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Separation of SMMUSD under review

School board to study committee findings

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE Separation of the area school district into Santa Monica and Malibu factions seems to be turning into a not "if," but "when" issue.

At its meeting Wednesday night, the local Board of Education will hear reports from the district's Financial Oversight Committee on the fiscal ramifications of potentially splitting the Santa Monica-Malibu school district into two distinct entities.

The study session will mark a major step in the district's handling of separation, a complicated issue that has been bubbling for months among officials and stakeholders.

The oversight committee's presentation will come as it unveils its annual report and offers its observations on SMMUSD financial matters. The presentation will likely include a review of how separation would impact the district budget as well as bond measures and workforce.

Separation, sometimes confusingly referred to as unification, has become a hot topic in the district; particularly among Malibu groups that have felt increasingly ostracized by the administration. They have expressed dissatisfaction not only with the district's handling of chemical testing and cleanup at Malibu schools, but also with its recently implemented centralized fundraising system.

Separation gained momentum about a year ago, when the school board asked the oversight committee to weigh the fiscal consequences of dividing the district. The committee was tasked with looking into the potential splitting of assets and liabilities as well as

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Los Angeles police shoot man in Venice

DAILY PRESS STAFF

VENICE Los Angeles Police shot a knife-wielding man outside a Rose Avenue coffee shop on July 13.

According to a statement by the Los Angeles Police Department, officers responded to a radio call for a "disorderly suspect armed with a knife," in the 600 block of Rose Ave. at about 2 p.m.

LAPD said the call indicated that the suspect brandished a knife at people in the area, and witness reports say the suspect was vomiting after drinking a homemade drink.

When the officers arrived they observed the suspect, later identified as Jason Davis, sitting at a table in the patio area armed with a knife. The officers commanded Davis to drop the knife, but he refused to comply. Davis stood up and started to aggressively approach the officers. One officer deployed a Taser, however it did not have an effect on Davis. He continued his advance while still armed with the knife and the officers shot him.

Los Angeles Fire Department paramedics responded, and Davis was transported to the hospital and listed as in critical condition. No officers were injured during this incident and a large box cutter was recovered at the scene.

According to LAPD's Force Investigation Division, investigators responded to the incident and will conduct a thorough investigation of the officer involved shooting. The investigation will ultimately be reviewed by the Chief of Police, the Office of the Inspector

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Pacific Park selected as 'Best Amusement Park' in California by Yahoo! Travel



Nicholas Salazar

FUN TIMES: Pacific Park, the amusement park on the Pier, beat out other local parks.

BY JENNIFER MAAS
Daily Press Staff Writer



Nicholas Salazar

WHEEL: Pacific Park's Ferris Wheel is world-famous.

THE PIER Covering just 2-acres, with 12 rides and 14 midway games, Santa Monica Pier's own Pacific Park has beaten out the top dogs in the California theme park industry to bring home the title of "Best Amusement Park" in California in Yahoo! Travel's "The Best Amusement Park in Every State" round up.

"In a state so packed with great amusement parks, Pacific Park on the Santa Monica Pier stands out for fun, atmosphere, and the sheer joy of playing on this famous landmark," Yahoo! Travel stated as their reason for honoring the little park.

Jeff Klocke, vice president at Pacific Park, is humbled by the win. But Klocke has a pretty good idea as to why they beat out the competition.

"I think that, first of all I have tremendous professional respect, as well as personal respect for all those incredible parks in southern California. I'm a huge Disneyland fan. Big Universal fan. Knott's Berry farm fan. Everyone offers an incredible product and we're

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

July 15

Dancing Democracy Wednesdays with Christine Suarez

Join organizers for a low impact, fun and mindful dance class for adults of all abilities. Participants will meditate, stretch, strengthen, and improvise along with some mambos, cha chas and other creative expression. Classes will culminate in a democratically created group dance. Please come dressed in comfortable clothes that you can move in. Workshops build over four sessions but drop-ins are welcome. Palisades Park, 1450 Ocean Ave., 1 - 2:30 p.m. https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/45584

Commission for the Senior Community Meeting

Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Commission for the Senior Community. Ken Edwards Center, 1527 4th St., 1:30 p.m. www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/boards

"Listen to the Rhythm of the Deep Blue Sea" with Karen Rae Kraut

Hear the tale of a young fisherman who travels to the Sea King's palace. Ages 4 and up. Ticketed event, limited space. Tickets available 30 minutes before program. Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 2:30 - 3:15 p.m.

