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Local churches join the green revolution

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE Religion is seeking a greener meaning of life.

Following in the footsteps of businesses, civic organizations and residents in embracing sustainable practices are the local houses of worship, replacing out incandescent light bulbs for energy efficient alternatives, placing recycling bins outside the assembly room and doing their part to help the environment.

Among the religious organizations to most recently join the effort is the Unitarian Universalist Community Church, which last month completed Sustainable Works' Business Greening Program.

The free educational program assigns a Sustainable Works staff member to a participating business or organization, pointing out areas in which the entity can improve on its practices, whether it be using compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs), fixing leaky faucets or using recycled toilet paper.

The Unitarian Universalist church joined the program in early 2007, first changing half of its light bulbs to CFLs, ordering recycled paper for its office, placing recycling bins throughout its campus and even incor-

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Red Cross youth making a difference in community

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

MID-CITY All it took was a few hours of community service to get Edward Cheng to break out of his shell.

Soft-spoken and reserved, Cheng was just another freshman lost in the sea of students at St. Monica High School when the teenager sought community in a youth program offered through the American Red Cross of Santa Monica.

In it he found opportunities to help others, organizing blood drives and mobilizing his peers to become more engaged in community service.

"I gained the ability to talk to people more and become more social," the incoming senior at St. Monica said. "I do outreach and my job is to recruit and talk to people about fundraisers, blood drives and the Red Cross in general."

He is among a group of about 30 teenagers with similar stories of personal

maturity, some learning responsibility, others communication skills, all attained as a result of the youth program at the American Red Cross' Santa Monica Chapter.

The program was founded in 1996 by then youth services coordinator Robert Chatman as a way to better link local teenagers with volunteer opportunities, formalizing an existing relationship

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FUN IN THE SUN

Young and old can find entertainment on a hot day at Douglas Park in Santa Monica. Some enjoy a picnic on the grass, while others play a game of lawn bowling. For the kids, there is endless amusement to be found on the play ground or in the fountains pictured above.

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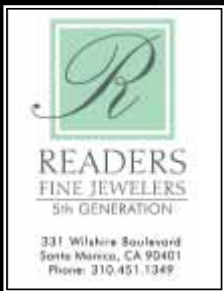
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Free film screening

2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 7 p.m.
“Manufactured Landscapes” is a documentary film that follows photographer Edward Burtynsky through China as he shoots the evidence of that country’s massive industrial revolution. This event is free.

Wednesday, June 18, 2008

Bare essentials of Buddhism

235 Hill St., 6:30 p.m. — 8 p.m.
Learn the basics of Buddhism at the Church in Ocean Park. Etan Boritzer will provide an overview of the Buddhist principles derived directly from the canonical discourses (suttas) of the Buddha himself. For more information, call (310)621-2144

Personal politics

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m.
Renowned cognitive scientist George Lakoff discusses his new book, “The Political Mind,” which examines how politics might not be the product of rational thought, but instead the result of emotional functions within our minds.

Broadening horizons at the book club

1704 Montana Ave., 7 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
Expand your knowledge of Russia, religion and history at the Montana Avenue Branch Library’s book club discussion of “The Master and Margarita,” Mikhail Bulgakov’s provocative novel.

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



SMC hoping to revel in memories of Rose Bowl win with reunion

BY MICHAEL MIDDLEHURST-SCHWARTZ
Special to the Daily Press

SMC It may have been called the Junior Rose Bowl, but there was nothing diminutive about the game to Santa Monica College.

In 1958, the Corsairs had completed their first undefeated season and were bound for Pasadena for the lone time in school history. Facing Northeastern Oklahoma A&M for the Junior College National Championship, SMC — then called Santa Monica City College — cruised to a 30-12 victory in front of 50,000 fans on Dec. 13 of that year.

The Corsair program reached an unparalleled level of popularity that year. Packs of fans came just to see the team practice for the Junior Rose Bowl.

Fifty years later, the school is looking to relive its glory days.

SMC will host a 50-year reunion in the fall for the school's only national championship team and is on the search for alumni from that team.

"The Junior Rose Bowl championship was an historic and exciting time for the college," said SMC Athletics Director Rhonda Hyatt. "We want to celebrate this milestone in our history and hope to reach as many



photo courtesy Santa Monica College

GOOD OLD DAYS: The 1958 Junior College National Championship football team poses for their yearbook photo at Santa Monica College.

players on that extraordinary team as we can."

Several members of the Junior Rose Bowl championship team found success as coaches or professional players.

Head coach Jim Powers played quarterback for the University of Southern California and San Francisco 49ers. Assistant coach Carl Mulleneaux was an All-Pro for

the Green Bay Packers while assistant coach John Joseph was inducted into the SMC hall of fame.

Marv Marinovich — a tackle with the 1958 Corsair team and father of quarterback Todd Marinovich — went on to play for USC and the Oakland Raiders. Quarterback Pat Young later coached the Corsairs' football team.

SMC is in the beginning stages of its search for former players and has not announced a date for the reunion.

Members of the team interested in attending the reunion have been asked to call the SMC athletics department at (310) 434-4311.

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Woman pleads not guilty in Internet suicide case

BY LINDA DEUTSCH
AP Special Correspondent

LOS ANGELES A Missouri woman pleaded not guilty in federal court Monday to charges in a MySpace hoax allegedly linked to a 13-year-old girl's suicide.

Lori Drew, 49, stood quietly beside her attorney and answered in a soft voice when U.S. Magistrate Judge Paul Abrams asked if she understood the charges and the conditions under which she was being released on \$20,000 bond. She said she did.

Asked for her plea on the charges of conspiracy and accessing protected computers without authorization to get information used to inflict emotional distress, she answered, "Not guilty."

The proceeding lasted only a few minutes.

Drew and her lawyer declined to comment to reporters waiting outside the courtroom.

The charges were filed in California where MySpace is based. MySpace is a subsidiary of Beverly Hills-based Fox Interactive Media Inc., which is owned by News Corp.

Drew, of suburban St. Louis, Mo., allegedly helped create a false-identity MySpace account to convince Megan Meier she was chatting with a 16-year-old boy named Josh Evans. The boy did not exist.

Meier hanged herself at home in October 2006, allegedly after receiving a dozen or more cruel messages, including one stating the world would be better off without her. Drew, whose daughter had been a friend of Meier, has denied creating the account or sending messages to Meier.

