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THE LONG SHORT WEEK ISSUE

## Parents livid about Y's canceled swim team, fired coach

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

**DOWNTOWN** When parents found out that the YMCA's swim team, which had more than 100 members, was abruptly canceled and its head coach, who'd been with the Y for seven years, was fired some thought it was a bad April Fools' Day joke.

Head Coach Mohammad Khadembashi said he was told he was fired for raising funds to buy a diving block, a digital pace clock, and some other miscellaneous items.

Several parents say that they haven't been given sufficient answers as to why the popular coach was let go.

YMCA officials will not discuss the details of the incidents that led to the firing.

The program ended in early April but for three months a group of parents have been quietly pushing the nonprofit's Board of Directors to make changes.

A letter, signed by 31 families, asked the board to remove Tara Pomposini from her role as CEO of the Santa Monica YMCA. They gave the board a month, until June 30, to make the change, promising to publicize the incident if the board failed to act.

Last week Board President Victor Newlove told the families that the board wouldn't take action "in response to threats, bullying, and extortion."

"You threaten to disparage the entire YMCA because a program in which you are

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## Council roundup: Beachfront height initiative fails

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

**CITY HALL** One City Council member stood alone behind a proposed ballot initiative that would put large beachfront projects to a public vote.

Councilmember Kevin McKeown wanted to let the public decide on projects that exceeded zoning along Ocean Avenue.

During the public comment portion of the item, many of those on both sides of development issues complained about the idea. Some, like the local hospitality workers union, opposed the item because they didn't want to see council's ability to negotiate community benefits diminished. Others, like resident Taffy Patton, said the plan didn't do enough to give residents a say on development and would cause developers to build-up adjacent blocks.

Even Councilmember Tony Vazquez — who co-authored the discussion item requesting that city officials come back with language that could be placed on the November ballot about Ocean Avenue development — would not second McKeown's motion to move forward with the item and so it failed.

### DOWNTOWN ZONING CHANGES

City Council voted unanimously to alter a temporary planning document, making it easier for owners of exercise facilities to open up shop Downtown and softening requirements for Main Street restaurants

Paul Alvarez Jr. *editor@smdp.com*

**WALKING ALONG:** People stroll down Ocean Avenue last month.

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## Students granted fellowships with the Earthwatch Institute

BY DANNY MAX
Daily Press Intern

**SAMOHI** Santa Monica High School juniors Sadie Saltzman and Dylan Meek became best friends over their shared love for biology. But Meek and Saltzman aren't just scientists in the making. Saltzman plays the oboe, loves photography, and is a musical theater-enthusiast while Meek participates in athletics, foreign language programs, and music.

Which makes them exactly the type of students The Earthwatch Institute wants for its summer fellowship program.

Saltzman and Meek were two of the 50 students accepted to the Earthwatch 2014 Summer Fellowship out of more than 230 applicants from Los Angeles County. The fully funded summer fellowship aims to make students agents of change in their community and schools. The Earthwatch Institute takes motivated students and immerses them into the sciences for a 10-to-14 day program.

"We don't look at grades," said Elise Begin, Program Director at Earthwatch. "We want creative thinkers and motivators … not the students with the highest grades, but the most well-rounded." In the fellowship application process, Saltzman and Meek both submitted very creative essays that really stood out, according to Begin.

Earthwatch is one of the world's largest organizations for conducting field research in archeology, paleontology, marine life, wildlife, ecosystems, and biodiversity. Their work sup-

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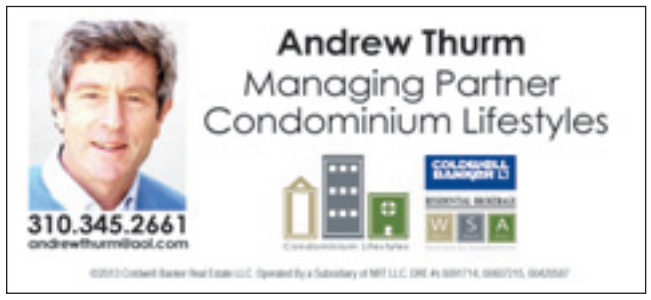


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# What's Up Westside

## OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

### July 1

**Solo accordionist Jetty Swart**
Annenberg Beach House
415 Pacific Coast Highway,
6:30 p.m.
Jetty Swart (AKA Jet Black Pearl) sings and plays an idiosyncratic blend of traditional French songs and more modern affairs, using loops and beatboxing, stream of consciousness poetry and tongue in cheek covers of pop icons. Come early and stop in to visit the Marion Davies Guest House at 5:15 p.m. Visit www.annenbergbeachhouse.com for more information.

**Bubblemania**
Pico Branch Library
2201 Pico Boulevard,
2:30 - 3:15 p.m.
Learn fun science bubble facts, and get a chance to stand inside a giant bubble. Ticketed event; space is limited.
Free tickets available 30 minutes before each event.

**Unpopular Opinion Stand-Up Comedy**
M.i. Westside Comedy Theater
1323-A 3rd Street Promenade,
8:30 p.m.
Presented in part by Adam Tod Brown, an editor and columnist at Cracked.com (the #1 comedy site on the web), Unpopular Opinion's eclectic mix of up-and-comers, established comics and the Internet's funniest writers and performers make for one of the most entertaining comedy shows around. Tickets are just $5, buy one get one free with promo code CRACKED at checkout. Lineup: Emily Heller (Conan), Danny Lobell (Modern Day Philosophers), Jak Knight, Nina Daniels, Billy Bonnell, Morgan Jay, Griff Pippin, Joe Priano.
Visit westsidecomedy.com or call (310) 451-0850 for more information.

### July 2

**Yoga for Health**
Joslyn Park
633 Kensington Rd, 6-7:15 pm
Increase vitality, build strength and improve your balance and flexibility. Connect with your breath, find your light within and regenerate your life force! A great way for you to sweat, release toxins, and relieve stress while experiencing greater freedom of your mind, body and spirit. Drop-in participation is available for $15. Please bring a mat. For more information, please call (310) 458-2239. Offered through the City of Santa Monica Community Classes program.

