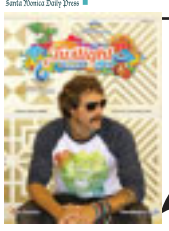
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Wild summer weather a sign of what's to come

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AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON Is it just freakish weather or something more? Climate scientists suggest that if you want a glimpse of some of the worst of global warming, take a look at U.S. weather in recent weeks.

Horrendous wildfires. Oppressive heat waves. Devastating droughts. Flooding from giant deluges. And a powerful freak wind storm called a derecho.

These are the kinds of extremes experts have predicted will come with climate change, although it's far too early to say that is the cause. Nor will they say global warming is the reason 3,215 daily high temperature records were set in the month of June.

Scientifically linking individual weather events to climate change takes intensive study, complicated mathematics, computer models and lots of time. Sometimes it isn't caused by global warming. Weather is always variable; freak things happen.

And this weather has been local. Europe, Asia and Africa aren't having similar disasters now, although they've had their own extreme events in recent years.

But since at least 1988, climate scientists have warned that climate change would bring, in general, increased heat waves, more droughts, more sudden downpours, more widespread wildfires and worsening storms. In the United States, those extremes are happening here and now.

So far this year, more than 2.1 million acres have burned in wildfires, more than 113 million people in the U.S. were in areas under extreme heat advisories last Friday, two-thirds of the country is experiencing drought, and earlier in June, deluges flooded Minnesota and Florida.

"This is what global warming looks like at the regional or personal level," said Jonathan Overpeck, professor of geosciences and atmospheric sciences at the University of Arizona. "The extra heat increases the odds of worse heat waves, droughts, storms and wildfire. This is certainly what I and many other climate scientists have been warning about."

Kevin Trenberth, head of climate analysis at the National Center for Atmospheric Research in fire-charred Colorado, said these

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Local real estate firm got breaks from assessor

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

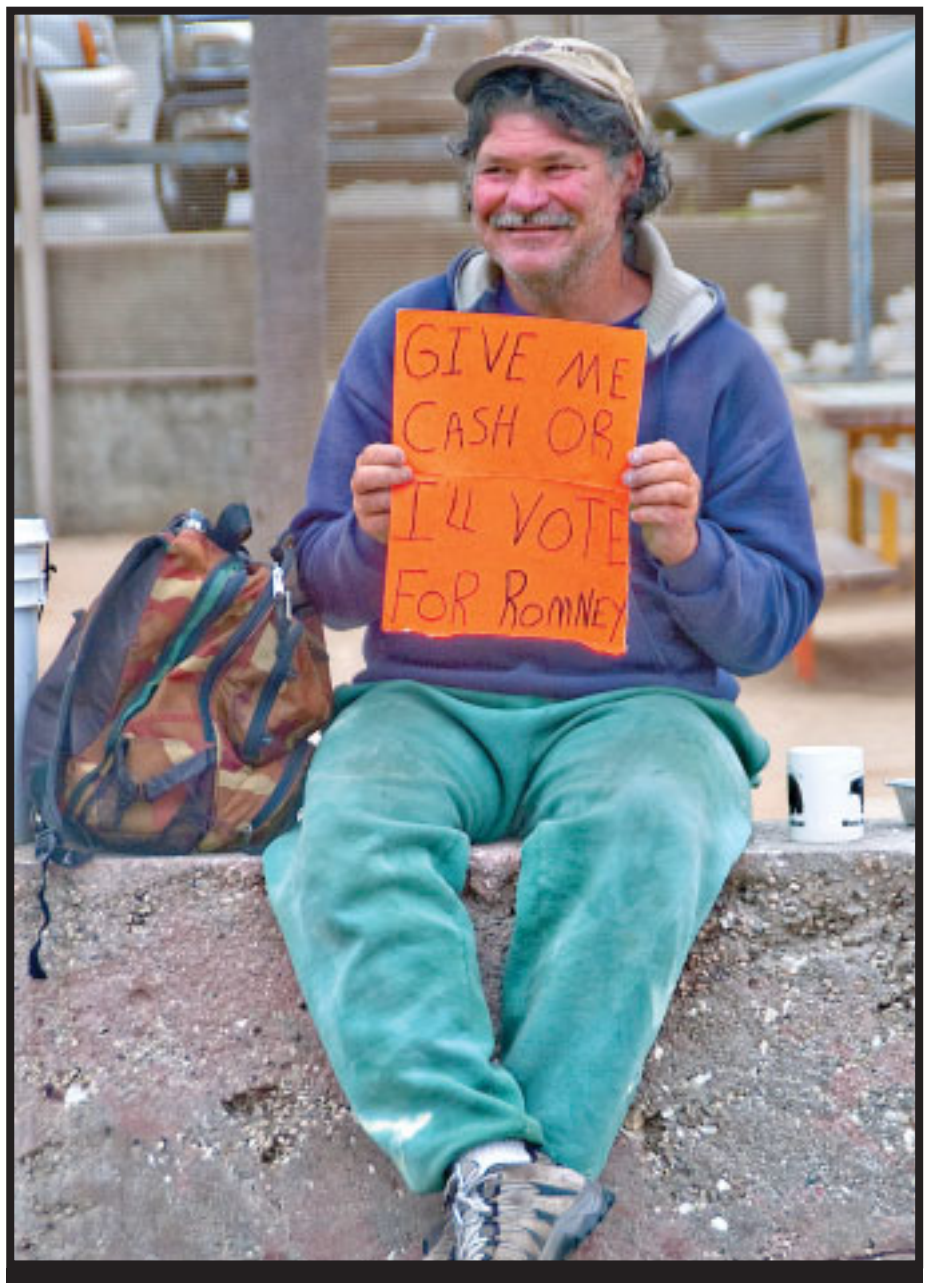
WILSHIRE BLVD Tax breaks given to a Santa Monica-based real estate firm have come under scrutiny of prosecutors investigating allegations of corruption within the Los Angeles County Assessor's Office, the Los Angeles Times reported Tuesday.

The Assessor's Office cut $307 million from the taxable value of properties held by Douglas Emmett, Inc. in 2011, roughly four times what the company had received in the last four years.

That saved the company in property taxes, money that flows to the county, city and state to fund basic services like education and public safety.

The reductions came under the watch of

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COMMENTARY

Fabian Lewkowicz *FabianLewkowicz.com*

Bill James, 55, holds a sign that reads, 'Give me cash or I'll vote for Romney,' at Ocean Front Walk on Tuesday. Apparently he's going for the Democrat candidate.

Theater company wants home for good

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
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BERGAMOT STATION By the end of the year, the Bergamot Station arts complex on the east end of Santa Monica will look radically different.

Track 16, a large building on the north end of the complex, will be demolished to make way for the coming Exposition Light Rail Line, and much of the area will be transformed by the construction.

If Charles Duncombe and Frederique Michel have anything to do with it, Bergamot Station will lose a gallery, but gain a theater.

Duncombe and Michel lead the City Garage theater group, a staple of the Santa Monica performing arts community for the past 15 years.

The company specializes in "adventurous, contemporary" work, including obscure European plays and reimaginings of ancient myths and legends, said Duncombe, the company's producing director.

"The goal is to make people think. The people we're reaching are the curious, and people who are not satisfied with mainstream culture. They go to the theater and like to come away with something to talk about," Duncombe said.

Little wonder, then, that the City Garage troupe was excited to leave the Third Street Promenade after 15 years in a back alley space to take up new digs in Tom Patchett's Track 16 Gallery at Bergamot Station.

The move allowed the company to collaborate with other visual artists in exciting new ways, like a faux gallery opening that synched with a performance of a play by American film director and playwright Neil LaBute.

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, July 4, 2012

Parade down Main
Main Street
Begins in front of the Civic Center, 9:30 a.m.
Santa Monica's sixth annual Fourth of July Parade will lead revelers down the popular street all in the name of patriotism. There will be flags a'wavin' and smiles on everybody's faces. For more information, visit www.opa-sm.org/parade.

Crawling on the Fourth
Main Street, 3 p.m. — 2 a.m.
Participants can crawl to a half a dozen bars during Santa Monica's all-day "Red, White and Brew" bar crawl, and indulge in drink specials at each location. Deals will include $3 beers, two-for-one mixed drinks and $5 shots of Jack Daniel's. Registration begins July 4, 3 p.m. — 10 p.m. at 31Ten Lounge. One the crawlers check in, they will be given a map of the participating bars. Must be 21+ to participate. For more information call the 31Ten Lounge at (310) 821-5371.

BBQ bash
31Ten Lounge
3110 Main St.,
2 p.m. — 12 a.m.
The 31Ten Lounge on Main Street will be hosting an all-day BBQ bash including food, special drinks, a beer garden and DJs Norman Rockwell and Coolwhip spinning. Registration tickets are $10 in advance and $20 at the door. The lounge is also where registration for the pub crawl takes place. A percentage of all proceeds will be donated to the Surfrider Foundation. Donations will be accepted at check-in. Call for group rates and table reservations (310) 821-5371.

