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THE BUSY BALLOTS ISSUE



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SHOP IT UP: **Elisabeth Tsubota (left) purchases a high-powered microwave from sales representative Joe Levi at Carlson's TV and Appliances store on Fifth Street on Wednesday afternoon. A proposed sales tax increase would make such large purchases a bit more expensive.**

Sales tax increase goes to voters

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

DOWNTOWN If you have plans to purchase an expensive 3-D television or a new hybrid vehicle, you might want to do it now or risk paying more next year.

That's because the City Council on Tuesday voted unanimously to place on the November ballot a half-cent sales tax increase, with half of the proceeds most likely headed to the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District.

The increase is expected to generate $12 million annually, money city officials said will help off-set future budget deficits that could lead to significant cuts in essential city services, such as police, fire, after school programs and community maintenance. The projected deficits are the result of the worst economic recession since the Great Depression, with the state taking over $40 million from City Hall over the last six years, city officials said.

If approved by a simple majority of Santa Monica voters, the increase would push the city's transaction and use tax to 10.25 percent, one of the highest in the state. The tax would not apply to food, medication and other items exempt from the current sales tax. The measure does not include an expiration date.

Not only will voters be asked to approve the tax, the council also placed on the ballot an advisory measure that would ask voters if they believe half of the estimated $12 million generated by the tax should be shared with the school district.

Education advocates, which included members of the business community, overwhelmingly supported the council's decision, expressing an even greater need for funding following millions in cuts from the state and the failure of a local parcel tax, Measure A, which would have charged property owners $198 per parcel per year to generate $5.7 million annually for public schools. Property owners already pay $346 per year per parcel to help fund schools.

Measure A, which needed a two-thirds majority to pass, failed in May mainly because of a lack of support in Malibu, which ironically would benefit from the potential increase in school funding the sales tax measure could provide without having to give anything in return. The tax would not apply to Malibu, which partners with Santa Monica to run the district.

With more than 66 percent of Santa Monica voters coming in on the side of the schools, it is believed City Hall's quest for

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Renter protections may reach ballot

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

CITY HALL In addition to a proposed sales tax measure, Santa Monica voters may also be asked to amend the City Charter and grant more protections to renters.

The City Council, with a 6-1 vote, ordered city staff to draft a proposed ballot initiative that would give tenants more time to respond to minor violations before they are served with a three-day notice of eviction. The measure would also protect seniors, the disabled and terminally ill tenants from owner-occupancy evictions.

The Rent Control Board asked council to consider the added protections after hearing from several tenants who, because of their

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Samohi at work during summer

BY DENNIS LIN
Special to the Daily Press

SAMOHI School has been out for nearly a month, but for Santa Monica's boys' basketball team, class is still in session.

While their friends might be enjoying the warm weather or relaxing by the beach, the players have been spending much of their summer in the gym in preparation for the upcoming season.

"It's been a good summer, a very productive summer. I'm very proud of the effort the guys put in, day in, day out," Head Coach James Hecht said.

Hecht certainly had reason to be pleased after the team's recent showing at the 24th annual Nike Fairfax Tournament. There, the Vikings overcame their youth and a deep field to take fourth place, beating Fairfax and Los Angeles Price before falling to Taft in the semifinals.

Samohi graduated all five starters last month from a team that reached the California Interscholastic Federation

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Beach gets splash of color

Neon-colored fish, flowers and other shaped panels will now don 38 lifeguard towers along Will Rogers State Beach and Santa Monica as part of Portraits of Hope's latest public art project, "Summer of Color."

Installation on the 1,216 panels was completed Monday with the help of locally headquartered construction company Morley Builders.

Portraits of Hope is a nonprofit founded in 1995 with the goal of having hospitalized children and adults create high-profile public art as a form of creative therapy.

Summer of Color features 4-foot-by-8-foot and 5-foot-by-12-foot foam-core panels designed by more than 6,000 adults and children with serious illnesses, physical disabilities and socio-economic challenges. The entire exhibit features panels on 158 lifeguard towers stretching from the Palos Verdes Peninsula to Malibu's Zuma Beach.

Additionally, many towers will display signs detailing ways people can help clean the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

Morley was enlisted to help install the panels in a way that would last six months while preserving the integrity of the artwork. During the 14 hours spent installing the works, special measures had to be taken such as covering the workspace with tarps to prevent sharp objects from falling in the sand and taking driving courses to learn how to maneuver in the sand.

"We really wanted to be a part of this Portraits of Hope project because it stands for everything Morley believes in: community involvement, helping children, beautifying our surroundings, civic engagement and environmental responsibility," said Mark Benjamin, president and chief executive of Morley, in a news release.

The panels will be displayed until October, at which point Morley will disassemble them and donate the pieces to rebuilding efforts in Haiti and Chile.

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PEACHY DAY

Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

Ita Kaplan searches for the perfect peach at the Tenerelli Orchards stand at the Santa Monica Downtown Farmers' Market on Wednesday.

Hot weather raises fire concerns

ROBERT JABLON
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES The abrupt arrival of summer heat after unseasonably cool and damp weather in Southern California has increased the risk of wildfires in the region as grass and brush withers into tinder dry fuel.

A handful of fires have already broken out this week as sunshine quickly sapped moisture from vegetation.

"It doesn't take very many days," Los Angeles County fire Inspector Matt Levesque said Wednesday. "Any 20-degree rise in temperature, the humidity drops by half."

Temperatures around Los Angeles, which had been well below normal, surged into the 90s.

On Tuesday, small brush fires in the San Gabriel Valley city of Walnut and in Ventura County briefly threatened homes while a fire sparked during a Marine Corps exercise burned nearly 4.7 square miles of land at Camp Pendleton in northern San Diego County.

Ventura County fire Capt. Ron Oatman said the fire near the city of Camarillo came on the first cloudless day of the summer, lowering moisture levels in the vegetation.

"That sun starts shining on brush that's ready to burn and fires get going," he said.

The recent cool weather was a double-edged sword, said Battalion Chief Julie Hutchinson of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

It reduced fire risk and made blazes easier to contain, but it also created a bigger crop of grass, which burns fiercely and fast.

A rainy winter already meant an abundance of grass, even in the deserts, and it will dry out as summer progresses, Hutchinson said.

An hour of sunshine after a foggy morning is enough to dry out grass, she said.

"We live in a Mediterranean climate. It's going to get hot. It's going to get dry," Hutchinson said. "This rain has kind of prolonged the inevitable for us."

The state agency, which has a year-round fire season, reached peak staffing around Memorial Day in Southern California and on July 1 in the north. It has around 9,000 permanent and seasonal workers on duty. Budget cuts have not affected engines, crews, aircraft or other response teams, Hutchinson said.

In the past, major fires have erupted as early as March and April. Last month, lightning strikes caused some blazes in Northern California.

This year, a major concern involves millions of dead trees killed by pests, especially

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Remembering a community hero

Editor:

Santa Monica has lost a great and very special man this past week. Ernie Kaplan was a believer in this city and was well known for his vision, enthusiasm, wisdom and boundless energy. Many are aware and many need to know that "Ernie" was the founding father of the modern Third Street Promenade; and the first Bayside District board chair.

I shall never forget our first encounter. I was a new city employee doing what I thought at the time was a good job. Ernie roundly lectured me that I needed to think about the promenade in a much larger scope. I was certain after that exchange that I would probably never reach that higher plateau.

One night more than a quarter century ago, I listened as Ernie gave his opening speech to a group of businessmen and other Santa Monicans. He shared his vision of what he saw as the future of the Third Street Promenade and the greater Bayside District. So spell binding and inspiring was that powerful speech that I was transformed on the spot to join and contribute to that effort. At that point I exchanged a job for a career and a friendship with Ernie that lasted all of this time. He became my life-long mentor.

Ernie had no delusions of grandeur. When he had a problem or needed something done he would call us and usually meet us at where the problem was. Our crews knew him well because he made it his business to try to know them all. His comments on their responses to his requests were immediately forthcoming. Over the years he was very supportive and inspirational. One day he said to me, "Do you know why you mean so much to me, Eddie?" I answered, "No, I have no idea." He replied, "Because you care."

That message I have never forgotten and carry it to this day for all of our customers.

