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HEALTHY SMILES

Young girls showed off their milk mustaches on Monday while visiting the Third Street Promenade. The Got Milk? campaign was in town to recognize and reward moms for their role as the family's chief health officer.

Alexandra Bissonnette news@smdp.com

Cleaner beaches on the way

(Editor's note: This story is part of an ongoing series that tracks the city's expenditures appearing on upcoming City Council consent agendas. Consent agenda items are routinely passed by the council with little or no discussion from elected officials or the public. However, many of the items have been part of public discussion in the past.)

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL In the latest attempt to expedite clean water initiatives to shape up some of the dirtiest beaches in the state, the City Council is expected tonight to employ a consultant who will study a series of priority projects.

The impending hiring of Black & Veatch Inc. follows a series of actions taken by the council in recent weeks to push clean water

projects along, the decision tonight coming as Southern Californians flock to local beaches to escape soaring temperatures.

The estimated \$350,000 contract is part of a \$6.4 million spending plan that the council is scheduled to approve.

The Kansas City-based firm, which has an office in Los Angeles, will perform cost analysis for projects that will be funded under Measure V — The Clean Beaches and Ocean Parcel Tax passed in 2006 to raise money for initiatives listed under the Watershed Management Plan, a collection of projects that seek to reduce urban runoff pollution and increase water reuse and conservation.

The beaches in the county have been identified as some of the dirtiest in the state, including the water under the Santa Monica Pier, which was ranked the second

worst in Heal the Bay's 18th Annual Beach Report Card.

The council has taken several actions since the report was issued to expedite the Measure V projects, including forming a citizens oversight committee and hiring another consultant — Psomas — earlier this month to provide project management services.

FEEDING BEACHGOERS AT ANNENBERG

With less than a year left before the scheduled opening of the Annenberg Community Beach House, City Hall is tying up loose ends in the operation of the recreational center, including finding a food vendor.

Fred Deni and James Christel are

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Lincoln principal to move to John Muir

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQTRS Lincoln Middle School Principal Tristan Komlos, the head of a community that was thrust into the media spotlight after the arrest of a teacher on sexual molestation charges, is expected to be transferred to John Muir Elementary School.

The Board of Education is expected to meet in closed session on Thursday to discuss several administrative shifts to occur within the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District. While the agenda does not mention the specific names of the affected personnel, it does specify that there will be discussions related to the interim superintendent, principal, assistant principal and coordinator.

Among the administrators who will be moved is Lincoln Assistant Principal Francis Costanzo, who will be transferred to work in the district's special education department. Costanzo was the first person notified about the alleged molestation of a Lincoln Middle School student in 2006, two years before a teacher at the school, Thomas Beltran, was arrested and charged with multiple counts of child molestation involving girls in his class.

District officials have confirmed the principal vacancy at Lincoln and the move of John Muir Principal Martha Duran-Contreras, they have yet to acknowledge that Komlos is headed to the south Santa Monica school.

"We asked the superintendent to develop a transition plan that would bring administrative strength throughout the whole organization, especially in the area of accountability and transparency and that is what we are striving to accomplish by moving our staff around," Oscar de la Torre, the school board president, said.

Neither Komlos, Costanzo nor Duran-Contreras could be reached for comment on Monday.

Komlos has been the principal at Lincoln for the past two years, replacing former principal Kathy Scott who vacated her post in 2006.

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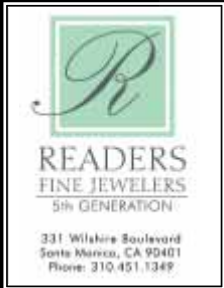
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Workouts for teens

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02 Max offers two daily classes teaching teens how to exercise and eat properly in a cool and fun environment. They get to hang out afterwards in the wi-fi lounge, play Nintendo Wii, or simply surf the Internet. For information, call (310) 867-1650.

Wednesday, June 25, 2008

The bear necessities

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3 p.m. — 5 p.m.
As part of a summer-long family film series, The Main Library will be screening Walt Disney’s 1967 classic, “The Jungle Book.” Seating is first come, first served. Admission is free.

Art on the menu

1701 Ocean Park Blvd., 7 a.m. — 9 p.m.
The Sunset Grill will display the work of artist and photographer Brian Asher. The diverse collection of photographs and artwork are inspired by Asher’s travels through five continents including adventures in the Amazon, Vietnam, Zimbabwe, Mexico, the Galapagos Islands and China. Over two dozen pieces will hang in the restaurant, for sale by the artist.

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.



Venice council makes projects possible

BY ALICE OLLSTEIN
Special to the Daily Press

VENICE This month the Venice Neighborhood Council had the difficult task of selecting 19 community projects out of the 40 submitted to receive Community Improvement Project Funding. The council distributed a total of \$39,546 to a diverse array of organizations focusing on the young, the old and the planet.

The council ranked the projects according to strict criteria, asking, "What's the community benefit?" and "Are you asking for money that the city of L.A. can't actually pay for?" — such as funding for an individual's salary.

"Lots of people need money as a place to start," said council outreach officer Mark Saltzberg. "We're able to give money to a

broad range of projects, with the belief that those projects can leverage what we give them to attract the rest."

One recipient was Dogtown Books, a project led by the non-profit writing and tutoring organization 826LA that allows students to polish and publish their original work.

"[826] specializes in an after-school homework help program, working with kids who are not able to afford tutoring and teaching them the skills that writers use," Venice coordinator Danny Hom said.

With Dogtown Books, local Venice students ages 6 to 18 can see the efforts of their labor in print.

"As stakeholders in the Venice community, what we do at Dogtown Books really benefits the kids in the area," Hom said. "We aid them in cultivating a story that they want to tell."

The council's money, Hom said, will expand the program to more students and improve the design of the books themselves. Past compilations of student work include "The Infinite Map" and "We Attack You with Tiny Claws." Over 50 students benefit from the program each year.

"For every child, the impact is different. For some it's about finding their individual voice," Hom said. "For some it gives them a sense of being treated seriously by adults."

The Learning Garden, located on the corner of Walgrove and Venice adjacent to Venice High School, was the project to earn the most money, raking in \$4,972 for solar lighting.

Once a "public eyesore," the space, according to Gardenmaster David King, now "exists to serve the community and foster community," and provides learning oppor-

tunities for high school students, teachers and the community at large. Examples include art and gardening classes open to the public, an upcoming Fourth of July ice cream social and lessons for students on sustainability and food security.

