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BOARDING ON EXPO

Adam Episcopo

Brennan Lindner and Andrew Rice packed their paddle boards onto Expo last week and were the first individuals to hit the waves without the use of a car. The pair rode from Los Angeles to Santa Monica, walked to the Pier and paddled out on Friday May, 20.

City Attorney will remain an appointed position

Supporters disband campaign for an elected City Attorney

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

The City Attorney Accountability Initiative will not appear on the November ballot following a statement that supporters of the proposal to make the City Attorney an elected position are abandoning their efforts.

It's technically possible for the measure to be revived for a future election but based on a statement issued last week, potential supporters have decided to air their grievances with the City Attorney in other venues.

Supporters submitted the initiative to City Hall in February and received a Ballot title/Summary. The next step would have been to gather signatures from registered Santa Monica voters and in April, the campaign described a two-fold strategy that involved door-to-door solicitation at the homes of registered voters and traditional signature gathering in public places.

They also formed a new organization, Santa Monicans for Democracy, to specifically support the initiative.

However, the group did not submit signatures to City Hall last week by the suggested May 20 deadline. Instead, the group issued a press release.

"The group will not be moving forward with a ballot initiative to make the City Attorney position one directly chosen by voters," the final paragraph reads.

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City sprucing up sections of parkland

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

A pair of existing open spaces will get a face lift in the coming months.

Five small parcels of land on Ocean Park Blvd. are being improved and added to the City's existing park program while a busy section of Palisades Park will be refurbished into water wise garden.

PALISADES PARK

The Southern entrance to Palisades Park will be revamped to include three drought tolerant gardens in place of turf.

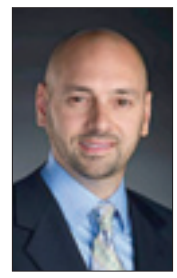
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BOYS BASKETBALL:

Crossroads hires new coach

Beeten arrives following successful stint in Las Vegas

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer



BEETEN

Years before he arrived in Santa Monica as a varsity boys basketball coach, Chad Beeten knew about Crossroads School.

It was the campus with a history of success

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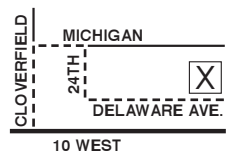
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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Tuesday, May 24

Cuentos para Pequeños
Para niños de 2 - 5 años de edad. Storytime for toddlers. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd., 10 - 10:30 a.m.

Crafternoon
Make a wallet out of duct tape. Grades 6 and up. Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

City Council Meeting
Regular meeting of the Santa Monica City Council. City Hall, 1685 Main Street, 5:30 p.m.

Movie Showing: "Brooklyn"
Saiorse Ronan stars in this lyrical adaptation of Colm Tóibín's novel Brooklyn, the story of a young Irish lass who makes a life-altering move to the United States in the 1950s. Run time 111 min. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 6:30 - 8:45 p.m.

Wednesday, May 25

Baby Storytime
Storytime series for babies 0 - 17 months. Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 10:15 - 10:35 a.m.

Excel II Computer Class
Go beyond the basics. Create more advanced formulas, perform multi-level data sorts, work with several worksheets, and more. Seating is first come, first serve. For more information, please visit the Reference Desk or call 310-434-2608. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 6 - 7 p.m.

Solar for Condos and Apartments
Want to help your condo association go solar? Come learn how virtual net metering can increase property value and reduce costs for you and your neighbors. Local solar contractor meet-and-greet open from 4 - 8 p.m. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd

Thursday, May 26

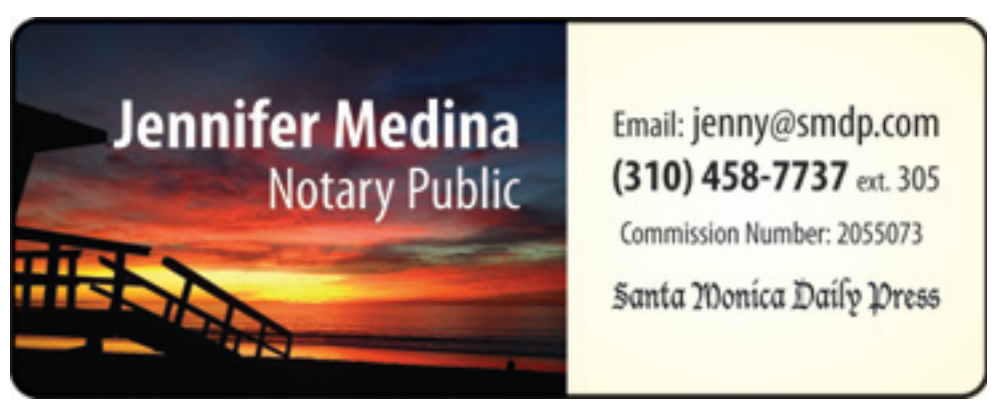
Ocean Park Baby Time
Story Series for ages 0 to 23 months at the Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main Street, from 10:45 - 11:05 a.m.

GED Prep Class
Get prepared to take the Reasoning Through Language Arts subject test of the GED. Class will be held in the Annex, next to Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd., from 6-8 p.m.

Oscar Nominated Film Program: "Steve Jobs"
This Oscar nominated film explores the trials and tribulations of a modern day genius, late Apple CEO Steve Jobs. (Film runtime: 122 min.). At the Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main Street, from 6-8:30 p.m.

Pacific Park 20th Birthday Event
Free to the public from 6-10 p.m.

For help submitting an event, contact us at
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ATTORNEY

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A ballot initiative has 180 days from the time it receives the Ballot Title to gather the required signatures (about 10 percent of registered voters). If Santa Monicans for Democracy does submit those signatures before the end of their 180 days, the measure could still qualify for a future election, but would likely miss the 2016 election.

Instead, the group will create a website under the title of "The City Attorney Accountability Project" to critique the performance of City Attorney Marsha Moutrie and provide input into a new City Attorney when Moutrie leaves the position.

"With our continued efforts to inform the public and hold our government accountable by all means at our disposal, we believe that the City Council will select a far more responsive City Attorney whose values align more closely with those of Santa Monica residents," said Andrew Nasatir, Chair of Santa Monicans for Democracy.