Thursday, July 5, 2012

Groovin' on the pier
Santa Monica Pier
7 p.m. — 10 p.m.
Donavon Frankenreiter and Jeff Young will be kicking off the 28th Santa Monica Pier Twilight Concert Series. Seating is not provided, but attendees are welcome to bring beach chairs and blankets and sit on the pier deck or the beach. Food and drink (except alcohol) is allowed on the beach and pier deck. Crowds typically stretch from the pier deck to the beach and beyond. For future concerts' line-up, visit www.twilightseries.org/lineup.

Caught in a web
Santa Monica Place
Noon — 4 p.m.
Now through July 8 Santa Monica Place visitors can sharpen their "spidey" sense with a picture of the famous wall-crawler, who is in town to promote this summer's film, "The Amazing Spiderman." The motion picture debuted in U.S. theaters on July 3, so make it a day event and see the movie as well! For more information, call (310) 260-8333.

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MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Samohi's Skaggs continues trek to big leagues

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor



David Calvert/Reno Aces

HEAT: **Former Samohi standout Tyler Skaggs has been called up to the Reno Aces, the AAA affiliate of the Arizona Diamondbacks.**

RENO, Nev. Tyler Skaggs may be in the minor leagues, but he's doing big things.

The former Santa Monica High School standout hasn't even turned 21 yet, but his age hasn't worked against him as he's progressed through the minor leagues to the AAA level in just three years.

Skaggs, who is considered one of the top 20 prospects in baseball, received the call he's been waiting for last week informing him that the Arizona Diamondbacks' organization was promoting him to its AAA affiliate in Reno, Nev.

"I was hoping to get it done," he said, "but I was still surprised it happened so fast."

In one start on the mound at Reno, he's already made a fan in his new pitching coach.

Mike Parrott, a veteran of 16 seasons in a minor league dugout, said that Skaggs' mental and physical skills are beyond his years. He's most impressed by his ability to remain cool in the face of adversity.

"For a guy that young to have that kind of composure is impressive," Parrott said. "He has a lot of confidence, as he should have."

Parrott said that it takes swagger to succeed at pitcher and Skaggs has that in spades.

"It's a good cockiness," Parrott said with a chuckle. "He isn't arrogant, he just has a lot of confidence in his ability."

That ability has helped Skaggs amass an impressive list of accolades since being drafted 40th overall in the 2009 Major League Baseball Draft.

He's been an all-star in both A and AA and will be making his second appearance in the prestigious MLB Futures game, to be played in Kansas City as part of the big league mid-summer classic.

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Activision Blizzard partnering with Tencent

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SANTA MONICA Game publisher Activision Blizzard Inc. and Chinese internet services provider Tencent Holdings Ltd. are teaming up to bring Call of Duty Online to Chinese video game players.

Financial terms were not disclosed. The multi-year deal gives Tencent the exclusive license to run Call of Duty Online in mainland China. The game is free for users to play, but items are sold in the game.

Activision Blizzard said that Call of Duty Online will allow Chinese gamers to personalize their weapons, characters and equipment. They can also enhance their weapons and gear by making purchases at a virtual store in the game.

"We think China is one of the most exciting places in the world for us to grow our business and to develop innovative new games," Activision Blizzard CEO Bobby Kotick said in a statement.

Activision Blizzard is a subsidiary of France's Vivendi SA. Activision Publishing Inc., an Activision Blizzard subsidiary, has had Call of Duty Online in development for about two years.

In May Activision Blizzard and the makers of "Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2" agreed to settle a fight over millions of dollars in royalties out of court. Terms were not disclosed.

Shares of Santa Monica-based Activision Blizzard rose 43 cents, or 3.6 percent, to $12.38 in midday trading. They have traded in a 52-week range of $10.40 to $14.40.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

COUNTYWIDE

Free Metro passes for foster kids

Los Angeles County Supervisor and Metro Board Chair Michael Antonovich on Monday introduced a new transit pass program intended to benefit young people previously in the foster care system.

The new program, entitled Youth on the Move, offers free passes to foster children participating in the Los Angeles County Youth Self-Sufficiency Program, which helps with the transition to independent living.

"This new countywide transit pass program – aimed specifically at foster youths transitioning into adulthood – is designed to be a tool to help them continue their education, search for work and be able to accept work in any part of our county," Antonovich said.

The program began pre-testing in June by providing 20 foster youths between the ages of 18 and 21 with Metro and EZ transit passes. The program launched on July 2 with the hope of helping as many as 2,000 people this year.

All of those in the new Metro program no longer live with a family or are in the process of transitioning out of a group home setting. And all are either employed, looking for work, going to school or, in some cases, all three.

All participants will be provided with TAP (Transit Access Pass) photo identification transit cards that allow them to travel anywhere in Los Angeles County. Distribution of the passes and trip data will be collected and used to help determine the success of the program.

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Faster than you think

Editor:

I found Bill Bauer's recent column regarding the proposed development at 401 Broadway fascinating, though there is certainly no reason to call people with whom he disagrees by rather silly names ("Pipe dreams make bad policy," My Write, July 2).

Like Mr. Bauer, I am not in the least surprised that in today's environment, the project could not be financed without a sufficient number of parking spaces.

However, I believe Mr. Bauer is incorrect regarding the appeal of cars to younger people (for whom this project was clearly intended). A recent piece published by Reuters stated that "from 2001 to 2009, the average annual number of vehicle-miles traveled by people ages 16-34 dropped 23 percent. ... Gen Y-ers, also known as Millennials, tend to ride bicycles, take public transit and rely on virtual media. More than a quarter of Millennials – 26 percent – lacked a driver's license in 2010 ... ."

Mr. Bauer's "98 percent ... prefer personal vehicles" estimate seems to be a thing of the past even in car-saturated Los Angeles. So perhaps projects like this will be commercially feasible much more quickly than Mr. Bauer realizes.

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Efficiency can save a treasure

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Dear Ms. Alvarado,

The Fifth Street post office that you propose to close is the only one that is easily accessible to central Santa Monica with adequate parking that services its constituents in a timely manner. The Will Rogers station on 1217 Wilshire Blvd. is a 20 to 30 minute wait guaranteed.

The article ("Hearing set for post office closure," June 27) mentions the problem as the use of e-mail as opposed to snail mail. Remember the Avis car rental ads when Avis said "We are No. 2, therefore we try harder." The problem has been a service problem where post office employees let long lines form and show a non-caring attitude toward client services in a timely manner. If you turn around this problem, I am certain that you can make enough money to keep open a local treasure, the post office on Fifth Street in Santa Monica!

Dr. Len Bergantino
Los Angeles





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Having it all is a matter of preference

ON SUNDAY, AMY CHUA, AUTHOR OF "Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother," spoke at the Aspen Institute's Ideas Festival at the very tiger-mom-ish hour of 7:45 a.m. We tortoise moms generally prefer to hide under the covers until a much later time or until our spry offspring force us from our shells when their insistence on things like food, water and attention becomes frenzied to the point where we risk attracting predators like foxes, coyotes and Child Protective Services — whichever comes first.

Still, I managed to force myself up and at 'em so I could see in person what a real, live woman who seems to have it all looks like. As expected, Chua was perfectly coifed at 7:45 a.m. (which means she either travels with a hairstylist or her mane is naturally that annoyingly shiny and bouncy) and mostly likable, which effectively rendered her the anti-me.

Having it all (or not) is this news cycle's breastfeeding-an-adolescent-looking-kid-on-the-cover-of-Time-magazine topic, which has been covered, analyzed, debated and dissected scores of times in the past several days following the publication of Anne-Marie Slaughter's cover story, "Why Women Still Can't Have It All," in the July/August issue of The Atlantic.

Apparently I'm ahead of the curve, however, as having it all has been a topic of particular obsession to me since becoming a mom nearly four years ago when I was determined that "it all" would be mine. Which is to say I would continue on an up-career trajectory and simultaneously be nothing less than the undisputed annual mother and wife of the year.

"You can't have it all," my mother warned when I was pregnant with my first daughter. "No woman ever really does."

Eh, I thought. I'll show her. But of course she was right, and she didn't need Anne-Marie Slaughter to tell her.

Ann Curry sure seemed to have it all: a reputation for being a tremendous mom and the most high-profile gig in TV news (next to Anderson Cooper's giggle). But then she was humiliated out of her job before getting a chance to find her voice (albeit at a not-so-humiliating reported $10 million severance-package price) and then publicly bashed by her boss before her corpse was even lukewarm — "We gave her a year to prove herself, and ultimately, we came to the conclusion that she had played at the highest level she could," NBC News President Steve Capus told The Hollywood Reporter the day after her embarrassingly weepy on-air goodbye — because, as it turns out, she really didn't have it all.

Savannah Guthrie, Curry's replacement, "can effortlessly go from interviewing the secretary of state to jumping Olympic-sized hurdles on the plaza" — literally, bragged Today Show executive producer Jim Bell. Surely Curry is kicking herself now for not running track in high school.