**Wildlife Learning Center - reptiles and friends**
Montana Ave Library
1704 Montana Ave,
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Which exotic animals with Wildlife Learning Center bring to the library? Come and find out! Ages 4 and up. Ticketed event; space is limited. Free tickets available 30 minutes before.

**Can I Kick It?**
M.i.'s Westside Comedy Theater
1323-A 3rd Street Promenade,
7:45 p.m.
Can I Kick It? is a hilarious journey through the Golden Age of hip hop. You don't have to be a rap genius to enjoy the show. Comedians Al Jackson, Joe DeRosa, Tone Bell, and Rob Christensen will keep you laughing 'til the break of dawn as they review some of the classic and not-so-classic hip hop videos from the 80s and 90s.
Tickets are $5.
Visit westsidecomedy.com or call (310) 451-0850 for more information.

For help submitting an event, contact Daniel Archuleta at **310-458-7737** or submit to editor@smdp.com

**GROUP READ**

Fabian Lewkowicz *FabianLewkowicz.com*

**Veronica Thomas reads to her daughters Jocelyn, 7, Natalie, 5, and Eveie, 3, during the grand opening of the new Pico Branch Library at Virginia Avenue Park on Saturday. Tours of the branch were offered every half hour.**

# Faces of Silicon Beach: Hero to the elderly

**BY ERIK HUBERMAN**
Special to the Daily Press

**Santa Monica** along with the rest of the nation — is trending older and a local startup is using new technology to make aging easier.

Homehero, based in the Downtown office of startup incubator Science Inc., lets seniors and their loved ones find and manage caregivers all from their mobile devices or computers.

Between 2000 and 2010, the number of Santa Monicans over the age of 65 grew by 11 percent and, even more substantial, the number of residents between the ages of 55 and 64 grew 48 percent, according to the U.S. Census.

Erik Huberman: What made you want to be an entrepreneur ?

• Mike Townsend: Sure, uh good morning everyone. I wanted to be an entrepreneur after I moved to Singapore, finishing school and being exposed life in south east Asia and seeing all these little sort of micro entrepreneurs . And it was super inspiring but also at the same time realized that they just didn't have the leverage and connections and sort of mindset in technology so moving back to California, joined an aerospace company and got into some startups and realized that this is sort of tool and leverage point with technology and startups, that you can do a lot more with your effort. So if you apply 50-60 hours a week to doing something or more you can build a lot bigger, more exciting company. And that was like an adrenaline rush addiction. So

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## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Location
### Community group conducts 'Recognition and Reminder' operation

The Westside Impact Project has announced it conducted an operation during the week of June 23 to determine if Santa Monica alcohol businesses are carding minors. The effort, dubbed a "Recognition and Reminder" operation, utilized a young-looking over-21-year-old who attempted to purchase a six-pack of beer at 10 liquor stores in Santa Monica. If the sales clerk asked for identification, the decoy presented a card congratulating the establishment for properly checking ID. If the sales clerk failed to ask for identification, the decoy presented a card 'reminding' the vendor that checking ID prevents sales to minors. Three of the 10 establishments involved in the operation failed to ask for identification when the decoy attempted to purchase alcohol.

The Westside Impact Project conducted the operations as a part of a county contract to reduce underage and binge drinking in Santa Monica. The Project is focused on the primary points of underage access to alcohol - retail and social environments. The data indicates that underage drinking and minors' access to alcohol are issues of concern in Santa Monica. In the 2011 California Healthy Kids Survey, 75 percent of Santa Monica High School juniors reported that alcohol was "Very Easy" to get. Twenty-six percent reported engaging in at least one episode of binge drinking (five or more drinks in one session) within the previous 30 days.

Recognition and Reminder operations carry no real legal consequences for alcohol establishments. They are intended to positively reinforce good business practices. Recognition and Reminder initiatives have long been used as a tool in preventing tobacco sales to youth and are increasingly being used prevention efforts. The premise is that public recognition and reward of good behavior for stores and clerks who do the right thing reduces illegal sales even faster than enforcement, which is saved for people who are intent on breaking the law.

The team conducting the operations also notified the retailers that Santa Monica Police Department will be conducting Minor Decoy Operations over the next year. In Minor Decoy Operations, under law enforcement direction, a 'decoy' younger than 20 years of age attempts to purchase alcohol at licensed establishments. A first-time sale may result in a fine or license suspension. A second sale to a minor within a three-year period is an automatic license suspension. A third sale to a minor within a three-year period may result in license revocation.

According to the Westside Impact Coalition - a group of parents, residents, educators, business people and community leaders who advise the Westside Impact Project - the overall intent of all these initiatives is to create a powerful deterrent effect amongst retailers that will result in reduced alcohol sales to minors. The Coalition will be conducting additional Recognition and Reminder operations over the course of the next year.

For more information about the Westside Impact Project, visit www.westsideimpactproject.org or follow their work at @westsideimpact on Facebook and Twitter.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### Do the numbers on Whole Foods

**Editor:**

This letter is pursuant your article (June 24) about the Whole Foods scandal.

I tip my hat to City Attorney Adam Radinsky. I hope that you can obtain and publish some figures of the three Whole Food branches located in Santa Monica. Namely, the average number of containers sold per month times the average weight per each container times the number of months Whole Foods has done business in Santa Monica.

The penalty assessments seems low. Does it reflect this calculated amount? If not, I hope that Whole Foods will be levied an additional amount reflecting that calculation. In my opinion, I think Whole Foods ought to donate to Santa Monica's Food Pantry and homeless programs. This way, Whole Foods patrons can collectively donate their unscrupulous up-charges to a worthy cause, thus take credit for it. The restitution to the Whole Foods community will provide a sense of closure to this scandal.

Also, I had an incident a while back. I had a squabble with the cashier at the express line at Wilshire and 23rd Street. I purchased a salad to go with dressing on the side. Cashier critiqued me for not pre-pouring it into the container. I told him I wasn't sure if I would like it. I planned to do a taste test outside. Cashier said he'll let it go just this one time. Then I questioned the cashier about the container's weight price deduction. Cashier said it was already pre-deducted to reflect the net weight of the food. He lied. I have been aware of Whole Foods' unethical business practices ever since.

I hope that all Whole Foods receipts will now specify weight price deduction per each container sold. Is this in the works?

Whole Foods also offers self-serve samples. They have signs on the salad bar denying its patrons self serve samples there. I find this double standard quite annoying.

