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HOMELESS ISSUES



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IN NEED: **A homeless man sits on the corner of Victoria Avenue and Lincoln Boulevard in Venice Thursday afternoon. St. Joseph Center on Thursday unveiled a new project aimed at securing housing and supportive services for 40 of the most vulnerable homeless people.**

Housing Venice's most vulnerable homeless

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

VENICE Somewhere on the streets lives a 59-year-old man who once served his country in the armed forces, today fighting a different kind of enemy — cancer, hepatitis C and kidney and liver diseases.

Out of all the homeless individuals living in Venice, he's considered to be the most at risk of dying.

He is just one of 98 chronically homeless men and women recently identified by St. Joseph Center and New York-based Common Ground as being the most medically vulnerable, needing both shelter and social services to have a chance at surviving.

St. Joseph Center on Thursday unveiled a new project aimed at securing housing and supportive services for 40 of the individuals over the next two years, using approximately $724,000 in funds from L.A. County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky's office, The Venice Chronic Homeless Intervention Project follows in the footsteps of the supervisor's Project 50, aimed at finding housing for the most vulnerable in Skid Row, and a similar initiative in Santa Monica to take the top 10 most at-risk homeless individuals off the streets.

The county's project has been replicated in more than a dozen cities across the county.

Volunteers went out in the early morning hours and interviewed 222 homeless people over three consecutive days in May, taking their pictures and noting their general demographics, employment history, institutional abuse and health risk factors. Those who completed the interview were given a coupon to McDonald's.

"Once you're out there and you see the people and look in their face, you just can't turn around," Va Lecia Adams, the executive director of St. Joseph Center, said.

The surveyed homeless were evaluated on a vulnerability index consisting of several

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Overhauling homework guidelines a tough sell

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQTRS Despite months spent overhauling the district's homework policy, a new set of guidelines might not be ready in time for the start of the school year after a concerned Board of Education on Wednesday sent a draft version back to its staff for more tinkering.

The board had issues with a number of areas, including a formula for the number of hours that students should spend on assignments, and certain verbiage that was reportedly removed by the Santa Monica Malibu Classroom Teachers Association over issues of academic freedom.

A committee of school administrators, teachers and parents have spent the past several months reviewing and modifying the existing policy after the district received concerns from parents and the Health and Safety District Advisory Committee that students receive an inordinate amount of homework, arguing that it takes children away from valuable time with their families.

School board members directed staff to facilitate more meetings with the homework committee, placing an emphasis on a collaborative process between teachers and parents to address concerns over several specific areas that were originally included in a draft revision but removed in the most recent iteration. That included language which emphasized quality over quantity when handing out assignments, and that teachers may receive training in designing relevant, challenging and meaningful assignments that reinforce classroom learning objectives.

Board members asked that the committee consider adding the language back.

Several parents at the meeting expressed concerns that the language was taken out.

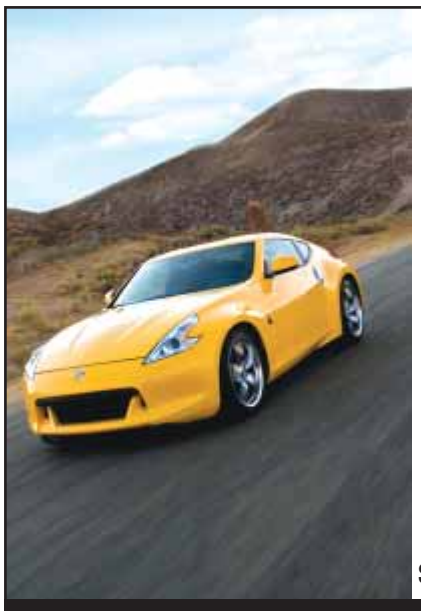
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SUBJECT: Public hearings will be held by the Landmarks Commission on the following applications:

2125 Arizona Avenue, LC-09LM-001, Zoning: R-2 (Low Density Multiple Family Residential) District. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Landmark Designation Application 09LM-001, at 2125 Arizona Avenue, to determine whether the commercial structure, in whole or in part, should be designated as a City Landmark. The Landmarks Commission will make a decision regarding designation based on whether the application, research and public testimony presented show that the structure meets one or more of the required criteria for Landmark designation. Applicant: City of Santa Monica Landmarks Commission. Owner: Wise & Healthy Aging. ***(Continued from the May 11, 2009 Meeting).***

405 Palisades Avenue, LC-09LM-003, Zoning: R-1 (Single Family Residential) District. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Landmark Designation Application 09LM-003, at 405 Palisades Avenue, to determine whether the residential structure, in whole or in part, should be designated as a City Landmark. The Landmarks Commission will make a decision regarding designation based on whether the application, research and public testimony presented show that the structure meets one or more of the required criteria for Landmark designation. Applicant: Scott Cohen. Owner: Scott Cohen.

When: **Monday, July 13, 2009 at 7:00 pm**

Where: City Council Chambers, City Hall, Room 213
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica

City of Santa Monica

Questions/Comments
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment on this and other projects. You or your representative, or any other persons may comment on the application at the Public Hearing, or by writing a letter addressed to Scott Albright, AICP, Senior Planner, City Planning Division, 1685 Main Street, Room 212, Santa Monica, California, 90401-3295. Or, you may contact Mr. Albright by phone at (310) 458-8341 or by email at scott.albright@smgov.net.

More Information
The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. If you have any disability-related accommodation requests, please contact (310) 458-8341 or TTY (310) 458-8696 at least three days prior to the event. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Bus Lines 1, 2, 3 and 7 serve City Hall. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the Challenge may be limited only to those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

Espanol
Este es un aviso de una audiencia publica para considerar la designación de una propiedad en la ciudad como un monumento histórico. Para mas información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-8341.

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS



Friday, July 3, 2009

LivingHomes tour
2914 Highland Avenue, 1 p.m. — 2 p.m.
Explore the first LivingHome in Santa Monica and learn about sustainable home design. Visit www.livinghomes.net for more information.

Saturday, July 4, 2009

Parade down Main
Main Street
9:30 a.m. — 11:30 a.m.
Join community groups, sports teams and more as they march in the third annual Fourth of July Parade. The stage will be located near the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium. Call (310) 452-5700 for more information.

Healthy Life planning meeting
Healthy Life Santa Monica
520 Broadway, Suite 350, no time listed
Healthy Life will address workshop coordination, volunteer opportunities and marketing, street team and Web site updates at this general meeting. Meetings are open to the public, but please register at healthylife.eventbrite.com as there is limited seating.

Sunday, July 5, 2009

Antique and collectible market
Santa Monica Airport
3050 Airport Avenue, 8:00 a.m. — 3 p.m.
Talk with dealers and browse rugs, furniture, antiques, jewelry, decorative items, chandeliers, art, vintage clothes, linens and more. Entrance is $4. For more information, visit www.santamonicaairportantiquemarket.com.

'Cinderella: The Musical'
Santa Monica Playhouse
1211 Fourth St., 12:30 p.m.
Experience the 25th anniversary of this romantic classic during the Year of the Glass Slipper, a celebration of all things Cinderella. Admission for kids under 12 is $10.50 and for adults $12.50. For more information, visit www.santamonicaplayhouse.com.

Healing aloud
Miles Memorial Playhouse
1130 Lincoln Blvd., 2 p.m.
Come out for this festival, which aims to give voice to the health needs of Los Angeles. Performance, speech and dance acts reveal tales of struggle across L.A. and the nation. Tickets cost between $10 and $20. For more information, visit www.teada.org.

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.

