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A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE

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Sean McAllister of the Trapeze School New York on the Santa Monica Pier practices a backflip dismount Monday. 'I love Trapeze because you get out of it whatever you put in,' McAllister said.

Hotel project likely to face uphill battle

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN While still in the infancy stages, a hotel project in development-weary Santa Monica could face an uphill battle of opposition from residents.

Maxser and Co., which owns a seven-story historically landmarked commercial tower at 710 Wilshire Blvd., just last month got a glimpse of what resistance may come when Santa Monica Coalition for a Livable City and four neighborhood groups fired off a letter to the Planning Commission opposing a plan to convert the building into a hotel and construct an eight-story wing that would have 240 guest rooms.

The Planning Commission in June voted to recommend that the City Council initiate the development agreement negotiation and review process. The council is anticipated to take up the matter in September and provide direction to staff as to whether to proceed with a development agreement or not.

"It's beauty and the beast," Diana Gordon, who heads the coalition, said. "It's an eight-story inappropriately (big) building overwhelming the landmark structure and bringing with it huge infrastructure pressure … we're talking about huge increases in water, sewage, power, traffic, and pollution that has not been meaningfully addressed."

The coalition and the neighborhood organizations last year supported a ballot measure that sought to limit commercial development in the city to 75,000 square feet a year.

But Architect Howard Laks said that the existing Spanish Colonial Revival style building, which was built in 1928, is about four feet taller than the proposed annex, and notes that the height and size are consistent with the Santa Monica General Plan for the specific area.

"Concerns regarding building scale and mass will be addressed as the design process proceeds," Laks said.

He adds that hotel uses generate fewer vehicle trips per square foot than office, retail and residential uses and avoids normal peak congestion traffic patterns. The project is also

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New GI benefits vary widely by state

BY JUSTIN POPE
Associated Press Writer

When the new GI Bill kicks in Aug. 1, the government's best-known education program for veterans will get the biggest boost since its World War II-era creation. But the benefit is hardly the "Government Issue," one-size-fits-all standard the name implies.

In fact, depending on where service members and veterans decide to attend college, they could receive a full ride, or very little.

An Associated Press review of state-by-state benefits under the new bill shows huge discrepancies in the amount veterans can receive.

For example:

— Veterans attending New Hampshire colleges like Dartmouth might get $25,000 from the government each year, and in Dartmouth's case essentially a free ride, thanks to an additional grant from the Ivy League school. But in neighboring Massachusetts, it is a different story. At that state's numerous private schools — many just as expensive as Dartmouth — the government's baseline tuition benefit is only about $2,200 a year.

— Veterans who choose a private school in Texas could get close to $20,000 a semester from the government for a typical course load. Those picking schools in California will get nothing for tuition.

The explanation stems from the formula the government created, as well as a much-criticized decision by the Department of Veterans Affairs on how to implement the law.

The new GI Bill covers full in-state undergraduate tuition and fees at any public college. That's far more generous than the old GI Bill, which provides a monthly stipend that is the same from state to state.

But Congress also wanted to help veterans attend often pricier private schools. So the new bill offers them an amount equal to the tuition at the most expensive public college in the same state.

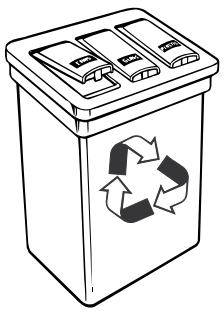
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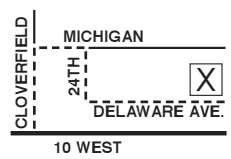


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Annenberg Community Beach House
415 Pacific Coast Hwy, 6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
The Santa Monica Woodwind Quintet presents a program of American composers, including Louis Armstrong, Aaron Copland, George Gershwin, Scott Joplin, Gunther Schuller and William Grant Still. The quintet was form in 1998 by the associate first chair players of the Santa Monica Symphony. The event is free. Call (310) 458-4904 for more information.

Poetry and verse
Barnes & Noble
1201 Third Street Promenade, 10:30 a.m.
Join Bill Robertson from the Santa Monica Emeritus College to strengthen your poetry dedication, appreciation and creation. This event mixes enlightened analysis with innovative authorship. Visit www.greenpoets.com for more information.

Time for stories
Ocean Park Library
2601 Main St., 10 a.m. — 11 a.m.
Join Mr. Jesse for some wonderful stories, rhymes, songs and puppets. This program is for 2 and 3-year-olds. Registration is required but admission is free. Call (310) 392-3804 for more information.

Wednesday, July 8, 2009

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Ballroom by the bay
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Come for a free lesson at 7 p.m. and stick around after for more dancing for $10. Learn how to waltz, fox-trot, swing and hustle by request. Partners are not required. Parking is available next door. Call (310) 487-0911 for more information.

Prose and poetry
Novel Cafe
212 Pier Ave., 8 p.m. — 10 p.m.
Come read, listen and enjoy free open prose and poetry readings every Thursday. Everyone and all genres are welcome, including poetry, fiction and non-fiction, as long as there is a 1,000 word limit per reader. Call (310) 396-8566 for more information.

For more information on any of the events listed, log on to smdp.com and click the "Events" tab for the given day's calendar.



Continuing a tradition of art and culture

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

CITYWIDE Arts and culture are about to receive a welcomed boost in funding following City Hall's announcement Monday that it has approved grants for 19 local organizations in the amount of $90,000 and change through the Community Access and Participation Grants Program.

To receive funding, each applicant had to demonstrate a history of presenting high-caliber art and cultural programs. The grant program provides grants for those non-profit organizations that give Santa Monica residents and visitors opportunities to experience diverse cultural and artistic activities.

The following projects continue throughout the summer and into next year. For more information on each one, call (310) 458-8350.

In the Virginia Avenue Project, a videographer teams up with a Virginia Park youth participant, a senior citizen and a professional theater director to create a multimedia performance piece presented at the Getty Center, as well as other local venues.

The Santa Monica Museum of Art received funding in support of the Allen Ruppersberg: You and Me and the Art of Give and Take exhibition. Among other things, visitors of the exhibit will have a chance to recreate the works on display.

For a true multi-media art experience, the 18th Street Arts Center is spotlighting local artists with open studios, exhibitions, workshops and concerts starting August 1 — for free.

Jacaranda is a series of seven concerts offering new and modern music culminating in a season finale with professional string players performing beside college and high school students.

A wordier grant was given to Highways for the Sixth Annual Poetry Festival, featuring a week of workshops and performances for Southern California poetry.

City Garage is presenting an edgy and original premiere of "The Trojan Women: L.A. Dreamscape," a recreation of the Greek tragedy by Euripides in terms of contemporary issues such as genocide and violence directed at women.

High-class opera has been made available at affordable prices for 25 years by the Verdi Chorus, that, in collaboration with the L.A. Opera, is planning twin concerts featuring

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OBITUARY

Center for Partially Sighted founder dies

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN A quick Google search of Dr. Samuel Genensky pulls an impressive resume of accomplishments during his 81-year-life, from the time spent as a mathematician at the RAND Corp. where he invented a reading device for the visually impaired, to the Disabilities Commission on which he served as an original member.

It's the legacy that friends of the late Santa Monica resident and founder of the Center for the Partially Sighted, who died June 26 from heart complications, say they will remember, one of a tireless advocate who spent the greater part of his life fighting for people with severely low vision.