"For those who can't afford healthy, safe produce, we show ways to grow your own food," King said. "We also donate all extra produce to the Westside Food Bank."

The solar lighting to be installed with the council's money will serve several purposes.

"It will help us beautify the garden and hold events later in the day during the winter months when the sun sets early," King explained. "But it will also heighten security, which the school administration is certainly concerned about."

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EASY SELL

Alice Ollstein news@smdp.com
MoveOn.org members Ingrid Cheng (right) and Isabel Storey sold cupcakes, cookies and other sweets in Clover Park this past Saturday to raise money for presidential hopeful Barack Obama's campaign. The "Hungry for Change" bake sale happened in communities across the country, involving 20,000 MoveOn members. Santa Monica's version raised \$135 in 3 hours.

Carlin: From straight comic to icon

BY JOHN ROGERS
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES When he shucked the coat and tie for black T-shirts and jeans, grew his hair long and began to riff about those "Seven Words You Can Never Say on TV," George Carlin became more than just the countercultural comedian.

Carlin, 71, who died Sunday of heart failure at St. John's Hospital in Santa Monica, took comedy itself in a whole new direction.

No longer were nightclubs the territory of guys in suits telling harmless mother-in-law jokes.

"He was more than just a comic. His routines became part of the American lexicon," fellow comedian Paul Rodriguez told The Associated Press on Monday. "They came to say a lot about America and its times."

Indeed, when Muhammad Ali was stripped of his world heavyweight boxing championship for refusing induction into the U.S. military, Carlin noted that Ali, who made his living beating people up, had refused service because he opposed the Vietnam War.

"He said, 'No, that's where I draw the line. I'll beat 'em up. But I don't want to kill 'em.' And the government said, 'Well, if you won't kill people, we won't let you beat 'em up.'"

Arguably his most famous routine, though, was simply called "Seven Words."

More than just an outpouring of obscenities, it was — as almost all Carlin routines were — a clever play on the sound and meaning of almost every word Carlin used.

One word in the routine, for example (not one of the offending seven) was what he called "a two-way word," explaining: "You can prick your finger. But don't ..."

"Some people think the routines were all about saying dirty words, but it wasn't about that at all," says Jamie Masada, who as owner of the Laugh Factory comedy clubs knew Carlin for more than 20 years.

"He had a different motivation," Masada continued, "and the motivation was free speech. George believed when he was on stage that was like being in his church and he could say anything he wanted there."

It's only appropriate, then, that Carlin's name is attached to a key U.S. Supreme Court free-speech ruling, albeit one limiting the right.

The 1978 decision, the result of a radio station playing "Seven Words," upheld the government's authority to issue sanctions for broadcasting offensive language during hours when children might be listening.

"So my name is a footnote in American legal history, which I'm perversely kind of proud of," Carlin told the AP earlier this year.

Other than that, he said at the time, he had very little interest in public affairs. He claimed to have not voted in a presidential election in decades.

"I was always out of step," he said. "I left school in ninth grade, I got kicked out of the Air Force, I got kicked out of the choir and the altar boys and summer camp and three schools and I was a pot smoker when I was 13 in the early '50s. I was always a lawbreaker and a kind of outlaw rebel."

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Keep it coming

Editor:

Kudos to Jacob Ramsey ("Stamp out stigma," page 5, June 20) and other members of Step Up on Second for continuing to write so eloquently about the difficulty of living in a community and society that too often stigmatizes mental illness. Correctly put as simply another medical condition that requires treatment and care, mental illness' status is distinguished by the all too frequent nonfiction reports of crimes as well as fictional portrayals of villains with mental illness. You just don't see the same abhorrent level of stigma attached to paraplegia, blindness, deafness, or other common disabilities. Here's hoping the information age is chipping away at our current and unfortunate societal perceptions of people who have a mental illness.

Christopher Knauf

Chair, Santa Monica Disabilities Commission

Motive questioned

Editor:

There is more than irony involved in the letter to the editor of June 19th from Ron Goldman commenting on Melody Hanatani's front page article on Wednesday, June 18, concerning the planned senior housing project at 17th [Street] and Montana Avenue.

- Mr. Goldman has been the chief opponent and catalyst for numerous delays of this project development during the last 18 months.

- Mr. Goldman voiced his concern over the original project at a February 2007 meeting that I attended with neighbors and the owners, and announced his frustration with the fact that he had attempted to purchase the same property to develop as condos but was unsuccessful and very unhappy that his bid was rejected.

- Mr. Goldman, who lives directly east and adjacent to the property on Montana Avenue, backs out of his own garage/driveway onto Montana Avenue and turns into his garage/driveway every day. His complaints about a perceived safety issue and danger is not supported by reality and certainly not supported by a detailed traffic/environmental study that was completed for the original project.

- Mr. Goldman's concerns over the project's loading space on 17th Street is misplaced and an opinion not shared by those of us who are adjacent neighbors most affected to the north. Would Mr. Goldman prefer that this loading space be next to his property on Montana Avenue?

- Mr. Goldman's attack on senior group housing is a sham. It is obvious that he would either like to develop his own condo project on that site or insure that nothing is built in his back yard.

It is unfortunate that good projects which help the senior community are made so difficult to construct.

Donald Brand

Santa Monica

Assistance please

Editor:

God Bless America. With the Bush administration running things, we need all the help we can get.

Mike Kirwan

Venice



What's the Point?

David Pizarra

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Every child should be a wanted child

SEX. THERE, I SAID IT. PEOPLE HAVE IT. Rather regularly and frequently without thinking beyond the moment.

Some people use it for recreation, like others exercise or ride a bike. Some use it in the confines of a committed relationship to communicate with each other. Some are completely indiscriminate in their choice of partners. Straight, gay or somewhere in-between, there is a wide variety of what people do, and what others think people do.

It is a constant discussion among some people, and others are absolutely against any type of talk about it. They don't want to know what other people do, how they do it, and how often.

For men, there is a great deal of bragging about how much, how often, with whom. For women, not so much.

The general consensus seems to be that it is a natural expression of our humanity, and that we shouldn't be ashamed of it. Yet there is also a profound and pervasive sense of anxiety in discussing it. We have major battles about what can and can't be taught in schools to our children.

