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THE PUSHING DEADLINE ISSUE

District takes a second look

Internal review comes on the heels of molestation allegations

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQTRS District officials plan to review policies dictating how sexual allegations at school sites are communicated to top administrators after it was revealed earlier this week that a middle school teacher arrested for allegedly molesting his students was also investigated in 2006.

Leaders with the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District said they were

unaware that Thomas Beltran, a 20-year veteran teacher at Lincoln Middle School, was investigated two years ago when a student told school administrators she was uncomfortable with the way he was touching her.

Beltran was not charged because there was insufficient evidence at the time.

The teacher was arrested on May 3, a day after Santa Monica Police Department detectives interviewed a 12-year-old student who claimed she was sexually abused. Beltran, who teaches English as a Second

Language, has since been charged on 14 counts of molestation stemming from inappropriate conduct with five girls, one of whom was allegedly molested for more than a year.

The district was notified about the March 2006 investigation by the SMPD just a few days after Beltran's arrest, receiving a copy of a letter written by then-Principal Kathy Scott to Detective Lloyd Gladden about the sexual abuse claims.

"I met with Mr. Beltran ... to inform him

of (the student's) complaint," Scott states in the letter. "Mr. Beltran was shocked at the accusation and was upset that his actions had been interpreted as inappropriate."

The letter concludes by saying that Scott instructed the teacher not to touch any of his female students in his classroom to "protect himself from any further misinterpretation."

"Mr. Beltran was in total agreement with my request," Scott said in the letter.

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MAKING A MOBILE STATEMENT: Members of Crimanimal Mass get onto the I-10 Freeway by way of the Bundy Drive on-ramp during rush hour on Friday evening. A group estimated to be 30 riders strong rode along the freeway before transitioning over to the northbound I-405 Freeway.

Crimanimal Mass challenges car culture

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

I-10 FREEWAY With cameras firmly secured to their handlebars and helmets, a band of bicycle enthusiasts made a bee line toward the Bundy Drive on-ramp to the

Santa Monica Freeway, hoping to make a statement and not get caught by the California Highway Patrol in the process.

Crimanimal Mass — an aggressive offshoot of Critical Mass — collectively decided to perform the stunt on Friday at the peak of rush hour traffic to colorfully illus-

trate how much faster commuters can zip through gridlock on a bicycle than by sitting, bumper to bumper, in their cars.

A group estimated to be nearly 30 riders strong rode onto the I-10 Freeway heading

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Partying for Mother Earth

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

CLOVER PARK It seems fitting that the 17th annual Santa Monica Festival will be held this Saturday, a day before Mother's Day.

The eco-friendly, zero-waste event — featuring solar-powered stages and vendors using materials that will be later turned into compost for farms in the Central Valley — is in many ways a celebration of Mother Earth and the efforts City Hall has made to make Santa Monica a leader in sustainability.

"It's always been a cultural and arts festival, but when we came on board about 10 plus years ago with [the] Cultural Affairs [Division] it has been about the environment as well," said Andrew Basmajian, City Hall's environmental outreach coordinator. "It's a showcase for the city and public works. It shows the natural fit between the cultural and artistic elements of the community and how that intermingles with the environment."

The free event, which costs around \$120,000 to produce, with \$100,000 coming from city coffers, will feature music, dance and visual arts, as well "guilt-free" shopping from vendors featuring earth-friendly artistic wares. Fresh food from an assortment of local eateries will be available for purchase

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Traveling to Europe?

1436 Second St., 10 a.m.

Hostelling International USA is conducting a World Travel 101 Workshop on Europe. The workshop is geared for the first time traveler. For more information, call (310) 393-3413.

To the max

1343 Ocean Park Blvd., 6 p.m.

Author and film maker James D. Scurlock will screen "Maxed Out" -- his award-winning documentary about hard times and easy credit.

Citywide Reads

2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 1 p.m.

Trained volunteer facilitators lead free public book discussions featuring the Santa Monica Citywide Reads selection "The Highest Tide," by Jim Lynch. No registration is required.

Come try it on

2627 Pico Blvd., 11 a.m.

"The Hundred Dresses" is a stage adaptation of the 1944 book, a timeless story about the "in" crowd, the painful consequences of teasing, and what is known today as "fashion bullying." Bring the kids to this special theatrical experience.

Santa Monica on two feet

1436 Second St., 10 a.m.

The Santa Monica Conservancy leads a two-hour tour that explores more than 130 years of Santa Monica history from its wild west frontier beginnings to the metropolis of today. Starting from the 1875 Rapp Saloon, the route includes many landmarks and concludes at the 2003 NRDC building. For information, call (310) 496-3146.

Does the slipper fit?

1211 Fourth St., 12: 30 and 3 p.m.

"Cinderella" is an original Rudie-DeCarlo musical for kids 2 to 102, featuring a charming prince, zany fairy godmother, silly stepsisters and a zealously well-meaning stepmother. For more information, call (310) 394-9779 ext. 651.

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The other Jerry's kids

1348 14th St., 7 p.m.

Cubensis brings the sights and sounds of a live Grateful Dead concert to 14 Below every Sunday. Cubensis is known for whipping its faithful crowd into a swirling psychedelic mass for three hours straight.

Get it while its fresh

Downtown Mar Vista, 9 a.m. — 1 p.m.

Head out to lovely Mar Vista for the weekly Farmers' Market. Located at the corner of Grandview and Venice boulevards, the market includes fresh fruits and vegetables as well as some prepared foods.

Salsa dancing

Casa Escobar Restaurant & Bar (dance floor), 7:15 p.m. — 12 a.m.
Come and join Isabelle's Dance Academy's salsa lessons every Sunday evening. Three instructors offer independent classes at the beginning, intermediate and advanced levels, so everyone is welcome to the dance floor. Also, there's free open dancing after 9 p.m.

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



Best defense is a good offense

Editor's note: For the past 11 weeks, Editor in Chief Kevin Herrera has been writing a first-person account of what it's like to be enrolled in the Santa Monica Police Department's Citizen Police Academy, which is intended to foster better communication between Santa Monicans and police officers, while giving residents a better understanding of what it takes to preserve the peace.

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY It has often been said in sports that the best defense is a good offense, which I always took as a warning to never get too comfortable, always be on the attack and put up enough points on the board so that the opposing team has no chance of getting back in the game.

The same goes for law enforcement. An officer can never get too comfortable. If

they do, it's not a game they'll lose, it's their life or that of some innocent victim. They must take charge of the situation, impose their will and never let their guard down, because all it takes is a second for things to turn deadly.

"It has to be second nature," said SMPD Detective Maury Sumlin, who teaches defensive tactics, boxes and practices Krav Maga, a martial art used by the Israeli army. "You only have a split second to think."

On the last night of the Citizen Police Academy, Sumlin had us in the basement of the Public Safety Facility where we watched video of officers being attacked by suspects. One female officer was cold clocked in the face by a large black man while she was on parole, his scared daughter standing just a few feet away as he pummeled the cop. Another video showed a male officer getting walloped by a suspect.

"You notice that he never tried to throw

a punch," Sumlin said as he pointed out the officer's failure to defend himself.

Officers must be prepared to react swiftly and never hesitate. That can be difficult, especially when an officer is forced to take someone's life. Both Sumlin and Officer Dave Chieruzzi, the department's firearms instructor and range master, said everyone in law enforcement must look deep within themselves to see if they will be able to kill a suspect if the time comes.

"It takes some soul searching," Sumlin said, who believes what made it easy for him to come to grips with the decision was thinking about the loved ones he would leave behind if killed in the line of duty. "It's human nature to do some things that you may not do for yourself but will do without hesitating for someone we love."

Now the overwhelming majority of offi-

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Melody Hanatani news@smdp.com

HAPPY TIMES: Carol Sida (left) and Katrina Walker hug during the 10th anniversary event of the Housing and Education Program at the YWCA Santa Monica/Westside on Friday.

Foster program celebrates its 10th anniversary

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

PICO NEIGHBORHOOD Venus Manuel seldom ponders the "what ifs" in her life, yet is every day thankful for the outcome.