Computer Basics: Beyond the Mouse

1.5 hours. Use your growing mouse skills to perform a variety of basic tasks on a computer. This introductory computer class series is tailored for seniors and those who want to learn at a slower pace. Registration is not required. Limited seating is on a first-arrival basis. For more information or questions, please visit the Reference Desk or call 310-434-2608. Main Library Computer Classroom, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Montana Branch Book Group: The Boys in the Boat

Daniel James Brown's robust book tells the story of the University of Washington's 1936 eight-oar crew and their epic quest for an Olympic gold medal, a team that transformed the sport and grabbed the attention of millions of Americans. Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 7 - 8:30 p.m.

July 16

Auction event

Multi-day event features diverse roster of nearly 300 quality collector cars and select memorabilia. Headline attractions include a pair of Ferraris, including a 1967 Ferrari 330 GTS and a 2004 Ferrari Enzo. Preview July 16, auction July 17-18, The Barker Hangar, 3021 Airport Ave., 10 a.m. $20 Weekend Pass (July 16-18)

Just for Seniors: Internet Basics

1.5 hours. Learn how to navigate a web browser, locate information, evaluate online sources and print web pages. This introductory computer class series is tailored for seniors and those who want to learn at a slower pace. Registration is not required. Limited seating is on a first-arrival basis. For more information or questions, please visit the Reference Desk or call 310-434-2608. Main Library Computer Classroom, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Mad Science "Sounds Like Science"

Discover the science of sound with this exciting show that is sure to make some waves. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St., 2:30 - 3:15 p.m.

LEGO Block Party at Main

Use your creativity to make something remarkable. They provide the Legos, you provide the fun. Ages 4 and Up.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

SMC

SMC appoints Gita Runkle Associate Dean Of Emeritus College

Santa Monica College (SMC) has announced the appointment of Gita Runkle as Associate Dean of Emeritus College, SMC's widely praised program providing classes of interest to older adults in support of lifelong learning. Runkle stepped into the permanent position on July 8 after serving in an interim capacity since January 2014.

Emeritus College – which opened its doors in 1975 – currently has a faculty of 80 and offers more than 120 classes and special programs to over 3,000 students annually.

"This year marked the 40th anniversary of Emeritus College," said Dr. Georgia Lorenz, SMC Vice President for Academic Affairs. "Gita's appointment as the Associate Dean is one more reason to celebrate! Her commitment will help Emeritus continue to thrive, and her leadership will set a strong course to guide us into the future."

"I am honored to serve as Associate Dean," said Runkle, "and look forward to continued success here at Emeritus."

Runkle – a member of the Rotary Club of Santa Monica – is the former Director of the Small Business Development Center (SBDC), which was hosted by Santa Monica College and provides free business consulting and low-cost training to the community. While at SBDC, Runkle made it her goal to develop strategic partnerships in the community, including private industry and governmental and community-based organizations.

Prior to her arrival at SMC, Runkle served at Miami Dade College in several roles, including Chairperson, Director, and Student Support Manager. She has also worked at New York University and the University of California at Berkeley, and has extensive experience in corporate marketing at companies that include Procter & Gamble and Royal Caribbean.

Runkle has an MBA in Entrepreneurship & Marketing from the University of Southern California (USC), an MA in Higher Education from New York University, and a BA in Multi-Media from UC Berkeley.

- SUBMITTED BY GRACE SMITH

Main Library

Santa Monica Public Library presents 500 Dates: Dispatches from the Front Lines of the Online Dating Wars

The Santa Monica Public Library will present 500 Dates: Dispatches from the Front Lines of the Online Dating Wars with Mark Miller on Sunday, July 19 at 2 p.m. in the Main Library's MLK, Jr. Auditorium, 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

Comedian and writer Mark Miller welcomes special guests - online dating expert Julie Spira, media expert Michael Levine, and ukulele chanteuse Janet Klein - to present a reading and scene performance, with musical interludes, of his book "500 Dates." A book sale and signing follows the program.

March Miller is a comedian, writer, and dating blogger. His book "500 Dates: Dispatches from the Front Lines of the Online Dating Wars" explores dating, romance, relationships, breakups, attraction, the nature of love, and how both men and women view the art science, expectations, and the reality of courtship in the 21st century.

This event is free and open to the public. Seating is limited and on a first-arrival basis. The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair accessible. For special disabled services, call Library Administration at (310) 458-8606 at least one week prior to event. For more information, visit smpl.org or contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600.

- SUBMITTED BY NANCY BENDER

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Main Library Children's Activity Room, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Teen Cultural Dance Series: Bollywood Dance @ Main Library

Join us to learn dance styles from different countries. Grades 6 and up. No registration required. Bollywood Dance with Joya Kazi. Main Library Multipurpose Room, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 4 -5 p.m.

Housing Commission Meeting

Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Housing Commission. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 4:30 p.m. www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/boards

Free screening of 'Rashomon'

A free screening of Akira Kurosawa's multi-perspective psychological samurai classic "Rashomon." Featuring Toshiro Mifune. Followed by a round-table discussion and audience Q&A. Black and white, in Japanese with English subtitles. The Christian Institute, 1308 Second Street. 6 p.m. For more information, visit facebook.com/MindOverMoviesLA.

