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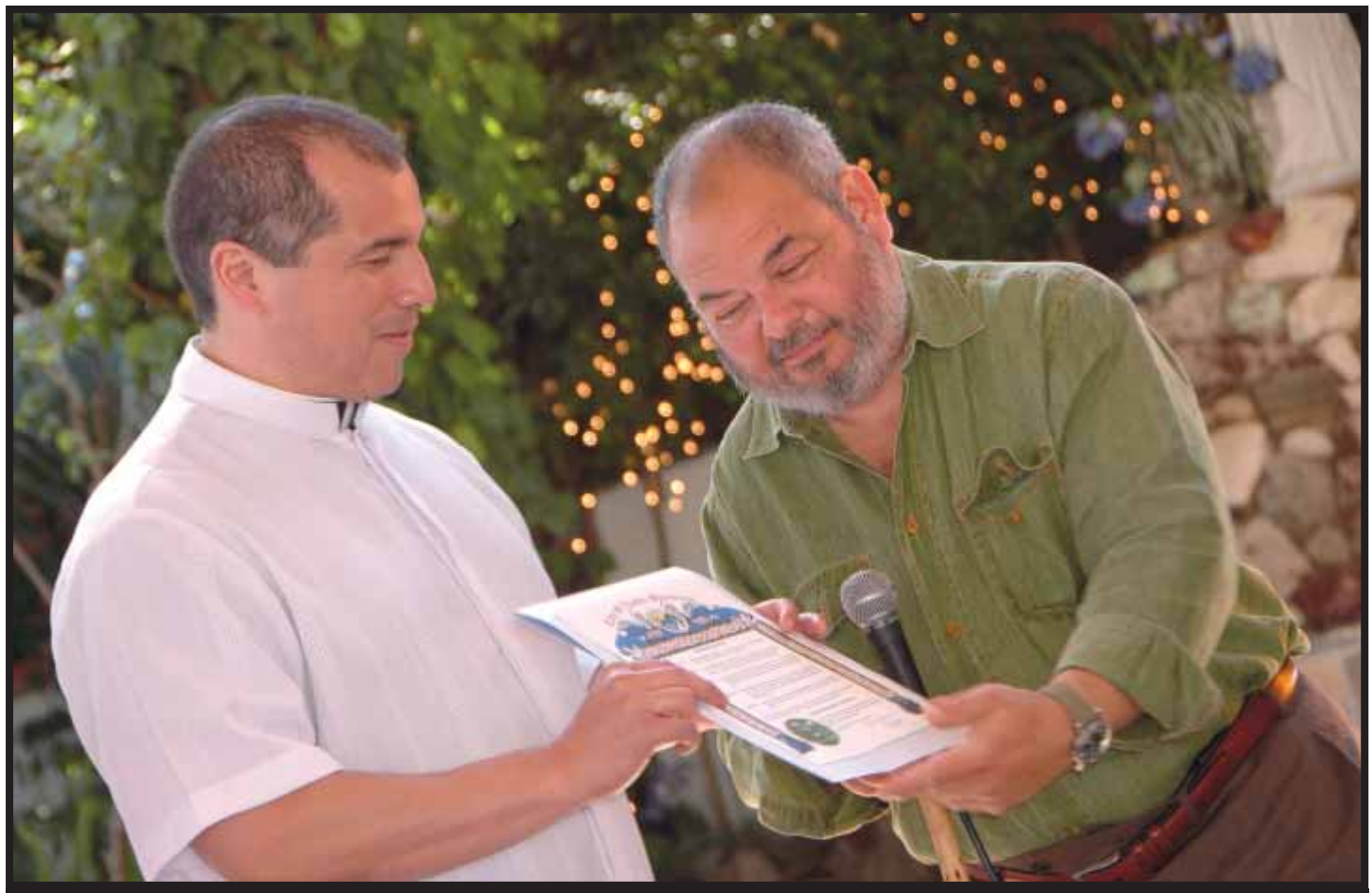


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Santa Monica Mayor Ken Genser (right) gives Father Mike Gutierrez of Saint Anne's Church and Shrine a proclamation during his farewell party on Sunday. Father Mike is being transferred to St. John the Baptist Church in Baldwin Park. He served in Santa Monica for the past 10 years.

Downtown parking structures to be demolished

EDITOR'S NOTE: This story is part of an ongoing series that tracks the city's expenditures appearing on upcoming Santa Monica City Council consent agendas. Consent agenda items are routinely passed by the City 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 A pair of parking structures in Downtown Santa Monica could soon be reduced to a pile of concrete.

The City Council on Tuesday is expected to approve a $195,000 contract with Morley Construction Company to design and build new garages on the 1200 block of Fourth Street and the 1400 block of Second Street where structures 1 and 6 current exist, respectively.

The contract is part of an estimated $1 million spending package the council is scheduled to pass tonight.

The two structures are the shortest of the six city-owned garages that line Second and Fourth streets between Wilshire Boulevard and Broadway, standing about five stories tall. The new garages will address certain issues with the existing facilities, including vehicular and pedestrian circulation, capacity and disability accessibility.

Their replacements will be powered by solar panels and come with ground-floor retail, bike storage and public restrooms. Each will result in a net increase of 250 parking spaces.

"The new structures will also create safe, efficient facilities for vehicles and pedestrians," a city staff report said.

LOBBYING CITY INTERESTS

Following a successful year representing City Hall before Congress, a lobbying firm could be rewarded with a contract extension.

The Ferguson Group last year received a one-year contract to serve as City Hall's federal representative for approximately

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Teachers want cuts far from the classroom

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQTRS While the school district's budget for the 2009-10 fiscal year was put to bed last week, the teachers union is continuing to raise concerns about the impact the cuts will have in the classroom, making its own recommendations on ways to save money.

In a June 24 letter to the Board of Education, the Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom Teachers Association presented a list of 10 potential budget reductions that officials could consider for a school district that will increase class sizes and reduce one house in Santa Monica High School's celebrated small learning communities system next fall, all a result of a state financial crisis that has trickled down.

Harry Keiley, the president of the teachers union, said that more than 50 percent — or more than $2 million — of the district's cuts for the 2009-10 fiscal year will directly impact students in the classroom.

Teachers have addressed their concerns to the board on numerous occasions but do not believe they are being heard, Keiley said.

"With the reductions we're asking for, not one employee will lose their job, not one will negatively impact students and the classroom," he said. "They will help build on the district's already (growing) $21 million in reserves."

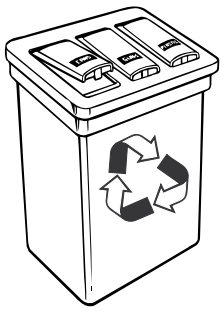
The SMMCTA said that teachers are already sacrificing a lot in this recession, including losing two professional development days, which reduces their annual income by $540, and the increased workload from losing 24 teachers next year. Keiley said the reduction in two dozen positions came from retirement and nonrenewal of con-

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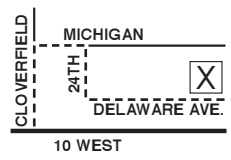


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Time for stories

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Join Mr. Jesse for some wonderful stories, rhymes, songs and puppets. This program is for 2- to 3-year-olds. Registration is required, but admission is free. Call (310) 392-3804 for more information.

Women in film

Annenberg Community Beach House
415 Pacific Coast Hwy, 6 p.m. — 8 p.m.
Elaina Archer, producer, co-writer and editor of "Captured on Film: The True Story of Marion Davies," will be giving a lecture about the women of silent film. Archer has worked on several other projects and has a degree in film history and criticism from the University of Texas at Austin. Admission is free but a reservation is required. Call (310) 458-4904 for more information.