Manuel was 21 years old when she arrived on the front steps of the YWCA Santa Monica/Westside on Pico Boulevard, luggage in tow as she prepared to embark on a life-changing adventure, taking up residency in a two-story house with seven other women, little cash on hand but rich with the determination to succeed.

It had been four years since she was emancipated from the foster-care system but Manuel was still feeling the lingering effects of coming from an unstable household, placed in care at the age of 12, the daughter of drug addicts.

While she was equipped with an associate's degree, Manuel was seeking more, aspiring for higher learning but unable to afford school, support her younger sister and still put a roof over her head.

All seemed hopeless until she discovered the Housing and Education Program at the

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NEW LOOK

The Santa Monica Pier looks unusual without the famous Pacific Park Ferris wheel standing above it on Friday afternoon.

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Pat on the back

Editor:

It's pleasing to realize the hard work of tree activists in Santa Monica has handily paid off to help create a culture of consciousness about our valuable urban forest ("City to give trees another look," page 1, May 9, 2008). Not to be overlooked in the latest tree concern should be that fact that the carob tree is a reliable food, in addition to providing shade as insulation for the summer. [I] hope there will be many more opportunities to save trees in Santa Monica. Treesavers persevere.

Andrew Kay Liberman
Santa Monica

Fired up over fire policy

Editor:

Fire season is coming upon us, and CalFire (the California fire fighting agency) informs me again that the DC-10 Supertanker fire fighting aircraft is still classified as "Not an initial attack aircraft."

This still means the DC-10 has not been, and will not be, used at the beginning of fires until all other methods have failed. I think it's obvious this is a suicidal policy that allowed the wildfire holocausts in Southern California in the past when the DC-10 was not deployed at the start of the fires, wind or no wind. This policy also appears to be a semi-continuation of the U.S. Forest Service policy, including their deliberate refusal to use any Supertankers for over 12 years during which time scores of people died horribly, including firefighters, and tens of thousands of homes were burned including national defense nuclear facilities. Supertankers could have saved all that destruction but were never called.

We must continue to demand that the DC-10, and Boeing-747 also, be used as initial attack fire fighting aircraft, for if we don't we'll be condemned to continuous mega-fires this year destroying our lives and homes with the acquiescence of so-called fire officials who apparently think fire is something they can fool around with. We have to compel CalFire and the U.S. Forest Service by public pressure to use the DC-10, and Boeing-747 Supertankers. We can't allow this deliberate carnage to continue. Contact every politician in California, including the governor, now.

Ed Nemechek
Adelanto, Calif.

Question and answer period

Editor:

I walk through Palisades Park. There is a distraught Latina in a wheelchair, crying, weeping, hands clutching her face. How can I walk by and not at least try to console her? How could I?

Now I pass a motionless figure lying sprawled in an alley. How can I pass and not even stop to see if he's breathing? How could I?

I stare into the sickly-yellow jaundiced eyes of a man slouched listlessly on a bench, stomach distended. How can I not help him to a hospital, knowing, that by doing nothing, he will be dead in a week? How could I?

How can I ignore these people, pretend they don't exist, believe it's not my problem? How could I?

I can't.
Because if I do, I will have forsaken my humanity.
Tim Dillenbeck
Santa Monica



Modern Times

Lloyd Garver

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Do polls steer voters' views?

IT'S HARD TO GO FOR EVEN A DAY without seeing the latest political polls. I often wonder how they change so much from day to day. Why did so many people who thought that Candidate A was a jerk yesterday think that he's OK today? And then there are those "exit polls" that are taken after people vote. In this country, voting is probably considered more private than sex. Sometimes people don't feel like telling their children, their spouses, or their best friends whom they vote for. But they're perfectly willing to tell a stranger with a clipboard?

Everybody knows that clever pollsters can word the questions to force the results to be just about anything they want. Who is not going to say "yes" to the question, "Do you want a president who is dedicated to keeping this country safe?" Who won't say "no" to, "Do you want a leader who just cares about rich people?"

Knowing their manipulative nature, why are so many people willing to participate in political polls? I'm sure some people just want to be nice and help the pollsters. Others probably take pride in being part of the process. I suspect that still others do it because it makes them feel important. When they see that 63 percent published in the paper tomorrow or on television tonight, they can call their friends and tell them that they are part of that 63 percent. In their eyes, they're just a little bit famous. They're like the people who hold up signs for the camera at ball games or wave outside morning news shows.

Regardless of the reasons why people participate, polls are getting more and more pervasive. They're conducted not just by news organizations, but by candidates' campaigns. Imagine how those admittedly biased pollsters struggle over every word they put in every question. That's why I think manipulative polls are only going to grow. Soon polls may be used as cruel political propaganda without even mentioning names. For example:

Which person would make a better president:

Someone who gets confused about the names of Mideast countries and sects, or someone who can recite the Greek alphabet backwards?

But they won't have to be that mean or blunt. They're more likely to try for less direct attacks and, at the same time, spread false rumors.

For example:
Hypothetically speaking, would you rather vote for someone who may still have secret ties to a crazed pastor someone who has a very sweet daughter?

By using the phrase "hypothetically speaking," they can claim they weren't really referring to anyone specific.

Another example is:
Hypothetically speaking, are you more likely to vote for someone who will say anything to get elected, or someone who is a war hero?

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The poll of the future might also be used to minimize a candidate's baggage. Let's say, a candidate had once been involved in a minor financial scandal. A question might be are you more likely to vote for someone who had a lapse of judgment many years ago or a serial killer?

Of course, the poll doesn't say that the opponent is actually a serial killer, but by bringing up such a heinous crime, it minimizes the candidate's scandal. And maybe it does get at least a few people thinking, "I didn't know that other guy was a serial killer. Maybe I shouldn't vote for him."

A danger with political polls is that people like to back a winner. Voters enjoy being able to say after the election that they voted for the person who won. That's why they don't show the results on TV until the polls have closed. If a poll says that Candidate A just moved ahead of Candidate B, there are people who will climb on the bandwagon and vote for Candidate A just because the poll says he or she is ahead. When that happens, the poll turns from being a way to measure public opinion to a device that forms public opinion.

So how would you answer my poll question which is no less fair than many we see these days.

When it comes to political polls, do you think they are a perfect tool we should all be grateful for, or the cause of much poverty in the world and the greatest threat that we face today?

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STRAY talk

A CENTER-CUT, NO-FAT REVIEW OF WHAT WAS SAID THIS PAST WEEK BY FOLKS THE WORLD OVER AND RIGHT AT HOME

If I had a daughter, what would I say to her about bikinis? I want you to have one more summer thinking of your body as something that can run and swim and play, and one less summer thinking of your body in comparison to other bodies. And then I'd get online and order her a one piece."

— SMDP columnist Mariel Howsepian wrote in "West Dressed."

In general, I think the (carob) tree plan is a reactionary plan driven by finances and not with consideration for the value of the trees."

— Brian Varnum, Santa Monica resident, regarding a proposed project to remove a number of aging trees from throughout the city.

I know the figure that the department is recommending, but I haven't given it much thought right now."

— Joel Koury, chair of the Rent Control Board, regarding a recommended increase in rents.

This is all new to us. We're calling some previous employees to see what their awareness was of the issue."

— Mike Matthews, Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District's assistant superintendent for human resources, regarding previous allegations made against Lincoln Middle School teacher Thomas Beltran, who was charged on 14 sexual molestation counts earlier this week.

Which is also what I think I'll need to do the next time I want a pedicure. I got one recently and it took more time to choose the nail polish than it did for the actual pedicure because the names were so distracting. There was Sensuous Spice, Manic Panic Claw, So Blushious, Guilty Pleasures, After Sex, Thigh High, Starter Wife, Exotic Liras, Fishnet Stockings and Aphrodite's Pink Nightie. If Pamela Anderson were my style icon or if I decided that being a slut was my calling, any of those would have fit the bill."

— SMDP columnist Meredith C. Carroll writing in "Meredith Pro Tem."

We are looking closely at the decision, and I'm inclined to move forward with the environmental review to get it done as quickly as possible to relieve traffic in West L.A."

— Los Angeles City Councilman Jack Weiss regarding a plan to make Pico and Olympic boulevards into one-way streets.

There's constant adjustments being made. We're still adjusting. Being a new coach, it wasn't easy. But every day, every game, we're tweaking things a little bit. We're working on this and that and getting the little things done."

