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THE GAME ONE ISSUE



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SOLEMN: **People gather Wednesday night at Wokcano on Fifth Street in support of American journalists Laura Ling and Euna Lee, who are being held in North Korea against their will. The North Korean government claims that the two are spies who illegally crossed the Chinese-North Korean border.**

U.S. journalists head to trial in North Korea

JEAN H. LEE
Associated Press Writers

SEOUL, South Korea Two American journalists headed to trial Thursday before North Korea's highest court on charges they crossed into the country illegally and engaged in "hostile acts" — allegations that could draw a 10-year sentence in a labor camp.

Laura Ling and Euna Lee, reporters for former Vice President Al Gore's California-based Current TV, were arrested March 17 near the North Korean border while on a reporting trip to China.

Their trial began at a time of mounting tensions on the Korean peninsula following the regime's provocative May 25 nuclear test.

As the United Nations and Washington discussed how to punish the regime for its defiance, there were fears the women could become political pawns in the standoff with Pyongyang.

In several U.S. cities, supporters of the two women held vigils Wednesday for their release. In New York, dozens of people turned out in a drenching rain, holding yellow chrysanthemums. Gatherings also took place in San Francisco and Santa Monica.

Analyst Choi Eun-suk, a professor of North Korean law at Kyungnam University, said the court could convict the women, and then the government could use them as bargaining chips with the United States.

"The North is likely to release and deport them to the U.S. — if negotiations with the U.S. go well," Choi said.

The two nations do not have diplomatic relations, and experts called Pyongyang's belligerence a bid to grab President Barack Obama's attention.

North Korea's official news agency said the trial would begin by mid-afternoon, but hours later, there was no word on the status of the proceedings. A State Department spokesman said American officials had seen no independent confirmation that the case was under way.

North Korea has said no observers will be allowed to watch.

Few details are known about how Ling and Lee have been treated since they were arrested nearly three months ago. So far, family members have not reported mistreatment.

North Korea's government is notorious for its brutality, but the most recent accounts indicate the regime has softened its treatment of imprisoned foreigners. Still, the experience

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Affordable apartment project draws mixed bag

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

PICO BLVD A proposal to build a new affordable housing development on the east side of town met a mixed reaction from neighbors during an unveiling of its preliminary designs on Wednesday, raising concerns that the project might be out of scale with the neighborhood and bring in more traffic.

Community Corporation of Santa Monica, the largest developer of affordable housing in the city, introduced the project during a community workshop held just blocks away from the site in question at 2802 Pico Blvd. where it plans to build a four-story complex with at least 36 apartment units for very-low to low-income families — households that bring in approximately $25,000 to $45,000 a year.

It's one of nine affordable housing projects that the nonprofit plans to undertake over the next few years, including a handful of renovations of existing apartment buildings and new construction. The property, which currently houses an automotive repair shop, was acquired by Community Corp. in February for $5.5 million.

While residents generally seemed supportive of creating more affordable housing, some expressed concerns that the project would worsen congestion in the city. Others said they had issue with the size, believing it's too large and out of character with the other buildings along Pico.

"We think of this as a small community street," Siobhan Schenz, who lives about two blocks from the site, said. "People's perception is this is a small lightly-developed corridor."

Moore Ruble Yudell, the architect for the project, presented two different versions of the project, one of which would come with 36 units, a community room and retail on the corner of Pico and 28th Street, and

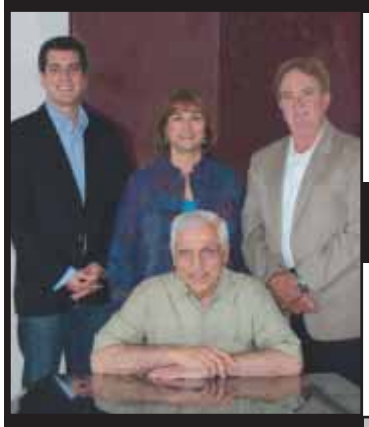
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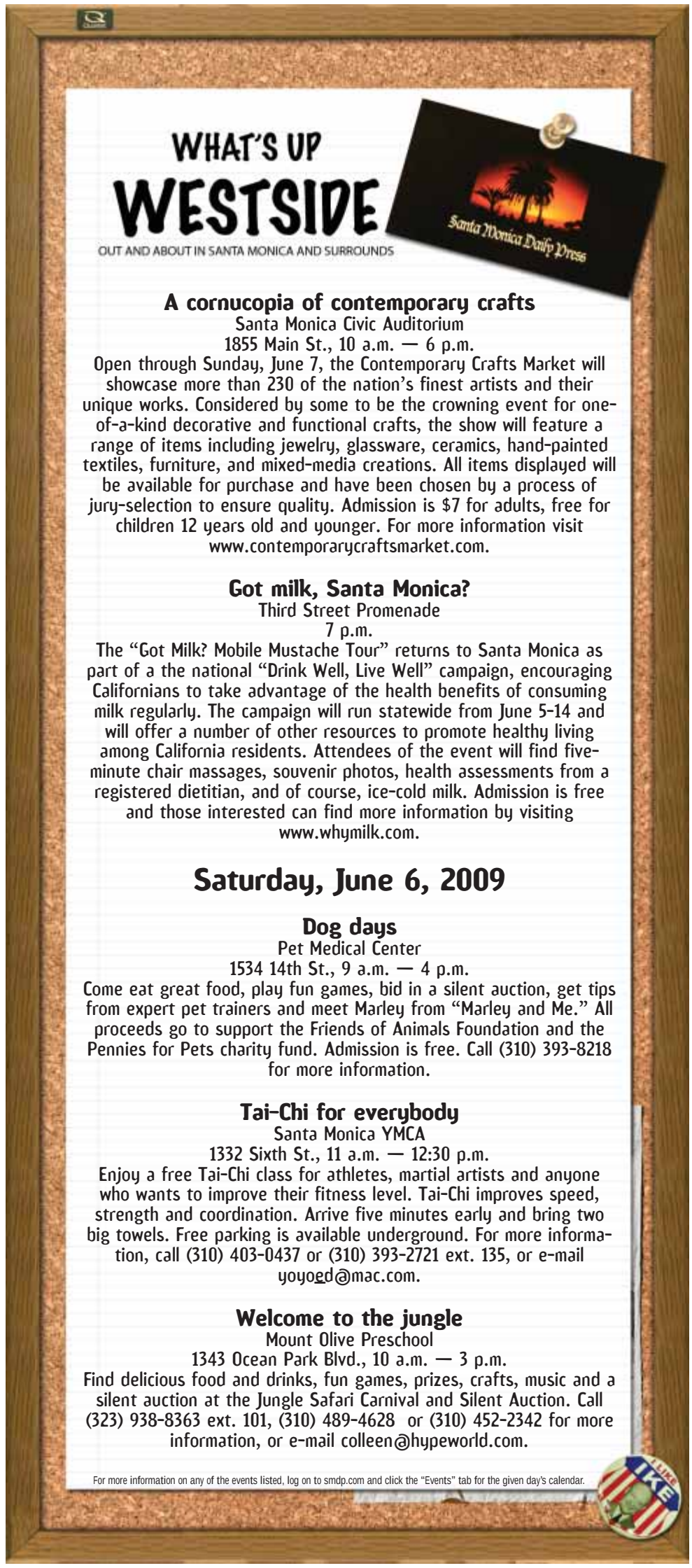
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Got milk, Santa Monica?
Third Street Promenade
7 p.m.
The "Got Milk? Mobile Mustache Tour" returns to Santa Monica as part of a the national "Drink Well, Live Well" campaign, encouraging Californians to take advantage of the health benefits of consuming milk regularly. The campaign will run statewide from June 5-14 and will offer a number of other resources to promote healthy living among California residents. Attendees of the event will find five-minute chair massages, souvenir photos, health assessments from a registered dietitian, and of course, ice-cold milk. Admission is free and those interested can find more information by visiting www.whymilk.com.