Schwarzenegger: Lawmakers are protecting unions

JUDY LIN
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO California's Democratic-led Legislature is putting union interests over taxpayers' well-being, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger said Thursday as the state started printing IOUs for the first time in nearly 20 years.

The Republican governor said Democrats have resisted reforms he believes must be part of solving the state's $26.3 billion shortfall. Democrats said he's trying to preserve his legacy with 18 months left in office.

"The legislators' failure to act on these proposals sends a message to Californians that says, 'We want you to make the sacrifices but we in Sacramento don't want to make any sacrifices or any changes,'" Schwarzenegger said during a press conference in Fresno.

"Protecting the special interests who benefit from our dysfunctional system was more important to them than solving our deficit," he said.

Democrats said they are willing to compromise on the governor's ideas but insist they will protect children's health insurance, welfare-to-work and human assistance programs. Assembly Speaker Karen Bass said the deficit has taken a back seat to the governor's reform agenda.

"The first priority is fixing the budget and it seems as though ... the governor's priority now is about fixing his legacy," said the Los Angeles Democrat.

The governor recently proposed changes to cut state employees' pensions and adopt fraud-prevention measures for in-home caregivers and those who receive support services. Senate President Pro Tem Darrell Steinberg said while it makes sense to fingerprint workers, it may not make sense to require fingerprints from seniors and the disabled, such as a quadriplegic.

"I'm not sure that particular reform is necessary," said the Sacramento Democrat.

The governor on Wednesday ordered some 235,000 state employees to take a third day off a month without pay, a move that would cut their pay by 14 percent.

"We have to get rid of the waste. We cannot promise things to people that we can't deliver," Schwarzenegger said at a Los Angeles press conference earlier Thursday.

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TAKING IT IN



Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

HOT SPOT: **Customers wait for their chance to order during the lunch time rush at Bay Cities Deli on Lincoln Boulevard Thursday afternoon.**

Godmother of delis

Editor's Note: This is a series in which Daily Press writers overhear and observe happenings around Santa Monica.

BY EMMA TROTTER
Special to the Daily Press

LINCOLN BLVD. A blond woman in black jeans strode purposefully down Broadway on Wednesday, quickening her pace as she approached a flashing orange hand at the Lincoln crosswalk. After crossing, she headed to the right, past a man in white sweeping the already clean-looking sidewalk. She climbed a few steps and entered Bay Cities, a well-known deli that has served Santa Monica since 1925.

Bay Cities is popular with locals as well as newcomers, said manager Hector Padilla.

"It's the only deli around that's a real home deli," he said, "especially for people who transplant from the East Coast." The deli serves Italian, Greek, Argentinean, Middle Eastern, French and Hungarian foods, among others.

It's 11 a.m., but the lunch hour rush has already begun. Ten patrons have pulled numbers and wait in line to place sandwich orders.

"Number two. Number two, number three. Number four," calls a man behind the sandwich counter. A girl in tight jeans and black boots leans against the glass display as she places her order. Level with her waist, mountains of salad and pasta await hungry mouths.

"We make a really good sandwich," Padilla said. The Godmother — with salami, mortadella, capicola, prosciutto, ham and provolone — is by far Bay Cities' most popular sandwich, and Padilla said the fresh-baked bread with a hard crust but chewy center is also a draw.

The clink of bottles cuts in over the music playing in the background and the sizzling noise of something frying. One customer stocks up on imported drinks, which are refrigerated along the back wall of the store under a banner that reads "Budweiser Select: Best Sandwiches in Town."

Narrow aisles are crammed full of bottled pickles, hot sauces, salad dressings, fresh and packaged pastas, chocolates and nuts. There are separate departments for cheese and wine.

A couple, arms around each other, examines the drink selection. Her dyed bangs match his blue sweatshirt.

"If you buy two, that's like getting the big one," he says.

By 11:15 a.m., the line has swollen to

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In a flap about birds

Editor:

I visit my 95-years-young mother every two months to keep her company for a week and make sure her house here in Santa Monica is in ship shape. For this Mother's Day visit, I decided to install a bird feeder for her enjoyment. PETCO on Wilshire Boulevard had the exact same feeder I have in Dallas. I carried it to Oma's house, filled it with wild bird seed and suspended it from a tree branch in her backyard.

Five days later I am still looking for bird one.

In Dallas, my feeder was covered up almost immediately with hungry doves, cardinals, blue jays, sparrows, thrushes and even a red headed woodpecker. My trees resonate with bird songs and my feeder is a platform for nutrition, romance, dominance displays and sharing. Here in Santa Monica I see mockingbirds and phoebes fly by (these don't eat seeds) and overhead crows are abundant. Hummingbirds abound. A squirrel has done some proximity work. Oma reports that blue jays, sparrows, finches and doves used to be plentiful, but apparently no longer. My sister-in-law suggests that uncontrolled use of herbicides and lawn chemicals is to blame.

Your mockingbirds sing bravely at all hours, they are after all the state bird of Texas. But Santa Monica, what have you done to your wild birds? And what's with all the crows?

Philip B. Mendershausen
Dallas, Texas

Grow up

Editor:

I read Steve "the Mailman" Breen's column because it is usually funny. I seldom agree with his point of view, but he does have some talent with words and coming up with funny expressions. I'm a strong supporter of the First Amendment. He is entitled to his opinion, although I sometimes wonder what planet he's from with his interpretations of events. In his July 1 column, "Weenie dog diplomacy," he referred to the president of the United States as "our King of Kielbasa from Mombassa." That steps way over the line of good taste or intelligence. It also smacks of racism. Intelligent people do not stoop to derogatory name calling. And, if he wants a second opinion, he is not the best looking mailman at the U.S. Post Office. For that matter, he is not even up to date. It is not mailman; it is mail carrier. Breen should grow up and start acting like an adult living in 2009.

Jeanne Laurie
Santa Monica

Cheap tricks

Editor:

Reading the ever fascinating and always insulting diatribes of the U.S. Post Office's "Nattering Nabob of Negativity," I noticed that he voices outrage over what he feels is President Obama's inadequate protest to the tragic martyrdom of Neda Soltan, which he claims is not worthy of the USA, a nation he describes as being, amongst other things, "the leader of the free world" and "that shining city on the hill," I could not help wondering if Steve Breen is old enough to remember the Kent State massacre of May 4, 1970, an unspeakably horrifying overreaction to a peace march by American troops which took place during the tenure of President Nixon. Please note I give Nixon his correct title even though it would be easy to indulge in cheap, "tricky" alliteration.

N. John Gazey
Santa Monica





The Soap Box

Bennet Kelley

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The GOP's road to perdition

IN "THE ART OF WAR," CHINESE philosopher Sun Tzu states that "the opportunity of defeating the enemy is provided by the enemy himself." Watching Congressional Republicans' response to President Obama to date, I am left to wonder "when did the GOP become so generous?"

I image at the initial GOP strategy meetings in January that they were briefed by pollsters on data showing that nearly four out of five voters thought the country was heading in the wrong direction; only 17 percent approved of President Bush's economic policies, 70 percent of Americans believed that the GOP should work with the new president and 66 percent of independents thought the party should move toward the center.

Once the pollsters left the room, my guess is that is when they broke out the Kool-Aid. How else do you explain the party's decision to block President Obama and label him as a socialist, while calling for continued adherence to the Bush policies that yielded the worst job creation record of any president since Hoover. Not to mention proclaiming the infallibility and curative power of the free market after a period in which risky subprime lending had led to a financial meltdown, a collapse in the stock market that destroyed 45 percent of global wealth and job losses nearly equal to the entire population of Los Angeles.