— Rob Duron, Santa Monica High School's baseball coach.



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Big Savers

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Here are your responses:

“LIKE MOST OTHER PEOPLE, I AM CUTTING back drastically on all my spending. Luxuries are gone including vacations, entertainment, dining out and expensive gift giving. Only the basics remain and those I watch very carefully. The country is in a mess.”

“A WELL KNOWN ADAGE THAT HAS circulated over the years suggests that a fool and his money are soon parted. Not wanting to be a fool, I’m giving up on my wants and sharpening my pencil when purchasing my needs. There are still deals out there for the prudent shopper. An example being the 35 oz. can of coffee I normally purchase sells for \$13 when not on sale, \$5.99 when on sale. When on sale I purchase three cans in an attempt to bide me over until the next sale. A \$21 savings on one product I normally use is not too shabby. My simple message is, stock up on those items you normally use when on sale. Also, keep in mind that product coupons are gifts from the manufacture and may be used as cash when purchasing their products. Most markets double the face value of the coupon. I refer to coupons as manna from heaven especially for those products I normally purchase. I’m still not sure what to do about the

price of gasoline. Gasoline deals are not abundant so any savings in mileage are the keys to savings. When I do drive, I combine many destinations on any outing. Another adage suggests, waste not want not.”

“WE COULD SAVE BIG BUCKS IF OUR commie City Council would stop taxing us 10 percent on our gas, electric and phone bills. They lied when they promised us a rebate for our water bills when they made a settlement for the polluted wells and instead have given us two water rate raises. Also, we could let Beverly Hills collect our garbage. Every city seems to be able to collect their garbage for half of what we pay. All we do is pay for Santa Monicans for Renters Rights’ insane social programs.”

“THE MAIN THING IS TO DRIVE AS LITTLE as possible and instead use a bicycle or walk because gasoline is so expensive thanks to Bush. One other thing is to not vote for Republicans. Every time we get Republicans running things our economy goes down the toilet and we get another depression like we are in now.”

“I TRY TO MAINTAIN A LOW OVERHEAD.

I’m hanging on with all my claws to my rent controlled apartment. I’m using coupons and waiting until the item on the coupon comes on sale. I’m considering taking my \$600 rebate to Ralphs to tack on an additional \$60, which is their offer on a gift card situation. I don’t have a car and I take the Big Blue Bus so right there I’m saving tons of money. I’m making less trips to Whole Foods where you can spend \$50 on one shopping trip for a couple meals and some treats and wonder how in the world did you just spend \$50.”

“IN THE BEGINNING I LIVED BENEATH my means because I had to, but then I continued because I was proud to. It became a way of life and a style and I love it. I clip coupons, I look for sales, check the mileage of a car before I even look it and I also love that Big Blue Bus.”

“I TAKE THE BUS INSTEAD OF DRIVING, that saves gasoline. When I go to the grocery store I just buy things on sale and necessary items and the same with going shopping for clothes. I make sure that I buy something on sale.”

“AS A FAIRLY NEW DISABLED PERSON, what I’m doing to stretch dollars is take the

Dial a Ride bus and be more savvy about transportation. I believe that we should use bikes if possible or share rides or take the bus and of course try to keep this environment clean.”

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Quenching a thirst for H2O IQ

HOW MUCH WATER SHOULD I DRINK? IF had a dollar for every time I get asked that question. Water is so important that the Center for Disease Control dedicated this past week to drinking water.

You should not need a nationally recognized organization to tell you the importance of drinking water. But you might need one to remind you how lucky you are for having one of the safest drinking water supplies in the world.

The research I did to earn my master's of Science in Nutrition was on the study of water and weight management.

Actually, I looked at other people's research and came up with a big conclusion. Water is the key to long term weight management. Water is a macro-nutrient, like carbohydrates, proteins and fats. Unlike those other big nutrients, however, water does not supply any calories; not a single one. Yet, water can make up the largest proportion of your food.

Water adds only good things to food and beverages. For one thing, the addition of water to food helps you eat fewer calories in the long run.

When it comes to hunger and satiety, your body wants bulk, to a point. You can not simply drink water all day and think that you will never be hungry. But adding water

to foods and choosing more water-rich ingredients will add bulk and will help to reduce your overall calorie intake. To do this, simply eat more soups, salads, vegetables and fruits, and yes, drink water.

Exactly how much water you need is always up for debate. When we talk about purely drinking the stuff, the numbers vary from six to 10 of those all-pervasive eight ounce glasses.

Perhaps that is why eight (8 ounce) glasses has been thrown out there so often, being a happy medium and all. According to the World Health Organization the average person needs 2 liters (67 ounces) of water per day for drinking and up to 70 liters per day for all uses including cooking, cleaning, washing clothes, flushing toilets, growing stuff, etc.

Yet, here in America, the land of plenty, it is estimated that on average, we use 1,400 liters per person, per day. WOW! There are some countries where they don't even have enough to drink each day.

According to the CDC, water plays a big role in the overall success of a society. Just having access to water can change the economic status of a community over night. I have been reading a book called "Every Drop for Sale" about the potential for war over water. In the book, the author told a story of

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a community in Africa where the women would spend half of each day walking a trail to obtain fresh water.

These women were given the opportunity to develop an underground plumbing system but had to come up with \$1,000 American to pay for the system. This was a lot of work and involved a lot of budgeting for the community.

But they got it together, got their water system in place and as a result, the women were able to take the time they use to spend "fetching" water and instead build a greater income and home life for their families.

Their community began to prosper until, in the middle of the night, some thieves took their plumbing system to sell on the black market.

Needless to say, the community went down hill overnight because they had to again spend their days "fetching" water instead of increasing the economic status of their families.

So from now on, please think about how lucky you are as you enjoy those eight (8 ounce) glasses of water each day while you go to work, play with your children, or walk along the beach.

Look out into the ocean and know that although the world is 70 percent water, nearly 40 percent of the world's population lacks access to safe water.

If you are still uncertain about how much to drink just sit quietly and listen. Your body will tell you. "What's that, you say, you're thirsty? OK then. Here body. Have some water." Glug, glug, glug ... Ahhh! Now was that so hard? Sometimes we make things way more complicated than they have to be.

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Program helped turn around lives

FROM ANNIVERSARY PAGE 3

YWCA, which provides free shelter and food for women out of the foster care system, providing financial support while they complete their education.

Nine years later, Manuel is now a probation officer with Los Angeles County, a home owner, and eternally grateful for the program.

"If it weren't for this program, I would be on public assistance with children, living in an apartment instead of my own home and trying to make it rather than helping other people realize their own successes," Manuel said.

The YWCA celebrated the 10th anniversary of the program on Friday, honoring the program's founders and highlighting some of the success stories that have come out of the two-story, 1930s era house on the site of the non-profit organization.

The program was conceptualized in the early 1990s when UCLA released a study on the plight of individuals emancipated, or aged out, from the foster care system, young adults finding a hard time reaching stability. The Board of Directors at the YWCA decided to refurbish an old house that was purchased along with the property in the 1970s and had been used to house some of the organization's programs and activities.

"There was no other program like this at the time," Sally Young, the executive director of the YWCA, said.

An estimated 20,000 young adults are emancipated from the foster care system in the United States every year, many of whom still need support and services after they leave, according to the YWCA. Only 54 percent of former foster care individuals go on to earn their high school diploma, while only 2 percent graduate from college or a vocational school.

About 84 percent are pregnant when they exit the system.

The program can accommodate up to eight women at any one time, two in each room. The women must be single, without children, between the ages of 18 and 22, working part-time, and enrolled in school full-time. The program includes a life-skills element, teaching women basic home economics. All participants are required to invest 50 percent of their pay check in a savings account.

The women on average have saved about \$20,000 by the time they're done with the program, according to Allison Griffith, the live-in assistant housing director and "house mom."

Most women spend about two to three years in the program.

"They're like any other college student," Griffith said. "They have to balance classes, have boyfriends, figure out who they are and what their journey will be."

All the women in the house have different stories as to how they arrived at the YWCA, but all are united in their willingness to succeed.

