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THE IN THE FIELD ISSUE

Civic Auditorium group visioning its future

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CIVIC CENTER The Civic Auditorium is closed but not forgotten.

Over the past few weeks, sleek new BMWs have been on display underneath the building's canopy and in a pavilion built on the front lawn.

It's a part of the car company's media launch for a new hybrid vehicle and it brought City Hall $300,000 for five weeks of use.

Meanwhile, the Civic Working Group, a nine-member committee selected by City Council, has met four times to discuss the long-term plans for the future of the site.

The auditorium was shuttered in July, a result of City Hall losing its redevelopment agency, which was supposed to cover $51 million worth of much-needed seismic retrofitting and modernization. The Civic has hosted the Oscars, Bob Dylan, and Prince since it opened in 1958.

Even closed, the auditorium costs City

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SANTA MONICA CIVIC AUDITORIUM



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BRINGING IT: Samohi's Whitney Jones prepares to deliver a pitch against Beverly Hills Tuesday at Memorial Park during a 15-0 rout.

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Epic Samohi winning streak continues

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

MEMORIAL PARK And the streak lives on.

For the 107th consecutive time, Santa Monica High School's softball time defeated an Ocean League foe.

The most recent victim is rival Beverly Hills, who lost 15-0 in a game that was called after 5 innings at Memorial Park on Tuesday. Umpires invoked the mercy rule.

"That's why they are the best team in our league," said Beverly Hills head coach Len Mitchell. "They have been for years."

Samohi head coach Debbie Skaggs said that keeping the streak alive has been a motivator for many of her players over time. There's been more than a few that played four years of varsity ball and never felt the

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Businesses ousted from Fred Segal building

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

BROADWAY A proposal for a seven-story mixed-use building on the corner of Fifth Street and Broadway, where Fred Segal is currently located, is moving along and some of the businesses will have to move out by

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Same day delivery comes to Santa Monica

BY MATTHEW HALL
Editor in Chief

CITYWIDE Santa Monica has a reputation for healthy living.

The city promotes bike lanes, has more yoga studios than fast food outlets and is one of the rare locations where it's easier to buy organic than conventional. So it's somewhat

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ON THE GO: Yummy.com has come to town.


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Growing in small places

Fairview Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 6 p.m.
Learn how to grow an efficient, sustainable garden using less space, less water, and less labor with Christy Wilhelmi, author of the book "Gardening for Geeks" and founder of gardenerd.com. For more information, visit smpl.org.

Planning Commission meets

City Hall
1685 Main St., 7 p.m.
The Planning Commission will discuss a bank planned for Wilshire Boulevard and the Draft Zoning Ordinance, which will guide development for years to come. For more information, visit smgov.net.

Thursday, May 8, 2014

Book launch and reading

Diesel Book Store
Brentwood Country Mart on 26th at San Vicente
Santa Monica resident Chris Pegula will launch his new book, "From Dude to Dad: The Diaper Dude Guide to Pregnancy" with a reading. The book teaches readers what the expecting mom is going through during each trimester, how men can be the best partner and dad-to-be, and how to immediately start bonding with the baby — and that it's OK to be scared out of your mind.

Family game night

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Edgemar Center for the Arts, 2437 Main Street
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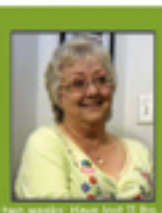


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OCEAN PARK

Man tries to torch man

Police are searching for a man who tried to light another man on fire this morning.

The suspect approached the victim on the 2700 block of Second Street and dumped gasoline on him, Santa Monica Police Department officials said. The victim told police that the suspect then said, "I'm going to light you on fire." The suspect pulled out a lighter but did not spark it.

Police showed up and the suspect took off running eastbound. SMPD sent out a message asking residents to avoid the area of Marine and Fourth streets while they pursued the suspect. They did not catch him.

The victim was not hurt.

Students at the nearby Santa Monica Alternative School had to "shelter in place" for about two hours while police cleared the scene. Principal Jessica Rishe sent an e-mail to parents lauding the students and staff on their response to the emergency. Students were asked to remain in classroom. They were allowed to eat and continue with classes.

Police are looking for a man with a shaved head, 20 to 25 years of age, last seen wearing a black t-shirt and Converse shoes.

–DAVID MARK SIMPSON

LAX makeover about to get really painful

JUSTIN PRITCHARD
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Getting to, from and around Los Angeles International Airport has never been easy. Airport officials said Tuesday it's going to get worse.

An ongoing, multibillion-dollar renovation at the nation's third-busiest airport that has mostly been behind the scenes will soon start affecting passengers in ways large and small.

LAX officials began warning the public about the coming inconveniences that will stretch over the next few years and affect traffic around the terminals and passenger movements inside them.

"Now you're going to start to feel the pain," said Mary Grady, managing director of media and public relations at Los Angeles World Airports, the city agency that runs LAX. "Ultimately, it's work that has to be done to transform this airport."

The last major overhaul of the massive facility came as the city geared up to host the 1984 Olympics.

This one comes because LAX is showing its age. To wit: The interior look of one of its soon-to-be-renovated terminals was cast for scenes from "Mad Men," the cable drama set in the 1960s.

The aging airport is scheduled to get newly surfaced roads, upgraded restaurants with Los Angeles themes, and some terminal makeovers that will infuse more sunlight into otherwise cave-like interiors. Also in the plans are new bathrooms and, that essential for travelers, more outlets and USB ports for charging electronic devices.

Part of the point is to make LAX more than just a place travelers go to get somewhere else. It's reminiscent of bygone days at LAX, where an architecturally striking restaurant at the center of the airport once was pitched as a dining destination for people who had no plans to fly.

As the airport works to transform itself, the primary goal must be convenience, said Michael Boyd, CEO of the aviation research and forecasting firm Boyd Group International.

"The best experience in an airport," Boyd said, "is the one you don't remember."



ON THE SCENE Matthew Hall *matt@smdp.com*

The fire department responded to a structure fire at an apartment building on Ninth Street on Tuesday.

Feds: California's immigrant license needs adjustments

AMY TAXIN
Associated Press

SANTA ANA, Calif. The proposed design for a California driver's license for immigrants in the country illegally doesn't meet national security standards, the Department of Homeland Security said.

In a letter, Homeland Security officials told California's Department of Motor Vehicles that the license would need to state on its face that it cannot be used as federal identification and should contain a unique design or color.

Otherwise, it would not meet requirements under the REAL ID Act, a federal law passed to create national identification standards after the 9/11 terrorist attacks, David Heyman, assistant secretary for policy, and Philip McNamara, assistant secretary for intergovernmental affairs, wrote in the letter obtained by The Associated Press.

While the federal government wants the new license to contain a marker easily recognizable by agents checking for identification at federal buildings or airports for security reasons, immigrant advocates in California have pushed for the licenses to be as similar as possible to those carried by others to avoid inviting discrimination.

Armando Botello, a DMV spokesman, declined to say whether the state would change how the new license would look. He said the state will still aim to issue the document by January 2015.

"While we are disappointed by this ruling, the DMV will continue to work vigorously with lawmakers, affected communities and federal officials to design a license that complies with federal law," Botello said in a statement Tuesday.

California is one of nearly a dozen states that have enacted laws to issue licenses for immigrants in the country illegally. California passed its law last year and has been striving to make the new license an example for other states to follow.

In California, the proposed licenses would large-

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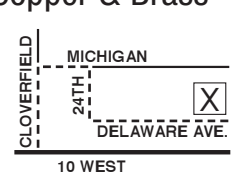


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The truth about affordable housing

Editor:

The time has come to set the record straight about affordable housing. My opponents at Santa Monicans Renters' Rights (SMRR) hate the truth, even though they clearly understand it and do all they can to hide it. Some 99 percent of housing is affordable in Santa Monica, proven by the fact that Santa Monica has one of the lowest eviction rates for nonpayment of rent in the United States of America. The term affordable housing is a gimmick, a scheme, a lie promoted as truth thereby creating a misunderstanding of home ownership and the people's ability to be independent of government rather then dependent.

This systematic destruction of the home ownership dream mixed with the warped understand of property rights, and wealth building is center stage in the SMRR playbook. My fellow tenants, it is well within your God given talents and abilities to become wealthy and own a home. Year in and year out the voters allow SMRR to stay in power, the time is upon us to vote for any politician who is not a SMRR candidate.

Our current City Council is so desperate to stay in power they will say and do anything to trick and guilt my fellow Santa Monica residents into voting for them.

