, the Scalis are incredibly doting on their customers. It's routine for a girl to try on 50 dresses and she'll be poked, prodded and pinned in each one to achieve the most flattering bustline or hemline. She'll be given shoes, a bag, even a tiara to experiment with her big-picture look. This can go on for hours.

Browsing, though, is a no-no. It's the staff that gets to rifle through the racks, not shoppers. The sales team, numbering 17 on weekends not including seamstresses, shuttle dresses to and from dressing rooms after they've debriefed the customers on preferences, budgets and body type — information that sometimes guides their choices, information that's sometimes ignored.

The Scalis truly believe they know best. "The prom girl thinks of her prom the way a bride thinks of her wedding, and the gown is a very important part," says Kimberly. "We take this very seriously."

On this day, 15-year-old Noelle Martins and her mother Lisa Martins-Morgan from Cranbury are in the store — returning after waiting two hours the previous weekend and not making it inside — to search for Noelle's Sweet 16 dress. She envisions a slip dress; mom wants Cinderella.

First Christina and then Kimberly pull several styles, none of which are what the Martins-Morgans thought they came in for. A few gowns later, a strapless satin number akin to Marilyn Monroe's in "Gentleman Prefer Blonds" emerges the winner and everyone is happy.

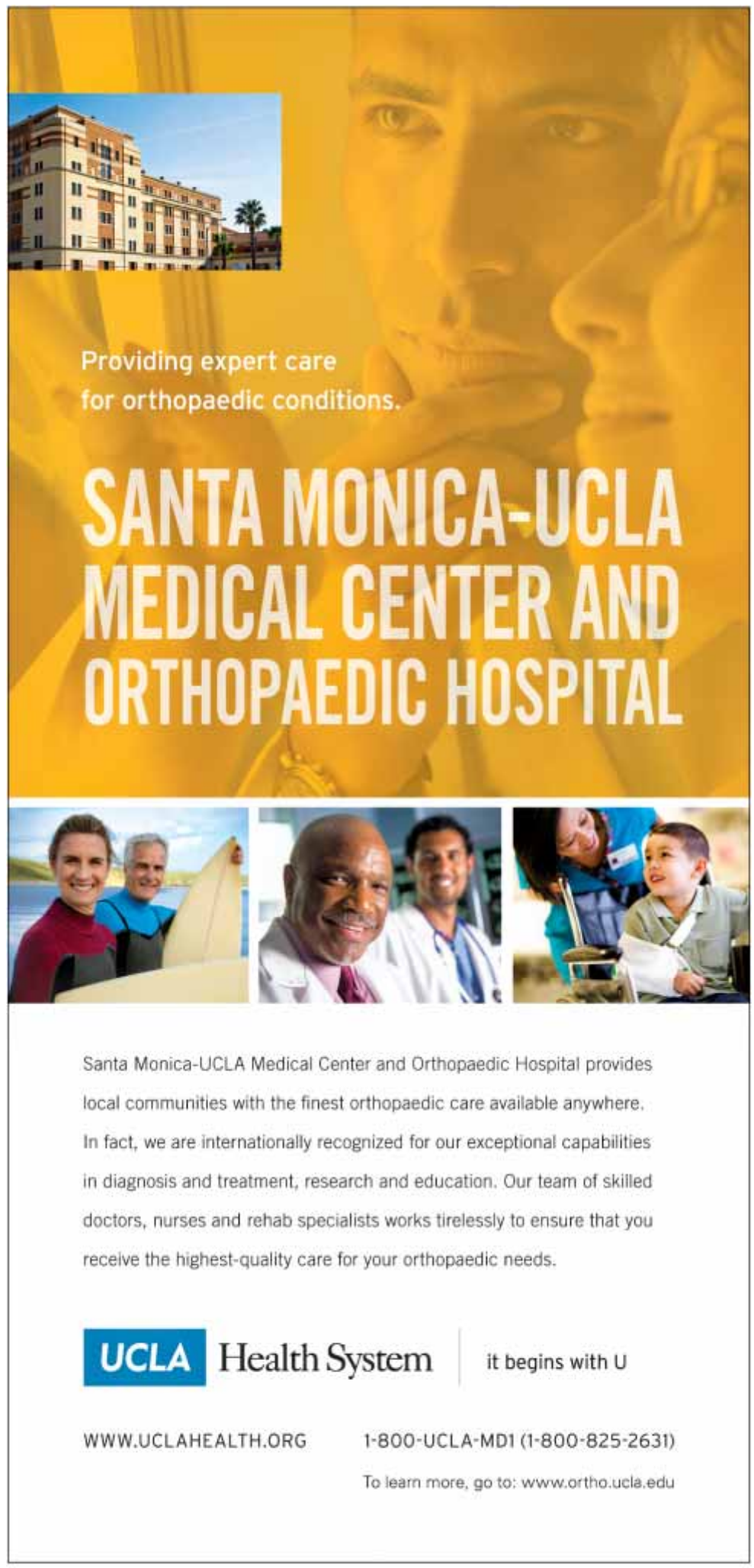
Once a dress is picked, suggestions how hair and makeup come fast and furious. Every gown purchased is meticulously recorded both electronically and in a thick paper ledger that ensures the store won't sell that same style — not even in a different color — to someone else attending the same event. The "bible," as they call it, lists proms by schools, and there are at least 100 pages marked up for this year.