Katrina Walker, 22, joined the program in spring of 2007, placed in foster care at the age of 9 because her mother was suffering from a mental health illness. After emancipation, she began working for a non-profit organization that dealt with foster care youth, but yearned to begin attending school full-time. School was prohibitive



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BIG DAY: Venus Manuel speaks during the 10th anniversary of the Housing and Education Program at the YWCA Santa Monica/Westside on Friday. The program provides free shelter and food for eight women out of the foster care system, allowing them the financial independence to seek part-time work and education.

because of the demanding hours at work. She left her job and moved into the YWCA house.

Currently a Santa Monica College student, Walker is planning to transfer to a four-year university in the fall, aspiring for a career working with non-profit media, hoping to raise awareness about foster care.

"If it weren't for the program, I'm sure I would not be in school and would be working two jobs right now," Walker said.

Walker describes the household of eight women as one close family, sisters that share each other's belongings.

Stephanie Ortega, who joined the program last August, said the women in the program make up a support-system, encouraging one another in trying times.

Ortega, who has never met her birth mother, was 2 years old when she was adopted by a family that had a drug-abuse history. The 18-year-old said she was physically and mentally abused until she was taken away and placed in foster care at the age of 11. That was followed by years of personal drug abuse until Ortega decided to change.

She is now a student at Santa Monica College and hopes to become a social worker.

"We all love each other in this house," she said. "We all motivate each other and lift each other up."

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Festival features a variety of options

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and visitors can participate in art workshops recycled and re-purposed materials as part of the re:Fashion Workshop, taught by award-winning costume designer Ann Closs-Farley.

The theme for this year's festival is "Revel with a Cause," said Hamp Simmons, cultural affairs supervisor.

"One of the great things about this, since it is our 17th year, is that we really got a huge buy-in from other city divisions and departments," Simmons said. "Just about everybody comes and has a booth and you can get information on just about every city service that you want."

"We also have a lot of social service agencies that are there. A lot of people are surprised that they are [in Santa Monica] and by what they do," Simmons continued. "It's a great way to get to know our community."

Headlining the days entertainment on the Ocean Stage, powered by batteries charged by the sun, is Dengue Fever, whose psychedelic take on Cambodian pop has created quite a following, garnering global media attention and international acclaim. Other performers on the Ocean League stage include: DAFRA West African Dance and Drum Ensemble, performing and teaching songs and dances from Africa; Fishtank Ensemble, melding Romanian folk music with flamenco, Swedish folk and klezmer creating a Gypsy caravan sound; and Ballet Folklorico Nueva Antequera, presenting music and dance representing the seven



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HOT TICKET: Dengue Fever will be headlining the Santa Monica Festival Saturday.

regions of Oaxaca, Mexico.

Tommy Lee, coordinator of the Music Center's Dance at the Music Center and Active Arts programs, will serve as the emcee.

"We're really excited about playing in the festival," said Senon Williams, Dengue Fever's bass player. "It's kind of fun when the festival is not just about music. When you have a mix of food and art and all types of things, it kind of makes the bands extra special."

The Youth Stage features performances by Virginia Avenue Park's Hip Hop Dance Group and the Soul Real band; the John Adams Middle School Jazz Band, and Downbeat 720 High School Talent.

The Eco Zone will shed light on

local and global environmental issues, focusing on how residents can make a difference. Visitors can bring old cell phones and other small electronics for reuse at California Recycles.

"This is a big deal for us and we're really excited and hope the community shows and enjoys themselves," Basmajian said.

For more information on the festival, go to www.arts.santa-monica.org. The festival kicks off at 11 a.m. at Clover Park, 2600 Ocean Park Blvd. Parking is free but visitors are encouraged to ride their bikes or take public transit. There will be a free bicycle valet.

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REAL MUSIC MAKER: West African dance and drum ensemble DAFRA will perform at the Santa Monica Festival on Saturday.



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HOLD IT RIGHT THERE! Citizen Police Academy participant Jeff Goodman is ready to use deadly force during a training exercise on Wednesday. Goodman was armed with a real gun that was modified with a laser and shot at suspects during a video game-like simulation.

Learning to shoot

FROM ACADEMY PAGE 3

cers never have to fire their weapons in the line of duty. It's rare, but it does happen. Chieruzzi was forced into a situation where he had to fire, killing an armed suspect that was racing toward him in close quarters. While the decision to fire was made easy for Chieruzzi, that did not take away the fact that he killed someone.

"We have a reverence for life you wouldn't believe," Chieruzzi said. "We don't shoot to kill. We're not executioners. We shoot to stop the threat. That said, if a bad guy is threatening to take someone's life, I'll take his life to save another's."

Obviously, officers want to diffuse the situation before it gets to that point, and that is where the gift of gab comes into play. It is essentially the first line of defense. If an officer can talk a suspect down, gain their trust and then take them into custody without resorting to violence, they have a greater chance of making it home at the end of the shift.

If that doesn't work, then there are other things an officer can do. It's not all about pulling out the pistol.

"Some officers feel that the gun is the answer to everything and that's not the case," Sumlin said.

For example, Sumlin was providing security for a "Baywatch" shoot on the beach when an elderly woman began causing quite a stir, positioning herself in every shot she could, causing production problems. The woman apparently was upset that her home was in the shot and wanted some compensation from the studio.

Sumlin, dressed in full uniform, and his partner went to talk with the woman and asked her to move. That's when she began whacking him with an umbrella. Sumlin said he kept his cool, and eventually got the woman to calm down and move (David Hasselhoff offered to testify in support of Sumlin).

Sometimes a suspect moves so quickly that an officer has no time to pull their

weapon. It's not like in the movies, Chieruzzi said. The good guy usually doesn't take out 10 bad guys in a matter of seconds, all without reloading. In real life, an officer has only a second or two to draw their firearm and squeeze off two shots. A suspect can travel 21 feet in that time, moving from across the room and into a cop's face in no time.

That's when it becomes imperative for the officer to resort to defensive tactics learned in the academy and practiced at least three times a year with Sumlin and other training officers.

But no matter how much you train, sometimes things go wrong. Sumlin's brother-in-law was Los Angeles Police Department SWAT Officer Randy Simmons, who was shot and killed in February when his team stormed the home of a suspect who had just murdered three members of his family. The team followed proper procedure but the suspect was determined to do damage to himself and anyone else who tried to stop him. Suicide by cop is what he was most likely after.

"I do what I do so no one else has to get that 2:30 in the morning phone call," Sumlin said.

Following presentations by Sumlin and Chieruzzi, we were allowed to pick up a gun and dust some bad guys. Chieruzzi and his partner Rich Comacho showed us an interactive video training program that comes with a real gun modified with a laser. We ran through various scenarios, some forcing us to fire while others rewarded us for our restraint.

It was like playing a video game, a pretty old video game. While it was state of the art at the time, the simulator is now behind the times.

Officers sport mustaches and bad haircuts from the late '70s, early '80s. That said, it was still fun. I'm proud to say that while my video partner got popped in the stomach, I came out unscathed and shot the armed suspect in the gut. That'll teach him.

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Crimanimal Mass takes to the freeway

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eastbound to the I-405 Freeway, where they took the overpass and headed northbound to the Santa Monica Boulevard exit. This was the third freeway ride the group has participated in during the past few weeks and organizers vow to continue their mobile protest for months to come.

CHP officers spotted the group as they exited the freeway and proceeded to give chase. Two riders were stopped, but were not issued citations.

“They just repeated over and over to not get on the freeway. They were very cool about it,” Paul Bringetto, 36, said. “They just told us not to do it again.”

Aside from disobeying the law, Crimanimal Mass riders hope to spread the bike gospel.

“I just wanted to raise questions about the transportation infrastructure,” said Morgan Strauss, 29, one of the group’s organizers. “In a city ruled by cars, why is it that you can get places faster on bikes?”

The first time the group took to the freeways was on April 18.

They recorded their trek and later posted the video on YouTube where it has been viewed 32,150 times as of Friday afternoon. The clip titled “The Freeway Ride - On Bicycles” was posted by a participating rider who goes by the handle Richtotheie and has generated a considerable stir among the local biking community.

“There was so much talk that (the ride) was going to ruin (the local bike scene),” Richtotheie, 22, said. “People can take their own view.”