Adult Summer Reading Movie: Beaches

Based on a novel by Iris Rainer Dart, this film traces the 30-year oil-and-water friendship between a privileged rich debutante (Barbara Hershey) and a cynical struggling entertainer (Bette Midler). (Film runtime: 123 min.) Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 6 - 8:15 p.m.

Pico Branch Book Group

Join us for the Pico Branch Book Group, which meets the third Thursday of each month and discusses a wide variety of fiction and nonfiction genres. This group is open to all, including newcomers and those who have joined us for past discussions. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd., 7 - 8 p.m.

Recreation and Park Commission Meeting

Meeting of the Recreation & Parks Commission. City Hall Council Chamber, 1685 Main St., 7:30 p.m. www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/boards

July 17

Cinema on the Street

Downtown's outdoor movie series Cinema on the Street returns with a screening of the movie musical Willy Wonka & The Chocolate Factory, starring the zany and always entertaining Gene Wilder as Willy Wonka. A few fortunate moviegoers will unwrap Golden Tickets and win free gifts from the gourmet chocolate company. Installations include an interactive photobooth and a chance to win VIP seating in an outdoor viewing lounge styled by West Elm. 8 p.m., 1400 block Third Street Promenade (just north of Broadway).

Reusable Rockets: A Progress Report

From the start of the Space Age, the one-shot nature of space boosters has been a major impediment to reducing the cost of space flight. Over the years, multiple public and private ventures have strived to crack this difficult problem. Come find out the latest news on the potentially revolutionary developments in the quest for reusable rockets. The John Drescher Planetarium, second floor of Drescher Hall (1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica). Tickets are available at the door and cost $11 ($9 seniors and children) for the evening's scheduled "double bill," or $6 ($5 seniors age 60+ and children age 12 and under) for a single show, guest lecture, or telescope-viewing session. Visit www.smc.edu/eventsinfo or www.smc.edu/planetarium for information.

Picnic on the Promenade

Escape from the cubicle and enjoy lunch at Downtown Santa Monica's Picnic on the Promenade. This annual summer series eases locals and Promenade walkers into the weekend every Friday afternoon with live music, classic board games, interactive challenges, and free services from Downtown merchants. Bring a lunch or grab-and-go from one of Downtown's award-winning eateries and soak in the sun. July 17: Fix It Clinic by the Santa Monica Bike Center. 12 - 3 p.m. 1300 block Third Street Promenade (Between Arizona and Santa Monica Blvd), downtownsm.com.

EXPLORE! STEM Storytimes

Storytime with a fun science, engineering or math twist. Ages 3-5. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd., 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.





LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Agree with both

Editor:

I've been reading SMDP columnists Jack Neworth and Bill Bauer for some time and am usually in agreement with each, even though they are both self serving, opinionated, egotists!

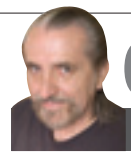
Neworth prides himself on being funny, but lacks a sense of humor towards anyone who disagrees with his strong opinions, especially about noise at the beach and 2nd hand smoke. I can understand his antagonism towards Donald Trump and Arnold Schwarzenegger, but for some reason, he has a pronounced penchant to call anyone he dislikes a narcissist. I wonder where this comes from, although I suspect he is projecting his own need for self affirmation and his excessive yearning for the admiration of others. He once called me a narcissist for being a perennial candidate for city council. While that may be true of those candidates who run for office out of vanity, I have consistently run to promote my agenda for a Virtual Town Hall on the City website. If I wanted to promote myself I would have not have chosen an issue that has garnered me so much contempt and ridicule.

Bauer, on the other hand, is a curmudgeon who knows what he is. He is justified in holding a grudge against me because I once called him a Republican for some of his positions when he ran for City Council with David Cole. Bauer's latest column mentions how SMRR leaders are only interested in calling the shots and staying in power, and for that I can tolerate his excessive arrogance. I completely agree with his comment that the SMRR myth needs to be exposed in time to elect four new councilpersons in November, 2016.

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This Birthday Party Is Good For Your Health

"I'M TOO YOUNG FOR MEDICARE AND TOO OLD FOR WOMEN TO CARE." — KINKY FRIEDMAN

THIS IS A COLUMN ABOUT MEDICARE, ON its 50th anniversary (now, don't slip away — I'm going to make this entertaining, vital and thought provoking … I hope … okay, stage right, send in the Rockettes!), and I have lots of great quotes, too many to use. The one above isn't anything more than a joke really, but I thought you'd like it, and it might get your attention.