Not that Ernie did not have other interests. He was definitely a car enthusiast and his office had many posters of his favorite movies over the years. The 1965 Mustang convertible was a favorite of his as were Jaguars and even Bentleys.

One day, Ernie met me on the promenade and asked, "Have you anything against women?" I replied immediately, "Absolutely not, I love them." Then he said, "Why don't you hire one? We need to reflect every face that our customers should see." As time went on we did hire a woman and he was pleased and developed a good working relationship with her.

The odyssey continued as we learned from this great man and when the anniversaries of my employment with the city came up, he was always there and during one occasion presented me with a cherished token of appreciation.

The legacies of eminent Santa Monican Ernie Kaplan are there for all to see. The promenade has become one of the crown jewels of the international community. The Bayside District Corp. has developed into the powerhouse of Downtown and has accomplished many things. The visitors to the promenade once at a trickle now number in the millions every year. The gross sales are legions higher from the mall of 1989.

Ernie Kaplan was a "giant" of Santa Monica. So many owed so much to this dynamic man. His character, honesty, drive and sense of social justice were remarkable. Rest in peace, Ernie, your work will go on. I am a better human being for having known you. We shall never deny our gratitude to you for your love and support for all, including the common man. We will miss you.

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Mama said there'd be days like this

LIKE THE ESKIMOS, WHO PURPORTEDLY use dozens of words for "snow," my daughter has developed countless ways to whine. Although instead of using lots of words to do it, she uses only one: "Mama."

She was around 4 months old when she started saying "Dada." While I was tickled for my husband that he got to experience the joy of her verbal love, I was envious, and anxiously awaited my turn to hear her tenderly coo my name, too. Hindsight being 20/20, had I known then that she would eventually use my name as affectionately as someone trying to scrape dog poo from the bottom of a soiled shoe, I might have wished instead that she waited until leaving for college before getting on a first-name basis with me.

I'm not sure exactly when it was in her little mind that "Mama" became synonymous with "I want," "I need" and "I have to have it, like, five minutes ago or you'll be working out a lifetime payment plan with my therapist," but the die has undoubtedly been cast.

She uses "Mama" repeatedly to indicate the TV is either not turned on or not tuned to the channel that showcases a trio of extinct colored reptiles who bizarrely spend all their time dancing and singing with small children. Or she uses it to suggest that if she's not given a handful of blueberries or a dish of applesauce by the next time she blinks, she might just have to alert Child Protective Services. Sometimes she just screams it for no apparent reason, although I suspect it could be a statement of protest against genocide in Rwanda, or Lindsay Lohan's jail sentence.

Sometimes when she says "Mama" it has a double meaning. Like, "Mama! I threw my crayon on the floor. Pick it up now!" and, at the same time, "Mama! Miraculously fix the crayon I just broke by deliberately dropping it on the floor, now!" An untrained ear might not pick up the nuance of that particular one-two "Mama" punch, but I'm quite attuned to it. It's hard not to be when she does it at a volume that regularly tests the mettle of my eardrums and what's left of my sanity.

At a dance class for toddlers last week, she spent the first half crying because her Barney had been inadvertently left in the car. "Mama! Mama!" she wailed over and over, until which time her stuffed purple playmate was retrieved and brought in to strut and pout alongside the tutu- and leotard-clad tykes. I wasn't actually there at the class, but apparently even in my absence, it's my fault.

We've tried to get her to say "Help" or "Please" or "Hungry" or whatever word she actually means, instead of "Mama," but without much success. On the occasions she says please (or "peeeee-ze"), she does it with a little laugh, as if to say, "OK, I'll play your little reindeer games, but prepare yourself, because after your stupid word crosses my lips, the 'Mama' deluge."

A lot of times when she genuinely wants me, she doesn't use my name. Instead she buries her head in my crotch, plants her feet on top of mine, throws her arms around my legs and clings for dear life until I pick her up. If I try to put her down, she puckers her face in distress and cries out, "Ma noooooo!" It's not "Mama," but it's a close second.

Fortunately when she intentionally addresses me directly, she says "Mom-eeeeeeee," not "Mama." And when she bounds over to me with an impish smile, wiggles her little fingers in my direction and giggles, "Tickle Mom-eeeeeeee," it almost makes up for the incessant verbal "Mama" abuse that will follow in due course. Almost, but not quite.

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"It's just a phase," my husband said to me the other day. "Won't you miss hearing it once she learns to use other words?"

"Sure," I replied. "Like Europe missed being under German rule after the end of World War II."

Since she's been throwing fits worthy of a 2 year old on steroids for at least the last six months, I can't imagine how the actual terrible twos are going to transpire when she reaches the milestone next month. I've been thinking with the trajectory she's on, it has the potential to involve guns, heroin or the occult. Or maybe we can just teach her to go back to saying "Dada" exclusively instead.

At this point I'm just about on the verge of legally relinquishing any claims to the "Mama" franchise, so any of those scenarios would be fine with me.

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More jobs, less lawsuits

MORE THAN 600,000 OF LOS ANGELES County's workforce is now unemployed due to our national economic crisis. Public tax revenues have plummeted, critical services have been slashed, family incomes have stagnated and the business climate is depressed. While we struggle to find a comprehensive solution to these economic woes, one obvious, critical remedy is consistently ignored: civil litigation reform. California's burdensome and biased litigation climate discourages new start-up businesses, slows the growth of our existing small companies and threatens millions of jobs at the very moment we need them the most.

California has one of the worst litigation climates in the nation. Pointless, wasteful and unnecessary civil lawsuits are immensely expensive. Unnecessary civil actions drive up prices, slow the growth of small companies, kill jobs, and push new business startups out of our state. In an economy as depressed as ours, we simply cannot afford to waste critical resources or hinder the business recovery. Right now, we need jobs, not lawsuits.

As the local small business owner of Barney's Beanery Restaurant, my employees and I have personally experienced the costs and consequences of unwarranted litigation. Restaurants have been particularly hurt by abusive lawsuits. Abusive lawsuits are those where there is no harm to employees or customers but are lawsuits that go forward based on technical violations or arbitrary interpretation of regulations or the law.

Last year, more than 1.6 million class action, tort, personal injury, damages and contract lawsuits were filed in California. We are currently the most litigious state in the nation. Not only do we file more civil actions than any other state, but our courts are among the most biased. A recent survey by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce ranked our state among the five most biased court systems in the country. The California Citizens Against Lawsuit Abuse, a grassroots nonpartisan organization, survey of National Federation of Independent Business owners in California recently found that 98 percent of surveyed small business owners believe lawsuits hurt our economy, one third had been sued in the last five years, more than half the owners had been threatened with lawsuits, and more than 100 companies moved to other states with more evenhanded legal systems.

We can't know the full financial cost or number of jobs lost to frivolous lawsuits. But what is certain is that these economic losses are a serious burden that diminishes our chances for recovery. On the positive side, there is a clear and straight forward solution to our litigation problem: responsible state legislative action to correct our legal system. But sadly, bills introduced to balance California's abusive litigation system are routinely defeated in the Legislature — most often because of opposition by personal injury lawyers and their lobbyists. We, as citizens and voters, need to counter this political influence. We need to find out where candidates stand on legal reform before we vote. We need to make lawsuit abuse a priority, we need to hold our elected officials accountable, and we need to do it now.

It is time our Legislature acted to balance our courts, stop abusive lawsuits and give businesses the opportunity to restore this state's economy.

If our current legislators won't reform the civil justice system, then it's time for voters to change the current legislators for those who will!

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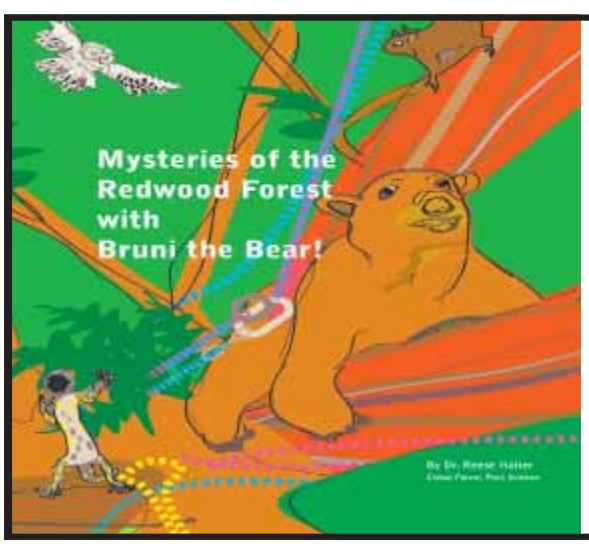
The Santa Monica City Council last week decided to draft a measure for the November ballot that would add a half-cent transaction and use tax to every purchase.