Most of the criticism the group has received has been posted on the popular Midnight Ridazz Web site. The site includes a number of blog threads about the rides and has featured a fairly robust discourse regarding the rides. Thus far, there have been equal amounts of both criticism and support for the group’s controversial activities.

Most of the participants in the Crimanimal Mass rides met while taking part in Critical Mass, a popular ride that occurs the first Friday of each month in Santa Monica.

Those rides begin at the Santa Monica Pier and take impromptu, serpentine routes through the city and often veer into Venice. Groups of up to 200 riders have participated in the ride since its inception two years ago. Critical Mass is a national phenomenon that takes place in a number of cities across the globe and reportedly got its start in San Francisco more than a decade ago.



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GETTING INFORMED: A member of Crimanimal Mass hands out flyers to participants of a ride that included a jaunt on the I-10 Freeway on Friday.

The rides had been relatively incident free for the most part until late last year when the Santa Monica Police Department began a crackdown because officials felt it was becoming unruly.

Some 30 tickets were handed out during the November ride and another seven were issued during December. Those actions led a small contingent of Critical Mass riders to splinter off and create what would become Crimanimal Mass.

“The initial reason we came together was to create a second ride in Santa Monica,” said Alex Cantarero, 28, one of the group’s creators. “We figured that if the police didn’t like one ride, what would they do about two?”

SMPD’s Lt. Alex Padilla said that the department stepped up enforcement of Critical Mass following a number of complaints from the community alleging that participating riders weren’t following the rules of the road and snarling traffic during

rush hour.

“We had people on their own stopping traffic arbitrarily and it became a safety issue,” Padilla said. “We’re still monitoring it. It just depends on the type of complaints we are getting, but we’re not getting as many as in the past.”

While the freeway rides do not fall under the jurisdiction of the SMPD, it does tread on CHP territory.

“This is the first I’m hearing about (the rides),” said Ana Markey, the public information officer at the CHP’s Culver City station. “If we know about these rides in advance, we’d block off on-ramps to keep them from getting on the freeway.”

Markey said that riders may be cited if they were caught in the act, but said the ultimate decision would rest on the shoulders of the officers at the scene.

“We don’t want to arrest anyone,” she said. “We just don’t want anybody to get hit by a car. This is more of a safety issue than

anything else.”

California Vehicle Code 21960 (a) states, “The Department of Transportation and local authorities ... may prohibit or restrict the use of the freeways.” In this case, the CHP would ultimately be responsible during any incident that involves the non-authorized use of a bicycle.

Markey recalled an incident in March of 2007 during which a group of Los Angeles Unified School District students marched onto the Harbor and Hollywood freeways to protest an immigration bill being voted on by Congress. She didn’t remember anybody being cited, but the CHP was forced to stop traffic on both freeways to allow the students to exit safely.

“It is more for their safety,” Markey said. “(Riding on the freeway) is just not a safe thing to do.”

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School district begins clear-window policy

FROM DISTRICT PAGE 1

The district's current policy states that when a school administrator receives a report of sexual abuse, they are mandated to report it to the police or the Department of Children and Family Services, but does not require that the superintendent be notified, according to Mike Matthews, the assistant superintendent of human resources.

"I'm sure we'll be changing that so the district can keep record of such filings and complaints," Matthews said. "If there is a transition in leadership, we will make sure we have a history."

There has been a number of changes in leadership since the investigation in 2006. Scott has since left the school and was replaced by Principal Tristan Komlos. Former Superintendent John Deasy left the district in 2006 for Prince George's County Public Schools in Maryland and was replaced by Superintendent Dianne Talarico.

Matthews said he is still researching why parents were not notified about the investigation. While a discussion about policy changes has not been agendized for the Board of Education meeting on May 15, the superintendent could discuss it during her report.

In the mean time, some changes have already been instituted, including a district-wide rule that all classroom windows be clear of any obstructions, such as posters. An open-door policy has also been effected at Lincoln Middle School, Matthews said.

Harry Keiley, the president of the Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom Teachers Association, said he hopes that the district will seek the input of the union when reviewing the policy, stressing that it is the teacher's top priority to ensure the safety and well-being of students. Keiley could not comment on the specifics of the Beltran case, but said that generally the union is notified when allegations are made against one of their members, though that does not mean that they are reported all the time.

"Our teachers are just like every other American, they don't leave their constitutional due process rights at the school house door," Keiley said. "They still have and should have every protection afforded every other American and one of those is the right to know what you're being accused of, who your accuser is and the assumption of innocence until proven guilty."

School board President Oscar de la Torre said that he was upset that board members were not notified about the allegations.

"I felt that somebody dropped the ball in terms of communication," he said.

The revelation has outraged parents who are demanding to know why they weren't notified about the investigation at the time and the reason for Beltran remaining in the classroom.

In a letter addressed to the Board of Education, school parent Leslie Wizan asked how many similar memos and letters are in existence at the district for teachers kept in the classroom. The letter by Scott was not on record in Beltran's file at the school district before receipt by the police department, which is why it was made available to the public. Files on record at the district are confidential personnel matters.

"I suggest the district go through all its paperwork and review each and every complaint," Wizan continues. "Then, remove any questionable adult who has contact with children."

ALL WE KNOW IS THERE WAS INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE TO PRESS CHARGES ..."

Mike Matthews,
Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Wizan also suggests the district look at complaints against teachers who have been emotionally abusive against students.

"It's imperative that you take the safety of our children — physical and emotional — more seriously than you have in 2006."

Matthews said that the district has the ability to take action against an employee for any misconduct — such as repeated tardiness or sexual allegations — regardless of whether they are charged. Discipline ranges from written warning to suspension.

"Even if charges are not filed, the district does their own investigation and can take action, not just for crimes committed against children," Matthews said.

Matthews said he doesn't know why action wasn't taken against the teacher and is also investigating the issue.

"All we know is there was insufficient evidence to press charges and if charges had been pressed, it could've been a whole different matter," he said.

The district is trying to reach out to former school employees to learn more about the investigation. Lowe said that notification to the district central headquarters would not fall on the department. He added that since charges were not filed, the police did not have an obligation to notify the public.

"The 2006 allegation did not meet the burden of proof for criminal prosecution," he said. "It would've been erroneous on our part to make a public disclosure."

Those allegations have since been folded in with the current charges.

HOW TO DEAL

Police continue to interview possible victims who have come forward since Beltran's arrest. More charges are possible in the coming weeks, according to Lt. Darrell Lowe.

Fear and humiliation often play into why children who are victims of sex-related crimes are reluctant to speak out, according to Pattie Fitzgerald, a child predator safety expert in Santa Monica.

Fitzgerald, who runs Safely Ever After, a company that provides child safety seminars, has children who will attend Lincoln in a few years.

"They often think that somehow they are partly responsible for the abuse and there is this feeling of shame," Fitzgerald said. "There's an embarrassment there that kids don't want to subject themselves to."

Children are also less likely to speak out about sex-related crimes as they get older, Fitzgerald said.

She stressed the importance of parents talking to their children about body safety at an early age, teaching them the differences between appropriate and inappropriate touching.

"Don't wait until they're 9 or 11 years old," she said. "Let them know nobody has the right to touch them inappropriately."

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WASHINGTON

Law will study adding parkland to SM Mountains

A new federal law mandates that a study be conducted on a proposal to quadruple the size of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area.

The measure by Democratic Congressman Adam Schiff of Pasadena was included in a wide-ranging public lands bill that President Bush signed on Thursday.

The so-called Rim of the Valley bill authorizes a study of adding 490,000 acres of public and private land along the San Fernando and San Gabriel valleys to the 153,000-acre Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, which stretches about 50 miles along the Malibu coastline. The legislation was sponsored in the Senate by California Sen. Dianne Feinstein.

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Illegal immigration costing \$36M a month

According to new data from the Department of Public Social Services, nearly 25 percent of Los Angeles County's welfare and food stamp benefits goes directly to the children of illegal aliens, at a cost of \$36 million a month – for a projected annual cost of \$432 million.

"The total cost for illegal immigrants to county taxpayers far exceeds \$1 billion a year – not including the millions of dollars for education," said Los Angeles County Supervisor Mike Antonovich. "With \$220 million for public safety, \$400 million for health care, and \$432 million in welfare allocations, illegal immigration continues to have a devastating impact on Los Angeles County taxpayers."