Saturday, June 6, 2009

Dog days
Pet Medical Center
1534 14th St., 9 a.m. — 4 p.m.
Come eat great food, play fun games, bid in a silent auction, get tips from expert pet trainers and meet Marley from "Marley and Me." All proceeds go to support the Friends of Animals Foundation and the Pennies for Pets charity fund. Admission is free. Call (310) 393-8218 for more information.

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Santa Monica YMCA
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HIGH SCHOOL SURFING

Malibu's surf team heads to nationals

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

TRESTLES Malibu High School's surf team has secret weapons.

As Malibu prepares to participate in the Red Bull Riders Cup National Championship at Trestles in San Clemente this weekend against high schools from across the country, Head Coach Rich Lawson has a feeling that opposing squads may not take his team seriously.

He wouldn't have it any other way.

"(Other teams) might take us lightly and that's fine," Lawson said. "We're the only squad with a girl and no seniors. They might look at that and say we don't have the experience."

Ironically, the team's lone female member is considered one of its most talented. Junior Chandler Parr, the only female in the competition, has been surfing in national contests since the ripe age of 10 and has earned the praise of her coaches for her ability to rise to the occasion and challenge even the most aggressive male surfers in the water.

"I think it's fun being the only girl," Parr said during practice. "It pushes me to surf my best and improve my abilities."

Assistant Coach Pascal Stansfield, himself a pro surfer, said that if his team is to win the national title Parr will have to come up big, as has been the case all season.

"She's kind of our secret weapon," Stansfield said. "Nobody expects much from her.

"It's pretty nice to have that."

He said that it's obvious in the faces of male competitors that they feel that having Parr on the squad is a disadvantage for Malibu.

"She is very unassuming and very humble until she hits the surf," Stansfield said. "When she goes out there her real personality shows through her surfing."

Parr's sun-filled days of surfing stretch back nine years with her first national contest coming a heady 10 years ago. Her penchant for riding waves doesn't come from surf-riding family members. Parr said that she just woke up one morning and wanted to

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Photo courtesy Adam Koch

RIDING HIGH: **Malibu High School is vying for a win at the Red Bull Riders Cup National Championship this weekend in San Clemente. Malibu is one of eight teams competing.**

Citations of riders on the decline

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN It wasn't too far back when an already contentious relationship between Critical Mass and the Santa Monica Police Department reached a boiling point, cyclists alleging they were unfairly being targeted during their monthly rides, authorities countering that they were simply trying to ensure everyone's safety.

When the cyclists set out again on their ride tonight, the atmosphere is expected to be markedly different than the outings from just a year ago.

Gone are the large crowds, which at its peak reached about 300 riders, now drawing anywhere from 30 to 50 people. Gone are the special police deployments during the rides, resulting in significantly fewer tickets being issued.

"In the last four months as far as I can recall, there haven't been any cruisers or motorcycles starting out the ride with us," Mihai Peteu, a regular rider since 2007, said. "If anything, there are just regular officers on the street.

"I'm hoping they're out handling more important crimes."

SMPD Sgt. Larry Horn, the supervisor for traffic safety and motorcycle enforcement, said the deployment is based primarily on the behavior of cyclists and their interaction with the community, adding that there has been fewer complaints from drivers about the rides.

One of the criticisms of the ride, which starts at the Santa Monica Pier and make its way throughout the city, was that the cyclists clog up traffic, corking intersections and running stop signs. As the complaints increased, so did police presence during the rides.

The SMPD stressed that the special

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Gains made could be lost

Editor:

My response, as a teacher, to the changes at Santa Monica High School ("Samohi parents upset with pending cuts," page 1, June 4):

Prior to deciding to join the SMMUSD staff, I researched SMMUSD's commitment to and programming for students with special needs. The present reforms and the concentrated effort to improve special education services played a critical role in my decision to accept a position in this district.

Through the support of my house administrator, Wendy Wax Gellis, I have been successful in operating a classroom that meets the diverse needs of my students as well as meeting and exceeding the expectations of their parents. Wendy has demonstrated an exceptional commitment to and knowledge of special education law, policy, and district procedures. For much of this year I did not have the benefit of a secondary special education coordinator or the guidance of a director of special education. It was Wendy who guided me through the difficulties of learning a new system and ensuring that my students and I had a successful year.

Wendy took the time and initiative to walk me through the difficulties faced by a new teacher. She personally knew each of my students, their families and the intricate details of their complicated and often convoluted IEP's. It is my sincere concern that without this support, even as a 20-year teacher, I would not have been successful in navigating the system to create the best educational practices for my students.

The house system established at Samohi has allowed for the administrative team to collaborate and combine talents to effectively cover the key areas needed for all students. It is critical to make sure the people making this decision understand that few, if any, other administrators have the knowledge of the special education field that Ms. Gellis possesses. With the loss of Wendy at Samohi, I have great concern that the special education department will be severely compromised at a critical time – when the district is committing resources and effort to regain community and parental support.

SMMUSD is striving to provide the highest quality educator for all of our students but educators for students with special needs are difficult to find and retain. If you eliminate the support offered by a knowledgeable and dedicated administrator, at a school the size of Samohi, the chance of retaining and supporting the best possible teachers is severely compromised. It is because of the incredible support I received from Ms. Gellis that I have been able to offer my students quality programming.

Please take into consideration the unimaginable damage you will be doing to the special education department, the progress made with disgruntled parents and the huge successes we have been able to gain under the direct supervision and support of Wendy.

Beth Bitner
Samohi Teacher

Need diverse shopping

Editor:

I have written many times regarding our shopping situation in Santa Monica. Other small cities such as Palm Desert, Rancho Mirage and La Quinta have both expensive stores and less expensive stores for those who can't afford high prices. For instance, they have Kohl's, Wal-Mart and others. Their business is terrific. Putting these stores in would not only help our economy but be beneficial for the middle class people.

Many of us can't afford Bloomingdale's, Nordstrom, Montana Avenue, and Main Street stores! Why can't we do as other cities and get these stores in our city?

I was born in Santa Monica and have seen many unnecessary changes – more parks, new mall, more theaters, on and on.

Some developers could do wonders by putting in cheaper clothing stores. I'm waiting for someone to do something!

M. Charles
Santa Monica



Your column here

Lee H. Hamilton

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Is fixing Congressional procedure a lost cause?

FOUR YEARS AGO, THE DEMOCRATIC minority on the Rules Committee of the U.S. House — the body that oversees legislative process for that side of the Capitol — issued a lengthy report excoriating the Republican majority for abandoning "procedural fairness" and "democratic accountability." The House leadership of the time, it charged, had essentially shut down debate and boxed the minority out of any meaningful participation in congressional life.

Last year, the Republicans on the committee — now in the minority themselves — responded with a similar broadside. They accused the new Democratic majority, in the words of their report's subtitle, of abandoning "its promises of openness and civility." "The record demonstrates," they went on to say, that Congress under the Democrats "has actually been more closed than any in history."

This exchange may seem to be an obscure front in the usual partisan warfare on Capitol Hill, but there is something more fundamental going on than simple partisanship. There is, I believe, a generational shift that has taken place in Congress that raises the question of whether the deliberation, openness and fairness that most Americans would want to see in their premier legislative body are receding out of reach.