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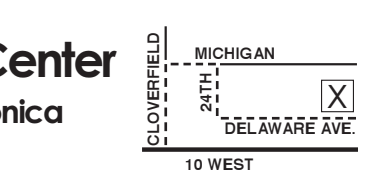
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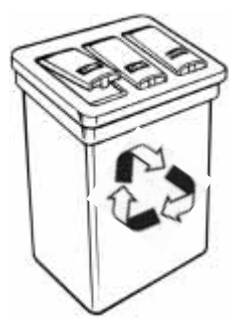
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Attorney General sues feds over renewable energy loans

DON THOMPSON
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO State Attorney General Jerry Brown sued the federal government Wednesday, asking a judge to stop government-sponsored mortgage buyers from blocking a program that lets homeowners pay for energy-efficient improvements through their property taxes.

Brown's lawsuit argues that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac's opposition is forcing California counties to back off plans to provide the incentives. He sued the buyers and their regulatory agency, the Federal Housing Finance Agency, in San Francisco U.S. District Court.

The voluntary Property Assessed Clean Energy program would encourage homeowners to install solar panels, better insulate their homes and take other steps to improve energy efficiency, Brown said. Homeowners pay for the improvements through their property tax assessments over a decade or more.

Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac say the programs could give counties top priority to be repaid if homeowners default on their mortgages. As a result, they said they could not buy or guarantee mortgages on properties that participate.

The Federal Housing Finance Agency affirmed that legal interpretation July 6.

Agency spokeswoman Stefanie Mullin said Wednesday that she could not immediately comment. Freddie Mac spokesman Brad German and Fannie Mae spokeswoman Janice Smith declined to comment.

Brown said in a written statement that the federal programs are "throwing up impermeable barriers to bank lending that creates jobs, stimulates the economy and boosts clean energy."

He planned an afternoon news conference in San Diego to formally announce the lawsuit. San Diego and about half of California's 58 counties were offering or preparing to offer the incentives, but they stopped after the federal programs warned in May that they could violate federal rules.

Brown argues in his lawsuit that the government incorrectly interprets the program as providing loans. He contends in his lawsuit that they are classified under California law as tax assessments, which would require new owners to take over the payments if a home is sold before the improvements are paid off.

Other states have or are considering allowing similar programs. But as a result of the federal interpretation, some lenders started requiring homeowners to repay the full amount of their improvements before they could sell or refinance their homes.

The uncertainty led counties to halt the programs while Brown, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and the state's congressional delegation lobbied the Federal Housing Finance Agency to permit the incentives.

Congress created Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to buy mortgages from lenders and package them into bonds that are resold to investors. They own or guarantee about half of all mortgages, or nearly 31 million home loans worth about $5.5 trillion.

The suit asks a federal judge to rule that California law should govern the program and order Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to let the program go forward under that interpretation.

The federal government's stance could cost California more than $100 million in federal stimulus money, Brown said.

The state has devoted millions of dollars in federal stimulus and federal energy efficiency grant money to the programs, Brown said. State lawmakers approved legislation by Democratic Sen. Fran Pavley creating a $50 million fund to encourage the energy efficiency program, and Schwarzenegger signed the bill into law in April.

No Cussing Club leader doesn't like court ruling

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SOUTH PASADENA The Southern California teenager who founded the No Cussing Club is mad as heck about a federal court ruling he says opens the door to using bad words on television.

McKay Hatch is e-mailing members of his club's chapters, urging them to support a petition calling on President Barack Obama and others to appeal Tuesday's ruling by the 2nd U.S. Court of Appeals.

The ruling strikes down a policy allowing the Federal Communications Commission to fine broadcasters for allowing even a single curse word on live television broadcasts. The court says the policy threatens free speech.

Hatch, 17, founded the No Cussing Club three years ago at his school. It now has chapters in 50 states and about two dozen countries.

Ex-auto workers sue Toyota, factory

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OAKLAND Former employees of a now-shuttered California auto plant are suing the factory and Toyota Motor Corp. claiming they were not given fair severance packages because they were on disability.

The suit, filed Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Oakland, seeks class action status. Lawyers claim about 300 of the 4,700 workers who lost their jobs at New United Motor Manufacturing Inc. may be affected.

Many employees received a union-negotiated minimum payout of $21,175 each when the factory, which made Toyota cars and trucks, closed April 1. To get a bigger settlement, they had to be on the job everyday for the six months before the plant's closure.

The suit claims employees who were on disability during that time were unable to attend work everyday and are being discriminated against by being denied a bigger severance.



Traveling Back to Fitness

Taylor Van Arsdale
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C + C = major results

IT'S BEEN A LONG, ARDUOUS ROAD TO getting back in shape. I won't lie. Sometimes getting up, going to the gym and making yourself sweat until you feel like you're going to pass out, or pushing yourself to go that extra notch higher on the step mill, is not what you want to do when you roll out of bed. You make a choice. You make a plan in your mind and you adhere to it.

Let me put it this way: getting fit and staying fit can be summed up in two words. The first: commitment. That's right, folks, committing mentally to making a change in your life is paramount to being able to manifest and achieve your physical change. If you don't have the proper mindset you will not be able to get your body to respond to what you need it to do.

The second: consistency. You must show up and you must do the work. You must maintain a particular standard and repeat your workout routine with minimal variation. My trainer, Keith Sims, drills these two words into my head each time we workout or as I like to call it, "C + C."

Once my mindset is in the "C + C" mode, Sims pushes me just enough. He understands what my body can achieve. He can see what I'm capable of even when I can't. Case in point: During our most recent workout, he upped the speed levels on the step machine … a lot! I didn't think I would make it, even for five measly minutes, but I made a commitment to endure. The result: a better conditioned body. We all want that. My friends, who are trying to lose weight and are not succeeding, ask me how I've been able to do it. It's not a secret.

I invited several friends to come and experience the gym, the online weight loss program and all Burn Fitness has to offer. One friend showed up, took a look at the amount of commitment involved in getting back in shape and hightailed it out of there never to return. The other has yet to come down.

We all know this type — she's the one who hits the gym maybe twice a week, does a little cardio, eats whatever she wants and then complains by the water cooler that "gyms don't really work." What's not "working" is this person's level of "C + C."

So, what motivates me to remain committed and consistent? It's actually other gym members; women I see that embody the level of conditioning that I am trying to achieve, women like writer/actor Joeanna Sayler, who is at the gym EVERYDAY without fail. And unlike those who waste time chit chatting or tooling around at slow speeds on the treadmill, Sayler actually breaks a sweat.

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"I think that's genetic. I'm working hard, but I think I just have a lot of sweat glands," chuckles Sayler.

Sayler, who trains with owner, Tom Williams, admits she's always been physically active but she's committed to making sure she says in shape.

"I saw Tom training a woman several years ago whose body I envied and so I asked her, 'Who's your trainer?'" This led Sayler to Burn Fitness. Ironically Sayler is one of the women who I see at the gym whose body I envy!

Sayler does an hour of cardio everyday and says, "I read the paper, get my morning started and get my head straight." She likens Burn Fitness to the Southern California version of "Cheers."

"In Boston they drink and sit around; in Southern California you have the same camaraderie but it happens on a treadmill. You see your people that you see everyday and they motivate you and sometimes you motivate them."

So, during the next two weeks while my trainer's away I'll be doubling up on my cardio commitment — taking more classes. My goal is to drop another four pounds and look even better.

I must confess, the whole "commitment thing" did get me thinking. Given that commitment is an essential ingredient in the recipe to good health, I'm continually surprised to see so many men at the gym on a regular basis. If they knew they were actually making a "commitment" gyms all over the country would empty. But issues of male intimacy could fill an entire newspaper and I definitely don't have the mindset to go there! Until next time … remain "C + C!"

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Experimental diet pill shows promise, little risk

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AP Medical Writer

ATLANTA An experimental diet pill helped about half the people who tried it lose some weight and keep it off a year later, without the heart problems that some earlier drugs caused, a study found.