Usually it is the parents who are least likely to discuss sex with their children, who are most against having the schools teach anything about the actual process and the emotional implications; let alone the fact that pregnancy can result from a one-time, 30-second coupling. It is these prudish, usually fundamentalist, church going, sexually repressed people who kick up the most dirt when the subject is broached.

The people who feel that all sexual activity outside of marriage is a sin are the ones who try to regulate the behavior of people they don't know.

They try to keep others in the blissful state of ignorance as to what is appropriate sexual behavior between consenting adults. They feel that their moral strictures about what is right and wrong, ought to apply to all people.

I thank them for their concern, but frankly wish their desire to live in ignorance was kept to themselves. This ostrich in the sand mentality about sex, sexual diseases, and oh yeah, that little thing called pregnancy, is really not serving people well.

There are in recent years, approximately 1.7 million children born to unwed parents nationally. Many of these parents are in committed relationships, but a significant

percentage of them are not. More importantly, many of these children are not planned for, and the parents are not prepared to be parents.

Which is why I think since we live in such a nanny state that we have to have fluoride in our water, because so many of us cannot remember to brush our teeth twice a day, then we should also have a contraceptive developed and put in the water.

Yes, I'm serious. It should be a contraceptive that has an oral antidote, and that antidote should be readily available at all pharmacies, and it should be given away freely to any person over the age of 18, and under 18 to those people who have a letter of consent from their parents.

This is not about restricting the rights of the people to have children. I think anyone who wants to have a child should have the right.

But I thoroughly believe that every child should be a wanted child. This little step, the mere act of having to stop and go to get an antidote, I believe, would reduce the number of children that are unwanted.

Now I'm sure the fundamentalist loony right will have a field day with this, saying that it is interfering with God's plan. But if it reduces the number of women who obtain abortions, which in California was 208,430 in 2005, then that would be a good thing.

Nationally at the current rate, 1 in 4 women will have an abortion by the time they are 45. Of the women who have abortions, 86 percent are unmarried and 57 percent are economically disadvantaged.

In Los Angeles County there are approximately 8,700 children in some version of state foster care, and another 9,400 in family/friend of family care, which is county supervised.

If as a society we can make people buy car insurance for "their own good," limit the drinking age, put controls on smoking, and put additives in water, why can't we do something about the one thing that we know is going to happen, that has lifetime consequences, and puts a huge strain on our economy?

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Ask Obama about Hiroshima

NOW THAT BARACK OBAMA IS THE presumptive Democratic nominee for president, his opinions about the pronouncements of his mentor, Rev. Jeremiah Wright, have become much more important.

While nobody seriously thinks Obama wants God to damn America or that he believes "the government lied about inventing the HIV virus as a means of genocide against people of color," there is one Wright opinion that Obama must be asked about, because it directly relates to the question of whether he has the judgment necessary to be president.

"We bombed Hiroshima, we bombed Nagasaki, and we nuked far more than the thousands in New York and the Pentagon, and we never batted an eye," Wright said in a sermon shortly after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

Actually, President Harry S. Truman did bat an eye over the choice between invading Japan or dropping bombs on it, which he called his "hardest decision to date." The most important presidential decisions are never easy. But Truman's call saved millions of American and Japanese lives, and allowed the United States to move on to confront its next, even greater opponent — the Soviet Union.

Truman's military advisers had told him that an invasion of Japan would cost hundreds of thousands of American lives, along with millions of Japanese military and civilian deaths. The Japanese cabinet was considering a measure to draft 15-year-old boys and 60-year-old men to fight any American invasion. American intelligence had also learned that the Japanese were planning to execute as many as 100,000 American prisoners of war if the Americans launched an invasion.

Last year, Japanese Defense Minister Fumio Kyuma, who is from Nagasaki, acknowledged that the nuclear bombs had been a necessary measure to end World War II and save many lives. Even Emperor Hirohito acknowledged in 1975 that the bombings "couldn't be helped."

Hiroshima played significant military functions for Japan, and Nagasaki was an industrial seaport important to the Japanese war effort. But certainly, both cities were home to many civilians, whose deaths President Truman and his advisers felt were necessary to convince the Japanese to surrender.

With the threat of a nuclear Iran and unpredictable nuclear states in North Korea and Pakistan, a President Obama may face tough decisions about the use of military and even nuclear force. It is very easy for a presidential candidate to declare, like Rep. Dennis Kucinich (D-Ohio) did, that "peace is a civil right."

A president who refuses to drop bombs can always congratulate him or herself for loving peace. But we need a president who loves peace but also has the courage and strength of character to be willing to drop bombs, even nuclear ones — including if it means civilians will die — when that is the decision that best protects America.

WITH THE THREAT OF A NUCLEAR IRAN AND UNPREDICTABLE NUCLEAR STATES IN NORTH KOREA AND PAKISTAN, A PRESIDENT OBAMA MAY FACE TOUGH DECISIONS ABOUT THE USE OF MILITARY AND EVEN NUCLEAR FORCE.

Would Obama be such a president? I don't know. My Google searches don't show that he's ever said what he thinks of President Truman's decision to use atomic weapons against two Japanese cities.

We do know that the clergyman who has been one of the most important influences on Obama's life thinks Hiroshima and Nagasaki were worse crimes than the Sept. 11 attacks. It is completely fair game for journalists to ask Obama if he agrees, and how he would have approached the most important decision made by America's 33rd president, who is consistently ranked by historians as one of the nation's greatest.

Even if Wright's words didn't raise questions about Obama, it would be legitimate to ask any presidential candidate what he or she thinks of previous momentous executive decisions — from the bombing of Hiroshima to the invasion of Iraq. We know what Obama thinks of the latter. Shouldn't someone ask him what he thinks of the former?

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The Q-Line

Flashing Lights

The new Pacific Wheel at Pacific Park features 160,000 LED lights that put on quite a show once the sun goes down. While the new Ferris wheel has been widely celebrated as a vast improvement over the old wheel there are some that feel the lighting design is a tad too much.

So this week's Q-Line question asks:
Is the new Ferris wheel too bright or just right?

