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THE DOUBLE CHECKING ISSUE

Renters may lose right to smoke at home

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE Santa Monica landlords are cheering on a bill being considered by the California State Assembly that would allow

them to restrict smoking in rentals, a measure which puts renters' rights groups in the uncomfortable position of defending a deadly habit.

While there is no prohibition on landlords prohibiting smoking, the bill, put forward

by State Sen. Alex Padilla (D-San Fernando Valley), would specifically make it clear that they have the power to do so under California law. The goal is to protect people living in close proximity from the harmful effects of secondhand smoke.

Landlords see it as a way to keep renters happy and make their units more attractive, said Wes Wellman, president of the Action Apartment Association in Santa Monica.

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Future of school nurses up in the air

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
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SMMUSD HDQTRS Nearly half of the nurses that received layoff notices from the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District will get to keep their jobs under a new proposal put forward by the superintendent, but critics say the plan ignores recommendations made by a committee which held cuts to zero for the coming school year.

Of the 5.6 full-time equivalent positions that the Board of Education approved for cuts in February, only 2.6 notices were sent out by May 15, the deadline for final layoffs.

"The status at the moment is that they're going to rescind three final notices and send out two that are precautionary," said Santa Monica High School nurse Nora McElvain. "They realized they can't just decimate the program."

Superintendent Tim Cuneo's proposal for the 2011-12 school year keeps on seven full-time nurse positions and brings on eight-and-a-half health clerk positions to provide support to the nurses.

Health clerks can perform basic duties like maintain files and help with nurse-supervised tasks like dealing with lice outbreaks or giving approved medicines to students.

The plan would cost \$1,154,875 for the first school year, and would equal what the district is touting as a 62 percent increase in the number of people attending to student needs.

Malibu High and Samohi would each get a full-time nurse, while Olympic High School and Child Development Services



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A HELPING HAND IN A TIME OF NEED: Nurse Jane Jeffries (right) checks up on third grade student David Seizer, 8, at Will Rogers Elementary School on Wednesday afternoon.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' VOLLEYBALL Samohi ousts Windward, moves to final

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOH! The Vikings' tear through the playoffs continues.

Santa Monica High School's boys' volleyball team defeated Windward, 3-1, on Tuesday at home to advance to the final of the CIF-Southern Section Division 4 playoffs.

Once the game, which was closer than the final score would indicate, came to a close, the Vikings stormed the court in front of a packed gym, high-fiving and giving hugs all around.

It was official, the Vikings are returning to the final for the first time since 2007. If successful, it would be the school's first title since 2006.

"It's going to be fantastic," Head Coach Liane Sato said amid the celebration. "We just have to keep working like we've been doing."

If Tuesday's performance was any indicator, the Vikings just may make good in the final.

"[Samohi] is a very athletic bunch," Windward head coach Michelle McGuire said. "They're tough to beat."

The Vikings opened the match with a 25-20 win in game one, but Windward was far from intimidated. They would rally to take the second game, tying the match at 1-1, setting up a nip-and-tuck third game that could have gone either way.

Windward raced out to a 4-1 lead in the game, looking every bit like a team capable of winning a road game in a hostile environment. But, Samohi responded quickly. They

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Green your commute — and rest,
refresh and grab some goodies at
City Halls' free annual pit stop
and bike valet throughout the
morning of May 19.

'Into the Woods, Jr.'

John Adams Middle School

2425 16th St., 8 p.m.

"Into the Woods, Jr." is a twisted
and hilarious fairytale musical pro-
duced as a partnership with the
Santa Monica-Malibu Education
Foundation and the JAMS
Theatre Company. This produc-
tion also takes place on Friday at
7 p.m., and Saturday at 2 p.m.
and 7 p.m. All tickets will be sold
at the door.

Fashionable relief California Market Center Fashion Theater

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'Urinetown'

Santa Monica College

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Gotham-like city that, because of
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banned private toilets, putting its
citizens at the mercy of a single
malevolent company. This pro-
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For more information, call (310)
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THE SCENE: The original structure that housed Thelma Todd's Sidewalk Café is still there, at 17575 Pacific Coast Highway.

Who killed the Ice Cream Blonde?

BEFORE THERE WAS ANGELINA JOLIE, Elizabeth Taylor or Katharine Hepburn, there was Thelma Todd, a mercurial talent and dynamic force who blasted onto the Hollywood scene in 1925 and captivated the public until her mysterious death in 1935. And when Todd was found slumped over in the passenger seat of her car below the bluffs just north of Santa Monica, it marked the brutal end to the life of one of Hollywood's brightest stars and the beginning of one of the biggest murder mysteries in Hollywood history.

The murky nature of her death seemed a fitting end for the "Ice Cream Blonde," who had been a magnet for controversy all her life, controversy that could be traced as far back as her teen years in Massachusetts, where she created scandal by defiantly refusing to wear underwear.

By the time this pouty tart graduated high school, it was clear that Thelma Todd was not destined for life in a small town. After a short stint as a beauty pageant contestant, where she was crowned Miss

Massachusetts, she headed directly to the steamy Hollywood scene of the roaring '20s. Her striking beauty and uncanny comedic timing quickly gained her work and eventually massive worldwide fame. She starred in her first silent film in 1925 and was one of the very few silent screen stars to make the successful transition to "talkies" that would soon put an end to the silent film era.

From 1925 to 1935, Todd appeared in an astounding 75 films, working with some of the all-time comedic greats such as Laurel and Hardy and The Marx Brothers. But her vivacious and seductive on-screen personality only hinted at the wild and reckless drama that ruled her private life. As her fame exploded, her nights were spent prowling the searing Los Angeles party scene in the company of Hollywood's elite, which included some of the most notorious mob bosses of the day. Her hard partying caused so many car crashes that her studio eventually paid for her own private chauffeur and insisted she use it.

In 1932, she married playboy Pascuale

"Pat" DiCiccio, who unfortunately refused to stop his skirt-chasing ways. Soon, their marriage deteriorated into a series of raging drunken brawls, one so furious it left his nose broken and bleeding and sent her to the hospital for an emergency appendectomy.

Incredibly, in the midst of all this turmoil, Todd was still able to consistently pump out successful movies that kept her star shining brightly and her face firmly planted in the public eye. She then jumped from DiCiccio to director Roland West, who was married at the time to a fading former silent screen star. She persuaded West to partner with her in opening up a roadhouse on Pacific Coast Highway just north of Santa Monica.

Roadhouses from this era served food



THELMA TODD

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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Samohi dominates all-league selections

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOHI What a difference a few months can make.

When the Ocean League season began, Santa Monica High School's baseball team was struggling through a tough preseason schedule that didn't produce many wins. That all changed as the Vikings would go on to finish the regular season 10-0, culminating in a league title.

Those exploits have paid off as a number of Vikings made the All-Ocean League team, it was announced on Tuesday.

Junior Adam Padilla was named Most Valuable Player for his work on both the mound and at the plate. The junior was pivotal on the mound against league rivals Beverly Hills and Culver City in the season's final weeks to help the Vikings win the title.

"Adam is the catalyst for us in terms of how we go," Head Coach Sheldon Philip-Guide said. "Although he's an underclassman, he's a leader. The kids take his lead."

"We wouldn't have won league without

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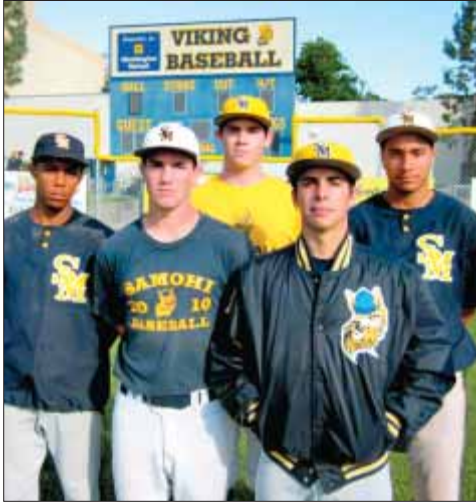


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MAJOR HONORS: (Left to right) Alex Turner, David Tyre-Vigil, Andrew McRitchie, Adam Padilla and Matthew Stancil.