"It's sad to lose him but at the same time, I'm really very thankful that we had this time with him where we could hear from him and get his contribution and input on so many important issues that faced the disabilities community in Santa Monica," Chris Knauf, the chairman of the Disabilities Commission, said.

Genensky was born July 26, 1927 in New Bedford, Mass. with full vision, but was left nearly blind a few hours postnatal after a doctor mistakenly dropped silver nitrate in his eyes. A surgery about four months later improved his sight to 20/1000 in his right eye, while his left remained visionless.

But he refused to let the condition be a disability, finishing his first eight years of school in seven years and using binoculars to better see the blackboard, later creating a



Photo courtesy Center for the Partially Sighted
GENENSKY

low-vision bifocal by replacing a distance lens with a reading lens, which came in handy during his time studying at Brown and Harvard universities.

Genensky went on to father similar assistive devices, one of the most famous being the first user-friendly closed-circuit TV system for the partially sighted to use for reading and writing. He also designed and lobbied for sign modifications that would allow for one to distinguish between the men's and women's restrooms — triangle for the former and oval for the latter.

Most recently Genensky successfully convinced city officials to install talking crosswalks at 23rd Street and Wilshire Boulevard near where he lived.

"He was tireless, he was determined," Christofer Arroyo, who served on the Disabilities Commission with Genensky, said. "He's done all these things himself."

But perhaps the project most dear to his heart was the Center for the Partially Sighted, which he founded in the former Santa Monica Hospital 31 years ago.

Today located one block east of the Santa Monica city limits on Wilshire Boulevard, the nonprofit organization provides vision care, rehabilitation and support group services to more than 2,300 individuals from the L.A. area every year, helping those with low vision best utilize their remaining eyesight, whether it's prescribing corrective lenses or making in-home visits to make the residences more livable.

Genensky founded the center after an article ran in Reader's Digest about the CCTV system, which led to calls and visits to his office from those who had long struggled with their vision problems. It was then he realized that there were no available services that tailored to the special needs of the partially sighted.

"He really felt that it was a major part of the visually impaired population that had

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LAPD detective pleads not guilty to 1986 murder

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES A veteran Los Angeles police detective pleaded not guilty Monday to murder in the 1986 killing of her ex-boyfriend's wife.

Stephanie Lazarus, 49, remained in custody without bail pending a July 21 hearing on a prosecution motion to get dental impressions from the detective.

A hearing will also be set to determine if there is enough evidence for her to stand trial.

Lazarus was charged with capital murder in the Feb. 24, 1986, shooting death of Sherri Rasmussen, 29, a hospital nursing director, at the victim's condo in Van Nuys.

The detective was recently connected to the crime through a DNA match of saliva taken from bite marks on the victim, Deputy Chief Charlie Beck said earlier.

Defense attorney Mark Overland told reporters Monday that Lazarus, a 25-year veteran of the department, was "anxious to get this to trial."

The murder charge includes the special circumstance allegation of murder during the commission of a burglary. Lazarus also faces a separate allegation of personal use of a handgun.

Prosecutors are expected to decide later whether to seek the death penalty.

Rasmussen's body was found by her husband of three months, John Ruetten. Before he married Rasmussen, Ruetten and Lazarus had been involved, detectives have said.

Lazarus was not a suspect in 1986 because detectives believed that two robbers who had attacked another woman in the area were to blame, police said.

Attorneys for the victim's parents have asked for an investigation into the way the case was handled.

Lazarus, who has been in custody since her arrest on June 5, was an expert in cases involving art forgeries and married a fellow officer who knew nothing about the killing, police said.

She was arrested by detectives who worked across the hall from her.

LAPD public information officer Richard French declined to provide details on her current status with the department because it is a personnel matter.

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Crows are unwanted guests

Editor:

As a 45-year resident of northwest Santa Monica, I feel qualified to comment on P. Mendershausen's query of July 3, "What have we done with our wild birds?"

The black phoebes of which he speaks were rare in this locality until recently, whereas the American robin, once common here, seems to have disappeared completely. White crowned sparrows and house finches appear to be less abundant than they once were and although I still see and hear mocking birds, they too are fewer. I haven't seen a scrub jay in years and red tailed hawks no longer hunt squirrels along the bluffs.

Many years ago when I took my children for evening strolls along the quiet streets north of Montana Avenue we often heard and occasionally spotted owls, but no more. A few miles south in Playa del Rey western meadow larks and belted kingfishers were once frequently seen. They too are gone, however there are still plenty of egrets and herons.

On the upside, I'm pleased to report assorted warblers still visit in the fall along with waxwings, doves and even flocks of noisy feral parrots of various types arrive for the autumn feast. What's with all the crow, you asked. Yes , we are up to our hips in crows. Dear Mr. Mendershausen, when you return to Texas please do feel free to take as many crows with you as you like. Absolutely free!

N. John Gazey
Santa Monica

Your two cents

Editor:

Are you ready for low income housing projects four to six stories high from Wilshire to San Vicente boulevards and throughout Sunset Park? That is what is on the agenda at the Land Use and Circulation Element public hearing scheduled for Tuesday, July 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Center Auditorium. If you want a glimpse of the future if this proposal is approved, everyone in the city should drive by the low income housing project at the southwest corner of 15th Street and Broadway. If you don't want projects like this in your neighborhood, show up on Tuesday and let your opinions be heard.

Mathew Millen
Santa Monica

Freedom of choice

Editor:

Mr. Pisarra,

I agree with most of your post ("Big guns keep big government in check," June 30). However, I feel our government is getting way out of hand lately and is causing concern among many gun owners. Try to find ammo, or reloading supplies, they are virtually unobtainable. I don't think it's because gun owners fear that the current administration is going to ban their firearms. It's a gut feeling many of us have that things are going to get worse and people are stocking up in preparation as did the patriots of the revolution. We the people have the right to change or abolish our government if it becomes too tyrannical. As Jefferson wrote from Paris on Nov. 13, 1787, "The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time, with the blood of patriots and tyrants."

Self preservation is the first law of nature. This right and duty, are both confirmed by the municipal laws of every civilized society. The Second Amendment was based on this right of self preservation. Actually, you would have been required by law prior to the revolution to furnish yourself with a firelock, bayonet and considerable quantity of ammunition. Furthermore, it's not about needs, it's about wants. You choose not to be armed and that's your choice. I want to be well armed, trained and prepared for the protection of my family. Freedom to choose, what a great concept!

Douglas Salter
Delight, Ark.



Back to Nature

Reese Halter — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Mother Nature's world travelers

ALBATROSS ARE THE GREATEST LONG-distance travelers on Earth. These globetrotters are the bloodhounds of the sea, miraculously making a modest living over the vast open ocean.

There are 24 species of albatross with approximately 1.8 million breeding pairs. Two species, the Laysan and Black-browed have about 600,000 breeding pair each.

Albatross spend 95 percent of their time at sea. They come ashore on 22 remote islands in the Southern Hemisphere and six island groups along the Hawaiian archipelago to breed.

Most birds are designed with wings for powerful flight, but albatrosses are constructed more to float in the air rather than fly. Their bones are hollow and air-sacs surround each organ.

Long narrow wings make the albatross extreme-range mileage machines. The wingspan of the Royal albatross, from tip to tip, is 10.5 feet — the largest of all species. The wingspan to width of the Wandering albatross is 18 to 1, equal to that of the best human-made gliders.