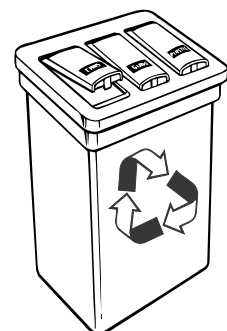
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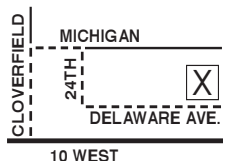


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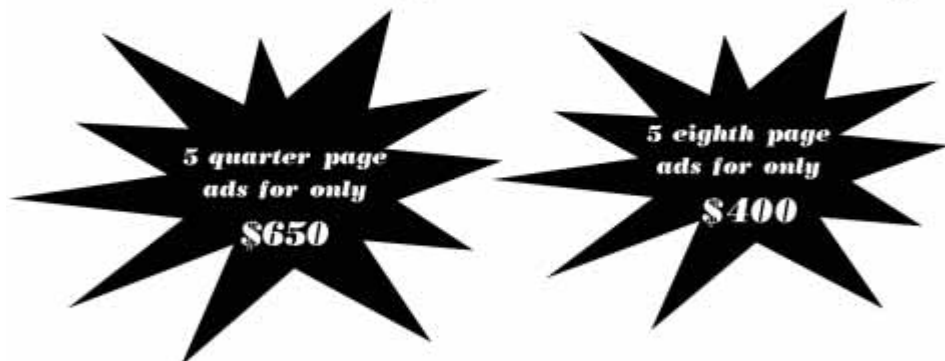


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Crews gain ground on wildfires in California

BY MARCUS WOHLSEN

SAN FRANCISCO Cooler weather Monday helped firefighters gain ground on hundreds of wildfires that have charred bone-dry terrain in both wine country and remote forests in Northern California.

One fire spread across nearly 6 square miles in Napa County and moved into a mostly rural area of Solano County. It threatened more than 100 buildings as it fed on grassy woodland about 40 miles southwest of Sacramento, said Roger Archey, a spokesman for the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

It was 40 percent contained Monday morning after destroying one house, officials said. Some residents had been ordered to evacuate, said agency spokeswoman Nancy Carniglia.

Elsewhere, firefighters in southern New Mexico were trying to stop a wildfire that has consumed 43,000 acres — or more than 67 square miles — of grass and brush since starting in the Lincoln National Forest, a U.S. Forest Service fire information officer said.

Two other lightning-sparked wildfires also have burned nearly 30,000 acres — or more than 46 square miles — in New Mexico, one west of Roswell in the southeastern part of the state and the other west of Raton in the north.

Wildfires have destroyed more than 175 homes in Northern California so far this year. Blazes started popping up in the region

just as California's unofficial fire season began in mid-May, following the state's driest two-month period on record.

About 25 miles south of San Jose, many residents were being let back into their homes Monday after being chased out by two fires blamed on lightning that blackened a total of about 2 square miles. Officials said one fire was 90 percent contained Monday and the other 50 percent contained.

Thunderstorms were responsible for as many as 75 fires in Shasta-Trinity National Forest, about 160 miles north of Sacramento. They ranged in size from less than an acre to more than a square mile. None immediately threatened homes, said Forest Service spokesman Michael Odle.

Mendocino County had as many as 90 fires, charring a total of 5,000 acres, fire officials said.

South of San Francisco, a fire that started Friday in Santa Cruz County, destroying homes and closing a stretch of highway, was contained after charring just less than a square mile. Roughly 2,000 people fled their homes Friday.

It was the third major blaze to hit Santa Cruz County in the past month. A 520-acre blaze destroyed 11 buildings in the Santa Cruz Mountains, and a fire near Corralitos covered more than 4,200 acres and destroyed about 100 buildings.

Just south of San Francisco, residents of the small city of Brisbane were being allowed back into their homes Monday after a grass fire scorched several hundred acres.

STATE BRIEFS

SANTA BARBARA

More dump duty for Santa Barbara falcons

Falcons have been shooing away seagulls at Santa Barbara County's dump for three years. It now appears Wingmaster Falconry Inc. will keep its birds of prey at the Tajiguas Landfill and the South Coast Recycling & Transfer Station for another year.

Public works officials on Tuesday will ask supervisors to approve the \$150,000 contract with Wingmaster. Public Works director Scott McGolpin says seagulls congregate at the trash collection sites in large numbers and create a nuisance, including fouling the water at nearby beaches.

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VICTORVILLE

State getting 2nd firefighting DC-10

The nation's largest firefighting aircraft is getting a companion DC-10. Cal Fire Battalion Chief Bob Hill says the private 10 Tanker Corp. is adding the second DC-10 to its fleet in July. It's unclear if the firefighting air tanker will be based at Victorville of the old McClellan Air Force Base near Sacramento. The DC-10 drops 12,000 gallons of retardant on a single run.

AP

RIVERSIDE

Three arrested in illegal cheese raid

Three people have been arrested and 13 head of cattle seized in the breakup of an illegal cheese operation in the Eastvale and Home Gardens areas of Riverside County.

Sheriff's Sgt. Steve Brown says more than 150 pounds of cheese was also confiscated in Sunday's crackdown on illegal food production and sale.

Efigenia Desalez, Antonio Desalez Guzman and Reyes Hernandez Herrera were booked for investigation of illegally manufacturing dairy products, among other things.

A fourth man, Arturo Cisneros, was booked for investigation of methamphetamine possession and being under the influence of narcotics.

AP

FULLERTON

Two arrested for targeting teacher

Police have arrested an Orange County high school teacher's estranged wife and her male acquaintance for allegedly trying to set up the teacher as a drug dealer.

Fullerton police Sgt. Andre Goodrich says Devon Abbott and Soloman Silver are in jail with bail set at \$750,000 each. History teacher Greg Abbott was arrested May 27 at Sunny Hills High School after police found a shotgun, marijuana and prescription pills in his sport utility vehicle. Police were tipped by an anonymous caller that the teacher had drugs. Two days later, police told reporters Abbott had been cleared of any wrongdoing and his estranged wife Devon Abbott and a man were persons of interest in the conspiracy and obstruction of justice investigation.

AP

Supreme Court to review Navy sonar case

BY DINA CAPPIELLO
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON The Supreme Court on Monday stepped into a dispute over the Navy's use of sonar off the Southern California coast and its potential harm to dolphins and whales.

Acting at the Bush administration's urging, the court agreed to review a federal appeals court ruling that limits the use of sonar in naval training exercises.

Sonar, which the Navy uses primarily to locate enemy submarines at sea, can interfere with marine mammals' ability to navigate and communicate. There is some evidence that the technology has caused whales to strand on shore.

The administration says the decision by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco jeopardizes the Navy's ability to train sailors and Marines for service in wartime.