In March, illegals collected over \$19 million in welfare assistance and over \$16 million in food stamp allocations.

DAILY PRESS

CITY HALL

In the money

The Rosie's Girls Santa Monica program, an intensive, three-week summer program for girls designed to build self-esteem and leadership, has been awarded a Women's Foundation of California Los Angeles Donor Circle \$15,000 grant.

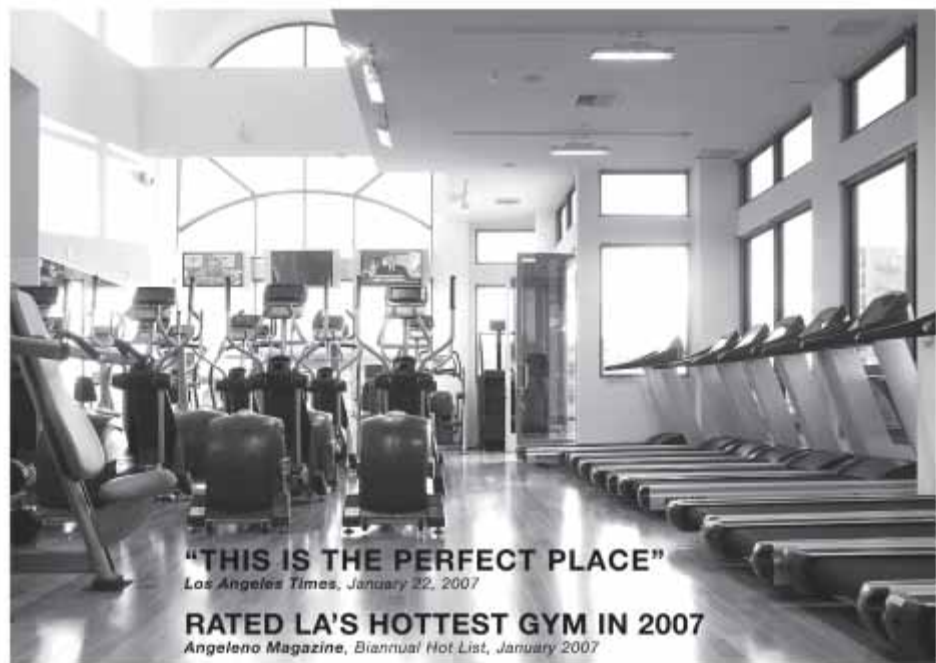
The grant will provide scholarship funding for girls who would otherwise not be able to afford the Rosie's Girls program and support an ongoing Apprentice Program for Rosie's Girls alumnae.

The Rosie's Girls Santa Monica program is provided through the collaborative efforts of the Community and Cultural Services and Community Maintenance Departments.

During the Rosie's Girls intensive camp sessions, girls learn skilled trades such as carpentry, fire fighting, plumbing, welding, tree trimming and automotive repair. They build confidence through participation in physical challenges including a high-altitude ropes course, surfing, and kayaking. These physical challenges create the opportunity for girls to take risks, experience something they might have otherwise avoided, provide support to each other, and be successful at the kinds of activities usually reserved for boys.

The Apprentice Program, now entering its third year, brings Rosie's Girls alumnae 14 years and older back to the camp in a counselor-in-training role to enhance their leadership, employment, and fiscal literacy skills. The apprentices, or, as they are better known, the "A-Team," take the lead in developing and managing the Rosie's Girls community service project for each session, including management of its budget and related entrepreneurship components.

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SOCCER

Wambach closing in on 100 career goals

BY JOSEPH WHITE
AP Sports Writer

WASHINGTON Abby Wambach strode into the lobby of the team hotel with bright eyes, big smile, firm handshake and a newspaper crossword puzzle tucked in her hand, exuding the kind of confidence one would expect from an athlete about to achieve a rare milestone.

She was back in the nation's capital, preparing for Saturday's exhibition game against Canada at RFK Stadium, part of the U.S. women's soccer team's pre-Olympic tour. She talked about a career that has made her the most prolific offensive threat in the world — scoring goals at a rate far greater than her friend and retired California neighbor Mia Hamm — before heading out to practice, where the 5-foot-11 forward towered over her teammates and was easily the most watchable player.

"I feel like a little kid still. I get to play a game for a job," Wambach said. "You get to a certain level that things feel easier than they ever have. It almost feels like you're in the back yard and you're drawing up Xs and Os in the sand with your teammates, trying to conjure up some crazy play."

It's a feeling to savor, especially when Wambach recalls her early days with the national team. She arrived at one of her first camps in 2002 with a relationship-induced buzz-cut — "I was heartbroken, and I felt like it was the only thing I could control at the time," she said — and felt intimidated trying to share a practice field with legends such as Hamm, Julie Foudy, Joy Fawcett, Kristine Lilly and Brandi Chastain.

"I was nervous as heck," Wambach said. "And I wasn't playing well. I wasn't confident."

If the United States is to win the gold this summer in Beijing — and make amends for last year's World Cup disappointment — Wambach will almost surely lead the way. She has 95 goals in international play, 70 more than anyone else who will make the U.S. Olympic roster (Lindsay Tarpley has 25).

Wambach is five goals shy of becoming the ninth player in the world to score 100. The U.S. team's record when she scores is an eye-popping 62-1-2.

"Really?" she said. "I'd like to know that one game."

It was a 3-1 loss to Denmark in Philadelphia in 2004, part of an exhibition tour that celebrated the gold medal at the Athens Olympics.

"Got it," she said. "I hit the post twice in that game, too."

The 95 goals have come in just 118 games, an astounding rate for any level of quality soccer. Hamm needed 275 games to get her world-record 158 goals, but Wambach in many ways is a Mia With Size: a low-post presence who can dribble. Teams try to double-team her and keep her away from the net, but she's big and strong enough to hold her ground.

"She's certainly come a long way," said Jim Gabarra, who coached Wambach with the Washington Freedom for two seasons in the now-defunct WUSA. "She always had the size and strength. What people underestimate is her technical ability."

And now she is a locker-room leader, a veteran on the team at age 28. During the interview in the hotel lobby, she seemed to

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Abby Wambach,
Member of U.S. women's soccer team

channel Hamm, Foudy and the other demanding, now-retired legends as she repeated the phrase they so often used: "Play for each other."

"I don't care if you're 35 or you're 19," Wambach said, "you're still expected to perform at your very, very best."

Becoming a leader is easier said than done, as Wambach learned the hard way last year when the team went through perhaps the most contentious episode in its history. Goalkeeper Hope Solo, upset that she was unexpectedly benched for the World Cup semifinal loss to Brazil, went public and criticized coach Greg Ryan.

The team had never experienced anything like it — weren't they all one big happy family? — and overreacted by dismissing Solo on the spot. They excluded her from the medal ceremony and made her fly home from China on her own.

"A learning experience for everyone involved. Was it a difficult time because it's never really quite happened before for this team? For sure!" said Wambach, punching the two words and nodding emphatically. "Did we make all the right choices? Maybe not. Did Hope? Maybe not. There is no right or wrong when it comes to what happened."

Wambach faults herself for not showing proper leadership. As a veteran, she said it was her role "to create an environment where that doesn't happen."

"I think on our team we were doing this," said Wambach, pointing her index fingers randomly in the air. "Like, 'What did you do?' 'How could she do that?' And really what we needed to be doing was 'What did I do wrong?' so that collectively we can correct the problem. ... It was a really interesting time and one that I never want to go through again, but I had an equal part in the problem in not being that leader that Julie was for a lot of us. We had to alter the way that we lead and the way that we interact with each other."

That's not to say Wambach has become all business, all the time. After all, this is a player who once put coffee grounds on the ceiling fan in a Freedom teammate's room, then turned the fan on. She doesn't play as many practical jokes these days because the U.S. team spends so much time in hotels — "Sometimes you'll move furniture in front of someone's door," she said — but she retains the same upbeat, adventurous spirit.

"I'm still goofy. I like to have a good time, or else I wouldn't be sitting here," Wambach said. "I feel like if that ever goes away, I'll probably retire."