Which is funny, because when Katie Couric was booted from the CBS Evening News, no one there boasted about how her replacement Scott Pelley could bake a lemon meringue pie while also cooking up a mean headline, or power knit a tea cozy at the same time he drills corrupt politicians.

Forcing women to try "having it all" while men are never burdened with finding even remotely the same balance is beyond tired. That I have spent a few years trying anyway has made me weary to my core. Something always suffers, as my children, waistline, liver and work quality will surely attest (it seemed hardly an accident that my older daughter dropped my laptop last week at precisely the same moment I was unavailable to play Candy Land due to a looming deadline).

What I think I'd like more than "it" and "all" is a moratorium on the discussion of both. Instead, I'd appreciate a simple wink and a smile for doing "some" of "it" successfully some of the time while also managing to leave my house, and in clean clothes, at least twice a month.

The thing is, I really do have it all: I'm fortunate that I can work from home at a career that stokes the fires of my imagination. I'm fortunate that I get my hilarious daughters by my side from morning until night. And I'm fortunate that a lovely woman named Blanca comes and cleans my house every couple of weeks so I can work and be with my children without ever lifting a toilet brush.

But everything suffers as a result — my work, my kids, my house (Blanca is a great cleaner, but I always feel too awkward to ask her to clean the tubs a little better), my ability to have more than five consecutive minutes alone anywhere other than the can (and the latter is still iffy as my bathroom door doesn't lock and my preschooler thinks everyone must enjoy company in the loo as much as she does).

The late, too-great-to-trivialize-as-just-great Nora Ephron's take on having it all rings true to me, because she thought it was eminently doable, if not necessarily pretty:

"It will be a little messy, but embrace the mess," she said in a 1996 commencement address at Wellesley. "It will be complicated, but rejoice in the complications. It will not be anything like what you think it will be like, but surprises are good for you. And don't be frightened: You can always change your mind. I know: I've had four careers and three husbands."

After Chua's talk ended I wanted to attend another Aspen Ideas event, this one featuring Katie Couric and Anne-Marie Slaughter discussing having it all (or not), but instead I went home to attend a previously scheduled date with my family to Costco. Which meant I couldn't have it all that day, although as it turns out, a bulk package of frozen Atlantic salmon, a $1.50 hot dog and drink combo, two happy little girls, a husband who volunteered to drive both ways, plus eight consecutive hours of not working were "it all" I really wanted on Sunday anyway.

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Heat long puzzled science

HOT ENOUGH FOR YOU? I'VE BEEN thinking about heat lately, and not just because of the nation's mostly torrid weather.

We all can easily verify that hot air rises; when you change a light bulb near the ceiling of your living room, you find the air up there is warmer than it is near the floor. Another fact about heat rests on a simple experiment. If you rub your palms together you'll feel some warmth. Then, if you bear down on your hands, pressing them together hard, you'll create quite a bit of heat.

Early scientists tried to understand the basic facts of heat with general theories. One such theory stated that heat was something like a fluid. After all, it seemed that it could flow from warm bodies into cold ones, equalizing over time so that both were at the same temperature. It sometimes affected the size of the bodies it inhabited, for example making hot air take up more volume than cold air, creating the reason that hot air rises.

But heat was an odd substance in some ways. It had no mass, a fact verified by weighing a solid object, then heating it up, and finding it still weighed the same.

Benjamin Thompson was an early scientist who studied heat. Born in 1753 in Massachusetts, he later moved to continental Europe where he was ultimately named Count Rumford of the Holy Roman Empire in recognition of his scientific accomplishments.

Count Rumford is famous in the history of science for a heat experiment. Back in his day, it was known that boring (grinding) out cannons made for a great deal of heat. Count Rumford immersed a cannon in a water bath, then ground out the hole as he measured the rise in temperature of the water. The change was so great the water actually boiled after two and a half hours of the heavy work. Count Rumford argued that the heat wasn't a fluid at all, but something quite different that had been created by the vigorous motion of the grinding.

Count Rumford's work revived a theory of heat that had been put forward much earlier by Francis Bacon. As Bacon had put it, the "very essence of heat is motion and nothing less." Heat and cold garnered Bacon's attention in a way that may have cost him his life. As the story has it, he was riding in a coach in March of 1626 when he had the idea that cooling meat might delay its decay. He gathered up some snow with his bare hands and stuffed it into poultry. Shortly after that experiment, it's said that Bacon caught cold and then died of bronchitis.

Bacon's idea that heat was motion started to gain more adherents after Count Rumford's work with the cannon. It fell to a man named James Prescott Joule to show that work of any kind can be transformed into heat. That included mechanical work — like rubbing your hands together or grinding out a cannon hole — or chemical work or electrical work. When heat became recognized as something that could be equated to work, the modern science of energy began to come into focus and the unit of energy we call a "joule" was not far off.

Even apart from rubbing your hands together, you'll be an example of energy relationships today as you go about your daily life. You'll take in chemical energy from food. As you know, if you eat more than you expend, you'll gain a little weight — fat that later can be converted into energy.

No matter what else you do, you'll burn energy today to meet the basic demands of keeping your body functioning. Even converting the food you eat into useful energy demands energy. So part of what you eat gets used up doing exactly that.

Beyond maintaining yourself and digesting your food, exercise can lead to significant energy expenditure. A gentle walk will use 150 to 300 calories per hour, while vigorous work like running or shooting some hoops can burn 500 to 700 calories per hour.

Best wishes managing your personal energy balance today. Remember, no matter how you do with it, you'll come out ahead of Francis Bacon and his unfortunate experiment with the snow.

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The Q Line

Paying for schools

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District is considering placing a bond on the November ballot.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
Would you vote for a bond or is this not a good time to ask the community for extra funding?

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SoCal city councilman faces sex offense charges

AMY TAXIN
Associated Press

SANTA ANA, Calif. A Southern California city councilman has been charged with sexually assaulting seven women when he was a high-ranking county executive in what prosecutors said Tuesday was an abuse of power and public trust.

Carlos Bustamante, 47, a former Orange County Public Works administration manager, is facing a dozen felony charges ranging from false imprisonment to sex offenses stemming from his work at the county over eight years until he resigned his post in 2011.

Bustamante, who is currently a Santa Ana councilman, called female employees to his office under the pretense of discussing work and hugged, kissed and grabbed them, and sometimes masturbated in front of them, prosecutors said.

The women were extremely reluctant to come forward, fearing they would lose their jobs for speaking out against Bustamante, who had a high-ranking position and was considered by some a rising star in Orange County politics.

"This case exemplifies an abuse of power, an abuse of position, abuse of women and abuse of trust," Orange County District Attorney Tony Rackauckas said.

Bustamante was arrested Monday and released on $100,000 bond that night. He is scheduled to be arraigned on Thursday on six felony counts of false imprisonment, three felony counts of assault with intent to commit a sexual offense, and single counts of stalking and attempted sexual battery by restraint.

Other charges include misdemeanors and sentencing enhancements and one felony count of grand theft by false pretense. Prosecutors say he received $3,100 in tuition reimbursement from the county for training he had agreed to pay for.

A phone message left for Bustamante at his home in Santa Ana on Tuesday was not immediately returned.

The allegations come amid a spate of public corruption cases across Southern California involving elected officials and high-ranking public sector employees.

Prosecutors began investigating Bustamante in March after receiving a report from Orange County detailing the allegations, Rackauckas said. That report was drafted in response to an anonymous letter.

Rackauckas said additional charges were not filed due to the statute of limitations.

If convicted, Bustamante could face more than 26 years in state prison.

Bustamante resigned from his county job last year. He has served on the City Council of Santa Ana since 2004. The city of 325,000 people is southeast of Los Angeles.

Ski town votes to file for bankruptcy

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LOS ANGELES Councilmembers in a small ski town high in California's Sierra Nevada voted unanimously Monday to file for bankruptcy, the second local government in the state to recently make that decision.

Mammoth Lakes is facing a $43 million judgment that's more than twice the town's budget. Papers seeking Chapter 9 bankruptcy protection could be filed in court as soon as Tuesday, according to Marianna Marysheva-Martinez, the assistant town manager.

The city of more than 8,000 people about 300 miles north of Los Angeles has lacked sufficient revenue to pay $2.7 million in obligations, and a state court has ordered it to repay its largest creditor, Mammoth Lakes Land Acquisition.

The town lost a property development fight that left it with a $30 million legal judgment in 2008. Mammoth Lakes had tried to back out of a 1997 agreement that gave a developer the right to develop a hotel and buy land in return for improving the local airport.

The town fought that judgment but lost its final appeal to the California Supreme Court. The tab has grown to $43 million interest and legal fees — a figure more than twice the town's annual budget of $18 million.

A poor snow season also hurt the town's finances because it caused a dip in tourism. The town now faces a deficit of $2.2 million to $2.5 million in its general fund budget.