Simply put, the rules have become a tool of the leadership in both parties to pursue their goals — and there are very few members of Congress who still remember when they instead guaranteed the right of ordinary members to engage in open debate and to affect the course of legislation. Each side seems to recognize this now only when it is in the minority.

The body of rules that members of Congress like to refer to as "the regular order" evolved over time for a reason. It performed a balancing act: on the one hand, allowing any member a chance to participate in debate and legislation, and on the other, seeking to rein in and channel the determination of ambitious politicians to have their say.

In doing this, the rules sought to preserve Congress' essential nature as the place where Americans' representatives could bring their various points of view — regional, ideological, moral, and parochial — and work to reconcile them as they grappled with promoting the national interest.

But gradually, beginning under Democratic majorities in the 1980s and accelerating under the Republican majority of the 1990s, the leadership — especially in the House — began to experiment with interpreting the rules to maximize its power.

It did so in part because it wanted to banish uncertainty — the unforeseen amendment, the chance that a floor debate might change minds — and in part because the close partisan divide of the last couple of decades has raised the stakes in every vote, redoubling the determination of the majority to avoid politically uncomfortable votes arranged by the minority.

The paths the leadership took seem technical. It used the Rules Committee, stacked with loyalists, to limit the ability of members to debate or amend legislation. It found ways to bypass the general committee structure entirely and have bills considered only under conditions — and with amendments — of its own choosing. It began to rely on huge omnibus bills that are impossible for members to read through, let alone analyze and debate, before they're voted on. It limited the ability of conference committees between the House and Senate to depart from the script laid out in advance by leaders in both chambers.

POWER IS NOW CONCENTRATED IN THE HANDS OF THE LEADERSHIP AND ITS ALLIES. ACTUAL DEBATE – DEBATE IN WHICH THE LEGISLATIVE OUTCOME IS UNCERTAIN – IS LARGELY A THING OF THE PAST.

The upshot, however, is not at all technical. Power is now concentrated in the hands of the leadership and its allies. Actual debate — debate in which the legislative outcome is uncertain — is largely a thing of the past.

Legislative maneuvering is aimed less at affecting policy than at affecting elections. The divide between the majority and the minority — not just as partisan bodies, but as individuals serving in Congress together — is deepened by mutual unhappiness over how the other side behaves.

This is not healthy for Congress, and it is certainly not healthy for the American people, who deserve policies that are openly debated and fairly pursued.

So I worry that with every passing year, it is getting harder to undo the changes of the past couple of decades.

For most members of Congress now, the current state of affairs is "the regular order," and the earlier era isn't even a memory.

Change is unlikely to be driven from within; it will only happen, I believe, if enough members of the public come to see the disconnect between how Congress runs itself day-to-day, and our ideals for a representative democracy that is worthy of the name.

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I believe in magic, just not this time

BECAUSE MY DEADLINE IS THURSDAY at 4 p.m., by the time you read this, the Lakers will either be up one game or down one game in the NBA Finals. (I'm biting my tongue at the thought of the latter, which hurts if you think about it.)

The good news for the Lakers is that they have home court advantage. The bad news is that the Magic has Dwight Howard, aka "Superman." Hopefully Kobe will be aka kryptonite. The Magic has a deep, talented team, which is the extent of the nice things I want to say about them.

Frankly, "The Magic," sounds like a David Copperfield act in Vegas. Speaking of which, in 2007 the illustrious illusionist, (alliteration anyone?) was raided by the FBI on suspicion of rape and they seized $2 million in cash! Curiously, Copperfield was never charged. Did he buy them off, or make them disappear?

Maybe I shouldn't make fun of "The Magic." We're the L.A. Lakers and we don't have any lakes, unless you count Toluca Lake. One day it might have been a real lake, and may be still. I wouldn't know because it's east of Lincoln Boulevard.

The Lakers' name evolved because the team was located in Minneapolis, "land of 10,000 lakes." (Did they count them one by one, or just round off?) Actually, the original team played in Detroit as the "Gems," which makes no sense whatsoever, and I suppose is consistent with the rest of this column.

In 1946, the Lakers were sold for $15,000. Forbes currently values the franchise at a half-billion dollars and $15,000 barely covers season ticket parking.

How about the Utah Jazz? Given the Mormon population, Utah wouldn't seem to be a hotbed of jazz. (Tabernacle choirs, yes, jazz no.) The name "The Jazz" came about because the team was based in New Orleans, which after Hurricane Katrina, was turned into a lake. And one "heckuva" lake, if you catch whom I'm pointing a finger at.

Since 1947, the Lakers have been in the NBA Finals 30 times. That's a record! Then again, they've lost 16 times, which is also a record. The Lakers have brought us a lot of joy and a lot of heartache. This brings up the age-old question, "Is it better to have loved and lost than not to have loved at all?" No it doesn't, but it sounded good.

Almost every other year, the Lakers get all the way to the big dance but don't come home with the girl (or guy, as the case may be in this post Prop. 8 world). In Los Angeles, to say the bar is a little high is to say GM is in a little financial difficulty.

Exceeding expectations were the Denver Nuggets, whom the Lakers defeated in the Western Conference Finals. Their season was a success because few expected them to get that far. At the end of game 6, the final and deciding game against the Lakers, the Nuggets were down by 30 points and yet their fans lapsed into a standing ovation.

If, and when, the Lakers are ever down 30 points in a final and deciding playoff game, (I hope that day never comes again) I think we can forget standing ovations. Throwing things might be more like it. But maybe that's just me?

Speaking of the Nuggets, I'm glad they're gone, if only in that I don't have to see all those tattoos anymore. Good Lord! The Nuggets look like a prison team. And so many tattoos. OK, guys we get it, you like ink. At the risk of sounding like an old man, enough already.

Win, lose or draw, Jerry Buss has to be the best owner in sports. The Lakers have only missed the playoffs five times. In Southern California we're exceptionally spoiled, what with the Lakers, Dodgers, Angels, Kings, Ducks, USC and UCLA, some local team is either winning a championship, or knocking on the door (or in USC's case, dodging NCAA investigations.)

With Lebron "No Handshake" James and the Cavs losing, what does Cleveland have? The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and the Cuyahoga River (so polluted it once caught fire).

The Cleveland Indians haven't won a World Series since 1948. That must seem like yesterday to Chicago whose Cubs haven't won since 1908. The point of all this (assuming there is one) is to count your blessings. And among mine is watching Kobe Bryant play all these years.

So who will win, the Lakers or the Magic? If I knew positively, I wouldn't be writing this, I'd be in Vegas betting the house (or in my circumstance, betting the apartment). I'm predicting the Lakers in six games. One caveat — if they lose, I just hope I don't throw anything too valuable.

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The Q Line

Education at a price

A recent Daily Press article revealed that local high school students are finding that a good education is a hard thing to come by during these dark economic times.

