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Council asks for LUVE study

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Council wants an in-depth study of the Land Use Voter Empowerment (LUVE) initiative before scheduling the proposal for a November vote.

The measure has gathered enough signatures to qualify for the November ballot and City Council had the option this week of scheduling it for a vote, passing it into law or asking for a study. They opted for a study with a long list of subject areas.

LUVE would require voter approval for development over 32 feet, for development agreements and for significant updates to zoning rules. There are exemptions for some kinds of affordable and senior housing.

Councilman Kevin McKeown said he has been a longtime propo-

nent of slow-growth policies and referenced his history of refusing developer and corporate donations when advocating for the study.

“So I make my decisions based on what I feel is better for the residents of the city who I represent,” he said.

McKeown said the city had a responsibility to ask for a study.

“I obviously feel studying it is the responsible thing to do,” he said. “It would make no sense whatsoever for this council to proceed without authorizing a study which is specifically part of the code just as much as it’s the right of people to circulate petitions and do a referendum.”

The council proposed a long list of study areas including the proposal’s effect on the consistency of existing zoning laws, availability

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New business honors cancer victim

Mia La Maven Med Spa named after owners’ late daughter

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

Late in her battle with a rare form of cancer, Mia Sidaros flew to New York for a photo shoot with Vogue magazine. The publication had connected with the fashion-forward teenager through her blog, and they wanted to meet her for a

feature about women dealing with hair loss.

“Beauty to me was about fitting in,” she was quoted as saying in Vogue. “Now I want to stand out.”

Sidaros, who passed away about a week later at the age of 17, didn’t get much of a chance to stand out

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SMMUSD close to naming interim leader

Hiring matter comes as school board mulls future of equity plan

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

As the Santa Monica-Malibu school district prepares to name an interim superintendent, officials are also starting their search for a full-time replacement and trying to keep alive momentum on an equity initiative that began under

Sandra Lyon.
The local Board of Education will meet in closed session Thursday afternoon to consider four interim candidates to take over leadership duties from Lyon, who on July 1 will start her new job as the top administrator in the

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DODGERS DAY

Children from area Boys & Girls Clubs converged on Dodger Stadium for a youth baseball camp hosted by Bank of America and the Los Angeles Dodgers this week. Pictured are club members watching former Los Angeles Dodger Ken Landreaux teach a proper fielding stance, 7-year-old Kaylee Zamora hitting the baseball of the tee, 12-year-old Hanna De La Rosa receiving pitching tips from former Los Angeles Pitcher Dennis Powell and 9-year-old Penelope Tupou getting her hat signed by former Los Angeles Dodger Billy Ashley.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Virginia Avenue Park

Santa Monica Community Celebrates: Juneteenth - Freedom- "The Beat of Change"

The free Juneteenth community event will be held on June 18, at Virginia Avenue Park from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Hosted by the Juneteenth Celebration Committee, Inc., and the City of Santa Monica, this event commemorates the day the last 250,000 African American slaves in Galveston, Texas were notified of their freedom, two and one half years after the Emancipation of Proclamation was signed by President Lincoln.

The thread of hope from the newly freed slaves has been sustained through African American history for 150 years and continues through the family, faith, and community. The festival will celebrate this event through music, cultural arts, vendors, food, and history.

The Master of Ceremony is long time community resident Larry Robinson, Actor/Producer of "Back On South Central", he will lead the audience through the performances of music greats beginning with the Drum Call with Chazz Ross and Teresa Smith, dancer, to Rick Parma, the Saxman, the gospel songs of the FAME Cathedral Choir and Kaleo and The Voice of One Gospel Singers, the sound of Route 101, calypso and reggae with Island Rhythm, Greg Walker, and the nationally renowned blues artist, Ray Brooks and the Blues Masters.

The legacy museum will feature the Carver Museum and Egyptian Art Exhibit, by Abdul Salaam Muhammad, works and artifacts of African Americans in the nation and local community and the history of Juneteenth. Historical storytelling about the case of Henry "Box" Brown,

Juneteenth and the Harlem Renaissance by the Juneteenth Festival Founder, LaVerne Ross, Founder and CEO of the Juneteenth Celebration Committee, Inc. Event attendees will enjoy a marketplace of cultural arts and crafts, jewelry, clothing, literature, and African American Old Southern cuisine, including barbeque, fried fish, baked beans, collard greens, coleslaw, potato salad, ice-cold watermelon, peach cobbler and sweet potato pie, and pound cake.

Virginia Avenue Park is located on the northwest corner of Cloverfield and Pico Blvd, in Santa Monica. Visitors are encouraged to walk, bicycle or park for free at the Venice Family Clinic, at 2509 Pico Blvd. Also attendees are encouraged to bring refillable water bottles, blankets and chairs for you and your family to enjoy a relaxing and entertaining day in the park.

The park is served by the Big Blue Bus No. 7 line and is accessible for people with disabilities.

- SUBMITTED BY SHARON DEAN, COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR

SMC

Santa Monica College awards 2016 Chui L. Tsang Transfer Scholarship

Santa Monica College (SMC) has awarded its fourth annual Chui L. Tsang Transfer Scholarship to SMC student Angel Josue Najera. The new Tsang Scholar - the first in his family to go to college - will transfer this fall to UC Berkeley as a computer engineering major, with a 4.0 GPA. Named for retired SMC President Dr. Chui L. Tsang, the scholarship will provide \$15,000 a year for two years toward the completion of Najera's baccalaureate degree.

SMC Superintendent/President Dr. Kathryn E. Jeffery awarded Najera the

scholarship at the SMC scholarship ceremony-organized by the Santa Monica College Foundation-held June 11, at which 543 students received scholarships totaling more than \$680,000.

"When I met Angel, I was deeply touched by his spirit," said Dr. Jeffery. "When he found adversity, or others said 'no' to him, he forged on and instead of just meeting the standard, found ways to rise to the highest point of excellence. We at SMC are proud of him, and I am confident we will be even prouder of his accomplishments in the years ahead."

Former SMC President Dr. Chui L. Tsang echoed the sentiment.

"I am thrilled that Angel Najera - a high-caliber student and a human being with immense potential - is the recipient of the 2016 Tsang scholarship," said Dr. Tsang. "Angel is a true community college success story, and I am even more pleased that he is headed to my alma mater, where I have no doubt he will shine!"