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Addressing the issue

Editor:

In a recent letter, Mr. Lewis Soloff discussed a negative experience that he had several weeks ago at the city's Household Hazardous Waste Center ("Treated poorly," Letters to the Editor, page 4, May 13). I spoke with Mr. Soloff at the time, personally apologized for the incident and explained the steps that my office has taken to ensure that it doesn't happen in the future. The situation he described occurred in part because of an unclear policy regarding electronic waste that we have since clarified.

The city accepts electronic waste such as TVs, computers, cell phones and small appliances from residents for recycling at its Transfer Station at 2411 Delaware Ave. As a convenience to residents we also have been accepting "small" electronic items at the center for the past few years. The size requirement for electronic items was needed because of space limitations at the center and the need for our staff to manually remove items, some of which can be very heavy, from residents' cars. However, at the time of Mr. Soloff's visit we hadn't clearly defined what we meant by "small." Because of this, our staff at the center had been put in the position of making the determination on what they could accept when it was brought in.

The collected electronic items are temporarily placed in a bin at the center and then taken by our staff to the Transfer Station when the bin is full. If the bin is already full when a resident comes in, or if an item is determined to be too large to easily and safely carry, the center staff will direct the resident to drop it off at the Transfer Station, which is located a couple of blocks away. We understand that this extra trip can be perceived as an inconvenience, particularly if the resident doesn't understand the reason for it. To help avoid this we have now clarified our policy to state that we will only accept electronic waste at the center if it weighs less than 40 pounds. Heavier electronic waste should be taken directly to the Transfer Station. This information has been posted on our website (www.sustainable-sm.org) and in outreach materials distributed at the center.

The Office of Sustainability and the Environment prides itself on providing excellent service to all Santa Monica residents at the center. When an incident occurs that doesn't meet this standard we use it as an opportunity to improve. I encourage all residents to make use of the center to safely dispose of your household hazardous waste and assure you that you will have a positive experience when doing so.

Dean Kubani

Director, city of Santa Monica, Office of Sustainability and the Environment



Life Matters

JoAnne Barge & Katrina Davy Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Don't worry, be happy

DEAR NEW SHRINK,

I have a problem. When I get extremely close to certain people, I am sometimes overcome with a sense of fear that something awful has happened to them if I have not heard from them when expected. This happened sometimes with my mom when I was younger, and now it is happening again with my boyfriend. I know this might stem from some attachment issues from my childhood, but even with this awareness, the problem still remains. I try to rationalize that everything is most likely OK, but I feel worried until I hear from him. This only happens once in a while, and I always wonder, "Is he OK? Did something happen to him?" I have figured out ways to deal with this on a surface level, such as giving myself a certain amount of time to not worry, or staying distracted. But on a deeper level, how can I get rid of these unhealthy feelings of uncontrollable loss? It has nothing to do with trust; it's a fear of losing him due to uncontrollable and inevitable events. How do I get these thoughts out of my head?

Signed,
Fearful

DEAR FEARFUL,

I am not sure where to start. This sounds very uncomfortable and you are right, not necessarily healthy. In a sense it could be a somewhat healthy defense that you have constructed in that when we are mentally prepared for something, we handle it much better than if we are caught completely off guard. I don't know if you meant to use the word, but you did end by saying it's a fear of uncontrollable "inevitable" events. What is it that you anticipate?

It is said that there are only two things that are certain in life — death and taxes. We can't control either one but the first is something we can avoid, like taking care of ourselves. Are you close to the end of life? Any reason to believe death is close? Since you talk about your mom and your boyfriend, I imagine that you are young. You also say this only happens with certain people. Are these people engaging in high-risk behaviors or are you imagining that something totally random will take them from you?

You sound as if you have developed some good coping strategies and at the same time have the awareness that you have a deeper problem. You also sound as if you think this rather vague awareness should stop the problem, but with all due respect, it doesn't sound like much awareness at all. Knowing about something is not the same as truly knowing it. That only comes when feelings and thoughts connect on an issue.

Attachment has been well studied and it is a natural instinct that we as humans have. Actually, most animals have it as well. This is because it is necessary for our survival. Attachment anxiety or problems forming

attachments generally arise from the pain of loss. Unresolved grief almost guarantees attachment/relationship problems and emotional problems as well.

You may have noticed that over the last few decades we have had debriefing counselors that rush into the schools and talk with students after a school shooting or some big trauma. If we are able to work through our shock and grief soon after a loss, i.e. debrief with someone who cares, we are far less likely to carry it with us or have it go underground into our psyches.

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Without knowing you, it sounds like you have had some type of traumatic loss and this is probably what you mean by attachment issues from your childhood. You may not have realized it as such but as a child, worrying about your own safety and survival is very troubling and not something we would wish on any child. Sometimes as children we pick up on, share and internalize the worries of a parent.

The big question is, where did your attachment anxiety come from? To work it out requires specificity and narrative. What I mean by this is that you would need to get very honest, specific and talk it out with someone. Usually this happens with a psychotherapist, in a grief group or for some people, with a religious leader at their church or temple.

Lastly, I think it is perfectly reasonable to talk to the people you are close to and ask them to be cognizant of your tendency to worry while you work on it. Ask that they try to check in as expected or when they say they will.

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Traveling Back to Fitness

Taylor Van Arsdale

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Feeling good, looking good

IT'S GETTING HOT OUTSIDE, FOLKS, AND YOU know what that means ... we're all going to be wearing shorts soon.

Today, at Burn Fitness, it seemed like everyone was wearing shorts — everyone except for me. Yes, I lost 30 pounds on Fatburn.com and through the tireless efforts of my awesome trainer, Keith Sims, but just because I lost weight doesn't mean I'm immune to "body issues." Sadly, I think I may be my own worst critic. We are all guilty of this.

So what do you do to combat issues of self-esteem? We've talked about motivating the body physically and what to do when you are feeling "blah" about working out, but how do you motivate your psyche when you are feeling down on yourself?

Where there's a poor body image there's a solution to be found at the gym. Trust me. But first, you have to feel good about being there.

One of the easiest ways to feel better about your self-image is to change what you're wearing. Think about how great you feel when you have a new outfit, or even new sneakers. Spiffy togs can help elevate your mood. And if you can't purchase a new gym ensemble, make sure you find something that you're comfortable in. I personally don't wear shorts to the gym. Whether it's cellulite, a stray vein, a bruise, or stubble — I can't work-out if I feel like people are staring at me (or if I think they are). The reality is that most people aren't going to be staring at you anyway, but if you feel like a sausage, for God's sake don't wrap yourself in Spandex. Get comfortable, loose fitting clothing that breathes.

Get to the gym early. The early bird catches the worm and the best exercise cycle. But honestly, here's the thing, everyone's half asleep in the morning and no one will be focused on you. They'll be thinking about coffee, their job, their day, etc.

By the numbers

Starting Weight: 182
Pounds Lost: 32.
Current Weight: 150
Goal Weight: 135
Pounds to Lose to Goal: 15

Stay on point, but don't beat yourself up emotionally when you don't. I was talking to my trainer and we both agreed; it's so easy to fall off track. Even trainers fall off track. That's right. Take heart, folks. That trainer who you see that's in perfect shape, not an ounce of body fat on his or her frame, also struggles the good fight with diet. Sims told me just that same morning one of the trainers said he felt disgusting and horrible because he woofed down a greasy meal the night before and broke his diet. But listen, it happens. It happens to the best of us. The thing to do is not to wallow in the self-loathing but to use that time to get back up on the horse and trot on over to the gym. Don't let a day of food injury set in motion a cycle of low self-esteem. Don't say, "Well I had this or I had that so my diet is now doomed." Don't let a day or two of diet distress get you all mental.

A change of clothes, an early start, and the ability to forgive yourself when you've gone off track are my top three suggestions to help you bolster your self-esteem. Listen, no one ever said this was easy. Give yourself a pat on the back for reading this and thinking about changing your life, because thinking is the first step to doing.