The government also says national security interests can trump those of marine mammals, and that its use of mid-frequency sonar in training exercises hasn't caused any documented harm to dolphins or beaked whales.

The Navy applauded the high court's intervention.

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since the first court case. This is an issue that is essential to national security and we welcome the Supreme Court's decision to hear the case," said Admiral Larry Rice, the director of the Chief of Naval Operations' Environmental Readiness Division.

Rice said the restrictions placed on the Navy in earlier court rulings, if not overturned, could cripple training exercises.

The Natural Resources Defense Council, who along with four other advocacy groups sued the Navy over the issue, contends there are ways to use sonar and to protect wildlife.

"It's clear ... that the Navy can reduce the risk of this harm by commonsense safeguards without compromising our military readiness," Joel Reynolds, director of NRDC's Marine Mammal program, said in a

statement.

Although the science is inconclusive, there is strong evidence that sonar affects marine mammals.

The Navy's own environmental assessment of the use of sonar in 14 training exercises off the California coast found it could disturb or harm an estimated 170,000 marine mammals, including temporary loss of hearing in at least 8,000 whales.

Some environmentalists said the Supreme Court's hearing of the case will finally settle what takes precedence — national security or environmental protection.

"This will decide whether or not the Navy is fulfilling its security goals in a way that doesn't leave massive collateral damage," said

William Rossiter, president of Cetacean Society International, one of the plaintiffs in the case.

Lower courts concluded there would be near certain harm to marine life in Southern California if the Navy proceeded with sonar exercises as planned.

An injunction by a federal judge in Los Angeles early this year created a 12-nautical-mile no-sonar zone along the coast and ordered the Navy to shut off all sonar use within 2,200 yards of a marine mammal. That prompted President Bush to step in and sign a waiver exempting the Navy from a section of the Coastal Zone Management Act so training could continue as the government appealed the decision.

But the 9th Circuit sided with the lower court and said the Navy must abide by the injunction.

However, while the litigation was under way the appeals court gave the Navy leeway to lessen the restrictions if it determined it was in a critical maneuver point, so that sonar shutdown would begin at 1,000 meters (about 1,093 yards) and full sonar shutdown would come at 200 meters (about 219 yards).

Those are the restrictions the Navy is currently operating under.

Arguments will take place in the next court term, beginning in October.

Men's Health lists greenest driving cities

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK It seems everything's bigger in Texas — even the greenhouse gas emissions.

For its July/August issue, Men's Health magazine compiled a list of the "greenest drivers" in America and those who are "fossil fools." Four Texas cities made the bottom 10 with failing scores, including Arlington, at No. 100.

"It was actually pretty striking when we amassed the data," says Matt Marion, Deputy Editor of Men's Health. "You're talking no mass transit system, driving everywhere you go, and driving vehicles that burn through the fuel."

A state-by-state review by The Associated Press in 2007 found that Texas is the leader in emitting greenhouse gases, cranking out more than the next two biggest producers combined, California and Pennsylvania.

The Pacific Northwest fared much better in the Men's Health list, with Seattle, Portland, Ore., and Spokane, Wash. making the top 10. Many of the top cities had effective public transportation, but Marion pointed to Madison, Wis., as a city that fared well because people are good about keeping their cars tuned up and fuel-efficient.

For its grading, Men's Health looked at data on gas consumption, miles traveled, air quality, vehicle efficiency and mass-transit quality and usage.

They used 2005 statistics from the

MEN'S HEALTH GREENEST DRIVERS:

1. Seattle, grade A+
2. Burlington, Vt., grade A+
3. Portland, Ore., grade A+
4. Madison, Wis., grade A
5. Fargo, N.D., grade A
6. Rochester, N.Y., grade A
7. Minneapolis, Minn., grade A-
8. Spokane, Wash., grade A-
9. San Francisco, grade A-
10. Norfolk, Va., grade A-

'FOSSIL FOOLS'

91. Fresno, Calif., grade D
92. Tulsa, Okla., grade D
93. Indianapolis, Ind., grade D-
94. San Antonio, Texas, grade F
95. Fort Worth, Texas, grade F
96. Birmingham, Ala., grade F
97. Riverside, Calif., grade F
98. El Paso, Texas, grade F
99. Yonkers, N.Y., grade F

National Transit Database on the average number of car trips; 2005 numbers on wasted gas from the Texas Transportation Institute; 2003-2005 data on pollution from the American Lung Association; 2006 figures on gas consumption from the U.S. Energy Information Administration; and 2006 figures from SimplyMap for gas spending and car buying and maintenance patterns.

Mayors to phase out bottled water consumption

BY VINNEE TONG
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK The nation's mayors voted Monday against spending taxpayer money to buy bottled water, a blow to the beverage industry that has enjoyed growing profit from water sales in recent years.

A majority of about 250 mayors at the U.S. Conference of Mayors meeting in

Miami voted to phase out regular use of bottled water for its employees and functions. One example is that attendees of city council meetings around the country could more often see pitchers of water instead of clear plastic bottles on the tables of local legislators.

An industry group called the move "sound-bite environmentalism," while activists cheered it.

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City Hall to develop strategies for sustainable economy

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expected to receive a 10-year lease agreement to operate the concessions at the community beach house, which is currently undergoing renovation. The contract is expected to bring in at least \$100,000 annually in rent or 10 percent of gross sales.

The minimum annual rent will not apply during the first fiscal year of operation because the beach club will not be open until the spring. Based on the estimated gross sales, the rent is anticipated to be about \$93,000.

Three bidders submitted proposals. Deni and Christel were selected based on their "extensive experience, responsiveness to and compatibility with the city's goals for the site, commitment to affordable pricing and the capital improvements proposed," according to city staff.

The operators will provide cafe and take-out service as well as beach equipment rentals. The beach house was once the home of Hollywood starlet Marion Davies who received the estate as a gift from newspaper tycoon William Randolph Hearst during the 1930s.

The 100-room mansion was sold in 1945 and operated as a luxury hotel until the 1950s, after which the mansion was demolished and the rest of the property was used as a private beach club.

FUNDING DOWNTOWN

As the 100th anniversary of the pier approaches next year, the Santa Monica Pier Restoration Corp. will be busy expending man power and finances to hold a series of events around the centennial, in which City Hall figures to play a significant role.