Najera says he "did not expect to get this scholarship," and that it was "a big surprise." He credits his family for inspiring both his perseverance and academic success.

"If I had never lived with my father, I would not have learned resilience," says Najera. "If I had never lived with my mother, I would not have learned discipline. Beyond that, my older brother taught me to question the world, to probe beyond the most comforting ideals."

His father also wanted Najera and his siblings "to have the things [he] didn't have."

Najera grew up in the South Bay, Los Angeles in a low-income, single parent household and came to SMC as a high school dropout. He liked how SMC offered a variety of computer science classes-one of his favorites turned out to be computer architecture-and he took the opportunity

to change the trajectory of his academic life.

"I always liked doing a lot of things. I like art, philosophy, sign language, computer repair, and other subjects...but I decided to do computer science and engineering because of its versatility," adds Najera.

"Angel Najera is the reason we teach. He never gave in to frustration, self-doubt, and despair as he struggled with his classes and his life," said SMC Math professor Moya Mazorow, whom Najera credits with helping him transition into his first calculus class. "There is no limit to where he will go."

Often juggling multiple math and physics classes in one semester, Najera is also a student tutor, and a peer mentor for SMC's Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) program.

"He's very good at explaining concepts in a simple way without overlooking the details-he really follows the 'explain it as simple as possible but not any simpler' approach," says SMC Physics professor Anthony Hall.

SMC counselor Jose Cue is amazed at everything Najera has had to overcome, all while maintaining a 4.0 GPA. "He has faced some formidable challenges in his life and has never given up. Instead, he applied himself and achieved great academic success at SMC."

The annual scholarship is awarded based on a combination of academic achievement, financial need, and the student's own academic and personal journey. Scholarship candidates are nominated by SMC faculty and staff members and reviewed by a campus committee, with the final selection made by President Jeffery.

Najera plans to attend graduate school.

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Man arrested in California faces Indiana charge

RICK CALLAHAN
Associated Press

An Indiana man facing weapons and ammunitions charges in California after telling officers he was headed to a gay pride event was charged Wednesday in Indiana with child molestation - allegations that apparently spurred his cross-country journey to Los Angeles, a prosecutor said.

James Wesley Howell, 20, faces one count

of child molesting in southern Indiana's Clark County. If convicted, the Jeffersonville, Indiana, man could face up to 16 years in prison.

Clark County Prosecutor Jeremy Mull told The Associated Press that Howell took a 12-year-old girl to a state forestry property May 31 and had sex with her. Mull said Howell met the girl through an adult friend.

The girl's mother reported the allegations to police June 2 after learning about them.

A message seeking comment was left Wednesday for Howell family lawyer Bobby Boyd of Louisville, Kentucky. Telephone calls to Pamela Jones, Howell's public defender in the California weapons case, rang unanswered.

Mull said Howell was interviewed on June 7 by a police detective in the molestation case and apparently left Indiana at some point after speaking to the officer.

He said it's a "logical conclusion to draw"

that Howell traveled to California to flee the child molestation investigation. But he said he doesn't know what Howell's intentions were in California.

"He did flee and go to California, where he was apprehended on June 12. So there was a very short window of time between the time he became aware he was under investigation here and when he ended up in

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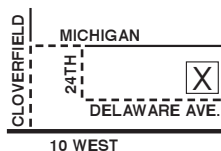


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It's all about the music

MUSIC IS BREAKING OUT ALL OVER. THE beautiful documentary “The Music of Strangers: Yo-Yo Ma and the Silk Road Ensemble” is on-screen at Landmark Theatres in West L.A. and at several Laemmle Theatres locations starting tomorrow.

The Los Angeles Doctors Symphony features master cellist Armen Ksajikian in concert this Saturday at New Roads School's Moss Theater.

Long Beach Opera concludes its season with “The News,” a reality opera described as “the Daily Show of opera,” this month at the Broad Stage.

Make Music LA, the countywide festival, will take place on June 21 in neighborhoods across Santa Monica.

And adventurous classical music presents Jacaranda put on a one-of-a-kind event, a concert adaptation of composer Mark Isham's score for the ABC drama “American Crime” at the Kirk Douglas Theatre in Culver City on June 6.

‘THE MUSIC OF STRANGERS’

“The Music of Strangers” is a transcendent meditation on the meaning of music and culture through the eyes, mind and heart of renowned cellist Yo-Yo Ma, about the creation of the Silk Road Ensemble. This collection of master musicians from across the world represents both tradition and change. As Ma says, “The intersection of cultures is where new things emerge,” and, “Traditions are born of innovation and when culture fails to innovate, it will die.”

These are the sentiments that drive the narrative. Blending performance footage, personal interviews and archival film, director Morgan Neville (Academy Award-winning documentary “50 Feet from Stardom”) and producer Caitrin Rogers focus on the journeys of a small group of Silk Road Ensemble mainstays from across the globe to create an intensely personal chronicle of passion, talent and sacrifice.

Through these moving individual stories, the filmmakers paint a vivid portrait of a bold musical experiment and a global search for the ties that bind. Visit www.landmark-theatres.com and www.laemmle.com for screening times.

REALITY OPERA

Long Beach Opera is closing its 2016 season in Santa Monica with a stinging political parody, “The News,” by Dutch avant-pop composer Jacob ter Veldhuis (JacobTV). It's a “reality opera” culled from today's headlines — a cacophony of politics, economics, religion, war, celebrity trivia and commercials featuring vocalists Loire Cotler and Maeve Höglund.

Live music and rhythm vocals are synchronized with nonfiction footage from the international media. Two singing anchors present breaking news from their newsroom, accompanied by a nine-piece band and a huge screen that shows manipulated news items about politics, economy, religion, war and peace, showbiz and trivialities. The music by JacobTV is a blend of classical

and world music, blues, jazz, rock, and pop.

There are three performances at The Broad Stage: June 19, June 25 and June 26; for tickets, call 562-432-5934 or visit www.longbeachopera.org/tickets.

DOCTORS SYMPHONY

A special concert titled “Beyond the Tempest” will be performed by the Los Angeles Doctors Symphony Orchestra at the Moss Theater on the New Roads School campus, Saturday, June 18 at 8 p.m.

Armen Ksajikian, associate principal cellist of the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra, performs Elgar's Concerto for Violoncello in E-minor. Also on the program is Beethoven's Symphony No. 6 in F-major. Both pieces share the commonality of a storm, Elgar's the destructive whirlwind of World War I, and Beethoven's a sudden tempest that overtakes countryside revelers. The beauty of each piece bespeaks optimism that times get better after a destructive interlude. The program also includes two Gymnopédies by Erik Satie.