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The Q-Line

Gap lingers on

A report by Education Trust-West found the achievement gap between white and minority SMMUSD students persists despite efforts to close it.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
What do you think can be done to bridge the gap?

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Schwarzenegger's legacy tarnished?

JULIET WILLIAMS

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO Arnold Schwarzenegger's political legacy in California already was tenuous.

He left the governor's office after seven years without making good on his central campaign promise to fix the state's budgeting system, then commuted the manslaughter sentence for the son of a political ally in one of his final official acts, drawing the condemnation of prosecutors and the family of a slain college student.

Now he's revealed to be the father of an out-of-wedlock child, a secret he kept during two gubernatorial terms.

No matter his accomplishments in office, Schwarzenegger may be best remembered as yet another philandering politician who got caught.

The former governor said in a statement early Tuesday that he had fathered the child of a longtime household staff member more than a decade ago, and that the woman continued to work in the family's Brentwood home until January.

Schwarzenegger and his wife, Maria Shriver, announced earlier this month that they were separating and that Shriver had moved out, although they did not give a reason at the time beyond a reference to difficult transitions.

After leaving office in January, the former Republican governor had for a time been angling for a role as some kind of international political spokesman, perhaps on environmental issues. In April, he appeared at a Washington, D.C., forum on immigration hosted by President Barack Obama, but his grander plans for politics did not appear to be panning out, so Schwarzenegger lately has been trying to relaunch his career as a Hollywood action star.

"It's over. There's no political future," said Patrick Dorinson, a Republican who worked on Schwarzenegger's 2003 campaign and in his administration early on. "I'm just disgusted. It's the only dang bipartisan thing these guys do — cheat on their wives. John Edwards, Arnold Schwarzenegger — tell me the difference."

The comparison to Edwards is natural. The former North Carolina senator frequently invoked his wife and children as he sought the 2008 Democratic nomination for president. He later acknowledged fathering a child with a campaign videographer at the same time his wife, Elizabeth Edwards, was battling breast cancer. She died last year.

Yet Schwarzenegger's legacy and reputation already were under fire after he cut Esteban Nunez's prison sentence for manslaughter to seven years from 16. Nunez, the son of former Democratic Assembly

Speaker Fabian Nunez, had pleaded guilty in 2008 in the stabbing death of a San Diego college student, 22-year-old Luis Santos. Prosecutors say Esteban Nunez also stabbed two other people after he and a group of friends went looking for revenge after getting kicked out of a fraternity party.

San Diego County prosecutors last week asked a state court to overturn Schwarzenegger's last-minute decision because he failed to seek input from the victim's family before he made the commutation. State law requires such notification.

Schwarzenegger's story now resembles that of so many other politicians beset by hubris and poor judgment. The indiscretion, which Schwarzenegger referred to as an "event" that occurred more than a decade ago, will be what sticks in the minds of many people, adding to the former "Terminator" star's image as a Hollywood playboy.

"Long after Californians have forgotten the details of his fiscal policies, they'll remember that he had a child out of wedlock. And more importantly, they'll remember the cover-up," said Jack Pitney, a political science professor at Claremont McKenna College. "It doesn't necessarily contradict his policies, but it certainly taints his reputation."

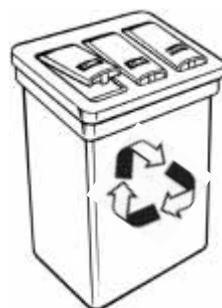
Others said the news has a greater impact on Schwarzenegger's family and his friends than it does on California voters.

"I think at the end of the day, it didn't happen during his governorship, it happened before his governorship," said former Senate Minority Leader Jim Brulte, who is now a Republican adviser. "Citizens in California already have a fixed impression of Gov. Schwarzenegger, good or bad, and I would be surprised if this changes that."

It was a surprise that Schwarzenegger had kept an out-of-wedlock child a secret for more than 10 years while the mother continued to work in the Schwarzenegger-Shriver home, but the revelation itself was not a shocker.

Schwarzenegger, a former Mr. Universe who had often bragged about his sexual conquests before he met Shriver, had come under fire just days before the 2003 recall election after the Los Angeles Times reported allegations from 16 women that Schwarzenegger had groped and verbally harassed them during encounters dating to the early 1970s and as recently as 2000. Schwarzenegger apologized for his bad behavior but never fully addressed the claims.

"Yes, it is true that I was on rowdy movie sets and I have done things that were not right which I thought then was playful, but now I recognize that I have offended people," he said then. "And those people that I have offended, I want to say to them, 'I am deeply sorry about that and I apologize, because this is not what I'm trying to do.'"



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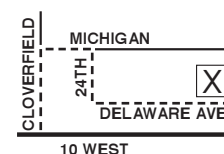
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Race for Harman's seat heads for runoff

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LOS ANGELES Los Angeles City Councilwoman Janice Hahn advanced to a runoff in the election to fill Democratic Rep. Jane Harman's Southern California congressional seat, but the race for second place was too close to determine who her opponent would be.

With all precincts reporting, Hahn, a Democrat, led the other 15 candidates in Tuesday's election with 24.6 percent of the vote.

Republican businessman Craig Huey, 60, who has tea party support and lent his campaign \$500,000, had 21.8 percent, and California Secretary of State Debra Bowen, a Democrat, had 21.4 percent. Only 206 votes separated Huey and Bowen early Wednesday, and there were 9,811 mail-in, provisional and damaged ballots yet to be counted, said Marcia Ventura, spokeswoman for the Los Angeles County registrar-recorder.

The count was scheduled to be completed Friday, Ventura said. The top two finishers will face each other in a July 12 runoff.

Huey's campaign manager, Jimmy Camp, said he was confident Huey's lead would hold and he wasn't surprised by the conservative Republican's strong showing in a heavily Democratic district that stretches from the famous Venice

boardwalk through the playground of Manhattan Beach to the edge of the sprawling Los Angeles port.

"It's what we've seen all along," Camp said. He credited campaign volunteers with getting voters to the polls on Election Day.

Bowen's campaign was also confident that she would be in the runoff.

"We know that with 9,811 ballots yet to be processed that's more than enough to make up the difference," Bowen campaign spokesman Luis Vizcaino said.

Hahn, 59, scion of a prominent Los Angeles political family, emerged as the establishment favorite, winning endorsements from U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and the powerful Los Angeles County Federation of Labor. Bowen, a 55-year-old former legislator, had the backing of the Sierra Club, the California Nurses Association and former Democratic National Committee Chairman Howard Dean.

The field consisted of five Democrats, six Republicans, a Libertarian, one Peace and Freedom candidate, and three candidates with no party affiliation.

The race also was notable because it was the first congressional test of California's new open primary system for electing lawmakers.

Late spring storm dumps snow on mountains

ROBERT JABLON

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES A late-season spring storm dumped fresh snow in the Sierra Nevada and made Wednesday a chilly, blustery day in Central and Southern California.

Winds gusts of up to 50 mph were possible in Central and Southern California mountains, deserts and coastal areas into the night, according to the National Weather Service.

"We're getting some nice blue skies" after three days of rain but it was "not the best day to be at the beach," National Weather Service forecaster Eric Boldt said.

The overnight storm was the second to sweep down from the Gulf of Alaska in as many days, bringing winter-like conditions. Overnight lows were in the 40s in Southern California.

May usually is a dry month but not always, Boldt said.

"Springtime is definitely a transitional time, when you're getting these colder systems," Boldt said.

The storm dumped an inch or more of rain in the Sierra foothills and a third- to a half-inch of rain in the Los Angeles area. Dozens of crashes were reported on slick freeways from Central California to the Mexican border but few serious injuries were reported.

Downtown Los Angeles has had more than 20 inches of

rain since last July — more than 5 inches above normal, Boldt said.