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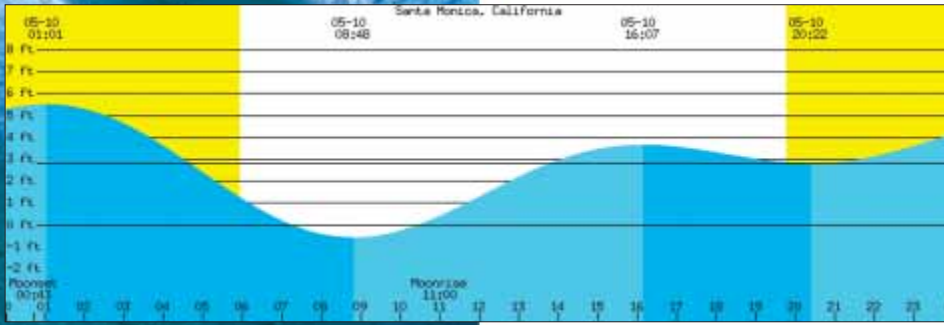
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Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns
El Pescadero State Beach, between Luchessa and Las Alitas creeks	A+	ns
Escorial Canyon at El Matador State Beach	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private)	A+	ns
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Escandido Creek, just east of Escandido State Beach	F	ns
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Puerto State Beach at creek mouth	D	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerto Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	F	ns
Surfside Beach at Malibu Colony fences	A+	ns
Surfside Beach (beach location)- daily	D	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	A+	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero)	B	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs	A+	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth	F	ns
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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Consider taking up a new sport other than verbal sparring. You find that much is on your mind, and you might be well advised to clear out your feelings. Tonight: Strut your stuff.	SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Your awareness of what will work could be important to a partner. Yet don't be surprised when he or she heads in his or her own unique direction. Push comes to shove before you push. Let everyone do his or her thing. After all, you appreciate that as well. Tonight: Dinner for two.
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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You are high energy and close to unstoppable. Don't push an associate or friend too hard. The reaction might not be worth it. A little sensitivity could go a very long way! Not everyone has your energy level. Tonight: Easy does it.	AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Use some spare time to clear out a project or perhaps dote on a child or a sorely ailing friend. If you have time, get some exercise and do something just for yourself. Approach an important relationship with the same caring. Tonight: Just for you and a special person!
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Slow down, and if you want, vanish. The reactions you get from others might not be worth the trouble of explaining what you think right now. If you are tired, take some personal time to recharge your batteries. Tonight: Easy does it.	PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You get to see a lot of different points of view, as long as you don't get into the judgment business. You might want to rethink a personal preference that could be interfering with an important friendship. Tonight: Go for spontaneity.
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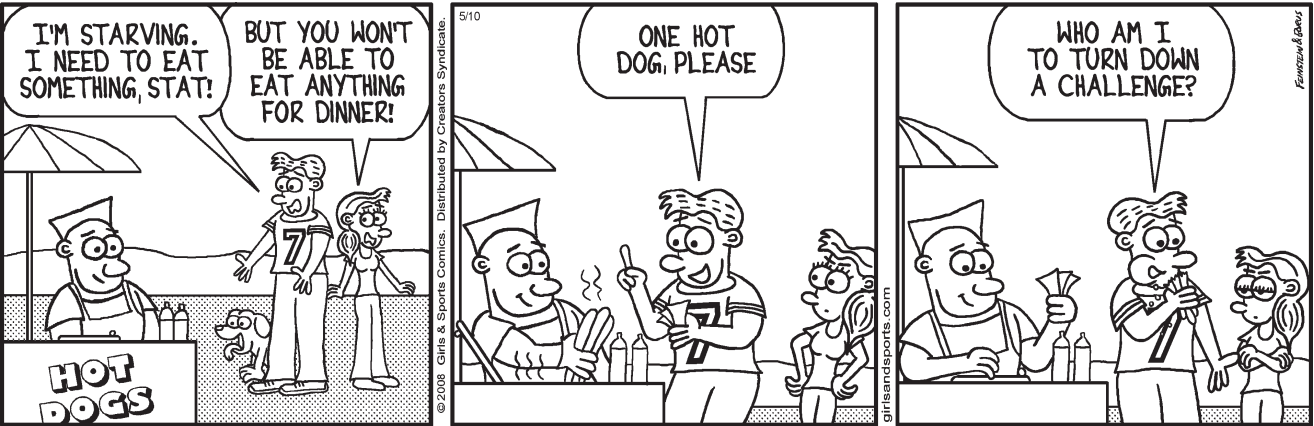
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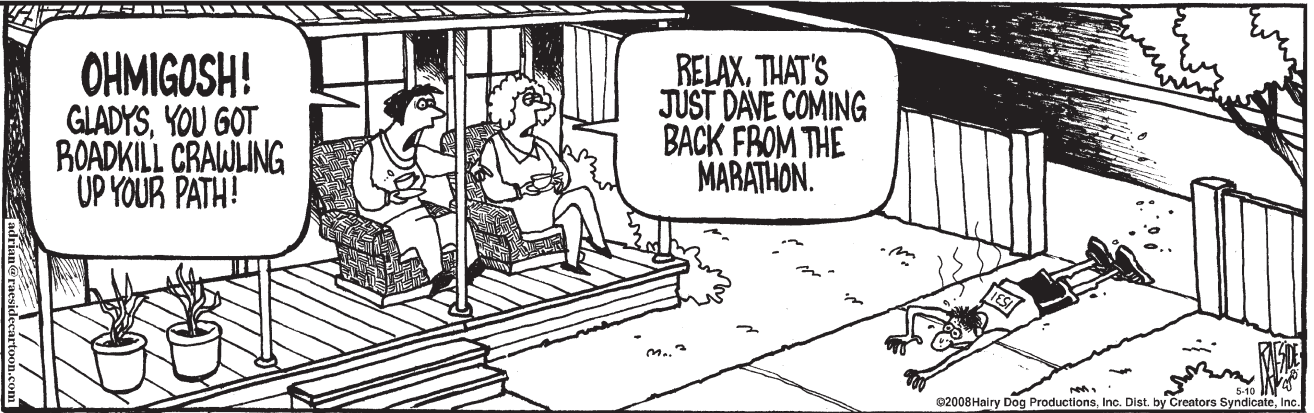
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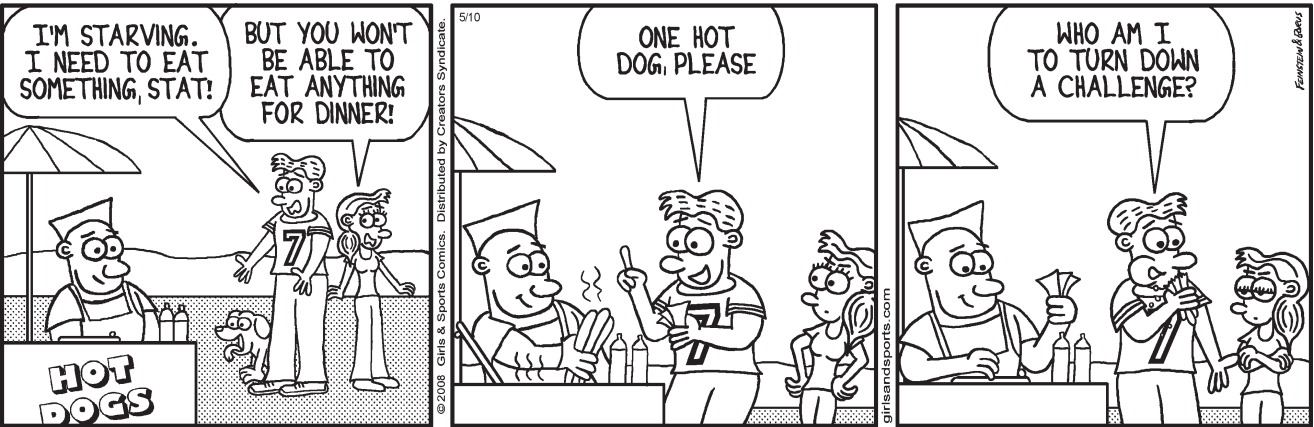
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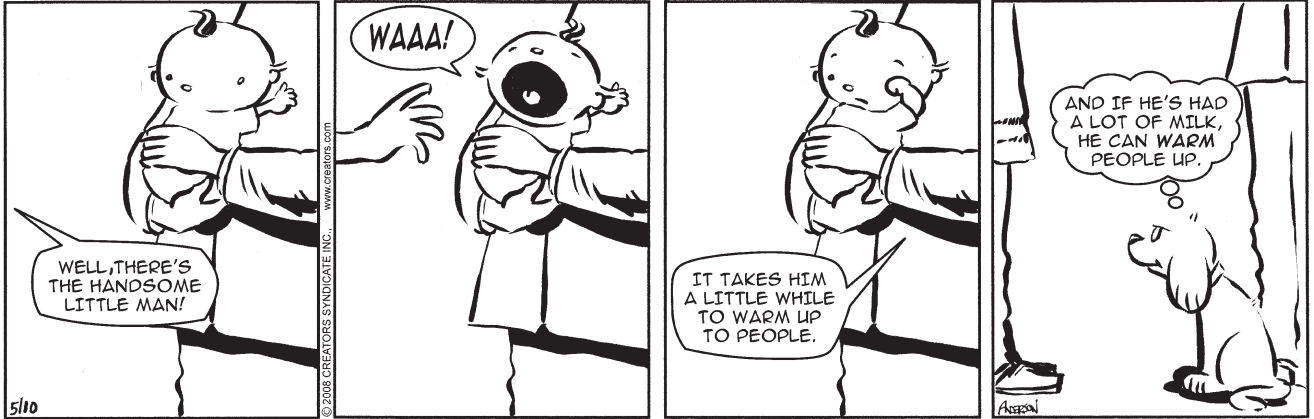
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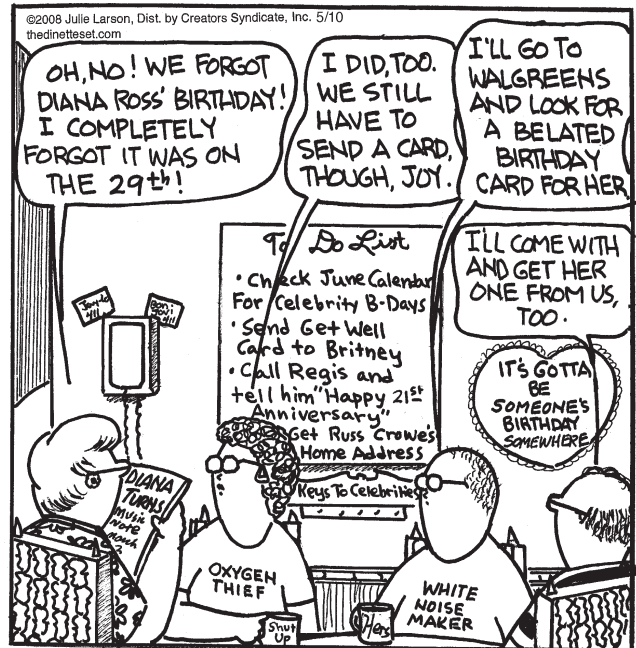