Clean California

The Broad Stage at Santa Monica College
1310 11th St., 9 a.m. — 12:15 p.m.
Meet leaders in business, government, academics and law to discuss the future of clean technology in California. Bryan Cave hosts this roundtable event. Contact (310) 576-2341 or james.wood@bryancave.com to RSVP.

Black portraiture

Santa Monica Museum of Art
2525 Michigan Ave., 7 p.m.
Explore the history of 19th, 20th and 21st century portraits of people of African descent with writer and historian Richard J. Powell. The lecture will look at paintings, photographs, graphic art and cinema in connection with the work of Barkley Hendricks. Call (310) 586-6488 for more information.

Wednesday, July 1, 2009

Writing workshop

Barnes & Noble
1201 Third Street Promenade, 7 p.m.
Looking for constructive criticism? Share a piece of a work in progress to receive opinions, insight and suggestions from your peers. Call (310) 260-9110 for more information.

Savvy caregivers

Sunrise of Santa Monica
1312 15th St., 1 p.m. — 3 p.m.
The Alzheimer's Association Savvy Caregiver Program is a free six-week course that provides caregivers with the basic knowledge, skills and attitudes needed to care for a family member who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease. The class meets at Sunrise of Santa Monica and caregivers must attend all six consecutive sessions on Wednesdays from June 3 — July 8. To enroll, e-mail kami.holman@alz.org or call (310) 930-625 for more information.

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.

Levin, who broke voting registration records, dies at 91



Melody Hanatani melodyh@smdp.com

DEDICATION: **Santa Monican Sylvia Levin helped register thousands of voters. She passed away last week at the age of 91.**

BY NATALIE JARVEY
Special to the Daily Press

DOWNTOWN Sylvia Levin, a Santa Monica resident who set records registering Californians to vote, died Thursday in Los Angeles of complications from a stroke. She was 91.

In the last 36 years Levin registered more than 47,000 California residents, an all-time high in the state of California.

The Brooklyn native was born Sept. 14, 1917 and lived there much of her life before she relocated to Santa Monica.

Her campaign as a deputy voter registrar began outside of Canter's Deli in the Fairfax District and has extended throughout the Westside. She spent six days a week commuting by bus to reach various locations — the Federal Building in Westwood, Malibu post office, Abbot Kinney Boulevard in Venice and the Westwood Village Farmers' Market.

Following her schedule religiously, she would store her belongings at local establishments and set up her card table, topped with signs that read "Register to vote here."

"It's not the same if I walk by and she's not sitting there," Robert Neely, a worker in the federal building, said in an interview with the Daily Press in 2007. "There's something missing when she's not out here."

For those like Neely who regularly stopped to chat with her at her booth, that something is now permanently missing.

Levin never discriminated against voters based on party lines and welcomed anyone who wanted to vote. Though politics were not allowed at the table, the die-hard Yankees fan never passed up an opportunity to make a few cracks about the Dodgers with friendly passerby.

Many throughout the county recognized Levin has an important contributor to voter efforts.

"I think more than anything she's an example of what one person can do to make a difference when they choose to channel their efforts toward one thing," said Dean Logan, Los Angeles County registrar-recorder/county clerk.

She was certainly recognized for that effort. In 1996 she was given a plaque from Los Angeles County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky for her "outstanding service" and inducted into the Voter Participation Hall of Fame in 2001.

On her 90th birthday in 2007 Levin was honored by the Los Angeles City Council in honor of her 34 years of volunteer service and California record for registering voters. The resolution, proposed by Los Angeles Councilman Bill Rosendahl, recognized "the appreciation felt by so many thousands of people ho have been touched by [her] tireless enthusiasm for voting and who have applauded her commitment."

"She was an amazing lady. She was actually a huge inspiration for me," said Rosendahl, who met Levin 30 years ago as she registered people on the street. "When you talk about making democracy work and making it a participatory experience, she embodied it every single day."

Rosendahl said he plans to adjourn today's City Council meeting in Levin's memory.

Where once Levin would average 60 registrations a day, the number dropped to about four a day in recent years. But that didn't stop her from scouting for potential

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Calif. insurance commissioner examines investments in Iran

BY DON THOMPSON
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO California Insurance Commissioner Steve Poizner on Monday ordered all insurance companies doing business in the state to report investments that might benefit Iran, investments he said harm national security as well as the state's insurance buyers.

Poizner said he wants to ensure that money paid by California policyholders is not flowing to a U.S.-listed state sponsor of terrorism. He is sending letters to other states' insurance commissioners asking them to follow his lead in what insurers and regulators say appears to be the first such effort by any state.

Poizner is requiring all insurance companies operating in California to disclose investments in companies that do at least $20 million of business in Iran's petroleum or natural gas industries. Within 90 days, they have to list investments of any amount in companies doing business with Iran's banking, nuclear or defense industries.

He also wants to make sure that California-based insurance companies are complying with a state law that took effect in January. The law prohibits the companies from investing directly in Iran's government or companies associated with it.

"The fact is there appears to be a huge loophole in the Iranian sanctions laws that have allowed insurance companies to funnel tens of billions of dollars, potentially indirectly through companies based in Europe and in Asia, into Iran. Now that's wrong, and I'm going to take steps to end it," Poizner said during a news conference in Los Angeles.

Insurance representatives said Poizner is interfering with U.S. foreign policy at a critical time both in its relations with the world and in its own governance.

Poizner directed a National Security Council anti-terrorism division 2001 and 2002. He is seeking the Republican nomination for California governor in 2010.

Poizner said he can act under the 2009 state law that requires divestment of direct Iranian investments by California-based insurers, and under his broader authority to make sure that any insurance company doing business in California puts consumers' premium money into sound investments.

California is the world's fourth-largest insurance market, Poizner said. About 250 insurance companies are headquartered in California, while about 1,500 do business in the nation's most populous state.

Poizner said he could also provide the information he collects to state legislators or members of Congress if it shows substantial Iranian investments by insurance companies he estimates collectively invest $3 trillion to $4 trillion worldwide.

Indirect investments in companies that do business with Iran do not violate California or federal law. Poizner could force California-headquartered companies to shed those investments as a consumer-protection measure, however, if he makes a ruling that they are financially unsound — for example, if he deemed an investment in Iranian defense, energy or banking risky because of questions about the country's stability. A public hearing is required before such an order could take effect.

The state cannot require divestment by companies headquartered outside California.

It's difficult for insurers to track indirect investments, said John Mangan, Western regional vice president for the American Counsel of Life Insurers.

"We invest in many, many good companies, but we don't control what they do with their investments," Mangan said. His organization represents 340 life insurance companies, none based in California.

Poizner should leave foreign policy to the federal government, said David Snyder, associate general counsel for public policy with the American Insurance Association. The association represents 350 property and casualty insurers.

"On matters involving national security, especially if they're extremely complex such as Iran, it's absolutely critical that the U.S. speak with one voice and act at the federal level," Snyder said. "This is an issue that evolves daily and the stakes could not be higher."

Insurers already cooperate with the Office of Foreign Assets Control under U.S. Treasury Department, Snyder said.

"You can't get whipsawed from state to state with different requirements and different approaches," he said.

Snyder also questioned Poizner's preliminary estimate that insurers are investing billions of dollars with companies that do business with Iran.

Ken Gibson, the association's vice president for state affairs in California, said it is unclear if insurance companies can block or ignore Poizner's order.

The insurance spokesmen and the National Association of Insurance Commissioners said they were unaware of any similar efforts in other states. A U.S. Treasury spokeswoman said she could not immediately comment.