The lift to drag ratio — lifting force to air resistance — measures 40 to 1, greater than triple that of eagles.

Wandering and Royal albatross weigh 26 pounds — twice that of bald eagles.

These beauties were designed for wind. They work with solar-powered wind and gravity in order to travel to the limit of any sea. The flight of an albatross surpasses all other birds.

Around the age of 13, albatross seek a lifelong mate. Their courtship ritual is the most intricate of any nonhuman. Initial wooing takes months or years.

After copulation, the pair take to the sea for a two-and-a-half week "honeymoon." When they come ashore the female lays one large egg weighing about a pound or about 10 percent of her body weight.

The male takes the first incubation shift while the female forages the sea to replenish the energy costs of building the egg.

It takes each mate about five or six shifts (65 days) incubating while the other mate forages the sea before the chick hatches.

Then it takes a Herculean effort over an additional four months by both parents to feed and grow the chick to its fledging weight of about 23 pounds.

Each parent regurgitates a concentrated stream of gooey nutritious oil into the chick's throat. The oil from the parent's stomach is so caloric-rich it has been likened to commercial diesel oil in its energy-punch for young chicks.

Each parent forages the equivalent of circumnavigating the equator once — 25,000 miles — to feed the chick until it reaches fledging weight.

Sixty-five percent of the eggs result in chicks that survive to fledging age. During their first attempt at flying, 10 percent of young albatrosses are eaten by sharks. Of those that survive, 93-98 percent reach at least 20 years of age. Royals can live for 60 years and some may live as long as 100 years.

Albatrosses inhabit every ocean except the North Atlantic.

Most birds have a poor sense of smell. Albatrosses have a tube on either side of their beak that enables them a powerful sense of smell.

The windiest parts of the Earth lie between 30 and 55 degrees. Albatrosses fly continuously in search of an earthy smell of phytoplankton. During the night, while flying, half their brain sleeps while the other half is awake.

Phytoplankton feeds zooplankton in turn feeding little fish, and little fish feed on squid. Squid die on masse after breeding.

Albatross eat squid, fish and crustaceans. It takes about 398 million pounds of prey to feed the albatross of the Northwest Hawaiian Islands.

There are about 10 million individual albatrosses on our planet.

Drift nets and over-fishing have had a horrendous impact on albatross. Each year about 1.1 billion commercial hooks are set; about one quarter of them are unregistered poacher boats.

An innovative approach to harvest fish has been implemented and within a decade it is hoped that it will be adopted by our entire planet.

Individual transferable quotas enable boats to own shares of the overall quota determined by scientists. The method is safer for people and their boats.

Climate change is also having a profound impact on albatross populations. Sea-ice is an integral part of how plankton makes its living. Millions of miles of sea-ice are missing.

Without plankton, albatross cannot breed. Breeding numbers have dropped significantly in both hemispheres.

Albatross symbolize good luck. Any critter that can live in the wild for over 60 years and fly over 4 million miles must be admired and protected.

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What's the Point?

David Pisarra
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Fourth of July parade should end in festival

THIS PAST FOURTH OF JULY WE HAD yet another wonderful community event, put on by a devoted group of locals led by Lori Nafshun, the Ocean Park Association's events chair, and a horde of helpful heroines and heroes. This was the third annual parade, and it is definitely growing into a widely attended and well received social event.

Like most American parades we had the Boy Scouts well represented. But this being Southern California, car culture was a strong presence. We had Mrs. California riding in a gorgeous red hot rod. There was a tremendous showing of amazing automobiles from the Classic Lowriders Car Club Los Angeles. The Santa Monica Neighborhood Electric Vehicle club was out in force, as was Plug-In America, the organization made famous by the movie "Who Killed the Electric Car?"

I played chauffeur to two of the city's celebu-dogs, Bonzo and Lola in an electric roadster owned by Paul and Anne Pearson, who are the caretakers of the bark-o-beasts.

As we proceeded down Main Street, past the crowds of well-wishers, we passed out beach balls from the Santa Monica Convention and Visitors Bureau, which this year is sporting a lovely chartreuse and charcoal motif. The kids seemed to love getting the balls, and the dogs were having a blast barking at their brethren who were stuck on the sidewalks with their owners.

It was truly an Americana moment. Being in a parade is always fun. It provides you with a sense of community and fellowship. Seeing the flags, and hearing the cheers of friends that you haven't seen in a while, just makes you feel a part of the city.

We have such diversity in our small town, and really, it was all on display this past weekend. We're lucky that we get to share our experiences and come together as one, without rivalries tearing us apart, creating hatred and dissension.

The friendliness that is the hallmark of Americans was definitely on display this past weekend, when I was invited to three barbecues, was able to attend two and had some wonderful conversations with people that I am glad to know.

This year there was the usual overindulgence in hamburgers, ribs and more cupcakes than I care to remember, but what the heck, like Mae West said, "You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough!"

It occurred to me as we came to the end of the parade route, and ended in the parking lot across from the towers, that this event is getting large enough, that what we really need is a festival. As we were turning up Nielsen, it seemed to me, with the Liberty Tax Service people on the lawn, that it would be wonderful if we had a Fourth of July party that was at the end of the parade. I envisioned booths with delicacies being sold, and a surf band playing, maybe a face painter or two, a cotton candy shack and someone selling Icees.

The Rotary Club of Santa Monica could do a pancake breakfast, and the Lions Club could man a sausage and peppers stand. Maybe we could get the City Council to be the bait in a dunking both, but on second thought, the fire department crews might be a bigger draw. We could have a pizza eating contest, and get some publicity like they do in Atlantic City, down at Perry's Pizza.

Then there's the police. We have to make them do something besides traffic control. Maybe a basketball hoops shooting contest.

Well I'm not sure where to go with this, it's just an idea I had. It might be a great way for us to expand the city's goodwill and increase our sense of community. I love our city, and I want to see it continue to foster the types of events that bring us together and help us become better acquainted.

So once again, a big thank you to Lori Nafshun and the many hands who put on a fantabulous Fourth of July parade. People like Lori and her team of volunteers, who give to the greater good, deserve our thanks and appreciation for making the memories that many of the children I saw on the parade route will carry forward to their children.

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The Q Line

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The Quackers

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Creating gardens along our rooftops

Editor's Note: The Quackers are three awesome ducks from the canals of Venice who are on a mission to educate the community about the dangers of global warming and the importance of practicing sustainability, all while surfing the most gnarly waves possible.

After 108 sun salutations, we were trying to remember exactly how Richard talked us into going to Santa Monica Yoga to welcome the summer solstice. With a final "Om," Richard opened his eyes feeling invigorated, renewed and bouncing with energy. He found me resting in child's pose. Rusty, also known as Mr. Dramatic, crawled toward the door on his hands and knees. With some embarrassment we allowed Richard to wheel us home in a borrowed grocery cart.

Once home, we fell through the front door, sprawled on the couch and immediately fell asleep. Moments later our snoring duet, in two part harmony, drove Richard from the room.

About an hour later we awoke, stiff and achy. Richard was ready to hit the beach. He was sure a little sun and salt water would fix us right up.

The waves were small, 2-3 feet, but perfectly formed and glassy. Richard caught wave after wave. After catching one or two, Rusty and I paddled out just beyond the break and lounged on our boards. The gently rocking motion of the swells soothed us. The salt water and the warm sun worked its magic on our sore muscles.