The store offers a full range of sizes, from the very petite to a size 28W, so most girls will find dozens of dresses that fit — a huge plus when dealing with the fragile self-esteem levels of teenagers, Christina says.

The Scalis ride the emotional roller coaster of prom-dress shopping with their clients. "We laugh with them and we'll cry with them," says Kimberly, who also will blurt out an honest opinion, even when — actually, especially when — she thinks a girl is making the wrong choice. Diane & Co. doesn't take returns.

"We practically have therapy sessions by the end of the night. We're dressing girls of different sizes, ethnicities and confidence levels," Kimberly says. "Hopefully they are getting a life lesson here on how to dress for their bodies."





Spill forces Schwarzenegger to rethink drilling

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SACRAMENTO Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger on Monday withdrew his support of a plan to expand oil drilling off the California coast, citing the massive oil spill that resulted from a drilling rig explosion in the Gulf of Mexico.

The announcement assures that no new drilling will take place off the state's coastline in the foreseeable future because Schwarzenegger would have to include the drilling proposal in his May revision of the state budget.

Speaking at a news conference near Sacramento, the governor said television images of the oil spill in the Gulf have changed his mind about the safety of ocean-based oil platforms.

"You turn on the television and see this enormous disaster, you say to yourself, 'Why would we want to take on that kind of risk?'" Schwarzenegger said.

The Republican governor had proposed expanding oil drilling off the coast of Santa Barbara County to help close the state's $20 billion budget deficit. Democrats last year blocked a similar proposal, but Schwarzenegger renewed his support earlier this year, saying it was a reliable way to increase revenue as the state grapples with an ongoing fiscal crisis.

A deal struck between some environmental groups and Plains Exploration & Production Co., known as PXP, was estimated to bring the state some $100 million. The Houston-based company was going to slant-drill up to 30 new shafts into state waters from an existing platform that is sitting in federal waters.

Schwarzenegger said he would find another way to plug the state's budget deficit.

"If I have a choice to make up $100 million and what I see in Gulf of Mexico, I'd rather find a way to make up that $100 million."

The California coast was not part of President Barack Obama's announcement a month ago when he said he wanted to expand oil drilling off the Atlantic coast and in eastern portions of the Gulf. Including California would have been too difficult politically because of strong opposition within the state's congressional delegation and with environmental groups in the state.

A 1969 blowout on a Union Oil Co. platform off the Santa Barbara coast fouled miles of ocean and beaches and led to a moratorium on offshore drilling.

Wal-Mart ordered to pay up in dumping case

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SAN DIEGO Wal-Mart Stores Inc. has agreed to pay $27.6 million to settle allegations that it improperly handled and dumped hazardous waste at stores across California in a case that led to changes in the retailer's practices nationwide, prosecutors said Monday.

The settlement ends a five-year investigation involving more than 20 prosecutors and 32 environmental groups. They alleged that each of the company's 236 stores and distribution centers across California, including Sam's Club warehouse stores, were in violation of environmental laws and regulations, said San Diego County District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis.

Wal-Mart was accused of improperly disposing of pesticide, fertilizer, paint, aerosols and other chemicals. In one case, Dumanis said a Solano County boy was found playing in a mound of fertilizer near a Walmart garden section. The yellow-tinted powder contained ammonium sulfate, a chemical compound that causes irritation to people's skin, eyes and respiratory tract.

"Today a corporate giant has been held accountable for its actions, and Wal-Mart is cleaning up its act," Dumanis said.

Wal-Mart still may shell out more money because of civil and criminal investigations by federal officials into allegations that the company's handling of hazardous waste violated environmental laws in California, Missouri and Washington, D.C. The federal cases are still pending, including in California.

California's state investigation started in 2005 when an employee from the San Diego County Department of Environmental Health saw a worker pouring bleach down a drain, prosecutors said.

Phyllis Harris, who handles Wal-Mart's environmental affairs, said the company has improved since the violations were discovered.

"It's important to note that these incidents happened at least four years ago," she said. "Since then, we have worked closely with the state of California on a comprehensive hazardous waste plan that includes improved training programs, policies and procedures."