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A different way to commemorate

Editor:

My first thought on reading your editorial ("Feeling a little unpatriotic," page 4, June 26) regarding holding the Santa Monica College annual fireworks display on June 27 instead of July 4, was darn right. How ridiculous. Always had it on July 4 when I was a kid. What's the big deal?

But then I had another thought, which went something like this. Sure would be nice if we matured enough as a nation that we found delight in celebrating it in ways other than "bombs bursting in air." Yeah, I know, maybe that makes me a little unpatriotic. But with a thousand foreign military bases we can no longer afford to support, wars in two countries (and growing) killing thousands of civilians that didn't number themselves among our enemies, at least until we started bombing them, and suddenly finding ourselves unable to support public education or pay our medical bills, or our wounded veterans of those wars, maybe it's not so unpatriotic after all. Maybe it's about time we started to recognize patriotism in different ways.

Charles Fredricks
Santa Monica

Peace on the streets

Editor:

As a long-time bicycle commuter (over 40 years), I want to respond to the letters complaining about bicyclists riding on sidewalks. From the writers' hysterical tone, one would think that Santa Monica's sidewalks resemble bowling alleys, with groups of pedestrians regularly scattered about by crazed cyclists like pins by bowling balls. In fact my experience as a cyclist, pedestrian and driver suggests that almost all the time people in these roles co-exist quite peacefully. Of course I prefer to ride in the street, I don't want to dodge pedestrians any more than they want to dodge me. But when the streets are too mean to allow me to pedal safely, I'll slow down and head for the safety of a sidewalk in a heart beat. Consider the curbside dangers that some streets pose to bicyclists: car doors suddenly opening, sewer grates with openings wide enough to snare a bike tire, and potholes so wide and deep that they pose the same threat as Scylla and Charybdis. Avoid them to the left and you risk being hit by a passing car; avoid them by going on the sidewalk and you risk another nasty letter. Then there's my favorite hazard of all – double right-turn lanes. Try to commute by bike and ride to the outside of the wider right-hand turn lane, or proceed straight across the street along the curb, and then tell me that bicyclists should be held to the exact same standards as drivers. It's very easy to demand that bicyclists should have to obey every traffic law. But neither the laws nor the streets were designed for bicyclists, and for me, self-preservation is the ultimate law. Certainly, reckless cyclists should be punished. But if we are not posing a danger, let's just all try to get along.

Paul Bergman
Santa Monica

Step up

Editor:

Our California legislature really needs some budget advice from California's moms and dads. If my family was in a deep financial crisis that meant I couldn't provide my kids with the essentials they need, I would turn over every cushion looking for spare change, get a weekend job, or sell things in a yard sale. I would try almost anything to bring in more money.

While our state leaders have said these budget cuts are agonizing for them, they haven't considered every option. Cuts to programs serving children and families could be avoided if legislators closed corporate tax loopholes, and raised taxes on items like tobacco and alcohol. I urge our leadership to step up and do right by California's kids and families.

Dawn Beckman
Inglewood



What's the Point?

David Pisarra — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Big guns keep big government in check

BURGERS, BBQS AND BEER — THESE are the hallmarks of the upcoming Fourth of July celebration. This year as we honor our freedoms and occasionally remember the ones who fought for them, let's keep in mind the value of those freedoms.

We've been given an up close and personal view of the importance of the values that the founding fathers built in to our Constitution with the Bill of Rights. The fact that you can read this paper without it having to go through a censor for approval is a benefit of the First Amendment. The fact that I can give my opinion on the performance of any politician in the world and not have to be interrogated is what keeps them as honest as they are.

The limits imposed on government were the driving forces for the Declaration of Independence. It was the crushing boot of British Imperialism that drove men like John Adams and Thomas Jefferson to act. It was the strangulation of their voices that made them want to rise up and take their destiny into their own hands.

Many people know of the Boston Tea Party, and think excessive taxation was the prime complaint. It wasn't. It was the lack of representation that was so intolerable. Not being heard is the most frustrating of human conditions.

It is the complaint I hear the most from my clients. Their soon to be exes don't pay attention to them, they feel ignored and marginalized.

It is what we are witnessing in Iran. Why are the people revolting? Because their government didn't hear them. And in this new world where we have blogs, Web pages, videos and our every thought is acceptable subject matter for a tweet, or is a reality show in the making, how can any of us be expected to just accept at face value what our government says?

This is why dictatorial governments like Iran, North Korea and Cuba, control the press and media so tightly. It is by keeping the outside world off limits and the citizens in the dark and unable to criticize "dear leader" that these dictators remain in power.

Those same countries also outlaw the private ownership of firearms. This is a crucial piece in the set of tools that a dictator uses to keep control of the population. It is by preventing an armed rebellion that any government can stay in power.

The founding fathers knew that, which is why we have a Second Amendment. The right to bear arms is an important right. It isn't there to prevent a burglary, for the reality is that if someone wants to steal your television, they will. No, the value of the Second Amendment is the pressure it puts on the government to remember from whom they derive their power.

"I BELIEVE THE VALUE OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT IN OUR SOCIETY IS THE POWER IT PUTS INTO THE HANDS OF THE PEOPLE. IT ACTS LIKE A CHECK ON THE POWER OF THE GOVERNMENT."

I believe the value of the Second Amendment in our society is the power it puts into the hands of the people. It acts like a check on the power of the government. I'm not a big gun fan. I don't own a gun. I've shot them, and I've enjoyed the experience but I don't see the need to have one in my house for my protection. For me, that is because studies have shown that most people get shot with their own weapon. Obviously, those who are properly trained, and practice regularly with their weapon have a much lower chance of getting killed by their own gun and I could do the training, but why take the chance?

Historically we had a much greater need for guns, particularly in the early days of the republic when it was unclear if we were going to succeed in breaking free from the British. It was those early years when the government had to step lightly, when it was making new law and the fragility of our system was still being tested, that was when we needed guns to make sure the government didn't become a totalitarian state.

Today, we don't need the guns, because we have learned the value of stability in our government, but we do need the idea that everyone could be armed. When I look to the events in Iran, I am reminded of the value of the Second Amendment. The mere knowing that the population could be armed, has a calming effect on the government, just as knowing that they aren't, has an effect of making the militia in Iran that much more aggressive. Look at Cuba, and North Korea — also totalitarian states that don't allow gun ownership.

You might not want to own a gun, but this Fourth of July, be glad that you could, because it is a major source of our freedoms, and a check on the power of the government.

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Back to Nature

Reese Halter

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Protecting sea turtles holds the answer for ailing planet

SEA TURTLES ARE ANCIENT BUT NOT primitive. Having evolved on land some 200 million years ago, they spend their entire lives at sea except to lay eggs on rugged beaches around the globe.

Leatherback turtles are the largest of the seven sea-fairing species and they are truly remarkable, most worthy of admiration and in need of protection.

Leatherbacks are Earth's last warm-blooded reptiles and their weight can easily exceed one ton.

All sea turtles except leatherbacks have shells. Leatherbacks instead have backs with a jigsaw of thousands of small, thin bones overlaid by a thick matrix of oily fat and fibrous tissue. Their belly has only a narrow oval bone with heavy fibrous tissues.

They are the fastest-growing and heaviest reptiles in nature. And the fastest swimming turtle with the widest distribution.

Their four legs are wings in the sea and shovels on the beach.

Leatherbacks live in both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans.

Atlantic leatherback's nest every other year with clutches of about 85 eggs. Pacific leatherback's nest every fourth year and only produce clutch sizes of approximately 65 eggs.