The truth is every American citizen has an obligation to the nation to work hard, become wealthy and own a home. My friends, facts are stubborn things: wealth building, home ownership and investment in real estate has created more upward mobility and wealth than any nation on Earth. I urge you to vote in November. Let's take back our city before we are permanently destroyed by SMRR.

Robert Kronovet
Santa Monica

Pier signs

Editor:

With the reconstruction of the pier over, the iconic sign on the front shines brilliant. But what of the rear? Our partner, Pacific Park, leaves departing guests with three messages:

Surf, Sand, Sun and fun.

Thanks for playing at Pacific Park.

Please visit us again soon!

I know this will take 10 years but if we start today my 11-year old grandson will appreciate it when retires.

Paul Kuzniar
Santa Monica





Curious City

Charles Andrews — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Nashville we ain't, but we still can be Music City

HAPPY WORLD MUSIC DAY, Y'ALL! OR, Fête de la Musique, as they call it in some places that George Bush can't find on a map.

Oh stop! Leave him alone already, I can hear my conservative friends moan. Well, there are two things (at least) wrong with that notion. One, his reckless, feckless family is trying to foist yet another progeny on our still-reeling Bushwhacked nation, so it's sadly current and relevant. Dogs love them, but never forget just how bad a Bush can be on humans. And two, I was just kidding, of course, about having any conservative friends. Except this one cool dude in Amsterdam, but that's it.

But I digress, because it's fun. Know what else is fun? World Music Day! The first day of summer, June 21, and it's coming again to Santa Monica. If we all make it happen.

What in the world is it? It's a day celebrating music in all its forms, by playing it and listening to it live. They'll be line dancing in Lebanon, partying in Peru, boogalooin' in Bosnia, clogging in Cambodia and moshing in Morocco, on the same day all over the world. People think of concerts as being indoors, but amateur and professional musicians of all ages are encouraged to perform in the streets (and on sidewalks, plazas, cemeteries, parks and gardens), making all genres of music accessible to the public, everywhere, on this one day, for free. What a great idea!

The global celebration started in France in 1982, ignited by a study that year that revealed that fully half of all French children played an instrument, and it was immediately declared a national holiday. The French are so impetuous. It has since spread to more than 700 cities in 110 countries.

It hit American shores — um, three years ago. What?! That's embarrassing, that it took 30 years for us to embrace it. The country that invented blues and jazz and rock 'n' roll, and that insinuates our tunes on the whole planet, still gives music in our culture short shrift, especially with little support from government and schools. For shame.

But, good for Santa Monica! We have also celebrated World Music Day here for three years, though you couldn't be blamed much if you didn't notice. Last year, it was limited to Palisades Park (but what a stage backdrop, eh?), with 10 performances between 12:30 and 7 p.m. Recreation and Parks Commissioner Phil Brock jumped in and organized a lot of that, and this year he's looking to do more.

What can we do? How has our city government responded? According to Brock, "Our city staff has proposed only three performances (all paid with taxpayer dollars) in our new Tongva Park."

Not even matching the 10 we had last year, while Make Music LA is aiming for 500 performances compared to last year's 104. Our city staff is choosing to pay three bands, said Brock, instead of putting support money into having many more play, as volunteers. He was told it was too much work to do more than that.

The spirit of the worldwide organization for the festival is that it's pretty DIY, organized and executed very locally, without government funding (or control), with promotion support from the Make Music volunteer committees.

Brock is proposing, "Each neighborhood organization has a park that could host a community afternoon of music, togetherness and a celebration of each neighborhood's strength, diversity and the wealth of music in our city.

"I'd like your help to turn [this] into a true neighborhood show of togetherness. Pick a park, the hours you want to participate, gather local musicians and let's have a great June 21st.

"I can provide more details, have the Make Music LA staff help and, with your assistance, try to twist some arms in City Hall to make this a fun day in each of your neighborhoods. If you think your neighborhood organization would like to be involved e-mail me at CommissionerBrock@gmail.com."

Brock is, you know, a declared candidate for City Council in the next election, so is this an election season ploy? No. He worked on Santa Monica's participation in World Music Day the previous two years, and he and I, sharing a love of music, have talked for some time about the possibility that Santa Monica could become known for its ongoing flow of music, outdoors, free, in the parks or wherever. The show "Baywatch" made us more well known worldwide than you probably imagine, but I'd prefer music as our calling card.

The musicians we have on Third Street Promenade have become a welcome image of our little city. Who doesn't love strolling down the promenade with the strains of live music wafting in and out? If you love what you hear, stay for a spell. If not, just keep moving. That's great for the tourists, but how about something for the residents? What if everywhere you went in Santa Monica, you might hear music? What if it was never more than a few blocks away? A huge unwanted development going up in your neighborhood could depress the hell out of you; music lifts spirits. Brock told me there are lots of studies proving that.

He said one of his fellow commissioners, Deborah Cohen, is a RAND Corporation expert on parks, and based on those studies, she has been pushing for years for more music, theater, dance and all the arts, available in our city parks. It's good for everyone, he said, lets people meet their neighbors and feel good about their neighborhoods.

We're hardly Music City/Nashville, but we could become known as "A Music City." We have the Twilight Concert Series on the pier, we have world-famous music store and concert venue McCabe's, we have the oldest blues bar in L.A. in Harvelle's (1931). Sometimes we have the very musical Cirque du Soleil on our beach. We have The Broad Stage, and, God willing, we'll get our wonderful Santa Monica Civic back, hosting more landmark concerts. We've got the climate, we have a cornucopia of artists here — too bad we don't have a city staff that's willing to support it.

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Water may flow uphill in California drought

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Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO Water has flowed from Northern California's snow-capped peaks to the south's parched cities ever since the California Aqueduct was built in the 1960s. Now, amid one of the worst droughts in history, state officials are considering an audacious plan to send some of the water back uphill.

State water engineers say using pumps to reverse the flow of the aqueduct would be a first in a drought. It would also be a complex engineering challenge, requiring millions of dollars to defy gravity.

Still, water agencies in the desperately dry farmlands around Bakersfield say the investment is worth it to keep grapevines, pistachios and pomegranate trees alive. Agencies as far north as the San Francisco Bay Area are talking about a similar project.

"There is no place on planet Earth where an aqueduct is designed to go backwards," said Geoff Shaw, an engineer with the state Department of Water Resources who is reviewing the proposal. "But they have a need for water in a place where they can't fulfill it, and this is their plan to fix it."

The plan the department is evaluating was drawn up by five of the local agencies, or districts, that sell irrigation water to farmers. They would bear the cost of the project, which they have estimated at $1.5 million to $9.5 million.

They hope to get approval from the state in June and start pushing the water uphill later in the summer.

Long celebrated as an engineering marvel, the California Aqueduct is a 420-mile system of open canals and massive pipelines that serves millions of Californians, including those in the state's biggest population centers: the San Francisco Bay area, Los Angeles and San Diego.

Under the plan, water districts would be allowed to pump into the aqueduct the emergency supplies of water they store in underground reservoirs in Kern County, about two hours north of Los Angeles. That banked water and other extra supplies would raise the level of water within a small, closed section of the aqueduct.

Then, pumps powered by diesel engines would push the water over locks and back upstream, against the southward pull of gravity. Farmers upstream could then pump the water out to their fields.

All together, the districts want to move 30,000 acre-feet of water along a 33-mile stretch between Bakersfield and Kettleman City. An acre-foot is enough water to cover an acre to a depth of one foot.

Even if water is pumped upstream, some will still flow south, so no customers downstream will be harmed, state officials said.

The water districts came up with the idea after a bleak February forecast showed the Sierra Nevada snowpack was so thin that those who depend on the state system would get no water delivered this year.

A rash of spring storms improved the picture, but only slightly. Districts will now receive 5 percent of the water they would get in a normal year, and the supply won't arrive until September.

"Our crops need some amount of water just to keep alive," said Dale Melville, manager-engineer of the Fresno-based Dudley Ridge Water District, one of the agencies proposing the project.

The flow has been reversed only once before — in 1983, when heavy rains forced state officials to operate emergency pumps to send floodwaters northward, Shaw said.

Water agencies in the San Francisco Bay Area want to take part in a similar project that would push water along a 70-mile stretch.

"This is a year where you really have to look at every single possible way to move water around to where it's needed," said Joan Maher, operations manager for the Santa Clara Valley Water District.

As the project awaits final approval, water districts are already ordering pumps and making arrangements to get diesel engines.

Nearly half the water Dudley Ridge hopes to receive would irrigate the orchards of Paramount Farms, owned by Los Angeles billionaires Stewart and Lynda Resnick, who produce POM Wonderful pomegranate juice and Wonderful pistachios.