Bentonville, Ark.-based Wal-Mart now identifies which products are hazardous and has nearly 50 new operating procedures detailing how its employees should handle them properly.

Wal-Mart spokesman David Tovar said the new practices should put the retailer's stores in compliance across the country.

The company will pay $20 million in penalties to the various prosecuting and investigating agencies, more than $1.6 million in investigative costs and $3 million for environmental projects. It also will invest $3 million to guarantee its stores will remain in compliance, prosecutors said.

"This should serve as a warning to all companies doing business in the state and in San Diego County that they will not be allowed to flaunt environmental laws in place to keep our communities clean and safe — no matter how large or small the corporation," Dumanis said.

San Diego County Deputy District Attorney Karen Doty said officials have been looking into similar violations at other big-box stores, including a pending investigation into Target Corp.

Business groups want to repeal emissions law

SAMANTHA YOUNG
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO A coalition of business groups turned in signature petitions Monday for a ballot initiative that would unravel Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's top environmental priority.

If the California Jobs Initiative qualifies for the November ballot, as expected, voters will be asked to consider putting the brakes on the nation's most far-reaching global warming law.

The 2006 law, known as AB32, seeks to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in California and imposes new requirements on power plants, manufacturers and other businesses.

A number of business groups warn that regulations needed to enact the law would cost jobs and prompt billions of dollars in higher energy prices. John Kabateck, executive director of the National Federation of Business California, said that's a cost businesses cannot shoulder as they struggle in a weak economy.

"While the goals of AB32 are admirable, clearly the implementation of this at this time ... would be a death knell for many small businesses," Kabateck said at a news conference.

The initiative would delay climate regulations until California's unemployment rate — now at 12.6 percent — drops to 5.5 percent and stays there for a year. That's only happened three times in the past three decades, according to California Employment Development Department statistics.

Economists expect California's job recovery will be slow.

"That could be a really long way off," Brad Kemp, director of regional research at Beacon Economics, said of the 5.5 percent benchmark. "It's like saying we have to get to full capacity before we can even begin to consider this."

Kemp has forecast the unemployment rate will still exceed 8 percent in 2015.





U.S. economy faces slow improvement

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AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON Factories are churning out more goods. Consumers are spending. Government aid is fueling construction activity. But stagnant pay and weak hiring will likely restrain the economic rebound in coming months.

That cautionary picture emerged from a series of economic reports Monday.

Consumers stepped up their spending in March by the largest amount in five months. Yet the increase was financed out of savings. Incomes rose only slightly.

Unless employers boost pay and ramp up hiring, economists say consumer spending will likely taper off and dampen the recovery.

The construction industry remains a concern, too. Industry spending rose 0.2 percent in March, the first increase in five months, Commerce said. But all the strength came from government activity — much of it related to temporary stimulus money that's expected to run out soon. By contrast, construction by the private sector fell to the lowest level in a decade.

One sector that's helping drive the recovery is manufacturing. Factory production in April grew at the fastest pace in nearly six years, according to the Institute for Supply Management, representing purchasing executives. Its manufacturing index rose to 60.4 in April from 59.6 in March — the ninth straight month of growth. A level above 50 indicates expansion.

"We got to see both sides of the economy today. We got a read on the strongest sector, manufacturing, and the weakest, construction," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Analytics.

Companies are rebuilding their inventories as demand for goods rises. New orders, a gauge of future production, jumped to 65.7 from 61.5 in March, according to the report.

The fastest-growing industries were clothing makers and producers of nonmetallic goods such as glass, mineral wool and ceramic products used in construction. Makers of wood products, the petroleum and coal sector, and plastics and rubber manufacturers also reported strong growth.

Stocks finish day strong

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NEW YORK Investors sent stocks soaring Monday after getting a boost of confidence from the latest economic reports and Warren Buffett's defense of Goldman Sachs.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 143 points to extend a series of sharp swings over the past week. The Dow and broader indexes all climbed more than 1 percent.

The market rebounded from a drop Friday after a string of welcome news eased some of the concerns that have been dogging investors. Economic reports signaled that consumer spending and manufacturing are strengthening.

Meanwhile, Germany's approval of bailout funds for Greece and a vote of confidence by Buffett in Goldman, whose shares he owns, helped reassure investors. Goldman has been under fire the past two weeks after regulators accused it of fraudulent dealing in mortgage-backed securities.

An agreement by United to acquire Continental Airlines Inc. in a stock deal worth about $3 billion also lifted stock prices. Investors see corporate dealmaking as a positive sign for the economy.

"The merger in the airlines is great. As you begin to see mergers that means there is value out there," said Anthony Conroy, managing director and head trader for BNY ConvergEx Group.