In the Sierra Nevada, the Mammoth Mountain ski resort reported getting 8.5 inches of snow overnight, bringing its total to 20 inches since Sunday. The weather service said some areas could see up to 2 feet of new snow before the storm rolls east out of California.

Meanwhile, the weather in Central California remained unsettled and unseasonably cool with a chance of thunderstorms and small hail in the afternoon and scattered showers through the day, according to the weather service.

Further out, there could be some clouds Thursday night or Friday morning but no rain, and a high pressure ridge will bring slightly warmer temperatures heading into the weekend, Boldt said.

Along the southern coast, a building southerly swell was expected to produce surf of 7 feet to 9 feet late in the day and lasting until at least Friday evening, forecasters said. The high surf, particularly on south- and southwest-facing beaches, could combine with astronomical high tides and produce minor coastal flooding on low-lying beach areas including Malibu and Pacific Palisades, the NWS said.

Dangerous rip currents were expected along beaches from Los Angeles to San Diego.



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Wilshire Bus Lane Report Under Review

Review is currently underway on the revised environmental study for constructing peak-hour bus lanes on Wilshire Boulevard between Santa Monica and Downtown LA. The document is available for a 30-day public review online at metro.net/wilshire and at public libraries in the study area.

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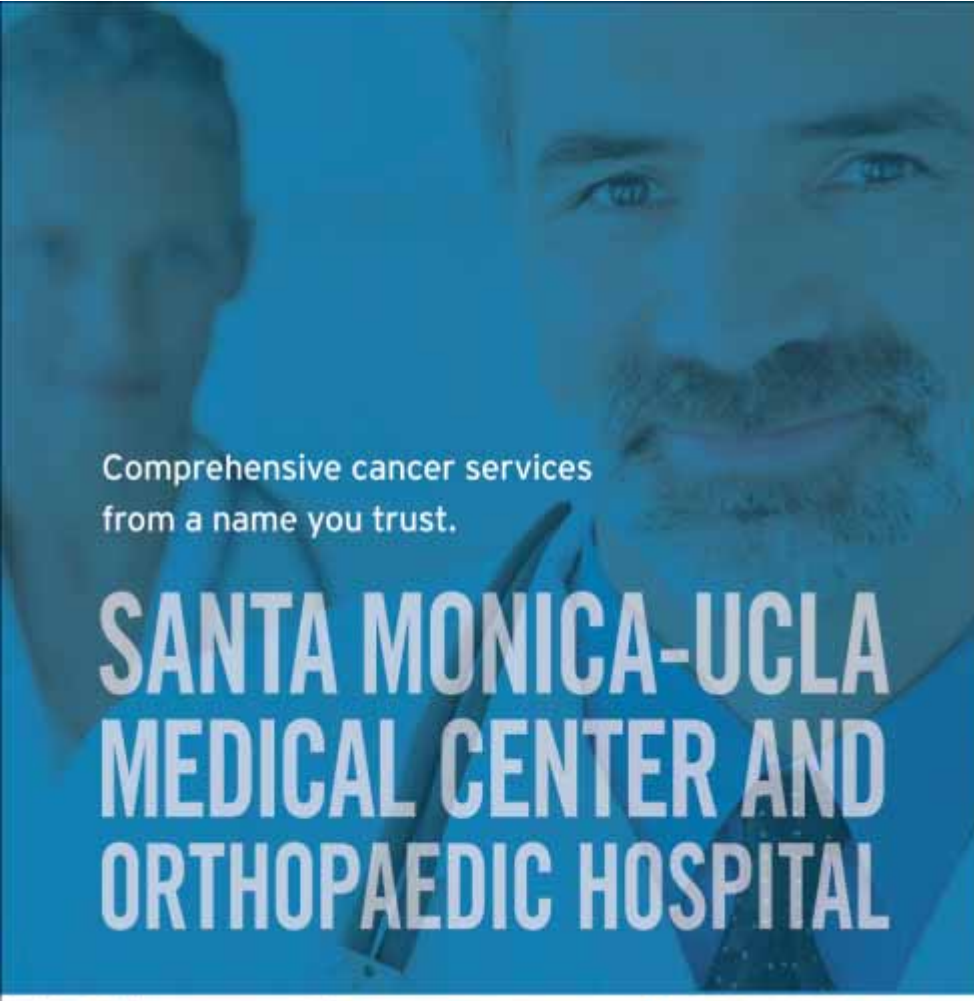
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VOLLEYBALL

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would rally behind a pair of kills by David Cline to tie the game at 5, but the seesaw battle was just beginning.

Windward was able to stay close, but Samohi, on the strength of kills by Jack Cramer and Julian Hess, was able to close out the game, 25-20.

"It was a real battle," Hess said. "It was fun."

The fourth game was similarly close, but again, Samohi was just too much down the stretch and won 25-20. Charles Levy came up big in the waning moments of the match with a pair of huge kills that appeared to break Windward's back.

"We had some ups and downs," Levy said. "But we came up clutch to finish the match."

The win sets up a meeting with San Gabriel in the final on Saturday at



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YAY! Samohi's boys' volleyball team celebrates after beating Windward on Tuesday.

Cypress College. The game is scheduled for 4 p.m.

"We have to focus on not making stupid mistakes," Hess said of Saturday. "We can win if we just play our game."

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STORIES

FROM PAGE 3

during the day, but were better known for their late-night activities, which featured booze, live music and dancing. They often also offered less than legal activities, mainly gambling and prostitution.

Still married, West moved into an apartment with Todd above her roadhouse, which she named Thelma Todd's Sidewalk Café. It opened to packed crowds, with a distinctly Hollywood flavor. It also attracted the Mafia, and soon Todd began an affair with one of her regulars, ruthless mobster Charles "Lucky" Luciano, whose real interest was not in her, but rather running an illegal gambling operation out of her club. The affair, and her continued late nights of alcohol and drugs made West fume. And as Luciano ratcheted up the pressure for a gambling den, Todd became furious and was finally reported to have yelled, "Over my dead body," while having dinner with him at the Brown Derby in Hollywood. Luciano was rumored to have calmly answered, "That can be arranged."

On the night of her death on Dec. 14, 1935, Todd had been chauffeured to a party in Hollywood after arguing with West, who angrily demanded that she stay home and stop her brazen carousing. But she answered him by slamming the door in his face and headed out into the night. She left the party at around 2:30 a.m. and was driven home by her chauffeur, arriving at the front of Thelma Todd's Sidewalk Café at around 3:30 a.m. For some reason, Todd refused her chauffeur's usual offer of walking her up the long flight of stairs to the apartment above the café. The chauffeur then drove off, thus being the last one to see Thelma Todd alive.

At 10:30 the following morning, her maid climbed the staircase to the garage and found Todd inside, slumped over in the passenger seat of her Packard convertible. Conflicting reports from the scene had her face covered with blood and a large welt on her forehead, while others mentioned no evidence of facial trauma. Could she have died at the hands of a vengeful Lucky Luciano who then paid off the police to cover it up? Adding to the

intrigue were the various sightings of "mob-looking" vehicles lurking around the roadhouse during that fateful night. Another theory was that she died of carbon monoxide poisoning after passing out in her car, which she had kept running to keep her warm.

Years later a rumored death-bed confession surfaced by West where he actually admitted to following her down to the garage and locking her inside. One final possibility for her death was suicide, since it was later discovered that Todd's finances were so bad she was nearly completely bankrupt. Arguing against this scenario was that she never displayed any of the classic suicidal symptoms and that those who knew her best saw her as a spirited woman with an uncommon zest for life.

In the weeks following her death, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office conducted a speedy and somewhat superficial investigation which quickly ended with a verdict of suicide. This angered her legions of fans and frustrated those in her inner circle. But, since her body had already been cremated, a second, more thorough autopsy could not be conducted. The initial verdict was then overturned in favor of accidental death, which did nothing to address the many unanswered questions swirling around the case, most notably the mob's involvement. And despite many protests, the case was never reopened.