If it doesn't rain much next winter, the districts might seek to continue pumping the water backward in years to come, Melville said.

"Ideally we would hope it's a one-time thing," he said, "but it would be worthwhile to have this as an insurance policy."

The Q Line

Clearing the air

The Santa Monica Airport Commission is pressing for a new emission ordinance that would effectively ban certain aircraft.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
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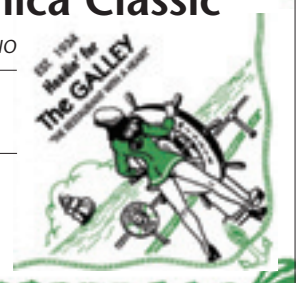
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Eating organic: Plants like it too

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To get the most out of any organic fertilizer, keep in mind how plants feed and how these fertilizers act in the soil.

The bulk of a plant's feeder roots — whether it's a midget marigold or a mighty oak — lie just beneath the surface, so generally there is no need to dig fertilizer deep into the soil. Anyway, low oxygen levels there would retard microbial growth, which is necessary to unlock nutrients from most organic fertilizers.

TO DIG OR NOT TO DIG

An exception to that "no dig" rule is when phosphorus levels are low, as indicated by a soil test or stunted plants that are purplish when young or late to ripen. (Cold soil in spring also can cause a phosphorus deficiency, a temporary one that abates as soon as soil warms and roots start reaching out.) Phosphorus moves very slowly in the soil, so the only way to get it quickly into the root zone is to mix it into the top 6 to 12 inches of soil.

Once a soil is up to snuff with phosphorus, periodic surface applications can trickle down through the soil fast enough to maintain adequate levels throughout the root zone.

TIME YOUR FEEDING

When should you apply organic fertilizers? Remember that the nutrients in most of them are initially insoluble and in forms that plants cannot use. Account for the time lag between application and nutrient release by spreading organic fertilizers a few weeks before planting. Even a few months before planting, or way back late last fall.

Because soil microorganisms need time, warmth and moisture to release nutrients from organic fertilizers, plants may have to wait to eat in dry soil. Of course, plants grow but little in dry soil, so their fertilizer needs are less. In this case, watering not only quenches a plant's thirst, but also makes food available.

Occasionally, you may have to tailor your fertilizer to special conditions. For instance, a spell of unseasonably cool weather in spring slows microbial activity. If you must spur plant growth then, apply a light application of some soluble organic fertilizer whose nutrients are quickly available — blood meal or fish emulsion, for example.

A quick-acting fertilizer might also be needed when a plant is so hungry that it actually shows symptoms of starvation, such as yellowing, older leaves. Leaves can absorb nutrients directly, and for a really quick effect, you could spray a soluble organic fertilizer such as seaweed extract or fish emulsion right on leaves. Avoid plant injury by reading label directions and following specified rates carefully.

Consider using quick-acting fertilizers as quick fixes only. Build up good reserves of nutrients in your soil and such applications will be unnecessary.

Consider the slow action of organic fertilizers as a benefit. You only need to apply them once a year and, because heat and warmth spur microbial activity and plant growth, the nutrients are released in sync with plant needs.

SIMPLIFY, SIMPLIFY

As I point out in the fertilizer section of my book "Weedless Gardening" (Workman Publishing), spreading an inch of compost or a few inches of leaves, wood chips or some other organic mulch over the ground each year will usually provide all the nourishment your plants need.

The hungriest parts of the garden are vegetable and formal flower beds, so I like to feed the ground there with compost, which is an organic material relatively rich in nutrients. Less needy are trees and shrubs, informal flowers and wildflowers; here, any organic mulch, from wood ships to straw to pine needles, will suffice. Over the years, the compost or other organic mulches will enrich the soil to offer a spectrum of nutrients available to plants, a much wider spectrum that would be available from any chemical fertilizer.

In naturally poor soils, some additional, more concentrated, nitrogen fertilizer might — just might — also be needed for a year or more until the soil is up to snuff. Soybean meal or alfalfa meal is usually sold as an animal feed, but sprinkled over the ground just before some organic mulch is applied it's a convenient, nourishing and organic "feed" for plants also. Apply a couple of pounds per hundred square feet.

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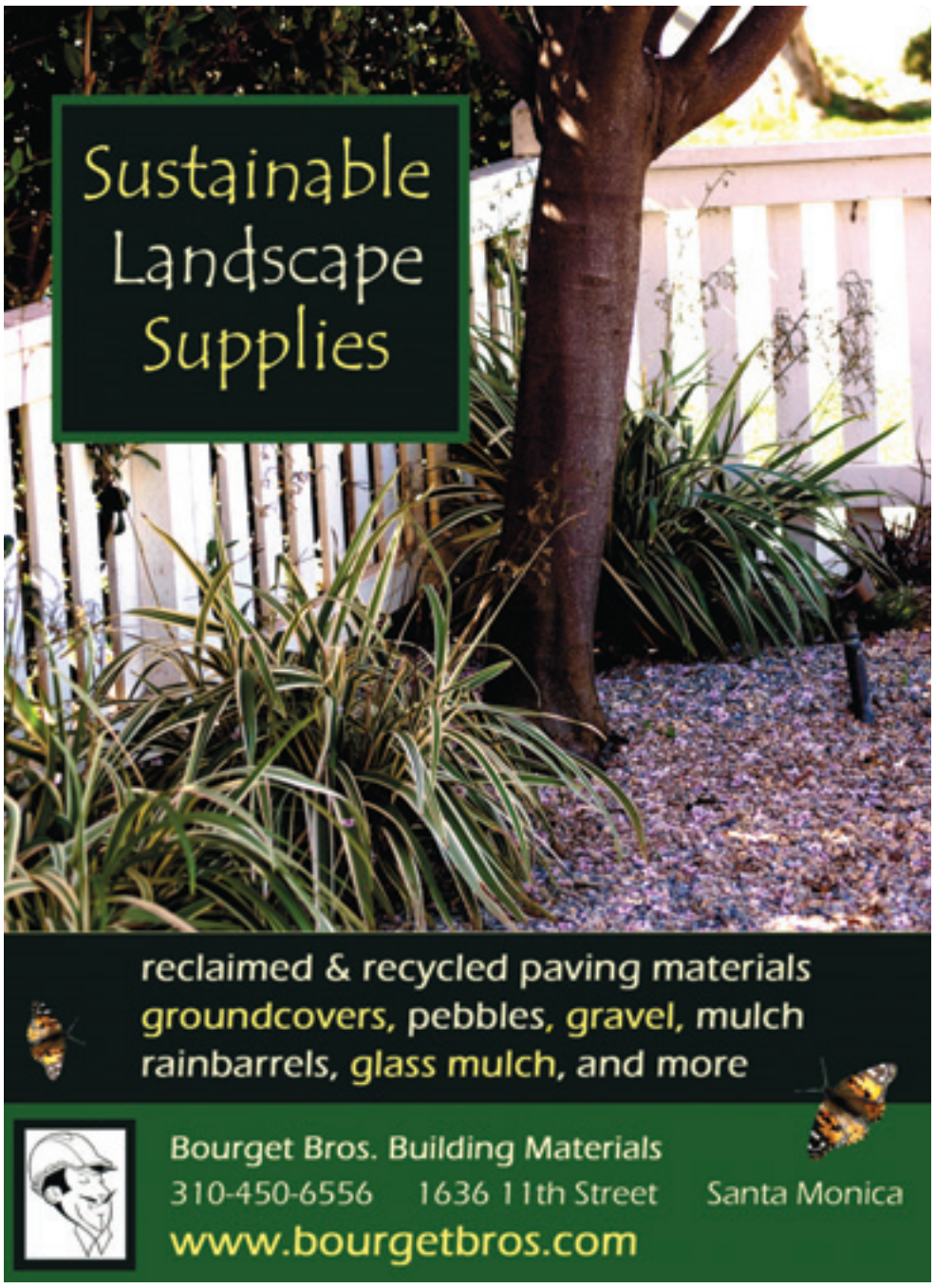
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Hall an estimated $185,000 a year to insure and maintain. Events like the BMW media launch, an AltCar event in September, and a Buy Local event in October cover costs and bring in revenue for the aging building. Last year City Hall brought in cash by allowing scenes from the CBS drama "NCIS" to be shot inside the Civic.

But these events won't be enough to cover the renovation costs. Evaluating the potential financing options will be left, in part, to the Civic superteam.

"I think each of the nine members have slightly different visions of the area and what it concerns," said Civic Working Group member Phil Brock.