This decision was not a "Profile in Courage," but an act of willful and destructive blindness. Motivated by ideology and a fear that if Obama succeeded the Democrats, as Rep. Bachmann warned, would "secure a power base that … can never be defeated," Republicans stood firmly against any government spending despite a Moody's analysis that Obama's infrastructure spending would provide three times the stimulus over the Bush tax cuts (which would yield less than 50 cents for each dollar in tax cuts).

After the "S" word attack backfired, as it was ridiculed by Republicans outside the Beltway as "stupid" and "absurd" and only increased public approval for socialism, you would think the GOP would have shown some caution before opposing the first Hispanic Supreme Court nominee who had 2-1 public support. Once again, cries of "Hey Kool-Aid" were heard in the Republican caucus, and the party then proceeded to play the race card on Judge Sotomayor, which only increased the public perception of the GOP as the Southern White Man's Party.

Surely the GOP would not be as foolish when it came time to debate health care. Especially when 72 percent of Americans favor a government run health plan — including 50 percent of Republicans, while only 13 percent of Americans have a favorable opinion of HMOs.

Kool-Aid appears to be in ample supply, however, as the GOP's principal response has been to continue to rely on the "S" word, trumpet HMOs and the private sector as the solution to all problems and dismiss the government's ability to provide comparable care.

This is another instance of willful blindness as the reality is that the largest government provider — the Veterans Administration — consistently outperforms private providers in customer satisfaction surveys and a New England Journal of Medicine study examining the VA using 11 separate measures of quality found the VA to be "significantly better" than private providers on all measures. Similarly, Medicare was found to have substantially lower admin costs than its private sector counterparts.

For Republicans, these facts are meaningless as long as they continue to follow William Kristol's 1993 admonition to block any healthcare proposal in order to prevent the revival of the Democrats reputation as "the generous protector of middle-class interests."

The upcoming healthcare debate will prove to be a critical test for both parties, but it presents a potential no-win situation for the GOP. If President Obama is able to pass a healthcare bill, the Republicans may see William Kristol's warning come true.

While the defeat of the Clinton health plan led to the GOP takeover in Congress in 1994, this is not 1994. Approval for today's GOP has plummeted to record lows in recent polls. More ominous is the fact that their base may be deserting them as 41 percent of Republicans disapprove of their Congressional leaders. Life-long Republicans like Waldport, Ore. Mayor Herman Welch have left the party citing the Beltway's Republicans adherence to placing "worn out ideology" over the interests of the country.

Unlike 1994, today's GOP is on the road to perdition, not revival. After five months, the Congressional Republicans have been out of step with the public on every major issue. Blocking Obama's health plan may lead to a backlash that only accelerates the party's descent and come November Democrats will "reward" them handsomely for their generosity.

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Laughing Matters

Jack Neworth

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Grilling the Bush administration

WHAT A WEEK IT WAS. MONDAY, Bernie Madoff was sentenced to 150 years, meaning he could get out of jail when he turns 221. His wife, Ruth, forfeited all but $2.5 million. Poor thing. She now takes the subway (not a limo) to visit Bernie in the slammer. Perhaps even worse, she's been banned from the beauty salon where she gets her hair done.

As per the transition agreement, on Tuesday the U.S. withdrew its forces from Iraqi cities. Sounds great except that the Iraqi troops are nowhere near ready to keep the peace. Oh, well. Also on Tuesday, former Sen. Norm Coleman (R- Minn.) graciously conceded victory to Al Franken. This after stalling in the courts for only eight months.

More Tuesday news. Under "poor timing," Joe Jackson, in commenting on his son Michael's death, mentioned his new record company. Under "When you're in a hole, stop digging," Gov. Mark Sanford (R- S.C.), trying to save his marriage, still refers to his Argentinean mistress as his "soul mate."

Today marks two important events. It's my friend Margie Currie's birthday and Manny Ramirez' return to the Dodgers. If it seems hypocritical that I'm welcoming back a substance cheater, it is. In the meantime, happy birthday, Margie!

Tomorrow is July Fourth, marking our nation's 233rd birthday. Actually you could say we don't look a day over 200, except for a few collapsing bridges here and there. In Santa Monica the Fourth means beach, BBQ's, hot dogs and hamburgers (or tofu burgers). With friends, I'll be strolling down by the beach to view the fireworks, hoping to stay out of the line of fire.

The Fourth is also a patriotic observance, though some years are more difficult for me than others (like the last eight). As Mark Twain noted, "Loyalty to the nation all the time, loyalty to the government when it deserves it."

Actually, the most patriotic thing we can do these days is to have a "truth commission" to learn how we bungled our way into the war in Iraq and how to avoid future such mistakes. I thought Vietnam had accomplished that, but I was obviously wrong.

So far we've lost 4,323 American GI's, the latest on June 29. The total cost of the war will likely hit $5 trillion as we care for some vets for the rest of their lives: 320,000 have suffered brain injuries and 18 commit suicide daily. And, aside from Exxon, British Petroleum, Halliburton and Blackwater, who has benefited most from the war? Iran! They're now the dominant power in the region. Ah, the irony.

While Obama only wants to "look forward," I think that's short sighted. I suggest, however, that we limit spending on this investigation to $80,000,000, the exact amount spent on Bill Clinton. Knowing the truth about the war should be as important as knowing the truth about Monica's stained dress.

The main "intelligence" for the invasion came from an Iraqi defector with the code name "Curveball." He was brought to us by Ahmed Chalibi, a convicted embezzler, whom we paid $350,000 a month (whom we now disavow). The Germans informed us that Curveball was an alcoholic and probably psychotic. Who better to believe when not looking for the truth?

After 9/11, the then president asked counter terrorism czar Richard Clarke what was Iraq's involvement and was told there was none. The president insisted, "Look again!" Clarke did and the answer was the same. Given that, invading Iraq after 9/11 would have been like invading Mexico after Pearl Harbor.

And what was Dick Cheney doing at CIA headquarters so often he practically set up a cot? I thought the CIA's job was to report the facts to an administration, not the other way around.

When Joe Wilson confirmed that Saddam hadn't attempted to purchase yellow cake uranium he was attacked. Why? And why did Cheney & Co. "out" Wilson's wife, Valerie Plame (destroying her CIA career and the front company, Brewster-Jennings)? After all, even the Mafia doesn't go after family.

And why in an "elective" war did we send too few troops and so poorly equipped? Why did we say we water boarded detainees three times when it was hundreds? (Why at all?) Why did we ignore the Geneva Convention or the FISA law when spying on our citizens? Why did the military lie to Mary Tillman about her son Pat's death? And why, six years later, has no one been held accountable for any of this?

Where was Republican congressional oversight? Pat Buchanan called them "The most corrupt group in 50 years." Even with Democrats in power, apparently the people are disinterested. My guess is that some are wondering if Manny will lead the Dodgers to the World Series, while others are wondering where Ruth Madoff is going to get her hair done.

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The Q Line

Special delivery

The U.S. Postal Service is considering reducing mail deliveries to just five days a week, a departure from the traditional six.