It has now been more than 75 years since the beautiful and troubled Thelma Todd died mysteriously at the sadly young age of 29. Remarkably, her death still captivates the public, more so than her many dimming and soon-to-be forgotten black-and-white films. And, in classic Hollywood tradition, her death will continue to grow in legend as her life and work slowly fade to black.

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SMOKING FROM PAGE 1

"The problem is that with existing tenants, there's no way to hermetically seal a unit. Smoke can get through cracks, floors, ventilation and plumbing and affect an innocent third party," Wellman said.

Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights co-chair Patricia Hoffman opposed the ban, but only for renters that already occupy units when the bill comes into effect.

If so, it could be used to oust long-time tenants from rent-controlled apartments, she said.

"I think it's one thing to start a new contract with someone who isn't already an existing tenant," Hoffman said. "If you have an existing tenant in a rent control place, I don't think smoking should be grounds for eviction."

The habit is legal, and renters should have the right to pursue legal activities in their homes without fear of being tossed out, Hoffman said.

"I think smoking is a bad thing, I just think losing one's housing is a terrible thing," Hoffman said.

Attitudes in the capital have taken a dramatic swing in recent years. When Padilla first tried to pass a similar bill, it never made it out of committee, said spokeswoman Taryn Kinney.

This time, it sailed through the State Senate with a 33 to 2 vote.

Senators may have been swayed by the 35 cities and counties that have enacted similar provisions on a local level, Kinney said.

Not all felt that way.

State Sen. Joel Anderson (R-El Cajon) voted against the measure, despite the fact that Temecula, where one of his district offices is located, was the first city to pass an ordinance requiring that a certain number of units in each market-rate housing project

be set aside as non-smoking.

"Apartment managers already have the ability to restrict smoking," Anderson said. "Using the heavy hand of government to solve a private, civil matter is not appropriate nor necessary."

Although the Santa Monica City Council has seen fit to prohibit smoking in many public and private locations — commercial buildings, city buildings and common areas, to name a few — it has not tackled dwellings.

Some of the changes, like prohibiting smoking on patios, actually worsened the situation for neighbors of smokers, Wellman said.

"It exacerbated the problem by not allowing them to smoke anywhere but within the unit," Wellman said.

Action opposed that measure, opting instead for an outright ban like the one Padilla proposed.

"This is life or death for tenants being affected by this," Wellman said. "All we can do is support those people leading this."

The bill won't lead to an outright ban on smoking, Wellman predicted.

"The marketplace will respond to that just like with pets," he said. "Some won't rent to pets at all, and some will seize the opportunity to get a premium. The marketplace will respond and create opportunities for those that want a smoke-free environment and those that want to smoke."

According to the bill, 86 percent of Californian adults don't smoke. At the same time, secondhand smoke is considered a dangerous carcinogen that is responsible for an estimated 49,400 deaths nationwide each year.

If the bill passes the State Assembly, it will go to Gov. Jerry Brown for final approval.

It would take effect for all leases signed after Jan. 1, 2012.

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NURSES

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would share one.

Each pathway, or set of connected elementary and middle schools that feed into a specific high school, would get one nurse shared between the schools, as well as health clerks for extra support.

The division is based on the number of students at each high school, and held within each pathway.

The plan doesn't reflect any of three options developed by an ad hoc committee convened in February to examine how the district could better provide health care to students in the district.

That committee consists of health care professionals including the CEO of the Cedars Sinai Health System, various school administrators and city officials. They met five times and developed three options, one of which they turned in to the board.

Committee members voted to present a plan to the superintendent that also proposed reducing the number of nurses, but only by 1.6 full-time positions by the 2013-14 school year, not 4.6 as the superintendent has suggested.

For the 2011-12 year, the committee's plan preserves all 9.6 nursing positions and would be supplemented with both licensed vocational nurses, or LVNs, and health clerks, while sticking within the \$1,155,355 budget given to them by administrators.

LVNs have less training than a licensed school nurse. Nurses in SMMUSD tend to have not only an undergraduate degree, but also a master's degree and several years of experience as a nurse in another school district.

According to a presentation given by Susan Chaides of the Los Angeles County Office of Education, who participated in the committee, an LVN can only do limited assessments of student health, maintain health records and assist school nurses in some activities.

They're better qualified than health clerks, but have only 12 to 14 months of training.

Under the committee's proposal, the number of LVNs

and part-time health clerks would climb each year, and approximately one nursing position would be cut.

By 2013-14, the district would employ eight nurses and supplement with three full-time LVNs, four part-time LVNs and four part-time health clerks. The funding for these positions would not change.

SMMUSD Nurse Coordinator Lora Morn, who participated in the committee, said the group did a fabulous job in putting together its proposal.

The superintendent's staffing represents too much of a jolt to the system at exactly the wrong time, Morn said.

Cuneo could not be reached for comment.

"It will be difficult to hire, train and support eight-and-a-half new health clerks by next school year, especially with the Tdap [vaccine] requirement," Morn said.

New school vaccination requirements dictate that approximately 5,000 students will need to show proof that they've gotten their Tdap booster, a vaccine that covers tuberculosis, diphtheria and pertussis, before they show up for school next year.

Nurses will be working overtime to go through thousands of medical records to ensure that students either have the vaccine or the appropriate waiver, but it will take a lot of time and manpower.

If the student doesn't have the required paperwork, they will not get their school schedule, which puts a lot of pressure on the nurses that keep their jobs, whether or not they have a host of new employees to train.

The superintendent's proposal doesn't stop there, however.

The plan proposes phasing in extra cuts to nurses and replacing them with even more LVNs.

Under the "possible phase-in-goal," there would be only six full-time nurses in the 2012-13 school year, supplemented by three LVNs and seven health clerks.

By 2013-14, that balance would be reduced to five nurses, four LVNs and the seven health clerks. That level of staffing would cost the district \$1,139,250, or \$16,105 less than the committee's recommended plan.

The item is on the Board of Education's agenda as a discussion item. No action will be taken Thursday.

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BASEBALL

FROM PAGE 3



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him."

Not to be outdone, Philip-Guide was named Coach of the Year by his peers in just his second season at Samohi.

"My goal is to try to improve every year until we win a CIF championship," he said. "Hopefully, one year down the line, we can win one. But, I'm hoping to do it this year."

In addition to Padilla, seven Vikings earned honors.

The first team included: Matthew Stancil (first base), Andrew McRitchie (pitcher), David Tyre-Vigil (designated hitter) and Alex Turner (outfield).

Second team honorees included: Lino Lares (catcher), Albert Garcia (pitcher) and Nick Herrera (second base).

The all-league team was released as the Vikings prepare to take on Montebello on Friday in the first round of the CIF-Southern Section Division 3 playoffs.

Philip-Guide hopes the team doesn't let its late-season success get to their heads, but said that they should savor the moment.

"Hopefully, that reward will motivate them to do even better in the playoffs," he said.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Please take notice that the Santa Monica Rent Control Board amended Chapter 12 Regulations 12051, 12053, 12055 and 12070-12073 Lapse of Exemptions at its regular meeting of May 12, 2011.

This Regulation, as set forth below, will become effective by promulgation the day after publication in the newspaper.

12051. Exemption Procedures for Rental Units in Hotels, Motels, Inns, Tourist Homes and Rooming and Boarding Houses

(a) Scope of Section. Hotels, motels, inns, tourist homes and rooming and boarding houses shall not be considered exempt from the Rent Control Law unless and until the owner of the property has applied for, and received, a determination that such units are exempt.

(b) Filing of Application and Notice Thereof. Any person seeking an exemption determination under this section must make application on the form approved by the Administrator. Within five days of filing of an application, the owner shall either:

- (1) Serve a copy of such application along with a response form provided by the Board on tenants from every rental unit for which the owner seeks an exemption, or
- (2) Post a copy of such application along with a copy of the response form provided by the Board in each rental unit for which the owner seeks an exemption.

The applicant must provide occupancy records for the period from January 1, 1979, to the present for every unit of the property for which the applicant seeks an exemption for inspection and copying at the Rent Control Board offices upon request. Failure to provide such records may result in dismissal of the application.