After the female digs the nest, she fills the chamber with eggs, but the first couple dozen are yokeless. It is thought that these first eggs provide air spaces at the top of the nest, stabilize humidity, protect against fungus and insects, and after two months of incubation provide "elbow-room" for the unusually long-winged hatchlings.

Just like the dinosaurs — the sex of the sea turtle eggs are determined by nesting temperature. That is, if the eggs are slightly warmer the offspring will be female; conversely cooler temperatures yield males.

A hatchling will grow 30 times its size and add 6,000 fold in weight. They probably mature by the age of 12 and live in the wild for almost 60 years.

Leatherback's born in Trinidad, St. Croix, Costa Rica, French Guiana, Florida and South Carolina travel north to the icy waters of Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. They have adapted to these frigid conditions with bones that are tipped with cartilage packed with blood vessels rich in nutrients — a trait common in mammals.

Leatherbacks gorge themselves on giant stinging lion's mane and moon jellyfish (some in excess of two meters wide). Extremely long esophagi enable each leatherback to consume about three-dozen jellies a day.

This region of the North Atlantic is the richest feeding ground for leatherbacks on Earth.

From Cape Breton they journey thousands of miles to the shores of Spain or North Africa before returning to breed in the southeastern Atlantic.

Leatherbacks are also the deepest deep-sea divers on the globe. Their incredible high red blood-cell density allows them to outdive even sperm whales as they forage three-quarters of mile beneath the surface.

Leatherbacks — like other sea turtles and sea birds — have glands near their eyes that filter and discharge salt enabling these animals to drink full-strength salt water without dehydration.

Populations of leatherbacks in the Pacific travel an astounding 6,835 miles from the shores of Japan (and a small fraction from Australia) to Baja, Mexico or from New Guinea to western Costa Rica. Populations appear to stay for a couple decades off their migratory shores before swimming across the Pacific to breed.

Leatherbacks have the widest distribution of any animal in the world except some of the great whales.

At the dawn of the 20th century there were very likely billions of sea turtles. Over the last 100 years at least 90 percent of sea turtles have vanished.

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Balancing the boob tube

TV WAS MY FRIEND AS A CHILD. THEN it was just me and my mom and when she had to work, I occupied myself watching "I Love Lucy," "Abbott & Costello" and "The Smurfs." I studied it in college and got a degree in TV production. I even made my living for several years as a TV producer. Simply, I love TV.

But now as a mother, to TV or not to TV is the question.

The American Pediatric Society recommends absolutely no TV before the age of two. And then limited after that. I struggle with this question less because of that and more because with a certain sect of parents, any desire I have to place my son in front of the television brands me as lazy, destructive, or desperate.

Now, I agree to occasionally being desperate.

There are plenty of times where I just need a break, where dinner needs to be made, or e-mail checked or laundry folded. Often, to make sure I can get it all done, it is helpful to know my son is in one spot, even if that means seated in front of the television.

Sometimes I don't even have something that needs to be done. Sometimes, I am just wrecked. Sometimes I have been up at the crack of dawn with him or after having driven him from his many therapy appointments, I need to be able close my eyes and know he is safe watching "Dora the Explorer."

And he loves Dora. Why should I deny him that? Or at least he did. Now he loves "Handy Manny." He loves Mickey Mouse. He used to love Oswald and Little Bear. He is fickle. But Dora is like an old love that he just can't shake. He'll decide he's done with her. He's a big boy now. He's moved on. But then he'll stumble upon her, on a T-shirt or he'll see her cousin Diego, who reminds him of her, and he will be drawn back in to her little world. The little minx.

Then he will turn to me and declare that he is Boots and that I am Dora and we will play, ever on the lookout for Swiper. In fact many of the characters he has met on TV now spark his imagination for hours of play. He now "fixes" things around our house with his "Handy Manny" tool set.

I get a kick out of seeing him discover these characters, some of whom were my friends as a child, like Donald Duck. And now when he calls Donald Duck on the phone, he laughs and squeals thinking he has his direct number, like I did as a child. (Donald Duck is in fact my Uncle David, but don't tell my son.)

But despite being thrilled by how thrilled he is by it all, there is still this voice in my head, the "you are being a bad mother" voice.

It is a balance. Don't get me wrong, the TV is not always on. Far from it. But on the days when I am sick, or he is sick, the TV is on far more than I am comfortable with and I do my best to forgive myself this transgression. Other times I know that I am being lazy. But a lot is asked of my son. He gets stretched, prodded and tested quite often due to all of his therapies. It is nice to give him a little treat. And to be quite honest, a lot is asked of me. It is my break too.

I spoke to a friend of mine who is an early intervention specialist and she assured me these warnings about TV were for those who plop their charges in front of it for the day. I know I do not do that. I remind myself of that. But when I hear other moms who declare they do not watch TV, I feel in that statement they are judging all mothers who do let their children watch, like this sitcom actress I saw interviewed who said there were many other interesting things her child could be doing instead of watching TV. Now when I see her at the Farmers' Market on Main Street every now and then I want to scream at her, "Didn't you make much of your fantastic living off of TV?"

I know I watch too much TV and perhaps that is because it was one of my first loves from childhood, but I think it is fine to have a little TV in your child's life. In fact I think it is more than fine. We as mothers have enough pressure to get it all done, let alone get it all right.

But I do have my limits. I heard him calling once in the middle of the night. I went to his room to soothe him, but he was not there. I soon found him sitting in the dark on our couch in the living room pointing and asking for TV. And I tried to keep from laughing as he sat there looking so wide-eyed ready for his favorite show. And I calmly said, "No." and led him back to bed, because in my house sleep trumps TV.

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Clunker law won't interfere with most car collectors

GOOD NEWS FOR CAR COLLECTORS: BYour pride and joy may not be a clunker, thanks to the Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA).

SEMA managed to inject an addition to the so-called clunker law which exempts cars and trucks older than 25 years from this new federal program. Set to take effect in July, it will give vouchers ranging in value from $3,500 to $4,500 to owners turning-in older cars and trucks for new higher-mileage models; vehicles (including cars, trucks and motorcycles) manufactured after 1984 will be eligible for the vouchers.

SEMA is a professional/lobbying group representing many of the world's car-makers and thousands of "aftermarket" companies, those outfits which dream-up, design, build and sell performance and appearance products for cars and trucks. It's a huge, near-$30 billion annual business in the U.S. alone and thousands of Americans depend on the automotive aftermarket for their livelihoods. Harm the collecting hobby and harm to the aftermarket follows.

Proponents claim that the "Consumer Assistance to Recycle and Save Act (CARS)" act may spur an estimated 625,000 new vehicle sales, foreign and domestic. The program was originally scheduled to last one year, but the final version of the bill pegs its life span at only four months; if things go well, it could be extended.

Originally called the Speed Equipment Market Association, such performance icons as engineer/racer/promoter Mickey Thompson (my old boss), founders of So Cal Speed Shop Alex Xydias and Dean Batchelor (my great friends), "Hot Rod," "Motor Trend," and "Car Craft" magazine publisher Robert E. Petersen (also my old boss) and NHRA founder Wally Parks (the man, the legend) all had a hand in SEMA's formation. But never let it be said that I'm an automotive name-dropper.

The group might be best-known to automotive enthusiasts through its annual SEMA Show each November in Las Vegas. The four-day orgy of high-performance and high-style is open "to the trade only" yet is the second-best attended event in that convention city, drawing over 100,000 car nuts from around the world (COMDEX gets more people, but the general public can get into that event). The SEMA Show is considered by some aficionados (including me) as one of the best car shows in the world, on a par with Tokyo, Stuttgart, Los Angeles and other major auto extravaganzas.