Drew's case was assigned to U.S. District

Court Judge George Wu and her trial scheduled for July 29. A status conference was scheduled for June 26. U.S. attorney's spokesman Thom Mrozek said Drew would be allowed to return home pending trial.

Drew's lawyer has said he will legally challenge the charges. And experts have said the case could break new ground in Internet law. The statute used to indict Drew usually applies to Internet hackers who illegally access accounts to get information.

U.S. Attorney Thomas P. O'Brien has acknowledged this is the first time the federal statute on accessing protected computers has been used in a social-networking case.

Rebecca Loneragan, a former federal prosecutor who now teaches law at the University of Southern California, has said use of the federal cyber crime statute may be

open to challenge.

Loneragan, who used the statute in the past to file charges in computer hacking and trademark theft cases, said the crimes covered by the law involve obtaining information from a computer, not sending messages out to harass someone.

"Here it is the flow of information away from the computer," she said. "It's a very creative, aggressive use of the statute. But they may have a legally tough time meeting the elements."

James Chadwick, a Palo Alto attorney who specializes in Internet and media law, said he has never seen the statute, known as the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act, applied to the sending of messages. He said it was probable that liability for the girl's death would not be an issue in the case.

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No free lunch

Editor:

Bill Bauer is in denial of the water shortage in this region. In his June 2 column about rising water rates, he suggested that the city of Santa Monica should subsidize the cost of water for its residents. His column appeared two days before Gov. Schwarzenegger declared a statewide drought.

Making water artificially cheap would only make the problem worse. Public policy should focus on finding new supplies and/or curbing demand. Indeed, supply and demand will ultimately determine the price of water.

There are water conservation laws such as SMMC 7.16.020 to limit waste. It is illegal to hose down driveways and sidewalks. It is illegal to water lawns between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. But these laws are widely ignored. Realistically, people will stop wasting water only when it becomes too expensive to waste.

Rising water prices will also make drought-tolerant native landscaping more appealing. It takes a lot of water to sustain an Irish lawn on a desert lot.

Another way to control demand is to limit development. The New York Times reported on June 7, "As California faces one of its worst droughts in two decades, building projects are being curtailed for the first time under state law by the inability of developers to find long-term water supplies." The article cited development projects that were stopped in Riverside, Kern, and San Luis Obispo counties. Apparently Santa Monica City Council didn't get the memo.

Los Angeles outgrew local water sources 100 years ago. Construction on the first Los Angeles Aqueduct from Owens Valley began in 1908. Think about how much Southern California has grown in the last decade, let alone the last century.

MSNBC reported on Feb. 12 that there is a 50 percent chance that Lake Mead will dry up by 2021, according to a recent study by Scripps Institution of Oceanography. Aqueducts carry water from Lake Mead to more than 22 million people, including Las Vegas, Los Angeles, and San Diego.

So what can be done?

The Wall Street Journal reported on May 15 that Orange County has built a "toilet-to-tap" wastewater recycling plant. The plant cost \$481 million to build and \$29 million per year to operate. The wastewater is treated with reverse osmosis, ultraviolet light, and hydrogen peroxide, and then pumped into a groundwater basin where it takes one year to filter through sand and clay before it is returned to the drinking water supply.

The Hyperion treatment plant near LAX was completed in 1998 at a cost of \$1.6 billion. It treats 340 million gallons a day, but dumps most of the effluent 5 miles off shore. Taking this plant to the next level, following Orange County's lead, would make a lot of sense. It would also cost a lot of money.

Desalination of ocean water is another potential source, but this process consumes a lot of energy, and as we all know too well, energy is not cheap.

So, there are things that can (and should) be done to assure drinking water supply, but there is no free lunch.

Andrew Everett

Santa Monica



What's the Point?

David Pizarra

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Good husbands can be bad dads

THERE IS A SOCIETAL SHIFT GOING ON and it requires that we address some of the fundamentals of what we believe and ask of our members. This past weekend Sen. Barack Obama gave a Father's Day speech on the need for fathers to step up to the plate in the black community. He was speaking to a segment of our society that he sees has too many single parent homes, and those single parents are moms. His point was that the community needs to come together to fix itself, to bring men and women together when they are parents, that the men have to become "men" and be the standard bearers of their community, that they need to instill positive virtues and behaviors in their children.

He's correct. There are far too many children who are abandoned by their fathers in the black community. The rate of single motherhood in the black community is a shameful fact that leads to warped lives and is a destruction of the family unit and the connection that all children need to their family.

However, I think that Obama fell short in this speech, in that the problem he correctly identifies, he mistakenly limited for the benefit of his audience in a church. The problem goes much deeper, and into all ethnic groups. It is a problem that is not exclusively a black problem. It is not an inherently African-American trait. It is not a behavior that only black men engage in.

It is a problem that cuts across all ethnicities, and all economic strata.

This is going to be a heretical statement in this bastion of political correctness, but the fault for it is not the men. It is the women — most of the time.

From a basic biological standpoint, it is the man's job to chase the female and to convince her that she should carry his genetic material into the future. Males of all species, (except for the seahorse) engage in very similar roles in the pursuit of procreation. They preen (equivalent to the male driving a Corvette), they fight for supremacy over their male peers (equivalent to the wallet race of humans), they do stupid, seemingly pointless behavior to get the females attention (sports and toupees).

Generally, in nature it is the role of the female to decide who to accept into her life

and her body. She chooses the male who will father her children. This is done by way of instinct, and by which male reigns supreme.

In humans, we behave similarly in many cases. Successful men attract successful women, and together they raise happy children. At least in theory.

Where this breaks down is in that sizable minority of women who forget the rules of the game. They confuse being a husband with being a father. They think that if a man is a father, then he will be a good husband. They mistakenly assume that a man will naturally have paternal instincts once he is a dad — because women can have maternal instincts prior to pregnancy. They want him to want to settle down, and think that a kid will do it.

This is where it is the women's fault. They have the right to choose whether or not to have this child with this man. If they choose a man who is emotionally immature, who is not financially stable, who is not ready to be a father and a husband, they cannot then demand that he "grow up" and be the man they want him to be.

Sperm donors, fathers and husbands are three very different things. They should not be confused, and it is unreasonable to expect a sperm donor to act like a father.