(c) Determination. As soon as practicable after the filing of an application, and in no event later than ninety (90) days from the date of filing, the Board shall make a final determination as to the exempt or non-exempt status of the property. The Board may hold a hearing or direct a hearing examiner to hold a hearing for the purpose of receiving evidence upon which to make the determination.

(d) Standards for Exemption. The Board shall determine that the property is exempt from the Rent Control Law upon making the following findings and subject to the proviso set forth in subsection (e):

- (1) The property is a hotel, motel, inn, tourist home, or rooming and boarding house.
 - (2) The rental units at the property are rented primarily for use by transient guests.
 - (3) The rental units at the property are rented primarily for rental collection periods of less than fourteen (14) days.
- (e) Exemption Exceptions. A determination of exemption shall not apply to units occupied by tenants in any of the following circumstances until such tenants cease to reside on the property:

- (1) The current occupant has continuously resided in the rental unit for at least three (3) months as of the date of Board hearing; or
- (2) The current occupant has continuously resided on the property, whether in the rental unit currently occupied or in another unit, for at least three (3) months as of the date of Board hearing; or
- (3) The current occupant has an oral or written agreement entered into with the owner or owner's agent before the date of Board hearing establishing a tenancy of three (3) months or more.

(f) Burden of Proof. An applicant shall have the burden of proving entitlement to an exemption under this section. The applicant shall present the records of occupancy required to be kept and documentation of transient occupancy taxes paid to the City under Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 6.68.

(g) Effective Date of Exemption. Upon determination by the Board that a property is exempt from rent control, the exemption shall be deemed to relate back to the date upon which the conditions entitling an applicant to an exemption arose, providing that such conditions have continued to exist at all times since that date.

(h) Expiration of Exemption. If the use of a hotel, motel, inn, tourist home, rooming house or boarding house which has been granted an exemption under this section changes such that the rental units on the

property are no longer rented primarily for use by transient guests, the exemption shall automatically expire.

12053. Exemption Procedures For Three Unit or Less Owner-Occupied Properties

(a) Filing of Application.

(1) Any person seeking a determination of exemption under Charter §1801(c)(4) must make application on the form approved by the Administrator. Such application shall not be considered complete until the applicant has submitted a copy of a grant deed or other evidence of applicant's ownership interest and other documentation showing that there [are] were, on April 10, 1979, three or fewer units at the property and that the applicant's principal place of residence is the property for which exemption is claimed. The application for exemption shall not be accepted for filing unless accompanied by a processing fee of one hundred dollars (\$100).

(2) Staff shall have five business days from the date the application is submitted to determine if an application is complete. If the application is incomplete, it shall be returned to the applicant and shall not be considered "filed". Any application which is not rejected as incomplete during the five day review period shall be considered filed on the sixth business day after the date of submission and the ninety days for consideration of the application shall begin on that date. Even if an incomplete application is accepted for filing, it may be dismissed pursuant to Section 12200 of these Regulations.

(3) If an application for an exemption has been denied or withdrawn the applicant may refile one hundred twenty (120) days or more after the denial.

(b) Notice. Within five days of filing of a completed application, the Board shall mail a copy of the application for exemption to each rental unit at the property along with an Administrator-approved notice of filing and a tenant response form.

(c) Standards of Proof. The applicant shall have the burden of proving by a preponderance of evidence that:

- (1) The applicant owns at least a fifty percent (50%) interest in the property for which exemption is sought and has owned fifty percent (50%) interest since the date of filing the application for exemption;
- (2) The property, including any contiguous parcels or lots in which the applicant has at least a fifty percent (50%) ownership interest, had three or fewer residential units, including residential units not used for rental purposes, on April 10, 1979;
- (3) The owner has continuously resided at the property as his or her principal place of residence beginning at least one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the filing of the application for exemption.

(d) Recommendation Without a Hearing Where Facts Are Not In Dispute. Staff shall review the documentation submitted with each application, Board records of the property and all tenant response forms returned to the Board. Staff shall prepare a "Recommendation to the Board" recommending that the application be granted without a hearing, if the applicant's documentation, Board records and all tenant responses confirm that as of the date of filing, the applicant has met the requirements of Regulation 12053(c).

(e) Reference to Hearing Examiner. If upon review of the application, attachments and tenant responses, staff determines that there are any disputed facts or issues of law which are relevant to a determination of owner-occupancy, staff shall not prepare a "Recommendation to Board" and shall instead refer the case to a hearing examiner. Notice of such a hearing shall be given by the hearings department at least ten days prior to the date set for the hearing.

(1) Where a case is referred to a hearing examiner, staff shall conduct an on-site inspection of the property prior to the date set for hearing.

(2) Staff shall prepare a written "Staff Report" for submission to the hearing examiner and admission to the case record. The staff report shall contain a report of staff's observations during the on-site inspection, any photographs taken by staff, a review of any documents contained in Board records or submitted by the applicant and other parties and the names of any persons who could present evidence. The staff report shall be included in the case file and shall be available for inspection by the parties. It shall be considered competent evidence, but the staff member who prepared the report shall be subject to cross-examination at the hearing.

(f) Hearing Examiner

(1) The following persons may serve as a hearing examiner at a hearing on an

exemption application:

- (i) A Board member.
- (ii) The Administrator or his or her designee.
- (2) The functions of the hearing examiner shall be performed in an impartial manner.
- (3) Powers of Hearing Examiner. The hearing examiner shall have the right to:
 - (i) Administer oaths and affirmations.
 - (ii) Cause the Board to issue subpoenas for the attendance of persons to testify and to produce books, records and other papers.
 - (iii) Direct staff to conduct a pre-hearing inspection and take photographs of the property for which the exemption is sought.
 - (iv) Rule on offers of proof and receive relevant evidence.
 - (v) Control the course of the hearing.
 - (vi) Rule on procedural requests.
 - (vii) Question any witness during the course of the hearing.
 - (viii) Render a Recommendation to the Board to either grant or deny the application.

12055. Recommendation of Hearing Examiner

(a) Within thirty days (30) of the date of hearing on an application for a three unit or less owner-occupied exemption, the hearing examiner shall issue a "Recommendation to the Board" to either grant or deny the application for exemption. This deadline may be extended by written waiver, executed by the petitioner.

(b) In making the recommendation the hearing examiner shall consider all documentary material submitted with the application, any information contained in the Board files, any tenant responses and all relevant evidence produced at the hearing. The hearing examiner will consider the applicant's production of or failure to produce the following information, to the extent it appears reasonably available to the applicant without undue effort:

- (1) Address(es) shown on applicant's driver's license, state identification card and/or vehicle registration.
- (2) Address or addresses where applicant receives mail.
- (3) Name and address where utility bills for subject property are sent.
- (4) Date of utility connection for the applicant's residence.
- (5) Address for purposes of voter registration.
- (6) Observations by Board staff and/or neighbors regarding occupancy of applicant.
- (7) Number of days in a week, month or year which applicant spends at the property for which exemption is sought.
- (8) Ownership by applicant of any other real property or evidence of any other residence of applicant.

(c) The hearing examiner's Recommendation shall include proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law consistent with the Recommendation. Such proposed findings and conclusions must refer to the following specific subjects:

- (1) The number of units at the subject property, including units on any contiguous lots or parcels in which applicant has at least a fifty percent (50%) interest.
- (2) The percentage of ownership interest in the property held by the applicant.
- (3) Applicant's continuous occupancy of the subject property for at least one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the date of the filing of the exemption application, or evidence of occupancy at another address, and the dates of such occupancy.
- (4) A specific conclusion of law that:

- (i) the applicant has continuously resided at the property as his or her principal place of residence beginning at least one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the date of the filing of the exemption application or
- (ii) the applicant did not reside at the property as his or her principal place of residence beginning at least one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the date of the filing of the exemption application.

(d) Upon completion by the hearing examiner of the Recommendation to the Board, the hearings department shall send the applicant and all tenants at the property a copy of the Recommendation, and a Notice of Recommendation.