Clunker laws have been used in several countries for some time. SEMA and its members and car collectors and enthusiasts in general were most fearful of a clunker law mandating expensive annual inspections of cars and trucks of a certain age (a strategy used in Japan to "encourage" car-owners to buy new cars rather than keep older ones and pay the hefty annual inspection fees), and, though a remote possibility, the chance that confiscation of "clunkers" might become a reality. This new program includes neither of these potential problems.

Collectors will tell you that their cars, frequently tuned and restored to much better condition than the day they left the factory, often run cleaner and get better mileage than many of today's modern vehicles.

That being true or not, millions of Americans have billions of dollars invested in their vintage "babies" and view government interference in the "old car hobby" with the same or even more trepidation Second Amendment fans have when they look at even modest gun registration schemes.

If SEMA never does another thing for their members, collectors and enthusiasts, they've earned their money with this one action. I say serious kudos. Yes, I'm that rare breed, a progressive auto enthusiast. Regular readers know I'm a strong "green" proponent yet can wax rhapsodic about F1, muscle cars and NASCAR.

Thanks to our friends at the Detroit News, use this cool little link to find out if your car or truck is officially a clunker http://www.detnews.com/article/20090616/SPECIAL01/90615001/1148/rss25

And collectors, you can relax a little.

More info: www.SEMA.org.

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Ask George

George Valverde — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Texting while driving is against the law

Q: I recently heard that as of Jan. 1, 2009, drivers are no longer allowed to text message while they are operating a vehicle. True?

A: Yes. California passed SB28, which prohibits drivers from using electronic wireless communication devices to write, send or read text-based messages. This law specifically addresses, but is not limited to, instant messages and all forms of e-mail based correspondence. If cited by a law enforcement officer, drivers will have to pay $20 fee for the first offense and $50 for each subsequent offense. No points will be placed on DMV records for this violation but penalty assessments will be added which could more than triple the base fine amount.

To get all the "buzz" on the new cellular phone laws, check out the California Department of Motor Vehicles' Web site www.dmv.ca.gov/cellularphonelaws/index.htm.

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GOING DOWN: **The City Council is expected to approve a $195,000 contract to design and build new parking garages, replacing structures 1 and 6, which will add a total of 250 spaces.**

Lobbyist to get contract extension

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$76,000. The council will be asked to extend that contract for another four years, totaling more than $389,000.

The firm has lobbied on City Hall's behalf on issues including the MTBE water contamination, federal stimulus package, homelessness and public transportation.

"The Ferguson Group has developed an extensive and successful track record with the city," the staff report said.

CONTRACTS FOR LEGAL SERVICES

The council is expected to approve contracts with the law firms of Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo Law Firm and Liebert Cassidy Whitmore to provide legal services on labor and employment issues.

Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo is slated to receive a $100,000 contract while Liebert Cassidy Whitmore is expected to land a $140,000 agreement, both of which are for the fiscal year starting on Wednesday.

"(The firms) both provide labor and employment legal services with regard to employee disciplinary matters, which includes workplace investigations, Personnel Board hearings, litigation, labor law related training and preparation of legal reports," the staff report said.

BUYING MORE BANDWIDTH

City Hall is planning on adding more bandwidth to expand Wi-Fi hot zones and stream CityTV programming over the Internet.

To do so, the council must first approve a five-year contract with Abovenet Communications to lease dark fiber for nearly $303,000.

"An increased demand for city Wi-Fi services in the city libraries and Wi-Fi hot zones has compounded the need for additional Internet bandwidth," a city staff report said.

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Levin volunteered six days a week

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voters along the streets of Los Angeles.

"I'm still going strong and I will continue to go strong," she told the Daily Press just after her 90th birthday.

Levin's son Chuck Levin, also a Santa Monica resident, estimated that she spoke with more than 470,000 people since she began in 1973. Levin first became politically involved because her son, creator of the First Vote, introduced her to the importance of the democratic process.

"I'm not sure whether mother or son influenced the other more on the importance of grassroots political involvement and registering people to vote," said Robert Weiner, a family friend and a former chief of staff of the U.S. House Aging Committee.

Weiner, who remembered eating Levin's special eggplant Parmesan at her Santa Monica home, recently spent time registering voters with her outside the Westwood Post Office.

"Mrs. Levin really believed that once you give people the power to vote, they have it forever," he said.

Chuck Levin said his mother's four decades of service fulfilled her.

"She lived a long and full life of adventure and grace, of simplicity and openness, of love and hope," he said.

In addition to her son, she is survived by daughter Susan Levin and sisters Dottie Sadowsky of Manhattan and Daisy Neustadt of Willingboro, N.J.

The family is holding private funeral services and a public tribute and memorial is being planned for September. Donations on her behalf can be made to the First Vote, P.O. Box 241870, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

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- ❑ 6. Heartburn, stomach pain, nausea
- ❑ 7. Excess belching, flatulence
- ❑ 8. Constipation, diarrhea
- ❑ 9. Chest pain, palpitations
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School board could ask for another parcel tax

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tracts for temporary teachers.

Union leaders said that if adopted in its entirety, the recommendations would result in a total savings between $1.5 million to $2.3 million. Some of the suggested reductions include cutting the work year for district office administrators by at least 10 days in July and August, eliminating district testing and professional development, and suspending district paid cell phones, car allowances and contributions to 401K and tax sheltered annuities.

They are also recommending renegotiating the recently approved contract for Superintendent Tim Cuneo to eliminate his housing and car allowances, cut 25 paid vacation days and reduce his base pay by 10 percent, all of which will still keep his salary at approximately $200,000.

The union is also asking that the budget for consultants be reduced and contracts with legal firms be renegotiated.

"It's difficult to ask teachers to make additional sacrifices when you see consulting contracts come before the board that are paying in excess of $100 an hour," Keiley said.

The union said that while some districts have handled their budget problems responsibly, others have used the recession as a way to pull concessions from teachers.

One issue that the union and district are currently battling over is a proposed cap on employer contribution to health care.

Ralph Mechur, the school board president, said the district is exploring various options of keeping the cuts as far away from the classroom as possible, but added that furloughs and changes to benefits and salaries could be in the mix.

"Depending upon what the economic conditions are for next year, we may be in the same situation to make an additional $4 to $5 million worth of cuts unless other sources of revenue show," Mechur said. "It will be difficult."

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>
> **Harry Keiley**
> President, Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom Teachers Association

The union also recommended ways the district could add to its reserves, including reducing its Post Employment Benefits Account by $1.2 million and defer purchasing about $1 million in new student information systems.

Also presented was a list of potential revenue sources that union officials said district officials should explore, including selling the Madison campus and Double Tree Hotel property, and perhaps a parcel tax.

The board is expected to discuss possibly forming a committee that will explore whether to ask voters for another parcel tax. The district currently receives more than $10 million in parcel tax revenues.

"We're all very concerned about the impact the current economic crisis is going to potentially have on education," Mechur said. "We're more fortunate than many districts in the state in having built up the reserves that we have.

"We are using them to soften the changes that we have to make but it won't last forever."

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GM ends joint venture with Toyota at Calif. plant

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FREMONT General Motors Corp. said Monday it is ending its joint venture with Toyota Motor Corp. at a Fremont, Calif., manufacturing plant, bringing to a close the first partnership of its kind between a U.S. and foreign automaker as GM continues to downsize under bankruptcy.

The Detroit automaker said it was unable to reach an agreement with Toyota over a new product plan at the facility. The plant, called New United Motor Manufacturing Inc., or Nummi, currently makes the Pontiac Vibe station wagon for GM and the Corolla compact car and Tacoma pickup truck for Toyota.

GM announced it was phasing out the Pontiac brand earlier this year. The facility will cease production of GM vehicles in August, the company said. A Toyota spokesman said the Japanese automaker is weighing its next move for the plant, which employs about 4,600 workers.