So this week's Q-Line question asks:

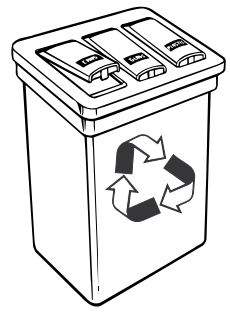
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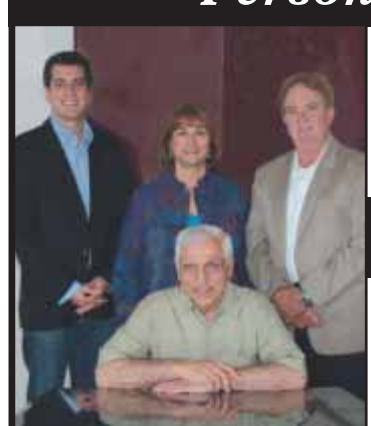
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TIME: **10:30 a.m., Tuesday, July 14, 2009**

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Room 213, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica

A Public Hearing will be held by the Zoning Administrator of the City of Santa Monica at the above noted time and place in regard to the following requests:

SUBJECT OF HEARING:

Variance 09-008, 1458 14th Street. The applicant requests approval to allow a subterranean garage parking arrangement that involves two parking spaces in a tandem configuration. The tandem arrangement would allow compliance with the seven (7) parking spaces required to operate a proposed 1,803 square foot dental clinic located on the ground floor. Pursuant to SMMC Section 9.04.20.10.030(b), the applicant may request a modification to the off-street parking requirements to allow for a tandem parking configuration. [Planner: Grace Cho] **APPLICANT/PROPERTY OWNER: Santa Monica Housing Investors, L.P.**

Any person may comment at the Public Hearing, or by writing a letter to the City Planning Division, Room 212, P.O. Box 2220, Santa Monica, CA 90407-2220. Plans are available for public review at the City Planning Division. For more information, please contact the City Planning Division at (310) 458-8341. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 64009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing. The meeting facility is accessible. If you have any disabilities related request, contact at (310) 458-8341 or TTY (310) 458-8696 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, #4, #7 and #8 serve the City Hall.

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CRIME WATCH
BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

What a switch: Woman bites dog

Crime Watch is a weekly series culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, AT 5:15 P.M.,
Officers responded to the 2600 block of 11th Street regarding an assault and battery that just occurred. Upon arrival, officers said they observed a female sitting on the back of a dog, biting its ear. The female allegedly refused to get off the dog, forcing officers to physically remove her. During the altercation, the suspect's two dogs began fighting with each other, witnesses said. The suspect attempted to break up the fight by choking one dog and biting the other, police said. The suspect was booked for assault with a deadly weapon and cruelty to animals. She was identified as BS, 29, from Santa Monica. Her bail was set at $30,000.

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, AT 7:31 P.M.,
Officers observed a vehicle being driven with expired registration in the 2600 block of Lincoln Boulevard. Officers attempted to stop the driver, activating their emergency lights and siren. The driver allegedly continued to drive and did not notice the lights or siren. As the officers pulled up next to the vehicle, the driver saw the officers. Upon contact, the officers believed the driver was under the influence. The suspect, Yara Fretias, 31, from Los Angeles, was transported to the Santa Monica Jail and booked for driving while intoxicated, expired registration and no proof of insurance. No bail was set.

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, AT 7:35 P.M.,
Officers responded to the 1400 block of Seventh Street regarding suspicious individuals. When officers arrived, they made contact with two women who said they were inside their apartment when they saw a suspect climbing onto the balcony. The women confronted the suspect, who fled to where another man was waiting. Officers located the suspects in an adjacent carport. Both suspects were in possession of bicycles that the officers believed were stolen. The suspect, Jorge Galvez, 18, of Hollywood, was booked for possession of stolen property, prowling and possession of marijuana. His bail was set at $20,000. The other suspect, Jose Gonzales, 19, of Los Angeles, was booked for possession of stolen property, prowling and a probation violation. His bail was set at $20,000.

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, AT 12:30 P.M.,
Officers were investigating a massage parlor in the 1800 block of 14th Street that was allegedly operating without a permit and had advertised on Craigslist, a Web site featuring a section in which people can post offers to have sex in exchange for money. By posing as clients, officers were able to determine that the suspects inside were operating the business without a permit. One of the officers was allegedly offered sex during his massage session. Officers placed three people under arrest. The first suspect, Hyun Lee, 39, of Los Angeles was booked for operating a business without a license. Her bail was set at $250. The second suspect was identified as Kyung Lee, 34, of Los Angeles, who was booked for prostitution. Her bail was set at $2,000. The third suspect was identified as Cinthia Ortega, 22, of Downey, who was booked for not having a massage permit. Her bail was set at $250.

FRIDAY, JUNE 26, AT 5:40 P.M.,
Officers responded to the 1300 block of Wilshire Boulevard – Rite Aid – regarding a report of a shoplifting suspect in custody. When officers arrived, they made contact with store security who said they saw the suspect remove an item from a shelf and place it inside his jacket pocket. The suspect then allegedly picked up another item, went to the cashier and paid for it. Security guards stopped the suspect once he was outside the store and searched his jacket, recovering the stolen item. The suspect, Jesus Amador, 41, a transient, was arrested and booked for petty theft and outstanding warrants. The item recovered was valued at $82.99. Bail was set at $1,866.

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, AT 4:20 P.M.,
Officers responded to the 300 block of Colorado Avenue – Sears – regarding a shoplifting suspect in custody. When officers arrived, they made contact with store security who said two women entered the store acting suspicious. Security guards trailed the suspects and watched as the two went into a dressing room with clothes and then left a few minutes later with no clothes. Security guards found a security tag in the dressing room, but no clothes. Once outside the store, security detained the suspects and recovered the stolen items, valued at $206.92. The suspects were booked for burglary. The first suspect was identified as Bonecia Lenoir, 18, of Los Angeles She was also booked for contributing to the delinquency of a minor because the suspect was underage. Lenoir's bail was set at $20,000. The juvenile was released to her parents.

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St. Joseph Center plans to house 40 most vulnerable

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indicators, looking at whether they are over the age of 60, have HIV/AIDS, suffer from cirrhosis, and end stage renal disease. The index also takes into account the number of visits they have made to the emergency room and whether they are tri-morbid, meaning they have a mental illness, a history of substance abuse and other medical problems.

Respondents on average said they have been homeless for about 5.8 years, while the most vulnerable have been without shelter for 8.8 years. The longest reported length of homelessness was 36 years.

About 87 percent of respondents reported being a victim of a violent attack since becoming homeless.

The goal for the project is to house 25 of the most vulnerable in the next year, placing another 15 by the end of year two, tapping into Section 8 vouchers and reaching out to landlords on the Westside. A team consisting of a licensed therapist, mental health case manager, and social worker will go out and work with these individuals, Adams said. The team is in the process of identifying the 40 who will receive housing first.

Several of the surveyed have been housed, including a youth who received services at St. Joseph Center and has safely returned home to his family in Michigan. Another longer-term chronically homeless individual was placed in a facility in Los Angeles.

The program has been successful in other cities, including in Santa Monica where about 37 of the most vulnerable have been housed. About 56 people on Skid Row and 457 in Washington D.C. have also received housing and supportive services.

Julie Rusk, the human services manager for City Hall, said that the Venice survey provides an extra set of data for Santa Monica city officials to use. She added that contrary to a common perception, there is very little overlap between the homeless population in Venice and Santa Monica.

Yaroslavsky said that while the project isn't inexpensive, it's much cheaper for taxpayers than the alternative.

"Jail and emergency rooms cost a lot more than an apartment," he said.

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The Department of Public Health reminds L.A. residents to visit www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/beach or call (800) 525-5662 before heading to the beach. Ocean water is tested up to five times a week in order to provide up-to-date reports on water quality and sewage spills.

"Accurate knowledge about the cleanliness of L.A. County beaches will give you and your family peace of mind," said director of public health Jonathan E. Fielding, MD, in a press release. "You should not have to worry about the water that you're enjoying."