I hope this note will be published in a follow up commentary with your other readers.

**Barry Adler**
Santa Monica

## What's the Point?

David Pisarra — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

# BBQs and bravado

**THE FIREWORKS WERE NICE THIS YEAR** at the annual Santa Monica College display. I watched from Pico Blvd as the explosions lit up the night sky. It's an apt tradition we have if you relate it to the Star Spangled Banner. Those fireworks are a modern day version of the "bombs bursting in air" giving "proof through the night that our flag was still there."

We celebrate the 238th anniversary of our independence from the British Crown this Friday. Few of us will reflect on the true meaning of that, what it cost, and what it means in today's world.

When the Revolutionary War broke out we were but a small backwater in the British Empire. The Crown was ignoring the needs of the subjects and as a consequence dissent and eventually revolution took hold.

As the founding fathers gathered to declare their independence they approached the task with the goal of creating a free society - well, free for educated white men who owned land at least. Those ugly details, of not letting women vote and "owning" slaves notwithstanding, the ideal society was one in which people participated in their government to some degree.

The obligations of service to one's country went from the minimum duty to vote on one's legislators who were entrusted to make good law, to being a legislator as a form of public service. That's a concept that seems to have been usurped by career politicians who seem to always be in campaign mode and rarely, if ever, actually stop to consider if it is perhaps more important to push for or against a particular piece of legislation even at the cost of their own career.

This is in some ways an outgrowth of the democratization of society. As we have moved towards a society where everyone can be a politician, we have opened the doors to people who seek office for power and prestige rather than as a matter of duty and public service.

I am often asked my opinion on political matters and individual politicians or candidates. I rarely wish to engage in the discussions because so often they devolve into a polemical shouting match of entrenched ideas that are more emotion than logic. On politicians, I am too pragmatic to believe that most are in it for more than their own personal gain.

This Independence Day, I'd like to believe that we would celebrate with honoring each other respectfully for the grand accomplishment of maintaining a civilized society that regularly changes its leadership without loss of life. I wish we could find a way past our differences and see our similarities in greater relief so that we could resolve the real problems we face as a nation.

I doubt we will do either.

I expect that we will see a bevy of politicians bloviating with popcorn patriotism as the political pundits rant on and further drive a wedge between us in order to raise their own book sales or popularity on TV talking head shows. The bravado with which they rant is deeply disturbing to me. As one who tries to see both sides of an issue and really understand what is motivating something or someone, the lack of intellectual curiosity of these people is tiresome.

But this weekend the rigors of philosophical enquiry will give way for us all to the gastronomic delights of the barbecue. This weekend there will be hot dogs and burgers a plenty, ribs and chicken, lots of red, white and blue tchotchkes and loads of sugar. Occasionally there will be a shout-out to a veteran or active duty military personnel in an attempt to "support the troops."

Meanwhile, the VA is a mess. The Supreme Court seems to be handing the country over to the corporations with ever-increasing alacrity, and we hand over our private lives to social media corporations with greater and greater glee each day. Congress is a do-nothing pool of putrid posturing. The role of the police has gone from "to protect and serve" to a paramilitarization that is alarming at a minimum and vaguely reminiscent of the British Governors that we shunned 238 years ago.

Men and women died for the freedoms that are being eroded by those popcorn politicians and the Supreme Court that is wildly out of touch with the populous.

This Fourth of July, please remember the real reason we celebrate. To be free from a tyrant, to speak one's mind after deep thought and to build a happy life.

It's not to get 25 percent off a new barbecue.

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# COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Main Library

## Go on a blind date with a book

Looking for a great read? Stop by the Santa Monica Public Library during the month of July and check out the Blind Date with a Book display in the Main Library lobby, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. The display features selected titles wrapped in plain paper with a few descriptive lines on the front of each book. In addition to adding a little mystery and fun into the book selection process, the display encourages discovery of new authors and genres.

Blind Date with a Book is part of the Library's second annual Adult Summer Reading Program; this year's theme is Literary Elements. Children and teens have long enjoyed the fun and benefits of the Summer Reading Program and the Library is delighted to offer all members of the family a summer reading experience. Adults are invited to visit the Library for a wide variety of related programs including author talks, book discussions, and film screenings. Pick up a Literary Elements form at any Santa Monica Public Library and turn in the completed form by August 13 to be eligible to win prizes for your summer reading activities. The Adult Summer Reading program is made possible through the generous support from the Friends of the Santa Monica Public Library and The Broad Stage.

For more information and a complete list of Adult Summer Reading programs, visit smpl.org/ASR2014.aspx or contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600. All Adult Summer Reading events are free and open to the public. Seating is limited and on a first arrival basis. The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair accessible. For special disabled services, call Library Administration at (310) 458-8606 at least one week prior to event.

– EDITED BY MATTHEW HALL

Citywide

## Motorcycle safety enforcement operation

The Santa Monica Police Department will be conducting a specialized Motorcycle Safety Enforcement Operation on July 6 in an effort to lower deaths and injuries. Extra officers will be on duty patrolling areas frequented by motorcyclists and where motorcycle crashes occur. Officers will be looking for violations made by drivers and riders alike that can lead to motorcycle crashes. Enforcement efforts will focus on those who operate cars and trucks, as well as motorcyclists who are under the influence of drugs or alcohol, speeding, making illegal turns, or any other dangerous violations.

Motorcycle fatalities saw a phenomenal drop of 37 percent from 2008 to 2010, but then rose 23 percent by 2012. Operations like this are aimed at curbing any more raises in motorcycle deaths.

California collision data reveals that primary causes of motorcycle-involved crashes include speeding, unsafe turning, and impairment due to alcohol and other drugs. The Santa Monica Police Department is also reminding all motorists to always be alert and watch out for motorcycles, especially when turning and changing lanes. Drivers should be aware that motorcycle lane splitting is legal if done in a safe and prudent manner. Motorcycle riders should consult the Lane Splitting General Guidelines to learn more at www.ots.ca.gov/lanesplittinggeneralguidelines.pdf.

As the economy improves, there will likely be more miles driven by all motorists, including motorcyclists. This will include novice motorcycle riders who are untrained and unable to adequately handle the power of today's motorcycles. The message to all drivers and motorcyclists is: share in the responsibility and do your part by safely "sharing the road."