12070. Lapse of Exemptions

Scope. This regulation provides the administrative process for lapse of exemptions provided pursuant to Section 1801(c).

Notice of Lapsed Exemption. When the facts supporting an exemption no longer exist, an exemption lapses by opera-

tion of law.

If an owner notifies the Board, in a writing signed by the owner, that the facts which support the exemption no longer exist, the exemption will be deemed to have lapsed and a Final Notice will be sent to the owner and tenants notifying them of the lapse, specifying the facts upon which the determination was made, the date the lapse became effective, the consequences of such lapse, and the procedures available to contest the lapse. The Final Notice shall be sent to the property address and any other known address of the owner.

If a new owner files a registration form for the property, and/or notifies the Board in a writing signed by the new owner that the facts which support the exemption no longer exist, the exemption will be deemed to have lapsed and a Final Notice will be sent to the former owner, the new owner, and the tenants notifying them of the lapse, specifying the facts upon which the determination was made, the date the lapse became effective, the consequences of such lapse, and the procedures available to contest the lapse. The Final Notice shall be sent to the property address and any other known addresses of the former and new owners.

Upon determination by Board staff that sufficient evidence exists to make an initial determination that an exemption has lapsed, by a means other than outlined in subparagraphs 1 and 2 above, a Notice of Lapse will be mailed to the exemption holder at the property address and any other known address and to the tenants, specifying the facts upon which the initial determination was made, the date upon which the lapse is believed to have occurred, the consequences of such a lapse, and the procedures available to contest the lapse.

All written or documentary evidence used in the initial determination shall be available to the owner and tenants for inspection and review during normal business hours.

Opportunity to Respond.

Within fifteen (15) days of the mailing of the Final Notice, pursuant to subparagraphs (b)(1) and (b)(2) above, an owner or tenant of the property may file a written response to the Notice. The owner and tenant may include with the response any and all relevant documents. Staff shall review the response and any attached documentation. If, after reviewing all relevant material submitted, staff determines that the facts upon which the Notice was based were inaccurate, incomplete, or otherwise in error, the exemption will be deemed not to have lapsed, and the owner and tenants will be so notified. A response received more than fifteen days after the mailing of the Notice will not be considered in the absence of good cause.

Within fifteen (15) days of the mailing of the Notice of Lapsed Exemption, pursuant to subparagraph (b)(3) above, an owner or tenant of the property may file a written response to the Notice. The owner and tenant may include with the response any and all relevant documents. Staff shall review the response and any attached documentation. If, after reviewing all relevant material submitted, staff determines that the facts upon which the initial Notice of Lapsed Exemption was based were inaccurate, incomplete, or otherwise in error, the exemption will be deemed not to have lapsed, and the owner and tenants will be so notified.

Failure to Respond to Notice of Lapsed Exemption. If an owner does not respond within fifteen (15) days of mailing of the Notice of Lapsed Exemption, the exemption will be deemed to have lapsed and a Final Notice will be sent to the owner and tenants notifying them of the lapse and of the date the lapse became effective. A response received more than fifteen days after the mailing of the Notice of Lapsed Exemption will not be considered in the absence of good cause.

Referral to Hearing Examiner. If an owner responds within the fifteen day period, but the response fails to resolve the issues of law or fact set forth in the original Notice, the matter shall be referred to a hearing examiner for hearing. Notice of such a hearing will be given by the Hearings Department to the owner and all tenants residing at the property at least ten days prior to the date set for hearing.

Upon referral to a hearing examiner on a Lapse of Exemption, staff may conduct an on-site inspection of the property and prepare a written report for submission to the hearing examiner and submission to the case record.

The staff report shall contain a report of staff's observations during the on-site investigation and any photographs taken by staff. The staff report shall be included in the case file and shall be available for inspection by the owner and tenants. It shall be considered competent evidence, but the staff member who prepared the

report shall be subject to cross-examination at the hearing.

12071. Recommendation of Hearing Examiner.

Hearing Examiner and Powers of Hearing Examiner.

The designation and powers of the hearing examiner are as set forth in Regulation 12053, subsection (f), and are incorporated herein by reference.

(2) The hearing shall be conducted consistent with Regulation 12054(b), incorporated herein by reference.

Within thirty (30) days of the date of hearing on a Notice of Lapsed Exemption, the hearing examiner shall issue a written "Recommendation to the Board" determining whether the exemption has lapsed. In making the recommendation the hearing examiner shall consider all documentary material submitted with the application, any information contained in the Board files, any tenant responses, and all relevant evidence produced at the hearing.

The hearing examiner's Recommendation shall include proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law consistent with the Recommendation.

The Recommendation shall be reviewed and approved by the Hearings Department Manager or his/her designee before it is issued.

Upon completion by the hearing examiner of the Recommendation to the Board, the Hearings Department shall send all parties a copy of the Recommendation, a Notice of Recommendation and notice of the Board Consideration process set forth in Regulation 12072.

12072. Board Consideration.

Notice. The Board shall set the matter for consideration as soon as is practicable. At least ten days prior to the date set for Board consideration, the Board shall give notice to all parties of the date, time and place for Board meeting.

Response to Recommendation. The parties, any authorized representative of the parties, or any other interested person may file a written response to the Recommendation. The written response shall be filed and received by the Board at no later than fifteen (15) days after the date of the Hearing Examiner's Recommendation. Upon a showing of good cause, the Board may accept a later filing of the response.

Staff Report. At least ten days prior to the date set for Board consideration, a staff report shall be prepared on the Recommendation. The staff report shall contain a written recommendation to adopt, modify, or reverse, or reverse and remand the written Recommendation of the hearing examiner.

Continuances. Continuance requests will be considered by the Board where the party has complied with the requirements of Regulation 12054(a), incorporated by this reference.

Consent Calendar. The Lapse of Exemption shall be considered on the Board's consent calendar. The parties to the claimed lapse shall be permitted to address the Board.

Decision. The Board's decision shall be based upon the hearing record and Recommendation prepared by the hearing examiner, the responses to the Recommendation, any recommendations of staff and any oral argument presented to the Board. The Board may adopt, reverse, reverse and remand, or modify the hearing examiners recommendation. The Board's decision must be supported by findings of fact and conclusions of law.

12073. Notice of Discontinuance of Exempt Use of Property

The owner(s) of a property exempted by the Board pursuant to Section 1801(c) shall notify the Board when there is a change in the exempt use of the property. If the exemption is for a three-or-fewer-unit, owner-occupied exempt property, the owner(s) shall notify the Board when he/she no longer resides at the property as his/her principal place of residence or no longer owns at least a fifty percent (50%) interest in the property.

The notice shall be in writing and made as soon as practicable, but not later than fourteen (14) days after the end of the exempt use, owner-occupancy or transfer of ownership, whichever is applicable.

A complete copy of this regulation is available at the Rent Control office, 1685 Main Street, Room 202, (310) 458-8751 or on the website: www.srmgov.net/