Fathers are there in the middle of the night, they show up for baseball games and plays and help with homework.

Fathers are men who will take responsibility to the best of their ability. That doesn't make them perfect. They will never pay enough child support for some women, and they should not be allowed to see their children for others, but in the end, a father has much to offer to his children.

A husband is a spouse. He is not a father. He is supposed to be a partner to a mate. Husbands and fathers should not be confused. Being a father will not make some men a husband, and it is unreasonable to expect them to be. There's a reason it's called Father's Day and not Husband's Day.

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Are we ready for the fall?

INCREASINGLY, PARALLELS ARE BEING drawn between the Roman Empire and the current American Empire. Yet while some may look to Rome as an inspiration, others believe it casts a dark shadow over us and our supposedly imperial aspirations.

Indeed, the comparisons to the Roman Empire are rarely favorable. For example, Cullen Murphy, author of *Are We Rome?* (2007), argues that the most alarming parallels are "the blinding, insular culture of our capitals; the debilitating effect of corruption; the paradoxical issue of borders; and the weakening of the body politic through various forms of 'privatization.'" Murphy sees the eventual decline of the American Empire as inevitable, describing three possible scenarios for the future: There is the "Fortress America" scenario, where everything revolves around national security and the power of the president expands to near dictatorial strength; the "city-state scenario," where the central authority weakens and city-states emerge; and finally the "boardroom scenario," where corporations privatize all crucial functions of the government and essentially rule — what is commonly called fascism.

David Walker, former comptroller of the United States, has also drawn daunting comparisons between America and Rome. Walker believes that the American economy is standing on a "burning platform" of "unsustainable policies and practices with fiscal deficits, chronic healthcare underfunding, immigration and overseas military commitments." Today, America is in a "\$53 trillion hole," which translates to \$455,000 per household.

This irresponsible spending has resulted in the devaluing of the dollar and untold damage to the economy. As acclaimed historian Chalmers Johnson points out, America's misguided economic policy, with its emphasis on frequent wars and military spending, has led to the decline of vital domestic areas, including the education system, manufacturing capabilities and health care. At the same time, the Department of Defense's planned spending for 2008 is "larger than all other nations' military budgets combined and will exceed \$1 trillion for the first time."

With more than 500,000 military service people stationed abroad in more than 130 countries, America has become what Johnson describes as a foreign imperialist. This poses its own dangers, such as massive standing armies, an almost constant state of war, an increasing dependence on the "military-industrial" complex, the dramatic economic drain of military spending and an excessive military budget. If left unchecked, these will

lead to the eventual decline of democracy.

The breakdown is already underway. Until recently, David Walker served as the head of the Government Accountability Office, Congress' chief investigative and audit arm which investigates waste and fraud in government programs and also details the long-term budget problems facing the government. Walker warns that "declining moral values and political civility at home, an over-confident and over-extended military in foreign lands and fiscal irresponsibility by the central government" all helped to contribute to Rome's downfall and are prevalent today.

One of the worst contributors to today's problems is what Walker calls "a leadership deficit" where today's leaders are shirking their responsibilities. They are concentrating on providing political quick fixes for the present, while giving little thought to how to create a better tomorrow. And with such irresponsible spending, America is "mortgaging the future of our country, our kids and our grandkids" and leaving a legacy of a future of "lower standards of living and with some major, major financial burdens."

Moreover, we face "a growing intellectual bankruptcy that is one of the symptoms of a dying culture," writes author Chris Hedges. "In ancient Rome, as the republic disintegrated and the Caesars were deified, as the Roman Senate became little more than an echo chamber of the emperor, the population's attention was diverted by a series of frontier wars and violent and elaborate spectacles in the arena. The excitement of entertainment consumed ancient Rome's emotional and intellectual life. It poisoned civic and political discourse. Social critics no longer had a forum in which to speak. They were answered with ridicule and rage. It was not the prerogative of the citizen to think."

But we are not Rome — at least, not yet, and it is still our prerogative to think and to act. In this regard, we have been woefully negligent. One of the most untenable political positions for a nation is in its attempts at preserving a domestic democracy while promoting a foreign empire. Additionally, vast resources are required to maintain an empire, as we are learning the hard way, to the detriment of our domestic economy.

Clearly, America is at a crossroads. Thus, we have a decision to make: Do we want a democracy or do we want an empire, because as history has shown, it's not possible to have both.

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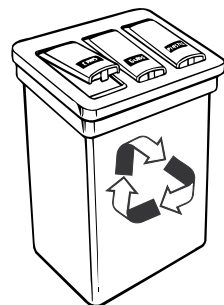
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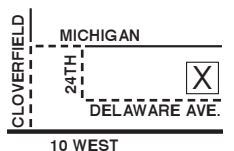
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Former Broadcom CEO pleads not guilty to 25 charges

BY GREG RISLING
 Associated Press Writer

SANTA ANA, Calif. Co-founder Henry T. Nicholas III of Broadcom Inc. pleaded not guilty Monday to federal drug and securities fraud charges alleging wrongdoing inside and outside the microprocessor company.

The 48-year-old billionaire entered the pleas to 25 counts contained in two indictments unsealed June 5.

One indictment details 21 charges in what authorities claim was one of the largest cases ever involving improper accounting for stock-option backdating that allegedly took place while Nicholas led Broadcom, which makes microchips for cell phones and broadband Internet devices.

The other accuses him of slipping ecstasy into the drinks of business associates, maintaining a drug warehouse and concealing his illegal conduct with bribes and death threats.

Former Broadcom CFO William J. Ruehle pleaded not guilty to 21 securities fraud charges at the same hearing Monday in U.S. District Court in Santa Ana.

A trial date was set for July 29. Nicholas remains free on a \$3.3 million bond, while Ruehle is free on a bond of \$2.6 million.

Nicholas' two cases will be heard by different U.S. district judges.

Both defendants left court without commenting to the media.

Ruehle, 66, is accused of filing false statements with the SEC, committing wire fraud and falsely certifying financial reports. He was not charged with any drug counts.

He could face up to 370 years in prison if convicted of all the charges against him.

Nicholas faces a maximum combined sentence of 20 years for the drug charges and up to 340 years in prison for the stock backdating counts.