Craig Miller, AIDS Project Los Angeles founder, has driven efforts to remove Moutrie from office following a dispute over advertising on the Big Blue Bus. Attempts by AIDS Walk Los Angeles, a fundraising event for AIDS Project, to advertise on BBB caused the City to ban nonprofit advertising. City Hall reversed that policy earlier this year but Miller has said Moutrie provided poor representation and advice to the City during the dispute.

He has also cited the recent investigation into enforcement of Santa Monica's anti-corruption laws as an example of the City Attorney's failings.

Miller said his group will likely increase in visibility as time goes on.

"Santa Monicans for Democracy is at present an organization little known by residents, and even less emulated by City Hall. That is something we expect will change as our work continues over the coming months," said Miller.

The Land Use Voter Empowerment Initiative is now the only local measure to gather enough signatures to qualify for the vote. Supporters recently gathered about 10,000 signatures in support of the proposal to require voter approval of development and it is expected to come before voters in November.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

SANTA MONICA AIRPORT

Accident at SMO

At approximately 1:34 p.m. Santa Monica Fire Department was notified of a single engine private aircraft crash, at the east end of the Santa Monica Airport Runway. Four Engines, a Ladder Truck, a Hazardous Materials Unit, and a Chief Officer responded. The first arriving unit found the aircraft of the end of the runway, fairly intact, with no ensuing fire. The pilot was out, and uninjured. Santa Monica Fire Units remained on scene, along with Santa Monica Police, awaiting an NTSA representative, to investigate the cause of the crash.

- SUBMITTED BY DALE HALLOCK, SMFD ADMINISTRATIVE CAPTAIN/PIO

Downtown L.A.

LA's Expo Line cleared after car lands on tracks

Metro officials said service resumed on the newly expanded Expo Line after a car crashed through a fence and ended up blocking tracks in both directions near downtown Los Angeles on Monday.

Officials said some residual delays were expected after the car was removed from the tracks shortly after 7 a.m. Monday near Exposition Park.

Buses took commuters between the Western and Crenshaw stations during the brief closure.

There was no immediate word of injuries or arrests. The cause of the single-vehicle crash is under investigation.

Service was not interrupted on the Expo Line's newly opened stretch between Culver City and Santa Monica. That leg of light rail track opened Friday, connecting the beach city to downtown Los Angeles and Metro lines stretching as far inland as suburban Azusa.

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PARK

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The 26.4 acre Palisades Park occupies a narrow strip of land along Ocean Ave. The Southern entrance has become an extremely busy pedestrian zone with thousands of visitors congregating at the mouth of the pier, tour buss drop-offs, taxi lines, food trucks and street performers.

Staff said that section of the park now has a direct connection to the newly constructed Colorado Esplanade and is likely to see even more foot traffic now Expo has opened a few blocks to the east.

"The heavy use of this popular entrance to Palisades Park has made it very difficult to adequately maintain the turf. The turf areas are continuously trampled by large crowds and pedestrian traffic causing the turf to turn to mud and dirt," said the report. "Considering the substantial use of this portion of the park, and anticipated increase in use with the opening of the EXPO light rail, a decision was made to convert the turf areas closest to Colorado Avenue into a drought-tolerant landscape that is protected from pedestrian overuse."

The Project would convert 6,600 square feet of grass area to drought-tolerant landscape. The three sections are adjacent to the cannon circle and border Colorado and/or the Pier Bridge.

The gardens will utilize species identical or related to those already in the area. The project includes a new drip irrigation system and a two-foot high fence to keep visitors out of the plants.

City Hall has approved $169,450 for the project and anticipates work will be complete by July 1.

OCEAN PARK GREEN SPACE

Santa Monica owns five small parcels of land along the southern edge Ocean Park Blvd. between 2nd St. and Highland Ave.

In 2015, the Ocean Park Association said the parcels had been inadvertently neglected and asked that the properties, totaling less than a half-acre, be formally added to the City's park space. The organization said the "micro parks" with trees, foliage and footpaths would be a welcome addition to a city that lacks enough park space for its residents.

The City's Public Landscape Division has worked on the parcels for the last few months to remove dead plants, trim hedges, repair irrigation and add decomposed granite to the access paths.

Staff is also surveying the parcels that range from 2,200 to 6,000 square feet in size, to determine their precise boundaries.

According to the report, staff hopes to bring the newly refurbished parcels into the park system early next year in conjunction with the opening of Ishihara Park, located on the north side of Exposition Boulevard between Stewart Street and Dorchester Avenue (formerly known as Buffer Park) and the renaming of Stewart Street Park to Gandara Park.

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Making Memorial Day Meaningful

SUMMER IS HERE AND THE NATIONAL kickoff to this season is Memorial Day, which is this coming Monday. As a day of remembrance we use it to take a moment and think back on the sacrifices that so many made to allow us to continue living the life that we do.

Born out of the tragedy that was the Civil War, Memorial Day is supposed to be a time that we stop to honor the fallen. Nationally we have a National Moment of Remembrance which according to usmemorialday.org was created by a "resolution was passed on Dec 2000 which asks that at 3 p.m. local time, for all Americans "To voluntarily and informally observe in their own way a Moment of remembrance and respect, pausing from whatever they are doing for a moment of silence or listening to 'Taps.'"

Sadly I feel that many will not know of this, and even fewer will take part. It's so much more enjoyable to focus on the BBQ, the kids in the pool and the 50% off sales at our local big box retailer.

I'm of two minds on this, on the one hand, the frustrated pacifist side of me is appalled that people still die in combat. I long for a world where people don't have to kill each other over philosophical or economic differences. It seems enormously unenlightened to me that we as a planet have not evolved to the point where we can resolve these issues without resorting to killing each other - but I know that is pie-eyed optimism and will seem hopelessly naïve on some level.

On the other hand, I feel that we should take time to honor the fallen - but why do we do that? Is it for their benefit? No, not directly, after all they're not around to see the flags, the tears and hear the muffled sobs of the surviving spouses, family and friends. We do it really for the still living to know that if they should be killed in the line of duty that they will be remembered. We do it to give meaning to the efforts of our service-members as they slog through jungles and fry in deserts. We do it let them know that we appreciate them, and that should they die, they will not be forgotten.