Safely celebrate National Clean Beaches Week on July 1 - 7 by observing the following precautions: wear sunscreen, swim near an on-duty lifeguard and stay at least 100 feet away from rocks and piers.

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A recipe for barbequing success

As the Fourth of July holiday approaches, many Southern Californians might be dusting off their grill and preparing to spend the holiday weekend enjoying picnics at the beach, or barbequing in the backyard. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health would like to remind cooks that combining warm temperatures and the great outdoors could be a recipe for disaster if the food is not properly handled.

"Barbeques or picnics are great opportunities to spend time with family and friends, but proper food handling techniques should be used to make sure the party is not spoiled by illness. Food contains bacteria that could cause food poisoning if the dishes are not properly prepared or cooked," said Jonathan E. Fielding, MD, MPH, director of public health and health officer. "Simple food safety precautions such as washing your hands before and after handling raw food and maintaining correct temperatures during and after cooking will ensure your guests walk away with great memories of a good meal instead of a nasty illness."

Some common symptoms that may be caused by food-borne illness include diarrhea, abdominal cramps, vomiting, dehydration and fever. Most of these illnesses are caused by three problems — allowing "cold" foods such as potato salad to get warm or "hot" foods such as casseroles or meatballs to get to room temperature, handling food with contaminated hands, and not cooking foods such as meat or chicken thoroughly.

Before barbequing or preparing food, it is important to always wash hands with hot water and soap, keep marinating food refrigerated, keep raw foods away from cooked food, keep perishable foods in the refrigerator and pre-heat the barbeque before cooking.

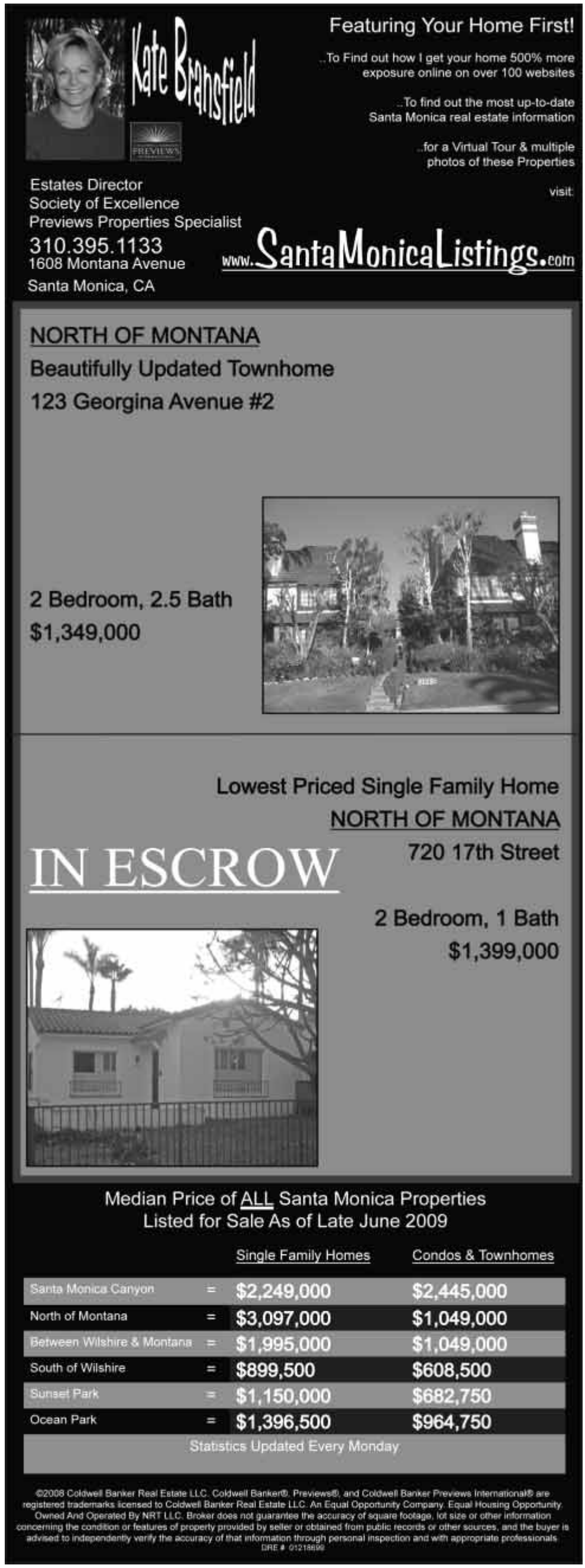
The temperature of food should be checked during the cooking process and after cooking food should be placed on clean trays, leftover marinade from raw food should not be used, food should be covered and leftovers refrigerated and eaten within two days.

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PULSE OF TRAFFIC

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Employees of the Terno Electric Co. finish installing a traffic light weight sensor on Colorado Avenue on Thursday. The sensor is designed to improve traffic flow this summer and beyond.

Recession hits state hard

FROM **BUDGET** PAGE 3

Key lawmakers are expected to work through the weekend, and Steinberg said he hoped to reach a compromise soon. The Senate is scheduled to resume Monday, but lawmakers were directed to stay within four hours of the Capitol over the holiday weekend.

"While it's clear we have had and continue to have real differences, it is time to bring this to a close," Steinberg said. "I think it'll take a couple of days but I think it will get done."

Lawmakers passed a budget in February for the fiscal year that began Wednesday, but a sharp decline in tax revenue quickly put it out of balance. The national recession has battered California's economy, leading to record-high unemployment and a 34 percent drop in personal income tax revenue during the first five months of the year.

With far less money flowing to the state, Democrats have found it difficult to protect core social programs and the jobs overseen by the public employee unions that make hefty donations to their campaigns.

At the same time, Schwarzenegger and Republican lawmakers refuse to raise taxes beyond those already increased in February. It's not clear how the sides will compromise to close the budget shortfall.

Democrats likely would have to accept deeper cuts beyond the ones they've proposed, while Republicans would have to accept the governor's ideas for an emergency services surcharge on property owners and borrow $2 billion from local governments.

The state controller began printing IOUs Thursday afternoon after lawmakers failed earlier this week to address the deficit. With revenue running well short of the state's spending obligations, California does not have sufficient cash to meet all its payment obligations.

The IOUs primarily will affect the thousands of small businesses that contract with the state for a variety of services, from providing office supplies to cleaning services. A state board set the interest rate at 3.75 percent for IOUs.

Lawmakers' failure to act before the fiscal year ended Tuesday widened the state's problem by $2 billion, in large part because of the state's complex education funding formula. A cost-cutting plan that would have prevented taxpayers from being locked into billions in future spending was passed on a bipartisan vote in the Assembly, but Senate Republicans blocked the bills with Schwarzenegger's blessing on the argument that it did not address the entire problem.

On Wednesday, the governor declared a fiscal state of emergency and ordered most state offices to close three days a month to conserve cash.

Schwarzenegger said Thursday he would not sign any bill that comes to his desk unless it pertains to the budget. Under the fiscal emergency order, if the Legislature fails to solve the deficit within 45 days, it cannot adjourn or act on other bills until the crisis is resolved.

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Local deli slammed by lunch rush

FROM DELI PAGE 3

about 25 people. Girls in spaghetti straps wait alongside a woman with a stroller and several men clutching drinks. One wears swim trunks.

Padilla says the worst is yet to come.

"If you really want to see the rush, come on Fridays," he advised. "And when it's sunny outside? Oh my god, it's sick. Let's just say you can't see to the other side — you literally have to push through the crowd or go around back just to get a drink."