City Hall is expected to allocate more than \$605,000 for the PRC's 2008-09 budget, which is estimated to be more than \$1.4 million. A significant portion of the upcoming year will be dedicated to events for the centennial, the PRC organizing a committee to plan a calendar year's worth of activities.

Along with the spending plan for the PRC, the council is also expected to approve an \$852,000 allocation toward the marketing plan and budget for the Bayside District Corp. The Bayside budget is estimated at \$1.5 million, which is 24 percent higher than the spending plan approved in the preceding year.

NEW LIFE FOR BIG BLUE BUS

Some of the oldest transit coaches with the Big Blue Bus could soon get some new engines.

The public transit agency is asking the council to give a \$450,000 contract to Pedco to perform engine overhaul on the aging buses. The contract includes three, one-year renewal options for an expenditure that could ultimately exceed \$1.8 million.

A SUSTAINABLE SANTA MONICA

Following through on the goals of the Sustainable City Plan, the council is expected to hire Earthvoice Strategies to develop an outline for a sustainable local economy.

The study by Earthvoice Strategies will include ways to enhance the sustainable aspects of the local economy.

"The purpose of the strategy for a Sustainable Local Economy is to ensure the long-term viability and sustainability of our local economy and to attract and retain businesses to Santa Monica that contribute

to the overall environment, economic and social sustainability of our community," the staff report states.

The estimated \$135,000 study will go hand-in-hand with an economic development study that is being conducted for the Land Use and Circulation Element update.

The council is also scheduled to act on another section of the Sustainable City Plan, awarding a contract to purchase biodiesel fuel from General Petroleum. The contract is estimated for \$3.4 million with three, one-year renewal options. The purchase of biodiesel fuel supports the Sustainable City Plan's section on reducing emissions.

"The city strives to continue and expand its policies and programs by switching to less harmful reduced-emission fuels," according to the staff report.

ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS

In an effort to continue the current level of homeless outreach services, the council will be asked to award a \$250,000 contract to the West Coast Care Foundation, a non-profit that has been working in the city since 2006.

The organization, which works with the Santa Monica Police Department, has made contact with thousands of people living on the streets, convincing a number of them to accept homeless services and housing. Since its arrival, approximately 250 people identified as being chronically and newly-arrived homeless individuals have been reunited with their families.

"West Coast Care worked with these people to convince them that there were better options than living on the street and to help them rebuild their lives," the staff report states.

FIGHTING FOR CITY HALL

With issues like the MTBE water contamination and transportation funding, The Ferguson Group LLC has had a busy time representing City Hall's interest to federal officials.

The relationship will likely continue as the council is expected to approve a \$76,000 contract with the lobbyist.

"The federal lobbyist works extensively for the city's federal objectives in congress and before federal agencies," according to the staff report.

CONTRACT WITH BARGAINING UNIT

The council is expected to enter a memorandum of understanding with The Supervisory Associates, one of City Hall's bargaining units.

The total cost of the two-year agreement, which will commence on July 1, is for \$440,000, which includes a 4 percent cost of living increase.

CITY HALL HAS GOT THEIR '7'

The success of the "I've Got 7" emergency preparedness campaign in Santa Monica will become a model for other communities.

Santa Monica is among a group of communities that were selected to promote the "Seven Days" emergency preparedness campaign, receiving \$50,000 to develop a marketing plan modeled after "I've Got 7." The campaign will include flyers distributed to residents living in the communities of Santa Monica, West Hollywood, Beverly Hills and Culver City.

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Parents express disappointment in John Muir principal move

FROM PRINCIPAL PAGE 1

Outgoing Superintendent Dianne Talarico was asked by the board to present a staffing plan that would align administrators' experiences and talents with the schools in which they could best serve, according to de la Torre.

"We're looking at administrators and experience and talent where we think it will be a good fit," de la Torre said.

While the reasons for the administrative shifts remain unclear, a contingent of Lincoln parents have voiced their concerns with the leadership at the school, pointing out that Komlos had taken two maternity leaves since her arrival, adding that the arrest of Beltran in May was the last straw.

Lisette Bauersachs, the parent of a sixth grader at Lincoln, said the arrest of Beltran demonstrated the safety risks posed when there isn't a principal in place at a school, adding that there wasn't an interim principal hired when Komlos took her most recent maternity leave. Beltran, who taught in the district for nearly 30 years, was charged in connection with the molestation of eight female students.

"The first time they were able to find a great elementary principal to pinch hit for three months," Bauersachs said. "But a substitute is never good as a full teacher."

But some parents say they don't believe that Komlos' transfer is attributed directly to the Beltran case, saying that there has been a problem with turnover at the school the past several years.

"Since Ilene Strauss was at Lincoln Middle School, there has not been a long-term leader in place," Karen Gardner, a parent of a seventh grader, said. "There has been a revolving door for a long time."

Gardner listed the principals who have followed Strauss, a former principal at Santa Monica High School, including Scott and Hank Harris, who left in 2004.

The problem is the lack of support at the district level, Gardner said, adding that Komlos wasn't given a chance to be effective.

"I think the Beltran situation is terrible," she said. "I'm not one of those who felt like heads needed to roll, but my feeling is this whole school needs to be reevaluated."

The interviews for the replacements at Lincoln Middle School will involve parent input, de la Torre said. He added that there is an internal candidate who might be considered to fill the assistant principal vacancy.

Several parents at John Muir have expressed their unhappiness that Duran-Contreras was going to be moved without prior notification to the school community.

"I was very disappointed to read that the district had replaced our principal without consulting us (much less preparing us) at John Muir and has replaced her with a person who is leaving her previous position because of parent dissatisfaction there," Nina Fresco, a parent of a fifth grader, said in a letter to the Board of Education.

De la Torre said that the board has yet to determine where to place the John Muir principal.

"Mrs. Contreras did a great job at John Muir where test scores have gone up almost every year and she has been there for the past five years," de la Torre said. "We are seeking her leadership and expertise at a school site that can benefit from her experience."

Michael Chwe, one of the parents who have been calling for changes in the district's sexual abuse reporting policy, said he was concerned with the effect that the departures might have on available knowledge of the Beltran case, which includes Komlos, Costanzo, Scott and Talarico, who is leaving Santa Monica for the Burlingame School District on July 1.

"I am concerned that these moves and transfers allow the SMMUSD to avoid fundamental questions about the handling of the Beltran case which have yet to be answered," Chwe said. "These four people must be held accountable to the public and answer basic questions about what happened."