Kinky Friedman is a singer/songwriter (13 albums)-novelist (35 books)-humorist-politician-private investigator-animal rescuer and former columnist, which by itself qualifies him as a genius in my book. (The "former" part.) He claims to be the only full-blooded Jew to ever take the stage at the Grand Old Opry. He has his own brand of cigars, and tequila. He founded Utopia Animal Rescue Ranch, to care for stray, abused and aging animals, where, he claims, more than 1,000 dogs have been saved from euthanasia. Renaissance man. A modern Mark Twain in an oversized Stetson, also with ubiquitous stogie. See, not all Texans are Perry or Bush.

If only Kinky, the self-proclaimed Texas Jewboy, had won the race for Governor of Texas in 2006, he did get 13 percent of the vote, history might be way different. Kinky was always good at using satire and song to draw attention to social issues (toured with Dylan).

On a more serious note, Presidential hopeful Bernie Sanders said, "I don't believe there's a red state in America where people believe you should cut Medicare, Social Security and veterans' benefits rather than doing away with corporate tax loopholes." Sounding a silly note, John McCain once said, "We know that Medicare's going broke in seven years, but we need to start over. That's what the American people want us to do." Oh John, and you said it with a straight face. Get outta here, John. No, really. Get out of here. (I believe he said that on "Meet the Press" in March, 2010, so I guess that puts us two years from broke.)

But here's the best quote about Medicare, in my opinion, and it doesn't even name it. And it's from a Republican.

"Should any political party attempt to abolish social security, unemployment insurance, and eliminate labor laws and farm programs, you would not hear of that party again in our political history. There is a tiny splinter group, of course, that believes you can do these things… Their number is negligible and they are stupid."

That was from Dwight D. Eisenhower, a very popular mid-century president. Medicare did not exist then, but we can be sure he would have included it on that list of like programs.

Now, I'm not certain that the threat to Medicare is gone, because that "negligible and stupid…tiny splinter group," today parading as the Tea Party, seems to be ceded far more power and control in today's GOP than the loonies in Ike's time.

But without becoming complacent, let's assume Medicare is safe. It's had half a century of stellar performance. Regional Director David Sayen, in a Daily Press Opinion piece last weekend, called it "among the most efficient and well-managed health insurance programs in the world." So what's next?

LET'S FINISH THE JOB OF GETTING UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE FOR ALL AMERICANS.

Obama's Affordable Care Act (ACA) was an astounding accomplishment (thank you, Harry Reid but so many compromises had to be made that what we have now is only a start. What would make it great? What would catch us up to the rest of the civilized world?

Simple, really. Just expand Medicare, make it available to all.

Medicare is set up as a single payer program, meaning no insurance companies ("death panels," if you will) and their bureaucracies and high fees between you and the healthcare you need. You and your doctor decide, within established parameters. Having all healthcare billed under Medicare's single payer system would save us $400 billion per year. Yes, billion with a "b."

The time has come. There's a group of doctors who have been at the forefront of the fight. Some doctors would make less money under universal Medicare, but they also are the ones who see day to day the human suffering and death caused by our present system.

The PNHP (Physicians for a National Health Program) has advocated for reforming our health care system for nearly 30 years. The local branch is holding another garden party fundraiser Medicare birthday party, next Sunday, July 26 from 2-5 p.m., again at the home of Santa Monica's Jan Goodman and Jerry Manpearl. They expect a larger crowd this year and have lowered the donation to match Medicare's age, $50. The home and grounds are lovely, the food outstanding, there will be live music and fascinating folk to converse with.

I went last year and it was really interesting. The time flew. Our new U.S. Representative Ted Lieu will be speaking this year, as well as Wendell Potter, author of "Deadly Spin — an Insurance Company Insider Speaks Out." And I'm very pleased that our mayor, Kevin McKeown, will be giving some opening remarks.

Pleased because I noted last year that McKeown has been a single payer advocate for more than a decade. In 2003, he urged our City Council to back then-State Sen. Sheila Kuehl's SB 921, which would have established "a single comprehensive health plan for all California residents at NO NEW COST (my emphasis) to the state," he wrote to me.

He said he asked our Director of Finance to calculate the savings for our city, and $6 million was the figure he was given. Why, that's almost enough to take care of some important stuff, like "schools, police, fire, social services, and parks," McKeown suggested.

So if you want to hear how you can get behind this literally life-or-death issue, the push to bring us up into the Top 50 nations for health care, this is the perfect place. Tickets at medicare50pnhpla.eventbrite.com, or possibly at the event, at 939 San Vicente Blvd.

Kinky — you comin'?