Brock would like to see much of the space remain undeveloped.

"I think there was a little bit of a push-pull between advocates of potentially putting a hotel and a profit center of some sort in the Civic parking lot, versus, as the chair of the Recreation and Parks Commission, part of the Civic Center mater-plan said that the area would become a soccer field or other use playing fields," he said.

Tongva Park does not have playing fields because they were intended for the Civic Center, Brock said.

Nina Fresco, who co-chairs the group, said they've been doing "a ton of research."

Council appointed them, she said, primarily for the visioning process.

"When you look at visioning, that comes before plans and strategies, so to say what I think should happen on the site, I just don't know yet," Fresco said. "We're kind of trying to figure that out."

The group is also tasked with creating "community consensus," she said, which they will attempt during three community meetings — one in September, January, and March.

Last month they hired consultant Paul Silvern, who also worked as a consultant for the planning department during the Bergamot Transit Village planning process.

Silvern will fill in the financial gaps so that group members "can understand what (their) dreams are and how they effect the balance sheet," Fresco said.

"Then we'll know what we can reasonably expect from people who come forward and try to propose projects that pencil out for them that match our dreams as closely as possible," she said.

Brock said they will likely go before council with their plans sometime in the middle of next year.

"I'm a little bit concerned that, while we need to figure out the way to monetize the facility, it is still thought of as a great cultural arts facility for the residents of Santa Monica," he said. "I know that we're talking about hotels virtually everywhere in the city. I think residents are going to be very upset if we build another six to 10-story hotel proposal."

The list of the group's ideas for the site are posted on City Hall's website. They include a museum, a concert venue, production labs, hotels, movie theaters, and open space.

The group meets every fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in — of course — the East Wing of the auditorium.

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LICENSES
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ly look the same as the state's other licenses but contain different lettering on the front and a notice that the card can't be used as federal identification on the back.

DMV Director Jean Shiomoto wrote Homeland Security last month seeking approval of the design, saying the agency believed it would meet federal standards.

Like many other states, California has been working to comply with the REAL ID Act. Some states have already complied; others have been deemed noncompliant. Federal officials plan to start enforcing the law in phases, restricting acceptance of identification cards from states that fail to meet the standards for entry to federal facilities and eventually, to board an airplane.

Tanya Broder, a senior attorney at the National Immigration Law Center, said the licenses issued by other states for immigrant drivers have more distinctive markers than California's proposed design. She said the state can decide not to comply with the federal law and see if authorities will change their mind, or make tweaks to satisfy them.

Some immigrant advocates are resisting the idea of redesigning the license. Jorge-Mario Cabrera, a spokesman for the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles, said advocates already rejected a proposal to create a more distinct license during last year's debate on the law.

"Right now, we're not willing to accept any changes," he said.

SOFTBALL
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sting of losing a league game.

Part of Skaggs' philosophy is to schedule tough non-league opponents to get her Vikings ready for the Ocean League season, that for over a decade has been owned by Samohi.

"The girls are very aware of the streak," Skaggs said. "It's a source of pride for them. It's a great accomplishment."

The win improved Samohi's record to 15-6 overall and 7-0 in league.

As is Samohi's style, the game was never really in doubt.

The first two Viking batters reached base and Frankie Golick made Beverly Hills pay with a double that scored them both.

From there, it was all Samohi.

Starting pitcher Whitney Jones allowed Beverly Hills' leadoff batter to reach on a single, but it was pure domination from there as it would be the only hit she allowed all day. In fact, the only baserunner.

The inning that really got Beverly Hills in trouble was the fourth.

Samohi rattled off eight runs in the frame punctuated by a home run off the bat of Ashley Rakuljic to open the scoring all off Beverly Hills starting pitcher Alexis Recupero.

As the Vikings look to return to the CIF-Southern Section Division 4 championship game where they lost to Hemet last year, Jones likes their chances.

"We had a rocky start to the season, but we're really starting to bond now," she said. "I think we can do something in the playoffs again."

Next for Samohi is a tilt against Hawthorne, a team they beat 12-5 earlier this season.

But, Skaggs isn't overly confident.

"These guys are out to get us," she said, "it should be a good game."

The game is scheduled for Thursday at Memorial Park. The first pitch will come at 3:15 p.m. It's also senior day.

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BUSINESSES

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the end of the month.

DK Broadway LLC purchased the 500 Broadway plot in 2012 and brought in the Thomas Properties Group to develop the site. Fred Segal houses several different boutique businesses on the site and also across the street at 420 Broadway, which won't be impacted by the development.

Sandow, a New York City-based media company, bought the Fred Segal brand back in 2012 but does not own the existing store locations in Santa Monica and West Hollywood, said Jessica Kleiman, Sandow's executive vice president of communications.

Leases for businesses in the 500 Broadway building are not being renewed, she said.

"Some of the tenants from 500 Broadway may be relocating to 420 Broadway," she said. "DK Broadway, the landlord and developer, is currently working with those tenants on transition plans."

"I don't think those discussions have been very serious," said Stacey Robinson, of Ron Robinson, a boutique that's been located in the building for 18 years. "There have been no plans for how that would actually happen."

Calls to DK Broadway were not returned by press time.

Ron Robinson has three stores and about 15 employees in the 500 Broadway building, Robinson said.

"We're pretty disappointed that after 18 years we were given 30 days to exit the property and 30 days to take care of our employees," she said.

There are no set plans for reopening in Santa Monica, Robinson said. They will maintain their stores in the Fred Segal building on Melrose Avenue in Los Angeles.

Robinson said that a majority of the tenants have been given 30 days to move out.

In the 500 building, some of the shops are already empty. Workers at Ron Robinson acknowledged with long faces that they'd heard they'd have to be out at the end of the month.

A worker at another boutique in the building said that the store's owner had planned to move out by the end of May. With the development looming, many boutiques have already left giving the building a sad, empty feeling, she said.

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) discussed the new project back in February. The developer is proposing an 84-foot-tall building with 250 residential units.

A representative from the developer told the ARB that they'd like a grocery store, like a Whole Foods or Trader Joe's, to go in on the ground floor, along with a fitness club, restaurant, coffee shop, and some retail. A wine bar could be added in the alley. The current proposal includes nearly 40,000 square feet of commercial space.

Most of the ARB members lauded the early designs with one member declining to weigh-in, noting that she had a problem with the size of the building.

The developer will return to the ARB with more specific designs later this year.

"The redevelopment of 500 Broadway does not have any impact on the Fred Segal West Hollywood location, and the Fred Segal location at 420 Broadway will operate uninterrupted," Kleiman said.

Fred Segal will open new locations in Las Vegas in the summer and Tokyo in 2015.

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DELIVERY

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surprising that it's also the center of a David and Goliath battle over which companies will survive by catering to sloth.

The area has become a hotbed of home delivery services. Google recently launched a same day delivery service on the Westside, including Santa Monica. Customers can visit www.google.com/express to choose from a curated selection of items from other major retailers such as Target and Costco. Those items can be delivered for a fee of $4.99 per store ordered from but Google is offering to waive delivery fees for the first six months if customers sign up for a delivery account. Amazon already offers same day delivery in Santa Monica on some products.

The Internet giants join a host of local companies that will delivery almost anything to your door and the race for instant delivery has even taken to the skies with DHL launching a helicopter service in Downtown Los Angeles. Robert Mintz with DHL Communications said the company is limiting the service to bank clients who may need to receive documents from international clients without the delays caused by local traffic. A dedicated helicopter will pick up packages from LAX and transport them to a dedicated heliport downtown where couriers will travel the last mile.

Local delivery companies said it's the final mile that has posed a significant barrier for most online companies.

"This is the nut that people have been trying to crack for a long time, the last mile gap from consumers of brick and mortar and the Internet," said Noah Arthur Bardach, Founder and CEO of Santa Monica-based Gofer It. "That's what we're seeing right now, Google and Amazon are beginning to roll out a plan to eliminate that last mile gap."

He said instant delivery is going to rapidly become the industry standard as the offerings by huge services like Google will train customers to expect instant gratification.

"It's going to be a sea change in 2-5 years," he said. "By the end of it, people will expect to be able to get goods from Internet retailers or stores in their area the same way they get a pizza, on demand and pretty much immediately."

He said small stores without delivery options are going to have a hard time in the new anything-anywhere marketplace.

"For little retailers, this is going to make it that much more difficult to compete," he said. "They won't bother driving to Downtown Santa Monica, dealing with traffic and parking if you can have this on your doorstep by three."