We remember the fallen with parades and flags and ceremonies each year. This year the Woodlawn Cemetery at 14th and Pico will be holding their 78th Memorial Day ceremonies. The ceremonies are free to the public and they start at 11 a.m.

As a publicly owned and operated cemetery, Woodlawn has a duty to the community to provide both a final resting place, but also a social benefit in honoring and remembering those who have passed on. There are many notable people in the cemetery, from Paul Henried the actor director, to Leo Carillo the Conservationist, Abbot Kinney who was "real estate baron," Evelyn Hooker the Psychologist, and Sally Ride the astronaut. There are those interred at Woodlawn of less fame but probably greater notoriety, men like Jimmy Phipps, who died 47 years ago on May 27, 1969. He was only 19 when he was killed in action during the Vietnam War, and was posthumously given the Medal of Honor.

I have mixed feelings about cemeteries in general, they seem like a waste of good land in some ways, they could be public parks or used for public buildings. Alternatively I have seen the benefit they bring to our city as a central place to honor those who have contributed to the development of our civic life. Monuments to the fallen stand as remembrances of the cost of war, and maybe they help temper the drumbeats for war. Perhaps the fields of headstones and grave markers will keep us from the next great conflict.

So this weekend, put down the burgers for a moment, and as you're on your way to the Home Depot Memorial Day Extravaganza Sale, drop by the Woodlawn Cemetery with your family and see what the cost of war was and is, and consider that the fallen are guardians not just of our past, but are light bearers on what to avoid in the future.

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COLORADO ESPLANADE:
For the Week of May 23, Construction work on Colorado Ave. will continue daytime Monday thru Friday. Pedestrian access is accommodated by use of temporary barricaded pathways marked with signage. Please use caution when navigating through the work zones on Colorado Ave. at 4th St., Main St., 2nd St., and Ocean Ave. Expect minor delays at the intersection of Colorado and Ocean Ave. For more information contact Gene Higginbotham, Project Manager, at (310) 458-8729.

CALIFORNIA INCLINE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT:
The California Incline will be closed until Summer 2016 while construction crews demolish the existing structure and build the new bridge and roadway. Motorists are advised to use Ocean Avenue (via Moomat Ahiko Way) and Lincoln Boulevard as alternate routes. For more information on this project, please contact: (888-303-6026 or incline@smgov.net).

WASTEWATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT:
Work is scheduled to begin on May 24, on Pacific Street between Euclid Street to 14th Street, where the contractor will be removing and replacing the sewer main.
Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620 or Tim Scheffer, Construction Manager (909) 376-0275.

SAN VICENTE PUMP STATION EMERGENCY GENERATOR
For the Week of May 23, the contractor will continue with testing of the new engine driven standby generator. No street improvement work is scheduled. Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620

ISHIHARA PARK (BUFFER PARK) PROJECT:
For the Week of May 23, please note the following activities:
As part of the construction of the new Buffer Park at 2909 Exposition Blvd, the sidewalk on the eastside of Stewart St. at Exposition Blvd. and along Exposition Blvd to Dorchester Ave. will be closed. Construction will also close part of the northbound bike lane on Stewart Street at the intersection of Stewart St. and Exposition Blvd. Directional signage has been posted alerting pedestrians and bicyclists of the impediments caused by the construction project. This closure will allow for the construction of a new sidewalk on a portion of Stewart St. and Exposition Blvd as well as park pathways and landscaping adjacent to the affected areas. For more information contact Sebastian Felbeck, Construction Manager, at (310) 434-2675.

CROSSWALK RENEWAL PROGRAM:
For the week of May 23, contractor crews will begin nighttime crosswalk removal and restriping at the I10 Fwy ramp @ 20th Street; Ocean Park Blvd @ 30th & 31st Street. Please be advised that striping removal will generate noise and dust. Temporary traffic control signs will be deployed to guide vehicular traffic in and around work areas. Please contact Kori Jones, Street & Fleet Services, (310) 458-2201 ext. 5002 or kori.jones@smgov.net with any questions/concerns regarding this project.

ANNUAL PAVING PROJECT:
For the week of May 23, Contractor will be making asphalt repairs to the following areas: 12th Street from 10 Freeway to Pico, 9th Street from 10 Freeway to Pico, 29th Street from Pearl to Pico, Yorkshire from Exposition to Virginia, 10th Street from 10 Freeway to Pico, 25th Street from Pico to Pearl, 21st Street from 10 Freeway to Delaware, 16th Street from 10 Freeway to Delaware, Centinela from S Carmelina to Wilshire, Stanford from Wilshire to Arizona, Harvard from Wilshire to Arizona, Delaware from Warwick to Dorchester, Park from Santa Monica Blvd. to Mid Block, Princeton from Wilshire to Santa Monica Blvd., Berkeley from Colorado to Pennsylvania, Delaware from Dorchester to Yorkshire and Virginia from Warwick to Centinela.
One lane will remain open in each direction but please obey all construction-related signs including "No Parking" signs. For more information contact Zach Pollard, Civil Engineer at (310) 458-8721 ext. 8726 or Henry Hovakimian, Construction Manager at (562) 716-7113.

ALLEY RENEWAL PROJECT
For the Week of May 23, City crews will begin installation of a pervious concrete gutter at the 1400 Block 25th Court (alley east of 25th Street). Please note that the alley will not be accessible during construction. Parking permits have been mailed to residents at the related addresses. These permits allow for parking within a 2-city block radius. If you have not received a parking permit or have any other questions regarding this project, please contact Ernie Bravo, Project Manager at (310) 863-6774 or PW/Street & Fleet Services main office at (310) 458-4991. We are committed to reducing disruption of this project and will work to accommodate your needs whenever possible.

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on the hardwood. It was the place where Baron Davis and Austin Croshere began their journeys to the NBA. It was the program that won four section championships in six seasons starting in 1996.

"They were very well-known from a basketball standpoint back then," said Beeten, who was coaching in Northern California in the late 1990s. "I know their previous success, and hopefully we're going to build upon what they've done recently."