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "America's health care system is neither healthy, caring, nor a system." — Walter Cronkite

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The Business of Community

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A Warm Welcome to Our New City Manager

WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH RICK COLE A warm welcome to Santa Monica as our new City Manager. His lifelong career in public policy and civic engagement will be a tremendous asset to our community. Just as with his predecessor Rod Gould and the many other talented individuals who have occupied that office, we look forward to a fruitful partnership with Mr. Cole that benefits our business community and Santa Monica as a whole.

The Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce is proud to have launched a number of successful partnerships with the City. This year, we celebrated the 20th anniversary of the Sustainable Quality Awards, which we co-founded with the City of Santa Monica and Sustainable Works. This event has grown from a spark of an idea in 1994 to a popular and nationally respected opportunity to honor the businesses and individuals that go above and beyond in incorporating best sustainability principals into their day-to-day operations. Santa Monica's healthy economy and demonstrated commitment to our environment proves that being green is good for the city and good for business.

We also partner with the City to support our Business Improvement Districts, which support businesses, quality of life and attract shoppers to our hot spots around town- from Main Street to Downtown to Montana Avenue. Many of the stores, restaurants and service providers along these corridors are small, family-run institutions, well-loved by their neighbors and visitors from around the world. As new businesses and start-ups continue to pop up, the importance of a local community of supporters becomes increasingly clear. The Chamber is committed to supporting every type of business-in good times and in challenging ones. We are grateful to have a strong partnership with the City that allows us to be an effective and trusted voice for the entire community.

Another key partnership is the City is the Santa Monica Alliance, which we co-founded to ensure that Santa Monica remains a welcoming environment for businesses to start, grow and thrive. For years, our members have worked hand-in-hand with City leadership to create smart policies, cut red tape and strategize about how to enhance our dynamic economic landscape by supporting emerging business sectors.

One key sector is the tech community, with which we have built strong ties through events like Hack the Beach, establishing mentoring relationships, recruitment efforts that have helped us top 1,000 members, and our newly launched Startup Awards, which are presented at our annual State of the City breakfast. We are constantly expanding our services and reach to meet the diverse needs of our vibrant business community. By working collaboratively with the City, we can craft policies to help attract, support and retain businesses here in our City, which in turn benefits the entire community with an energized work force, increased tax revenue and a greater quality of life.

Since our founding in 1925, the Chamber has always been at the center of the community; partnerships with City Hall have been integral from the start. We look forward to continuing this legacy alongside Mr. Cole. We are proud to serve as a resource, a collaborator, an advocate and a leader as we work together investing in Santa Monica's future.

We also invite you to join us at our annual Wellbeing Festival on September 12 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. to celebrate Santa Monica by showcasing the services and products from Santa Monica businesses with over 4,000 locals and visitors at the outdoor area of the Civic Center! This event is free to the public and draws thousands of people every year. We will be joined by local businesses and non-profits as they gather at the Festival to provide expertise, advice, and product samples promoting a healthy and happy lifestyle for the entire Santa Monica Community. Stores and restaurants from every neighborhood will have food and vendor booths. There will be music, cooking demos and interactive classes on stages and lots of opportunities to obtain free resources and screenings. Again this year, Fitness Trainers are invited to compete for the title of Santa Monica's Finest Trainer. This year the festival is partnering with the Santa Monica Classic, a Los Angeles Marathon event benefiting the Santa Monica-Malibu Education Foundation. As a special treat this year, 5,000 runners from the marathon will join us for the afternoon. So bring your family, and get ready to have a blast on September 12!

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US agency faulted for inaction after California oil spill

KEVIN FREKING & MICHAEL R. BLOOD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON The federal agency that oversees the safety of the nation's pipelines failed to follow through on congressional reforms that could have made a difference in a May break that created the largest coastal oil spill in California in 25 years, a House committee chairman said Tuesday.

In a rare display of agreement on Capitol Hill, Republicans and Democrats on the Energy and Power Subcommittee expressed frustration with inaction by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, which has yet to complete more than a dozen requirements outlined in a 2011 federal law.

Among the unfinished work is revising regulations to establish specific time periods for notification of authorities after an accident is confirmed. The new rule would require notice as quickly as possible and always within an hour.

The owner of the California line, Plains All American Pipeline, has been criticized for taking about 90 minutes to alert federal responders after confirming the spill near Santa Barbara.

"Some of these provisions I am convinced would have made a difference in the recent oil spill in Santa Barbara had they been implemented in a timely manner," said Rep. Fred Upton, a Michigan Republican who chairs the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Other incomplete requirements include issuing regulations on shut-off valves for new lines that can quickly stop the flow of gas or oil in an accident and regulations that would require leak detection systems on hazardous liquid pipelines and establish leak-detection standards, according to the committee.

The agency has completed 26 of 42 reforms from the 2011 law, but the California spill has given new urgency to questions about the agency's effectiveness and its progress on the remaining requirements.