Arena Pharmaceuticals' lorcaserin is one of three drugs that are boosting hope for a new generation of more effective weight-loss medicines. One gets a Food and Drug Administration review on Thursday and the others, later this year.

In the study, lorcaserin (lore-KASS-ah-rin) caused more people to lose at least 5 percent of their body weight over one year, more than twice the rate achieved by those on dummy pills.

Most people don't stick to diets. And diet pills have had bad side effects or can't be taken long-term. A low point came in 1997 when the popular "fen-phen" was pulled from the market after it was tied to heart valve problems.

But now comes lorcaserin, a round blue tablet that would be the first truly novel weight-loss pill in a dozen years if it wins approval. The drug targets the same appetite pathway fen-phen did but in a more selective, and perhaps safer, manner.

Results of a large company-funded study of it are in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine.

The study involved more that 3,100 obese or overweight people given either the drug or dummy pills.

After a year, nearly 48 percent of the lorcaserin group had lost at least 5 percent of their body weight.









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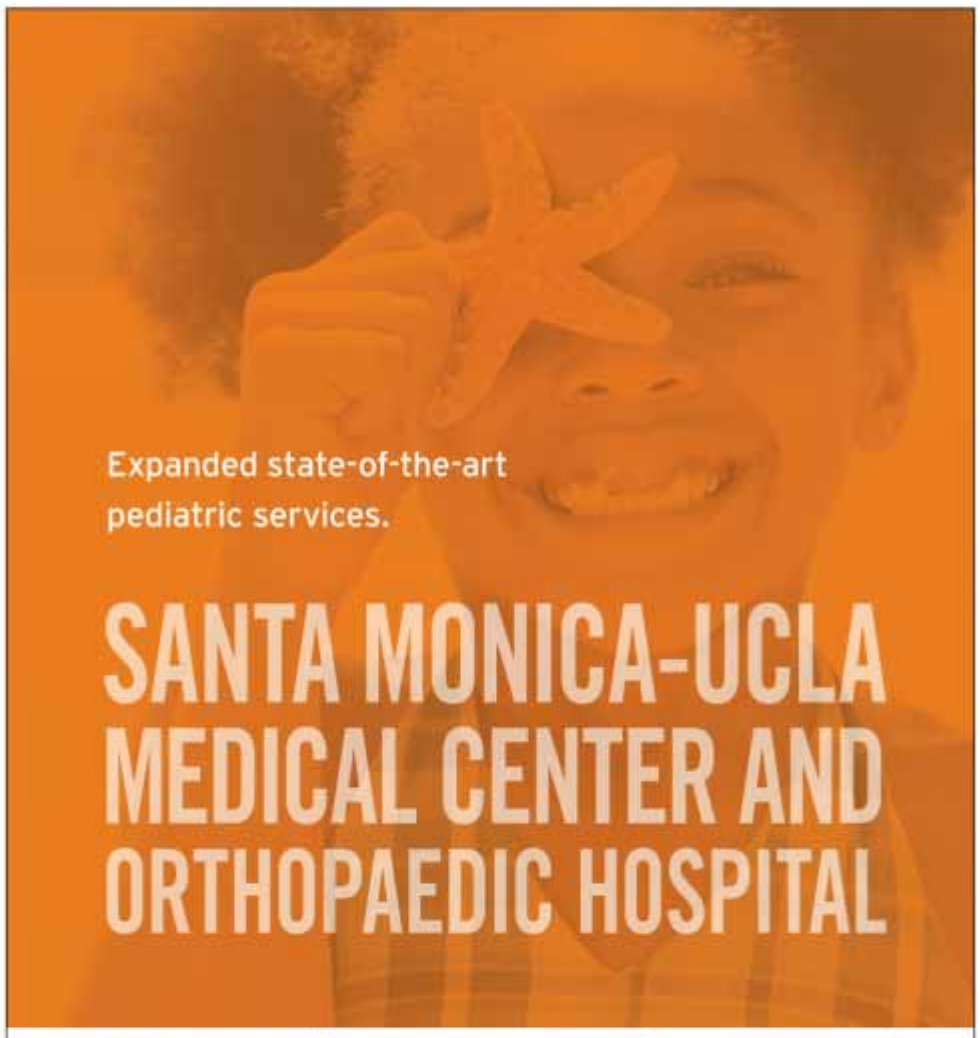
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TAX

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cash will be easier this November as the tax measure requires a lower threshold for passage than the parcel tax, and it will receive the strong backing of the education community, which is sure to benefit from a yes vote. How much of a benefit is uncertain.

The council, which already gives the school district over $7 million annually as part of a joint-use agreement, would not be legally obligated to give the school district any money if the ballot measures are approved. City officials said the advisory measure will only gauge the community's interest, allowing them to voice their spending priorities, and is not binding. If the sales tax measure set aside money specifically for schools or any other cause, that would trigger the two-thirds threshold for passage.

Councilwoman Gleam Davis, an active education advocate before sitting on the dais, felt it was imperative to put both measures before the voters because she feels the financial mess in Sacramento will not get better anytime soon, and could in fact get worse, putting pressure on local governments to do more with less while creating financial uncertainty.

"This community will not tolerate any significant cuts in services," Davis said. "Santa Monica has such a tremendous tradition of providing high-quality public services. We can't cost cut our way out of this problem. We certainly need to do some cost cutting, but the fact is you can only cut so much until you get to an unexceptable level of services."

Members of the education community said the school board will not place on the November ballot a competing parcel tax measure to fund schools and will instead link its fate to City Hall's. They pledged to use their resources to help pass the measure.

"This tax would make more sense and be easier to pass than a parcel tax," said Neil Carrey, who heads the district's parcel tax feasibility committee.

Mayor Bobby Shriver, who voted against placing the sales tax measure on the ballot two weeks ago, but changed his mind Tuesday, said he still believes that the school district would be better off going for its own tax and with a stronger campaign in Malibu the district could get the two-thirds vote it needs for approval. He said the district was "missing a chance," to control its own destiny.

Shriver also said he does not want to see the campaign for the sales tax increase use scare tactics to intimidate voters. Shriver said City Hall is "rich" when compared to other municipalities that are being forced to make drastic cuts and lay off employees. The measure is meant to shore up future budget deficits that may arise from a struggling economy.

"The city is not broke," he said. "When people vote they should have a clear view … . The schools are in a very different situation than the city. … I hope that the campaigns for this are straight forward about that."

Shriver originally was opposed to the tax increase because he felt more could be done on the cost cutting side to bring about balanced budgets. He changed his vote because he agreed with his council colleagues that it should be left up to the voters to decide if the extra money is needed.

Shriver had support from Heal the Bay director Mark Gold, who has championed past tax measures that fund water treatment initiatives. Gold said he favored the school district going for another parcel tax because schools are in need. He didn't feel the same way about City Hall.

"I really think this is not a very good idea at this time to go forward with a flat tax in this manner," Gold said. "I have yet to see with all the things going on within the city of Santa Monica the urgent need for the city itself for this fee."

Whether or not the tax increase will receive the support of the business community remains to be seen. The Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce is expected to meet with members, including car dealerships, to gauge their interest in an endorsement. Several high-ranking members have signaled their support for the measure as a way to protect public safety and education.

Former chamber chair and current member Tom Larmore, a land-use attorney and education advocate, said the advisory measure was important for him.

"That's key for me, but I'm not in a business that will have to [pay much more because of the tax,]" he said. "For me, education is critical, but a lot of members don't have a direct connection to the schools. People agree that good schools are good for business, but when it hits them in their pocket book, sometimes they don't see it quite the same way."

In a meeting with chamber leadership earlier this week, City Manager Rod Gould said research has shown that slight increases in the sales tax has little to no effect on spending habits.

He also tried to clarify a misconception that everyone who buys a car in Santa Monica would be subject to the tax. Gould said only those who register their new cars in Santa Monica would be subject to the tax. Those who register outside the city would not pay the increase. Also, large appliances and construction materials would be subject to the tax only if they are delivered to a location in Santa Monica.

While some feel that the tax could negatively impact consumer spending, Carrey said that the opposite could be true with more people willing to pay the extra tax to help the city's schools.