Admission at the door is \$20 and parking is free. The Moss Theater is located at 3131 Olympic Blvd., in Santa Monica. For more information, visit www.ladso.org.

MAKE MUSIC SANTA MONICA

Make Music Day Los Angeles celebrates the summer solstice June 21 with a countywide festival of music, including Santa Monica. The city Cultural Affairs Division is offering small grants to neighborhood associations to help them plan musical events.

Participating organizations are partnering with the city Recreation & Parks Commission to put together an all-day musical smorgasbord in City parks.

So far, the North of Montana Association is sponsoring local musicians from 6 to 8 p.m. in Palisades Park between Georgina Avenue and San Vicente Boulevard. Mid-City Neighbors takes over Colorado Center from 5:30 to 9 p.m. with multiple music acts and a special Daily Grill all-day happy hour, or BYO picnic in the scenic space.

The event is based on France's Fête de la Musique, a national music holiday that became an international phenomenon and is now celebrated in over 800 cities across the world.

Events and details can be found at www.makemusicday.org.

ISHAM'S ‘CRIME’

Mark Isham, known for his wide-ranging eclecticism, is a much in-demand composer in Hollywood (“Crash,” “The Moderns,” “The Black Dahlia”). The compelling ABC drama series “American Crime,” written and directed by John Ridley, delves deep into character and human flaws, enhanced by the tense, moody music that Isham creates.

On June 6, the Santa Monica-based Jacaranda “Music at the Edge” series brought Isham together with its resident string ensemble Lyris Quartet and the Jacaranda Chamber Orchestra to perform the concert

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Play Time

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Australian Theatre Company will knock your socks off

SINCE THE TIME OF SHAKESPEARE, British playwrights have been considered among the best in the English-speaking world. In more recent times — the first half of the 20th century, especially — British actors, with their classical training and impeccable diction, have set the standard for actors everywhere.

Now, however, the best of the English-speaking actors have been augmented by a new group coming from Australia. Think Hugh Jackman, Nicole Kidman, Russell Crowe, Geoffrey Rush, Cate Blanchett, Naomi Watts ... and then add Jamie Irvine, Tina Kobas, Matt Passmore, and Kym Wilson.

These last four are appearing in the first Los Angeles performance of Australian playwright Andrew Bovell's mind-boggling mystery/drama "Speaking in Tongues." It's about love, and infidelity, and maybe a murder, set in times that move backwards and forward as the four actors, playing nine characters, interact in each other's stories.

If it sounds complicated, it isn't, because the actors are so extraordinary that you are never confused about who they are. Moreover, there is a delightful sense of participation as you connect the dots from one surprising scene to the next.

It starts out with infidelity, as two sexually frustrated married women embark on a one-night stand with two married men that they have just picked up. The women don't know each other, but by coincidence each has picked up the other one's husband. As the two couples arrive in their separate sleazy hotel rooms, they each try awkwardly to begin the seduction. And since all conversations framing such a situation are virtually the same, each man speaks to his partner with the same words at the same time and the women respond in unison as well. But the evening doesn't go as expected: one encounter is successful, and the other one isn't.

From that beginning, each of the four returns home and two confess their betrayal to their mates and two keep it secret. From there we learn their individual stories, their fears and flaws and their views on life and marriage. And as the actors move from one character to another (Jamie Irvine plays three different parts; the other three play two parts each), their lives and their stories begin to overlap.

It's a breathtaking play filled with 'Aha!' moments. When the men meet and share their stories, one advises the other, "Forgive her, and if you can't — get even!" And the

women say, "It takes courage to be cruel and I don't have that," and, "We get hurt and we move on."

Interspersed within the tangled romances is the story of a woman's frightening experience as her car breaks down on a lonely road in the middle of the night. After leaving countless messages for her husband, who doesn't answer the phone, she accepts a ride with a stranger and then suddenly jumps out of the car and disappears, leaving one of her shoes behind.

This sparkling, fast-paced play is directed by Jeneffa Soldatic, a member of the Actors Studio Directors Unit, who has directed and developed many award-winning theater productions and films. It is a production of the Australian Theatre Company, an organization whose stated mission is "to further enrich the relationship between Australians and Americans by offering our voices, stories, culture, talent, and spirit via world-class theatrical projects."

As for the mysterious title of the play, it appears to reflect the emotional dysfunction of the protagonists. They talk and explain and search for love and understanding, but they never really communicate. They don't hear each other and they have all but stopped listening. So for all the good their talking does, they might as well be speaking in tongues.

Winner of the Australian Writers' Guild's AWGIE award for Best Stage Play, "Speaking in Tongues" can now be seen at the Matrix Theatre, 7657 Melrose Ave., in Los Angeles on a rotating schedule with Australian playwright Brendan Cowell's "Ruben Guthrie." Because these two works are part of a mini-festival that includes a free reading series of plays written by Australian women, the complete schedule is somewhat irregular.

"Speaking in Tongues" will be presented on Saturday, June 18 at 4 p.m.; Sunday, June 19 at 7 p.m.; Tuesday, June 21 at 8 p.m.; Friday, June 24 at 8 p.m.; Saturday, June 25 at 8 p.m.; Sunday, June 26 at 3 p.m.; and Monday, June 27 at 8 p.m.

In addition, the free Works by Women reading series will be presented at 8 p.m. on consecutive Wednesdays, June 22 and June 29.

For reservations, call 323-960-4443 or visit www.australiantheatrecompany.com.

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newly extended light-rail line to Santa Monica. On October 1, they're giving a concert at Walt Disney Concert Hall, and they open their new season in Santa Monica on October 29.

Find out more at www.jacarandamusic.org.

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rendition of Isham's music for the show, along with works by Arvo Pärt, Steve Reich and Max Richter who have inspired him.

ABC underwrote the evening, which began with a powerful "behind the scenes" documentary about the series. A conversation with the creators followed.

Jacaranda is planning an Expo Line event in mid-October to bring attention to Metro's

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Palm Springs Unified School District.

The school board might announce the winning candidate following the closed session, but the appointment would not be considered final until a contract is approved at the board's June 22 or June 29 meeting. The list of four interim candidates was not disclosed.