While the city is under Chapter 9 protection, agencies including police and fire services will remain intact, town officials said.

The filing will make Mammoth Lakes the second local government after Stockton to use a new state mediation process before filing for bankruptcy.

The new union-backed law aims to protect public employee contracts by making it harder for municipalities to file bankruptcy and requires local governments to enter an evaluation process with its bond holders, creditors, employee unions and retirees for up to 90 days in an effort to avoid Chapter 9 protection.

Stockton City Manager Bob Deis has said the Central Valley city's financial problem stems from years of overly generous public employee contracts and too much borrowing for revitalization projects, such as a sports arena.



STATE BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES

Court strikes down county's pot shop ban

A California appeals court has struck down Los Angeles County's ban on medical marijuana dispensaries.

The 4th District Court of Appeal ruled Monday that because the state's medical marijuana laws authorize cooperatives and collectives to grow, store and distribute pot, a lower court judge erred when she cited the 2010 ban in granting the county an injunction against the Alternative Medicinal Cannabis Collective last year.

However, the decision does not mean the coast is clear for the Covina dispensary. The Court of Appeal says even though L.A. County can't outlaw pot shops completely, local lawmakers still can limit where they locate require them to obtain operating permits and business licenses.

Federal prosecutors also have cracked down by moving to seize the building that houses Alternative Medicinal Cannabis.

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Court halts order for juror Facebook posts

The California Supreme Court has suspended a Sacramento judge's order requiring a juror to submit his Facebook postings about a criminal trial so the judge could decide if the juror's comments constituted misconduct.

The justices on Monday granted the juror, Arturo Ramirez, a temporary stay of Judge Michael Kenny's order compelling Ramirez to give Facebook permission to turn over his postings about the 2010 trial involving a gang-related beating.

Kenny says he needs to see Ramirez' online comments to determine if the five people convicted received a fair trial. Jurors are routinely instructed by judges not to discuss the cases they are deciding outside court.

The stay issued by the Supreme Court will remain in effect until the court decides whether to hear Ramirez' appeal, which is being closely watched by electronic privacy experts.

AP

LOS ANGELES

Man gets year for May Day attack on police

A man who hit a Los Angeles policewoman in the head with a snare drum during a May Day protest has been sentenced to a year in jail.

City News Service says 23-year-old Brian Mendoza was sentenced Monday after pleading no contest to felony battery. He received 122 credits for days already spent in jail.

Authorities say a splinter group broke from the main May Day protest and skirmished with police.

Prosecutors say Mendoza was videotaped striking the policewoman without warning on the back of the head with a snare drum, denting her helmet. She was treated for a minor concussion.

AP

LOS ANGELES

Pair agree to plead guilty in TSA bribery scam

Federal prosecutors say two suspected drug couriers have agreed to plead guilty in a case where Transportation Security Administration screeners were bribed to smuggle marijuana onto planes leaving Los Angeles International Airport.

The U.S. attorney's office said Tuesday that Charles Hicks and Andrew Welter have agreed to plead guilty to one count of conspiracy. They each face up to five years in prison.

Court documents show the two men used an intermediary who would pay up to $500 for each piece of luggage carrying marijuana that made it through security screening.

The two TSA employees named in court documents have not been charged.

AP

LOS ANGELES

Mayor, girlfriend break up after 3 years

Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa and his girlfriend of three years have broken up.

The Los Angeles Times reports Tuesday that TV reporter and former Miss USA Lu Parker has moved out of the mayor's official residence.

Her publicist, Juliette Harris, tells the newspaper that the relationship ended May 25. She did not specify a reason.

The 59-year-old Villaraigosa has not commented publicly on the breakup. In 2007 he held a press conference to confirm an affair with another TV reporter shortly after his wife filed for divorce.

AP

LOS ANGELES

Tons of illegal fireworks seized in East L.A.

Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies cracking down on illegal fireworks before the July 4 holiday have seized two tons of explosives with names such as "Devil's Thrill" and "Reapers Doom."

A Sheriff's Department statement says the dangerous fireworks was seized in East Los Angeles on Monday and had a street value of $10,000.

One man was cited for possession of illegal fireworks and released.

AP

OAKLAND

Suit claims molestation caused UC student death

A lawsuit claims that a University of California, Berkeley student committed suicide after being sexually abused by a doctor at a university-run health center.

Bay Area News Group says the suit was filed last week in Alameda County Superior Court by parents of 23-year-old Elgin Stafford. His body was found in a Los Angeles County canal in March.

The suit claims that Dr. Robert Kevess molested the student during medical examinations in 2010. It names the doctor and UC regents.

Kevess has pleaded not guilty to 19 criminal counts, including sexual exploitation of a patient. Prosecutors haven't released the names of the alleged victims.

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County Assessor John Noguez.

Noguez is currently on paid administrative leave as the District Attorney's Office investigates the tax breaks to Douglas Emmett properties and others.

According to the Los Angeles Times, Noguez received $10,000 from the family of Jordan Kaplan, Douglas Emmett's chief executive, for his 2010 campaign, more than any other donor.

They didn't contribute to any other county-level candidates in the 2010 election cycle, according to the Times.

Douglas Emmett is a publicly-traded company with 58 offices and apartment complexes, 10 of which are in Santa Monica, including The Shores and Pacific Plaza apartments and 100 Wilshire.

According to the company's 2011 year end filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Douglas Emmett stocks have had a rough ride through the economic downturn.

The company's stock value dropped 48 percent between 2006 and the end of 2008. By the end of 2011, it was just over 80 percent of its 2006 value.

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WEATHER
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are the very record-breaking conditions he has said would happen, but many people wouldn't listen. So it's I told-you-so time, he said.

As recently as March, a special report an extreme events and disasters by the Nobel Prize-winning Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change warned of "unprecedented extreme weather and climate events." Its lead author, Chris Field of the Carnegie Institution and Stanford University, said Monday, "It's really dramatic how many of the patterns that we've talked about as the expression of the extremes are hitting the U.S. right now."

"What we're seeing really is a window into what global warming really looks like," said Princeton University geosciences and international affairs professor Michael Oppenheimer. "It looks like heat. It looks like fires. It looks like this kind of environmental disasters."

Oppenheimer said that on Thursday. That was before the East Coast was hit with triple-digit temperatures and before a derecho — a large, powerful and long-lasting straight-line wind storm — blew from Chicago to Washington. The storm and its aftermath killed more than 20 people and left millions without electricity. Experts say it had energy readings five times that of normal thunderstorms.

Fueled by the record high heat, this was among the strongest of this type of storm in the region in recent history, said research meteorologist Harold Brooks of the National Severe Storm Laboratory in Norman, Okla. Scientists expect "non-tornadic wind events" like this one and other thunderstorms to increase with climate change because of the heat and instability, he said.

Such patterns haven't happened only in the past week or two. The spring and winter in the U.S. were the warmest on record and among the least snowy, setting the stage for the weather extremes to come, scientists say.

Since Jan. 1, the United States has set more than 40,000 hot temperature records, but fewer than 6,000 cold temperature records, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Through most of last century, the U.S. used to set cold and hot records evenly, but in the first decade of this century America set two hot records for every cold one, said Jerry Meehl, a climate extreme expert at the National Center for Atmospheric Research. This year the ratio is about 7 hot to 1 cold. Some computer models say that ratio will hit 20-to-1 by midcentury, Meehl said.

"In the future you would expect larger, longer more intense heat waves and we've seen that in the last few summers," NOAA Climate Monitoring chief Derek Arndt said.

The 100-degree heat, drought, early snowpack melt and beetles waking from hibernation early to strip trees all combined to set the stage for the current unusual spread of wildfires in the West, said University of Montana ecosystems professor Steven Running, an expert on wildfires.

While at least 15 climate scientists told The Associated Press that this long hot U.S. summer is consistent with what is to be expected in global warming, history is full of such extremes, said John Christy at the University of Alabama in Huntsville. He's a global warming skeptic who says, "The guilty party in my view is Mother Nature."

But the vast majority of mainstream climate scientists, such as Meehl, disagree: "This is what global warming is like, and we'll see more of this as we go into the future."

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NICE DIGS: **A rendering of what the City Garage may look like in the future.**

THEATER
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With the destruction of Track 16 around the corner, however, City Garage is eyeing another spot in "Building T" and the possibility of establishing a permanent home in the art center.

To that end, City Garage partnered with a local fundraising website Whenyouwish.com to put out a call to arms to patrons of the arts, asking for their support to create a dynamic new theater setting to push City Garage into the limelight.

Whenyouwish.com is similar to Kickstarter.com or Indiegogo.com in that it allows small organizations to crowdsource donations for worthy undertakings. It goes a step further by supporting a wider breadth of projects and charging a smaller fee.

It also lets people sell unwanted belongings and direct the profits to an organization of their choice, said Andy Martinez, the website's chief technology officer.

The goal is to raise $50,000 in 40 days so that the new theater can be ready to go by August 2012, in time for the company's fall performance, a new take on the Greek myth Orestes.