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RENTERS
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age or physical condition, could not adequately respond to complaints or violations.

Renter Kate Wechsler told the council that she was forced to move out of her rent-control apartment of 26 years at a time when she had recently lost her husband, mother and brother.

She said she was evicted because her landlord took pictures of stacks of newspapers, saying she was a hoarder and created a safety hazard.

"They hit me when I was completely down and almost out for the count," she said. "They gave me a three-day notice. I didn't even know what that meant."

Councilman Bob Holbrook voted against the order because he felt the protections could be granted by drafting a new law and that going to the voters would create a bitter, divisive campaign that could drag down the sales tax measure.

Other members of the council were concerned that an ordinance would not provide enough stability because it could be eliminated by a new council majority.

"I think in the pursuit of stability there is a compelling argument going for a charter amendment given that all councils are temporary," said Councilman Kevin McKeown.

A draft ballot measure is expected to be considered by the council next week during a special meeting.

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Southern Section finals last season, leaving behind a bevy of sophomores and juniors. The Vikings still have plenty of talent, though, so they shouldn't experience a drastic drop-off next season.

One reason to be optimistic is sophomore guard Jordan Mathews, who transferred to Samohi last month from Riverside North. Mathews, whose father, Phil, recently took an assistant coaching position with the UCLA men's basketball program, had a standout performance at Fairfax, hitting a game-clinching shot against Price and earning All-Tournament honors.

"One thing Jordan does is he attacks the basket, and he's got good body control," Hecht said.

Mathews' scoring ability should come in handy when the real season begins in the winter. For now, the team's focus remains on taking the rest of the summer to get ready.

"We're really focusing on working on offensive execution, developing team chemistry on both ends of the floor," Hecht said. "We're big on emphasizing the fundamentals."

The Vikings are currently competing in a summer league at Samohi on Wednesday nights, although some members of the roster are away playing with various travel teams, Hecht said.

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in the San Bernardino and San Jacinto mountains in the inland region east of Los Angeles, Hutchinson said.

The trees are "for all intents and purposes, a lot of firewood," she said. "When something burns through there, that stuff is tinder-dry."

A relatively new pest, the gold-spotted oak borer, also has killed tens of thousands of trees in San Diego County and is moving north, she said.

Wildfires can crop up any time in Los Angeles County, where the Fire Department covers a region of 4,000 square miles that range from beaches to oak-studded canyons to brushy desert.

Firefighters caught a break as the region got a period of thicker and longer-lasting overcast than the typical "June gloom" weather.

"A lot of times we've already had quite a few fires up in the Antelope Valley, the high desert areas," Levesque said. "I wouldn't say it's changed the fire season, it's just delayed it."

The most dangerous time of year is the fall, when grass and brush have had an entire summer to lose moisture and hot, dry Santa Ana winds begin to blow, Levesque said.

Los Angeles County's official fire season begins on Sept. 1, although last year's enormous Station fire began in early August. That 250-square-mile blaze — the largest in county history — killed two firefighters and destroyed 89 homes around the San Gabriel Mountains.

Levesque said fire officials aren't willing to predict the ferocity of the upcoming season.

"Every year has the potential for a large fire season, just given the nature of where we are," Levesque said.

However, areas such as the high desert and Malibu historically have burned over and over again, he said.

Fire officials have been preparing for the season by evaluating risks and stocking up on equipment, such as contracting to hire two Canadian Super Scooper water-dropping amphibious airplanes that will become available on Sept. 1.

Homeowners in fire-prone areas are required every year to clear brush away from their houses, and most have heeded the May and June deadlines, Levesque said.

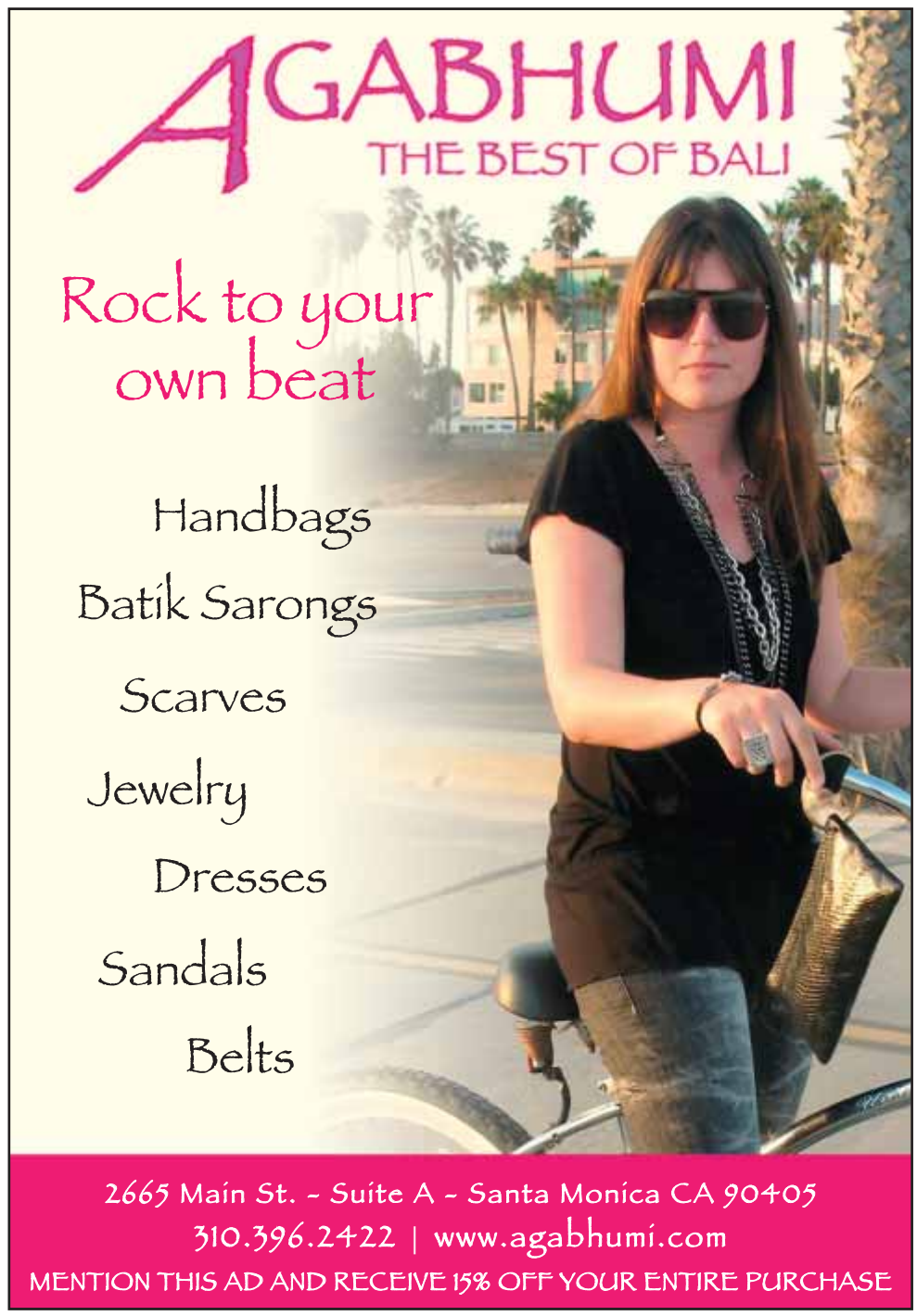
Those that don't will find the county doing the work and adding the cost to their tax bills, he said.

"Any house that doesn't clear their area can become a trigger point and can cause a catastrophic fire for the entire neighborhood," Levesque said.

On Saturday, firefighters staged a drill in the Topanga Canyon area of the Santa Monica Mountains west of Los Angeles to work out evacuation plans, he said.











Stocks are mixed after weaker Fed economic outlook

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NEW YORK A weaker economic forecast from the Federal Reserve chilled the stock market's winning streak.

Stocks closed mixed Wednesday, with the Dow Jones industrial average rising almost 4 points for its seventh straight advance. The other major market indexes also had single-digit moves. Bond prices rose as investors, again uneasy about the strength of the economic recovery, went in search of safe investments.

The Fed's economic forecast was only slightly more downbeat than the outlook issued in April. And investors have been well aware that the country faces a bumpy recovery. But the Fed's assessment was still a sharp reminder that economic growth won't come easily.