Traders funneled money to retail and restaurant stocks after the Commerce Department said that personal spending rose 0.6 percent in March, the biggest increase in five months. However, personal income rose just 0.3 percent. The reports were in line with analysts' expectations but showed that consumers were pulling money from savings to make purchases.

Manufacturing continued to show broad improvement. Orders have been flowing to factories for months while companies rebuild depleted inventories. The Institute for Supply Management said that U.S. manufacturing activity expanded last month at the fastest pace in nearly six years. The trade group's manufacturing index rose to 60.4 in April from 59.6 in March.

The market has been swinging in the past week on investor indecision about the risks that face the economy. Economic numbers and concern about government debt loads in Europe are making traders quick to jump in and out of stocks. The Dow has risen or fallen by more than 100 points in four of the past six days.

Stocks bounced higher after a disappointing end to April. The market had tumbled Friday following mixed economic reports and concerns about a criminal investigation of Goldman Sachs. The government reported the nation's economy grew at a slower pace in the first quarter than had been forecast.

Car shoppers wait for better deals

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AP Auto Writers

DETROIT Car shoppers took a wait-and-see approach in April, easing up on purchases as the lure of big incentives faded and hoping summer brings a new flurry of deals.

Automakers will have to match incentives from Toyota Motor Corp. at least through Memorial Day. Toyota said Monday it will continue to offer zero-percent financing and two years of free maintenance on certain vehicles through June 1. It is also offering unprecedented deals on its Lexus luxury brand.

The industry stayed on the road to recovery in April after last year's dismal numbers, with most major automakers seeing double-digit sales gains But sales were down from March, when Toyota launched record-high incentives to lure buyers after a series of safety recalls.

Incentives continued in April but were 5 percent lower as automakers tried to pull back on spending. Jessica Caldwell, an industry analyst with auto information website Edmunds.com, said incentives generally lose their luster after a few weeks.

"April gave us a sense of what true demand is out there," said Jessica Caldwell, an industry analyst with Edmunds.com. "There was no holiday weekend, and it was tax time. The sales we got in March were not really sustainable."

James Bell, an analyst with auto pricing company Kelley Blue Book, said the March incentives conditioned buyers to look for bargains. As a result, he thinks automakers will have to offer deals well into the summer.

"I think everyone's in check right now. There's an uneasiness that they'll launch something in the summer," he said.

Ford Motor Co. saw last month's sales rise 25 percent from a year earlier, while General Motors Co. climbed 6.4 percent. Sales for Toyota Motor Corp. rose 24 percent, but that was far slower than the year-over-year jump of 41-percent in March.

Even Chrysler, which has struggled much of the year, reported a 25 percent sales increase, while Honda, Hyundai, Subaru and others also continued to see gains.

Even though incentives fell, there were still were good bargains in April. Honda Motor Co. spent a record $1,787 per vehicle, while Toyota spent $2,498, down $245 from record-high levels in March. GM spent $3,273 per vehicle, although that was skewed by high incentives on the brands it is discontinuing.

GM said it spent $100 less per vehicle in April than in March.

"We'll be judicious with our incentives," said Steve Carlisle, GM's new vice president of sales. "We'll be competitive but not foolish."

Toyota used incentives to continue to spur demand as it distanced itself from safety recalls involving unintended acceleration. But sales slowed 16 percent compared with a strong March.

The Japanese automaker said its April sales were propelled by some of the vehicles involved in previous recalls like the Corolla compact, Prius hybrid and RAV4 small crossover vehicle.

Honda's sales, including the Honda and Acura brands, rose 12.5 percent over April of last year.

Chrysler reported its first double-digit sales gain in nearly five years, led by a minivan promotion that drove sales up 68 percent. It saw sales surge for its Chrysler Sebring and Dodge Avenger midsize sedans.

But its Ram pickup truck sales dropped a troubling 20 percent, even as main competitors GM and Ford reported rising pickup sales.

Chrysler's sales bucked industry trends and rose 3 percent over a March.

After taking out brands that GM is phasing out or selling, GM sales rose 20 percent from April of last year. GM's four remaining brands are Chevrolet, Buick, GMC and Cadillac.

Judge: Militia members can leave jail until trial

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Associated Press Writer

DETROIT A judge ordered on Monday that nine jailed members of a Michigan militia be released, saying there's no risk to the public if they go home while awaiting trial on charges of trying to plot war against the government.

U.S. District Judge Victoria Roberts overturned the April 2 decision of a federal magistrate judge and questioned the strength of the government's case. She said all nine can be released with electronic monitoring devices and other strict conditions.

They're being held in county jails in southeastern Michigan and won't actually go free until Tuesday, after they return to court to be processed, the U.S. Marshals Service said.