A woman in workout gear and one in professional clothes wander the aisles, texting. Two women in high heels debate a cheese purchase. A man in sweats listens to his iPod as he unloads a basket of breads at the register.

"This is an odd size," remarks a girl holding a 16 oz. can of Coke.

"It's a good size," her friend replies. "You never see that." Both women are wearing fashionable tops and flat sandals.

Two boys in Dodgers gear stand across the store from a man in a Lakers jersey. A little girl sports an Angels cap.

"Everything in here is glass and not OK to touch," she says to her dad.

"That is a great idea, my friend," he replies.

A man carrying pasta, tuna and bread examines the soup selection carefully before making his choice. Padilla said that a lot of customers come in with recipes, cooking up fancy Italian dinners at home for half the price of an expensive dinner out — including wine.

The girl in the Angels hat picks up her dad's basket — it's about the size of her. The man's number — 30 — has just been called.

"Light on the lettuce," says one customer.

"Barely any dressing," requests another.

A woman in a blue printed skirt texts while her male companion watches. He pulls out his phone to make a call, and heads off in the direction of dishware and appliances.

A bleached blond man in a red polo mentions the Squirrel Nut Zippers, then remarks to two girls, "Let me show you this hot sauce, yo."

The girls — one dressed in a basketball jersey and heart-shaped sunglasses and the other sporting jean shorts with leggings — are more interested in potato chips.

"Just get your damn vinegar."

"I don't want it, can we get lightly salted?"

"OK, but they are not lightly salted."

The register line folds awkwardly along the front of the store, spilling up one of the aisles. A woman discusses her fear of commitment. A basket containing three packages of pasta lies abandoned near the cheese department. It's almost noon.

Outside, several groups eat at two lines of tables, one along the front of the store, facing Lincoln, and one along the side, facing the parking lot. The automatic doors hardly ever have time to close.

"Will she make it?" a girl asks, aiming her sandwich wrapper toward the garbage. "She scores!"

The line for hot food is now about five deep. The sandwich line hovers around 30. A woman in overalls wanders the aisles, clutching a diet Coke with lime.

"Number 67? Number 67."

By 12:15, the rush seems to have died down slightly.

"You can do whatever you want to the sandwich, just make it fantastic," jokes one customer.

A little boy makes a sound like an Olympic weight lifter as he hefts his mother's basket. A woman in gray sips from a liter bottle of water as she waits. By the time she checks out, the water has dipped just below the label.

"Number 99 in the house?"

At 1:15, the rush inside is beginning to fade, but front and side tables are still at capacity. A man discusses his beard-growing prospects. The woman with the neck brace departs with a younger man. A man in white sweeps the sidewalk — which has now begun to need the cleaning.

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Teachers union seeks to protect academic freedoms during overhaul

FROM HOMEWORK PAGE 1

Claudia Landis spoke of how her son's homework took time away from the family.

"By eighth grade, we had no family dinners," she said. "We certainly had no weekends."

She emphasized that quality be given consideration over quantity.

"I have to tell you there was a lot of busy work or work that was really mindless work that my son said 'why should I do this?'" Landis said.

Sarah Braff, a third grade teacher at Will Rogers Elementary School who served on the committee, said that homework has always been a tool used by teachers, and just in the same way that a principal would not tell a teacher to change a grade, they also wouldn't instruct what type of assignments to give to students.

"Of course we want to give them meaningful homework," Braff, who is the vice president of the teachers union, said. "Who among us is going to judge what is effective and not effective?"

Some school board members also expressed concerns with the formula developed for homework assignments.

The existing policy stated that there be no more than 5-10 minutes or 20-40 minutes a week for kindergarten, while the revised version states that 10 minutes a day be given for that grade.

The modification also proposes adding 10 minutes daily per grade level — 20 minutes daily for first grade, 30 minutes a day for second grade and so forth — while the existing policy gives a range — 10-20 minutes a day for first grade, 20-30 minutes a day for second grade.

Sally Chou, the chief academic officer, said that there were concerns about the set amount of time allotted, adding that one student might spend 10 minutes on an assignment while another might take half an hour.

She added that the time formula could raise issues for schools like Edison Language Academy, which instructs classes in both English and Spanish and would struggle with splitting homework in both languages by five minutes a piece.

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>
> **Claudia Landis**
> Parent

Some school board members said they had concerns with the proposed time schedule for homework in high school, which suggests 100 minutes daily for grade nine, going up 10 minutes a day, peaking at 120 minutes daily for juniors and seniors.

School board member Jose Escarce said that there is a lot of variance in high school where students take a different number of courses and different types, with some enrolled in honors and advanced placement classes that might come with more homework.

"Students who choose to take a harder course load need to go into it with an understanding that they have more homework than others," he said.

Staff plans to spend the next 120 days looking over the policy with the committee, bringing it back to the board sometime after September. Chou said that many administrators and teachers are already unavailable because of the summer break.

Harry Keiley, the president of the teachers union, said that he believes the discussion should be extended into the next school year.

"We think it's very important that teachers at the school sites have an opportunity to talk about what homework means to them and what their philosophy is depending on their grade level," he said.

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STREET CLOSURES
Main from Colorado to Pico 6AM to 12PM
Main from Pico to Marine 9AM to 12PM
Neilson at Marine 10AM to 11AM
Pico, Bay, Bicknell, Pacific, Strand, Hollister, Ocean Park, Hill, Ashland, Pier & Marine between 4th Street & Neilson Way 8AM to 12PM
Expect Bus Delays and Detours



SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 65°

Swell Forecast (3-4 FT)

Today is looking a bit weaker, perhaps waist high most everywhere. Winds should be light and variable in the AM, and onshore in the afternoon to 15 mph.

Long Range Synopsis

This weekend is expected to increase to chest high around most south facing breaks. Standout south facing spots can expect some pluses. West facing breaks will have to settle for wrap as very little NW energy is expected.

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 29, 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 -- 0
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 42 / ns
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 5 / 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
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lachusa and Los Aliso 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	A	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach	A+	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach	C	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth	C	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)	A	ns

LOCATION	DRY	WET
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	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain	A+	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier	C	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain	A	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

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.

The Beach Report Card is an indication of past water quality and is not a warranty of the current safety of those areas surveyed. Our lawyers are happy.

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA PLANNING COMMISSION

SUBJECT: A Public Hearing will be held by the Planning Commission on the following:

Appeal 08-016 of Fence, Wall, Hedge Modification 08-0004, 227 Bay Street. The appellant is appealing the Zoning Administrator approval of a hedge modification to permit a 67-inch hedge within the front yard setback area where a maximum of 42-inches is permitted by Code. On December 11, 2008 the Zoning Administrator approved the modification pursuant to SMMC Section 9.04.10.02.080(e). An appeal of the Zoning Administrator determination was filed on December 23, 2008. [Planner: Gina Szilak] **Appellant: Hali Parlar. Applicant/Property Owner: Anne E. Biege-Pearson.**

Appeal 08-010 of Use Permit 07-004, 404 San Vicente Boulevard. The appellant is appealing the Zoning Administrator's approval of Use Permit Application 07-004 that allowed the construction of an unmanned wireless telecommunication facility on the roof of an existing three-story multi-family residential building in the R2 (Low Density Multiple Family Residential) District. The proposed antennas do not comply with the requirement for non-parabolic antennas contained in the Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.04.10.06.110(a). Pursuant to SMMC Section 9.04.06.110(b), the Zoning Administrator and the Planning Commission on appeal, may approve modifications to the requirement for non-parabolic commercial antenna through the approval of a Use Permit application, provided certain criteria are met. [Planner: Lily Yegazu] **Appellant: Caroline Dixon & Roger Jackson. Applicant: Verizon Wireless. Property Owner: 404 San Vicente Home Owners Association.**