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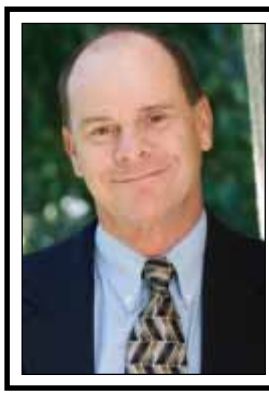


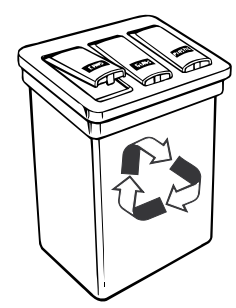

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA PLANNING COMMISSION

SUBJECT: A Public Hearing will be held by the Planning Commission on the following:

Conditional Use Permit 09-001, Variance 09-003, 2424 Main Street. The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow the operation of a restaurant with on-site consumption of alcoholic beverages located in the CM-2 (Main Street Commercial) zoning district. The 2,668 square foot restaurant includes seating for 86 customers, including a 847 square foot covered outdoor patio area located toward the rear of the property. To comply with off-street parking requirements, the applicant requests a parking variance to waive the number of spaces required for the restaurant. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.04.08.28.040(p), a Conditional Use Permit is required to allow the operation of a restaurant with fifty seats or more in the CM-2 district, and SMMC Section 9.04.10.18.020 which requires a Conditional Use Permit for the on-site sale and dispensation of alcohol. [Planner: Steve Mizokami] **APPLICANT: Naresh Mehra. PROPERTY OWNER: Naresh Mehra, Jeffrey Cook, Sylvia Aroth.**

Conditional Use Permit 09-004, 3110 Main Street. The applicant is requesting the modification of an existing Conditional Use Permit (CUP 371) for an existing restaurant (Hidden Restaurant) located in the CM (Main Street Commercial) zoning district. The restaurant is currently located within an existing mixed-use building and is conditioned to operate no later than midnight daily. The applicant is requesting to extend the hours of operation until 2:00 AM on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings, with no other changes proposed. [Planner: Tony Kim] **APPLICANT: Nuova Roma, LLC. PROPERTY OWNER: SMCA Main Street Plaza, LLC .**

Design Compatibility Permit 08-001, Tract Map 08-001, 3214-3218 Highland Avenue. The applicant requests approval of a Design Compatibility Permit and Tentative Tract Map No. 70209 to subdivide one lot into six airspace parcels in conjunction with a proposed two-story, six-unit residential condominium project. The applicant is applying for a 6-unit airspace subdivision pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 9.20.06.040 and a Design Compatibility Permit for the 6-unit condominium pursuant to Section 9.04.20.15.020. [Planner: Lily Yegazu] **APPLICANT/PROPERTY OWNER: Highland Group L.P.**

Development Review Permit 08-002, Conditional Use Permit 08-002 & Variance 08-007, 3131 Olympic Boulevard. An application for a Development Review Permit, Conditional Use Permit and Variance to allow the phased expansion of the Herb Alpert Educational Village which includes the construction of new high school and middle school facilities including classroom space, administrative office space, a theater/performing arts center, gymnasium, library, student center, a three-level parking garage and other ancillary uses. An Addendum to a previously certified Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines. The original EIR was certified on May 7, 2003. An Addendum to a certified Final EIR is permitted under CEQA in consideration that the revised project would not have new significant impacts or more severe impacts than those previously disclosed in the previously certified Final EIR. [Planner: Scott Albright, AICP] **APPLICANT: Paul Cummins/New Land Corporation. PROPERTY OWNER: New Land Corporation.**

Development Review Permit 09-002 [Extension of DR 06-006], 1041-47 Seventeenth Street. The applicant requests a one year extension of Development Review (DR) Permit 06-006 to allow a two-story, eight-unit residential condominium project with mezzanine and subterranean garage. The proposed project requires a Development Review Permit because the project exceeds 15,000 square feet in the R2 zoning district. The current DR permit will expire July 5, 2010. [Planner: Gina Szilak] **APPLICANT/PROPERTY OWNER: Westland Mortgage Inc.**

WHEN: Wednesday, June 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: Council Chambers, City Hall
1685 Main Street
Santa Monica, California

City of Santa Monica

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the Planning Commission public hearing, or by writing a letter or e-mail. Information received prior to the hearing will be given to the Planning Commission at the meeting.

MORE INFORMATION
If you want additional information about this project or wish to review the project, please contact the Project Planner (310) 458-8341. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours or available on the City's web site at www.smgov.net. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. If you have any disability-related accommodation request, please contact (310) 458-8341, or TYY Number: (310) 458-8696 at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #7, #8, #9 and the Tide Ride service the City Hall. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

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CRIME WATCH
BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Suspect down in the dumps

Crime Watch is a weekly series 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.

THURSDAY, MAY 28, AT 3 P.M.,
Santa Monica police officers responded to the 1500 block of Wilshire Boulevard – MacMall – regarding a suspect who was allegedly trying to steal a laptop computer through the use of a bogus check. When officers arrived, they made contact with store employees who said the suspect entered the business on May 14 and attempted to purchase a 17-inch MacBook Pro laptop and a 24-inch iMac computer with a check imprinted with the name of a church. When asked if he was authorized to sign the check, the suspect allegedly said he was. Employees tried to process the check, but it was declined. When an inquiry was made as to the reason for the denial, the employees were told the business account and number on the check were valid, but the person trying to use it was not authorized to do so. At that point the suspect took the check and left the store. On May 28, a store employee noticed a colleague was assisting a customer who wanted to purchase a laptop and iPod using a check in the amount of $4,203.38. The employee recognized the customer as the same guy who tried to use the bogus check. Police were called and when the suspect saw officers, he allegedly ran out of the store and onto 15th Street, where he cut through two buildings. A perimeter was established and a search conducted. Officers said they found the suspect hiding in a trash can. Officers placed the suspect under arrest for burglary, false identification, identity theft, a bench warrant for burglary and a bench warrant for battery. He was identified as Joseph Lewis, 46, a transient. No bail was set.

MONDAY, MAY 25, AT 10:35 P.M.,
Officers responded to a report of a suspicious person in the parking area of an apartment complex in the 1300 block of 26th Street. When officers arrived, they made contact with a witness who said she found the suspect kneeling near a bicycle in the parking garage when she returned home. As she reached the top of the stairs, the suspect allegedly ran. The witness ran to get her boyfriend, who said he found the suspect holding a bicycle seat in his hand on a different level of the parking garage. As he approached the suspect, the seat was dropped and the suspect attempted to run. The boyfriend gave chase and was able to detain the suspect until police arrived. Officers placed the suspect under arrest for burglary. He was identified as Armando Marquez, 31, from Los Angeles. His bail was set at $50,000.

TUESDAY, MAY 26, AT 4:15 P.M.,
Officers responded to 700 block of Broadway (Vons) regarding a shoplifting suspect in custody. When officers arrived, they made contact with store security who said they watched the suspect take several packages of sushi and some Gatorade from store displays and then exit the store, failing to pay for the items. Once outside the store, the suspect was detained by security. She was placed under citizen's arrest and officers transported the suspect to the Santa Monica Jail, where she was booked for petty theft. The items believed stolen were valued at $23.46. The suspect was identified as Alejandra Estella Solana, 46, a transient. Her bail was set at $1,000.