Investors initially sold on the Fed's statement. A strong start to second-quarter earnings reports, including upbeat forecasts from Intel Corp. and Alcoa Inc., helped temper their disappointment.

The Fed lowered its projection for the gross domestic product, the broadest measure of the economy, and said GDP will grow between 3 percent and 3.5 percent this year. That's down from the 3.2 percent to 3.7 percent forecast in April.

The central bank also said the unemployment rate, now at 9.5 percent, will at best fall to 9.2 percent. In its April forecast, the Fed had a slightly lower bottom number of 9.1 percent.

The Fed also released minutes from its June 22-23 meeting, at which it found that "economic developments abroad" could hurt the U.S. economy. That's a reference to the debt crisis that began in Greece and threatened to spread to other European countries.

While the Fed's statement contained no real surprises, investors are particularly cautious after the advances of the past week and because so much of corporate earnings reports are still ahead, said Rob Lutts, president and chief investment officer of Cabot Money Management in Salem, Mass.

"It's been a very strong last three or four days. And at this point, valuations are a little higher and a little more of a challenge," he said.

And after the beating stocks took this spring, he said, investors remain more cautious than in any down investment cycle in memory. That caution is reflected in how they are continuing to move money into bonds.

"We need time to heal, more than anything else," Lutts said.

Analysts said investors were initially unnerved by the Fed's long-term outlook.

"The Fed is talking about 5 to 7 years time before the economy gets back to the old modus operani," said Joseph V. Battipaglia, market strategiest for the Private Client Group at Stifel Nicolaus & Co. "This is the government admitting that the coast is not clear because the outlook is a slower environment and unemployment stays doggedly high."

The Dow rose 3.70, or 0.04 percent, to 10,366.72. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 0.17, or 0.02 percent, to 1,095.17, while the Nasdaq composite index rose 7.81, or 0.4 percent, to 2,249.84.

Losing stocks were ahead of gainers by 4 to 3 on the New York Stock Exchange. Volume came to 1.06 billion shares.

Bond prices rose, pushing interest rates lower in the Treasury market. Investors were following their pattern of turning to government debt as a safe place to put their cash when the economy looks troubled.

The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note fell to 3.05 percent from 3.13 percent late Tuesday. That yield helps set interest rates on mortgages and other consumer loans.

Earlier Wednesday, there was disappointing economic news from the Commerce Department, which said June retail sales fell 0.5 percent. That's worse than the 0.2 percent decline forecast by economists polled by Thomson Reuters. However, excluding autos, sales were down 0.1 percent, in line with expectations.

Shares of retailers including J.C. Penney Co., Macy's Inc. and Target Corp., all fell after the monthly sales report.

Late Tuesday, Intel reported its biggest quarterly profit in a decade as large corporations started buying new computers. Companies have been reluctant to upgrade technology during the recession, so a return of spending could be a sign corporations are ready to start expanding their businesses again and hire new workers.

Intel's profit and outlook, which surpassed analysts' forecasts, are considered good signs for the economy because the chipmaker manufactures 80 percent of the processors that run PCs and has a large global reach.

Although the market's rally stalled Wednesday, the Dow is up 7 percent over seven days, its best stretch since last July. The Dow rose 147 points Tuesday after aluminum producer Alcoa and railroad company CSX both reported better-than-expected profit. The pair also provided optimistic outlooks for the rest of the year.

Stocks were in a slump in May and June as economic reports showed the recovery wasn't proceeding as fast as hoped. It wasn't clear Wednesday afternoon whether stocks would resume their slide, or go up on the next strong earnings report.

"You have a classic tug of war — profits for the second quarter are quite good," Battipaglia said. "On the other hand, you have a growing list of data points that the show stimulus is not leading to a private sector recovery."

Intel rose 35 cents, or 1.7 percent, to $21.36. J.C. Penney fell 20 cents to $22.99, while Macy's dropped 9 cents to $18.38. Target fell 24 cents to $49.65.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies fell 2.66, or 0.4 percent, to 640.16.

Overseas, Britain's FTSE 100 fell 0.33 percent, Germany's DAX index rose 0.3 percent, and France's CAC-40 fell 0.1 percent. Japan's Nikkei stock average jumped 2.7 percent.

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Previewing baseball's second half

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When Oakland outfielder Rajai Davis heard the Texas Rangers had acquired Cliff Lee from Seattle late last month, he reacted the same way as many others around baseball did.

"They're trying to make a real run, huh?" Davis said. "They're not playing around."

The Rangers may be in the middle of a messy ownership change that includes a rancorous bankruptcy proceeding, but that didn't stop them from making the first major splash before the July 31 non-waiver trade deadline. Texas added Lee to a team that will carry a 4?-game lead in the AL West into the second half of the season, which begins Thursday.

The Rangers are looking for their first playoff appearance since 1999, and adding Lee to a formidable offense lets everyone know they're serious. Lee was 4-0 with a 1.56 ERA in five postseason starts last year for the Phillies. But more importantly, he was 2-0 against the mighty New York Yankees in the World Series.

So who will be the next team to make a move?

The Los Angeles Angels are looking to add a big bat to stay in contention with Texas, and the AL Central-leading Chicago White Sox have similar designs.

"The probability of big guys moving at the deadline is always a risky proposition to try to handicap," Angels manager Mike Scioscia said. "Things can change from week to week."

One thing we do know is that the winner of the National League pennant will have homefield advantage for the World Series, after the NL beat the American League 3-1 on Tuesday night for its first victory in the All-Star game since 1996.

With tight races everywhere and the powerful Yankees playing for something bigger than just another title, buckle up for what is shaping to be a wild ride over the next few months.

Here's a look at some of the keys to the rest of the season:

TIGHT RACES

No team is running away with anything right now. The biggest lead in any division is the Rangers' 4? games over the Angels in the AL West.

A few of the more intriguing races:

• AL East: Arguably the three best teams in baseball — the Yankees (56-32), Rays (54-34) and Red Sox (51-37) — are fighting for the title and likely the AL wild card. The Atlanta Braves (52-36) are only other team in baseball with a better record than third-place Boston.

• NL West: Can Mat Latos, Heath Bell and the remarkably successful San Diego Padres make their 2-game lead over the Rockies and Dodgers stand up for another few months?

• NL Central: The Cincinnati Reds (49-41) have been the other big surprise, one game in front of star-studded St. Louis at the break.

KEY INJURIES

They always play a big part in who makes it in and who falls short in the playoff race. This year, several teams have been ravaged, including:

• Boston Red Sox: RHP Clay Buchholz, C Victor Martinez, 2B Dustin Pedroia (fractured left foot), OF Jacoby Ellsbury (broken ribs), C Jason Varitek (fractured right foot), 3B Mike Lowell (right hip) and RHP Josh Beckett (back) have all missed significant time. Yet the Red Sox still only trail the Yankees by 5 games in the AL East.

• Philadelphia Phillies: The two-time defending NL champs, and the 2008 World Series champs, are off to a slower start this year after injuries to 2B Chase Utley (right thumb), LHP J.A. Happ (left forearm) and 3B Placido Polanco (left elbow). Utley isn't expected back anytime soon and key relievers Ryan Madson and Chad Durbin have also been hurt.

• New York Mets: SS Jose Reyes aggravated his sore right side and missed the All-Star game, but CF Carlos Beltran is set to make his season debut Thursday after right knee surgery.

• Minnesota Twins: 1B Justin Morneau (concussion) has been out a week, SS J.J. Hardy and 2B Orlando Hudson have made trips to DL and C Joe Mauer's shoulder is hurting for the stumbling Twins, who have fallen to third place in the AL Central.

YOUNG GUNS

It's not just the year of the pitcher, it's the year of the young pitcher.

"It seemed like 15 years ago, it was a time of young shortstops, and other times, it seems there's an influx of great, young talent in outfielders," Yankees manager Joe Girardi said. "But right now the influx of young pitching in baseball is incredible, and not just guys with stuff; guys that know how to pitch in tough division series at a young age."

Can these young guns hold up through hot pennant races?

• Tampa Bay Rays: David Price (24) started the All-Star game and Matt Garza (26) was the MVP of the ALCS two years ago. James Shields (28), Jeff Niemann (27) and Wade Davis (24) give the second-place Rays a battle-tested young staff.