The failed line in California released up to 101,000 gallons of oil after a breach along a heavily corroded section of pipe. An estimated 21,000 gallons reached the Pacific Ocean and goo washed up on beaches as far as 100 miles away.

It's not clear why the problems with the pipe were not detected by company inspections.

Democratic Rep. Lois Capps, whose district includes the coastline where the spill occurred, said she was alarmed that inspections underestimated corrosion that had occurred in the pipeline.

"There's clearly a problem here," Capps said.

Federal regulations require the company to notify the National Response Center, a clearinghouse for reports of hazardous-material releases, "at the earliest practicable moment." State law requires immediate notification of a release or a threatened release.

Plains All American's internal planning documents repeatedly stress the importance of notifying the government of a leak as quickly as possible.

Records filed by Santa Barbara County indicate that firefighters who arrived at the scene just before noon on May 19 quickly recognized that some sort of leak or spill had occurred. Crude was gushing from a bluff like a fire hose "without a nozzle," the records said.

However, company employees at the scene did not confirm a leak until about 1:30 p.m. and it would be nearly 3 p.m. before the company would contact the response center. By then, the federal response led by the Coast Guard was underway.

At the hearing, Democratic Rep. Frank Pallone of New Jersey told the agency's interim executive director, Stacy Cummings, that he was "deeply concerned about PMHSA's ability to carry out its mission."

He also said the Obama administration shares some of the blame for the lack of progress because the White House Office of Management and Budget takes so long in evaluating proposed regulatory changes.

Cummings said OMB insight has always led to a better product, in her experience. She added that the agency is making progress but did not give lawmakers a detailed timeline for completion.

"We share your concern and sense of urgency," she told lawmakers.

Cummings said the pipeline will remain shut until the cause of the break is determined and any other risks are fixed. The agency is boosting staff for safety inspections and accident investigations.

She estimated that final results of the investigation are a few months away.

Rep. Bobby Rush, a Chicago Democrat, expressed dismay with Plains All American after it reported a spill at an Illinois pumping station last week. Rush called the spill of about 4,000 gallons troubling, coming shortly after the California break.

Blood reported from Los Angeles.

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LOS ANGELES

Study: California drivers using cellphones more often

Drivers in California can't seem to put their cellphones on hold.

A study released Tuesday reported that 9.2 percent of drivers were using phones to talk, text or otherwise take away their attention during observations earlier this year. That was up from 6.6 percent of drivers in 2014.

The study was done for the state's Office of Traffic Safety and transportation experts at the University of California, Berkeley. Researchers fanned out across the state and literally watched cars drive by.

At nearly 13 percent of drivers, Sonoma County had the highest rate.

Safety officials expressed concern about the statewide rise, though the 2015 numbers were not as bad as 2012, when observers found nearly 11 percent of California drivers fiddling with their phones.

- AP

LOS ANGELES

Motorist trying to elude LA Port Police drives off cliff

Authorities say a driver trying to elude Los Angeles Port Police pointed his car at officers and then drove off a cliff, plunging some 300 feet.

Port spokesman Phillip Sanfield says the driver, a man in his 30s, was rescued from the Toyota Prius late Monday and is hospitalized with broken bones.

Sanfield says the chase began when officers at the scene of a traffic accident tried to prevent the Toyota from going through a San Pedro intersection.

The Toyota sped through the intersection and then crashed through a locked gate before ending up at a dead-end street and driving over the cliff.

City News Service says the suspect could face several charges including assault with a deadly weapon on a police officer.

Sanfield says an officer suffered a minor ankle injury dodging the vehicle.

- AP

LOS ANGELES

Mexican chef deported from US to face murder charges

A Mexican chef who had been twice deported is being sent back to Mexico to face charges that he fatally stabbed a woman with a sushi knife.

Federal officials say 42-year-old Julio Cesar Reyes-Rodriguez was handed over to Mexican authorities on Tuesday, less than two weeks after his capture in Los Angeles.

According to investigators, Reyes-Rodriguez fatally stabbed 36-year-old Claudia Contreras Mendieta during an argument in a taxi in Mexico City.

He is also accused of stabbing the cabdriver during the Feb. 1 attack.

Law enforcement officers captured Reyes-Rodriguez on July 1 outside of an apartment where he had been hiding and took him into custody.

The suspect's only prior criminal conviction in the U.S. was 13 years ago for driving under the influence.

- AP

LOS ANGELES

DiCaprio foundation grants $15M to environmental groups

When it comes to saving the planet, Leonardo DiCaprio is putting his money where his mouth is.

The actor's foundation announced July 14 it has awarded $15 million in grants to a host of environmental organizations, including Amazon Watch, Save the Elephants, Tree People and the World Wildlife Fund.