As we walked home, Richard said while we were busy composing the snoring symphony he was reading an exciting article on living roofs. He told us they were also called eco roofs, green roofs and roof carpets. He thought they were new inventions but discovered the meadow style cottage roofs had been around for centuries in Europe. We had never seen a living roof but loved the mental picture it created.

Richard said the living roofs were another great tool to fight climate change. They save energy and money by reducing air conditioning and heating costs. The living roofs create shade and add insulation, making buildings cooler in summer and warmer in winter. By removing particulates and ozone producing compounds, they clean the air. They also add oxygen and sequester carbon. Last but not least, they provide habitat for birds, butterflies and other airborne wildlife.

He also said that in a downtown setting, like Santa Monica, planted roofs could radically reduce heat absorption. They would lessen the heat island effect that often causes cities to be 10 degrees hotter than the surrounding countryside.

We were not far from home when we saw a man replacing a roof. Richard got that, "I have a great idea!" look on his face. Before I could stop him he had climbed the ladder and joined the man on the roof. Richard must have sounded like a typical salesman when he asked the man if he had considered putting on a living roof. Clearly, he did not want to be bothered. He wiped sweat from his brow and told Richard, "Son, just get off the roof before you hurt yourself."

Richard, not ready to give up yet, said, " Did you know a sheet of plastic, soil medium and some plants on your one story house could reduce your summer electricity use for cooling by 25 percent?"

The man, looking tired and hot, told Richard, "Get down, now." As Richard climbed down he shouted up, "My brothers and I could help you!" The man uttered one word, "Down!"

Richard was disappointed but not defeated. He wanted to put his new found knowledge to work. It wasn't time to replace our roof, but he had an idea.

We gathered up all the scrap wood we could find. I drew up some simple blueprints while Rusty and Richard gathered nails and began cutting the wood. We were going to make bird houses and bird feeders with living roofs. We would give them to people so they could see how a living roof worked and how it could help with global warming.

We made birdhouses and feeders with both flat and sloped roofs. We installed a sheet of heavy plastic and soil medium. On the sloped roofs we added a piece of nylon soil erosion netting with the soil. Then we added plants. As recommended in the article we chose sedums for their toughness and adaptability. On some we also planted milkweed, poppies, yarrow and red thistle. These plants would provide food as well as act as a roof. Rusty thought it was totally awesome to have birdhouses with built in rooftop restaurants and bird feeders with penthouse parks.

Our project turned out beautifully. We gave our neighbors a copy of the article and a birdhouse or feeder. Not only did they love them, they came up with more creative ideas. They thought they would also be perfect on top of mailboxes and dog houses. Now that is what we call innovative.

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At what age do kids become truly helpful, and how?

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Madly power cleaning one Sunday morning an hour before my in-laws were due for brunch, a miracle occurred: My 9-year-old daughter offered to sweep the apartment.

Then another miracle occurred: She swept beautifully. She didn't spill a crumb, wielding the dustpan like a little pro. I nearly wept with joy, but I'm not sure why I was so surprised.

Hadn't she loved to "play" cleaning as a toddler with her red plastic broom and pan? She's been responsible for the care and feeding of our two cats for quite some time and they haven't perished. She makes her bed occasionally. She goes to the laundry room to keep my husband company, though I haven't seen her actually do laundry.

A few days after our sweeping breakthrough, I was washing dishes. Out of the corner of my eye I see her flip a new roll of paper towels onto the countertop holder.

"I hope you don't mind, they were out," she said, tossing the empty cardboard roll into the recycling basket.

Mind?

When did she get competent at truly helpful things? I mean the kind of helpful where I don't have to make positive parenting clucking noises to praise her effort, then do the job myself after she leaves the room. The kind of chore duty not born of my begging, or weighed down by whining and complaining and foot stomping — hers and mine.

We've mostly been laissez faire about insisting she help out and have avoided the bribe trap when we've sought her assistance, so do all kids just morph into voluntarily useful beings?

Amy McCready, founder of Positive Parenting Solutions, which offers online education and problem-solving for parents of toddlers to teens, said making it happen usually requires a more specific game plan.

"Parents aren't the only ones who benefit," she said. "As children of all ages become more capable and self-sufficient, their confidence and perception of self improves and — the best news — they are more willing to take on additional new tasks in the future."

McCready, who lives in Raleigh, N.C., and has two boys ages 11 and 13, suggests these approaches:

■ Training: Begin with simple tasks for young children, such as emptying silverware from the dishwasher, sorting laundry or folding towels. Work toward more complex tasks that can include help preparing meals, start-to-finish laundry and lawn care.

"The important thing is to break the task into steps and train the child on the step-by-step process," she said. "If the child is not successful in doing the new job, it is usually a training issue."

■ Presentation: No one wants another "chore," so McCready prefers the term "family contribution."

The minor change in semantics implies: "When you do these tasks, you make a difference in our family, you're contributing in a meaningful way. We understand that kids may not love doing these tasks, but it's important to remind them that their efforts matter," she said.

■ Encouragement: Don't criticize when the task isn't performed to your exact specifications, and don't redo it. "These are surefire ways to douse any enthusiasm for helping in the future," McCready said.

Instead, encourage a child's hard work, effort and improvement. "If he thinks we're only concerned with a 'perfect end product,' he's likely to give up, thinking, 'Why bother, she's never happy with what I do anyway.' You can't blame him."

Sounds good, but how does all of that look from the home trenches?

Caroline Beckering of Bloomington, Minn., uses simple mommy trickery to enlist the aid of her 6-year-old and 10-year-old daughters.

"I play Tom Sawyer to get my girls to help with stuff," she said. "'Oh no, this laundry is much too fun to share with you! I couldn't possibly let you match socks for me. What will you give me if I let you put clothes on hangers?'"

Suzanne Bastien works full time as a receptionist and is a single mother of six children, ages 1 to 17. She doesn't mess around when it comes to help around their house in Centennial, Colo. Bastien maintains a chore schedule for her kids and starts them young.

"I start preparing them around age 2 to start helping clean up their toys. ... At age 5 they learn to start folding their laundry and where to put it. I walk them through it."

Competency sets in around sixth grade, Bastien said. By high school, "If they don't have clean clothes, it's their issue, not mine." She doesn't believe in "allowance" for laundry and other housework, but she offers it for extras like mowing and weeding outdoors.

Parenting educator Vicki Hoefle, who has five teens, also began engaging her kids in useful things when they were babies. She bought them "little tool belts and gave them simple dusters and rags and anything else I could think of that would help turn a simple request to 'help' into a lifetime 'habit' of contributing."

By the time they were 10 or 11, "there wasn't much they couldn't do and weren't doing. … I invited them in when they were interested in participating."

Not all parents have the same "competency" mentality, or the same priorities.

"Hell, I don't even vacuum," said Melanie Turek, a technology analyst in Steamboat Springs, Colo., with three kids ages 3, 7 and nearly 10. "I'm most proud of the fact that my kids have always known never to bother us in the morning until we come downstairs."

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Council yet to take up development agreement issue for hotel project

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well-suited for a Transportation Demand Management program that will reduce trips by hotel employees and guests, Laks said.