The Wells Fargo Foundation promised a matching grant at the end of the fundraising effort, Duncombe said, so those who get in on the ground floor will see their dollar go twice as far.

Although Track 16 was a lucky find, it didn't leave the company free to build standing sets, and it had no control over the lighting, which hampered artistic director Michel's visual style.

The company envisions an experimental space with flexible seating for 50 to 75 people that can be arranged and rearranged based on the needs of the play.

The fundraising effort is the largest that the local company has ever taken on, Duncombe said.

"To be part of this launch is great for us, and obviously the power of the web is enormous," Duncombe said. "A large number of people can do a lot of good with really small dollars. It's exciting to have this platform to reach out to people that have never heard of us before."

Establishing the new theater is part of a longer-term vision that includes City Garage as the premiere theater group in Bergamot Station with a million dollar budget, fully-paid staff and programs for at-risk youth.

That may not be a promise that the group can make, however.

City Hall owns Bergamot Station and leases the space to philanthropist Wayne Blank for a song. The idea was to create an renowned arts community in the city by the sea, a goal long since achieved.

With the redevelopment of Bergamot Station as an actual train stop, City Hall put out a call to developers throughout the nation for ideas on how to maintain the essence of the arts community that has already developed at the spot and balance it with commercial and residential interests to make it financially viable.

Which developer gets the rights to the area and what terms City Hall negotiates will determine whether or not City Garage can make its vision a reality.

Their work fits the description of what community members want to see in the new arts community, specifically something other than gallery spaces and things that are open past normal working hours, said Jessica Cusick, cultural affairs manager for City Hall.

Although it's impossible to say for sure that City Garage will get to stay at Bergamot indefinitely, they have several years before any major changes come to the site, Cusick said.

"I think it's a labor of love on their part, and it shows their passion and commitment to Santa Monica," Cusick said.

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SKAGGS
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Skaggs believes the secret to his success comes in simple terms.

"I just have to stay level headed," he said. "I just have to go out there and get outs."

Simply said, but not easily accomplished, Parrott is confident that Skaggs will reach the big leagues — sooner than later.

Parrott said that Skaggs compares to big leaguer Barry Zito and former Angel Chuck Finely, but believes he'll make his own niche along the way to potential stardom.

"One day, he's the kind of guy that they will be comparing other prospects to," he said.

Although Parrott feels Skaggs has the goods, he still thinks he can teach the young lefty how to command his pitches when facing tougher competition.

He said that Skaggs has good command for his age, but added that it's something he'll need to further develop if he's to reach his goal of suiting up for a Major League game.

Until his big call-up comes, Skaggs is just trying to enjoy life in the minor leagues.

Since being called up to AAA he's noticed a few things are different. First, the hitters are all patient and big league ready. Also, playing in the Pacific Coast League presents a pitcher with ball parks that play smaller than their dimensions and high elevations that make balls lighter than at sea level.

But, the biggest difference has come in the mode of transportation.

Gone are his days of riding buses between small towns. In AAA, they fly to their games, something that is a welcome change for Skaggs.

"The bus rides were all right," he said, "but it's nice to fly everywhere we go."

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Carmakers report strong June sales, easing worries

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DETROIT From mini cars to monster pickups, sales of new cars and trucks surged in June and eased concerns that Americans would be turned off by slower hiring and other scary headlines.

Automakers sold nearly 1.3 million cars and trucks in June, up 22 percent from the same month last year. Chrysler posted its best June in five years. Sales soared at Volkswagen, which is on track for its best year in the U.S. since 1973.

The results allayed fears that growth would stall after a strong start to 2012. Earlier this spring, sales were on track to reach 14.5 million this year, boosted by mild weather and the post-earthquake return of Japanese cars to dealers. But the pace dropped to 13.8 million in May, as the stock market plunged and hiring slowed. In June, there was more bad news about jobs growth, and consumer confidence fell for the fourth straight month.

But buyers didn't go away. June's sales pace rose to 14.1 million, according to Autodata Corp. And if sales stay at that rate for all of 2012, it will be the industry's best year since 2007.

Falling gas prices, cheaper loans and new models like the Ford Escape and Dodge Dart drew buyers. A revived housing market lifted sales of pickups. And there was still plenty of demand from people who bought cars in the middle of the last decade and needed to replace them. Annual sales hit a high of 17 million in 2005, and those cars and trucks are now seven years old.

"If a family in Iowa's only mode of transportation is on the fritz, they are going to buy a replacement vehicle, even if Spain's economy is on the brink of collapse," says Alec Gutierrez, a senior market analyst at Kelley Blue Book.

Automakers also started their Independence Day promotions a little early and that juiced sales at the end of the month.

"In the last two weeks we really went all-out," says Bill Underriner, who sells Volvo, Buick, Honda and Hyundai cars in Billings, Mont.

Colorful ads with holiday deals excited buyers, says Jessica Caldwell, a senior analyst with pricing site Edmunds.com. The Buick Verano small car — one of Underriner's big sellers last month — is now $239 per month for a two-year lease. That's $50 less than usual.

Low interest rates are making deals like the Verano's more attractive. The average interest rate on a 60-month new-car loan is 4.5 percent, down from 6.98 percent two years ago, according to Bankrate.com. Credit availability is also improving.

"The affordability of cars is probably at an all-time high," Chrysler Group sales chief Reid Bigland said last week.

Falling gas prices meant buyers were more likely to consider bigger cars and SUVs in June, not just the small cars that sold well at the beginning of the year. Jeep Liberty SUV sales rose 50 percent and the Ford Explorer jumped 35 percent. Gas averaged $3.43 per gallon at the end of June, down 41 cents from the end of March.

Pickup truck sales also improved as home building perked up. Chrysler's Ram pickup sales rose 12 percent and sales of the Ford F-Series — which has long been the country's best-selling vehicle — rose 11 percent.

At Chrysler, sales of the tiny Fiat 500 and Chrysler 300 large sedan more than doubled from a year earlier, helping the company to a 20-percent gain for the month.

General Motors' sales rose 16 percent, with strong demand for the Chevy Malibu midsize sedan and Volt electric car.

Ford's overall sales rose 7 percent. The Escape small SUV posted its best month ever after a new version of the popular vehicle went on sale.

The sales were welcome news to investors, who have beaten down GM and Ford shares in recent days over losses in Europe. Ford's stock climbed 2 percent to close at $9.60, while GM's stock jumped 6 percent to $20.67.

Toyota's sales rose 60 percent for the month while Honda's climbed 49 percent, but that wasn't surprising. Last year, both companies had little inventory at U.S. dealerships because of the earthquake in Japan. Now, they're taking back sales that their rivals gained last year. The Chevrolet Cruze, for example, was the top-selling car in the country June 2011, but its sales dropped 24 percent last month. Sales of its Japanese rivals, the Honda Civic and Toyota Corolla, jumped more than 40 percent each.

Sales would have been slower if carmakers hadn't sold so many vehicles to government, commercial and daily rental fleets, says Jesse Toprak, vice president of market intelligence for the car buying site TrueCar.com. A little more than a third of all the cars GM sold went to fleets, up substantially from last year. Ford also sold a third of its vehicles to fleets, but that was about the same percentage as last year.

GM said that was just the way some sales were timed, and its fleet sales should fall this month.

Toprak thinks that even if sales soften a little, they're still on track to reach 14.4 million by the end of the year. That's better than last year's 12.8 million, and it's far better than the 30-year low of 10.4 million during the recession in 2009.

"This is a healthy and sustainable rate of recovery," he said.

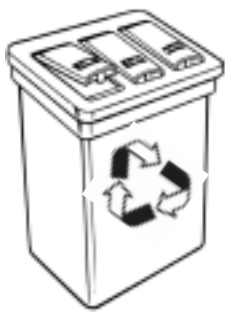
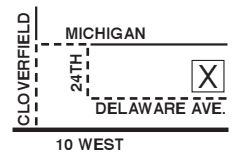
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• Volkswagen sales rose 34 percent on strong demand for two redesigned cars: the Beetle and the Passat.

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U.S. moving on nuke arms cuts decision

ROBERT BURNS
AP National Security Writer

WASHINGTON The Obama administration is moving toward decisions that would further cut the number of U.S. nuclear weapons, possibly to between 1,000 and 1,100, reflecting new thinking on the role of nuclear weapons in an age of terror, current and former officials say.

The reductions under consideration are in line with President Barack Obama's vision of trimming the nation's nuclear arsenal without harming national security in the short term, and in the longer term, eliminating nuclear weapons.

The White House has yet to announce any plan for reducing the number of nuclear weapons, beyond commitments made in the recently completed New Start treaty with Russia, which obliges both countries to reduce their number of deployed long-range nuclear warheads to no more than 1,550 by 2018. As of March 1, Russia had dropped its total to 1,492 and the U.S. stood at 1,737.