Riders can get training through the California Motorcyclist Safety Program. Information and training locations are available at www.CA-msp.org or 1-877 RIDE 411 or 1-877-743-3411.

For more information please contact Sergeant Phillbo Rubish at the Santa Monica Police Department's Traffic Division, 310-458-8950.

Funding for this program is provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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## The Q Line

### Rough ride

City officials have said that there have been few damage claims regarding the Expo Light Rail Line construction.

**So, this week's Q-Line question asks:**
Have you had any problems traversing the route of the forthcoming rail line?

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# YMCA
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interested was suspended due to the termination of aquatic staff that was in serious violation of YMCA policy," Newlove said in his letter to the group of parents.

"We do not discuss personnel issues in the press," Newlove told the Daily Press.

When the Daily Press asked Pomposini about the firing in May she said: "That has already been dealt with."

She declined to comment further.

Recent e-mails to Pomposini went unreturned.

### HAPPIER TIMES

Khadembashi started at the YMCA seven years ago as a lifeguard. He also volunteered as an assistant coach of the swim team.

He worked his way up to aquatics coordinator and then aquatics director. When the Y's previous swim team coach was let go, Khadembashi said, he stepped in.

Under his leadership the team grew from 50 swimmers to 120, he said. The aquatics program grew from 110 swimmers to 220.

Khadembashi was salaried as the aquatics coordinator but neither he nor his brother were paid for their coaching.

"They were young guys and they lived at the YMCA," said Jimena Del Pozo, whose daughter was on the team. "They were really dedicated and they really enjoyed doing what they did. They worked like 12 hours a day. They were always there."

Khadembashi cherishes a photograph from a surprise victory at an early swim meet. The kids are celebrating. His fists are raised in the air.

Everyone, from the non-competitive kids to the super competitive kids, got something out of it, he said.

"When I started coaching at the Y, I fell in love with coaching and competitive swimming," Khadembashi said. "It became a huge part of my life."

Del Pozo said the competition level was perfect for her daughter, who is now 10 years old.

"She participated to the degree that was appropriate to her skill level," Del Pozo said. "She's not a competitive person in general so she had access to that where she wouldn't typically. She very much enjoyed it and we would go anywhere from two to four times a week."

For Christie Goren, the value was in the friendships.

"My daughter was only on the team for about two months and she developed friends that she had been longing for," Goren said in an e-mail. "The diversity of the kids made it an amazing experience for our adopted (Fijian) daughter. Her school is predominately white and the YMCA had a mix of kids that made her feel welcome and happy."

Khadembashi taught Jonathan Rho's children (9 and 10 years old) how to swim.

"They have spent more time with Mohammad than any care provider other than my wife and I," Rho said. "They went to daycare for five years and yet they've spent more time with the swim program. It's a really emotional thing."

### IN HOT WATER

Khadembashi claims that the YMCA was not supportive of the swim team from the start.

In his budget, he asked for a digital pace clock and a diving block. He was told by his supervisor, he said, that the money wouldn't be allocated but that he could raise it himself.

He organized a swim-a-thon to raise cash for the equipment. Parents donated. Coaches bought the gear.

In a weekend in late March, Khadembashi

YMCA

realized he'd lost access to his e-mail account. On Monday, he was called into Pomposini's office.

"They told me that they knew we had an account outside the YMCA and that it was against company policy and because of that you are hereby dismissed immediately," he said. "They gave me a dismissal paper and when I looked at it, there was no explanation on the paper. I asked: 'This rule that I broke, can I see this?' And my CEO started screaming and saying, 'we're not going to show this to you.'"

He was led out of the office. His brother was fired moments later. The program was canceled immediately.

Khadembashi maintains that he was never given written notice that the fundraising was prohibited and that nothing in the YMCA's handbook prohibits it. All his job reviews, he said, had been positive. Booster clubs, he said, are common for swim teams.

He sent a short e-mail to the parents explaining that the program had been canceled.

"Then it just got wild with all the e-mails," Del Pozo said, "a crazy e-mail chain with people freaking out. It was so many people that loved that team."

Within hours Khadembashi was offered a job at Westside Aquatics.

Pomposini held a meeting about the canceled program but several parents who attended said nothing was resolved or elucidated.

"Everybody wanted to know more," Del Pozo said. "Let's be clear: Did they injure anyone? Were there any criminal charges? (Pomposini) said, 'no' but she wasn't willing or able to say more about it. It was an hour and half. Some parents were really angry and they were rude and it was not nice. Some of the parents were generally upset. Kids were crying."

Rho was equally unhappy.

"Nothing was answered to the satisfaction of anyone in the room, and that's 70-some people," he said. "What was frustrating, just like in the letter, was that they didn't acknowledge the emotion of the situation. The response was cold and detached but this was an ax-blow for parents and kids."

Khadembashi took the job at Westside Aquatic and, he said, and more than half of the Y's swim members followed him there.

Another third of the Y's swim team joined a different local team, he said. Some stopped swimming competitively altogether.

Everything is better at Westside, Khadembashi said, but he's still upset with the way things ended at the YMCA. He wishes he could have had a chance to explain the situation and say goodbye to all the kids in person.

"We are extremely disappointed," Goren said of the program's cancellation. "We cannot afford to join these other programs as they are twice as much money. So now we are without a swim program."

Del Pozo's daughter joined a conditioning swim class at the YMCA but she said it's not the same.

"They know how to swim but they don't know how to teach you how to swim," Del Pozo said of the instructors.

He daughter is one of seven or eight kids in the program, she said.

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## TEAM
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In his letter to the parents, Newlove announced that a new swim team program would be commencing on July 15 led by the newly appointed Aquatic Director Hector Barragan.

"I respectfully suggest that you direct your efforts and zeal toward assisting Hector Barragan and continuing the excellent SMYMCA Swim Program, rather than try to threaten or extort the board because you disagree with an administrative decision made by the CEO," he said.

The swim team was one of more than 100 programs offered at the YMCA for its more than 6,000 members, Newlove told the parents.

"We are deeply saddened that you would threaten all these programs because your favorite program was suspended for a short period of time," he said.