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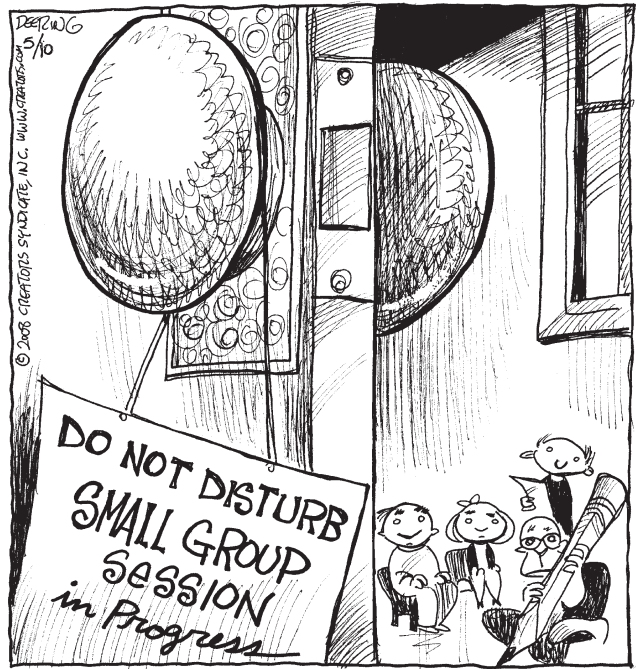
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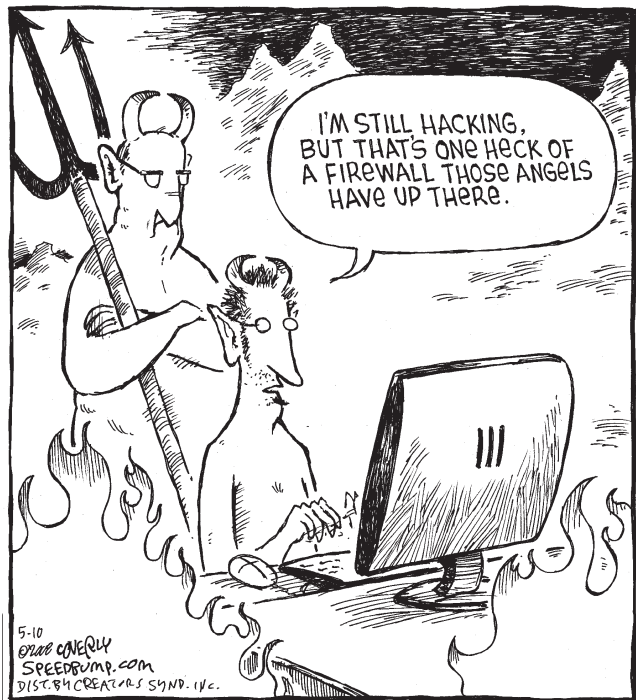
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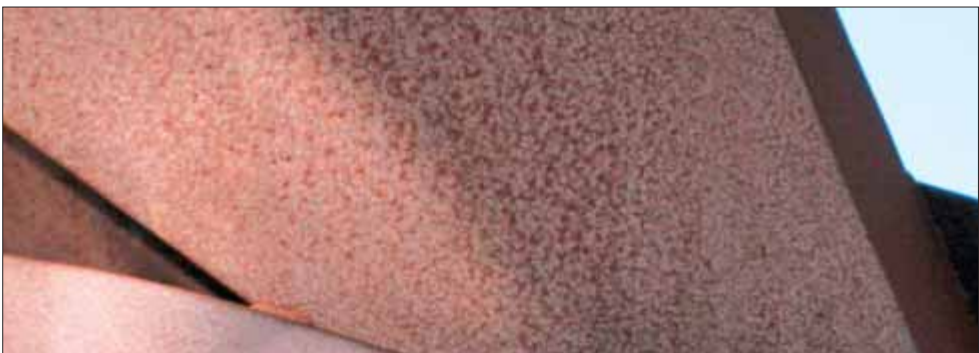
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ That Sacred Institution: The Al-Shams newspaper in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, reported in March that Mohammed al-Rashidi, 11, had just married a cousin, who is 10, remarking: "I am ready for this marriage. It will help me study better." And in April, in a courtroom in Sana'a, Yemen, a courageous 8-year-old girl walked in alone and demanded that the judge grant her a divorce from the 30-year-old man her father had contracted to marry her. The judge, rejecting tradition, granted the divorce.

■ More people who accidentally shot themselves recently: Mr. Roland Scott, the victim of a street robbery, took away the perp's shotgun and started beating him with it, but jarred the trigger, and it fired, hitting Scott, fatally, in the stomach (Baltimore, March). A 31-year-old man, fleeing police after a "pump and run" at a gas station, lost control of his car, and the collision jarred his gun, firing a shot into his abdomen (Morgan County, Colo., March). A 20-year-old man shot himself in the groin when he stuffed a shotgun (that he had allegedly just stolen) inside his pants (Seattle, April). A 44-year-old woman recanted her rape and assault claims, admitting that she shot herself in the knee while reaching for a flashlight (Springfield, Mo., December).

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1924 J. Edgar Hoover was given the job of FBI director.

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