Obama has been considering a range of options for additional cuts, including a low-end range that would leave between 300 and 400 warheads. Several current and former officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss internal deliberations, said there appeared to be a consensus building around the more modest reduction to 1,000 to 1,100 deployed strategic warheads.

Officials have indicated that a decision could be announced this month. But given Republican criticism of any proposed further cuts and the heating up of the presidential election campaign, the White House might put the decisions on hold until after November. The administration has indicated it would prefer to pursue further reductions as part of a negotiation with Russia, but some have suggested that reductions could be done unilaterally.

Any reductions are likely to stir opposition among Republicans in Congress, who believe Obama underestimates the importance of a stable nuclear deterrent, even though the cuts probably would save tens of billions of dollars.

"I just want to go on record as saying that there are many of us that are going to do everything we possibly can to make sure that this preposterous notion does not gain any real traction," Rep. Trent Franks, an Arizona Republican who sits on the House Armed Services Committee, said when The Associated Press first revealed the scope of possible cuts in February.

Beyond the argument over numbers are more fundamental questions: What role do nuclear weapons have after the Cold War, now that the threat of all-out nuclear war with Moscow has abated? Do nuclear weapons deter belligerents such as al-Qaida or other terrorist organizations? The administration considered these questions in an internal reassessment of nuclear weapons policy.

James Cartwright, the retired Marine Corps general who commanded U.S. nuclear forces from 2004-07, thinks the U.S. should acknowledge that a large nuclear force is of limited value in deterring today's major threats.

"No sensible argument has been put forward for using nuclear weapons to solve any of the major 21st century problems we face," including threats posed by rogue states, terrorism, cyber warfare or climate change, Cartwright and his colleagues at Global Zero wrote in a report in May. Global Zero is an organization that advocates a step-by-step process to achieve the eventual elimination of all nuclear weapons.

The group argues that the U.S. could safely reduce its arsenal over the coming 10 years to 900 total nuclear weapons — 450 deployed at any given time and a like number held in reserve. That compares with the current U.S. arsenal of about 5,000 weapons, of which 1,737 are deployed.

Advocates of cutting below 1,550 argue that nuclear weapons serve an increasingly narrow purpose, and that their large numbers undercut the credibility of demands that Iran and other nations forgo acquiring their own. Opponents argue that the U.S. should not risk losing its predominant position in the nuclear arena while North Korea, Iran and other are pursuing their own nuclear ambitions.

Obama himself has made clear in recent statements that he thinks the time is right to break with the past.

"The massive nuclear arsenal we inherited from the Cold War is poorly suited to today's threats, including nuclear terrorism," he said March 26 in Seoul. He noted that last summer he ordered his national security team to undertake a comprehensive review of nuclear forces and policies, which was completed early this year.

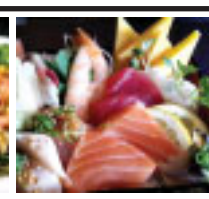
"We can already say with confidence that we have more nuclear weapons than we need," Obama said.

Daryl Kimball, executive director of the Arms Control Association, said he interprets Obama's views as supportive of keeping only enough of them to deter existing nuclear powers like Russia and China — not to deter attacks with other types of mass-casualty weapons like biological or chemical arms.

"Clearly we don't have to have 1,550 deployed strategic nuclear weapons to deter a Russian or Chinese nuclear attack," Kimball said in an interview. "Russia today has fewer than 1,500 deployed strategic warheads, and in five years they're not going to have any more than that; they'll probably have fewer."

Also at stake are important decisions about multibillion-dollar investments in developing replacements for the current U.S. fleet of strategic nuclear submarines, as well as nuclear ground-based missiles and nuclear-capable bombers. Cartwright's Global Zero report estimated that U.S. nuclear modernization programs could run to around $200 billion over the next 20 years — some portion of which could be saved if steps are taken now to further shrink the arsenal.

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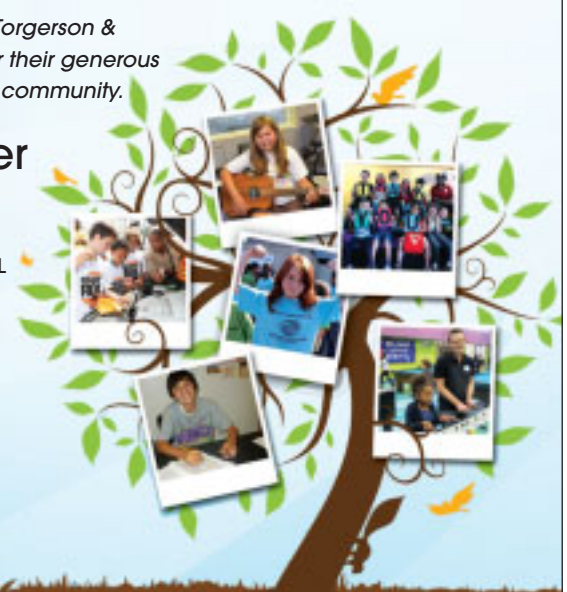
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Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 67.5°

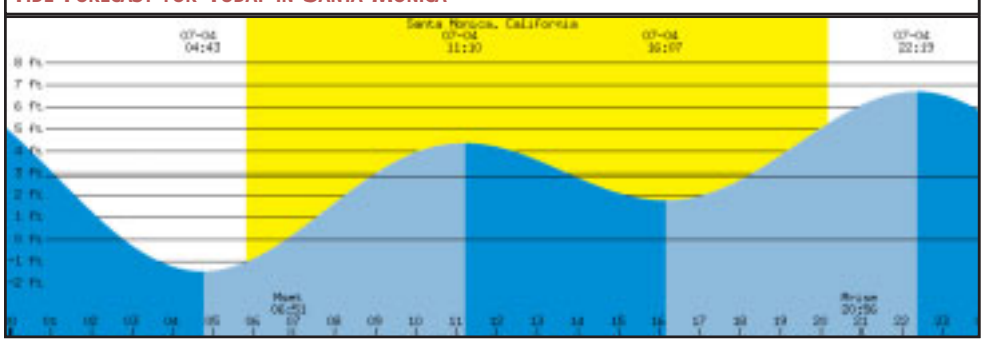
Swell Forecast

Expected to see waist to at times chest high waves at breaks with very good southerly exposure. West facing spots are looking at waist to at times chest high waves.

Long Range Synopsis

West facing breaks are looking at knee high surf.

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 30 days up to the ending date of **June 27, 2012**

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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 -- 31 / 16
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 0 / 16

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: The Diller – von Furstenberg Family Foundation, simplehuman, LazerGUY, SBBA

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 Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.	ns	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 Ben Blocker County Beach.	D	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21672 Malibu Rd.	A	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location) - daily.	C	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	F	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	B	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 Los Tunas County Beach.	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon.	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	B	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17208 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.	B	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.	B	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 CIWW jetty).	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	ns

LEGEND

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

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OLYMPICS

Youngest Team USA member Kyla Ross grows up quickly

BY WILL GRAVES
AP Sports Writer

SAN JOSE, Calif. The cramped room inside H.P. Pavilion turned into a sobbing, mascara-running free-for-all moments after the U.S. women's gymnastics team was announced Sunday night.

World champion Jordyn Wieber wept. So did Olympic trials winner Gabby Douglas. Ditto McKayla Maroney and Aly Raisman.

Not Kyla Ross. No, the youngest member of the five-person team the U.S. will send to London in three weeks smiled. She hugged. She shook with excitement.

Her cheeks, however, remained tear-free.

"They were trying to get me to," the 15-year-old said with a laugh Monday. "They were all like, 'Come on, Kyla.'"

Maroney, whom Ross has known for a decade while growing up in Aliso Viejo, Calif., knew it was useless.

"She's just not a crier," Maroney said. "She's just not as emotional as everybody else. She kind of keeps things inside."

It's no surprise to her parents, Jason and Kiana, who have watched the oldest of their three children become almost unflappable thanks to a poise that belies her age.

"She's just so competitive," said Jason Ross, a former minor league baseball player. "It doesn't matter if it's gymnastics or if it's school. She would come home from school and say, 'This girl got a better grade than me' and Kyla got a 98. She just always wants to win."

Maybe it's because she's gotten so used to it. The two-time U.S. junior champion has spent most of the last 10 years walking to the top of the podium at the end of most meets, where she dutifully accepts the medal and immediately begins focusing on the next one.

She's a vital part of a U.S. team with its sights firmly set on winning gold at the O2 Arena at the end of the month. The U.S. will need her graceful routines — and the high scores they produce — on uneven bars and beam to hold off the expected push from China and Russia.

Though she lacks Wieber's power and Douglas' sass, the elegant Ross performs with a fluidity that makes it appear she floats between the bars and glides over the four-inch wide beam. The 15.650 Ross put together on bars during the finals on Sunday night was second only to the 15.900 posted by the otherworldly Douglas.

Yet Douglas' routines seem to be packed with drama. A hand-slip there, a daring flip over the bars there. There are no such theatrics for Ross. She's smooth — every hand placement perfect, her body a study in kinetic energy and efficient movement.