"I'm excited by the field of candidates we have," board member Craig Foster said. "Any of the people we're considering will do a great job."

It's also possible that the district could end up hiring two interim superintendents. That's because interim heads often come out of retirement, and the length of the district's interim position could negatively impact a candidate's retirement income.

"There are limits as to what in particular a retired superintendent can earn in a certain time frame," SMMUSD spokeswoman Gail Pinsker said. "With this interim term likely to be about six months, those limits would be reached sooner than six months. So there will be consideration for that in the case of a retired superintendent."

The closed session will be followed by an open discussion between board members and education reformist Pedro Noguera, who was hired by the district to address longstanding academic achievement gaps between minority groups and their peers.

The board will attempt to outline a roadmap for implementing Noguera's recommendations and assessing their collective impact down the line.

"For over twenty years," reads a report by Noguera's consultancy, "SMMUSD has undertaken a number of initiatives to address and reduce racial and socioeconomic disparities in student achievement. However, for a variety of reasons, none of these efforts have reduced disparities in student achievement or produced significant or

sustainable improvements in academic outcomes for African American and Latino students, English language learners, children with learning disabilities and low-income students ..."

Also Thursday, consultants from executive search firm Leadership Associates will hold public meetings to solicit input from community members regarding the search for Lyon's long-term replacement. Spanish translators will be on hand for both sessions, which will be held concurrently at John Muir Elementary School and Malibu High School at 5:30 p.m.

Consultants are scheduled to meet earlier in the day with city and union leaders as well as district employees and committee members, Santa Monica College board trustees and other stakeholders.

Feedback will also be collected through online surveys in English (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RGHZVSY>) and Spanish (<https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/R66NRK5>).

The search firm is seeking input on the desired qualities in a future SMMUSD superintendent and the strengths and challenges in the district going forward. Comments will be shared with the board and the new superintendent.

Malibu-related issues, including environmental remediation and the possible creation of a separate school district, have cast a shadow over the district in recent months. But Foster said the district's separation negotiations committee could be reaching conclusions as soon as next month and the lawsuit over chemical cleanup at Malibu schools could be wrapped up by the end of the summer.

"These issues are well on their way to resolution, and that resolution is going to be good for hiring a top-quality superintendent," Foster said. "I think we have a great opportunity for a very high-quality superintendent to help us execute the Noguera plan and our vision for the future."

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Notice is hereby given that a public lien sale of the following personal property will be sold at the hour of 11:30am on Thursday, June 23, 2016 at 1620 14th Street, Santa Monica, County of Los Angeles, State of California. The property is being stored at SANTA MONICA MINI STORAGE. This lien and its enforcement are authorized by chapter 10 commencing with section 21700 of the California Business and Professions Code.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Police tweet called into question

Editor:

I know mistakes are made, but the Santa Monica Police Department made a large one that should be examined and explained to the public with possible consequences to those at fault. How can the Chief of Police tweet that a suspect was going to harm those at the L.A. gay pride parade in West Hollywood when that was not said? The parade was almost canceled because of this blunder. We deserve an explanation from the chief as to how this happened.

Mark Kaiserman

Santa Monica

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ARREST

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California," Mull said.

He said he intends to have Howell extradited to Indiana to face the molestation charge.

California authorities charged Howell on Tuesday with three felony weapons and ammunition charges after he was found in Santa Monica with a loaded assault rifle with magazines rigged to allow 60 shots to be fired in quick succession, plus 15 pounds of chemicals mixed and ready to explode.

Howell has pleaded not guilty to those charges. A Los Angeles County judge set Howell's bail at \$2 million.

He was arrested in Santa Monica early Sunday, hours after an attack at a gay nightclub in Orlando, Florida left 49 people dead.

Howell told police he was headed to a gay pride event in West Hollywood that attracts hundreds of thousands of people. It's unclear whether he intended any violence at the LA Pride event, but his arrest put police and event organizers on heightened alert.

Friends in Indiana described Howell as a

gun enthusiast with a short temper. In October, he twice was accused of pulling a gun and making threats, once against a boyfriend and once against a neighbor.

Howell was convicted in April of misdemeanor intimidation for the incident with his neighbor. Under the terms of his probation, he was not allowed to have weapons or leave Indiana.

Court documents in the Indiana molestation case state that the 12-year-old girl had "developed a crush on (Howell) and wanted to go to a car event with him." Howell, the girl's brother and the brother's girlfriend were all members of the same "car club" and periodically attended meetings where people show off their cars, documents say.

The girl's mother gave Howell permission to attend the car event and afterward, Howell offered to take the girl to the home of a family friend she considered her grandmother, court documents say.

According to the affidavit, he first took the girl to the state forestry property before taking her to the family friend's house.

Federal agents searched Howell's Jeffersonville home on Monday but declined to release any details.



CITY OF SANTA MONICA REQUESTS FOR BIDS (RFB)

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Bidding Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's bidding website at: <http://www.smgov.net/planetbids/>. The Contractor is required to have a **Class B or C-21** license at the time of bid submission. Contractors wishing to be considered must submit Bids containing all information required pursuant to the City's Request for Bids.



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and location of housing, use of vacant parcels, traffic impacts, the ability to rebuild after an earthquake, affordable housing production, a comparison to similar rules passed in other cities, LUVE's fiscal impact, displacement and gentrification, funding for infrastructure or public projects, clarification on rules for senior housing and the impact on business recruitment and retention.

City Manager Rick Cole cautioned against study areas that deviate into economic forecasting.

"Given the speculative nature of economic studies, I'm on more comfortable ground analyzing what the initiative would actually do and not do rather than getting into very much speculative impact of what the outcome of potential elections would be," he said.

Cole said that by design the measure will slow development but trying to predict by how much and what the economics of that slowdown would be is too complicated.

"There is no question there would be some chilling effect on development, even development that people might vote for," he said. "There will projects that simply won't be brought forward because the developer or property owner isn't going to want to go through the risk and the lengthy process of not only getting a permit but taking that permit to a vote."

According to Cole, anti-development movements typically occur towards the end of a real estate boom and he said economic factors could be more important to slowing development than local regulation. However, trying to predict those economic factors is beyond staff's capabilities.

"We live in California, there have been real estate boom and busts since 1849," he said. "You can just go back through the history and pretty much every seven years there's a bust and that lasts for three, five, seven years and so typically there's an effort to close the door when the cow is halfway out of the gate."