The new hotel will have 284 rooms between the existing and new buildings and will have approximately 26,000 square feet of retail and 5,200 square feet of ground-floor open-air retail paseo. The landmarked building will have a restaurant while the new structure will have a coffee shop.

"The site is currently under-utilized and provides an opportunity to revitalize the surrounding area with a vibrant pedestrian environment at the intersection of Wilshire Boulevard and Seventh Street," Laks said. "The location seems appropriate for a moderate-priced hotel, pedestrian-oriented ground-floor retail uses, public open spaces, and outdoor and sidewalk dining."

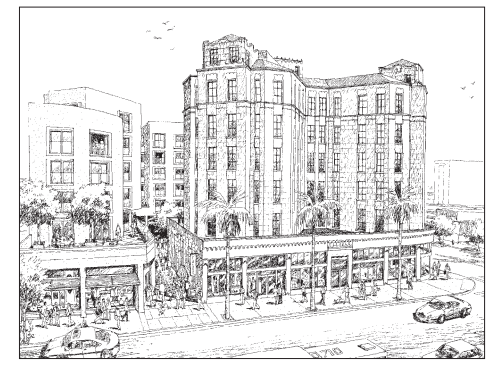
He said that the project team has heard from city officials and the tourism sector that there is a need for more moderately-priced hotels in the city.

Alison Best, the director of sales and marketing for the Convention and Visitors Bureau said not all tourists are looking to stay in a full-service luxury property.

"It does gives us more options," she said. "The project sounds like it fits in well with the city's overall plan to have this mixed-use amenities close to where people live."

Residents who have expressed opposition said they fear the impact the project will have on the neighborhood and question the mass of the proposed new wing.

Gordon said she believes the coalition would support the project if it only involved adaptively re-using the landmarked building.



Courtesy Howard Laks Architects
Rendering of proposed hotel on Wilshire Blvd.

"Our research indicates that the environmental benefits of adaptive reuse far outweighs new construction," she said.

Laks has worked on multiple historic preservation projects in the past, including designing The Lobster restaurant next to the landmarked Santa Monica Pier sign, and currently the rehabilitation of 2001 Main St., home of Horizons West Surf Shop.

The coalition has also urged that city officials not enter into a development agreement.

Ted Winterer, who was one of the authors of the 2008 ballot measure and the lone planning commissioner to vote against the development agreement recommendation last month, said he believes the development agreement process is broken right now because of a lack of enforcement of the terms outlined in contracts that have been approved.

"I think they should be infrequent if not rare and we are entering into too many of

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Local organizations receive funding

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choruses by Richard Wagner at the First United Methodist Church in Santa Monica in April 2010.

The Santa Monica Playhouse is hosting a free, week-long theater festival including community workshops, language arts and cultural exchange events and will feature an original musical crafted by professional members from Santa Monica and Japan.

An all-woman cast is performing Shakespeare's "Richard II" at the Miles Playhouse presented by the Los Angeles Women's Shakespeare Company. Performances run for five weeks from May 27 to June 27, 2010.

TeAda Productions will present a full-length performance of "Ode to the Polar Bear" at the Miles Playhouse in May of 2010. This one-woman show created by Inupiaq Eskimo performance artist Allison Warden explores themes of global warming and the fate of Alaska's polar bear.

"Singularity" is a new dance based on contemporary physics put on by Donna Sternberg & Dancers, complete with a panel discussion of scientists and artists on the themes of the dance. This will take place at the Main Library in the winter of 2010.

The Santa Monica Conservancy will offer a guided walking tour of Palisades Park, painting a picture with layers of cultural history and meaningful stories, resulting in a unique venue for education and entertainment.

The Pico Youth and Family Center is hosting artist James Rojas to engage teens in a creative urban planning process to explore the diverse history of Santa Monica.

The Latino New Works Festival, put on by Highways, is the first Westside festival dedicated to contemporary performance and visual art created by Latino artists.

"La Quinceañera," by Anthony Aguilar, presented by TeAda Productions and directed by Alejandra Cisneros will have a three week run at the Miles Playhouse. The play follows Arturo Sanchez, a factory worker who believes he has been given superhuman powers after an accident at work and creates his alter-ego El Verde.

The Virginia Avenue Project is also offering a one on one program focused on giving local underprivileged youth writing and performing opportunities, as well as in-depth contact with professional artists and mentors.

The Santa Monica Museum of Art will present "Cause for Creativity: The Art Cycle," centering on a bicycle tour of various art attractions in Santa Monica. Participants will design flags to fly from their bikes as they tour art venues throughout the city.

Girls 12-18 years old are offered a free, twelve-session Shakespeare workshop by the L.A. Women's Shakespeare Company to rehearse for and perform in a free production of "The Dangerous Dozen." Workshops will take place from May 27 to June 27, 2010.

Third graders in the Santa Monica/Malibu School District are treated to interactive professional theater field trips provided by the Santa Monica Playhouse. Students can participate in a pre-show introduction to theater appreciation, see a professional production in which they directly affect the outcome of the show and more.

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Genensky was founding member of city's Disabilities Commission

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been ignored," LaDonna Ringering, the president and CEO of the center, said. "In that sense he was a visionary."

Up until a few months ago, Genensky came by the center about twice a week to make calls to long-time donors. Those calls continued even after his illness made it difficult to make the trip, instead picking up the phone from his home office. The calls stopped about a few weeks before his death.

"He was such a huge role model to people and their families to give them hope they could accomplish whatever they wanted to as long as they put their minds to it and energy to it and were willing to work hard," she said.

Genensky was also involved with City Hall, serving on a task force that was responsible for determining whether the City Council should create a Disabilities Commission. He then served on the Disability Community Accessibility Committee which studied various issues in the city, eventually recommending that a permanent committee be formed. The City Council appointed Genensky to the Disabilities Commission in 2002.

Knauf said Genensky served a curmudgeonly role, one who was always the counterpoint and urged the commission to get on with their business.

"He was just a force to get us to do the right thing," Knauf said. "Not everyone always agreed with him, but he was a pleasure to have."

The commission met on Monday night when they were scheduled to discuss a tribute for their late colleague.

Outside of advocacy work, there was life with Nancy Cronig, his second wife.

They met through Cronig's late husband, who became friends with Genensky after moving to New Bedford as a teenager, seeing himself as "Sam's protector," Cronig said.

"(Genensky) would take out his binoculars at the restaurant to scan the menu on the wall for food and people would start making fun or just couldn't understand what this man was doing with the binoculars," Cronig said. "My first husband stood right up to them."

They married 14 years ago, long after their spouses died. The couple each had children from previous marriages.

Cronig remembers Genensky's nearly daily walks to Douglas Park where he brought his talking book device and sat on a bench, smelling the air and listening. Despite his vision, Genensky was also an avid bird watcher.

With all his accomplishments over the years, Cronig believes opening the center was her husband's high point.

"I'm receiving letters from all over the world expressing gratitude for Sam and for all he's done for the partially-sighted people," she said.

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Private college benefit varies

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That penalizes veterans going to private colleges in states that have kept their public university tuition low.

As a result, the new GI Bill is a great deal for such vets in states like New Hampshire, New York and Texas; a pretty good one in states like Ohio; and hardly any deal at all in Massachusetts and especially California, where the state constitution prohibits public universities from charging tuition. Instead, California's public universities typically charge "fees" of several thousand dollars per year.