"The economic and business environment surrounding Toyota is also extremely severe, and so this decision by GM makes the situation even more difficult for Toyota," company spokesman Mike Goss said.

He said Toyota is disappointed to see the partnership end, but declined to comment further, including on whether the plant would close.

"We have enjoyed a very positive and beneficial partnership with Toyota for the past 25 years and we remain open to future opportunities," Troy Clarke, president of GM North America, said.

For Fremont, where the Nummi plant is the city's largest employer, the effects of GM's pullout remain uncertain. Fremont Mayor Bob Wasserman said while GM's move comes as no surprise, he's still trying to weigh the affect it will have on the plant.

Wasserman said the decision is a sign of the troubled economic times in California, which already faces a $24 billion budget shortfall and has a record 11.5-percent unemployment rate.

"We're hoping for a turnaround, but it appears there will be more damage before that happens," Wasserman said.

GM's announcement on Monday brings to an end a partnership first established in 1984. One of its purposes was to have American workers learn Toyota's production methods, which were much leaner and more efficient. The factory has been the subject of numerous labor relations studies.

Nummi was also Toyota's first plant to build vehicles in North America and marked a major escalation for the automaker in the U.S. market. Toyota now has more than a dozen manufacturing facilities in North America, which build most of the company's U.S.-sold vehicles.

GM, which filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection earlier this month, is laying off employees, closing dealerships, shuttering factories and shedding four of its eight brands as part of a vast reorganization effort. The automaker said its 50-percent stake in Nummi will become part of the "Old GM" that will be liquidated under bankruptcy.

On Tuesday, a New York bankruptcy court is scheduled to rule on the proposed sale of GM's desirable assets — also called the "New GM" — to a new company that will be majority-owned by the U.S. government.

The Vibe station wagon has been a poor seller for GM recently. Sales rose 25 percent in the down market in 2008, but have tumbled 47 percent for the first five months of this year.

Associated Press writer Terry Collins in San Francisco contributed to this report.

SF man pleads guilty in Pa. to credit card scam

BY JOE MANDAK
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PITTSBURGH A San Francisco man who allegedly had 1.8 million stolen bank and credit card numbers on computers at his California apartment has pleaded guilty to wire fraud for his role in an online clearinghouse where identity thieves could share stolen information.

Max Ray Vision, 36, who legally changed his last name from Butler, has been in custody since September 2007 when law enforcement officials raided the "safe house" apartment where he hacked into the computers of financial institutions to steal credit data.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Luke Dembosky said credit card companies Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover tracked more than $86 million in fraudulent purchases to the account numbers found on Vision's computers.

Vision was charged in Pittsburgh because he sold more than 100 credit card numbers and related information to a western Pennsylvania resident who is cooperating with the investigation of www.cardersmarket.com.

About 4,500 people worldwide could trade or access stolen credit information on the Web site from 2005 until it was shut down in 2007.

Vision faces up to 60 years in prison when he's sentenced Oct. 4, but his actual sentence will be driven largely by the actual losses banks incurred in the scheme, which has yet to be determined.

Federal public defender Michael Novara told Senior U.S. District Judge Maurice Cohill that Vision was a "hacker's hacker," meaning he sometimes broke into the computers of other hackers and took information.

Novara suggested some of the credit information on Vision's computer was obtained that way and that Vision might not be responsible for financial losses related to those accounts.

"There's a lot of stuff on his computer that he's not responsible for and did not intend to use" criminally, Novara said.

Vision didn't comment after the guilty plea to two counts of wire fraud. He had been indicted on a third wire fraud count, and two counts of transferring stolen identity information which will still be considered for sentencing purposes.

Novara issued a two-paragraph statement on his behalf calling it the "first step toward getting this sad chapter of his life behind him" and that Vision "regrets" his crimes.

"Max has always preferred using his extraordinary computer skills — his computer vision — for the good of society and the cyber world, and he hopes that he will be given the opportunity in the future to one again don the white hat," the statement said.

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SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 66°

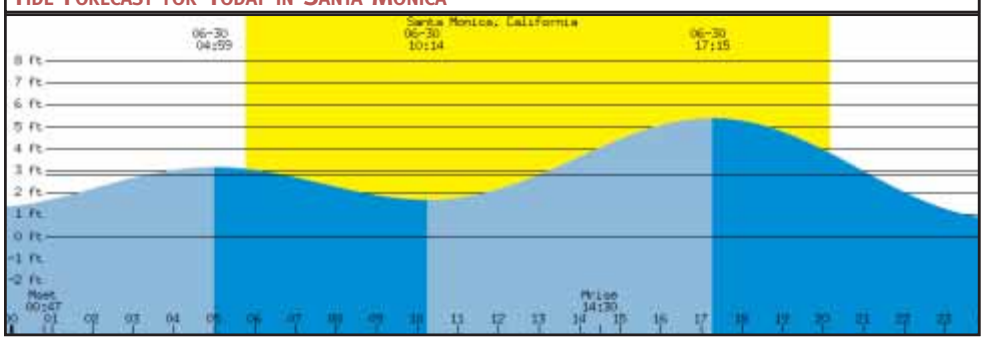
Swell Forecast (4 FT)

Today this SW swell should peak with similar size and spotty, inconsistent conditions. Winds should be light and variable in the AM, and onshore in the afternoon to 15 mph.

Long Range Synopsis

End of this week is looking weak, perhaps knee to waist most everywhere.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous four weeks up to the ending date of **June 16, 2009**

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

QUICK STATS (for the last 28 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 8
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 39 / ns
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 6 / ns

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

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Los Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Seguit Creek mouth	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Las Arlas creeks	A+	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private)	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	C	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach	A+	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Don Blocker County Beach	D	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	A	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily	F	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	A+	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A+	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero)	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs	A	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth	A	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	A+	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	ns	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain)	B	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua)	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain	C	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain	A+	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier	F	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain	B	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms)	A+	ns
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain	A	ns
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain	A+	ns
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south	A	ns
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St.	A+	ns
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth	C	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain	A+	ns
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty)	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain	A+	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain	A+	ns

LEGEND

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

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NBA

Johnson, Gibson know Bulls history

BY ANDREW SELIGMAN
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO James Johnson played point guard in high school and, just for the record, he's aware that a legendary forward who helped the Chicago Bulls win six championships in the 1990s did the same.

So he knows about Scottie Pippen.

Taj Gibson does, too.

The Bulls' draft picks have a good grasp of team history, and they could hardly contain their excitement Monday when they saw their images on the scoreboard above the court where Pippen and Michael Jordan used to soar.

"I felt like I won the lottery," said Johnson, the 6-foot-9 forward from Wake Forest and the 16th pick in the draft.

In a way, so did Gibson, the 6-foot-9 forward from Southern Cal taken with the 26th pick last week.

For three years, he heard stories about the NBA and the Bulls from coach Tim Floyd.

"He took me under his wing and showed me a lot," Gibson said. "He talked about the city of Chicago and how much he enjoyed it. For me to be here now, it's kind of crazy. We would talk about the Bulls nonstop — about how he wanted me to play, about certain plays he used to have."

Gibson hasn't talked to Floyd, who resigned three weeks ago amid allegations he funneled thousands of dollars in cash and gifts to O.J. Mayo through a representative of a sports agency, since the draft. He also insisted the problems at USC had nothing to do with his decision to turn pro.

"When coach Floyd first brought me to USC, academics were the main key," he said. "I always knew Mike Garrett would make a good decision in picking a coach."

He just felt it was time to make a move. So did Johnson.