Beeten was hired to do exactly that, filling the void left by longtime Roadrunners coach Daryl Roper.

He arrives at the Santa Monica private school after a successful stint in Las Vegas, where he guided Clark High School to three Nevada state titles. His teams were 132-44 overall in six seasons, according to the Las Vegas Review-Journal.

Beeten said he chose Crossroads for its location in Southern California, a hotbed for basketball talent, as well as for its strong academic reputation and supportive administration.

"I've been looking for an opportunity like this, and if I was going to leave Las Vegas there were only a few areas I'd want to go," he said. "I thought the Crossroads opportunity is a great situation. We're on the ground floor of something really good."

Beeten is hoping to help the Roadrunners improve on the 12-17 record they posted last season, when they reached the CIF Southern Section quarterfinals in Division 4A. Their campaign was highlighted by an upset of city rival Santa Monica, the eventual section champion in Division 1A.

Graduation took its toll on Beeten's incoming roster, which is missing an outstanding senior class that included three college prospects in Nicky Shapiro (Tufts), Henry Ward (Grinnell) and Ethan Zakarin (Kenyon).

"There's a good amount of talent, but we're going to be very young," he said, adding that Anthony Davis remains on staff as an assistant coach. "It's pretty early to see what level we'll be at, and we're just doing basic fundamentals. But there's some good young talent."

Originally from the East Coast, Beeten played college basketball at George Washington University for one year before transferring to Goucher College in Baltimore, where he continued his athletic career while studying communications.

Beeten eventually made it out to California to coach the Oakland Soldiers, a Bay Area-based club team that claims eventual NBA players LeBron James, Chauncey Billups, Drew Gooden and Brandon Jennings as alumni.

He then found his way to Sullivan County Community College in New York, where he coached the men's basketball team, before pursuing his real estate career in Las Vegas.

Now, Beeten is excited to coach full-time and develop a basketball pipeline at Crossroads down to the middle school level.

"I'm always focused on defense, and offensively we want to be balanced," he said. "We want to be up-tempo when we have opportunities, but we don't want to run and gun. We have to figure out what our talent is and fit how we're going to play to that talent."

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Santa Monica Forward

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Welcome, Expo! Let's do transit right

IF YOU FOUND YOURSELF ANYWHERE near one of the three new train stations in Santa Monica this weekend, it was hard to miss the jubilant mood.

And why shouldn't we celebrate? After decades of hard work and uncommon foresight on the part of grassroots activists, elected officials, and dedicated staff, the Expo light rail line brought back to L.A. County's Westside passenger rail more than 60 years after it had vanished.

The historic return of passenger rail to the Westside represents many things: it's the backbone of our new multimodal transportation network of bike lanes, bus routes, and safe, comfortable sidewalks that will give residents, visitors, and workers real options for getting around our city; it is a new and easier way for people to connect to and from communities like Culver City, Downtown Los Angeles, East L.A., Long Beach, South L.A. and many others; and it will make many people's commutes that much better.

It is also the newest symbol of our region's urban renaissance, a region that is slowly leaving behind the destructive mid-20th century obsession of building our urban environments exclusively for automobiles at the expense of people. As Santa Monica continues to be one of the best places to go along our collectively owned and loved coastline, this greatly improved form of transit welcomes everyone. We are saying to everyone come to the Beach and Pier we are all so proud of.

It is a reminder of our city's responsibility to further that renaissance, for our own good, the good of our region, and for the good of our planet. And, on that front, there is still much more work to be done.

The leaders who made the newest edition to L.A. County's light rail and bus rapid transit network possible deserve to be celebrated, as do the community members who persevered in supporting this project when friends and neighbors said, "No one will ride the train in L.A."

People like Councilmember - and former mayor - Pam O'Connor, former Deputy City Manager Kate Vernez, former City Manager John Jalili, former mayors Judy Abdo and Denny Zane, as well as grassroots organizations like Friends4Expo, and many other people - too many to name here - had the vision to make this dream a reality before light rail transit existed in L.A. County.

Just 26 years ago, there wasn't a single train in our region; today, there is more than 100 miles of tracks and bus rapid transit routes, like the Orange line. And more is coming, including the subway extension to Westwood, the Crenshaw line that will connect to LAX, and the regional connector which will eliminate the need to transfer from Expo in Downtown L.A. to connect to the Gold line.

Of course, there is still work to be done. Passengers who disembarked in Downtown Santa Monica found themselves arriving at a proper destination: a place that was designed for people with comfortable sidewalks, clear signs and visible landmarks, and, most importantly there were things in the immediate area for people to do: places to shop, workplaces, and homes.

At our two other stations, however, that is not yet the case. Riders alighting at 26th Street/Bergamot Station disembark into a surface parking lot with the view across the street of a sidewalkless construction site where a suburban office park is going up.

The stop also serves the Pico and Sunset Park neighborhoods, but bus and safe bike connections are currently lacking, which does little to encourage people who have to cross the freeway to get to that Expo station.

And, at 17th Street, riders will find signs pointing them to Santa Monica College and Memorial Park, but little else. Without signage linking the green Broadway bicycle lanes to and from downtown with the Expo Bike Path terminus at 17th Street, bicyclists may not be able to take full advantage of the safest routes.

Undoubtedly this train will be an asset for SMC students whose commutes bring them in from the far-flung corners of our region and for residents in the existing neighborhoods, but that station could serve many more people if it became a destination. Along Colorado and parts of nearby Broadway, there are many underutilized formerly industrial buildings that could be redeveloped into mixed-income and mixed-use neighborhoods, relieving development and upward rent pressures in the existing neighborhoods that surround this station.

Aside from allowing our municipal bus system the resources necessary to create better connections to the surrounding neighborhoods and filling out our bike and pedestrian network at these stations, we need to improve the built environment. At both of these stations, currently, there is "no there there."

We are not only beneficiaries of the Expo line, we are also stewards of our short segment of this $2.5 billion public investment. It is our responsibility to make sure that it is used to its highest potential. That means it is our responsibility to create jobs and homes affordable to households at all income levels - in short, places - around this public investment so that more people can benefit from it.