Critics argue the Department of Veterans Affairs misinterpreted the law and should have combined tuition and fees in coming up with reimbursement levels. That would have put the total California benefit at around $13,000 per year.

Anthony Brooks, a 26-year-old former Army Ranger who served in Iraq and Afghanistan, will get a mere $5,000 toward the $38,570 tuition charged at the private University of Southern California — and half of that comes from USC through the government's Yellow Ribbon matching-grant program.

"It's depressing, actually. It's putting states up against each other," said Brooks, who plans to become a doctor. He added: "We all fought for our country. It just seems unfair."

The VA says its hands were tied by Congress.

"It is a valid question concerning why we would pay X in State A versus how much we would pay in State B, but the statute defines the kinds of programs we would account for," said Keith Wilson, the department's director of educational services.

Congress passed the Post 9/11 GI Bill last year, offering veterans the most significant expansion of educational benefits since the original GI Bill in 1944. The VA expects nearly half a million veterans to participate in the coming year.

The benefits — including new, separate stipends for housing and books — kick in after three years of active duty, and some of them are transferable to family members.

Rep. Howard "Buck" McKeon, R-Calif., has introduced legislation that would correct the discrepancy in California.

"California's generosity on state tuition was intended to keep college costs down, not inadvertently increase costs for the state's veterans," said Lindsey Mask, a spokeswoman for McKeon.

In the meantime, education and veterans groups are fielding calls from veterans confused over how much they can get.

"What should be a simple number has turned into some kind of Frankenstein-like monster that nobody will be able to understand," said Terry Hartle, senior vice president of the American Council on Education.

About 80 percent of veterans tapping the new bill are expected to attend public institutions. But some of the remaining 20 percent — those planning to attend private colleges, graduate schools, and the for-profit institutions that are hugely popular with veterans — are angry.

"On paper, this is an amazing new GI bill. It's an amazing plan," said Matthew Collins, a former Army specialist who started a Facebook group criticizing the system.

He plans to attend California Baptist University, affordable only because it is making a $10,000-per-veteran contribution under Yellow Ribbon — something many California colleges are unable to offer.

"I just don't think they truly thought it through," Collins said.

Associated Press Writer Kevin Freking contributed to this report from Washington.



Size of hotel raises concerns

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them without stepping back and without taking a look at the cumulative impact and having some public discussion," he said.

Winterer added that while he favors a hotel at the landmarked site, he believes the project is too big and exceeds height limits that is anticipated under the Land Use and Circulation Element for that area.

"I think the new addition completely diminishes the visual authority of the landmark structure," he said.

City staff has also voiced concerns about the project's height and massing, though they acknowledge that the number of units and floor area has been reduced since its initial conception. Both the Landmarks and Planning commissions have expressed similar concerns.

Terry O'Day, the chairman of the Planning Commission, said he has seen improvements in the project since it was originally presented, such as creating a pedestrian-friendly environment on the Seventh Street side of the project.

"The relationship to the landmark building in the current version is much more accentuated than in previous versions of this project," O'Day said. "It's also significantly more articulated."

Some commissioners also questioned the public benefits that the project applicant is proposing will come with the hotel, including meeting the city's need for moderately priced hotel rooms close to Downtown. Winterer said that the only public benefit he sees so far with the project is the enhancement of city revenues.

Other public benefits listed include enhancing the safety and ambiance of Reed Park by encouraging guests and employee use of the resource, creating employment opportunities in the city, and preserving a historic landmark.

O'Day said he believes the project is a good opportunity to protect a landmark.

"I think having affordable hotel rooms is something that people in the city want and generally this looks like a good location to place hotel rooms," he said. "It's one of the most walkable neighborhoods in L.A. County and the traffic impacts would be much lighter here than anywhere I can imagine."

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Calif. budget talks stall

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SACRAMENTO Attempts to close California's widening budget deficit appeared to veer off course Monday after one of the key Democratic leaders sat out a top-level meeting amid frustration over the direction of the talks.

Assembly Speaker Karen Bass, D-Los Angeles, refused to participate in morning negotiations between Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and the Republican and Democratic leaders of the Assembly and Senate. She told reporters that she would consider avoiding another so-called Big 5 meeting later Monday.

Bass criticized Schwarzenegger for fixating on what she called a "laundry list" of issues that would do little if anything to close the state's $26.3 billion shortfall. She demanded that the Republican governor and the other leaders focus on closing the deficit, rather than what she considers peripheral issues.

She said the chasm between Democrats and Republicans over addressing the state's fiscal crisis seemed to be growing.

"We need to be talking about closing the deficit," Bass said during a news conference called just 30 minutes before the governor was scheduled to address reporters.

Senate President Pro Tem Darrell Steinberg, D-Sacramento, will continue attending the budget talks because he believes some progress is being made, said his spokeswoman, Alicia Trost.

Failure to find a quick resolution will leave thousands of state vendors in limbo. Last week, the state began issuing IOUs for all types of services provided by private contractors, including community health clinics, suppliers and janitorial crews.

Schwarzenegger also ordered some 235,000 state workers to take a third furlough day a month, cutting their pay by a total of 14 percent.

Monday's developments come after futile talks over the holiday weekend and after Republicans in the state Senate blocked a proposal last week to cut $3 billion in spending before the July 1 start of the fiscal year. That action widened the deficit by about $2 billion, in large part because more money will now flow to schools under California's complex education-funding formula.

Schwarzenegger and GOP senators said the Democratic majority in both houses of the Legislature needed to deal with the entire deficit at once rather than in piecemeal fashion.

At the same time, the governor is pushing for reforms he says will save California hundreds of millions of dollars a year and show taxpayers that state government is accountable for how it spends their money.

He met Monday with district attorneys from five counties to discuss alleged fraud in the in-home supportive services program, which provides care for people with medical problems.

He said he wants caregivers and patients to be fingerprinted as a way to prevent fraud and institute unannounced compliance checks at recipients' homes.

"The legislators upstairs, some of them, are very reluctant to do that. They feel that it would be an insult to fingerprint a patient," Schwarzenegger said during his own news conference. "I always tell them that fingerprinting is quite common in a lot of different areas."

Schwarzenegger spokesman Aaron McLear said the governor is asking for reforms to four state programs: in-home care, pensions for new public employees, Medi-Cal and CalWorks, the low-cost health insurance program for the poor.

McLear said the other legislative leaders would continue working toward a compromise on the budget deficit, with or without Bass. Schwarzenegger declined to criticize the Assembly speaker, instead calling Bass a passionate public servant.

"These are very challenging times, so I understand if people sometimes get frustrated and they get upset," he said.



School bullying, once a silent battle, now a crime

CHRISTINE ARMARIO
Associated Press Writer

TAMPA, Fla. In a Tampa middle school locker room, prosecutors say four flag football players held down a younger teammate and committed a horrifying assault: Raping him with a hockey stick and a broom handle.

"Don't do it again or this is going to happen to you again," a witness says he heard one of the boys say in the April attack.

Two decades ago, the attack may have stayed a secret. Victims of hazing, bullying and sexual assault are still often too terrified to report their attackers — though officials say that's starting to change.

Police are called to investigate everything from cyber-bullying and schoolyard fights to brutal hazing rituals, and tormenters can be prosecuted under anti-bullying laws in dozens of states. Proactive parents aren't afraid to confront school officials or take the matter to court, and schools are training students and teachers alike to spot and report bullying.