Yummy.com co-founder and CEO Barnaby Montgomery agreed.

"Online retail is moving to become faster and more similar to a trip to the store," he said. "Typically old fashioned online fulfillment would be done from a warehouse far from the customer, maybe in San Bernadino, then mailed to you by the post office or UPS. The future of online retail is more analogous to a trip to the store. In the real world, when the customer decides they need a product, they go to the store when it's convenient for them and that's often right now."

Bardach's company provides independent retailers with a system for same day delivery to local customers.

"We have a way to enable local businesses to provide that same service level if not better, quicker, faster to their customers," he said. "We will give them some leverage and competitive edge against Google and Amazon. Everyone will be forced to provide delivery to compete in my mind."

Bardach's service brokers space on idle delivery trucks. He said he has contracts with established courier services that allow his clients make same day deliveries on an as-needed basis. His contribution to the system is a smooth customer experience and a level of customer service that he said outpaces larger rivals.

He said businesses could contract with him and then advertise the delivery service as part of their offerings or individual customers can utilize his service to pick and choose items from participating retailers. Bardach said he is testing a digital marketplace that will be a one-stop shop for local delivery options.

"Our users don't have to negotiate and navigate all these different vendors," he said. "They can just go through us. The technology that we've built helps facilitate that and support our customers in real time. I think what we're doing fundamentally differently is providing an experience that's second to none. What we're really leveraging the technology to do is to have flexibility and bandwidth to talk to people as much as they need us to. That touch, where our customers feel they have someone who is collaborating with them to solve problems, is not a feeling big companies are good at."

Yummy.com is a web-based grocery delivery service that operates several physical stores, including one in Santa Monica. The company offers a same day delivery for a fee or for free if customers spend more than $100. Montgomery said he can delivery groceries in about 30 minutes, far faster than even the same day options of larger companies.

"(Google and Amazon) don't in fact delivery it now," he said. "It might be if you order by 1 p.m., you get it by 8, but it's not in fact, as convenient as a trip to the store yourself or as fast. We're basically addressing a little bit of a customer need. We're as close to going to the store yourself as you can get."

He said the larger retailers would probably settle on catering to customers that want to schedule deliveries for particularly heavy items or large loads but that the average shopper wanted a different kind delivery option.

"We are addressing different customer needs with a different solution. It's just not the same type of problem that Amazon is solving, if you're at home and you want to buy $300 worth of groceries or 15 cases of water and it's really heavy you might say you want it delivered," he said. "We're when you are looking to fill in a shopping list, you need 15 items and as an alternative to the store you order online. Because Amazon is focusing on customers who need a delivery we're focused on customers who value the convenience of our 30 minute delivery."

Both local businesses said they saw a bright future for fast delivery and both hoped to get a piece of the larger pie by growing their services beyond Santa Monica, even as the big boys move in.

Bardach said his company is already active in other cities including Denver Boston and San Francisco proving that there is a market for the last-mile service.

Montgomery said his company started in groceries because there is some efficiency with grocery shopping, such as the frequency of purchases, but that overall, groceries are a very competitive market. After successfully building his food service, he said he saw no reason why the technology couldn't be applied to other kinds of stores.

"We have the knowledge to fulfill an online order in about 30 minutes and that can be applied to many retail environments," said Montgomery.

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Stocks fall in afternoon trading on mixed earnings

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NEW YORK Stocks are falling in afternoon trading Tuesday following mixed earnings from U.S. companies. Technology stocks dropped, led by a plunge in Twitter. Home builder stocks fell broadly after more signs of weakness in the housing market.

KEEPING SCORE: The Standard & Poor's 500 index dropped 15 points, or 0.8 percent, to 1,869 as of 3:12 p.m. Eastern time. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 120 points, or 0.7 percent, to 16,410. The Nasdaq composite dropped 50 points, or 1.2 percent, to 4,087.

TWITTER TUMBLE: The instant messaging service plunged $6.40, or 17 percent, to $32.26 after Twitter insiders were allowed to sell stock for the first time since the company's initial public offering in November. Netflix fell 5 percent, Facebook and Amazon fell 4 percent and Google fell 2 percent.

OFFICE DEPOT UP: The office supply chain soared 73 cents, or 17 percent, to $4.90 after reporting adjusted profits for the first quarter that were twice as high as analysts expected. The company also said it would close at least 400 U.S. stores after its merger with OfficeMax resulted in the overlap of retail locations.

INSURER WOES: American International Group fell $2.21, or nearly 4 percent, to $50.51. The company reported revenue that was below what investors expected due to higher catastrophe losses and lower investment income. Financial stocks fell 1.3 percent, the biggest drop among the ten sectors of the S&P 500.

DISCOVERY DROP: Discovery Communications fell $2.76, or 3.5 percent, to $75.01 after reporting a gain in first-quarter revenue that was lower than analysts expected.

THE QUOTE: "People are getting weary of the 'things-are-getting-better' story," said Steven Ricchiuto, chief economist of Mizuho Securities. "We're hiring more workers, but we're not paying them more ... and so you can only get a certain level of consumer spending, which is three-quarters of GDP."

HOME PRICES: U.S. home prices rose at a slightly slower pace in the 12 months that ended in March, according to data provider CoreLogic. It's another sign that weak sales, caused in part by rising mortgage rates, have begun to restrain the housing market's sharp price gains. Home builder stocks fell broadly. Ryland Group fell $1.18, or 3 percent, to $37.50 and D.R. Horton fell 70 cents, or 3 percent, to $22.28.

ANOTHER BIG PHARMA DEAL: Merck fell $1.50, or nearly 3 percent, to $57.15 after the drug company agreed to sell its non-prescription medicine and consumer-care business to Germany's Bayer for $14.2 billion. Products in that business include Claritin allergy pills, Coppertone sunscreen and Dr. Scholl's footcare products.

MORE EXPORTS: The U.S. trade deficit narrowed in March as exports rose to the second highest level on record. Exports were led by gains in sales of aircraft, autos and farm goods. The deficit declined to $40.4 billion, down 3.6 percent from a revised February imbalance of $41.9 billion, the Commerce Department reported. The February deficit had been the biggest trade gap in five months.

BONDS AND OIL: U.S. government bond prices rose slightly. The yield on the 10-year Treasury note fell to 2.59 percent from 2.61 percent Monday. The yield has fallen from 3 percent at the start of January. The price of oil rose 2 cents to $99.50 a barrel.

Tornado-stricken town rebuilds with clean energy

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GREENSBURG, Kan. After a mammoth tornado wiped out most of this rural Kansas community in 2007, supporters of clean energy in the state seized on an unusual opportunity to rebuild a town from the ground up with the latest green technology.

They came up with a sustainable-power dreamscape: wind turbines to power hundreds of homes, futuristic buildings with environmentally friendly features and a gleaming new school that runs on less than half the water of its flattened predecessor.

But the much-publicized reimagining of Greensburg has failed to provide what it needs the most: people. The storm sent half the town packing, its fierce winds accelerating an exodus from rural Kansas that had been underway for decades.

Those who stayed now acknowledge that the reborn town is serving a population of only about 800 and is still looking for answers.

"Prior to the storm, we were a small Kansas community struggling to maintain and grow," said Sue Greenleaf-Taylor, the city's economic development director. "Now we are a small Kansas community which had a tornado struggling to maintain and grow."

Greensburg's economy, like much of rural Kansas, depends on the agriculture, oil and gas industries, where production advances have reduced the need for labor. The green building materials and bio-energy industries city leaders had hoped to entice never materialized.

The tornado that remade Greensburg, which is about 100 miles west of Wichita, was nearly two miles wide with winds topping 200 mph. It scraped most of the houses and the three-block business district to their foundations. At least 12 people died, and many predicted the town of nearly 1,500 would simply cease to exist.

But local leaders were enthralled by an idea proposed by then-Kansas Gov. Kathleen Sebelius and other clean-energy proponents, who saw a blank slate on which to create a better place. The Kansas prairie offered plentiful sunshine and powerful winds to provide power.

City leaders committed to rebuilding all municipal buildings to rigorous environmental standards. Nearly half of the 300 rebuilt homes used eco-friendly construction techniques, such as more effective insulation.

"We want to move boldly into the future," Mayor Bob Dixson said at the time. "And we want to honor the past, but we don't want to get hung up on it."

The reconstruction used an estimated $75 million in federal, state and local government money, along with more from insurance settlements and other private investments.

The eco-makeover has given Greensburg a distinctive look. The rural Kansas archetypes of clapboard and brick houses were replaced by things like the Silo Eco-Home, a round concrete structure built to sustain hurricane-force winds and conserve resources with dual-flush toilets that handle solid and liquid waste differently.