Backdating stock options, which often are granted as hiring and retention incentives, is legal. Companies across the country have run into trouble when they failed to account for the true cost of the backdating because omitting it sometimes inflated the companies' income.

U.S. Attorney Thomas P. O'Brien has said the case against Nicholas and Ruehle reveals the importance of maintaining the transparency of financial markets.

O'Brien alleged that Broadcom officials tried to manipulate the market and create a false picture of the Irvine-based company's finances.

Broadcom had to restate its financial results in January 2007 because of the scheme and reported more than \$2 billion in compensation expenses it hadn't accounted for.

Nicholas served as CEO and president from Broadcom's inception until he resigned in 2003. Ruehle joined the company in 1997 as vice president and chief financial officer and retired in 2006.

STATE BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES

Effects guru Stan Winston dies of cancer at 62

Hollywood special-effects maestro Stan Winston has died at age 62. The Oscar-winning visual effects artist died at his home Sunday evening surrounded by family after a seven-year struggle with multiple myeloma, according to a representative from Stan Winston Studio. Winston won visual effects Oscars for 1986's "Aliens," 1992's "Terminator 2: Judgment Day" and 1993's "Jurassic Park." Winston is survived by his wife, Karen; a son, daughter, brother and four grandchildren.

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LOS ANGELES

Southern California home prices, sales plunged in May

Median home prices dropped 26.7 percent in May across Southern California's six most populous counties compared to last year, a real estate research firm said Monday.

DataQuick Information Systems said it marked the steepest annual drop since the firm began keeping records in 1988. The drop was driven by fewer sales of high-end homes, steeper discounting by home sellers and by lenders trying to unload foreclosed properties, DataQuick said. Median home prices fell to \$370,000 in Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura counties last month. It was the lowest median price reported since March 2004.

Sales volumes for the region climbed about 8 percent from April but were down nearly 15 percent from May 2007. In all, 16,917 new and preowned homes were sold in May, down from 19,874 in the same month last year, the firm said. Nearly 38 percent of all the homes sold in the region last month were in foreclosure at some point over the past 12 months.

AP

SACRAMENTO

Health officials watching fast spread of West Nile

California health officials are concerned about the discovery of 133 birds in 18 counties this year that have died of West Nile virus. At this time last year, they had found only 33 West Nile-infected dead birds in 12 counties.

While there have been no human cases reported so far, Department of Health spokeswoman Suanne Buggy says officials are closely monitoring the virus' spread. Humans contract the virus through mosquito bites. A spokeswoman for the Sacramento-Yolo monitoring region, Luz Maria Rodriguez, says she was surprised when a dead bird with the virus was found so early in the season - in March. The mosquito season is temperature-dependent, but usually lasts from about April to September.

AP

Parents fret as even toddlers show love for 'High School'

BY LEANNE ITALIE

Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK Talya Appelbaum recently had a "High School Musical" birthday party. She got special balloons and a slice of cake decorated with the spoiled Sharpay, her favorite character because "she's with Ryan."

Jemma Fox has an HSM karaoke microphone and trading cards of the East High gang.

Talya and Jemma are 3 years old. They have tot-sized insights but large obsessions with the wildly popular Disney franchise that has jumped from TV show to hit song factory to merchandising mania since 2006, when the Wildcats first took kid culture by storm.

But it's high school, and now senior year at that. Do Talya and Jemma need to "bop to the top" or demand "all things fabulous?" And what about the kissing, the backbiting and the big-kid fashions?

With the October release of the third HSM movie — this one in theaters rather than on the Disney Channel — parents of extra young aficionados are debating whether the phenom is innocent dance-'til-you-drop fun or not quite appropriate.

"It really is insipid and Disney starts early and has some clever ways to get to the kids who don't even watch movies, listen to the radio or read," said Jemma's mom, Jennifer Hawkins of New York.

Appelbaum has three older kids, including a 4-year-old daughter. All are HSM fans. Appelbaum isn't sure she could shield her youngest, even if she wanted to. But HSM's popularity among young children, along with similar adolescent fare like Hannah Montana — the other Disney mega-franchise — isn't limited to those exposed through older siblings.

Jemma, who has a 2-year-old brother, stumbled on HSM at a Target store, where Hawkins bought "what I thought was an innocent toy." She didn't know the microphone was preprogrammed with two HSM songs and admits: "I didn't really look at the packaging."

Five-year-old Valencia White got hooked after dad bought tickets to "High School Musical: The Ice Tour" last year.

"She went straight from Disney princess to 'High School Musical,'" said her mother, Virginia Duplessis of El Cerrito, Calif. "The child has never seen the movies, yet she knew the songs immediately. It just got to a point where it's everywhere and the more we were trying to make it this forbidden fruit, the more interested she was getting."

Therein lies the parenting challenge, said Jean Twenge, a social psychologist and associate professor at San Diego State University who studied young people and pop culture for her book, "Generation Me."

The pressure to succeed, materialism, an emphasis on outer beauty, narcissism, romance trouble and other issues faced by high schoolers may not be what draw in young children, but the issues are there nonetheless, Twenge said.

"How do you even talk to a 3-year-old about this stuff? Think before you leap. If you've leapt, then cut her off. There are things you have to take a stand on," she

counsels parents.

Any hint of parody or sarcastic nuance is most likely lost on the very young, Twenge said.

Consider Sharpay, the brash and popular HSM schemer who wants heartthrob Troy to herself and makes dark-haired, brainy Gabriella miserable in the process. While Sharpay may learn some life lessons on the way, her journey might be difficult for the very young to process.

Like 3-year-old Talya, Duplessis' daughter Valencia is a Sharpay fan.

"I say she seems kind of mean, and she says, 'Oh but she's so pretty and I really like that song 'Fabulous.''" Duplessis said. "It's the focus on clothes, appearance. That's what bothers me the most. It's good clean fun with Jimmy Choo flip flops, perfect hair and makeup. I would just rather her focus on being a kid and having fun and getting dirty."

Before "High School Musical" entered their lives, Duplessis and her husband, David White, restricted their kindergartner's TV-watching mostly to PBS in their crunchy liberal area just outside Berkeley. Now Valencia's grandparents, aunts and uncles have bought her HSM notepads, a backpack, cups and a T-shirt.

Disney spokeswoman Patti McTeague said children younger than 6 have an eight-hour dose of Playhouse Disney geared just for them on the Disney Channel.