The government says the members of a southern Michigan militia called Hutaree are radicals who planned to kill police officers and more. They were charged in March with conspiracy to commit sedition and attempted use of weapons of mass destruction.

Defense lawyers, however, say it's just a case of irrational, hateful speech.

The government "need not wait until people are killed before it arrests conspirators," the judge said. "But the defendants are also correct: Their right to engage in hate-filled, venomous speech is a right that deserves First Amendment protection."

Roberts said prosecutors failed to show that jail was the only way to protect the public and ensure that the nine return for court hearings. She had heard nearly 10 hours of testimony and argument over two days last week as militia members appealed the earlier detention order.

"Discussions about killing local law enforcement officers — and even discussions about killing members of the judicial branch of government — do not translate to conspiring to overthrow, or levy way against, the United States government," the judge said Monday.

U.S. Attorney Barbara McQuade said an appeal was being considered.

Last week, Roberts had ordered the government to present an investigator who is familiar with the case, but FBI agent Leslie Larsen didn't reveal much from the witness stand.

Larsen, the lead agent, said weapons seized last month were still being examined. At other times, she couldn't answer questions because she hadn't lately reviewed investigative reports.

The judge said prosecutors failed to rebut the defendants' position that the only "live-fire training" amounted to shooting at dirt mounds on private property twice a year.

An undercover agent secretly recorded militia leader David Stone and others talking about killing police. But no specific names or dates were mentioned, and the conversations were sprinkled with laughs and a mix of subjects, such as strippers and drawing Hitler mustaches on photos of state troopers.

Stone's lawyer, William Swor, said they're grateful for Roberts' reversal of the detention order.

Stone will be in the custody of his 71-year-old father on Ray Stone's farm in Lenawee County, where they live in separate homes. He is barred from using a computer.



SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 58°

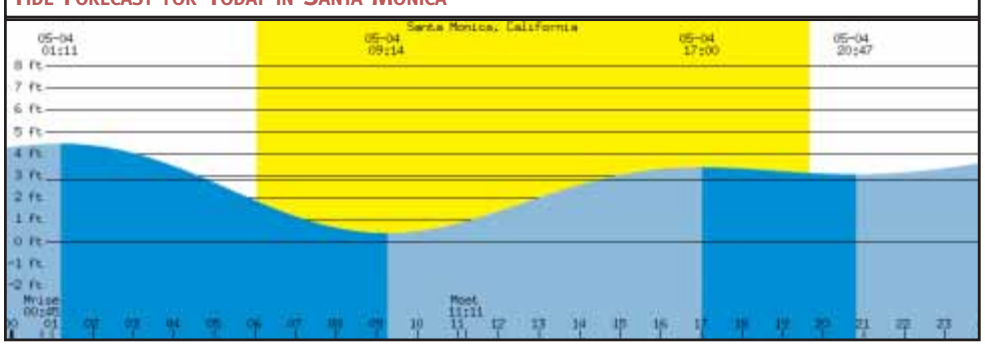
Swell Forecast

Should see a small southern hemi come ashore as wind swell continues to back off. South facing breaks are looking at waist to maybe chest high sets while west facing breaks can expect knee to waist high waves.

Long Range Synopsis

Looking like a building day for the French Poly swell. Chest high sets are expected around south facing breaks.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of **April 27, 2010**

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QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 13
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 41 / 23
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 5 / 23

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

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

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

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

LEGEND

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

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

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NBA

Utah's Kirilenko may face L.A. Lakers in Game 2

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES Andrei Kirilenko has returned for his first full practice with the Utah Jazz since aggravating his strained left calf last month.

The Russian forward worked out Monday. He gives himself a 50-50 chance of playing Tuesday night in Game 2 of Utah's playoff series against the Los Angeles Lakers.

Kirilenko hasn't played a full game since getting hurt March 12, and he aggravated the injury April 15. If he sits out Tuesday, he's almost certain he can return for Game 3 in Salt Lake City on Saturday.

Utah coach Jerry Sloan says the Jazz won't decide whether Kirilenko can play in Game 2 until after Tuesday's pregame shootaround.

The Lakers won 104-99 in Game 1 on Sunday.

NFL

Raiders' rookie out to prove a point

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OAKLAND Oakland's fourth-round draft pick Bruce Campbell went through an emotional grind as he sat through nearly two days of the NFL draft before hearing his name.

Having to make a position change seems easy by comparison for the Raiders rookie.

Campbell, projected as a first-round pick at left tackle in many mock drafts, has been working out exclusively at right guard with the second-team offense during Oakland's three-day mandatory minicamp.

Coach Tom Cable said the decision to move Campbell was made to get the former Maryland star work rather than burying him on the depth chart at tackle.