Now, the Bulls believe they added two versatile forwards to a frontcourt that's looking crowded at the moment, with swingman John Salmons, Luol Deng, Tyrus Thomas, Joakim Noah and Brad Miller.

At 257 pounds, there are some concerns about Johnson's size, but he also can beat opponents off the dribble, hit the jumper and work inside. He averaged 15.0 points and a team-leading 8.5 rebounds as a sophomore last season for the Demon Deacons, who finished 24-7 and were top-ranked at one point, and he should be up for the NBA battles given his background.

One of nine children, Johnson is from one of Wyoming's top martial arts families. His dad is a seven-time world kickboxing champion and James is a karate champion.

Quitting wasn't an option in that family. Losing wasn't, either.

"I grew up getting toughed up, roughed up," Johnson said. "That's how we all were. We were all competitive. Playing basketball or fighting, we went hard at it."

Johnson and Gibson are joining a team that won 41 games last season and pushed defending champion Boston to the brink in a thrilling seven-game playoff series won by the Celtics. They'll also get to run with one of the top young point guards in Rookie of the Year Derrick Rose.

Gibson, who average 14.3 points, 9.0 rebounds and 2.9 blocks last season, is getting this opportunity at age 24. He followed a long, winding path from Brooklyn to the NBA that included several high school transfers while jumping from the coast to coast, long days going against older players on the New York playgrounds and even a stint working as a furniture mover to help his family.

Home-schooled for his first two years in high school, Gibson then attended Telecommunications High in Brooklyn but his parents felt he would be better off at a prep school in California. So Gibson attended Tarzana Stoneridge Prep and played another year at Calvary Christian High in Pacific Grove, Calif. But he had to scramble to get into USC when he learned his home-schooling grades didn't meet NCAA standards.

He wound up taking correspondence courses during the summer at Brigham Young and qualified for the 2006-07 season at Southern Cal, though his basketball education started long before that. It's rooted on the Brooklyn playgrounds and at Manhattan's legendary Rucker Park, where he was often matched against grown men and future NBA players growing up.

NFL

Supreme Court takes case over licensing of NFL merchandise

BY FREDERIC J. FROMMER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON In taking a case involving the National Football League's exclusive licensing deal for sports merchandise, the Supreme Court could go beyond caps and give leagues more leeway in areas such as team relocation, legal scholars said Monday.

"A broad ruling in favor of the NFL could rewrite almost all of sports antitrust law," said Gabe Feldman, associate law professor and director of the Sports Law Program at Tulane University.

The court will hear an appeal from American Needle Inc., of Buffalo Grove, Ill., which filed an antitrust challenge to an agreement the NFL struck with Reebok International Ltd. American Needle had been one of many firms that manufactured NFL headwear until the league granted an exclusive contract to Reebok in 2001.

The NFL won the case in the federal appeals court in Chicago. But it asked the Supreme Court to hear the case in a quest for a more sweeping decision that could put an end to what the league considers costly, frivolous antitrust lawsuits.

The central question is whether the league is essentially a "single entity" that can act collectively, as the NFL argues, or 32 distinct businesses that must be careful about running afoul of antitrust laws.

MOVIE TIMES

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Star Trek (PG-13) 2hrs 6min
12:20, 3:15, 6:20, 9:20

The Hangover (R) 1hr 36min
11:40am, 2:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:10

Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG-13) 2hrs 30min
12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:20

Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG) 1hr 45min
11:30am, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:00

AMC 7 Santa Monica
1310 Third St.
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The Proposal (Closed Captions) (PG-13) 1hr 48 min
11:00am, 1:50, 4:35, 7:30, 10:30

Up (PG) 1hr 36min
11:30am, 2:15, 5:05, 7:50

Up (Digital 3-D) (PG) 1hr 36min
10:40am, 1:25, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50

The Hangover (R) 1hr 36min
10:50am, 1:30, 4:25, 7:05, 9:40, 10:45

The Taking of Pelham 1 2 3 (R) 2hrs 01min
11:10am, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:00

Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG-13) 2hrs 30min
10:00am, 12:30, 1:30, 4:00, 5:00, 7:30, 8:30, 10:50

Public Enemies (R) 2hrs 23min
12:01am

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Easy Virtue (PG-13) 1hr 48min
4:30, 9:40

Whatever Works (PG-13) 1hr 47min
1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00, 10:15

Unmistaken Child (NR) 1hr 57min
1:50, 7:00

The Stoning of Soraya M. (R) 1hr 56min
1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 10:00

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1:40, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55

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Year One (PG-13) 1hr 40min
12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30

Terminator Salvation (Digital) (PG-13) 1hr 54min
1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50

Angels & Demons (PG-13) 2hrs 20min
12:40, 3:50

Away We Go (R) 1hr 37min
11:50, 2:30, 5:10, 7:30, 10:00

My Sister's Keeper (PG-13) 1hr 46min
11:40am, 1:20, 2:20, 4:05, 5:00, 6:40, 7:40, 9:20, 10:20

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Tonight, do for you, Taurus!

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Defer and then defer again. Listen to what others share. They feel empowered as a result, and you have less to do. Learning how to delegate is necessary if you want to climb the professional or community ladder. Tonight: Sort through offers.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ An easy, steady pace works right now. Others appreciate your insight, but also your diligence. Opportunity strikes because you are steady at the driver's wheel. An idea might be too vague for now. Tonight: Do for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Let your emotions flow, and stay on top of situations. See what is going on behind the scenes. Don't mitigate circumstances or how someone feels. What is important to you is important to others. Tonight: Ever playful.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Listen to the beat, and be aware of what is going on. Your sense of direction remains pivotal when a key associate tosses out ideas. Brainstorm away, and focus on long-term goals. Tonight: Be more open with a trusted friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Keep communication open, even if you might not like the direction a conversation is heading in. Your creativity flourishes in an unprecedented manner. Brainstorm away; check out any ideas that come up. Tonight: Out for dinner.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Expenses could toss your budget into chaos. Listen to the guideposts and signs around this issue. What comes up might be surprising. Once you open up a can of worms, it appears you have a solution handy. Tonight: Do some needed paperwork.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Listen to what is said, and honor a child's or new friend's request. Mutual respect is necessary for all levels of relating to a child. News filters its way to you. Know that the information could be distorted or off. Tonight: Togetherness is the name of the game.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★ Work on clearing out a personal issue that keeps popping up and doesn't seem to go away. As frustrating as that is, try to resolve the issue now, once and for all. Take the day off if you can. Tonight: Much needed personal time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Zero in on what you want. You cannot underestimate the importance of having supporters cheer you down the path to success. Listen to your sixth sense; it will guide you. Tonight: Where the gang is.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Take a stand and be willing to listen to key sources. Your mind, not surprisingly, is focused on making money and not taking a difficult risk. Just don't spend money before it is in your hands. Tonight: Up late.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Creativity, luck and intelligence integrate in a powerful manner. At this unique moment, don't get triggered by the mundane, and stay on top of your game. Tonight: Let your imagination decide. What appeals to you?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Relate closely to different people and move an important matter off your plate. You might want to listen to your inner voice. Take a walk to clear your mind. Consider giving your time to a key cause. Tonight: Take much needed time alone.

Happy birthday

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

This year, a lot happens, and quite quickly at that. Imagine the results if you relax and don't feel pressured. Whether taking up yoga, walking more or doing another favorite stress-buster, you need to reduce nervous energy in order to maximize your power this year. You will make better choices. In relationships in general, you often feel as if you are in a power play or a control game. You feel manipulated. Whether single or attached, you are attracting this experience. Learn that the only way to win is not to play. What is happening is that whatever issue you left behind in a past relationship continues in the next.