TUESDAY, MAY 26, AT 7:30 P.M.,
Officers responded to a report of a car crash in the 1600 block of Arizona Avenue. When officers arrived, they found a vehicle had struck a parked car. Officers made contact with the driver who said she was dialing her cell phone while traveling westbound on Arizona and struck a parked car while traveling at approximately 15 mph. As officers spoke with the driver they observed symptoms that led them to believe she was under the influence of a controlled substance. Officers conducted a Drug Influence Evaluation and formed the opinion that she was under the influence of a controlled substance. The suspect was placed under arrest for DUI. She was identified as Amy Engle Bieber, 44, of Santa Monica. Her bail was set at $15,000.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, AT 1:45 A.M.,
Officers responded to the 1100 block of Ninth Street regarding a car on fire. When officers arrived, they found Santa Monica firefighters working to put out the flames from the interior of a black Dodge Magnum. After the fire was extinguished, officers found a red gas can containing a clear liquid on the passenger floorboard and a lighter approximately 10 feet from the burned vehicle. The gas can, lighter and a sample of the liquid were booked as evidence. Detectives arrested the owner of the vehicle on May 27, using statements he made, plus fingerprints found at the scene and cell phone records indicating the man was leaving the city of Santa Monica minutes after the fire. He was placed under arrest for arson and for filing a false insurance claim. The suspect was identified as Sidney Porter, 49, of Culver City. His bail was set at $50,000.

THURSDAY, MAY 28, AT 4:30 A.M.,
Officers on routine patrol in the 300 block of Pico Boulevard saw two suspicious men inside an Arco gas station looking out the front window. As they made eye contact with the officers, both turned and separated and went to opposite ends of the store, police said. Officers entered the store and watched as one suspect distract the two store employees as the other wandered the aisles. Officers asked one of the employees if everything was OK. The employee allegedly told officers that he believed one of the two customers stole a beer the previous day and wanted both to leave the store. Officers made contact with the two men and asked them to conclude their business and leave the store. Once outside, the officers searched the men and recovered two packaged and sealed sandwiches, a packaged and still hot burrito and Haagen-Dazs ice cream that was still cold, police said. Officers asked the store employees if the items came from their store, to which they said yes. A review of video surveillance footage showed one suspect stuffing items into his pants, police said. Both were placed under arrest. They were identified as Timothy Kevin Poyser, 34, a transient; and Jamal Olinga White, 28, of Los Angeles. Poyser was booked for burglary, conspiracy and a bench warrant for vandalism. His bail was set at $30,000. White was booked for burglary, conspiracy, possession of marijuana and a bench warrant. His bail was set at $25,000. The items believed stolen were valued at $13.65.

Editor-in-Chief KEVIN HERRERA compiled these reports. news@smdp.com

New affordable housing project proposed for Pico

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another that would have 37 units but without the commercial space.

The architectural firm, which is located further west on Pico Boulevard, was responsible for designing the Santa Monica Public Library in Downtown and the Santa Monica Civic Center Parking Garage.

The development is about the same height as the Santa Monica College administrative building on the next block, which is only three stories but also 40 feet tall, said James Mary O'Connor, the principal architect.

The project will have a combination of two and three bedroom units with two floors of parking. The rent will range from roughly $500 to $800 a month.

A combination of bank loans, state and city grants, federal tax credit and private investments will finance the project, which is estimated to cost around $10-$11 million, including the site acquisition costs. Generally about 30 to 40 percent of Community Corp. projects are funded through City Hall, said Joan Ling, the executive director.

Ling said the building will be designed to scale up toward Pico Boulevard, starting at about 2.5 stories on the south side of the property, which abuts a two-story apartment building, and going up to four stories on the north side.

Tanna Moontaro, a 14-year-resident who lives just across the street from the project, said that she had concerns with the building's height and shape.

"To me it looks really boxy," she said.

O'Connor said that the building can be broken down so the scale appears smaller, adding that the height doesn't necessarily dictate whether a development would seem big.

"Our intention is not to make it look like a box," he said.

The architect added that the building aesthetically will not have a front or back but would rather have a continuous design.

"Today, you can have a building that is seen all around," he said.

Some residents said they would prefer the option for an all residential building, taking out the retail space which they believe would just add more traffic. Some pointed out that a number of businesses have failed along Pico Boulevard over the past few years.

"It seems like if it's something that could easily fail, maybe it'll be better to have that extra unit," Michael Tarbet, a neighbor who lives a few blocks away, said.

Ling said that the retail space will most likely not be occupied by a business that attracts a lot of traffic. Another of the organization's projects located at Main and Pacific streets has a shoe repair shop, cafe and water purification company.

"We expect we'll be marketing to neighborhood serving uses," she said.

Irene Zivi, who lives next door to another Community Corp. building, said that she has had a positive experience being near an affordable housing development and expressed her support for the project.

"I think this is a great upgrade and I think people will be thrilled to have Community Corp. as a neighbor," she said. "I feel this would give Pico a lift because Pico needs a lift."

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READY FOR SOME ACTION: **(Left to right) Malibu High's surf team includes Duke Van Patten, Colton Sarlo, Chandler Parr, Conrad Carr, Skylar Lawson and Chance Lawson.**

Malibu seeks national title

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surf. She said she had seen surfers in the waves off of Malibu and wanted to see what it was like.

"That was it, that's how it went down in history," Parr said.

Her time atop a surfboard has yielded a WTC national title and she has also appeared in international competitions.

"It was really cool being the only girl from the U.S. [team]," Parr said. "It was interesting to see the different talents out there. I got a chance to see where I stand up internationally.

"It was an awesome experience."

It is an experience that may help lead the six-member team that includes Duke Van Patten, Colton Sarlo, Conrad Carr, Skylar Lawson and Chance Lawson to a title over seven other schools. The field includes Malibu, Aptos High, Satellite High, Mira Costa High, New Smyrna High, Ocean City High, Newport Harbor High and San Dieguito Academy.

The eight teams in the contest come from Florida, New Jersey and California.

Lawson said the contest gives competitors a chance to see how surfers from diverse areas approach the sport. He added that it also gives surfers an opportunity to shake any negative connotation associated with the sport.

"A lot of people look at surfers as slackers who are involved in negative behavior," Lawson said. "These kids who surf competitively don't get to go to Friday night parties when they have a 7 a.m. heat.

"There are a lot of sacrifices, but they are the right ones to be made by these kids."

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Popularity of other bike rides increases

FROM MASS PAGE 3

deployment was to make sure that all users of the road, including cyclists and motorists, were safe and that they were obeying rules of the road. Many cyclists who have received citations during the rides argued that they were ticketed for non infractions while officers ignored actual violations from passing drivers.

"Our goal was never to banish them from our roadways," Horn said. "Our attempt is to encourage them to obey the law and ride safety and share the road with vehicles and pedestrians and all the other folks."

Horn said that there has been a reduction in "illegal behaviors" but added that it has not stopped entirely.

"We still get complaints here and there," he said. "We just have not seen the level of problems and complaints that we were seeing six months or a year ago that was causing us to deploy additional resources specifically so there's no incidents of violence between riders and vehicles."

Horn said that City Hall is amenable to bicycle use and spends a tremendous amount of time encouraging other forms of transportation other than vehicles. Santa Monica just last month was recognized as being a bronze level Bicycle Friendly Community by the League of American Bicyclists, a designation that some questioned considering the issue with Critical Mass and the conflict between pedestrians and riders on the bike path.

Peteu, a Santa Monica resident, said that the reason for the decrease in ridership for Critical Mass could be attributed to the police enforcement.

"Every single person I asked who used to be a regular said they don't want the conflict," Peteu said. "They want to ride for fun, they don't want to ride for political reasons."

The drop in ridership has coincided with an increase in popularity of some of the other rides, including Crank Mob, which has been described by some as a party on wheels, and Robot, which is faster in pace and covers more ground, averaging 20 plus miles a trip.

Paul Bringetto, a Santa Monica resident who still rides monthly with Critical Mass, said he thinks the popularity in the other rides is a result of better promotion, not necessarily frustration with enforcement. He's been cited several times during the Critical Mass rides.

The Crank Mob and Robot rides typically don't venture into Santa Monica.