"We recognize that younger siblings most often watch Disney Channel with their older brother or sister and that some aspects of our programming, including the music of 'High School Musical' and 'Hannah Montana,' can strike a responsive chord with younger kids," she says, but she adds that outside of Playhouse Disney, most shows "reflect themes more relevant to kids age 6-14."

Talya's mom, Melanie Appelbaum of Harrison, N.Y., doesn't worry about the teen themes.

"They don't really kiss until the end of the second movie," she says. "So much of what people are worried about is going over their heads. I think you can overanalyze anything."

Selling products to the very young is perhaps the bigger danger, said Juliet Schor, a psychology professor at Boston College who explored the effects of marketing on children in her book "Born to Buy: The Commercialized Child and the New Consumer Culture."

Hawkins agrees. The microphone Jemma has is bright pink, "looks like a baby toy" and was placed on a low store shelf in a section for young children, she said. And this year's big-screen movie release "High School Musical: Senior Year" includes three new sophomore Wildcats aimed at keeping the franchise fresh.

"They're trying to appeal to a much younger child in order to prepare them for being hooked in," Hawkins said. "One piece of the scenario leads to the next."

While social psychology has much to say on the extension of adolescence through one's 20s, Twenge said, there's an extension down the age ladder as well.

"Pretty soon adolescence is going to last from age 5 to age 35," she said.



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Unitarian Universalist Church among religious houses gone green

FROM GREEN PAGE 1

porating green initiatives into weekly sermons. The church also began posting the Big Blue Bus schedules to encourage its congregation to utilize public transportation.

"We have a high consciousness about the earth and preserving it," Sandra Trutt, co-chair of the church's Green Sanctuary Committee, said. "As we got more information in the news and elsewhere (about global warming), we knew we were in trouble."

Trutt, who also serves on the board of directors, pointed to one of the church's seven principles, stating that its members shall have "respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part."

The church is also seeking to attain Green Sanctuary status, which is awarded by the main Unitarian Universalist church to member organizations who complete a rigorous list of criteria, including years-long projects on religious education and environmental justice.

Trutt estimates that the church will reach Green Sanctuary status in a few years.

The UU church is the second religious organization in Santa Monica to have completed the Business Greening Program, the first being St. Monica Catholic Community, which underwent the sustainable changes a few years ago.



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CHANGE IN ORDER: Jason Farmer, head of communications at St. Monica Catholic Church demonstrates how the church has switched to compact fluorescent light bulbs as part of their efforts to be environmentally friendly.

Susy Holyhead, who heads the Business Greening division at Sustainable Works, said that while she hasn't seen an influx of churches signing up for the program, she has seen the number of entities overall growing with a waiting list heading into the next fiscal year.

"I'm seeing a trend in every business sector," Holyhead said.

About 120 businesses and organizations have participated so far, including two churches.

Holyhead likened a church's needs to that of a business, both being able to incorporate similar sustainable measures, whether it be purchasing non-toxic chemicals or using energy efficient bulbs. One advantage that churches do have over commercial entities is its non-profit status, making them eligible to apply for grants to pay for any environmentally-sound practices.

The changes adopted at St. Monica are similar to the ones seen in many businesses, placing recycling bins across its campus,

using non-toxic cleaners and changing light bulbs. In the years prior to the program, the church installed a series of low-flow toilets.

The church also encourages its parishioners to take alternative forms of transportation to services. Its own pastor — Monsignor Lloyd Torgerson — is also trying to lead by example by driving a Toyota Prius.

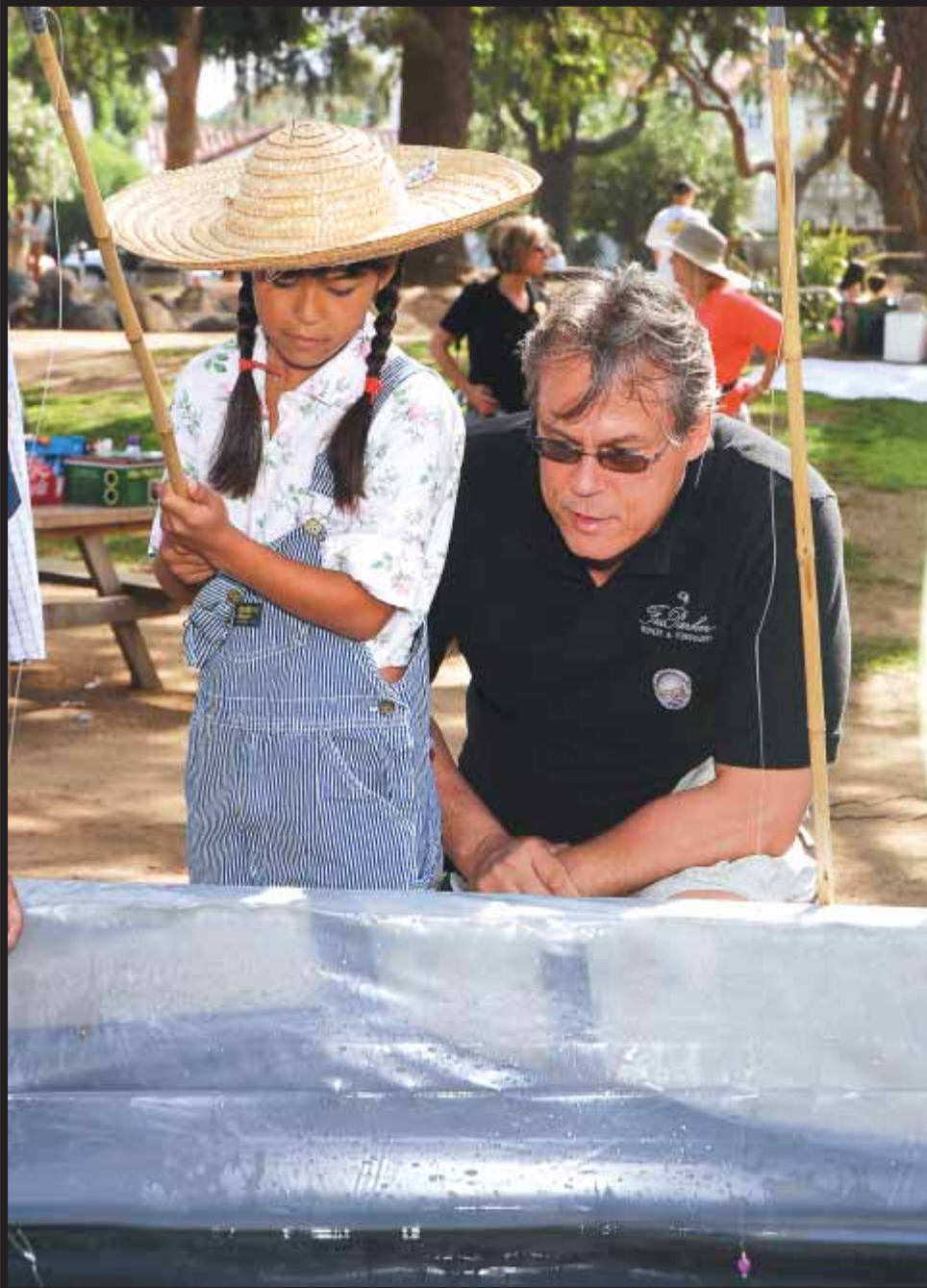
"We have a concept called stewardship and that is a value for us and stewardship of the earth is one aspect of that overall concept, being responsible and being grateful for the gift that God has given us," Mike Mottola, the parish administrator who oversaw the greening of the church, said.