The new city hall, built with bricks reclaimed from the storm-demolished municipal power plant, has solar panels and ground-source heat pumps. The renovated courthouse features geothermal heating and a 15,000-gallon cistern for storing reusable rainwater. A wind farm was built to power up to 4,000 homes, while the city's K-12 school has its own wind generator.

But problems with the rebirth are also evident. Empty lots with walkways leading nowhere share neighborhoods with new homes. In the new downtown, streets are eerily quiet in the middle of the day. Just over half the space in a new business incubator has been filled.

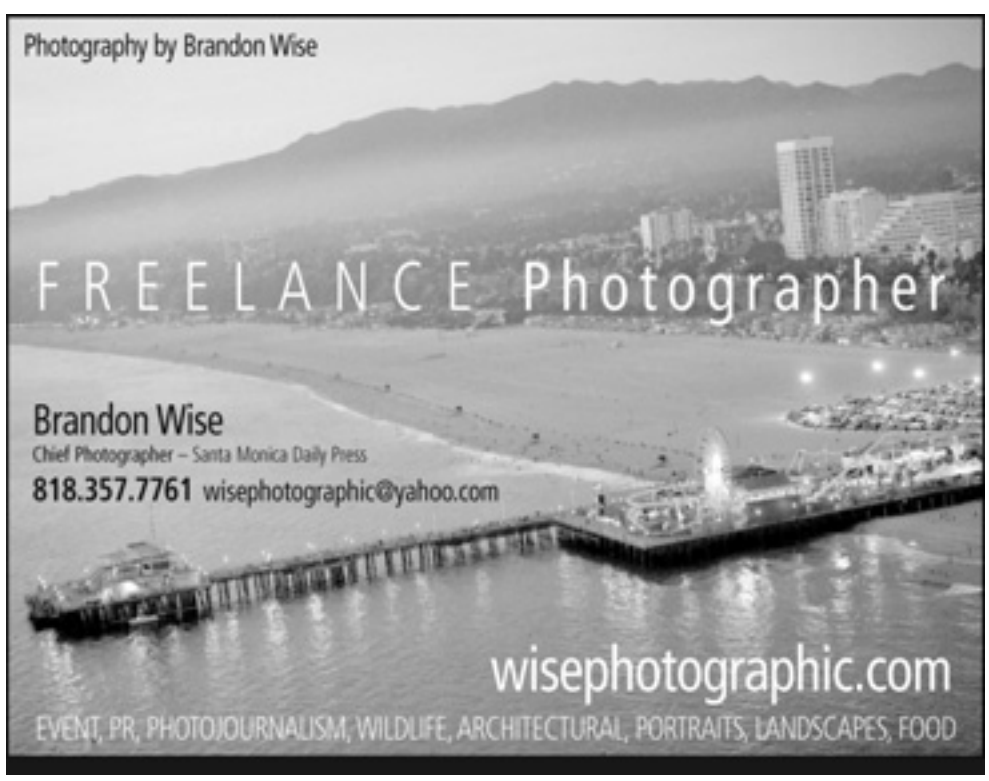
Stacy Barnes, 32, was living in the college town of Lawrence with her husband and two young children when the tornado destroyed her parents' home. She moved back to Greensburg and became its director of tourism.

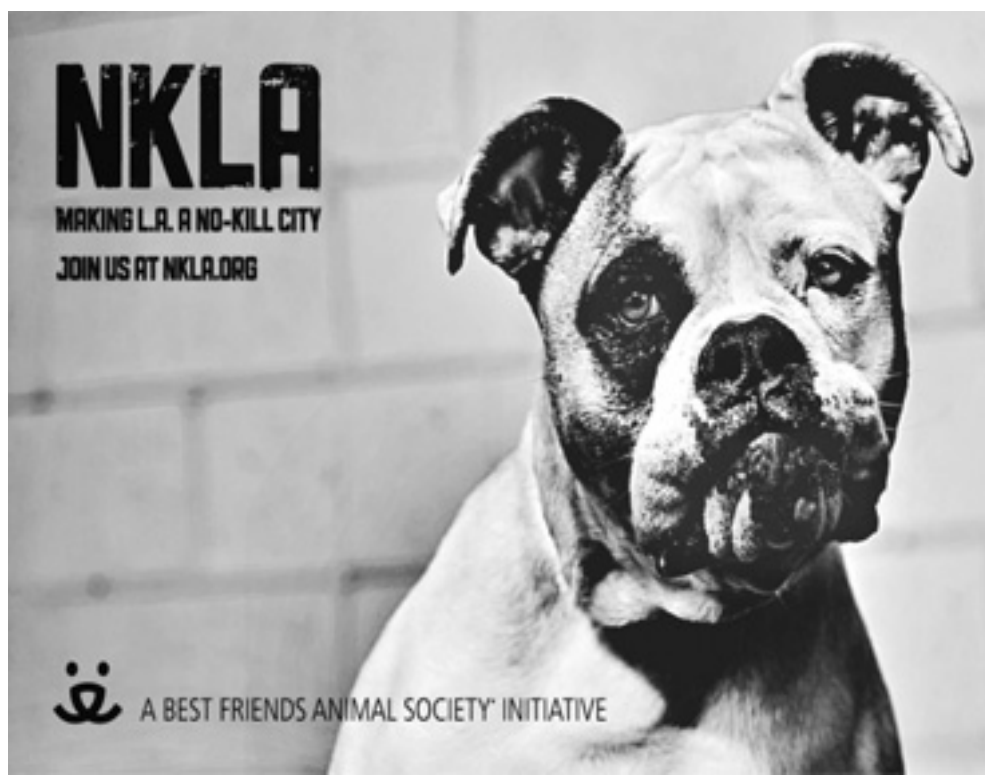
"Twenty-five years from now, I want to be able to look back and say, 'I was a part of all that,'" Barnes said.

How to reverse the trend is the question. Greensburg's population peaked at nearly 2,000 people in 1960.

If Greensburg attracts new industries and catches on with people in their 20s and 30s as a "cool place" to move, then it's possible to revitalize from the bottom up, said Laszlo Kulcsar, director of the Kansas Population Center at Kansas State University.

"Assuming nothing has changed because of the tornado — like a completely new economy — my guess is it is not going to be rebuilt to where it was before the tornado," he said. "It is impossible."





SURF REPORT



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Surf Forecasts

Water Temp: **61.9°**

WEDNESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
NW windswell tops out in the morning; trace WNW swell;
leftover S swell; winds look a little more favorable

THURSDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high occ. 3ft
Trace Southern Hemi; possible NW windswell drops out; trace WNW swell

FRIDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high occ. 3ft
NW and Southern Hemi traces; NW windswell may pulse back up late

SATURDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
New S/SSE swell moving in; marginally larger sets for long period
focal points late in the day; potential NW windswell

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 30, 2014**

HEAL THE BAY - 1444 9th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401 - beachreportcard.org - brc@healthebay.org - 800 HEAL BAY

QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)
- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 4
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 43/14
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 2/8

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: SMA Swain Barber Foundation

Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for at least 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 Lechusa and Las Alisa creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	A+
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	B
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A	A+
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21572 Malibu Rd..	A	A+
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	C
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	A+
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	A+
Tuna Canyon.	A+	A+
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	A+
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	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

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

BY ANTONIO GONZALEZ
AP Sports Writer

OAKLAND, Calif. The Golden State Warriors have fired Mark Jackson, ending the franchise's most successful coaching tenure in the past two decades but also one filled with drama and distractions.

General manager Bob Myers thanked Jackson in a statement Tuesday for "his role in helping elevate this team into a better position than it was when he arrived nearly 36 months ago." Myers said it was a difficult decision but the Warriors "simply feel it's best to move in a different direction at this time."

Jackson's three seasons with the Warriors will be remembered for the way he helped turn a perennially losing franchise into a consistent winner and the bold and bombastic way in which he did it.

He guaranteed Golden State would make the playoffs in his first season, when they finished 23-36 after the NBA labor lockout. The Warriors went 47-35 last season and had a memorable run to the second round of the playoffs, and they were 51-31 this season before losing to the Los Angeles Clippers in the first round.

The Warriors had not made the playoffs in consecutive years since the 1990-91 and 1991-92 seasons. They had made the postseason once in 17 years before Jackson arrived.

Now the Warriors — with the help of Jackson, Myers and an ownership group led by Joe Lacob — are in position to contend for several years behind a strong young core led by Stephen Curry.