Bringetto said he has trouble calling Critical Mass, Critical Mass.

"It's kind of evolved from the original concept of Critical Mass to just a ride to evade the Santa Monica Police Department," he said. "The original people who came out to celebrate bicycles out in the open, they don't come out anymore."

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Supporters hold vigil at restaurant

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has left scars on almost all who endured it.

In 1996, Evan C. Hunziker was detained for three months after being accused of spying. The 26-year-old American entered North Korea by swimming across the Yalu River on the Chinese border.

Hunziker, whose mother was Korean, said he went there out of curiosity and "to preach the Gospel." Other reports said he got drunk and decided to go for a swim. Hunziker was freed after New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson, who was then a congressman, negotiated his release.

Hunziker's father said his son refused to talk about his detention, saying only that he was treated humanely and that the food was bad. In a letter to his mother, he said he was moved from a prison to a hotel.

The North Koreans initially demanded a payment of $100,000 as a fine but eventually agreed on $5,000 to settle Hunziker's hotel bill. The family agreed to pay.

Hunziker, who had a long history of drug, alcohol and legal problems, committed suicide a month after he was freed.

Three years later, the North Koreans detained retired Japanese journalist Takashi Sugishima, who was accused of using a handheld tape recorder and camera to collect intelligence for Japan and South Korea — an allegation he denied.

Sugishima said he was held for two years in a warm, comfortable cell in a mountain detention facility. He was given three hot meals a day and never tortured.

"The treatment I received was more humane than I expected," Sugishima said. Still, he added, the experience was "extremely trying," and he worried constantly that he might not survive.

Some of the harshest conditions were endured by Ali Lameda, a poet and member of Venezuela's Communist Party. He said he was invited to North Korea in 1966 to work as a Spanish translator but quickly became disillusioned with the propaganda.

The next year, Lameda said, he was accused of spying, sabotage and infiltration. He was detained in a damp, filthy cell for a year without trial and survived on dirty scraps of bread and watery vegetable soup. He was often interrogated from noon to midnight. Once, the guards beat his swollen bare feet.

"Whilst in my cell, I could hear the cries of other prisoners," Lameda wrote in an account provided to Amnesty International. "You can soon learn to distinguish whether a man is crying from fear or pain or from madness in such a place."

During the day, detainees were kept awake because the guards said prisoners could not ponder their guilt while asleep, he said.

Shortly after his release, Lameda was tried again. There were no formal charges or specific allegations against him in the one-day hearing, he said. Court officials kept demanding that he confess his guilt.

He was sentenced to 20 years in a freezing labor camp near the town of Sariwon, about 40 miles south of Pyongyang. The camp had 6,000 prisoners who worked 12 hours a day making vehicles and mattresses.

"The cell that I was taken to had no heating except for a pipe running through it which became warm for approximately five minutes each night," he said. "The windows were iced-up and my feet froze."

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TAKING OUT FOR A SPIN: **Daily Press auto columnist Steve Parker poses in front of the Honda FCX Clarity, a hydrogen-fueled fuel cell EV. Its only emission — water.**

Driving the real hydrogen highway

IT'S A BRIGHT, WARM SOUTHERN California afternoon and I'm driving north on the I-405 from Irvine to Torrance, in the carpool lane at 80-plus miles per hour, in an electric car which makes its own electricity.

Let that sink in for a second.

Last Tuesday I was given the opportunity to pilot a Honda FCX Clarity hydrogen-fueled fuel cell EV, which the company is leasing to a few select SoCal drivers. I drove from UC Irvine about 30 miles to Torrance City Hall (just down the street from American Honda's 100-acre national headquarters campus).

This was the first day of the Hydrogen Road Tour '09, sponsored by the Air Resources Board and several other public and private groups. The tour traveled from Chula Vista to Vancouver, BC, about 1,700 miles, with 28 stops along the way to allow the public to "ooh" and "aah" (it was in Santa Monica last Wednesday).

Besides Honda, there were fuel cell EVs from six other car-makers: GM, Volkswagen, Mercedes-Benz, Kia, Nissan and Toyota. And they all made it from Point A to B during my section of the drive with no need for a chase truck to flatbed them in at the end of the day.

In the car with me are two top Honda executives from the company's fuel cell division, my photographer and a gentle whine emanating from the basketball-sized electric drive unit powering Clarity's two front wheels. Though the car is as aerodynamic as they come, with wind noise at a minimum, the sound from outside is louder than any racket the car itself is making.

A vessel holding hydrogen pressurized at 5,000 pounds per square inch sits between the rear wheels. It'll get Clarity about 200 miles before a refill.

The gas flows through race car-like plumbing lines into fuel cell "stacks" beneath the cockpit's center console. That's where the magic happens, where hydrogen is turned into electricity which powers the car and all its systems, with but one emission: pure water.

What's now become electricity then travels into the engine compartment (or in this case, the motor compartment) where computers and controllers divvy up the power as needed for the drive unit, the electric air conditioning, electric power steering, electric drive-by-wire throttle, nav system and stereo, instrument panel, interior and exterior lights, even to operate the hydrogen gas sensor in the cockpit.

Apart from the small amount of lubricant used in Clarity's one-speed transmission, no other oil products are needed by the car. Even the seat material is made out of plant fiber. And Clarity is a plenty big four-door sedan, with copious leg and headroom front and rear, weighing-in at about 3,600 pounds.

The ride is smooth, quiet, fast and fun. On this day we're not on some well-protected test track, but barreling along with the mid-day So Cal flow, braking hard and flicking the wheel to dodge junk in the roadway and casually making lane changes with nary a care in the world. If it wasn't illegal, I'd probably be texting, too.

After about five minutes in the pilot's seat, FCX Clarity becomes just another car, just another Honda-type conveyance/appliance. The car fits in so well with others on the road that it barely draws a glance from other motorists.

There remain many questions about the technology, from how to "manufacture" the hydrogen to delivering it to fueling stations, from how much energy it takes to make the electricity to real concerns about their cost.

One thing became clear after spending a day with fuel cell engineers from seven of the world's biggest car companies: they're all on the same page when it comes to answering their critics, and they're going to be more vocal and forceful about confronting what they call "flawed" information and taking their message to the public and government.

The real battle for our EV hearts and minds is about the begin.

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(City Council Series)

The following is a summary, prepared by the City Attorney, of Ordinance Number 2289, which was adopted by the City Council on May 26, 2009.

Ordinance Number 2289 (CCS) extends massage technician's current City permits for two months so that those permits will expire when a new state law regulating massage goes into effect.

This ordinance will become effective thirty days after its adoption. The full text of the ordinance is available upon request from the Office of the City Clerk, located at 1685 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica; phone (310) 458-8211.