As U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx put it to a Los Angeles audience recently:

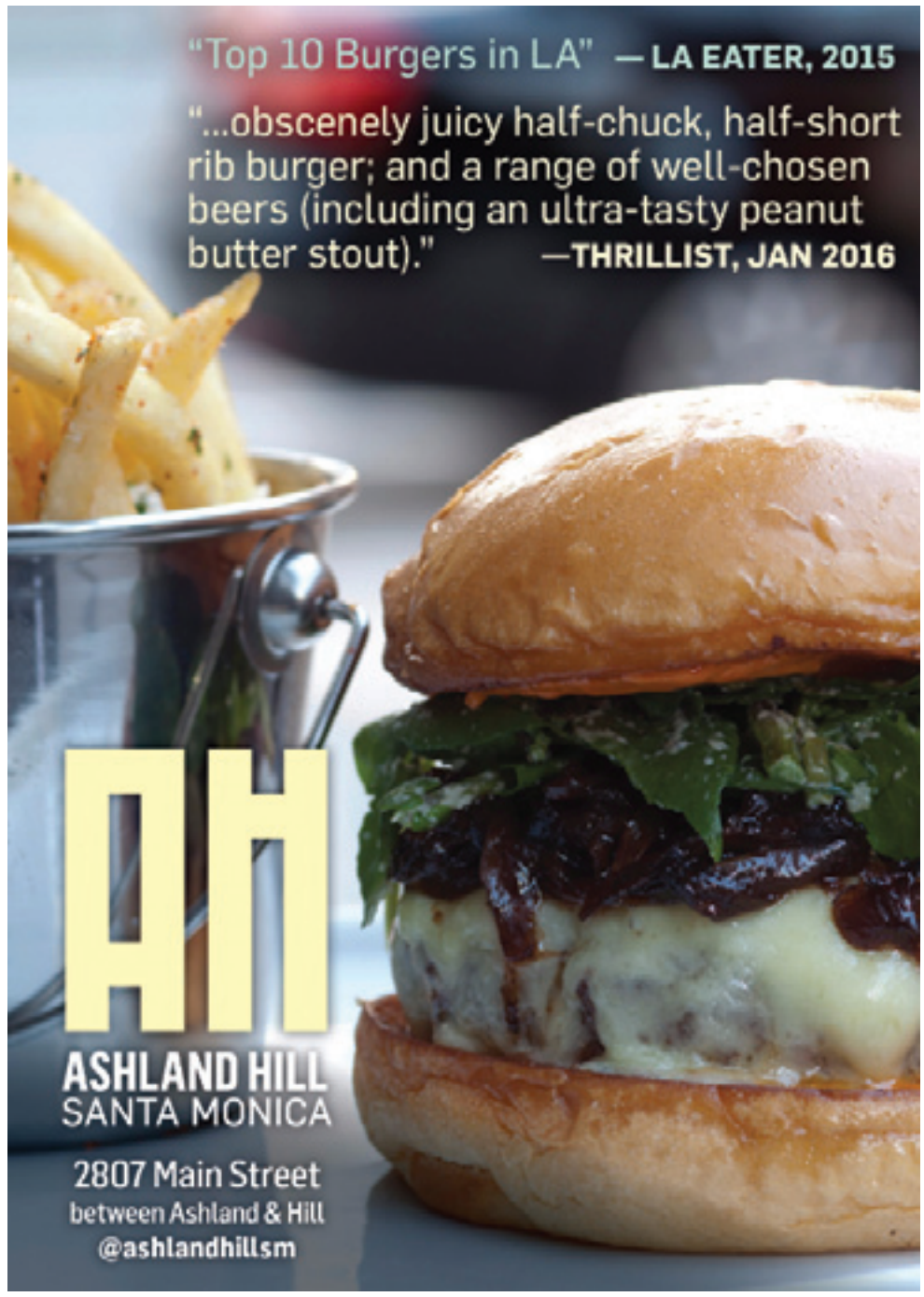
"When transit is done right, it actually brings opportunity to people's doorsteps," he said. "That's why communities with inclusionary zoning ordinances and those making effective use of affordable-housing incentives along transit lines have a better chance of creating the sustainability that's necessary over the long term."

As we celebrate the new train line, let's remember that it's the start of something big and it's up to us to make sure we do it right.

Judy Abdo, Richard Brand, Elena Christopoulos, Leslie Lambert, Shawn Landres, Carl Hansen, Abby Arnold, Cynthia Rose, and Jason Islas for Santa Monica Forward. To read more, visit santamonicaforward.org.

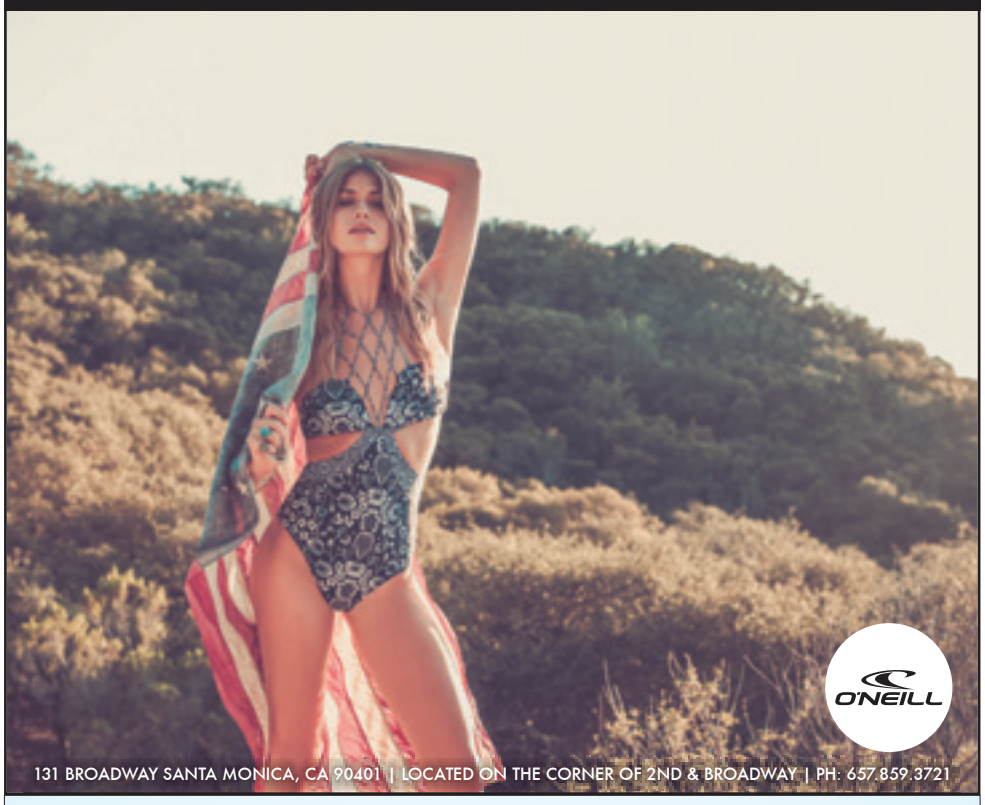
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SURF REPORT