"Mark Jackson has had a big impact on the improvement of our team and the success that we've had over the last couple of years," Lacob said in a statement. "Nonetheless, we must make some difficult decisions in our day-to-day operations of the club and this would certainly qualify as one of those examples. We wish Mark the best of luck in his future endeavors and thank him for his contributions over the last three years."

Jackson, a former NBA point guard who had his best seasons with the New York Knicks and Indiana Pacers, had never been a head coach at any level when Lacob hired him away from the ESPN/ABC broadcast table in June 2011. An ordained minister who runs a church with his wife near their Southern California home, Jackson often spoke of his Christian beliefs and promised to turn the Warriors into one of the NBA's best defensive teams and a perennial playoff contender — and he did.

But Jackson's boisterous personality, at times, did not play well with Warriors management, his staff and — to a much lesser extent — his players, most of whom said they wanted him to return, especially Curry. And his attitude, which bordered on confidence and cockiness, might've ultimately cost him his job.

The Warriors still stuck by Jackson even when he created news off the court, including when reports surfaced in June 2012 that he and his family were the targets of an extortion attempt related to an extramarital affair he had six years prior, which led to questions about his credibility and morals.

The pressure on Jackson really began when the Warriors decided to pick up his contract option for the 2014-15 season last summer instead of negotiating a long-term deal as he had wanted. Management also encouraged Jackson to hire a strong tactician after top assistant Michael Malone — who had several disagreements with Jackson — left to become the coach of the Sacramento Kings.

Instead, Jackson promoted Pete Myers and other assistants and hired Lindsey Hunter and Brian Scalabrine. And while reports of rifts within the team surfaced on occasion, dismissing two assistants in a 12-day stretch before the playoffs perpetuated the idea that Jackson had fostered an environment of dysfunction — which Jackson repeatedly refuted.

The Warriors reassigned Scalabrine to the team's NBA Development League affiliate in Santa Cruz on March 25 because of what Jackson called a "difference in philosophies." Then, the Warriors fired Darren Erman on April 5 for reportedly recording conversations during coaches' meetings and discussions between coaches and players without their knowledge.

Jackson and his family also were the targets of an extortion attempt related to an extramarital affair he had in 2006, which became public in June 2012.

Several home losses to lesser teams frustrated Lacob more than anything and cost the Warriors a chance to earn anything more than the sixth playoff seed, which they also had a year ago when they upset Denver in the first round before falling to San Antonio. The Warriors still showed a lot of fight — and an ability to make adjustments — with center Andrew Bogut out with a fractured right rib in the playoffs, pushing the third-seeded Clippers to seven games.

Jackson said after the game that he never worried about his job.

"I work every single day with a passion and a commitment like it's my last," he said. "I'm trying to be a blessing to people. I'm trying to impact people, and that's the way I live my life. That's the way I coach. I don't get caught up in it. I'm totally confident and have total faith that no matter what, I'm going to be fine, and that's even if I'm a full-time pastor. It's going to work out."



MOVIE TIMES

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Amazing Spider-Man 2 in 3D (NR)
4:30pm, 10:05pm

Amazing Spider-Man 2 (NR)
1:00pm, 8:00pm

Bears (NR - Family friendly)
12:45pm, 3:00pm

Transcendence (NR)
1:30pm, 7:15pm

Quiet Ones (PG-13)
4:20pm, 10:00pm

Railway Man (NR) 1hr 56min
2:15pm, 4:45pm, 7:30pm, 10:20pm

Grand Budapest Hotel (R)
5:15pm, 7:45pm

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Amazing Spider-Man 2 in 3D (NR)
12:15pm, 2:30pm, 3:45pm, 7:15pm, 9:30pm, 10:40pm

Amazing Spider-Man 2 (NR)
11:00am, 6:00pm

Captain America: The Winter Soldier (NR)
11:05am, 1:20pm, 4:30pm, 7:35pm, 9:45pm

Rio 2 (NR)
11:30am, 2:10pm, 5:05pm, 8:00pm, 9:50pm

Heaven Is for Real (PG)
11:20am, 1:50pm, 4:30pm, 7:15pm, 10:35pm

Other Woman (NR)
11:15am, 2:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:50pm, 10:30pm

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1:40pm, 4:20pm, 7:00pm, 9:40pm

Blue Ruin (NR) 1hr 30min
3:10pm, 7:40pm, 10:00pm

Fading Gigolo (NR) 1hr 38min
1:00pm, 3:20pm, 5:40pm, 8:00pm, 10:15pm

Finding Vivian Maier (NR) 1hr 23min
1:00pm, 5:30pm

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SQUEEZE IN SOME EXERCISE, PISCES

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Your creativity will emerge as you interact with others. An associate might insist on having a one-on-one conversation with you. Listen to this person's logic. The discussion that ensues could be very enlightening. Tonight: Visit with a child or a potential sweetie.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Allow greater give-and-take between you and someone else. Defer to a family member, and understand what is important. You will be more anchored and contained than you originally might have thought possible. Discuss a money matter. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You'll be more forthright than you have been in a while. Discussions you start could draw a lot of feedback. Keep a situation active through a brainstorming session. Listen to an offer from someone in charge. Tonight: Pace yourself.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Be sensitive to someone else's financial situation. Your compassion is likely to bring this person closer. Your understanding means more to others than you might think. Do not make more of a situation than what it really is. Tonight: Speak your mind.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Be more forthright and direct. Someone involved with your personal life will be disapproving, no matter what you say or do. You might as well be realistic about what is motivating you. Tonight: As you like it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Your image of what needs to happen will be very different from reality. Do not push someone so hard, and try to avoid going to extremes. You might see a personal matter one way today, but your vision could change tomorrow. Tonight: Get some extra sleep.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You could be taken aback by a personal situation that causes you anxiety. You will discover how much you are influenced by difficult people. Pick and choose your company with care; your productivity and happiness could change as a result. Tonight: Join a friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★ You might be more touchy and difficult than you realize. Be willing to turn a situation around through having an important discussion. You could be out of touch when it comes to addressing a personal matter. Tonight: Burn the candle at both ends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might see a situation in a different light. Be more direct in your dealings, and understand what is about to happen. Remain upbeat and direct in your interactions, even though you could have some lingering misgivings. Tonight: Think "mini-vacation."

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ A meeting could be very uncomfortable, especially if you encounter a lot of negativity. Understand why others might be threatened by a change of direction. Most people find any variation in the status quo unnerving. Tonight: Have an important discussion with a loved one.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Others continue to seek you out. You might need to establish your boundaries and direction once more. You could feel as if you want to make an instrumental change in how you live your life. Tonight: Sort through your invitations.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You'll have the ability to get through a lot of work right now. Understand that you must say "no" to certain invitations and head in your chosen direction. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise.

Wednesday, May 7, 2014

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

This year you test your boundaries with people who are solemn or stubborn. You seek to understand where they are coming from, but often you will have the door slammed in your face. Accept others rather than challenging them. If you are single, you meet people with ease in your daily life. Look to the person you feel at ease with, and curb a tendency to push a relationship too quickly to the next stage. If you are attached, the two of you enjoy unusual closeness after July. You will opt for much more one-on-one time. LEO likes to spend quality time with you.

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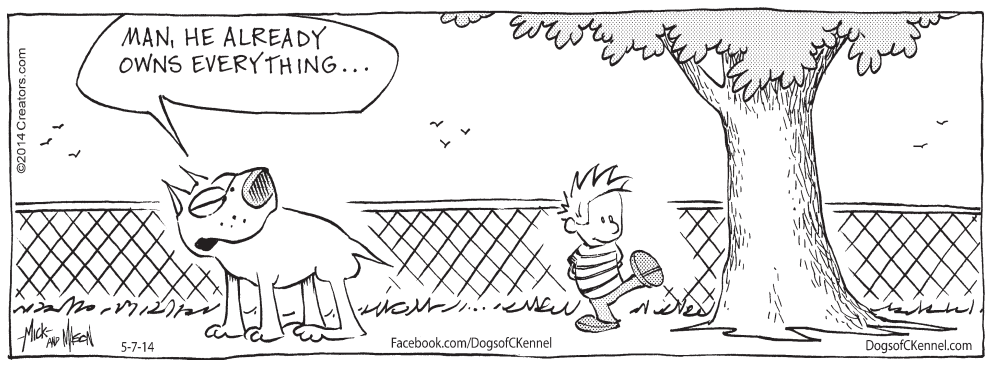
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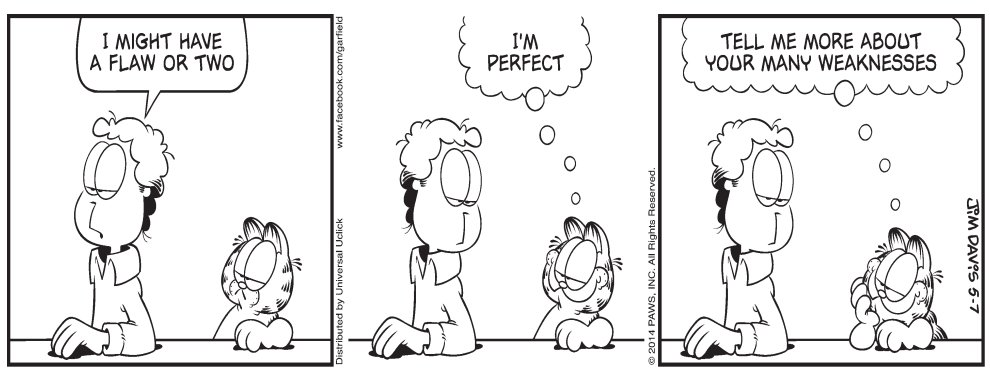
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Dogs of C-Kennel
By Mick and Mason Mastroianni



Garfield
By Jim Davis



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



Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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

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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.