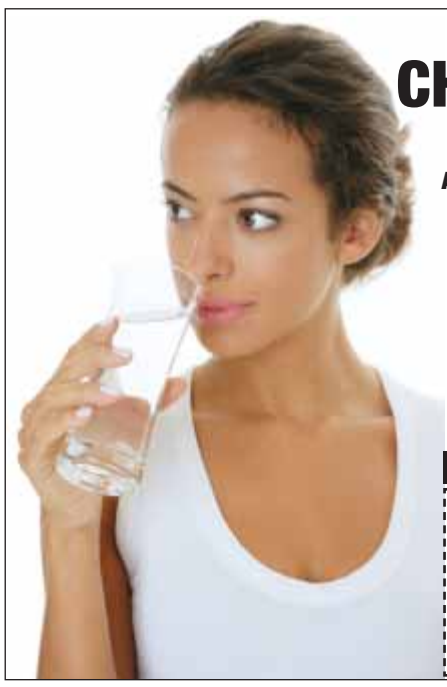
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SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 62°

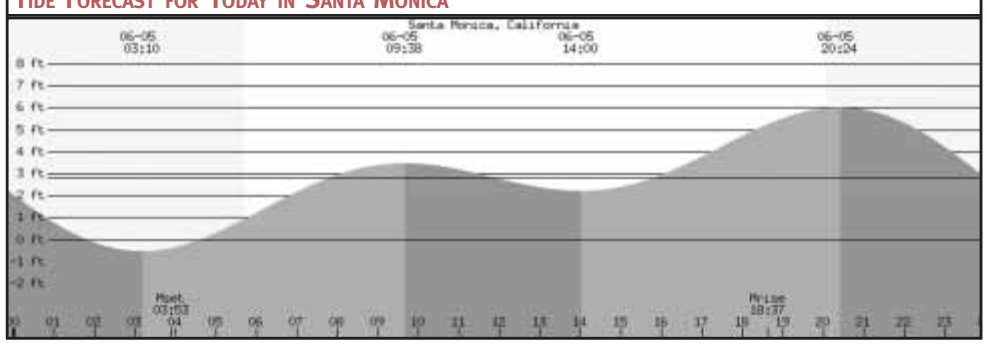
Swell Forecast (1-3 FT)

Friday the 5th we should see a better increase in southern hemi swell, mostly from 200+ degrees, and with 16-second periods. BUT...the ETA on this one is for later in the day.

Long Range Synopsis

Saturday the 6th this southern hemi should peak with chest high sets around most south facing breaks, with standouts running shoulder high or so on the better sets.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



LEGAL NEWS

La Russa sues Twitter over alleged fake page

JIM SALTER
Associated Press Writer

ST. LOUIS St. Louis Cardinals manager Tony La Russa is suing the social-networking site Twitter, claiming an unauthorized page that used his name to make light of drunken driving and two Cardinals pitchers who died damaged his reputation and caused emotional distress.

The suit filed last month in the Superior Court of California in San Francisco seeks unspecified damages.

Messages left Thursday with La Russa's attorney and San Francisco-based Twitter were not returned.

The lawsuit claims that someone created a false account under La Russa's name and posted updates, known as "tweets," that gave the false impression that the comments came from La Russa. The suit said the comments were "derogatory and demeaning" and damaged La Russa's trademark rights.

The account bearing La Russa's name is no longer active. The lawsuit includes a screen shot of three tweets. One posted on April 19 said: "Lost 2 out of 3, but we made it out of Chicago without one drunk driving incident or dead pitcher."

Cardinals pitcher Darryl Kile died of a heart condition in his Chicago hotel room in 2002. Cardinals reliever Josh Hancock died in an auto accident in April 2007, and the medical examiner measured his blood-alcohol level at of 0.157 — nearly twice the legal limit.

One month earlier, La Russa was found sleeping behind the wheel of a running sport utility vehicle in spring training with a blood-alcohol level of 0.093 percent. He pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of driving under the influence.

La Russa's lawsuit said the page bearing his name was hurtful to the 64-year-old manager, who has led the Cardinals since 1996 and also managed the Chicago White Sox and Oakland A's during a 30-year managerial career.

The lawsuit includes a screenshot of tweets with the heading "Hey there! Tony La Russa is using Twitter," with a picture of the manager. The same page includes an aside that reads, "Bio Parodies are fun for everyone."

Some professional athletes and others connected to pro sports have embraced Twitter. Shaquille O'Neal posted a message on his Twitter.com site saying he was pulling for former teammate Kobe Bryant to win a fourth championship as the Lakers entered the NBA finals against Orlando.

"I am saying it today and today only," O'Neal tweeted. "I want kobe bryant to get number four, spread da word."

Buffalo Bills receiver Terrell Owens posted a message on his Twitter site Tuesday that his search for a home to rent hit a snag because residents "(don't) want any drama n their neighborhood!! LOL!!! Wow!!."

BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous four weeks up to the ending date of: **May 26, 2009**

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

QUICK STATS (for the last 28 days)
- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 8
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 40 / 8
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 5 / 8

The Beach Report Card is made possible by simplehuman, Goldhirsh Foundation, the James Irvine Foundation, Ford

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

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

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

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

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

The Beach Report Card is an indication of past water quality and is not a warranty of the current safety of those areas surveyed. Our lawyers are happy.

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Drag Me to Hell (PG-13) 1hr 39min
11:30am, 12:45, 2:00, 3:15, 4:30, 5:45, 7:00, 8:15, 9:30, 10:40

The Hangover (R) 1hr 36min
11:35am, 2:10, 4:40, 7:15, 9:45

Land of the Lost (PG-13)
12:00, 2:30, 5:10, 7:50, 10:30

AMC 7 Santa Monica
1310 Third St.
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Up (PG) 1hr 36min
10:45am, 1:20, 4:00, 6:30, 9:10

Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) 1hr 45min
12:00, 2:35, 5:10, 7:45, 10:25

Up (Digital 3-D) (PG) 1hr 36min
11:30am, 2:15, 4:55, 7:30, 10:10

Angels & Demons (Digital) (PG-13) 2hrs 20min
12:50, 4:05, 7:10, 10:15

Star Trek (2009) (PG-13) 2hrs 06min
10:50am, 1:40, 4:35, 7:35, 10:35

The Hangover (R) 1hr 36min
12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:05, 10:45

Land of the Lost (PG-13)
11:00am, 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
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The Brothers Bloom (PG-13) 1hr 49min
1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 9:55

Every Little Step (PG-13) 1hr 36min
1:50, 4:30, 7:20, 9:45

Downloading Nancy (NR) 1hr 42min
1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:40

Easy Virtue (PG-13) 1hr 33min
1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00, 10:15

Mann's Criterion Theatre
1313 Third St.
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Terminator Salvation (Digital) (PG-13) 1hr 54min
11:40am, 2:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:20

X-Men Origins: Wolverine (PG-13) 1hr 47min
1:30

Dance Flick (PG-13) 1hr 23min
12:50, 3:00, 5:10, 7:30, 9:40

The Soloist (PG-13) 1hr 49min
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Terminator Salvation (PG-13) 1hr 54min
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My Life in Ruins (PG-13) 1hr 38min
11:50am, 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:50