"Back in the old days it was, 'Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me,'" said Kevin Quinn, a school resource officer in Arizona and regional director of the National Association of School Resource Officers. "In today's day and age, words do hurt and that's how a lot of the bullying begins."

Thirty-two percent of students ages 12 to 18 nationwide had experienced bullying within the past school year in 2007, according to a report by the U.S. Education Department and the U.S. Justice Department. That number was slightly higher than the year before — though officials say it's not because bullying is more frequent, but because it's more often reported.

Parents are taking more action as well, including filing more lawsuits.

"The reason it's picking up momentum is not necessarily the frequency of the bullying, but the manner in which people are engaging in bullying," said Joe Braun, a Cincinnati attorney who sued on behalf of the family of a high school basketball player attacked by three teammates while waiting for a bus to take them to practice in Milford, Ohio. "It's starting to become more physical, more sexual, and it's not just emotional bullying like we've seen in the past."

According to the lawsuit, the teens held the boy on the ground and punched him in the stomach. One of them exposed himself and rubbed his genitals on the boy's face.

Other accusations of particularly cruel incidents have led to lawsuits and criminal charges. In South Florida, two high school students have been charged with stalking and battery for allegedly restraining a freshman in the school locker room. One of the teens admitted he did "pretend to rape him," according to a police affidavit.

And a school district in Bakersfield, Calif., along with several students and their parents, paid $260,000 to settle a lawsuit after debate team members encased a younger student in plastic wrap and tape in a hotel room before a competition.

The Tampa case has stunned the region for its brutality, the young age of the four students accused and the fact it happened on school grounds. Equally surprising were the characteristics of the accused: One is the son of a police officer, and several are promising athletes and students who took honors classes. Each has been charged with multiple counts of sexual battery.

"It's going to be a situation where they're looking at it saying, 'How could someone with this type of background, this type of character, be charged with something like this?'" said Timothy Taylor, an attorney for one of the accused boys.

The bullying had gone on for months, officials said, unbeknownst to the boys' coach, school administrators and the victim's parents, until the teen finally snapped.

Assistant State Attorney Kimberly Hindman said at a June hearing that the boys were fighting after a botched play during a flag football game. A school official intervened when the feud spilled into the locker room, and the teen later said he was "tired of them getting on me."

When the four suspects were called in by school officials, they were asked to write explanations of what happened.

It was then that administrators learned the boy had been penetrated with a broom and hockey stick.

Hindman described it as an "intentional terroristic act" that occurred multiple times previously.

"Why doesn't the victim tell immediately when something like this is happening?" Hindman asked. "I don't know, judge. But there are witnesses, independent eyewitnesses, who saw the acts taking place. Some of those witnesses will describe the victim screaming when it was happening. Fighting them and he told them to stop."

The suspects' families have expressed a combination of shock, denial and support.

"I just don't think that he deserved this," one defendant's mother said in court.

"Deserved what?" Circuit Judge Wayne Timmerman replied.

"Whatever the accusations that was made," she said. "I just want him to live a normal life."

The 13-year-old victim, who is not being identified because he was the victim of an alleged sexual assault, said a few words himself before the judge set bond.

"When my family members figured out about this, they started crying," he said. "My dad was furious. He couldn't even say nothing. He couldn't look at me. He said, 'Why couldn't you tell me?'"

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SURF CONDITIONS **WATER TEMP:** 64°

SWELL FORECAST (4-5 FT)

Now through Thursday we should see a steady flow of moderately sized southern hemi swell, thanks to a series of storms that broke off Antarctica south of New Zealand starting nearly ten days ago

LONG RANGE SYNOPSIS

LATER THIS WEEK THE SW SWELL IS EXPECTED TO BACK DOWN, PERHAPS TO WAIST TO CHEST MAX. WEST FACING BREAKS SHOULD SEE WAIST HIGH WIND SWELL.

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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**

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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.

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CYCLING

Armstrong jumps from 10th to 3rd at Tour de France

BY JAMEY KEATEN
Associated Press Writer

LA GRANDE-MOTTE, France Lance Armstrong jumped from 10th to third place at the Tour de France on Monday, positioning himself for a shot at the yellow jersey after evading trouble on a windy ride along the Mediterranean.

Britain's Mark Cavendish won his second straight stage. He and Armstrong and overall leader Fabian Cancellara of Switzerland kept up with a breakaway group that bolted from the pack with 18 miles left in the 122-mile third stage.

Armstrong, a seven-time champion coming out of retirement, is 40 seconds behind. He was able to make his big jump because riders in front of him at the start of the day got trapped in the main pack.

The race is set for a shakeout featuring Cancellara, Armstrong and Germany's Tony Martin in Tuesday's team time trial. Each team is strong in the 24-mile event, which starts and finishes in Montpellier. If Astana wins, Armstrong could take the yellow jersey. The race ends July 26 in Paris.

The Tour said Armstrong will be fined the equivalent of $92 for failing to sign in before the stage. His Astana team said the Texan was delayed because of autographs and interviews.

This was the sixth time Cavendish won a Tour stage. He finished in 5 hours, 1 minute, 24 seconds on the hot and breezy ride from Marseille to La Grande-Motte.

Armstrong, Cancellara and 22 other cyclists had the same time. Cancellara, who rides for Saxo Bank, extended his lead and is ahead of Martin by 33 seconds.

Cavendish mimed talking on a cell phone — in recognition of one of the Columbia team sponsors — as he led a sprint finish ahead of Norway's Thor Hushovd and France's Cyril Lemoine.

"It was brilliant," Cavendish said. "We were the only sprint team that wanted to ride today."

The pack, including expected contenders like Armstrong's Astana teammate Alberto Contador of Spain, the 2007 Tour champion, and two-time runner-up Cadel Evans of Australia, finished 41 seconds behind.

Columbia took control with about 18 miles left. Its riders led a 29-man breakaway that included several Astana cyclists, among them Armstrong and Cancellara.

They used the gusty conditions to their advantage in a tactic known as "bordure," which can help breakaway groups gain time on the main pack. Contador and other favorites were caught off-guard.

"We knew the wind was going to be a factor," said Armstrong, noting Columbia's move. "When you see a team at the front like that, you have to pay attention."

Armstrong said it was "not my objective" to gain ground on Contador, insisting he was "just trying to stay up front and out of trouble. ... I turned around and was surprised there was a split."

Contador dropped to fourth from second and is 59 seconds back from Cancellara. Fellow Astana rider Levi Leipheimer slipped to 10th, from sixth, and is 1:11 behind.