Conditional Use Permit 09-001, Variance 09-003, 2424 Main Street. The applicant is requesting a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow the operation of a restaurant with on-site consumption of alcoholic beverages located in the CM-2 (Main Street Commercial) zoning district. The 2,668 square foot restaurant includes seating for 86 customers, including a 847 square foot covered outdoor patio area located toward the rear of the property. To comply with off-street parking requirements, the applicant requests a parking variance to waive the number of spaces required for the restaurant. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.04.08.28.040(p), a Conditional Use Permit is required to allow the operation of a restaurant with fifty seats or more in the CM-2 district, and SMMC Section 9.04.10.18.020 which requires a Conditional Use Permit for the on-site sale and dispensation of alcohol. The Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on the proposed project on June 17, 2009. The Commission will consider the findings and conditions of approval for the proposed project. [Planner: Steve Mizokami] **Applicant: Naresh Mehra. Property Owner: Naresh Mehra, Jeffrey Cook, Sylvia Aroth.**

WHEN: **Wednesday, July 15, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.**

WHERE: Council Chambers, City Hall
1685 Main Street
Santa Monica, California

City of Santa Monica

HOW TO COMMENT

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the Planning Commission public hearing, or by writing a letter or e-mail. Information received prior to the hearing will be given to the Planning Commission at the meeting.

MORE INFORMATION

If you want additional information about this project or wish to review the project, please contact the Project Planner (310) 458-8341. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours or available on the City's web site at www.smgov.net. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. If you have any disability-related accommodation request, please contact (310) 458-8341, or TYY Number: (310) 458-8696 at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #7, #8, #9 and the Tide Ride service the City Hall. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
(323) 466-FILM

Double Feature: The Sting (NR) 2hrs 9min & Slap Shot (NR) 2hrs 3min

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade

The Taking of Pelham 123 (R) 1hr 44min
3:00, 5:35, 8:05, 10:35

Irene In Time (PG-13) 1hr 35min
11:40 a.m., 2:10, 4:40, 7:15, 9:50

Star Trek (PG-13) 2hrs 6min
12:05

The Hangover (R) 1hr 36min
12:10, 2:45, 5:20, 8:00, 10:30

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

AMC 7 Santa Monica
1310 Third St.
(310) 289-4262

The Proposal (PG-13) 1hr 48 min
10:55 a.m., 1:45, 4:25, 7:20, 10:10

Up (Digital 3-D) (PG) 1hr 36min
10:40 a.m., 1:30, 4:15, 7:10, 9:55

The Hangover (R) 1hr 36min
11:15 a.m., 1:50, 4:20, 7:05, 9:40

Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG-13) 2hrs 30min
11:00 a.m.,12:30, 2:30, 4:00, 6:00, 7:30, 9:30, 11:00

Public Enemies (R) 2hrs 23min
10:10 a.m., 12:20, 1:15, 3:40, 4:30, 7:00, 7:50, 10:15, 11:05

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
1332 Second St.
(310) 394-9741

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

Moon (R) 1hr 52min
1:50, 4:30, 7:30, 9:55

The Beaches of Agnes (NR) 2hrs 5min
1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50

The Girl From Monaco (R) 1hr 51min
1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 9:40

Mann's Criterion Theatre
1313 Third St.
(310) 395-1599

Year One (PG-13) 1hr 40min
12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10

Away We Go (R) 1hr 37min
11:40am, 2:10, 4:50, 7:10, 9:40

My Sister's Keeper (PG-13) 1hr 46min
11:10 a.m., 1:50, 4:40, 7:20, 9:00, 10:00

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) 1hr 27min
11:30am, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) 1hr 27min
11:00 a.m., 12:30, 1:30, 3:00, 3:50, 5:30, 6:30, 8:00, 10:30

For more information, e-mail news@smdp.com

Speak your mind, Libra

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Reach for the stars, knowing the potential available. Don't settle, even if you're a bit shaken up by an insight or heavy thought. Let that go. If you are triggered, detaching will be more effective. Tonight: A little too much fun and excess is good for the soul.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Teamwork is the key to growth. You might want to be open to the offer of someone who clearly cares a lot and can point you in the right direction. Ask yourself if control is the reason that you don't defer to this person's ideas. Good will surrounds you. Tonight: Dinner for two.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You might not realize it as you get out of bed, but you are feeling vibrant and clear. Others will make an extra effort toward you, but in their own way. Network and get to the bottom of an issue during a morning meeting. Tonight: Continue to make it a people day.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Listen to feedback from others. You could be slightly overwhelmed by what you have to do. Perhaps you might want to exercise and try out the word "no." You could be surprised by how well that might work. Tonight: TGIF. Join friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Basics count and allow you to use your imagination and ingenuity. You will want to tap into your imagination and head in a new direction. Feelings are extreme and jump back and forth. Tonight: Lighten up someone else's mood.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Perhaps you can take some time off today, as you would be happiest close to home. Extreme feelings mark a key bond. A friendship could become more of a romantic or flirtatious relationship. Tonight: Order in.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Keep talking and opening up to others. The more someone trusts you, the better off you are. Accept new technology, and open up to a better and more effective manner of proceeding. Tonight: Speak your mind.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Be aware of how much you want certain things to go one way. Realize that you don't have control over others. You do have a lot to offer, and others know it, even if they don't always acknowledge it. Tonight: Stick to your budget!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ You feel unusual energy, though you could waste it running around doing this or that. Try to focus on one issue at a time. Surprises head your way. Don't take a situation for granted. Tonight: All smiles, ready to christen the weekend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Take your time -- you could be tired and dragging. Investigate and see what is going on with strange communication. You are seeing windows to another person's soul. Someone demonstrates unusual caring. Tonight: Keep it low-key if possible.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Think positively about a friendship or a get-together. Worry less about money or whether you can afford this or that. Just relax, surrounded by your friends. How you see someone could change. Tonight: A little caring goes a long way.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Others seek you out for guidance and want to know which way to go. Your humor and caring come out. Be willing to help others pull their plans together. You might feel the need to bring others together. Tonight: All eyes turn to you.

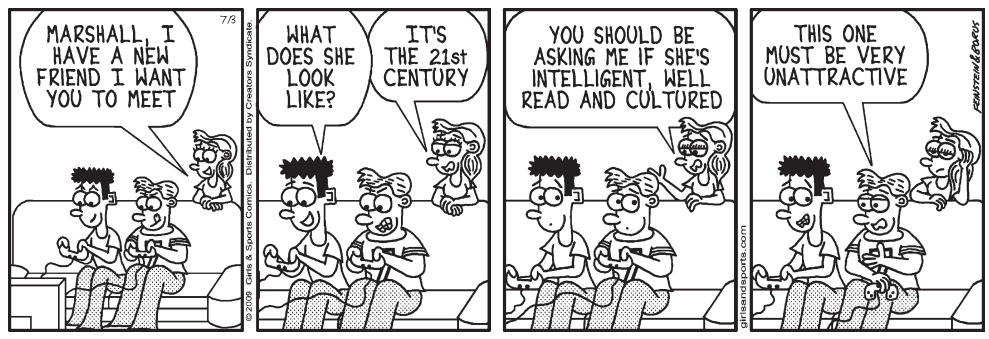
Happy birthday

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

This year, you might be unusually creative, finding paths to goals that most people never would have considered. You often go on overload, as so much gets tossed on your plate. You demonstrate the ability to be effective and organized and to use your imagination. This is a great mix. Bosses appreciate your unique capabilities and talents. Caring comes naturally, as you are very enticing to many. Others find you to be magnetic. Choices need to revolve around what type of relationship you want. If you are attached, the two of you need to pitch in and help each other, as much will be on your plate.