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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ Explore your options before committing to a set path of action. To get where you want to be, you will have to assume the lead position. Ultimately, you might make a surprise decision. Tonight: Could go till the wee hours.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Relate on a one-on-one level with a key person. The caring between you evolves slowly but surely. Try to detach from a hot issue. Take a walk or do some creative visualization. You could be stunned by what comes up. Tonight: Reach out for a special person.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ Deal with others directly if you want results. You could be delighted by a surprise revelation, though it might force you to go in another direction. Someone you care about might be very uptight and worn out. Tonight: Make special time for a loved one.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Defer to others and use the spare time for yourself. Clearly someone acts in an unpredictable manner. Unfortunately, this person has clout. You might not be comfortable with events as they seem to occur. Imagine what it must be like to be this person. Tonight: Think about weekend plans.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Dig into work, and don't hesitate to create more of what you need and want. Listen to what others share, realizing your present limits are not permanent. Stay centered and make strong decisions. A child or loved one spurs new ideas. Tonight: Run errands.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Your creativity opens up many new ideas. Realize when enough is enough. You might want to have a discussion, whereas a partner could bolt if he or she feels that a heavy conversation is heading in his or her direction. Tonight: Start your weekend early.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You could be in a funk as you attempt to work through a poignant issue. You might feel as if you can no longer make headway or breeze through hassle after hassle. Possibly you are exhausted. Tonight: Head home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ You seem to be in the midst of the action. You could be surprised by what another person shares. What is going on here? Laughter centers others and helps you gain a perspective. Whether it's new technology or a novel approach, you could be challenged to grow. Tonight: Hang out with friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Others consider you to be quite savvy with money. Truth be told, you take risks and have a fine-tuned sense of when to do so. Knowledge and luck mix well for you. Tonight: Balance your checkbook first.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You might be presented with an offer that is too good to be true. Most of the time those types of opportunities are just that -- too good to be true. In this case, you are likely to benefit from the offer. Make an important call late today. Tonight: Just be yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★ You have a lot on your mind. Staying anchored could be close to impossible. Loosen up when sharing with a child or loved one. What seemed to be impossible could happen. Keep your own counsel, with the exception of one trusted friend. Tonight: Vanish. Do your thing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ A meeting might be the source of your personal stimulus. Though you are tired, an opportunity heads in your direction. Recognize what is going on within a special relationship or friendship. Let the good feelings flow. Tonight: The more people the better.

Happy birthday

This year, you open up to new potential and a different lifestyle. Opportunities often come forward out of the blue. You do the necessary research to decide if they are a go or not. To many people, it might look as if you are carrying Lady Luck in your back pocket -- that is not the case. You do your homework. If you are single, someone quite different comes into your life. He or she finds you intriguing. If you are attached, take a long-desired trip together. Your in-laws could play a big role in events. CAPRICORN understands you better than you think.

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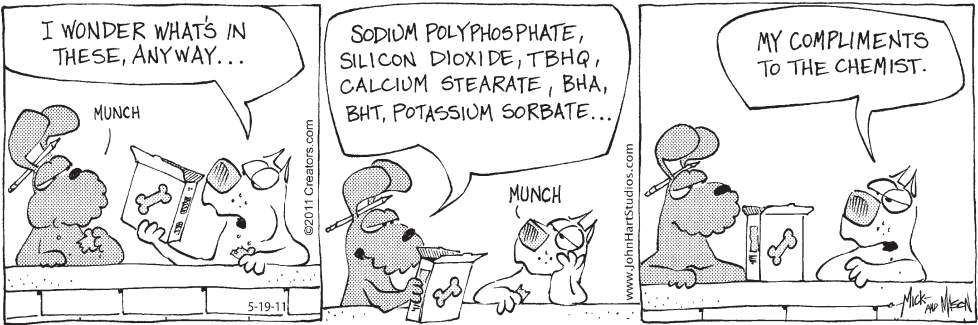
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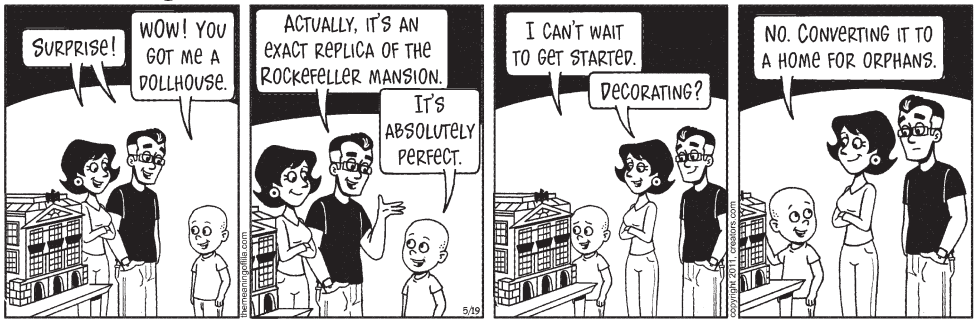
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Sudoku

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 ★★ ★

		4	2					1
				3		7		
8		5		1			4	
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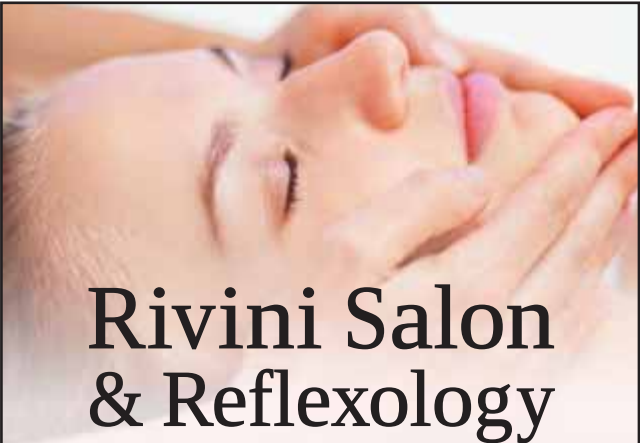
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GETTING STARTED

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

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



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- 1 TV explorer
- 5 Peru neighbor
- 10 Infamous czar
- 11 Singer Twain
- 12 Splinter group
- 13 Fiddle
- 14 Bringing into being
- 16 Making folds
- 20 Charmers
- 23 Course start
- 24 Tangential comment
- 25 Poker ploy
- 27 Went ahead
- 28 Gets onto
- 29 Sounding like old floor boards
- 32 Defeating soundly
- 36 Arcade chomper
- 39 Jacob's twin
- 40 Goodbyes
- 41 Diamond of music
- 42 Drink to
- 43 Blab

DOWN

- 1 Software holder
- 2 Finished
- 3 Track event
- 4 Tummy relief
- 5 Panda's home
- 6 Dangles
- 7 Publicity
- 8 Tall tale
- 9 Lobed organ
- 11 Hog holders
- 15 Genealogy chart
- 17 "Get — writing"
- 18 High home

19 Turns right

- 20 Trig's cousin
- 21 Manual reader
- 22 Ocean motion
- 25 Writer Jaffe
- 26 En-hance
- 28 Bearings

30 High points

- 31 Dog topper
- 33 "Got it"
- 34 Finger feature
- 35 Sea flier
- 36 Contrived
- 37 Commotion
- 38 Espionage org.

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1	2	3	4			5	6	7	8	9
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12					13					
14				15						
			16					17	18	19
20	21	22					23			
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5-19



CrossMath + x - ÷

Fill in the empty fields with the given numbers so when calculated together they satisfy all Equas in the gray boxes:

1, 3, 4, 5, 5, 6, 8, 12

Solution for Task 1044

		24	15	18					12
8 ▶	12	-	12	÷	3				
		x	+	-	+				
13 ▶	3	÷	3	÷	12				
		-	+	+	+				
14 ▶	12	÷	6	÷	3				
						20			
16 ▶			x		÷		+		
				+	-	+	+		
			8 ▶		-		+		
					x				

• Fill the grid with the set of given numbers (1 to 12) to satisfy the Equa demands (7 to 24) in the shaded boxes. The Equa demands represent the sum of the digits that you will insert into the empty squares.

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ (1) In April, Robert Hohenberger, 64, was arrested in Clayton County, Ga., for shooting a neighbor's dog with a BB gun after complaining that he was tired of the Chihuahua "pooping" in his yard. The neighbor, Leticia Mendoza, told police that her dog was innocent, in that Casey had actually relieved himself inside right before she let him out. (2) Jonathan Avery, 31, was arrested in Benson, N.C., in February for hitting his son, 6, on the head with a spoon, drawing blood with a cut that became infected. Hospital personnel treating the kid called police, as Avery had apparently attempted to suture the wound with fishing line.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

1897 Oscar Wilde is released from Reading Gaol.

1919 Mustafa Kemal Atatürk lands at Samsun on the Anatolian Black Sea coast, initiating what is later termed the Turkish War of Independence.

1921 The U.S. Congress passes the Emergency Quota Act establishing national quotas on immigration.

1950 A barge containing munitions destined for Pakistan explodes in the harbor at South Amboy, New Jersey, devastating the city.

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