Council quickly coalesced around the concept of a study

but was divided over the possibility of drafting a competing ballot measure. Councilwoman Sue Himmelrich repeatedly tried to put discussion of an alternative on the table.

"I would like to see if there's any feasible alternative to this and I would like to give staff direction to look at what a feasible alternative might be that is, call it, less extreme than this measure but that might allow for a vote of the people on projects that are larger than perhaps any of us want to see in the city," she said.

Staff and other councilmembers rebuffed her attempts.

"My concern is we're already into June and trying to craft an alternative measure that may or may not really be an alternative to LUVE for some people, I just think were asking for trouble," Councilwoman Gleam Davis said. "The second thing I want to point out is that drafting an alternative measure, no matter how specific you are, is a little bit like picking a number between 1 and 1,000 and try and figure out which one everyone is going to like because we can draft an alternative measure but if it doesn't to some extent materialize if you will, if it isn't a true alternative to the Residocracy alternative, then you just have two zoning measures on the ballot."

Cole said there wasn't enough time to draft a thoughtful alternative proposal and said ballot box planning undermines the work done during the public process.

"The advantage of what we do here, as imperfect as it is, is we follow the Brown Act, everything is excruciatingly hashed out in public by publicly elected officials or by publicly appointed citizen volunteers on your Planning Commission," he said. "When you take on something complicated like land use and you ask us to go away for two weeks and dream up our own ideas and then present them in public, we're going to give you something half-baked, and I think part of the problem with ballot box planning is you often end up voting on half-baked initiatives."

Staff will return to council within a month with the results of the study. At that time, the council can pass the measure into law or schedule it for a public vote in November.

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SPA

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on her own following that East Coast trip. It's partly why her parents are launching a business in Santa Monica in her honor, hoping it will keep her memory alive and perhaps prevent other children and families from having to endure similar tragedies.

Mia La Maven Med Spa, which is named after Sidaros' blog, is hosting a grand-opening ceremony from 5 to 9 p.m. June 17 on Ocean Park Boulevard.

"It's devastating to lose a kid," said her mother, Danielle, an independent book-keeper who will run the business with her daughter's father, Emed. "The idea of keeping her name alive and her passion alive was a big deal to us. We want to help people be whoever they think they want to be."

The med spa will offer facials, cosmetic injections, laser hair removal, acne treatments and vitamin therapy, among other services.

A portion of proceeds from the business will be donated to UCLA to support pediatric sarcoma research, Sidaros said. Noah Federman, director of the Pediatric Bone and Soft Tissue Sarcoma Program at UCLA, is expected to attend the grand opening.

Just approximately 1-percent of all childhood tumors are Ewing tumors, according to the American Cancer Society, and about 225 children and teens are diagnosed with Ewing tumors in North America each year. The 5-year survival rate can be as low as 15 percent in patients whose cancer had already spread at the time of diagnosis.

"Mia had a disease that so few people get," her mother said. "They don't really know what to do about it. We're trying to make it so families don't have to go through this one day."



Courtesy Photo

INSPIRATION: Mia Sidaros died of cancer and her family is opening Mia La Maven Med Spa on Ocean Park Blvd. to help fund cancer research.

The opening of the business, which comes more than a year after the teenager's death, adds what her parents hope will be a positive chapter in an ordeal that began about five years ago.

It started when Sidaros, then 13, began feeling pain in her right leg. That prompted an MRI, which revealed a large tumor in her femur. Chemotherapy and radiation treatments preceded surgery during which her hip, femur and knee were replaced with tita-

nium inserts.

About a year later, Sidaros started feeling pain in her back. The cancer had returned on her spine, skull and ribcage, leading to more chemo and radiation. Attending school in Culver City became too difficult.

"She seemed to be beating it, but it kept coming back," her mother said. "She was one of those people who didn't believe in giving up, and we want what Mia went through to make a difference. This is what we're trying

to do to honor her. I don't want her to have gone for no reason.

"She just did not want to stop living. She touched everybody she came in contact with. I still believe she's here with us."

Mia La Maven Med Spa is located at 2901 Ocean Park Blvd., Suite 117, in Santa Monica. For more information, visit www.mialamavenmedspa.com.

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Man charged with murder in Los Angeles fire that killed 5

AMANDA LEE MYERS & ROBERT JABLON
Associated Press

A Los Angeles man was charged Wednesday with five capital murder counts in the deaths of five homeless people killed in a vacant building fire authorities say was intentionally set following a dispute.

Johnny Sanchez, 21, was expected to appear in a downtown Los Angeles court later Wednesday, when he will be appointed an attorney.

Prosecutors are asking that he be held without bail.

The charges against Sanchez, who's also homeless, make him eligible for the death penalty if he's convicted. Prosecutors say they will decide later whether to pursue the death penalty.

The Monday night fire in an abandoned office building killed three men and two women. Four of the badly burned bodies weren't found until Tuesday afternoon because of how unstable the building was.

A search team with dogs found the bodies under a heap of debris on the building's second floor.

Two of the victims were identified as 59-year-old Jerry Dean Clemons and 44-year-old Mary Anne Davis. The other three haven't been identified.

Sanchez was in a dispute with the others and lit the fire with the intent to kill, Los Angeles Police Capt. Billy Hayes said.

It took nearly 150 firefighters more than two hours to extinguish the fire in the green, two-story building that once was home to an acupuncture clinic. It is surrounded by strip malls and an apartment building in the Westlake District about a mile west of downtown LA.

The structure appeared to be singed and some of its windows were blown out. It did not appear seriously damaged from the out-

side, but the inside was badly burned and most of the roof was gone.

Juan Galeas, 25, who lives near the building, said strangers who appeared to be in their 20s and 30s had frequented the abandoned building for the past two or three months. He said he saw five to 10 people moving about after midnight to do drugs.

"Crystal meth," he said. "I've seen the little pipe they're using."

Galeas said he was at work when the fire began but that his mother was at the window of their apartment, just off the alley, and saw the whole thing.

"She said it felt like an oven," Galeas said.

There had been complaints of small alley fires next to the building recently, Terrazas said. Authorities had contacted the owner, who has sought a demolition permit for the building, about keeping people out.

Interviews and evidence gathered Monday night pointed police to Sanchez as the suspect, Hayes said. He would not elaborate.

Sanchez has a police record involving drugs and domestic violence, police said. He was being held on \$1 million bail.