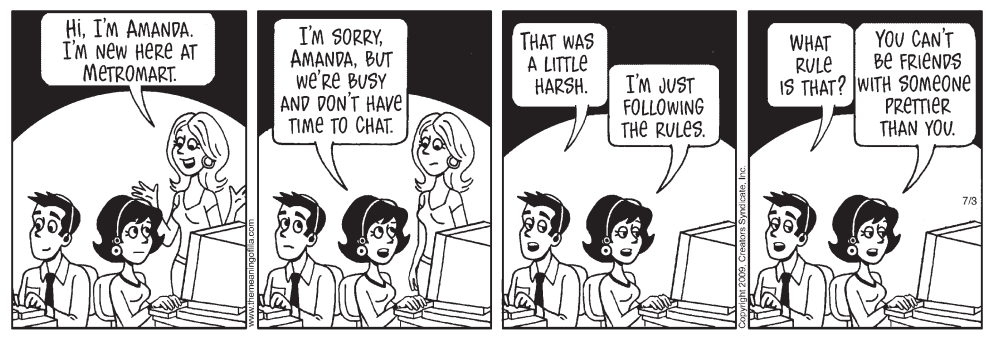
Girls and Sports

By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



The Meaning of Lila

By John Forgetta & L.A. Rose



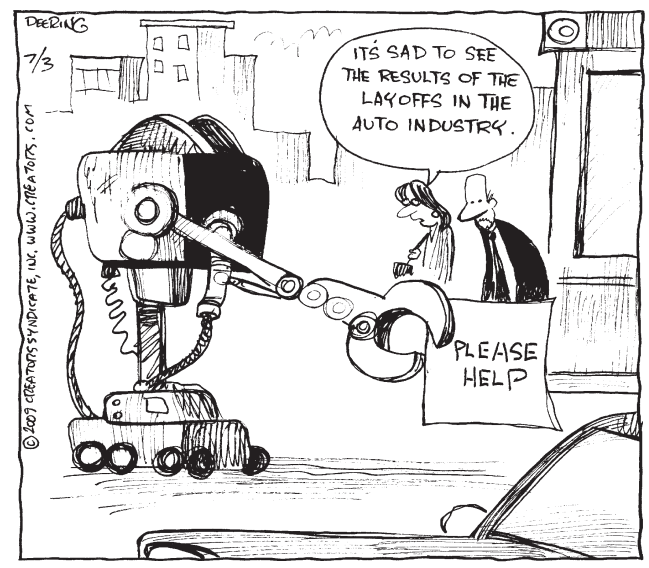
Garfield

By Jim Davis



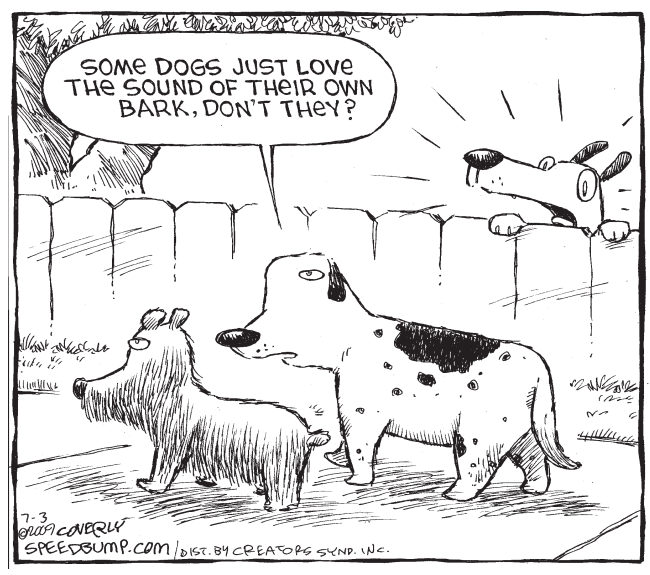
Strange Brew

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Speed Bump

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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 ★★★★

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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

7	2	8	1	9	5	6	3	4
4	3	9	2	6	7	1	8	5
1	6	5	3	4	8	7	9	2
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Holler
6 Unstated
11 Pithy
12 Photographer Walker
13 Old English forest
14 Fire starter
15 Opponent
16 Keg need
18 X look-alike
19 Tall tree
20 Chasm
21 That lady
22 Game official
24 Extremely
25 Eden attire
27 Choir voice
29 "Am I the problem here?"
32 Fan sound
33 Leaf lifter
34 Role for Harrison
35 Deplore
36 "My word!"
37 Easter find
38 Carrie's dad
40 Sweet treat
42 Actor — William Scott
43 "For want of — ..."
44 Secret meeting
45 "The Highwayman" poet

DOWN

1 Work groups
2 Gallant
3 Agenda
4 Try out
5 Camper's anchor
6 Entice
7 Gardner of film
8 Seafood restaurant special
9 Ruler divisions
10 Summer top
17 Fleet owner
23 Carnival city
24 Avril follower
26 Singer Gloria
27 Collar
28 Cosmetician Estée
30 Bart's sister
31 Marx's friend
33 Operative
39 Powerful bunch
41 Dos preceder

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Yesterday's answer

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DAILY LOTTERY

MEGA MILLIONS: 7 34 49 54 55
Meganumber: 34
Jackpot: $113M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS: 10 15 17 37 38
Meganumber: 17
Jackpot: $7M

Fantasy 5: 2 5 25 30 36

DAILY 3: MIDDAY: 5 2 9
EVENING: 6 6 7

DAILY DERBY:
1st: 03 Hot Shot
2nd: 01 Gold Rush
3rd: 10 Solid Gold
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Fine Points of the Law (1) Richard Balsavage, 28, pleaded guilty in Berks County, Pa., in 2005 to taking pornographic photos of a toddler and was sentenced to nine to 23 months in jail, which he served, but while still on probation, he continued to possess child pornography and was resentenced by a different judge, to 3 1/2 to seven years in prison. Balsavage then asked that judge for a re-sentencing, pointing out that he had not been given a fair opportunity to express remorse in court, and the judge relented. Balsavage then made a sorrowful apology, but it went for naught because the judge had subsequently learned that during therapy sessions, Balsavage had confessed to a history of abuse of young children. If Balsavage had not demanded re-sentencing, he might have been out in 3 1/2 years, but his new term was set at 24 1/2 to 49 years.

■ Least Competent Criminals (1) Brandon Hiser, 22, was arrested in Kansas City, Mo., in May for trying to break into a bank using only a screwdriver, which would be a daunting task any time but the bank Hiser was trying to enter was the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. (2) Ezedrick Jones, 18, was arrested in Memphis, Tenn., for the attempted robbery of the very same KFC from which he had recently been fired. Though masked, Jones was quickly recognized by his former manager via the mask's oversized eye holes, and throughout the robbery the manager kept addressing Ezedrick by name.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1863 The three-day Civil War Battle of Gettysburg in Pennsylvania ended in a major victory for the North as Confederate troops retreated.

1608 The city of Quebec was founded by Samuel de Champlain.

1775 Gen. George Washington took command of the Continental Army at Cambridge, Mass.

1890 Idaho became the 43rd state of the Union.

1898 The U.S. Navy defeated a Spanish fleet outside Santiago Bay in Cuba during the Spanish-American War.

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