One of those questions relate to Scott's handling of a 2006 complaint from a student who claimed that she was uncomfortable with the way in which Beltran touched her. The complaint was originally reported to Costanzo who forwarded the accusation to Scott.

The former principal notified the Santa Monica Police Department in a letter that she discussed the allegations with Beltran, who responded that he was shocked his actions were misinterpreted as inappropriate. The principal instructed the teacher not to touch any of his female students, to which he was in agreement. The incident was never reported to the district, prompting the changes in the sexual abuse policies.

"It is difficult to determine who is at fault concerning the Beltran situation without knowing some basic information about what happened," Chwe said. "Since the district has not supplied this basic information, members of the public have no idea what to think."

The school is expected to discuss changes to the district's sexual abuse policy Thursday.

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Funds for Venice's young and old

FROM VENICE PAGE 3

The council's money will also aid the Fourth Annual Senior Citizens Prom, hosted by Venice 2000's branch H.E.L.P.E.R., by funding food, entertainment and limousines for hundreds of party-going seniors.

"We want to do something to honor our seniors in Venice," explained Stan Muhammad, the executive director of Venice 2000. "It's to give them a social outlet, allow them to let their hair down."

The first prom proved such a huge success that the organizers pushed to make it an annual event. "The first one was phenomenal," he said. "Having a prom was out of the

norm, but [the seniors] loved to get to dressed up and have a good time. We crowned the best dressed king and queen, and the DJ performed in costume — like BB King. I've never seen anything like it."

The prom will be held at the Oakwood Recreation Center on Aug. 16.

"All of the projects were ranked on their potential for improving community, and we want to see that potential fulfilled," Saltzberg said. "There are going to be obstacles to overcome for each and every one, and all of us hope that they will ask for our assistance when they encounter them."

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Try and relax, Pisces

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ Deal with what appears to be a critical situation. Loosen up with a child or loved one with whom you might not see eye to eye. You might not realize that both of you are using different words to describe the matter at hand. Tonight: In the game of life.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Confusion pops with others, especially as there could be a mixed message. Look toward the best interests of the group, and you will feel as if you are on top of your game. Honor what you feel is best all the way around. Tonight: Where you want to be.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Use your ability to quickly move in a new direction. You might be forced to take a stand where normally you might not. Realize your limits carefully. Others might not get where you are coming from. Tonight: A must appearance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ You have a vision. Look beyond the obvious when exploring ideas. Feel free to find an expert or two. There is no such thing as too much information. Loosen up with a friend, neighbor or loved one. Tonight: Follow the music.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ You don't always need to be right. You could be uncomfortable following through on others' ideas and plans. Confusion surrounds finances and messages. Refuse to react. Simply get more information. Tonight: Defer to another suggestion.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Your ability to understand others must emerge in order to follow through on what you know to be right. Check out an offer with a touch of cynicism. Focus on a group concept and see if your interests meld with theirs. Tonight: Out and about.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Read between the lines with a boss. Communication could burn if you feel that words are directed at you. Perhaps they are, but they speak more of the person who said them. Let go of feeling attacked. Tonight: Errands.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Your creativity bubbles up. You could feel a tad crazy or out of control. Zero in on what is most important. Let your imagination open up with a child or loved one. You create the fun of the past. Tonight: Paint the town red.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Tension builds. On some level, you see something from a different perspective. You can read between the lines. You discover just how volatile a situation really can be. Tonight: Head on home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You could be weighing the pros and cons of an issue. The problem is that you don't have a clear, unbiased perspective. Laughter helps you lighten up and think positively. You know what you want. Tonight: Hangout with a pal.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Work with one other person directly. What you see as a clear and simple transition, others might not. Be willing to explain. But if fatigue plays a role, you might be causing yourself even more trouble. Tonight: Consider that gym membership!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ You are in the "pink" of things. Investigate what someone is saying, or question the words, as you might feel the intent is different. This person expresses his or her caring in a most unique manner. Let him display his true colors. Tonight: Relax with the moment.

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1			2				
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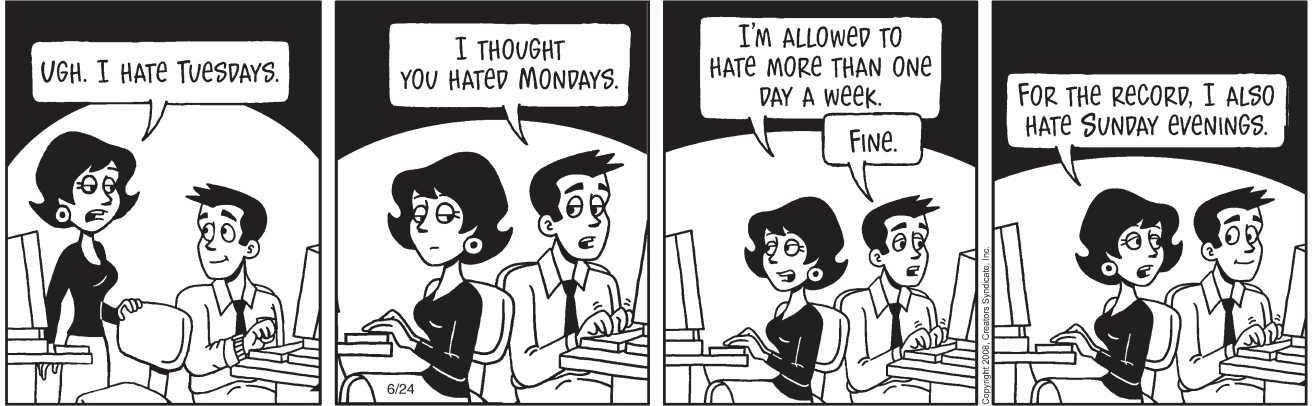
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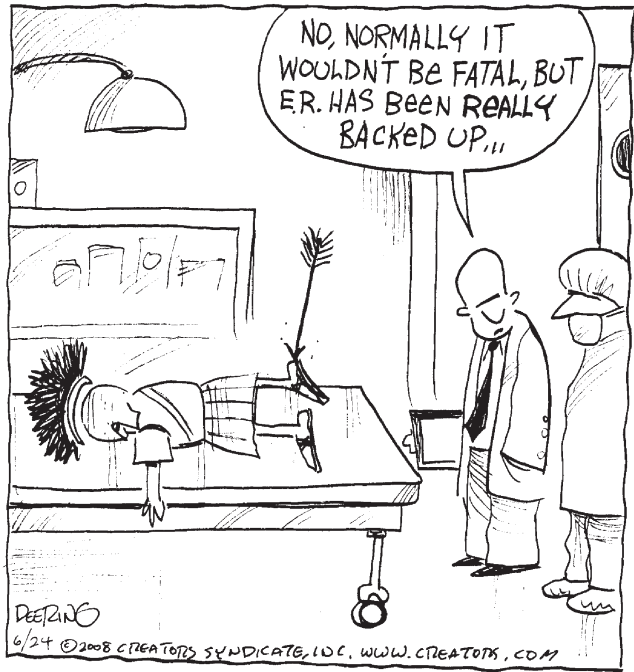
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21 Writer Levin
22 Quick bite
24 Mover's truck
25 Logger's tool
26 Cover
30 Statue sites
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■ In May, eighth-grader Michael Avery of Thousand Oaks, Calif., told the hometown newspaper The Acorn that he was undecided which area high school he would attend next fall. This was a matter of interest in that Avery, 15, is a basketball prodigy and, though undecided on high school, he knows exactly where he will go to college because he had just accepted a full scholarship at the University of Kentucky beginning in 2012. The following week, Kentucky offered another one, to ninth-grader Jeremiah Davis III, to enroll in 2011.