The green initiatives aren't limited to the two churches that participated in the Business Greening Program. Other religious institutions have sought ways to become more sustainable on their own.

In addition to changing its light bulbs, Beth Shir Sholom is seeking to incorporate green materials when it renovates its temple in a few years. The building, which is located on California Avenue, was built in 1941, according to Brenda Barrie, the executive director.

"We want to be sure we're as green as possible within the safety regulations," Barrie said. "We have a sense of responsibility and morality."

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GOOD TIMES

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(left) Under the watchful eye of her father Faron Isom, 8-year-old Autry Isom fishes for trout in the temporary pond at Douglas Park last Saturday as part of the Santa Monica Jaycees 53rd annual Huck Finn Day. The event included gunny sack races, fly fishing lessons given by Wilderness Fly Fishers, and a pie eating contest. (above) Seven-year-old Alisa Boardman is all smiles after she finishes her slice of pie the fastest during the pie eating contest.



Photo courtesy Santa Monica Red Cross

HEALING POWER: Santa Monica High School Students Winston Lee (left), Tanya Choo, Jasmine Jafari practice giving first-aid as part of a program by the Santa Monica Red Cross aimed at teaching kids the value of community service along with life-saving skills that can be used in case of an emergency.

Program teaches youth responsibility

FROM RED CROSS PAGE 1

between it and the local public middle schools which already fed students to the Red Cross for community service requirements.

About eight students participated in the program's inception year, visiting homes, learning CPR and conducting administrative tasks for the chapter. More than 1,000 students have since passed through the program.

"We're one of the only organizations who teach emergency preparedness, life-saving skills, and we try to encourage them to work in each department to learn their niche," Chatman said.

The majority of the students join the program in the eighth grade to complete the community service hours mandated at both Lincoln and John Adams middle schools. Though the number of participants taper off as the students get older, there are quite a few who remain after the service requirement is completed, according to Cory Russell, the program supervisor. He estimates the retention rate past eighth grade is about 50 percent.

The youth program is open to kids between the ages of 13 and 18, the majority of students coming from Santa Monica schools.

Russell is credited with reviving the program and adding more structure since he arrived at the Red Cross in early 2007. The 21-year-old AmeriCorps volunteer has a special connection with the students, some of whom are just a few years younger, Chatman, now the volunteer coordinator, said.

Among the changes that Russell drilled into the program was adding weekly meetings with the teenagers, creating a sense of continuity. Students are also now more involved in the various aspects of the Red Cross, participating in humanitarian projects such as the disaster relief efforts following the Indian Ocean Tsunami in 2004 and Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

The program includes various pet proj-

ects, such as the recently completed Measles Initiative in which teens sold \$2 lapel pins, its proceeds paying to both vaccinate children and support youth program activities. The students earlier this year were also kept busy with the TAP project, which asked diners to give up a glass of water during their meal and instead donate money to fund clean water initiatives in Africa. Students covered the city asking local restaurants to participate.

"Kids are not the future of the Red Cross," Russell said. "They're doing it now."

Many of the program participants are also members of their school's Red Cross Clubs, serving as ambassadors of the local chapter to their respective high schools.

Monica Choo, a junior at Santa Monica High School, joined the program when she was an eighth grader and is now the president of the Samohi Red Cross Club.

The story in how she reached the program was the same as the other participants — a student seeking to complete her required community service hours.

But after completing the requirement, Choo felt a sense of accomplishment, deciding that she wanted to make a difference.

"I've developed lots of leadership skills and became more outgoing," Choo said. "I feel like it's made me a better person."

Cheng joined the youth program his freshman year, the same year in which he founded the Red Cross Club at St. Monica.

Now Cheng serves as youth member on the Red Cross chapters' Board of Directors.

Among Cheng's most notable accomplishments was organizing a three-day blood drive at St. Monica, exceeding the number of donors than the Samohi Red Cross Club was able to gather in a month's time.

The result of the blood drive was an added participation in the club, growing from four students in its inception year to 15 members today.

"We're going to continue the club even after I graduate," he said. "We're still finding more and more people to join."