Del Pozo, who works at a school, wonders if there was another way to handle the situation.

"If there's a problem you say: 'This is the problem and this is what we're gong to do to rectify the problem,'" she said of working at a school. "You don't just say, 'OK, let's get rid of the school.' It seems like it was a real cut-throat approach to something that could have been fixed."

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## COUNCIL
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looking to add small outdoor dining areas.

The Planning Commission is currently in the process of shoring up the new Zoning Ordinance, which will dictate land-uses throughout the city. In the meantime, everyone is subject to the Interim Zoning Ordinance, which is what council amended.

A third request from Main Street businesses, which would allow outdoor merchandise displays, was not recommended by city officials "due to the wide range of aesthetic, operational, and legal issues."

It seems there was some confusion about the request. Gary Gordon, executive director of the Main Street Business Improvement Association, told council that all they were asking only for permission to place outdoor displays on private property, not public property.

Council asked city planners to come back with this as an option as soon as possible.

### NO MORE PLAN CHECK FEE WAIVERS

City Council voted quickly to do away with a fee waiver for building owners who need to get their construction or repair plans checked by city officials.

The waiver was put in place right after the 1994 Northridge earthquake to encourage building owners to make repairs. The waiver stuck around for nearly 20 years.

Earlier this year, council approved a program that would take an inventory of buildings that might not have been repaired following the earthquake. It's a huge undertaking and "the number of buildings that may require retrofit appears to be substantial," so city officials think they'll be dealing with a lot plan checks. To cover that cost, they suggested the waiver be cut.

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## FACES
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that got us into it

E:Nice. So tell us about Homehero. What is it?

• M: Homehero is the fastest most affordable way to find senior care. We typically deal with the sons and daughters of our grandparents. People in ages of 80-100 years old and we help them find caregivers. When you live in a house, 80-plus years old, you just have issue you have to deal with. Family is busy with other things and um its often difficult to find someone to come in for a few hours to just see how the grandfather, grandmother is doing. So we have the largest supply of caregivers that then go through our full vetting process online and offline, bring them in, create these video profiles for them so families can see the schedules, they can see references, the background checks. Everything we do is super transparent for families to find people and book them as quick as possible.

E: And so how are you changing the world as far as Homehero goes?

• M: Yea

E: Like in what way is it really changing the world?

• I mean look, I think this is the biggest problem this country is facing and it will face in a growing capacity in the next 10-20 years. I mean the statistics are insane on how many seniors, our population is living longer and the availability of people to help care for them is drastically decreasing right? People are living farther away. My grandparents live in Connecticut, other than Santa Monica. So, I'm not going to be there so someone else is going to have to fill that void. So to a big extent, the distance is where we fill that need.

E: Makes sense. So Why Santa Monica? So why'd you choose here?

• M: Santa Monica's awesome. I love Santa Monica. It's a huge population of seniors. Bigger, much bigger. When we were living in San Francisco, This idea I think would have been impossible to get off the ground. We explored it up there. We talked to a bunch of agencies, these brick and motor agencies that deal with the traditional route and realized that you just cant grow a huge business up in San Francisco and help a lot of people. So starting in Southern California just gave us a much bigger supply pool. Santa Monica particular is very open and adopting to technology companies and also gives us a platform to get publicity and start to get more families onboard.

T: So that being said, what do you think of the tech scene here? Like the whole Silicon beach scene?

• M: Yea uh, Silicon beach, I don't know about the word Silicon beach but the tech scene is great here. I've lived down here for two and a half years. Started another software company called ZingCheckout. Santa Monica gave us the platform. I was an early guy at Coloft over on 10th and Santa Monica and that's where I made so many of my connections. I met Kyle, my cofounder now, and my cofounder in the past. So I think its such a great central location for everyone tech and in startups to kind of just be in a small area.

E: Nice. If you had one thing you could say to aspiring entrepreneurs out there and new entrepreneurs, what piece of advice?

• M: Yea I would say there is no better time than the present. Just do it. There is no piece of information you don't have. There's no skill you can't quickly get. There's nothing in your way. So just explore. Try to focus on things that aren't obvious. Try to focus on things that you think you might have to dig a little bit to find the real problems um but just do it.

E: Cool. Thanks

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# SURF REPORT

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## Surf Forecasts

Water Temp: **72.5°**

TUESDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** Knee to chest high
SW swell holds; NW swell mix eases; more size for select focal points out west in the region; favorable morning winds

WEDNESDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
Easing SW swell; minor NW windswell; favorable morning winds

THURSDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
Lingering SW swell; new SSW/S swell creeps in over the PM; minor NW windswell

FRIDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** thigh to chest high
New SSW/S groundswell builds -
larger sets developing in the afternoon; minor NW windswell

BEACH REPORT CARD

## NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of **June 25, 2014**

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

**QUICK STATS** (for the last 30 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 -- 44 / xx
Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 1 / xx

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: SMA Swain Barber Foundation

Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for at least 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 |
|---|---|---|
| Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth. | A+ | xx |
| Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth. | A+ | xx |
| El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks. | | |
| Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach. | A+ | xx |
| Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth. | A+ | xx |
| Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth. | A+ | xx |
| Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private). | A+ | xx |
| Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth. | A+ | xx |
| Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach. | A+ | xx |
| Latigo Canyon Creek mouth. | A+ | xx |
| Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach. | A+ | xx |
| Puerco State Beach at creek mouth. | A+ | xx |
| Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21572 Malibu Rd.. | F | xx |
| Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence. | A | xx |
| Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily. | A | xx |
| Malibu Pier - 50 yards east. | A+ | xx |
| Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon. | A+ | xx |
| Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero). | A+ | xx |
| Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs. | A+ | xx |
| Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach. | A+ | xx |
| Tuna Canyon. | A+ | xx |
| Topanga State Beach at creek mouth. | A | xx |
| Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach. | xx | xx |
| Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach. | A+ | xx |
| Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain). | A+ | xx |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence. | A | xx |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain. | A+ | xx |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain. | A+ | xx |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua). | A+ | xx |
| Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain. | A+ | xx |
| Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain. | A | xx |
| Santa Monica Municipal Pier. | B | xx |
| Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain. | A+ | xx |
| Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms). | A+ | xx |
| Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain. | A+ | xx |
| Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain. | A+ | xx |
| Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain. | A+ | xx |
| Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain. | A+ | xx |
| Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south. | A+ | xx |
| Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St.. | A | xx |
| Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower. | A | xx |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth. | A | xx |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain. | A+ | xx |
| North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach. | A+ | xx |
| Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of DBW jetty). | A+ | xx |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain. | A+ | xx |
| Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant. | A+ | xx |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain. | A+ | xx |

**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
**xx** -- no sample taken

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

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# STUDENTS

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ports researchers worldwide, conducting over 100,000 hours of research each year. Meek and Saltzman will both embark on a 12-day mission. Saltzman will visit Maryland where she will study rising sea levels in the Chesapeake while Meek will head to Florida to study the effects of climate change on caterpillars, plants, and other animals. Both students will work in the field as well as the lab.