SURF FORECASTS
WATER TEMP: **63.1°**

TUESDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high
Minor NW windswell and SSW swell mix.

WEDNESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high occ. 3ft
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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON MAY 10, AT ABOUT 2:48 P.M.

Officers responded to Sephora, 1244 3rd Street Promenade, regarding a theft suspect in custody. Officers determined the suspect entered the store and selected merchandise from the display cases. The suspect concealed the merchandise in a shopping bag and purse. The suspect exited the store without paying for the merchandise and was detained by a Lost Prevention Agent. The suspect was in possession of a tool to remove security sensors from merchandise. Dolores Ceron Hernriquez, 44, from Los Angeles, was arrested for burglary and possession of burglary tools. Bail was set at $20,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 329 calls for service on May 22.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Grand theft auto 2200 block of Colorado 12:06 a.m.
Vehicle burglar alarm 4th/Ashland 12:59 a.m.
Burglary now 1900 block of 18th 1:31 a.m.
Fight 1100 block of 2nd 2:06 a.m.
Drunk driving Lincoln/Pico 2:48 a.m.
Domestic violence 1200 block of Yale 3:46 a.m.
Theft of recyclables 2000 block of 20th 3:52 a.m.
Drunk driving Centinela/Interstate 10 4:26 a.m.
Abandoned vehicle 300 block of Civic Center 6:22 a.m.
Battery Ocean/Wilshire 7:58 a.m.
Battery 200 block of Santa Monica Pier 8:37 a.m.
Battery 1500 block of Ocean 8:45 a.m.
Burglary 600 block of Pico 9:48 a.m.
Harassing phone calls 1200 block of Princeton 9:49 a.m.
Vandalism 1200 block of 17th 9:50 a.m.
Traffic control request 4th/Colorado 9:59 a.m.
Petty theft 1000 block of 6th 10:03 a.m.
Auto burglary 2100 block of Ocean Park 10:06 a.m.
Battery 400 block of Broadway 10:08 a.m.
Traffic collision 2300 block of 14th 10:12 a.m.
Animal related incident 2300 block of 14th 10:21 a.m.
Forgery 3100 block of Main 11:34 a.m.
Petty theft 1400 block of 2nd 12:25 p.m.
Grand theft 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 12:37 p.m.
Person down Ocean/Colorado 12:47 p.m.
Grand theft 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 12:50 p.m.
Panhandling 2500 block of Main 1:04 p.m.
Vehicle with excessive tickets 3100 block of 2nd 1:05 p.m.
Vandalism 200 block of Ocean 1:07 p.m.
Overdose 700 block of Copeland 1:11 p.m.
Bike theft 1500 block of 2nd 1:13 p.m.
Battery 700 block of Strand 1:35 p.m.
Hit and run 1200 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 2:41 p.m.
Grand theft 800 block of Montana 3:02 p.m.
Speeding 26th/Santa Monica 3:22 p.m.
Theft suspect in custody 200 block of Broadway 3:31 p.m.
Petty theft 200 block of Santa Monica 3:34 p.m.
Defrauding innkeeper 300 block of Pico 3:38 p.m.
Battery 1300 block of Ocean Park 4:08 p.m.
Injured person 1900 block of 10th 4:09 p.m.
Fight 1600 block of Cloverfield 4:27 p.m.
Defrauding innkeeper Barnard/Ocean Park 4:30 p.m.
Defrauding innkeeper Barnard/Hart 4:34 p.m.
Hit and run 1500 block of Euclid 5:34 p.m.
Hit and run 1500 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 5:43 p.m.
Fight 1900 block of 19th 5:43 p.m.
Hit and run 1500 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 5:59 p.m.
Prowler 1800 block of Michigan 6:10 p.m.
Fraud suspect 1400 block of 3rd Street Prom 7:13 p.m.
Hit and run Ocean/Pico 7:26 p.m.
Hit and run 9th/Idaho 8:08 p.m.
Fight 300 block of Santa Monica 9:01 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 47 calls for service on May 22.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Automatic alarm 1900 block of Broadway 1:08 a.m.
Automatic alarm 2600 block of Centinela 1:37 a.m.
EMS of Ocean/Georgina 1:52 a.m.
Miscellaneous outside fire of Centinela/Interstate 10 2:35 a.m.
Automatic alarm 100 block of Wilshire 3:11 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1900 block of Broadway 3:23 a.m.
EMS 1500 block of 2nd 4:13 a.m.
EMS 600 block of Wilshire 4:16 a.m.
Vehicle fire 1600 block of Interstate 10 7:41 a.m.
EMS 1900 block of Cloverfield 11:50 a.m.
EMS 1300 block of 3rd Street Prom 12:09 p.m.
EMS 1100 block of 7th 12:11 p.m.
EMS of Ocean/Colorado 12:49 p.m.
EMS 700 block of Copeland 1:16 p.m.
Alert 1 - minor aircraft incident 3200 block of Donald Douglas Loop 1:20 p.m.
Assist LAFD 200 block of Mabery Lan 1:25 p.m.
EMS 100 block of Wilshire 1:30 p.m.
Alert 3 - crash 3200 block of Donald Douglas Loop 1:33 p.m.
EMS 100 block of 26th 1:47 p.m.
EMS 2000 block of Ocean 2:22 p.m.
EMS of 17th/Arizona 3:26 p.m.
EMS 800 block of Euclid 3:49 p.m.
EMS 1900 block of 10th 4:04 p.m.
EMS 100 block of Santa Monica 4:33 p.m.
EMS 100 block of Palisades 4:37 p.m.
EMS 1000 block of 11th 4:51 p.m.
EMS 1600 block of 5th 5:48 p.m.
EMS 1200 block of 9th 5:55 p.m.
Automatic alarm 400 block of 14th 6:10 p.m.
EMS 1900 block of Ocean 7:27 p.m.
EMS of 4th/Wilshire 7:28 p.m.
EMS 200 block of Santa Monica Pier 7:43 p.m.
EMS 2400 block of Main 7:46 p.m.
Electrical fire - no fire visible 800 block of 15th 9:12 p.m.