The Raiders have had success doing this in the past. Robert Gallery, the No. 2 overall draft pick in 2004, was moved to left guard after struggling at both tackle positions and has developed into Oakland's most accomplished offensive lineman.

"This is actually my first time playing offensive guard and my first time on the right side," Campbell said. "It's just football. It's still the same thing, just that I have a little more help and I'm inside. It's not that bad at all."

Campbell has had bigger challenges to overcome in his past.

As a sophomore he underwent brain surgery to relieve pressure, a condition brought on by his body growing too fast for his bones.

After a slow start to his career at Maryland, the 6-foot-6, 315-pound Campbell emerged as the Terps' strongest and most consistent lineman and worked his way up the draft boards with a solid but unspectacular junior season.

Oakland informed Campbell he'd be moving from the left side of the offensive line to the right shortly after making him the 106th overall pick in the draft.

What they didn't say was that Campbell, who wowed scouts at the NFL Combine when he was clocked under 4.8 seconds in the 40-yard dash, would be switching from tackle to guard.

"That's where I want to start him," Cable said. "This gives him a chance to get in that second huddle where he's going to get a lot of work and we can start his development right away, rather than retard it if he's getting a few reps as a third (tackle)."

Campbell had his rough moments Sunday, false starting twice during team drills while working with Oakland's second-team offense.

His primary focus, though, has been on proving critics wrong. The knock on Campbell is that he is more flash than substance, an idea that picked up steam following his workout at the combine where he also bench-pressed 225 pounds 34 times.

That likely factored into Campbell's freefall on draft day.

"I got a little worried as I was watching the draft and didn't see my name picked," Campbell said. "I was like, 'Hey, what's my next step? Am I going to have to walk on to a team?' But after my name got picked, it was a sigh of relief and I calmed down.

"I wasn't surprised because I kind of knew it was going to happen after my combine. I knew all the negative talk was going to come into play so I was kind of prepared for it. I have a little chip on my shoulder that I really can play football and I'm not just an athlete."

NOTES: Safeties Michael Huff and Tyvon Branch spent part of Sunday's practice playing cornerback to get more comfortable playing in man coverage. ... WR Louis Murphy (ankle) sat out, as did fellow receiver Chaz Schilens (foot) and CB Chris Johnson (back).

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Teen returns home following brain injury

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO A Marin County teenager whose traumatic brain injury raised concerns about the use of metal baseball bats in high school games is finally going home.

Gunnar Sandberg, a pitcher for Marin Catholic High School, was hit in the head by a line drive during a March 11 practice game.

The 16-year-old has been hospitalized ever since.

In a Web posting, older sister Kalli Sandberg says Gunnar is scheduled to be released Tuesday from the San Francisco rehabilitation hospital where he's spent the last month relearning how to speak and walk. Before that, he was in intensive care at Marin General Hospital.

Marin County youth sports officials have since banned the use of non-wood bats.



MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
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Call theater for information.

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade

The Joneses (R) 1hr 33min
2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50

Alice in Wonderland in Disney Digital 3D (PG) 1hr 49min
2:05, 4:40, 7:15, 9:55

Hot Tub Time Machine (R) 1hr 40min
2:20, 4:45, 7:20, 9:45

A Nightmare on Elm Street (2010) (R) 1hr 37min
2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30

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

Furry Vengeance (PG) 1hr 32min
2:25, 4:55, 7:25, 9:45

A Nightmare on Elm Street (2010) Digital Presentation (R) 1hr 37min
12:15, 2:40, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00

The Back-up Plan (PG-13) 1hr 38min
1:30, 4:05, 7:05, 9:40

Clash of the Titans 3D (PG-13) 1hr 50min
1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:50

Date Night (PG-13) 1hr 28min
2:00, 4:25, 7:00, 9:25

Kick-Ass (Digital Presentation) (R) 1hr 57min
1:00, 4:20 7:10, 9:50

Oceans (G) 1hr 24min
12:30, 2:45, 5:05, 7:20, 9:35

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

The Good Heart (R) 1hr 50min
3:10, 5:30, 7:50

When You're Strange (R) 1hr 42min
1:00, 10:10

Timer (R) 1hr 54min
1:40, 4:10, 7:10, 9:45

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

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

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

Death at a Funeral (R) 1hr 30min
11:20am, 12:20, 1:50, 2:50, 4:20, 5:20, 6:50, 7:50, 9:20, 10:20

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

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

The Losers (PG-13) 1hr 38min
11:30am, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30