"She almost makes it look too easy," Kiana Ross said.

It wasn't always that way.

Her parents, who say their daughter was "born with muscles," put Ross in the gym at age 3 to help calm her down. Yet she found more than an outlet, she found a home. She loved the challenge of mastering a new trick and advanced so quickly she was thrust onto a competitive team at age 5 even though she was much smaller than most of the other gymnasts.

Kiana Ross signed a "fat" stack of papers to give the coaches clearance to let her go and do her thing even though mom admits "I had no idea what we were getting into."

The early meets were a struggle as tiny Kyla tried to find her footing. The nerves didn't last. She was top three in her age group by the end of that first season and hasn't looked back.

She won the junior championship in 2009-10 and finished second last summer but was ineligible to compete for the world championship team in Tokyo last fall because she was too young. With the entire team that won gold at worlds trying to make a run for London, Ross knew she'd have to elbow her way into the picture.

It didn't take long. She was second to Wieber at the Pac-Rim championships in her first meet as a senior. Her stock continued to climb at the U.S. championships in St. Louis last month, finishing second on bars and grabbing fourth in the all-around and balance beam.

Still, she wouldn't mention London. At least, not to her parents.

"We'd bring it up and she'd say, 'Stop talking about it,'" Kiana Ross said. "She was only interested in what was the next thing."

At least, that's what she told her parents.

Maroney remembers a vivid talk the two had when they were still in elementary school, where they made a pact to make the Olympics one day. The memory flooded back to Maroney over the weekend, and on Sunday night she tweeted a picture of the two of them standing side-by-side as kids.

"Cutest picture ever," Maroney said with a laugh.

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Your Sister's Sister (R) 1hr 30min
1:00pm, 3:10pm, 5:30pm, 7:50pm, 10:10pm

Peace, Love & Misunderstanding (R) 1hr 36min
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Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter (R) 1hr 45min
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Moonrise Kingdom (PG-13) 1hr 33min
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A must appearance tonight, Cancer

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ You might shy away from some attention, yet it will find you. When you finally kick back and stop worrying, the fun mood of celebration allows you to join in on one of the biggest birthday parties of the year. Tonight: Where the action is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Reach out for someone at a distance who might be very important to you. You have experienced a lot of tension, and finally relaxing feels good. A discussion could become very lively. You could wonder what is going on. Tonight: Where the action is.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Dedicate the morning and, if possible, most of the day to a loved one. You might notice that a child seems unusually restrained. Try to be clear when communicating. Tonight: Choose something you haven't done before.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Listen to a family member who might have a case of the blues. A parent or older friend startles you with his or her actions and decisions. If you become upset, do not take it out on someone else. You demonstrate unusual caring. Tonight: A must appearance.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You might want a lazy, easy pace, yet you have difficulty honoring your own desires. An element of the unexpected runs riot, but the end results could be quite delightful. Others seek you out with last-minute invitations. Tonight: Where the party is.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Maintain an easy pace. You'll want to resist offering too much of your time and skills. To be generous is delightful, but not to the point where you jeopardize your well-being. Tonight: Only what you want. Rearrange plans if need be.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You add that extra touch of merriment to any situation. Stop for a snooze if need be, but once you rev up your engine, you might not want to stop. A partner delights you with his or her reaction. Tonight: Play the night away.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Stay on top of a situation surrounding a family member. You might need to air out a problem to feel totally like yourself again. Invite friends and family over to celebrate. You might enjoy seeing everyone interact with each other. Tonight: Know that you do not need to add any fireworks.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Friends clearly want your attention, and the sooner, the better. Enjoy seeing and visiting with people who you rarely have a chance to see. The unexpected runs through your plans. Be spontaneous, and you will have a more memorable day. Tonight: Your treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Bring others together for a planned or spontaneous get-together. A change at home could allow more flexibility. Dealing with an older relative or friend could be taxing. Tonight: Observe a tendency to overindulge yourself and others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Beam in more of what you want. A call from someone at a distance could make you a little sad or sway you not to go through with plans. Relax with the moment and just go with the flow. Take action if someone seems reticent. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

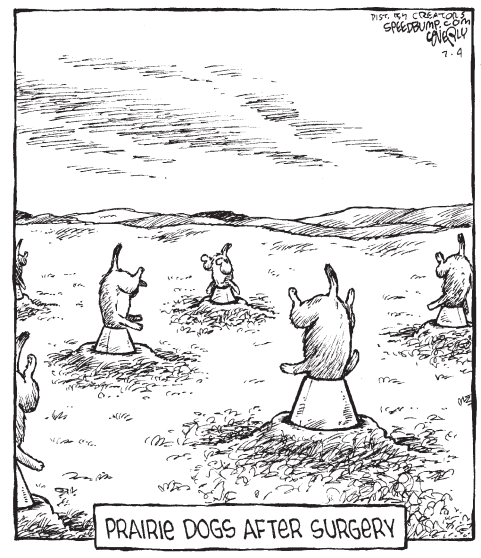
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Take your time, pull back and do some hard thinking before joining in on the local celebrations. Continue using care with your finances. A partner could be touchy and difficult. Tonight: Don't feel like you have to do something.

Happy birthday

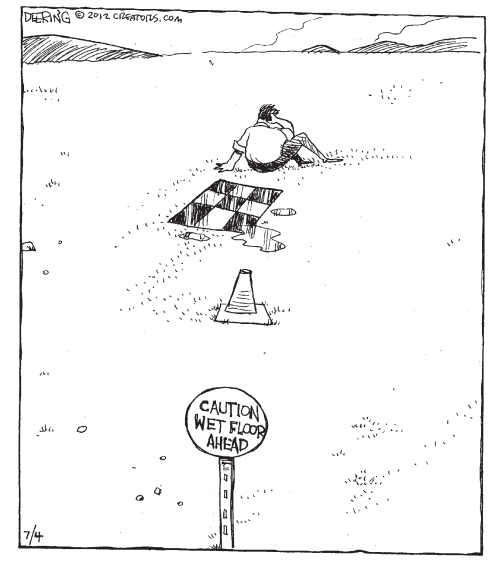
This year you could change your focus from being the person who values family and home above all else to the person who seeks different yet basic answers to questions of life and death. You might wonder: Why are we here? Some of you might become more involved with the esoteric arts. If you are single, you could meet someone who provokes deep thinking or has a lot of depth him- or herself. If you are attached, your conversations might be very important in designing your future years together. You might look at more traveling as well. AQUARIUS seems cool, but he or she really cares.

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

Speed Bump
By Dave Coverly



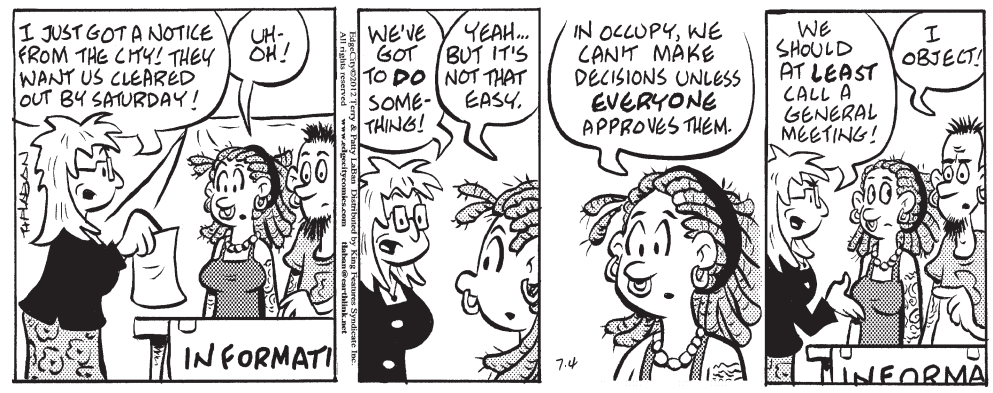
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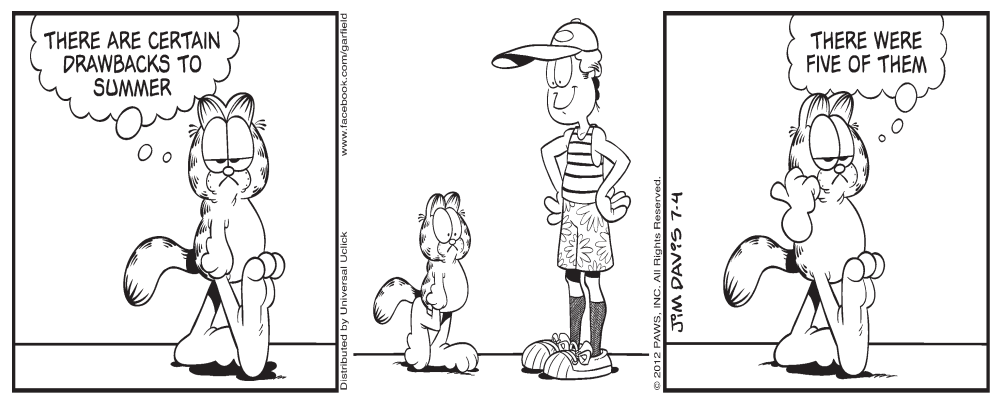
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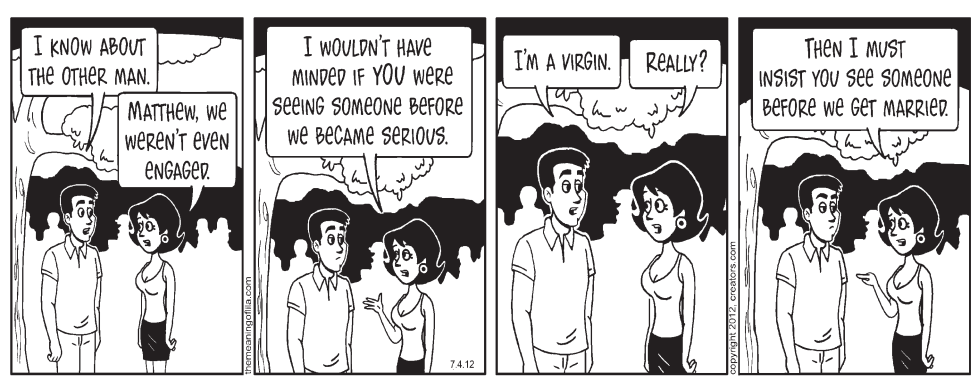
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Sudoku