Fire officials urged people to notify the city if they see unsecured abandoned buildings, and said firefighters would be making special checks in their districts to make sure other buildings are not similarly dangerous.

Meanwhile, an unusual fire that erupted early Tuesday in a recycling yard south of downtown Los Angeles in suburban Maywood continued to burn Wednesday as it fed on 10,000 pounds of magnesium. Water could not be used because it reacts explosively with magnesium. About 300 neighbors remained evacuated as firefighters developed a plan to smother it.

Associated Press writer Andrew Dalton contributed to this report.

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Jimmy Page takes stand in Led Zeppelin copyright trial

BRIAN MELLEY
Associated Press

Led Zeppelin guitarist Jimmy Page testified Wednesday that until a few years ago, he'd never heard a song that the megastar band is accused of ripping off for "Stairway to Heaven."

"Something like that would stick in my mind. It was totally alien to me," Page said of the instrumental song, "Taurus," by the band Spirit.

A lawyer for the estate of Spirit's late guitarist, Randy California, contends that the famous descending-chord guitar riff that begins 1971's "Stairway" was lifted from the Spirit tune, which was released a few years earlier.

An eight-member jury is hearing the copyright infringement case in federal court. Jurors must decide whether the two sequences are substantially similar.

Earlier in the day, former Spirit member Mark Andes testified that riffs from both songs, played by an acoustic guitarist on a video aired in court, were the same.

Musical experts not involved in the case have said the sequence is common and has appeared in other pieces from decades and even centuries ago.

Page, clad in a dark gray suit, a vest and tie and wearing his white hair in a ponytail, acknowledged that he had three Spirit albums in his collection of some 10,000 record albums and CDs.

But Page said he only discovered he had Spirit's first album, which contained "Taurus," a few years ago after his son-in-law

told him that comparisons with "Stairway" were cropping up online.

Page acknowledged that Led Zeppelin used a riff from another Spirit song in a medley during their first tour in Scandinavia but Page said he'd heard it on the radio - and never heard "Taurus."

In his testimony, Andes said Spirit played "Taurus" in 1968 at a Denver show where Zeppelin was the opening act, and that in 1970 he and Zeppelin singer Robert Plant drank beer and played the billiards-like game snooker after a Spirit show in Birmingham, England.

"Yeah, we hung out. We had a blast," Andes said.

U.S. District Judge R. Gary Klausner ruled in April that evidence presented in hearings made a credible case that Led Zeppelin may have heard "Taurus" performed before their song was created.

Plant and bandmate John Paul Jones are all expected to testify at the trial, though Jones has been dismissed as a defendant in the case.

Led Zeppelin has settled several similar copyright disputes over songs such as "Whole Lotta Love" and "Dazed and Confused," but the judge has barred a lawyer for the late Spirit guitarist from introducing evidence from those cases.

"Stairway to Heaven" has generated hundreds of millions of dollars over the years.

Associated Press writer Robert Jablon contributed to this report.

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DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 421 calls for service on June 14.

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Public intoxication, 100 block of Colorado, 12:09 a.m.
Battery, 100 block of Broadway, 12:37 a.m.
Loud music, 1700 block of Ocean, 2:35 a.m.
Lojack hit, Appian/Seaside, 3:31 a.m.
Theft of recyclables, 10th/Pacific, 3:45 a.m.
Battery, 1500 block of Lincoln, 5:37 a.m.
Speeding, Ocean/Santa Monica, 5:42 a.m.
Trespassing, 2900 block of Pico, 5:45 a.m.
Traffic collision, 700 block of Ocean, 5:54 a.m.
Public intoxication, 2nd/Santa Monica, 7:08 a.m.
Elder abuse, 1400 block of 16th, 8:01 a.m.
Elder abuse, 900 block of 10th, 8:01 a.m.
Elder abuse, 800 block of 4th, 8:02 a.m.
Elder abuse, 200 block of Bay, 8:02 a.m.
Petty theft, 500 block of 9th, 8:13 a.m.
Traffic collision, Stewart/Colorado, 8:20 a.m.
Indecent exposure, Frederick/Ozone, 8:49 a.m.
Attempted burglary, 1100 block of 11th, 9:01 a.m.
Assault, 2400 block of Wilshire, 9:18 a.m.
Abandoned vehicle, 800 block of Maple, 9:25 a.m.
Traffic collision, Cloverfield/Interstate 10, 10:20 a.m.
Malicious mischief, 1300 block of San Vicente, 10:34 a.m.
Bike theft, 2600 block of Main, 10:37a.m.
Person with a gun, Lincoln/Olympic, 11:12 a.m.
Stolen vehicle recovered, 2600 block of 33rd, 11:29 a.m.
Hit and run, 2500 block of Pico, 11:58 a.m.
Hit and run, 800 block of 5th, 12:00 p.m.
Traffic collision, 600 block of Wilshire, 12:14 p.m.
Traffic collision, 6th/Wilshire, 12:25 p.m.
Burglary, 1400 block of San Vicente, 12:36 p.m.
Sexual assault, 200 block of Broadway, 12:40 p.m.
Petty theft, 2400 block of Wilshire, 12:49 p.m.
Petty theft, 1700 block of Wilshire, 12:53 p.m.
Lewd activity, 1400 block of Broadway, 1:01 p.m.
Found person, 2400 block of Wilshire, 1:29 p.m.
Identity theft, 1300 block of Princeton, 2:23 p.m.
Fight, 1600 block of the Beach, 2:34 p.m.
Assault with a deadly weapon, 300 block of Wilshire, 2:55 p.m.
Traffic collision, 800 block of Pearl, 2:58 p.m.
Stakeout, 1300 block of 14th, 3:26 p.m.
Battery, Ocean/Colorado, 3:34 p.m.
Petty theft, 1200 block of 3rd, 4:02 p.m.
Missing person, 300 block of Olympic, 4:09 p.m.
Harassing phone calls, 1000 block of Stanford, 4:47 p.m.
Hit and run, 2nd/Arizona, 4:54 p.m.
Battery, 00 block of Bay, 4:55 p.m.
Found person, 2400 block of Wilshire, 4:59 p.m.
Family disturbance, 2400 block of Washington, 5:00 p.m.
Fight, 1500 block of 2nd, 5:20 p.m.
Identity theft, 1400 block of Ocean, 5:34 p.m.
Trespassing, 700 block of Cedar, 6:09 p.m.
Public intoxication, 2300 block of 4th, 6:22 p.m.
Living in a vehicle, 2500 block of Beverley, 6:44 p.m.
Fight, 600 block of Santa Monica, 7:47 p.m.
Fight, 1200 block of 14th, 8:06 p.m.
Violation of restraining order, 1000 block of 5th, 8:11 p.m.
Battery, 3rd/Marine, 9:06 p.m.
Person down, 1400 block of Palisades Beach, 9:35 p.m.
Petty theft, Ocean/Broadway, 9:54 p.m.
Drunk driving, 20th/Pico, 10:44 p.m.
Assault with a deadly weapon, 2600 block of Santa Monica, 11:55 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 57 calls for service on June 14.