• Ubaldo Jimenez, RHP, Rockies: The 26-year-old Dominican is chasing history at 15-1 at the break, and he has the Rockies two games back of San Diego in second place in the NL West.

• Cincinnati Reds: RHPs Johnny Cueto (24) and Mike Leake (22) were a combined 14-3 at the break, and LHP Travis Wood (23) nearly tossed a perfect game last Saturday against Philadelphia.

• Stephen Strasburg, RHP, Nationals: The Nationals may be out of it, but it's going to be great fun watching how MLB's newest rock star responds to all the attention that has turned each of the rookie's starts into an event.





SURF CONDITIONS **WATER TEMP:** 64°

SWELL FORECAST

About waist high most everywhere.

LONG RANGE SYNOPSIS

SHOULD SEE A MINOR INCREASE IN SW SWELL, WITH SOUTH FACING BREAKS WAIST HIGH, POSSIBLY CHEST HIGH ON THE BETTER SET WAVES AT STANDOUTS. WEST FACING BREAKS ARE LOOKING TO BE ONLY KNEE TO WAIST.

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 29, 2010**

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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 -- 0
Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 39 / ns
Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 6 / ns

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: The Diller – von Furstenberg Family Foundation; simplehuman; SIMA

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.	A+	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	C	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Don Blocker County Beach.	C	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	C	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	ns
Los Flores State Beach at Los Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	ns
Pena Creek at Los Tunos County Beach.	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon.	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	F	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 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.	B	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	C	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.	A	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.	B	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.	B	ns
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty).	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	ns

LEGEND

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

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MOVIE TIMES

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

William Fraker Double Feature
Heaven Can Wait (NR) 1hr 41min
The President's Analyst (NR) 1hr 44min
7:30pm

Call theater for information.

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade

Get Him to the Greek (Digital Presentation) (R) 1hr 49min
1:50pm, 4:30pm, 7:15pm, 9:50pm

Knight and Day (PG-13) 1hr 50min
1:30pm, 4:15pm, 7:00pm, 9:45pm

The Last Airbender 3D (RealD 3D) (PG) 1hr 43min
1:15pm, 4:00pm, 6:45pm, 9:40pm

The Twilight Saga: Eclipse (PG-13) 2hrs 4min
1:40pm, 4:40pm, 7:40pm

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

Despicable Me (PG) 1hr 35min
12:40pm, 3:20pm, 6:00pm, 8:40pm

Despicable Me 3D (RealD 3D) (PG) 1hr 35min
11:00am, 1:40pm, 4:20pm, 7:00pm, 9:40pm

Grown Ups (PG-13) 1hr 42min
11:30am, 2:15pm, 5:00pm, 7:45pm, 10:30pm

Inception (PG-13) 2hrs 28min
12:01am

Knight and Day (PG-13) 1hr 50min
11:05am, 1:50pm, 4:50pm, 7:35pm, 10:25pm

The Sorcerer's Apprentice (PG) 1hr 51min
11:15am, 2:00pm, 4:45pm, 7:30pm, 10:10pm

Toy Story 3 in Disney Digital 3D (RealD 3D) (G) 1hr 49min
11:20am, 1:55pm, 4:35pm, 7:25pm, 10:05pm

The Twilight Saga: Eclipse (Digital Presentation) (PG-13) 2hrs 4min
1:15pm, 4:15pm, 7:15pm, 10:15pm

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

Coco Chanel & Igor Stravinsky (R) 2hrs 13min
4:10pm

Cyrus (R) 1hr 46min
1:00pm, 3:20pm, 5:40pm, 8:00pm, 10:15pm

Winter's Bone (R) 1hr 55min
1:40pm, 7:10pm, 9:40pm

South of the Border (NR) 1hr 33min
1:00pm, 3:00pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm

Anton Chekhov's "The Duel" (NR) 1hr 50min
5:00pm

The Girl Who Played with Fire (R) 2hrs 24min
1:00pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 10:00pm

AMC Criterion 6
1313 Third St.
(310) 395-1599

Grown Ups (PG-13) 1hr 42min
12:00pm, 2:30pm, 5:15pm, 8:05pm, 10:45pm

The Karate Kid (PG) 2hrs 20min
12:15pm, 3:30pm, 6:45pm, 10:05pm

The Last Airbender 3D (RealD 3D) (PG) 1hr 43min
12:30pm, 3:05pm, 5:45pm, 8:30pm

The Last Airbender (PG) 1hr 43min
2:00pm, 4:40pm, 7:30pm

Predators (R) 1hr 47min
1:35pm, 4:20pm, 7:10pm, 9:55pm

The Twilight Saga: Eclipse (PG-13) 2hrs 4min
12:20pm, 3:20pm, 6:20pm, 9:20pm

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Time to treat, Leo

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ Can there be such a thing as too much energy? Today you could become feisty if you don't have enough to do. Act like the Energizer Bunny, and you'll achieve more than you can imagine. Tonight: Make it OK to go out on the town.

TAURUS (April 20-May 21)
★★★★★ Your imagination mixed with determination could enact changes, if you so choose. You also simply might opt for a good exercise session or make a fun, active date or plan in the next few days. Tonight: Note the longing looks.

GEMINI (May 22-June 20)
★★★ Rest assured that all is not well on the home front. You might feel as if someone or something is out of control, yet you might not be able to put your finger on it. Trust your inner judgments more often. Tonight: Mosey on home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Keep communication open and, if possible, nonjudgmental. If you say something that upsets someone and you know it, put out the fire before there is a major issue. You could be a touch sarcastic right now. Work on your listening skills. Tonight: Say "yes" to a fun invitation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Watch your spending. You could go overboard and be surprised. The problem lies somewhere else. Could you be suppressing some anger or frustration? By going off and perhaps making a purchase, you might avoid those feelings. Tonight: OK ... time to treat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Despite a morning upset, you have enormous potential, with the Moon in your sign. You are energized and magnetic, and others seem to want to work with you. Make special time for a dear friend. Tonight: Your wish is another's pleasure.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Take your time. It isn't imperative for you to act immediately. Sort through your thoughts and feelings. There is more to your reaction than you realize. You might need some time alone. Use your instincts with a boss or higher-up. Tonight: Try not to make plans.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Continue the theme of the more the merrier. Opt for meetings; get together and open up discussions. Avoid a one-on-one chat. A male or assertive friend could be pushing you. Establish boundaries quickly. Tonight: In weekend mode.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Your drive to complete a project is strong, though you could be exhausted by everything that is going on around you. Lighten up about events and what you need to do. Indulge yourself, too. Tonight: Might be a late night.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You could feel as if you are not making the right moves or are causing yourself a problem. A family member or roommate also could be outrageous, whether you know it or not. Don't make any decisions right now. Tonight: Detach first, then decide.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Someone close to you swings from hot to cold so quickly that you could be thrown for a loop. Realize the innate limitations when relating to this person. For now, avoid provocative statements and actions. Give this situation space. Tonight: Try to listen to someone by imagining what it would be like to be him or her.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Others could be contentious, then they could be as sweet as pie. You might feel like you are going through a revolving door, never knowing who will be there. Relax. You aren't going to change anyone. Tonight: Do whatever knocks your socks off. Say "no" to anything else.

Happy birthday

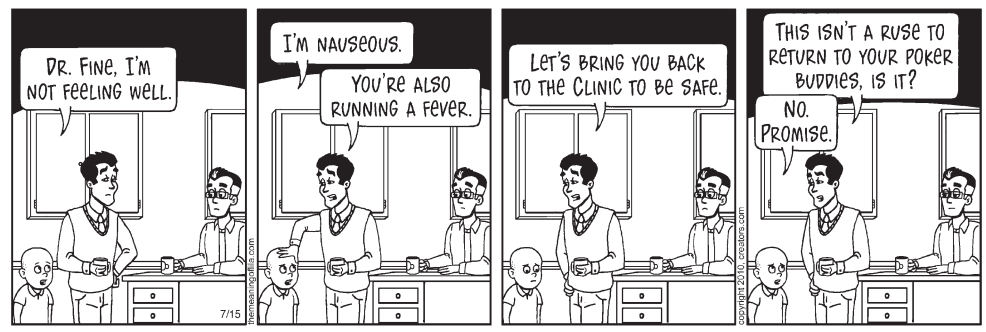
This year, note the mood swings you or your compatriots might go through. There are no answers, only an understanding that everything changes quickly. Also, don't stand on ceremony with friends or loved ones. If you are single, you could develop an interesting bond, but don't trust that it is forever unless it is. A fight doesn't mean it is over. If you are attached, your communication is certainly vibrant and active. Don't always take words as literal. VIRGO can be feisty, but also very kind.