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

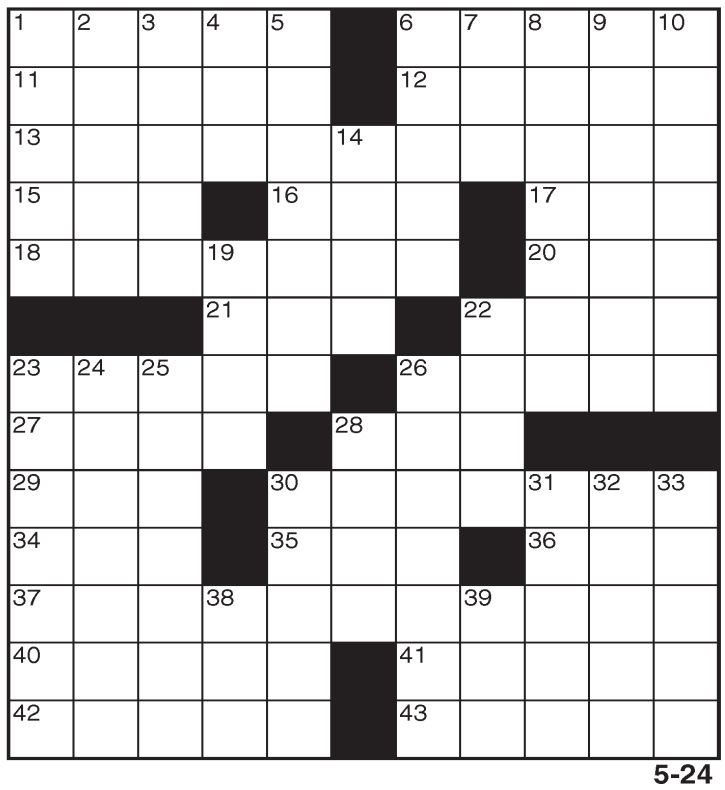
ACROSS
1 Weather zone
6 Syrup source
11 Women's quarters
12 Ordered display
13 Chess start
15 Capitol Bldg. worker
16 Singer Waits
17 Old hand
18 Sister of Orestes
20 Before, in poems
21 Moon lander, for short
22 Takes the prize
23 Pamphlet
26 Sacred song
27 Implausible
28 Pickle buy
29 Nile serpent
30 Flipped
34 Black goo
35 Battery size
36 Fish with bobbing bait
37 Home-buying expense
40 Dancer Ailey
41 Gladden
42 Oboe parts
43 "Blowin' in the Wind" singer

DOWN
1 Selected
2 Jacket flap
3 Dancer Castle
4 Chess pieces
5 Transistor part
6 Molten rock
7 Sleeve filler
8 Skeptic's challenge
9 Shirley's pal
10 Optometrist's exam
14 Standard
19 Painter Paul
22 Had on
23 Rail carrier
24 Mississippi explorer
25 Make better
26 Ran
28 Rivers of comedy
30 Makes headway
31 "Let's Make —"
32 Michelangelo work
33 Buddy of "Barnaby Jones"
38 Comic Caesar
39 Jeans feature

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Difficulty Level ★★

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	9		7	5			3	
		8			1	9		
				2				

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

2	4	8	5	9	1	6	7	3
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Draw Date: 5/20
19 24 26 40 68
Mega#: 8
Jackpot: 203M

SUPER LOTTO
Draw Date: 5/21
8 12 27 34 44
Mega#: 15
Jackpot: 9M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 5/22
8 11 22 36 37

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 5/22
MIDDAY: 4 6 3
Draw Date: 5/22
EVENING: 2 8 8

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 5/22
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2nd: 05 California Classic
3rd: 10 Solid Gold
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WORD UP!

jimjams
1. Slang. extreme nervousness; jitters. 2. Slang. delirium tremens.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1935 – The first night game in Major League Baseball history is played in Cincinnati, Ohio, with the Cincinnati Reds beating the Philadelphia Phillies 2–1 at Crosley Field.

1939 – First issue of Fashizmi is published in Tirana.

1940 – Igor Sikorsky performs the first successful single-rotor helicopter flight.

1941 – World War II: In the Battle of the Atlantic, the German Battleship Bismarck sinks then-pride of the Royal Navy, HMS Hood, killing all but three crewmen.

1943 – The Holocaust: Josef Mengele becomes chief medical officer of the Auschwitz concentration camp.

1948 – Arab–Israeli War: Egypt captures the Israeli kibbutz of Yad Mordechai, but the five-day effort gives Israeli forces time to prepare enough to stop the Egyptian advance a week later.

1956 – Conclusion of the Sixth Buddhist Council on Vesak Day, marking the 2,500 year anniversary after the Lord Buddha's ParinibbÇna.

1956 – The first Eurovision Song Contest is held in Lugano, Switzerland.

1958 – United Press International is formed through a merger of the United Press and the International News Service.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Apparently, Japanese taste buds easily become bored, for manufacturers seem eager to create extravagant food combinations to satisfy them that might prove daunting to most Americans. The latest exhibit: the familiar Kit Kat chocolate-coated wafer -- but with the taste of ripe melon and cheese (specifically, "Hokkaido Melon With Mascarpone Cheese"). As Japanese foodies know, Kit Kats in Japan come in at least 15 coatings, according to a 2013 review by Kotaku.com, including Edamame Soybean, Purple Sweet Potato, Hot Japanese Chili, Matcha-Green Tea, Wasabi and Red Bean Sandwich.