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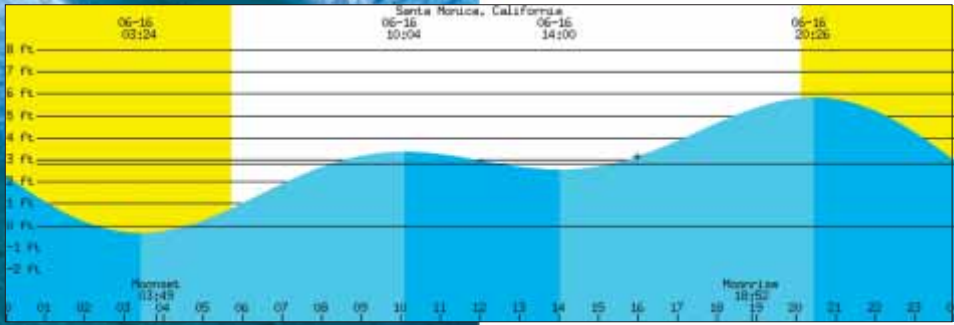
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LOCATION	DRY	WET	LOCATION	DRY	WET
Las Cienegas Beach, at Arroyo Sepulch Creek mouth	A+	ns	Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence	A	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A	ns	Will Rogers State Beach at Palms Canyon storm drain	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lockwood and Las Alitas creeks	A+	ns	Will Rogers State Beach at Tenacious Canyon drain	A+	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Morado State Beach	A+	ns	Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chatsworth)	A+	B
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A+	ns	Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain	A	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	ns	Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain	D	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wilshire Rd. (private)	A+	ns	Santa Monica Municipal Pier	F	C
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	D	ns	Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Venice storm drain	A	F
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach	D	ns	Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restaurants)	A+	ns
Laguna Canyon Creek mouth	F	ns	Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain	A+	F
Selkirk Canyon at San Blocker County Beach	D	ns	Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain	A+	ns
Puente State Beach at creek mouth	A+	ns	Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain	A+	ns
Marine Canyon storm drain at Puente Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	F	ns	Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain	A+	ns
Surfside Beach at Malibu Colony fence	A+	ns	Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south	A+	ns
Surfside Beach (beach location)- daily	C	A+	Venice Beach- projection of Topaz St.	A+	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	A+	ns	Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower	A	A+
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A+	ns	Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth	A	F
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (joint zero)	A+	ns	Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 15048 PCH stairs	A	ns	North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach	A+	ns
Pine Creek at Las Tunas County Beach	A+	ns	Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of DWR jetty)	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon	A	ns	Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth	A	F	Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hygienic Treatment Plant	A+	ns
Castroville Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	B	F	Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain	A+	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	A+	ns			
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LEGEND

DRY -- each location is graded on an A -- F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone

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PGA

Woods outlasts Mediate to win his 14th major

BY DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press Writer

SAN DIEGO With a throbbing knee and a pounding heart, Tiger Woods made one last improbable escape Monday and won the U.S. Open in a 19-hole playoff over Rocco Mediate, his 14th career major and maybe the most amazing of them all.

One shot behind on the 18th hole after a collapse no one saw coming, Woods birdied the 18th hole to force sudden death at Torrey Pines against a 45-year-old with a creaky back who simply wouldn't go away.

But that one extra hole was enough to doom Mediate, trying to become the oldest U.S. Open champion at 45 years, 6 months.

He put his tee shot in the bunker at No. 7, knocked his approach off a cart path and against the bleachers, chipped some 18 feet

past the hole and missed the par putt.

On the verge of one of golf's greatest upsets, Mediate instead became another victim.

Woods, who delivered so many spectacular moments over four days along the Pacific bluffs, only needed a two-putt par at the end to win the U.S. Open for the third time, and the first since it last was held on a public course at Bethpage Black in 2002.

It capped off a remarkable week for the world's No. 1 player, who had not played since April 15 surgery on his left knee and looked as though every step was a burden. But it held up for 91 holes, and the payoff was worth the pain.

Woods joins Jack Nicklaus as the only players to capture the career Grand Slam three times over.

NBA

Kobe won't force and says Lakers don't need to either

BY BRIAN MAHONEY
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES The greatest closer in the NBA instead focused on being a quick starter in Game 5.

Kobe Bryant's teammates picked up the slack from there, and that's why the Los Angeles Lakers are still alive in the NBA finals.

A great night from the MVP won't do the Lakers much good as they try to become the first NBA team to rally from a 3-1 deficit in the finals. What the Lakers really need is a few good nights from the rest of the team.

"A lot of people say, 'Kobe, you have to go out for 40 or 50,' but that's not how we play," Bryant said. "That's not what's going to win championships. We've got to stick together, ride this out as a unit, and that's what we're going to do."

It worked just fine Sunday night in Los Angeles, where the Lakers had four other players in double figures in their 103-98 victory that trimmed the Celtics' lead in the series to 3-2. But the Lakers' role players haven't shown they can come through in Boston, and if they don't Tuesday, they won't get another chance.

"We're very prepared because we know we're going to have to do that," forward Lamar Odom said. "We're not going to beat them if it's not balanced, so it's going to help him free his game up at the end of the game if it's balanced scoring because guys tend to stick with you a little bit more when you've been aggressive throughout the game.

"He's going to have spots to take over, but yet it's going to help us take shots at the end of the game just from being aggressive throughout the game."

Odom finished with 20 points and 11 rebounds. Pau Gasol added 19 points and 13 boards, Derek Fisher scored 15 points, and reserve Jordan Farmar chipped in 11.

Bryant led the Lakers with 25, but he was largely quiet after the first quarter, when he scored 15. He finished just 8-of-21 from the

field, and in recent years that would have guaranteed a Los Angeles loss.

"You're not going to shoot the ball too well against this team because they're going to throw everybody at you," Bryant said. "But the important thing for me is to push the buttons at the right time. That's the key, is setting the tone if we're going through a drought, when is it time to make the correct play and generate energy for our ballclub? That's really become my role now more so than in the past, where it was 35, 40 points."

Role players usually play better at home. If Bryant plans to stick to his unselfish ways, his supporting cast needs to prove it can step up across the country.

Gasol totaled only seven points in the second halves of the Lakers' Games 1 and 2 losses. The bench, thought to be an advantage for Los Angeles, was outscored in both games and has been largely outplayed in the series.

Outside of Farmar, the rest of the Lakers' reserves combined for only six points in Game 5.

"I think that obviously we'd like to have our bench give us a better bump than that, but right now their bench is playing a little bit better than ours is, and we've got some guys performing off the bench but not the unit," coach Phil Jackson said. "We're going to have to find a better way to do that in Game 6 if we're going to survive."

Bryant has no choice but to give the reserves a chance. The Celtics defend him well, holding him to 42 percent shooting and 26.4 points per game in the finals after he averaged 31.9, tops in the postseason, through the first three rounds.

He could probably get something closer to his usual numbers if he forced the action, but insists he won't. Doing so got Bryant two scoring titles and two first-round exits the last two seasons, and he likes this way better.

"Could I force myself to get 40? Yeah. But is that better for our ballclub? No," Bryant said. "We've got guys open, I'm going to move the ball and do what I need to do."