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

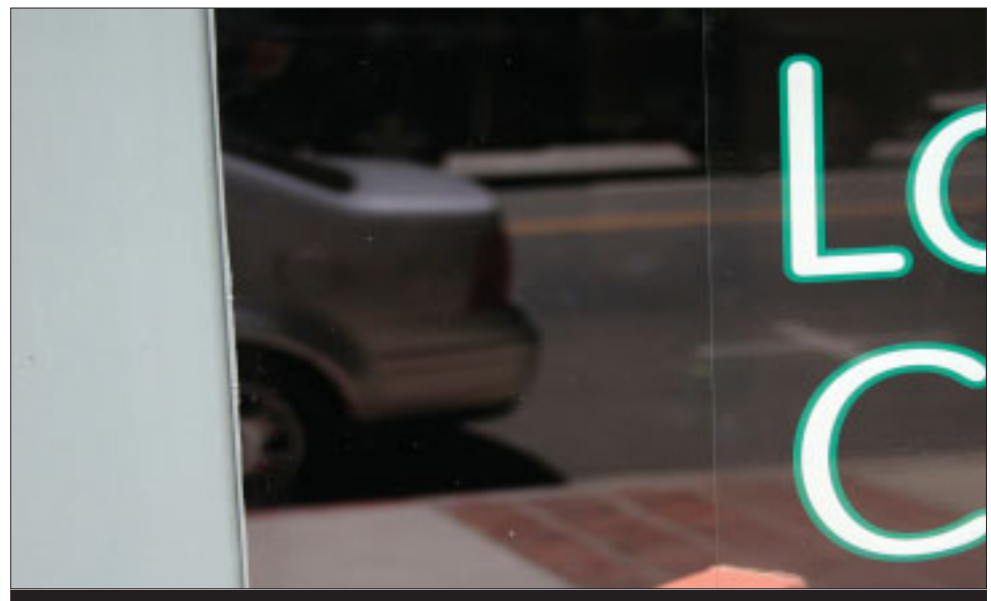
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6	8	7	5	9	2	4	1	3
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Flat floater
5 Candle base
11 Columbus' home
12 Large lizard
13 Painter Cassatt
14 Affectionate
15 Novelist Kobo
16 Ladder step
17 Belt setting
19 Cat coat
22 Next to
24 Glistening
26 Database option
27 Huron neighbor
28 Annoyed
30 Worries
31 TV spots
32 Permit
34 Deuce beater
35 Cry of surprise
38 Dreadful
41 Trampled
42 Sore
43 Clip contents
44 Fall guy
45 Manual reader
2 Melville captain
3 Independence Day show
4 Gift from Santa
5 1999 Anthony Hopkins movie
6 CIA workers
7 Breathing organ
8 Young man
9 Low digit
10 Kids' card game
16 Equip
18 Pay to play
19 Cranberry pests
20 Meter or liter
21 Some whiskeys
22 Gobi setting
23 Manor head
25 Valiant one
29 Bold
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33 Pigeon perch
34 Singing group
36 Browser button
37 Smell
38 Possesses
39 Fall mo.
40 Letter before sigma
41 Letter after sigma

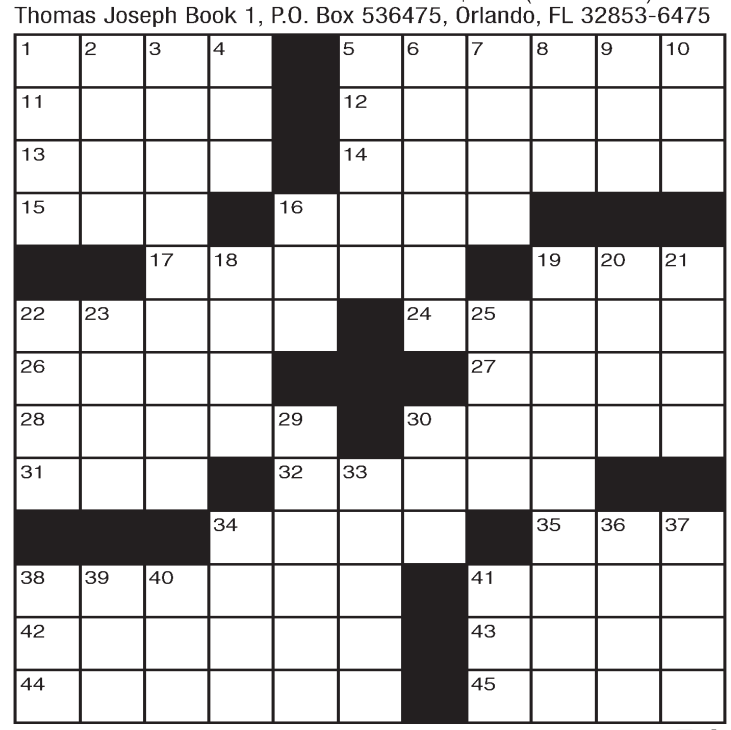
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R	I	F	E	■	N	O	S	H	E	D
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4 22 23 32 39
Meganumber: 23
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Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 7/3
5 6 9 14 36

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 7/3
MIDDAY: 4 7 6
EVENING: 7 1 5

SANTA ANITA PARK
Draw Date: 7/3
1st: 08 Gorgeous George
2nd: 01 Gold Rush
3rd: 06 Whirl Win
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Andrea Amanatides suffered a boo-boo in May while being booked to begin a six-month jail sentence in Albany, N.Y., for a probation violation. As she was being placed in a holding cell, a cache of drugs fell onto the floor. Deputies soon figured out that a condom Amanatides had placed into a bodily orifice had burst. The final inventory: 26 Oxycontins, 10 Ambiens, 50 Valiums, 37 Adderalls, plus 133 more prescription pills and four baggies containing heroin. The sequence was captured on surveillance video.

■ In June, the North Carolina Senate passed a state House of Representatives bill (House Bill 819) that orders scientists to use the "correct" way to predict weather in North Carolina. The bill requires that only historical analogies back to 1900 be used to predict sea-level rise -- meaning that scientists must ignore "feedback loops" in which recent, consistent heat and violent atmospheric conditions suggest more radical weather. For example, nine of the hottest 10 years on record have occurred since 2000, but North Carolina scientists must not be swayed by that fact because only patterns of the more stable 20th century can forecast 21st-century sea levels. (Many North Carolina coastal property owners believe the 40-or-more-inch rise in sea level by 2100 that is predicted by most scientists would threaten property values and would rather believe the perhaps-8-inch rise that House Bill 819 would dictate.)

TODAY IN HISTORY

1982 - Iranian diplomats kidnapping (1982): four Iranian diplomats are kidnapped by Lebanese militia in Lebanon.

1987 - In France, former Gestapo chief Klaus Barbie (aka the "Butcher of Lyon") is convicted of crimes against humanity and is sentenced to life imprisonment.

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"The Second Day of July 1776, will be the most memorable Epocha, in the History of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with Shews, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more. You will think me transported with Enthusiasm but I am not. I am well aware of the Toil and Blood and Treasure, that it will cost Us to maintain this Declaration, and support and defend these States. Yet through all the Gloom I can see the Rays of ravishing Light and Glory. I can see that the End is more than worth all the Means. And that Posterity will tryumph in that Days Transaction, even altho We should rue it, which I trust in God We shall not."

(The Book of Abigail and John: Selected Letters of the Adams Family, 1762-1784, Harvard University Press, 1975, 142).

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