■ (1) In the latest ruling on a familiar theme, a court in Modena, Italy, ordered a father to continue paying living expenses for his son, age 28, who had meandered through a degree in literature but now has decided to seek another, in experimental cinema. (Almost two-thirds of Italians aged 18 to 34 still live with their parents.) (2) In Beijing, an elderly couple secured a court order in March forcing their 36-year-old daughter finally to move out after she had refused for years. The couple admitted to the Beijing Morning Post that they might have pampered her excessively over the years, even lending her the equivalent of $23,000 to buy a house. (Still, she stayed.)

All smiles tonight, Gemini

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You will be more positive and expressive of your feelings in the next few weeks. However, you could feel volatile if your expectations are not met, especially within a partnership. Use more self-expression, and follow through. Tonight: Out late.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You could have many strong feelings, and might wonder which one would be most acceptable to express when handling a personal issue. Use care with spending, especially if it involves your profession or travel. You easily could go overboard. Tonight: Opt to be a duo.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ One-on-one relating results in much better interactions than when you're in a group. Strong feelings between you and a friend mark a conversation, even if it is about a dry topic. Be careful not to become touchy if you don't get the response you desire. Tonight: All smiles.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Others have a nice way of expressing their caring; however, you might be holding back some strong feelings. You'll want to know more before you discuss your interests. This caution will seem appropriate to you, but your hesitancy could worry people. Tonight: Accept a suggestion.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ A friend expresses his or her thoughts, which could be flattering to you. Your creativity is likely to flourish. A loved one might deal with his or her insecurities by being argumentative. You know how to stabilize the situation, if you so choose. Tonight: Where the action is.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Try a new approach or a different suggestion. Pressure builds to act very confident and secure, while inside your emotions seem to rage. You might see this issue play out around you as well. Be more upbeat, and detach. Tonight: Change the mood of the moment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Remain secure within your immediate circle. Open up to an offer that seems demanding. You might sense that you are seeing only the tip of the iceberg right now. Test the waters, and ask important questions. Tonight: Mosey on home; you've got some thinking to do.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ You are willing to speak your mind, but will others listen? You have strong feelings that you easily could swallow if need be. A loved one might try to make peace, but only after he or she realizes that you have triggered some uproar. Tonight: Respond to someone's request.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might come off more strongly than you had intended. Rethink your word choice as well as your tone. Your message will get through with a bit more softness. It is clear that you know what you want and are not willing to compromise. Tonight: Avoid a quarrel that is a no-win situation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You could feel re-energized and understood. You might be unusually gracious and caring when it comes to dealing with others in the morning. By the afternoon, some frustration is likely to emerge. Your sharpness can't be matched or missed. Tonight: Paint the town red.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You have a way of communicating that baffles many yet draws others toward you. Don't put yourself in the position of wondering what will happen, but observe and weigh the possibilities. A friend could become difficult to deal with. Tonight: Lighten up the mood.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ Once you get over some self-imposed restrictions, you'll feel far more content. You might not see the big picture until you understand more of your feelings. Know exactly what you want. Tonight: Use care around those who feel fragile.

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

This year you exude depth, charm, intelligence and sometimes silliness. In general, a softness emanates from you, which is helpful, as those around you could be challenging, angry or touchy. If you are single, the person you choose might be very demanding, especially if you meet him or her before October. Nevertheless, you are likely to experience great comfort with this person. If you are attached, there is a lot of emphasis on your domestic life through September. From fall through your next birthday, your romantic life becomes steamy and intense; schedule a special vacation during this period. CAPRICORN knows how to push your buttons.

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

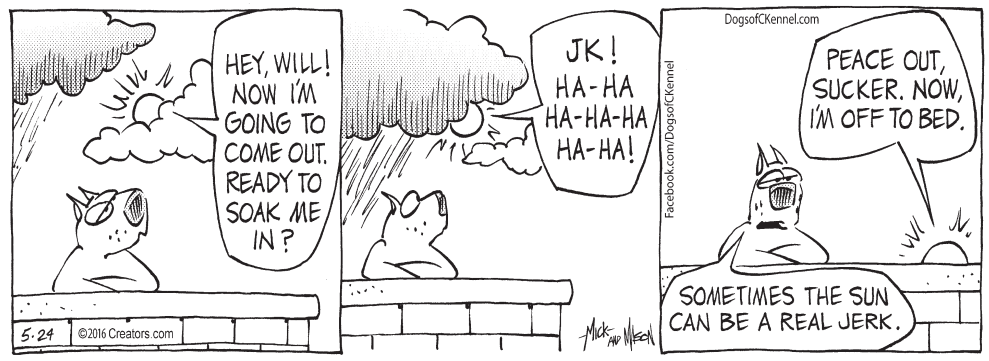
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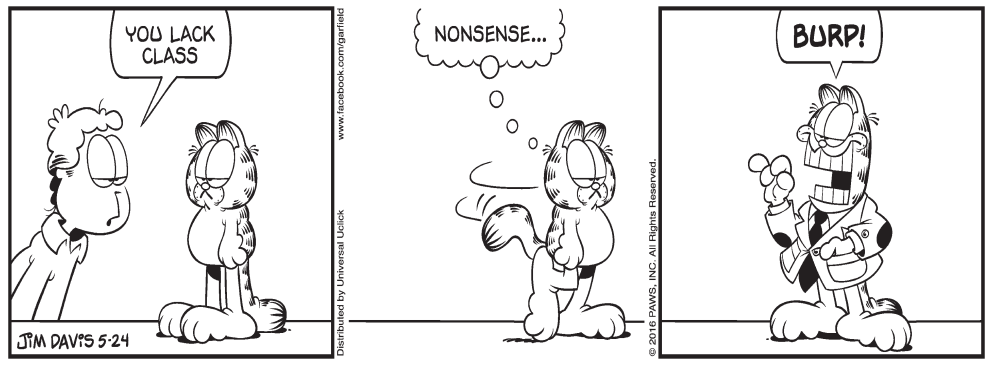
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