Saltzman, who wants to be a doctor, plans to be pre-med at Tulane University or Skidmore College. She's been interning at her physical therapist's office for the past year, making ice packs and working with ultrasound. Meek plans to pursue a marine biology degree at UCSD. You might find her on the beach picking up garbage; she tries to leave the beach cleaner than she found it.

"Now, more than ever, young people recognize their role in tackling today's most pressing environmental concerns, and want to be the agents of change in their communities, schools, and workplaces," said Begin. "The Ignite Fellowship Program empowers young adults like Dylan and Sadie to be part of the solution."

Meek credits her experiences at Santa Monica High School, working with 'Heal the Bay', and growing up in Santa Monica as the catalysts for what she hopes will be her life's work.

"The ocean has definitely played an important role in my life," she said. "Being able to preserve the ocean and all that it offers for future generations is what I want to do and I don't think I would have come to that conclusion without living near it."

The Fellowship is funded by the Durfee Foundation and is in its 20th year. The Earthwatch Institute will accept applications starting Aug. 1 for its 2015 Summer Fellowship. Interested students should check out earthwatch.org/ignite for more information.

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City of Santa Monica

## NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Santa Monica on Tuesday, November 4, 2014, for the following officers:

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| For three (3) members of the City Council | Full term of four (4) years |
| For three (3) members of the Rent Control Board | Full term of four (4) years |
| For four (4) members of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District | Full term of four (4) years |
| For four (4) members of the Santa Monica City College Board of Trustees | Full term of four (4) years |

The nomination period for these offices begins on July 14, 2014, and closes on August 8, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.

If nomination papers for an incumbent officer are not filed by August 8, 2014, the voters shall have until the 83rd day before the election, August 13, 2014, to nominate candidates other than the person who is the incumbent, for that incumbent's elective office.

If no one or only one person is nominated for an elective office, appointment to the elective office may be made as prescribed by Section 10229, Elections Code of the State of California.

The polls will be open between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

## NOTIFICACION DE LA ELECCION

POR LA PRESENTE SE DA AVISO de que se habrá de llevar a cabo una Elección Municipal General en la Ciudad de Santa Monica el martes, 4 de noviembre de 2014, para los siguientes Funcionarios:

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|---|---|
| Para tres (3) miembros del Concejo Municipal | Periodo completo de cuatro años |
| Para tres (3) miembros de la Junta del Control de Alquileres | Periodo completo de cuatro años |
| Para cuatro (4) miembros del Distrito Escolar Unificado de Santa Monica-Malibu | Periodo completo de cuatro años |
| Para cuatro (4) miembros de la Junta de Administración del Distrito del Colegio Comunitario de Santa Monica | Periodo completo de cuatro años |

El periodo de nominación para estas oficinas comienza el 14 de julio, 2014, y termina el 8 de agosto, 2014, a las 5:00 pm. Si los papeles de nominación para un oficial titular no son presentados para el 8 de agosto, 2014, los votantes tendrán hasta 83 días antes de las elecciones, el 13 de agosto, 2014, para nominar otros candidatos en lugar de la persona que es el titular, para la oficina electiva del titular.

Si no se nomina a nadie o solamente a una persona para un cargo electivo, se puede realizar el nombramiento al cargo elegido según lo prescrito por la Sección 10229 del Código Electoral del Estado de California.

Los centros electorales estarán abiertos entre las 7:00 am. y las 8:00 pm.

## MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
**1328 Montana Ave.**
**(310) 260-1528**

Call theater for information.

AMC Loews Broadway 4
**1441 Third Street Promenade**
**(310) 458-3924**

**Maleficent (PG) 1hr 37min**
2:00pm, 4:30pm, 7:40pm, 10:10pm

**Edge of Tomorrow (PG-13) 1hr 53min**
4:50pm, 10:20pm

**Edge of Tomorrow 3D (PG-13) 1hr 53min**
1:50pm, 7:30pm

**Chef (R) 1hr 55min**
1:30pm, 4:10pm, 7:00pm, 9:55pm

**Fault in Our Stars (PG-13)**
1:40pm, 4:40pm, 7:10pm, 10:15pm

AMC 7 Santa Monica
**1310 Third St.**
**(310) 451-9440**

**Transformers: Age of Extinction (PG-13)**
11:00am, 6:45pm

**Transformers: Age of Extinction 3D (PG-13)**
12:10pm, 1:10pm, 2:50pm, 4:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:45pm, 8:45pm, 9:45pm, 10:30pm

**How to Train Your Dragon 2 (PG) 1hr 05min**
11:15am, 4:30pm

**How to Train Your Dragon 2 3D (PG) 1hr 05min**
2:00pm, 7:15pm

**Think Like A Man Too (PG-13)**
11:05am, 1:50pm, 4:45pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

**22 Jump Street (R) 112 minutes**
11:00am, 1:40pm, 4:20pm, 7:20pm, 10:20pm

**Jersey Boys (R)**
11:55am, 3:10pm, 6:30pm, 9:55pm

**Tammy (R) 1hr37min**
8:00 p.m. 10:35

For more information, e-mail **editor@smdp.com**

## STAY CLOSE TO HOME TONIGHT, GEM

### ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ You'll be able to handle a situation that pops up unexpectedly. Your imagination might go wild, so be willing to discuss what is on your mind. Communication will clear up a problem. Tonight: Get into your day.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You could go from being somewhat quiet and subdued to being wonderfully open and more willing to express your ideas with others. You might be ready for a change of pace, but either way you will flourish and adjust accordingly. Tonight: Spice up the night.

### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Stay anchored, and know where you are coming from. Verbalize more of what you want from someone in your daily environment. Don't lose sight of what you want to do, and don't allow others to distract you. Tonight: Stay close to home.

### CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Communication will open doors that previously might have been closed. Ask questions if you think you are not hearing what someone else really intends to express. Realize that others also might need clarification. Tonight: Nibbles and friends.

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You'll have a lot to say, and you will say it -- but only at the right moment. Touch base with a friend who often supports you, but who also might feel free to make comments that are not always complimentary. Tonight: Where your friends are.

### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Listen carefully to news, and make sure that you have processed this information before making any comments. You might sense a change in how you feel. You can clear out a problem effectively without any hassles, if that is what you decide. Tonight: Feel your Wheaties.

### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Your recent irritation seems to have mellowed out, which encourages a review of your choices. You have a lot of thinking to do. Take your time, but know that others might wonder why you have been so quiet. Tonight: Get some R and R.

### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ You're a force to be dealt with wherever you are. Others will want to hear your opinions and thoughts, so don't hesitate to open up. You might discover just how many supporters you have, and you could be taken aback. Listen to their comments. Tonight: With friends.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You will tend to look at the big picture. Listen to your instincts with an opportunity that might sound too good to be true. Others are more than willing to contribute. Tonight: Out late.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Deal directly with a partner or dear friend who enjoys taking the opposite point of view from yours. This interchange could help you see a problem you might not have noticed otherwise. Reach out to someone at a distance. Tonight: Question your options.

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ What starts out as a social happening could evolve into something more. One person in this group will stand out. You could find that he or she seems intense yet understanding. You will see a situation differently after having a much-needed talk. Tonight: Togetherness works.

### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Others might feel a need to stay in control and have things happen a certain way. Understand that you don't need to ask questions; these people just need to see the results of their hard work. That is the only way they can grow. Tonight: Say "yes" to an offer.

**Tuesday, July 1, 2014**

This year you often have a hard time finding clarity, but somehow you manage to see the light. You will learn from these confusing experiences. You also will become far more concerned with your image than you have in the past. If you are single, you are in a position where you can meet people with ease. You will enjoy the process of dating and getting to know others. If you are attached, the two of you tend to act like newlyweds. You are likely to make a major purchase or financial decision involving your joint funds this year. VIRGO can be prissy and difficult.

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

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By Dave Coverly

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By John Deering

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By Mick and Mason Mastroianni

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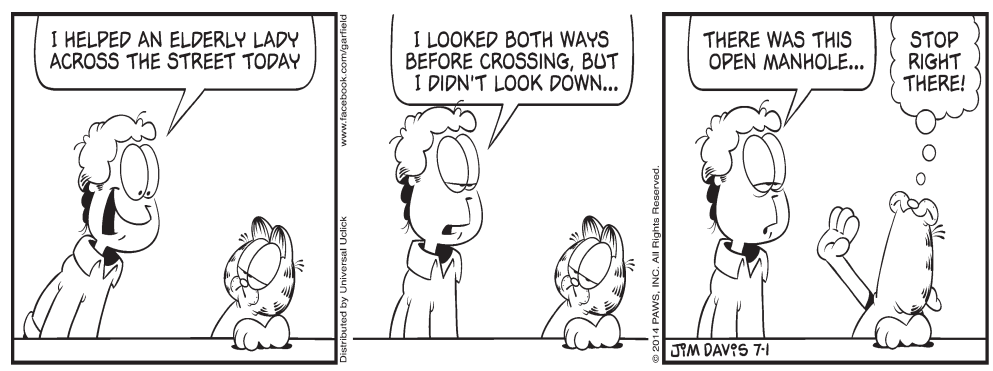
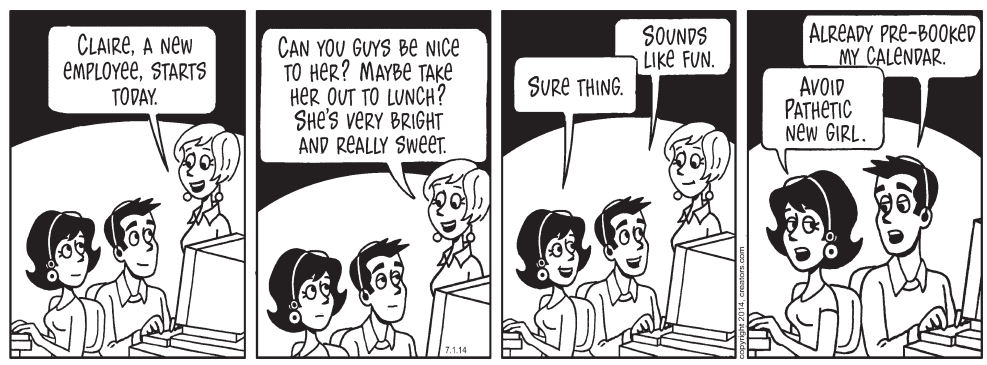
By Jim Davis




## The Meaning of Lila
By John Forgetta & L.A. Rose



# Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from ★ (easiest) to ★★★★★ (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★★

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 9 | | | | 8 | 4 | | | 2 |
| | 6 | | | | | 9 | | |
| | | 5 | | | 7 | | 6 | |
| | | | | 1 | | 6 | | 5 |
| 5 | | | | | | | | 4 |
| 3 | | 9 | | 2 | | | | |
| | 2 | | 3 | | | 1 | | |
| | | 7 | | | | | 5 | |
| 4 | | | 1 | 6 | | | | 8 |

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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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## DAILY POLICE LOG