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

Injuries from assault, 100 block of Broadway, 12:39 a.m.
EMS, 1000 block of 26th, 1:00 a.m.
EMS, 2300 block of Ocean Park, 1:10 a.m.
Structure Fire, 0 block of Navy, 2:54 a.m.
EMS, 1800 block of 9th, 3:09 a.m.
EMS, 1100 block of 7th, 3:38 a.m.
EMS, 1700 block of 18th, 5:53 a.m.
Flooded condition, 1300 block of 14th, 6:19 a.m.
EMS, 2nd/Santa Monica, 7:11 a.m.
EMS, 300 block of Olympic, 7:45 a.m.
EMS, 1300 block of Stanford, 7:57 a.m.
EMS, Stewart/Colorado, 8:21 a.m.
EMS, 1300 block of 20th, 8:23 a.m.
EMS, 3000 block of Pico, 8:40 a.m.
EMS, 2500 block of Kansas, 8:55 a.m.
EMS, 1300 block of 17th, 9:31 a.m.
EMS, 2000 block of Arizona, 9:33 a.m.
EMS, 1300 block of 14th, 9:59 a.m.
Fire, 1900 block of Lincoln, 10:18 a.m.
EMS, 100 block of Wilshire, 10:20 a.m.
EMS, 900 block of 3rd, 10:34 a.m.
EMS, 2000 block of Santa Monica, 11:35 a.m.
EMS, 2300 block of 4th, 12:34 p.m.
EMS, 400 block of Wilshire, 12:58 p.m.
EMS, 2500 block of California, 1:24 p.m.
EMS, 100 block of Bay, 1:48 p.m.
EMS, Main/Pacific, 1:52 p.m.
EMS, 500 block of Olympic, 1:59 p.m.
EMS, 300 block of Santa Monica Pier, 2:18 p.m.
Ems, 2800 block of Neilson, 2:34 p.m.
EMS, 1600 block of Ocean Front Walk, 3:12 p.m.
Wires down, 4th/Hill, 3:20 p.m.
EMS, 2000 block of Pearl, 3:28 p.m.
EMS, 1100 block of 12th, 4:14 p.m.
EMS, 300 block of Santa Monica Pier, 5:06 p.m.
EMS, 1500 block of 2nd, 5:35 p.m.
EMS, 1900 block of 12th, 6:05 p.m.
EMS, 2400 block of 30th, 6:44 p.m.
EMS, 1700 block of Bryn Mawr, 7:04 p.m.
EMS, 700 block of Raymond, 7:15 p.m.
Injuries from assault, 600 block of Santa Monica, 7:49 p.m.
EMS, 1400 block of Palisades Beach, 9:36 p.m.
Fire, 1600 block of Ocean Front Walk, 10:38 p.m.
EMS, 1500 block of Lincoln, 11:50 p.m.
EMS, 1400 block of 21st, 11:57 p.m.

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CROSSWORD
By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Matching
 - 5 Foe of Rocky
 - 10 Treasure stash
 - 12 Met work
 - 13 Take it easy
 - 14 Highway sights
 - 15 Pig-poke link
 - 16 Chapel figures
 - 18 Sitting room
 - 20 Low digit
 - 21 Make ready
 - 23 Linking word
 - 24 Talk crazily
 - 26 Snaky swimmers
 - 28 May honoree
 - 29 Sweeping story
 - 31 Cut drastically
 - 32 Forgive
 - 36 Chatty birds
 - 39 “Norma —”
 - 40 Gibson garnish
 - 41 Bring together
 - 43 Surrendering cry
 - 44 Was frugal
 - 45 Diving ducks

- 46** Quite
- DOWN**
- 1 Vegas area
 - 2 Fight site
 - 3 Back biter
 - 4 Juan Perón’s wife
 - 5 Sow’s mate
 - 6 Creative work
 - 7 Check the addition
 - 8 Some patches
 - 9 Was pert with
 - 11 Sends overseas
 - 17 Verb for you
 - 19 Hosp. worker
 - 22 Bellero-phon rode him
 - 24 Steve Martin film
 - 25 “West Side Story” song
 - 27 Cochlea setting
 - 28 Plan in detail
 - 30 Gifted
 - 33 Impetus
 - 34 Horse opera
 - 35 Poor
 - 37 Bakery buy
 - 38 Till section
 - 42 Fleet-related: Abbr.

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Yesterday’s answer

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Difficulty Level ★★ ★

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	4	6	2	1	8	9	5	3
1	3	5	9	7	4	6	8	2
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Mega#: 12
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WORD UP!

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TODAY IN HISTORY

- 1836** - The formation of the London Working Men’s Association gives rise to the Chartist Movement.
- 1846** - The Papal conclave of 1846 elects Pope Pius IX, beginning the longest reign in the history of the papacy.
- 1858** - Abraham Lincoln delivers his House Divided speech in Springfield, Illinois.
- 1858** - The Battle of Morar takes place during the Indian Mutiny.
- 1871** - The University Tests Act allows students to enter the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge and Durham without religious tests (except

- for those intending to study theology).
- 1883** - The Victoria Hall theatre panic in Sunderland, England kills 183 children.
- 1884** - The first purpose-built roller coaster, LaMarcus Adna Thompson’s “Switchback Railway”, opens in New York’s Coney Island amusement park.
- 1891** - John Abbott becomes Canada’s third Prime Minister.
- 1897** - A treaty annexing the Republic of Hawaii to the United States is signed; the Republic would not be dissolved until a year later.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

- Life is good now for British men who “identify” as dogs and puppies, as evidenced by a BBC documentary (“Secret Life of the Human Pups”) showing men in body outfits (one a Lycra-suited Dalmatian, “Spot”), exhibiting “sexual” expressions (stomach-rubbing, ear-tickling and nuzzling their “handlers”), eating out of bowls, gnawing on chew toys, wearing collars (so as not to be a “stray”), and jumping in the air for “treats.” (However, decency demands that a Pup must only feign urinating against a lamp-post.) Said Spot (aka Tom), “It’s about being given license to behave in a way that feels natural, even primal.” Added “Bootbrush,”
- “(We) are trying to grasp the positive elements of the archetype of the dog.”
- When Triston Chase, 20, missed his court date in April in Harnett County, North Carolina, on financial fraud charges, it was revealed that his arrest in December had come when he had been found “residing” illegally, as a civilian, in a barracks at Fort Bragg -- in a facility housing the Army’s 3rd Special Forces Group. According to a prosecutor, Chase had been posing as an explosive ordnance disposal specialist “for months.” The official investigation of Special Forces’ barracks “security” was still underway at the time of Chase’s court date.