For more information, e-mail news@smdp.com

Take a stand, Taurus

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Don't assume that it is business as usual. Some parties have put on war paint and are heading down the warpath. If you see indicators of this anger, stop the trend by understanding where these people are coming from. With dynamic thinking, a happy solution can be found. Tonight: Where the action is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Detach, especially if you feel that someone might be intentionally tripping you up. With a new perspective, you just might decide that this behavior has nothing to do with you and everything to do with the other party. Tonight: Take a stand. Lead.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You have been letting others run with the ball -- because they want to. Refuse to get into a "told you so" conversation. Someone already feels bad enough as it is -- this person doesn't need you to squash what little pride he or she has left. Tonight: Be imaginative.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Others could make commitments involving your talents and assets without checking with you first. Granted, you have reason to be angry. But remember that all you need to do is claim your power. The time is now. Tonight: Make your point, then ease up.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Dive into work knowing that although it's tiring, things will be changing. Or at least you will feel more inspired as people pop in and out of your workplace. You might want to network and let go of what is boring. Why not? Tonight: Sorting through invitations. Not alone.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Think of yourself as full of creative solutions. The challenge remains how to impart them in a manner that another person can hear. Work on your communication skills, as they are as important as the idea. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Remain in your comfort zone. You will feel better and possibly be more productive. A partner could test your commitment. Choose to respond rather than react. Everyone, including you, will be happier. Tonight: Leave stress behind. Start enjoying yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You are forceful -- so much so that your words could trigger a boss, authority figure or elder. Maintain a quiet sense of humor. Solutions are easily found when everyone stops reacting, which might not be for several days! Tonight: Mosey on home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Be aware of the push and pull of a key situation. A conversation forces your hand. Be willing to do more research and gather other opinions. You could be overwhelmed by everything that is going on. Tonight: Hang out with pals.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You have a lot to think about. Investigate your options more carefully. One that you nixed actually might work. Clear yourself of prejudgments, and you will feel empowered. Only consider an investment rather than decide just yet. Tonight: Run errands on the way home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Handle a personal matter that could be tossed into your lap once more. You wonder exactly what to do with a key associate. This person always seems to be in a rage about this or that. An important presentation needs to happen late in the day. Tonight: Finally, all smiles, no matter what!

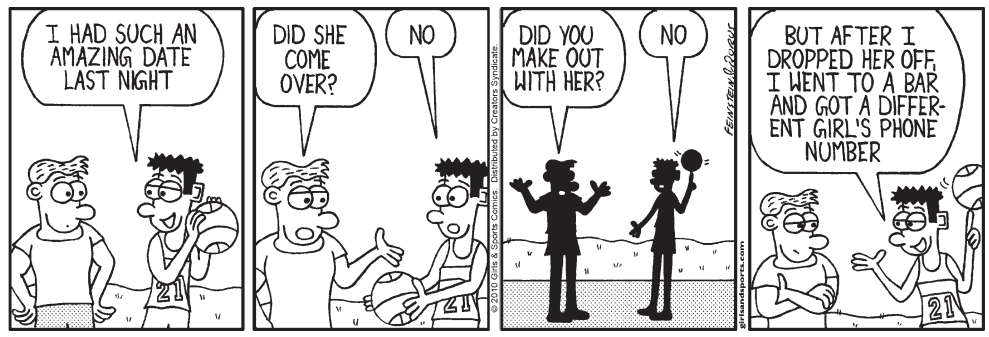
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Use the daylight hours to the max. Harness your unusual energy, plugging it into work or a project. A meeting reveals a vocal associate who could go in the opposite direction from you. Be careful. Tonight: Think "rest." Think "quiet."

Happy birthday

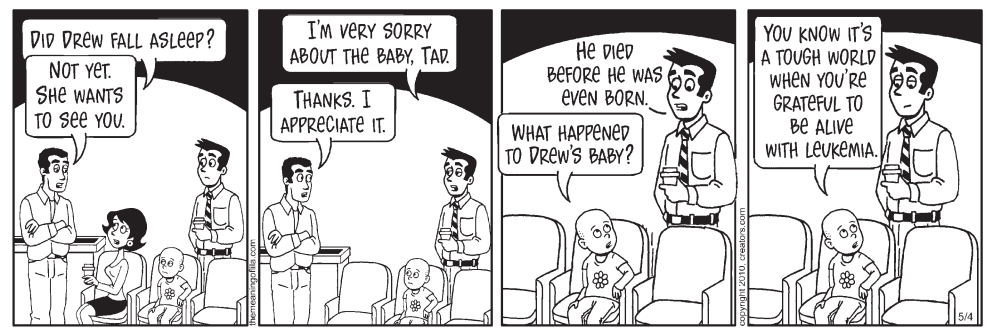
This year, you swing from detachment to being an active leader. To some people, this back-and-forth could be most disconcerting. Decisions made when you detach usually are easily implemented. A move or change within your home could be likely. Refuse to get into petty arguments with family members or roommates. If you are attached, look at the big picture. Accept and honor your differences. If you are single, you could meet someone quite exotic. Relating might be a mind-opening and growing experience. AQUARIUS demands a lot.