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Take care, Aries

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Partners toss a lot on your plate. You could easily become drained. Confusion and nervousness could dictate a change to an agreement. Choose how you vent your frustration at this event. Tonight: Take care of yourself.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Others define who you are, and they seek you out en masse. Consider your options, especially if you want some help. Your creativity mounts, taking you to a new level. Investigate a hunch. Tonight: Sort through your options.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Emphasize what you need to do. Understand what needs to happen in order to be free and enjoy the weekend. Friends certainly encourage you to go-go-go. You are coming from a very anchored point of view. Tonight: Don't push.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ You are edgy because you want to start your weekend. No matter how you handle a situation or what you need to do, you will worry about what you did not do. Give yourself a break. Tonight: Let your imagination rock and roll.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Do as much as you can from home. If you can take off early or for the day, all the better. Investigate and understand what motivates others. Reach out for distant friends. How you see a situation could be revised, as you still don't have the whole story. Tonight: Happy at home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Even if you are somewhat annoyed, clear out your responsibilities. Your ability to accomplish a lot quickly could mark your day. Return calls, schedule meetings for next week and maybe squeeze in a personal call. Investigate what you need to do in order to handle a hassle. Tonight: Hang out with friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Your instincts point to a new direction, yet you are not totally in touch with your intuition. Be logical, seek concrete matters and stay on top of your work. You know what to do to increase stability and security. Tonight: Time to treat.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Listen to others. Getting in your two cents might be impossible. Use this time to learn more about those who surround your life. People change. Consider updating your point of view. Tonight: Easy works.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ If you feel out of sync, relax. The best solution is to split and start your weekend early. Confusion surrounds communication, which isn't normal for you. A must appearance needs to occur. Sometimes you cannot be replaced. Tonight: Vanish ASAP.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Zero in on what you want. Others seem to bend. Not all facts are being revealed in a key issue. If you are feeling uncomfortable with a decision, don't make it. Be smart and wait. Listen to opinions. Tonight: Where the action is.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Listen to others, because they have a lot to say. Defer, and you'll get results. Do you think someone is giving you attitude? Understand why this person could be defensive. Listen and share. Evaluate once you get the facts. Tonight: Could be late.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ Opt for adventure, a day trip or participating in a new activity. The more off the beaten track you go, the more delightful the adventure (within reason). Be open and really "see, hear and experience." Consider your adventure a growing experience. Tonight: Continue the theme!

Happy birthday

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

This year, opt for the untrodden path, and you will have many reasons to grin from ear to ear. Adventures and/or something new proves to be an awakening experience, even at work or in your daily life. You will end this year a different person. Understand that life is a continual growth process. If you are single, you could meet someone dynamic as easily as going to the dry cleaners. This relationship, though not necessarily a life relationship, could be significant in the doors it will open. If you are attached, working together on a key project or simply a 50-50 parenting arrangement will add to the relationship. SCORPIO demands and then demands some more!

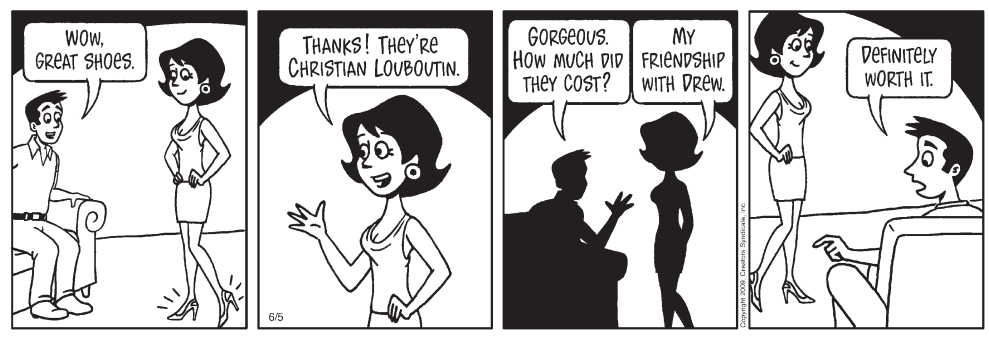
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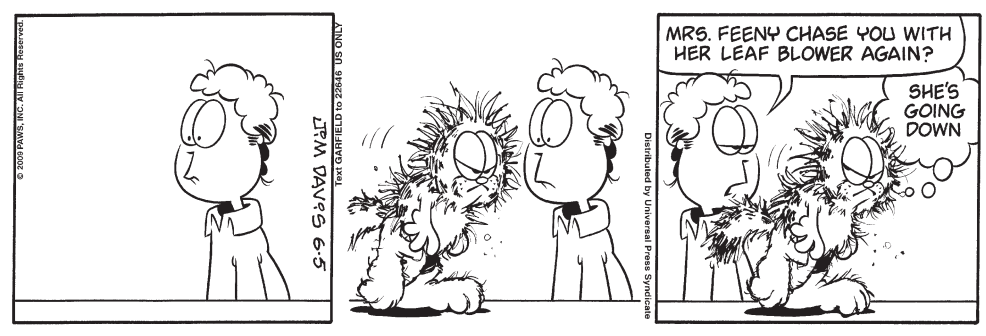
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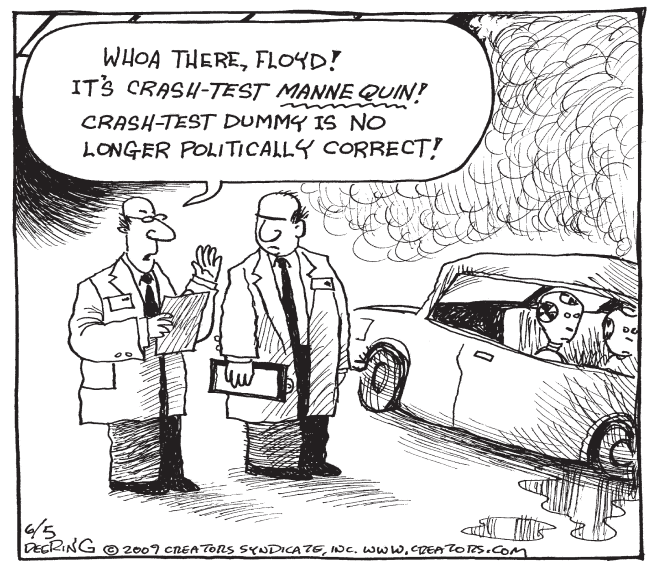
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Difficulty Level ★★★★

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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

7	9	2	5	8	6	4	3	1
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12 "The Balcony" painter
13 Made a choice
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15 Rival
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18 Blunder
19 Cat coat
20 Notice
21 Future fish
22 Blotto
24 Grazing group
25 Holy places
27 Choir voice
29 Big arteries
32 Official rule, in slang
33 Diner order
34 LP speed unit
35 Mariner
36 "... — joy forever"
37 — glance
38 Packed like sardines
40 Nasty dog
42 Held fast
43 Namely, in Latin
44 Hits the sauce
45 Scrumptious

DOWN

1 Jeers
2 Hit to the catcher, say
3 Bunch with a common cause
4 Explorer John
5 Ultimate consumer
6 Beam
7 Mythical piper
8 Bank ad numbers
9 Real brat
10 Put away
17 Calls back, in a way
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24 That ship
26 In no way
27 Gallery star
28 Crude shed
30 Most skilled
31 Know-it-all
33 Overcharges
39 Julep need
41 Writer Tarbell

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Jackpot: $17M

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ **Confusing Business Model:** Patrick Ellison and Frank Mack, along with Edie Wells, were arrested in Dalton, Ga., in April after what police said was a joint venture in which alleged prostitute Wells knocked on a man's door and offered him sex, and when the man declined, Ellison and Mack arrived and forced the man to accept Wells' services. Following the sex, the three departed with the man's money and credit cards.

■ **Good to Know:** A case report in a recent issue of the journal Emergency Medicine Australasia described the successful removal of a leech from an eyeball. A 66-year-old woman, gardening in her back yard in Sydney, had accidentally flicked some soil into her eye. By the time a surgeon could extract the leech, it had roughly tripled its body size by feeding on the eyeball's blood vessels. (The key, by the way: a few drops of saline solution).

■ In a recent journal article, researchers from the University of Whitwatersrand (South Africa) and the University of Sydney (Australia) reported that young male Augrabies lizards avoid older predatory males by, basically, cross-dressing (pretending to be female by suppressing their extravagant male coloration until they are fully developed and able to defend themselves). Thus, they avoid being attacked and, at the same time, increase their own freedom to hit on females. (They must still be careful, say the researchers, because the older males might whiff their male scent, which cannot be suppressed.)

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