"The destruction of our planet continues at a pace we can no longer afford to ignore," DiCaprio said in a statement. "We have a responsibility to innovate a future where the habitability of our planet does not come at the expense of those who inhabit it."

The groups receiving the grants are "working to solve humankind's greatest challenge," he said.

The 40-year-old actor has been an active environmentalist throughout his career. He created the Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation in 1998, a year after "Titanic" came out, to fund efforts that protect the planet and its endangered species. It now supports such projects in more than 40 countries.

Last year, the United Nations named DiCaprio a UN Messenger of Peace with a special focus on climate change.

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SEPARATE

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possible impacts on operational costs.

The issue resurfaced last month when the school board considered hiring law firm Dannis Woliver Kelley to build on the committee's findings and chart a plan for separation with board-approved checkpoints.

Board approval of a contract with the firm is contingent on the signing of an agreement with Advocates for Malibu Public Schools, a nonprofit group that has verbally agreed to cover some district costs associated with exploring separation, officials said.

Malibu voices have earned larger platforms in recent months, buoyed by the election of Craig Foster to the school board in November. Foster is a founding member and former president of AMPS.

The advocacy group is now helmed by Karen Farrer, a Malibu parent who has served in a variety of PTA leadership positions. In an email Sunday, Farrer urged supporters of separation to attend Wednesday night's meeting.

The district's financial oversight committee also has strong Malibu representation. Chaired by Shelly Slaugh Nahass, the 11-member panel is responsible for reviewing budgetary and other financial matters in the district and recommending action to the school board.

Its roster currently includes Seth Jacobson, a Malibu resident and former school board candidate who has served in PTA roles at two Malibu elementary schools. Jacobson was appointed to the oversight committee in March.

The committee also features Manel Sweetmore, an AMPS board member. The committee nominated Sweetmore, whose term officially ended June 30, for reappointment on June 18. He is expected to be approved for appointment by the school board at Wednesday night's meeting.

The public meeting is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. and the study of SMMUSD separation is slated for 7 p.m.

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SHOOTING

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General and Board of Police Commissioners for compliance with the department's use of force policy, which states that an officer's use of force actions must be objectively reasonable. Additionally, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Justice System Integrity Division will conduct a comprehensive review of the facts of the officer involved shooting.

The incident is the second officer involved shooting in Venice this year.

On May 5, LAPD officers shot and killed Brendon Glenn during a fight near Windward Circle. Glenn was unarmed and the incident drew criticism from members of the community.

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PARK

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really proud to be part of the family amusement parks in California," Klocke said.

"But that being said, I think we all sell a similar product, which is experiences and fun. And you know people crave that experience they had as a child. And I think parents can come here and ride the scrambler - the scrambler is one of our most popular rides- and they can look at their six-year-old and say 'My mom took me on the scrambler when I was your age.' And maybe that scrambler wasn't here at the park but it was somewhere else. And those life long experiences that we share with our family are really what we sell and really what makes us authentic."

The park is home to the world's only solar-powered Ferris wheel, the Pacific Wheel. Other rides at the park include The West Coaster, a steel roller coaster that races 55 feet over the wooden pier, and children's rides like Inkie's Air Lift Balloon Ride. The park also has a food plaza and retail shops overlooking the ocean.

Pacific Park is also the only admission free amusement park in Los Angeles, something City of Santa Monica economic development administrator Jennifer Taylor believes contributed to its Yahoo! Travel ranking. Taylor also believes the free admission affects how the park contributes to the economy of the city.