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

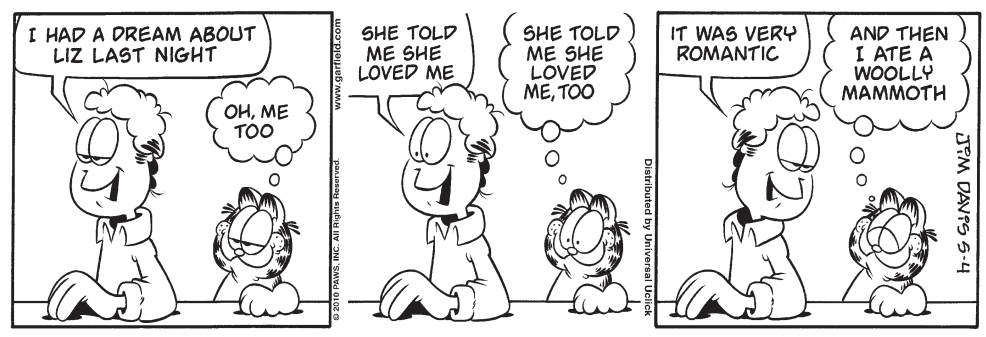
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Difficulty Level ★★

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

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GETTING STARTED

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

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

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Origami need
6 After, in Avignon
11 Acid type
12 Traded
13 Light jacket
15 "Xanadu" band
16 Jazz style
17 Sense of self
18 Most stupid
20 Wee dollop
21 Attempt
22 Freshener scent
23 Karaoke needs
26 Little ones
27 Fresh
28 That lady
29 Pig's digs
30 Recovery method
34 Swindle
35 Yale rooter
36 Tango need
37 Particle accelerator
40 Math comparison
41 Bounds
42 Watchful
43 — Domingo

DOWN

1 Treated roughly
2 "... as good as —"
3 Nevada tree
4 Conclude
5 Cops' foes
6 Skilled
7 Pod item
8 Earned in quantity
9 Swanky
10 Flashing lights
14 Optimistic
19 Meat-and-potatoes dish
22 Contented sound
23 Lash colorer
24 All told
25 Convention speech
26 Calls back, in a way
28 Ship steerer
30 Make infatuated
31 Patriot Allen
32 Used a broom
33 Statue subject
38 Russian space station
39 Poseidon's place

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G	I	T	■	B	A	D	■	A	L	E
E	V	O	K	E	■	O	P	T	I	C
S	A	G	E	S	■	W	I	E	S	T
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13					14					
15			■	16			■	17		
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27				■	28			■	■	■
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42					■	43				

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DAILY 3
MIDDAY: 7 1 9
EVENING: 4 8 5

DAILY DERBY
1st: 08 Gorgeous George
2nd: 07 Eureka!
3rd: 06 Whirl Win
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ In October 2003, West Point, Ky., hosted 12,000 visitors for the weekend Knob Creek Gun Range Machine Gun Shoot, billed as the nation's largest, with a separate competition for flame-throwers. Especially coveted is "The Line," where 60 people (the waiting list is 10 years long to be admitted) get to fire their machine guns into a field of cars and boats, and during which a shooter might run through $10,000 in ammunition. Among the champions: Samantha Sawyer, 16, the top women's submachine gunner for the previous four years. One man interviewed by the Louisville Courier-Journal said he met his future wife at a previous Shoot, impressed that "she could accept flame-throwing as a hobby." Said another: "This is one of those times when you know (America) is the greatest place on Earth."

■ Blair Fowler, 16, delights her frenzied fans as a "haul queen," inspirationally "shopping for glory" by smartly tearing through stores and then displaying and expertly describing her purchases on Internet videos. A March Times of London dispatch from Los Angeles noted Fowler's acclaim "for her ability to deliver a high-pitched 10-minute lecture on the merits of skinny versus low-riding jeans, apparently without drawing breath." According to The Times, at least 100,000 "haul" videos are available on YouTube, mostly from "amateurs." Fowler's videos, though, have been viewed 75 million times by "haul" wannabes (mostly teenage girls).

TODAY IN HISTORY

1415 Religious reformers John Wycliffe and Jan Hus are condemned as heretics at the Council of Constance.

1471 Wars of the Roses: The Battle of Tewkesbury: Edward IV defeats a Lancastrian Army and kills Edward, Prince of Wales.

1493 Pope Alexander VI gives most of the New World to Spain via the papal bull Inter caetera.

1675 King Charles II of England orders the construction of the Royal Greenwich Observatory.

1686 The municipality of Ilagan is founded in the Philippines.

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