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

Girls and Sports
By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



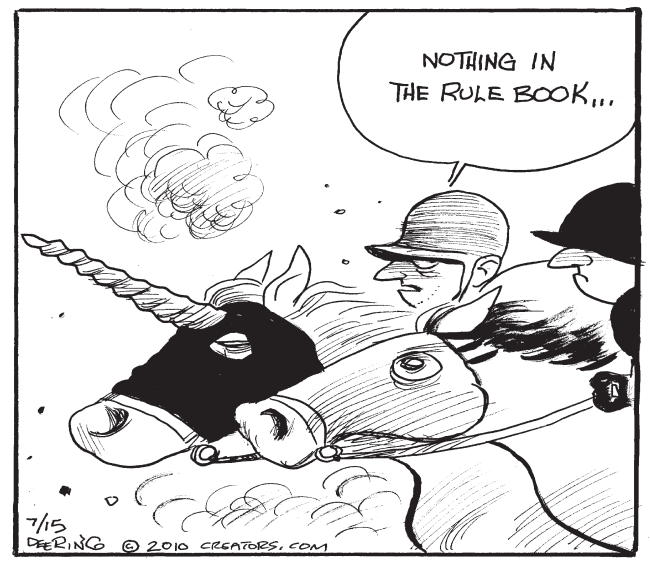
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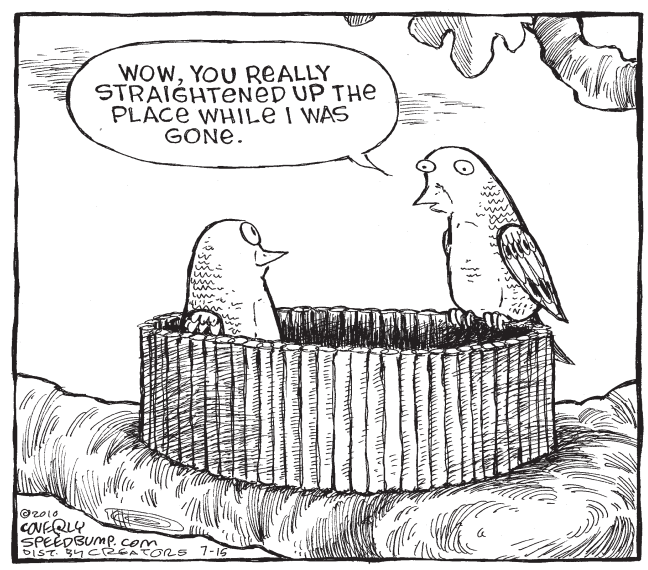
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Difficulty Level ★★★

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		6				3		
			6		2			

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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

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

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Rating unit
5 Did a cleaning chore
10 Take on
11 Sound system
12 Keats works
13 Sense of taste
14 Survives
16 Down
20 Debate participant
23 Understand
24 Put up
25 Shrek's love
27 Building wing
28 Dramatist Ben
29 Saddler's materials
32 Christian Slater film
36 Highway strip
39 Promise
40 Calendar items
41 Galileo's home
42 Stares stupidly
43 Verve

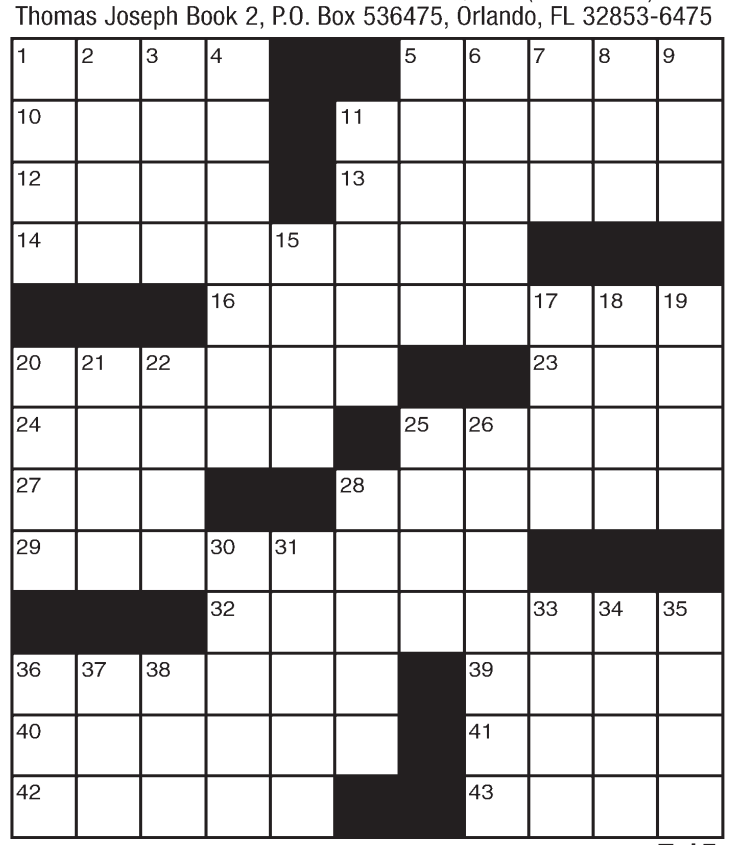
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1 Display
2 Ocean motion
3 Scope
4 Soothing
5 Set out
6 Like Dylan Thomas
7 Pitching number
8 Favorite
9 Sock part
11 Pike
15 Listen to
17 They may clash
18 Gambling mecca
19 Sax great Getz
20 Cain's victim
21 Hold power
22 Arizona river
25 Cavalry base
26 Fit
28 Popular pants
30 Use your head
31 Track trials
33 Malevolent
34 Painter Bonheur
35 Symbol of grace
36 Sister of Jo, Amy and Beth
37 Juan Perón's wife
38 Grass cover

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Fantasy 5: 11 17 18 22 27

DAILY 3: MIDDAY: 1 7 4
EVENING: 9 9 7

DAILY DERBY:
1st: 02 Lucky Star
2nd: 04 Big Ben
3rd: 08 Gorgeous George
RACE TIME: 1:44.16

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ In May, the chief media spokesman of the Nye County, Nev., sheriff's office, Det. David Boruchowitz, announced to the press the arrest of a man charged with burglary and assault. The suspect's name, he reported, was Det. David Boruchowitz. The chief investigator on the case, Det. Boruchowitz told reporters, was Det. David Boruchowitz. (Three days later, the charges were dropped, but that announcement was made by someone else.)

■ In Rehoboth Beach, Del., it is illegal for men and women to publicly reveal their genitals and for women to reveal their breasts, but Police Chief Keith Banks, confronted in June with complaints about some beachgoers flouting their shapely breasts, said there was nothing he could do. Banks said the offenders were actually biological males in the midst of hormonal transgendering. As Banks explained, "(T)hey had male genitalia. Therefore, they were not guilty of a crime."

TODAY IN HISTORY

1974 In Nicosia, Cyprus, Greek-sponsored nationalists launch a coup d'état, deposing President Makarios and installing Nikos Sampson as Cypriot president.

1979 U.S. President Jimmy Carter gives his famous "malaise" speech, where he characterizes the greatest threat to the country as "this crisis in the growing doubt about the meaning of our own lives and in the loss of a unity of purpose for our nation."

1983 The Orly airport attack in Paris leaves 8 people dead and 55 injured.

1996 A Belgian Air Force C-130 Hercules carrying the Royal Netherlands Army marching band crashes on landing at Eindhoven Airport.

1997 In Miami, Florida, serial killer Andrew Phillip Cunanan guns down Gianni Versace outside his home.

2002 "American Taliban" John Walker Lindh pleads guilty to supplying aid to the enemy and to possession of explosives during the commission of a felony.

2003 AOL Time Warner disbands Netscape Communications Corporation. The Mozilla Foundation is established on the same day.

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