**The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 359 calls for service on June 29.**

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

Drunk driving on 20th St. at 1:48 a.m.
Party complaint on Broadway at 2:!6 a.m.
Armed robbery on Main St. at 2:36 a.m.
Overdose on 19th St. at 2:57 a.m.
Shots fired on Stewart St. at 3 a.m.
Rape on Ocean Ave. at 3:53 a.m.
Drunk driving on Santa Monica Blvd., at 6:37 a.m.
Battery on Lincoln Blvd. at 7:48 a.m.
Vandalism on 3rd St. at 9:03 a.m.
Petty theft on Lincoln Blvd., at 10 a.m.
Bike theft on Main St. at 11:35 a.m.
Fraud on Idaho Ave., at 12:36 p.m.
Battery on Lincoln Blvd., at 12:44 p.m.
Traffic accident on 2nd St. at 1:07 p.m.
Petty theft on Ocean Ave., at 2:04 p.m.
Drunk driving on Main St. at 3:35 p.m.
Traffic accident on 24th St. at 3:51 p.m.
Vandalism on Ocean Ave. at 4:41 p.m.
Bike theft on 3rd St. at 4:57 p.m.
Burglary on 12th St. at 5:20 p.m.
Hit and run on 3rd St. at 5:23 p.m.
Bike theft on 3rd St. at 6:01 p.m.
Fight on 10th St. at 6:10 p.m.
Party complaint on Pine St. at 7:50 p.m.
Auto burglary on Strand St. at 9:09 p.m.
Hit and run on 6th St. at 9:30 p.m.
Petty theft on Cloverfield Blvd., at 10:57 p.m.
Fight on 4th St. at 10:59 p.m.
Vandalism on Santa Monica Blvd., at 11:58 p.m.

## MYSTERY PHOTO

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## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

**ACROSS**

1 Nick and Nora's dog
5 Swiss watch parts
10 Replay feature
12 Concur
13 Black-headed bird
15 Boxing great
16 Greek vowel
17 Fellows
18 Fertilizer ingredient
20 Gasp for air
21 Brainy group
22 Regarding
23 Sponge gently
25 Stir up
28 Church sight
31 A long time
32 Pizzeria units
34 Day light
35 Motel freebie
36 Much of N. Amer.
37 Biennial sporting event
40 Battery end
41 Makes smooth
42 Touches down
43 Tennis star Roddick

**DOWN**

1 Song-writers' org.
2 Ski run
3 This evening, in ads
4 "I — Rock"
5 Crazy
6 Sense of self
7 Scents
8 Bristle at
9 Handled
11 Black Sea port
14 River and lake of Alberta
19 Peruvian peaks
20 Singer Page
24 Claim
25 Knave
26 Large lizard
27 "Imagine" singer
29 Insight
30 Mail over
33 Pert
35 March time
38 Throw in
39 Gardner of film

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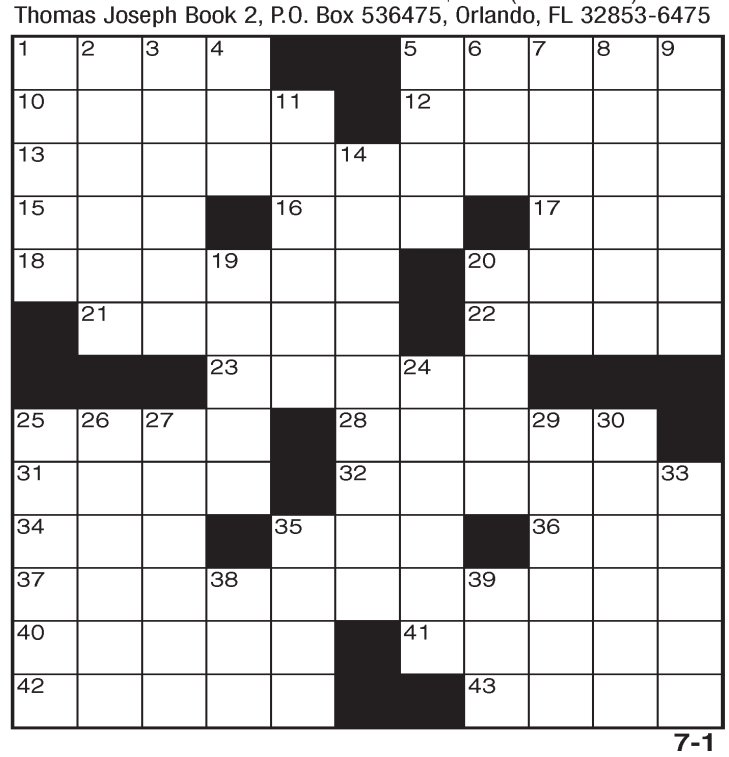

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## DAILY LOTTERY

Draw Date: 6/28
**8 12 34 43 56**
**Power#: 9**
**Jackpot:** $90M

Draw Date: 6/27
**15 29 31 46 64**
**Mega#: 10**
**Jackpot:** $15M

Draw Date: 6/28
**18 27 29 38 42**
**Mega#: 24**
**Jackpot:** $17M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 6/30
**6 10 16 27 34**

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 6/30
**MIDDAY: 9 0 4**
**EVENING: 7 6 8**

Draw Date: 6/30
**1st: 08 Gorgeous George**
**2nd: 12 Lucky Charms**
**3rd: 03 Hot Shot**
**RACE TIME: 1:49.70**

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## NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ U.S. District Judge Richard Kopf of Omaha, Nebraska, trying to be helpful, he said, advised female lawyers appearing in his courtroom to lower their hemlines and cover their cleavage because males, including Judge Kopf himself, are "pigs." Writing in his personal blog in March, he said, "I have been a dirty old man ever since I was a very young man" and that the women in his office are similarly contemptuous of daringly dressed female lawyers. The lifetime-tenured judge later said he regretted any harm to the judiciary that his remarks might have caused.

■ Almond Upton, 60, charged with murder for "intentionally" striking a New York state trooper in May with his pickup truck, denied everything. He told reporters following his first court appearance that he is bewildered by the accusation: "I was (close to) the Connecticut border, and all of a sudden, I'm in Binghamton, New York (about 140 miles from Connecticut), and this cop got killed, I don't know how it happened. It had to be a time warp."

## TODAY IN HISTORY

**1980** – "O Canada" officially becomes the national anthem of Canada.

**1981** – The Wonderland murders occurred in the early morning hours, allegedly masterminded by businessman and drug dealer Eddie Nash.

**1983** – A North Korean Ilyushin Il-62M jet en route to Conakry Airport in Guinea crashes into the Fouta Djallon mountains in Guinea-Bissau, killing all 23 people on board.

**1984** – The PG-13 rating is introduced by the MPAA.

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