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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, 7:45, 10:10

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

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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
10:45 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

Public Enemies (R) 2hrs 23min
11:30 a.m., 1:15, 2:45, 4:30, 6:30, 8:00, 9:45

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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

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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
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Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) 1hr 27min
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Your public image and career demand your attention. An adjustment might be possible -- not immediately, but in the near future. Someone you look up to and care a lot about could be involved as well. Look at where you need to be less serious. Tonight: A must show.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ What might appear as a closed door in the near future is simply telling you to try another route to get there. If you use this type of thinking more often, you might be surprised by how easily your path opens up. Tonight: New vistas.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ A new beginning becomes possible only after you see the futility of continuing on the present path. The unexpected occurs, especially if you feel angry or frustrated. You gain insight into a new project. Tonight: Take a stand.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Sudden realities could cause you to head in a new direction and help you unravel a situation. Be willing to back off from a nonfunctioning matter. A seemingly serious talk is pivotal, more than you realize. Tonight: Listen to someone else's perspective.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Emphasize accomplishment, but if you run into a roadblock, stop and opt for another path. Because of recent events, you could be uncomfortable or lacking in security. Tonight: You will succeed.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Sometimes your serious manner leaves a lot to be desired. Let go of a difficult and demanding stance or situation. Once you do, you'll discover just how resourceful and creative you can be. Tonight: Be natural with a child or loved one.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ A partner could stun you, impacting your entire day. Stop reacting if you're uncomfortable with what is going on. You are commander of your own ship. Choose what you want to do and think about why. Personal or family matters become a higher priority. Tonight: Head on home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Communication explains what otherwise might be unexplainable. Others react atypically, creating a situation. Be smart: Pull back, and do some solid thinking. Brainstorm. Tonight: Be responsive to a serious friend's issues.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Be aware of the implications of a financial decision. If you don't like your present options, dig in and brainstorm with someone you trust. Tonight: Touch base with an older relative or friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You melt down barriers and grow past an immediate upset. Your ability to transform a difficult situation or an uptight individual emerges, allowing a new exchange. Tonight: Do absolutely what you want.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ You are coming from a secure place as you evaluate. You share your concerns and a change in direction with a very select few people. A partner could be unusually solemn. Tonight: Dinner for two.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Be honest with yourself: Just how much do you believe your unpredictability is triggering events? Understanding evolves to a new level once conversations starts. Tonight: Accept a friend's invitation.

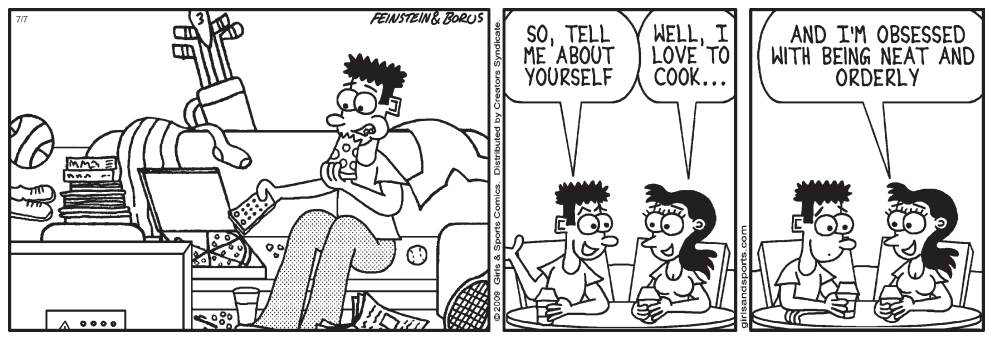
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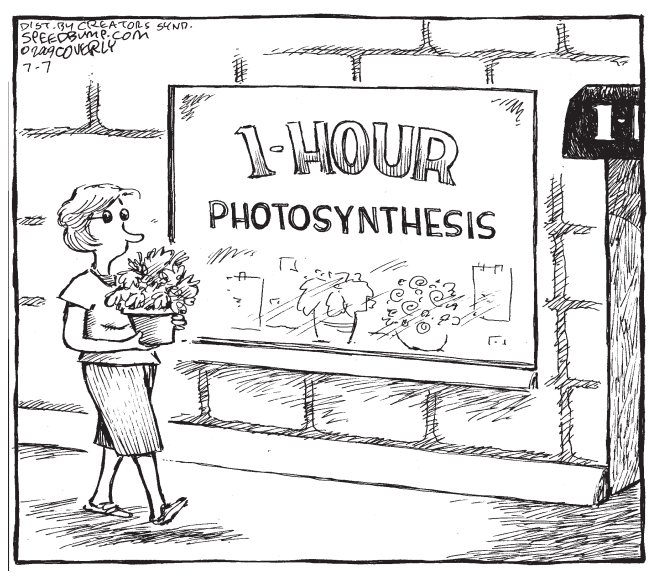
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Difficulty Level ★

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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

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5 Under
10 Lawyer's jobs
12 Lift one's spirits
13 Satisfies completely
15 Mendes of movies
16 Turn bad
17 Infant
18 Establishes
20 Songwriter Porter
21 Religious groups
22 Mimicked
23 Film trophy
25 Ready for business
28 Gives the once-over
31 Application form field
32 Game fishes
34 Earth-friendly prefix
35 Drink cubes
36 "Da — Ron Ron"
37 Flips
40 Bumbling
41 "Little Rascals" girl
42 The present
43 Go by

DOWN

1 Needs a massage
2 Relinquishes
3 Fancy home
4 — Moines
5 Borscht veggie
6 Overhead trains
7 Portable PC
8 "Becket" actor
9 Moistened
11 Walks proudly
14 Sidewalk game
19 Tea cake
20 Monte —
24 Concurred
25 Kind of musical wonder
26 "Serpico" star
27 Hammed it up
29 Writer Welty
30 Bar seats
33 Couches
35 Wee
38 Relaxing site
39 Dr. Dre's music

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Evils of Renewable Energy: (1) Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick calls the Evergreen Solar Panel manufacturing plant in the town of Devens "the leading edge of our clean energy economy," but neighbors continue to complain vociferously about the dizzying, 24-hour-a-day noise. According to a June Boston Herald story, farmers report that their horses are developing ulcers and that other animals are behaving strangely. (2) Four hundred goats have mysteriously died since the installation of eight noisy, 24-hour-a-day wind turbines in the Penghu region in Taiwan, according to a Council of Agriculture official cited in a May Reuters report.

■ Sexual Confusion: (1) Researchers from the University of British Columbia nursing school reported in December that lesbian and bisexual high school girls are seven times more likely to get pregnant than other girls. A leading hypothesis is that those girls may try to disguise their sexual identity by uninhibited heterosexual behavior. (2) Addressing a conference in Hobart, Australia, in May, professor Julie Quinlivan, dean of the University of Notre Dame Australia's medical school, said that for disadvantaged teenage girls, becoming pregnant is a good thing, teaching a sense of responsibility that may otherwise not develop. Such teen mothers were more likely to stop smoking, stay in school and find jobs.

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1898 The United States annexed Hawaii.

1908 The Democratic national convention, which nominated William Jennings Bryan for president, opened in Denver.

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Notice of Divided Publication

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

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

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

The minimum bid for each parcel is the total amount necessary to redeem, plus costs, as required by Section 3698.5 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

Prospective bidders should obtain detailed information of this sale from the County Treasurer and Tax Collector. Pre-registration and a $5,000 deposit in the form of cash, cashier's check or bank issued money order is required at the time of registration. No personal checks, two-party checks or business checks will be accepted for registration. Registration will be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., starting, Monday, July 13, 2009, at the Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office, located at 225 North Hill Street, Room 130, Los Angeles, California and will end on Friday, July 31, 2009, at 5:00 p.m.

If the property is sold, parties of interest, as defined by Section 4675 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, have a right to file a claim with the County for any proceeds from the sale, which are in excess of the liens and costs required to be paid from the proceeds. If excess proceeds result from the sale, notice will be given to parties of interest, pursuant to law.

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

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

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

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

MARK J. SALADINO
Los Angeles County
Treasurer and Tax Collector
State of California

The real property that is subject to this notice is situated in the County of Los Angeles, State of California, and is described as follows:

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