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Budget is big, Scorpio

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You hear one thing but see another. How does one handle this type of disparity? Accept both and try to understand how both could be true. Walk past your mental filters. Tonight: Opt to step out of your comfort zone and think differently.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ A partner makes an overture. You might be confused and not understand the implications. When asking questions, you could be frustrated. Know that this will pass, and keep the high level of trust. Tonight: Dinner for two!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Others will push to have their way. Don't worry so much, and trust what is occurring. You might not understand all the details. Try not to intellectualize so much – as tough as it might be. Tonight: Defer to someone else.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ You feel that you cannot get a handle on a situation. Perhaps don't worry about it and focus on what you can accomplish. Errands, discussions and daily tasks could be more than you bargained for. Tonight: Consider an early bedtime.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You have energy and a lot to offer. Still, a misunderstanding could mar your mood. Ask as many questions as necessary. Be positive and upbeat. Allow your ingenuity to play out. Tonight: Be more spontaneous.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ You might twist and turn trying to make ends meet and difficult situations work together. Know when to let go of an issue. You will be amazed by what could occur. Tonight: At home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You really might be pushed to the max.

Grasping what is going on could be difficult, because of conflicting reports or even different associations with words. Worry less about the end results. Walk in others' shoes. Tonight: Hang out.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Curb a tendency to be possessive. What is evident is that solutions don't come forth with ease. Your finances could feel a bit wiry or out of control. Relax; you will find the right path and make a strong decision. Tonight: Gather your bills. Think about your budget carefully.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might want to try something different or take a dramatic action. However, know that you will have to deal with feedback, for better or worse. Timing also could be an issue. Is this the best time possible? Tonight: The world is your oyster. Act that way.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Realize that you don't know everything. In fact, if you step back and do a better job of listening, you might be startled by a realization. By opening up personally, you might be opening up to a major relationship or situation. Tonight: Take some personal time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Others might not understand your detachment. You will make a gigantic difference if you relax. Support a friend. Don't worry about a misunderstanding and don't internalize hurt feelings. You don't have the whole story. Tonight: Where the action is.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You might not have the control you would like, whether you are the boss or with a boss. Also, an underlying personal issue could be causing more of a problem. Think and listen. Look for a different answer. Tonight: Could be late.

Happy birthday

Think through your actions rather than charge ahead this year. You will be a lot happier, and so might those around you. You need to understand different undercurrents within yourself. Partners, associates and family seem to always dominate. Consider the fact that perhaps you need to carry less responsibility this year, and actually be substantially freer. If you are single, others are likely to let you know their feelings first. You have many choices. The months before your birthday could prove to be unusually interesting. If you are attached, work with your partner in creating an exciting vacation, or take a seminar together. SAGITTARIUS has similar issues but a different approach.

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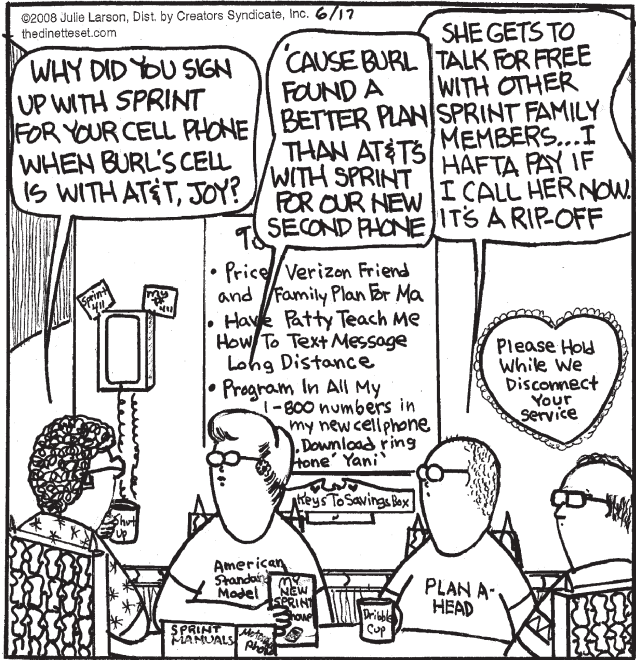
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- 1 Word of caution
- 7 Walk in water
- 11 De-creased?
- 12 Harbor call
- 13 Happening
- 15 City leader
- 16 Old phone feature
- 18 Brown shade
- 21 Young woman
- 22 Tyrant
- 24 Count starter
- 25 Young man
- 26 Mine yield
- 27 Bike for two
- 29 Adorable
- 30 Zeus's wife
- 31 Shakespeare's shrew
- 32 Ryan of "Paper Moon"
- 34 Retreat
- 40 Battery contents
- 41 Beat at the track
- 42 Addition column
- 43 Excited

DOWN

- 1 Smidgen
- 2 Period of history
- 3 Chinese pan
- 4 Creature
- 5 Kidney-related
- 6 Daring
- 7 Tusked mammal
- 8 Cry of discovery
- 9 Saw-bones
- 10 Storm center
- 14 Studied (over)
- 16 TV's Shore
- 17 Singer Cara

- 19 Teapot part
- 20 Rich cake
- 21 Attained
- 22 River stopper
- 23 Golf peg
- 25 Singer Rimes
- 28 R2-D2 and C-3PO

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Yesterday's answer

- 29 Beckon
- 31 Broken
- 33 Swelled heads
- 34 Bowler, for one
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- 36 Racket
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- 39 Finish

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ In a well-publicized story in January, two New York City men were charged with fraud after they rolled a dead friend's body in a chair from their apartment to a check-cashing store, propping him up to suggest that he was alive and wanted the men to cash his Social Security check for him. In May, a judge set the men free after they told him that the three had an income- and expense-sharing arrangement and that they thought their friend was merely incapacitated. Since the autopsy was inconclusive as to time of death, the charges were dropped.

■ An Indonesian man whose skin disorder caused him to grow hideous, root-like tissue that overwhelmed his hands, feet and face, and who was featured on a Discovery Channel program in November, has now lost four pounds' worth of the wart-like growths through surgery and a vitamin A regimen, and at last can grip a pen. American dermatology professor Anthony Gaspari, who is helping him, concluded that he has the human papilloma virus, which normally causes tiny warts, but because of an immune deficiency, the man was unable to restrain their growth.

TODAY IN HISTORY

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