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PLAY IT EASY TONIGHT, GEMINI

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★ You have given your mind a lot to consider. Remain true to your values. Caring seems to be all around you, especially from one caring individual. Consider this period to be very special. You are coming from a good place; maximize the energy. Tonight: Make the most of the night.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Your creativity emerges when dealing with a somewhat flaky friend. You might not be in a position to counteract this person's actions, especially when you are getting together. Consider making fewer plans with him or her; the message will be clear. Tonight: Where your friends are.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Reach out to someone who has a profound impact on you, whether he or she lives at a distance or close by. You like hearing from this person, but you also tend to need his or her feedback. Listen carefully, and you are likely to find a solution. Tonight: Play it easy.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ When you find an idea that pleases you, you will come up with a great plan to bring it to fruition. A brainstorming session will be instrumental to your success. You might hear a lot of suggestions that you can't connect to, but you will, given some time. Tonight: Keep it light.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You could be stuck on an idea or personal matter. Remain sensitive to what is gently suggested by someone. Go along with it if you feel it has any validity. Know that keeping a matter low profile is important. Tonight: Order in, rather than add to the present commotion.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ The words you choose, as well as how you deliver them, will carry a lot of impact right now. Be aware of your facial expressions; the emphasis you use could make all the difference. Be optimistic, as you have Lady Luck watching over you. Tonight: Proceed as you wish.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Use caution with money decisions, as you could cause yourself some disruption if you choose to pursue an unwise risk. Understand that no one except you will feel the ramifications of this decision. Tonight: Chill out with loved ones.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Express your interest in what is happening. At the same time, claim your power. Make choices that serve you well. Someone whom you speak to often could become restrained. See what is going on with this person; it likely isn't about you. Tonight: Only what you want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You might be more withdrawn in a personal matter than you had anticipated. You are likely to make a decision to be open, but on some level, you can't seem to follow through with this. Sometimes, your inner self simply decides to take over. Tonight: Read between the lines, yet say little. Take a night off for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Discussions will drift from one topic to another. Stay focused, and help others stay focused as well. You have a greater sense of direction than many people do. Others respond to you and your thoughts, but you can expect some questioning. Tonight: Where you want to be.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Sometimes you find it difficult to carry on. Note that you might be more involved than you have been in the recent past. As a result, you could feel overwhelmed. Balance various concerns or activities. Remember that you are only human. Tonight: Juggle different aspects of your life.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You are tuned in to others and sometimes their subconscious. At this point, you have a better idea than most about what is happening around you and what to expect. A partner or loved one is connected to your thoughts. Embrace this bond. Tonight: Among the crowds.

Thursday, June 16, 2016

This year your wit, intelligence and desire to know more emerge. You become reserved and driven to find the source of a question as well as its significance. Some of you might become involved in research of some sort. At this point in your life, you no longer can accept superficial responses. If you are single, the person who intrigues you will be far different from your usual type. Enjoy the bond, but don't make a commitment yet. If you are attached, your sweetie wonders if you are OK. Take his or her hand and share some of your visions; you will maintain a sense of intimacy that way. SCORPIO can be hard to deal with at times.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

Speed Bump

By Dave Coverly



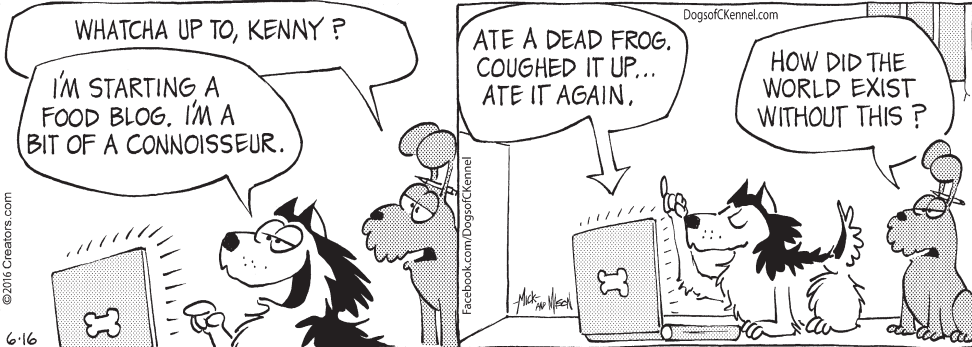
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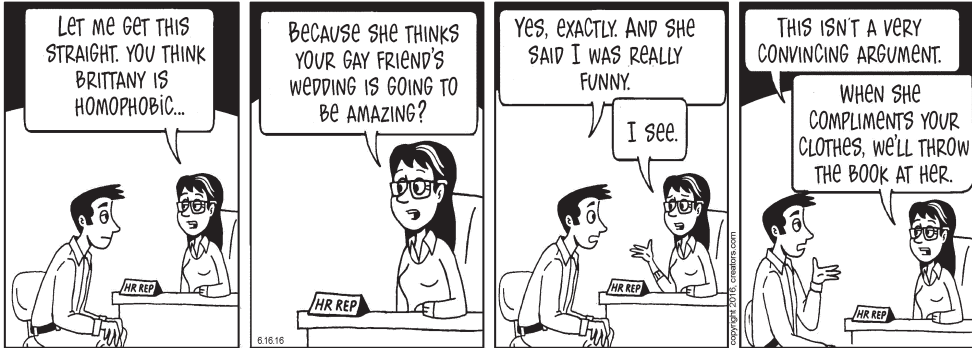
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