Girls and Sports

By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



The Meaning of Lila

By John Forgetta & L.A. Rose



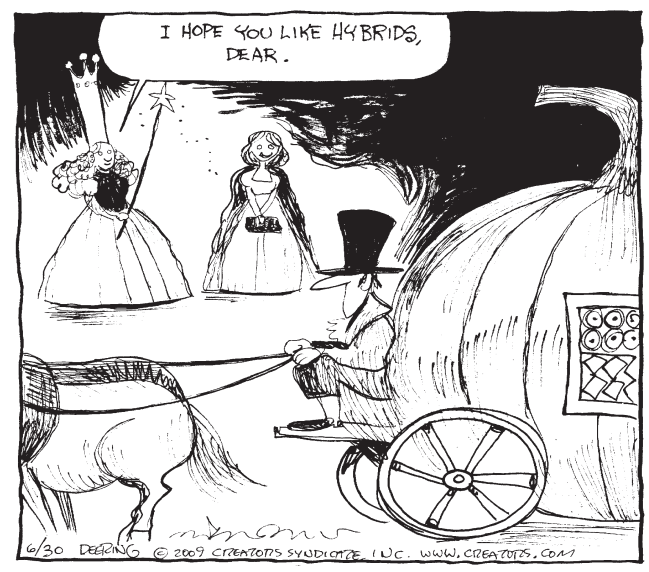
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Difficulty Level ★★

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GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

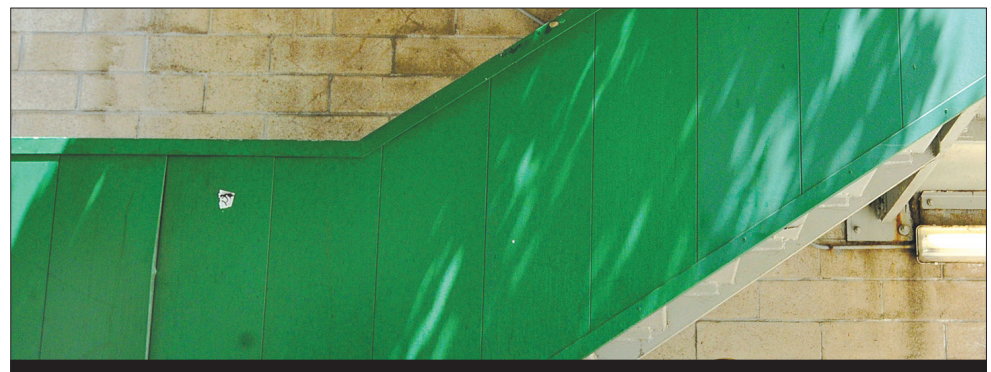
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Maya Sugarman *news@smdp.com*

Eric Cooper correctly identified this photo of the stairs attached to the parking structure adjacent to the Third Street Promenade. He will receive a prize from the Daily Press. Check out tomorrow's issue for another chance to play.

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Raced a toboggan
6 Bounds
11 Missouri river
12 Like bar drafts
13 Winded
15 Debate side
16 Cochlea setting
17 Flower visitor
18 Elastic
20 Bruin Bobby
21 Music store buys
22 Excellent
23 Counterfeits
26 String ties
27 Without repair
28 Cargo unit
29 Nasty dog
30 Became wild
34 Snaky shape
35 Diplomatic rep.
36 Diarist Anaïs
37 Like some expenses
40 Swoon
41 Nick of "Affliction"
42 Runs away
43 Harpoon

DOWN

1 Belt holders
2 Seize by force
3 Croc's cousin
4 Big head
5 Safeguards
6 Brit's truck
7 Compass pt.
8 Seething
9 Penn State coach Joe
10 Globes
14 Luggage
19 Frozen desserts
22 Typesetting choice
23 Hockey game start
24 Normally
25 Alley of TV
26 Sweet treats
28 Office aide
30 Floats on the breeze
31 Tibia's end
32 Michelangelo work
33 Door sign
38 Counting start
39 Member of the force

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Yesterday's answer

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DAILY LOTTERY

MEGA MILLIONS: 11 15 17 29 46
Meganumber: 16
Jackpot: $94M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS: 7 15 25 27 42
Meganumber: 24
Jackpot: $9M

FANTASY 5: 6 13 22 31 32

DAILY 3
MIDDAY: 4 8 7
EVENING: 7 6 5

DAILY DERBY
1st: 03 Hot Shot
2nd: 09 Winning Spirit
3rd: 10 Solid Gold
RACE TIME: 1.48.63

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Using GPS and state-of-the-art sonar, Columbia University researchers recently made the first comprehensive map of the wonders submerged in New York City's harbors. Supplementing those findings with historical data, New York magazine reported the inventory's highlights in May: a 350-foot steamship (downed in 1920), a freight train (derailed in 1865), 1,600 bars of silver (unrecovered since 1903), a fleet of Good Humor ice cream trucks (which form a reef for aquatic life), and so many junked cars near the Brooklyn and Manhattan Bridges that divers use them as underwater navigation points. Of most concern lately, though, are the wildlife: 4-foot-long worms that eat wooden docks and tiny "gribbles" that eat concrete pilings.

■ More California Money "Management": The Los Angeles Unified School District pays almost $10 million a year to about 160 teachers and staff who are forbidden to do any work -- those subject to discipline but whose cumbersome "due process" and appeals take years to carry out. One teacher, Matthew Kim, fired by the school board in 2002 for allegedly sexually harassing students and colleagues, still receives his $68,000 a year, including benefits, and (by union contract interpretation) cannot be called on to perform clerical or other non-"professional" duties during the appeals, according to a May Los Angeles Times report.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1859 French acrobat Charles Blondin (born Jean Francois Gravelet) walked back and forth on a tightrope above the gorge of Niagara Falls as thousands of spectators watched.

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Notice of Divided Publication

Pursuant to Sections 3702, 3381, and 3382, Revenue and Taxation Code, the Notice of Sale of Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Power of Sale in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California, has been divided and distributed to various newspapers of general circulation published in said County for publication of a portion thereof in each of said newspapers.

Public Auction Notice (R&TC 3702)
Of Sale Of Tax-Defaulted Property
Subject To
The Power Of Sale (Sale No. 2009B)

Whereas, on May 12, 2009, I, MARK J. SALADINO, Treasurer and Tax Collector, was directed by the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, State of California, to sell at public auction certain Tax-Defaulted properties which are Subject to the Power of Sale. Public notice is hereby given that unless said properties are redeemed prior thereto, I will, on August 17 and 18, 2009, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., at the Fairplex Los Angeles County Fairgrounds, 1101 W. McKinley Avenue, Building 5, Pomona, California, offer for sale and sell said properties at public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check in lawful money of the United States for not less than the minimum bid. If no bids are received on a parcel, it will be re-offered at the end of the auction at a reduced minimum price.

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If redemption of the property is not made according to the law before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 14, 2009, which is the last business day prior to the first day of auction, the right of redemption will cease.

The Assessor's Identification Number (AIN) in this publication refers to the Assessor's Map Book, the Map Page, and the individual Parcel Number on the Map Page. If a change in the Assessor's Identification Number occurred, both prior and current Assessor's Identification Numbers are shown. An explanation of the parcel numbering system and the maps referred to are available from the Office of the Assessor located at 500 West Temple Street, Room 225, Los Angeles, California 90012.

A list explaining the abbreviations used in this publication is on file in the Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector, 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California 90012, or telephone 1 (213) 974-2045.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at Los Angeles, California, on June 2, 2009.

MARK J. SALADINO
Los Angeles County
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