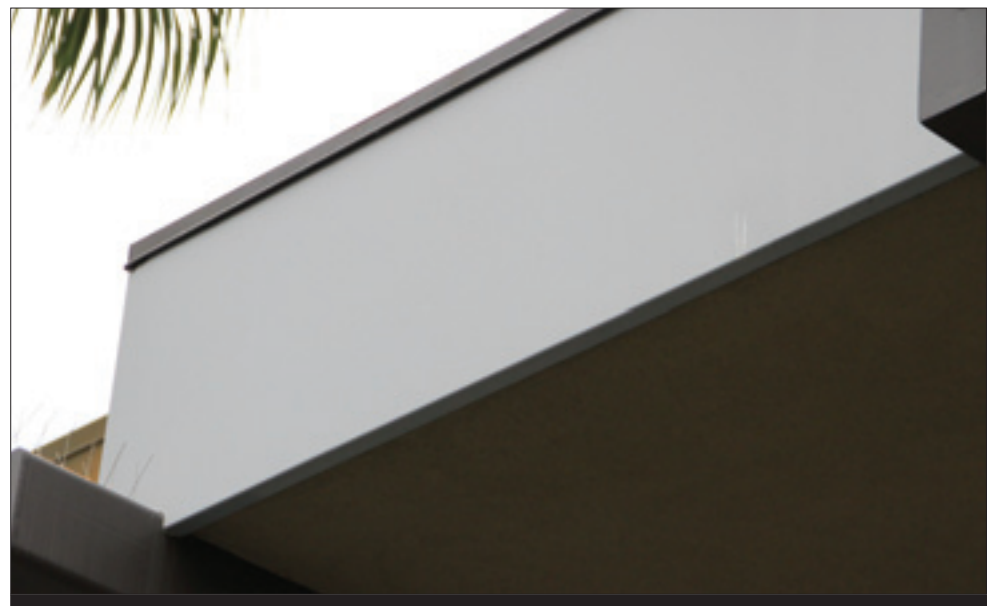
SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

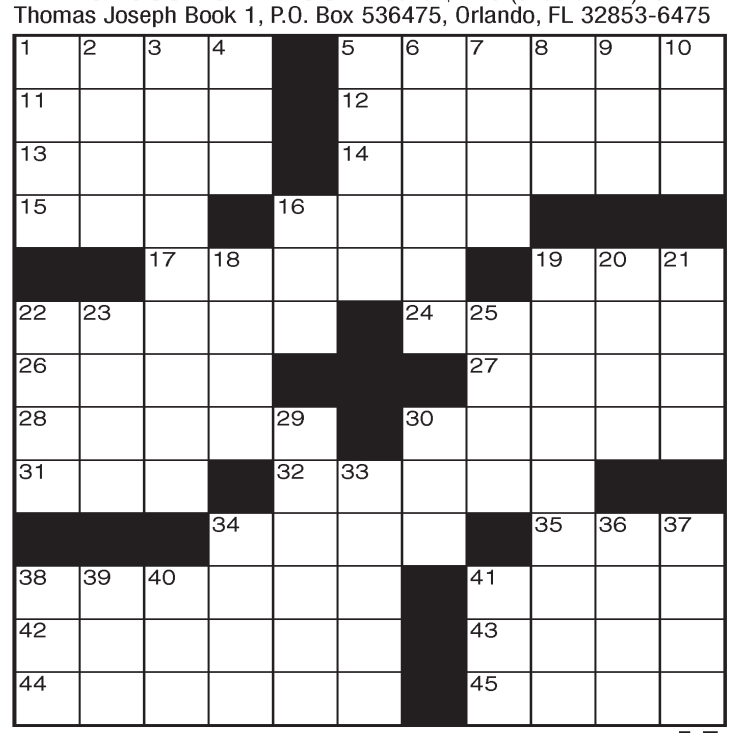
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14 Spree
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22 Fighting
24 Scrub
26 Cowardly Lion portrayer
27 Field measure
28 Precise
30 As a follower
31 Canine command
32 Cowboy contest
34 Extinct bird
35 Tire track
38 New Mexico native
41 Wrong
42 James Cameron movie
43 Fleet unit
44 Praline ingredients
45 Do studio work

DOWN
1 Boot part
2 Big galoots
3 "You'll never believe this!"
4 Invite
5 Glowing coal
6 Searches
7 Coffee dispensers
8 Say further
9 Kickoff aid
10 Go wrong
16 Spoil
18 Painter Chagall
19 Series about a time lord
20 Continental coin
21 Rowing team
22 Pub pints
23 Curbside call
25 Sugar source
29 Hector, for one
30 Wedding words
33 Air freshener's targets
34 Almanac fill
36 "Trinity" author
37 Sort
38 Carpet feature
39 St.'s kin
40 Carpet cleaner, for short
41 Nile serpent

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Yesterday's answer

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DAILY LOTTERY

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 5/3
5 15 16 46 49
Power#: 26
Jackpot: $70M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 5/2
1 18 26 35 40
Mega#: 13
Jackpot: $92M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS
Draw Date: 5/3
5 9 25 31 46
Mega#: 26
Jackpot: $60M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 5/6
4 6 12 22 34

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 5/6
MIDDAY: 3 9 6
EVENING: 7 9 2

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 5/6
1st: 05 California Classic
2nd: 08 Gorgeous George
3rd: 04 Big Ben
RACE TIME: 1:42.88

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Among the arguments offered in March by Darrious Mathis' lawyers for his jury trial in Cobb County, Georgia, (for assault, kidnapping and carjacking) was the assertion that Mathis needed no force in order to have sex with the female victim on the night in question -- because Mathis is such a good-looking man. (However, the jury was not so dazzled and convicted him on all charges.)

■ Tiffany Austin called a KTVU reporter in March after being dismissed as a member of the Planet Fitness Gym in Richmond, California, after only one 15-minute workout -- because she was "too fit" and therefore making other members uncomfortable. Planet Fitness apparently takes seriously its business slogan guaranteeing "no gymtimidation," designed to keep out-of-shape women from feeling bad about themselves. Said another member, to the reporter, "It's unfair to show off your body."

■ A columnist for the Egyptian newspaper Al-Yawm Al-Sabi proposed in March that Egypt sue Israel in international court for reparations for the 10 Biblical plagues cast from Hebrew curses, including boils, lice, locusts and turning the Nile River into blood. Ahmad al-Gamal asserted that Israelites swiped gold, silver and other precious items as they began their legendary desert wandering. Al-Gamal also wants reparations from Turkey (for the 16th-century Ottoman invasion), France (for Napoleon's invasion in 1798), and Britain (for 72 years of occupation).

TODAY IN HISTORY

1915 - Japanese 21 Demands Ultimatum to China (Commemorated as National Day of Humiliation)

1920 - The Art Gallery of Ontario, in Toronto, opens the first exhibition by the Group of Seven.

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Unit #122A Hopkins, #332B Goldstein, #531B O'Leary, #609B Fernandez. Household items, luggage, clothing, golf clubs, paintings, furniture, futon pad, misc. boxes.

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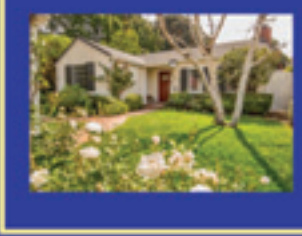




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