■ Martin Turner, 39, of Blackpool, England, pleaded guilty to four counts of harassment in May, specifically, pestering several workmen by telephone over a three-year period to please come by and stand on his face, his fingers and his genitals while wearing their heavy boots. His lawyer said it had something to do with "domination." Jeremy Pope, 26, was arrested in April in Madison, Wis., in an alleged second episode at a Target store (the first was in December at a ShopKo), in which he urinated on women's underwear on the shelves. Police said Pope was quick to confess: "Yeah, I have a problem."

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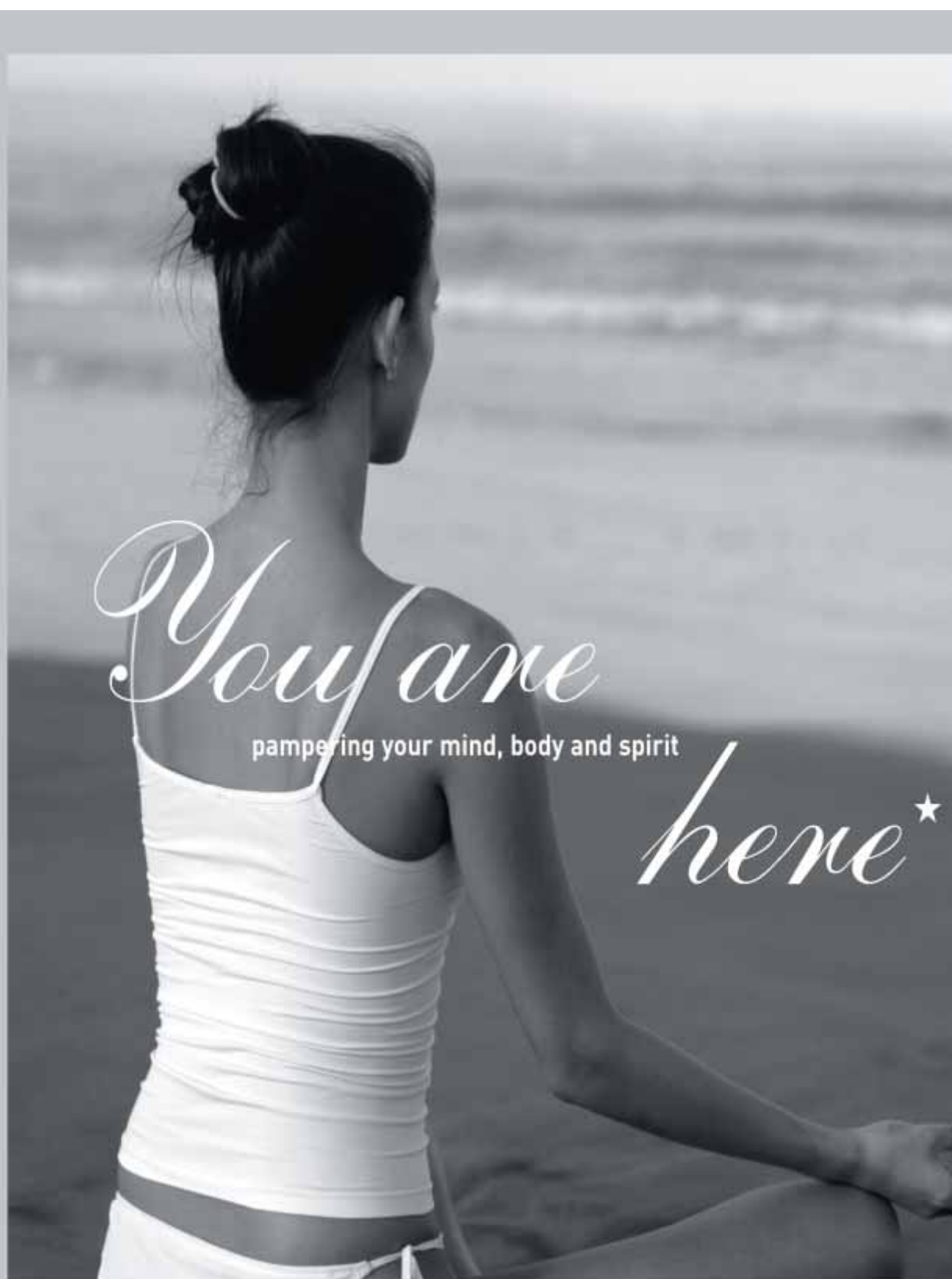
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Santa Monica Canyon	=	\$ 2,269,000	No Listings
North of Montana	=	\$ 4,108,148	\$ 1,671,111
Between Wilshire & Montana	=	\$ 3,160,091	\$ 992,700
South of Wilshire	=	\$ 1,059,539	\$ 738,756
Sunset Park	=	\$ 1,480,630	\$ 615,938
Ocean Park	=	\$ 1,866,667	\$ 1,349,523

Statistics updated every Wednesday

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Santa Monica Conservancy



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Wednesday, June 25

7:30 pm

Aero Theatre

1328 Montana Avenue

Santa Monica

Reception Sunday, June 29

3:00 - 5:00