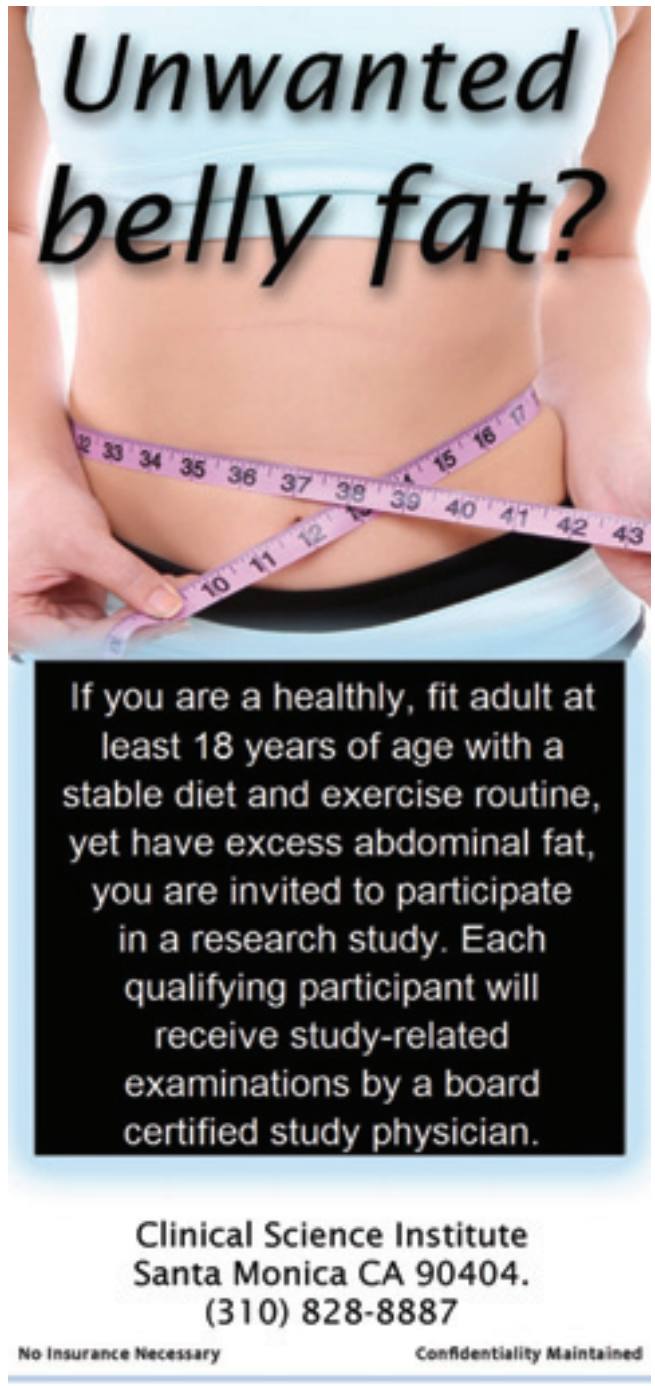
"I think it encourages more people to go with the free admission. People tend to then spend more money on ride tickets, game tickets, food and on t-shirts and things on the pier. And by having the free admission I think that attracts even more people. Whether they can buy things or not," Taylor said.

The 2014 Santa Monica Travel & Tourism Economic and Fiscal Impact Report did not specify how much the park contributes to Santa Monica's tourism spending, but states that spending on attractions reached over $57 million in 2014, a 54 percent increase from 2013. Santa Monica Travel & Tourism CEO and President, Misti Kerns, believes the park's new honor will only make that number grow higher.

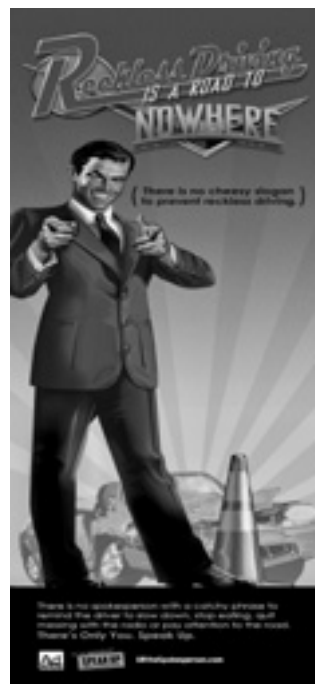
"Being named the best amusement park in a state full of such incredible options in the category will certainly help boost Santa Monica visitation. We are excited and believe this well deserved recognition will continue enticing people to visit Pacific Park, check into one of our wonderful hotel properties and further explore all that our destination has to offer," Kerns said.

Pacific Park will celebrate its 20th anniversary next May.

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American Pharoah arrives at Del Mar for training

JAY PARIS
Associated Press

DEL MAR American Pharoah arrived at Del Mar Race Track on Tuesday to begin training for next month's Haskell Invitational in New Jersey.

The first Triple Crown winner in 37 years even accomplished another rarity on his journey down from Santa Anita - avoiding summer traffic on the Los Angeles-area freeways.

"Well we did leave at 4 a.m.," said Jimmy Barnes, trainer Bob Baffert's chief assistant.

American Pharaoh made the roughly 100-mile journey early in the morning, settled in and then jogged around the track in a morning workout that drew a large media contingent.

"It's like having a rock star here," said Joe Harper, the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club CEO. "Otherwise we wouldn't have 14 cameras here."

American Pharoah isn't expected to race at Del Mar, with its summer season starting on Thursday. Instead, the 3-year-old colt will train at the seaside oval in preparation for the Haskell on Aug. 2 at Monmouth Park. He'll return to Del Mar after the Haskell.

Del Mar hopes Baffert, who arrives on Thursday, will add the track's $1 million Pacific Classic on Aug. 30 to the itinerary of the first horse in 37 years to win the Triple Crown.

"Those are all Bob's decisions," Barnes said. "But I wouldn't think so."

It's not expected that American Pharaoh will compete against older horses until October's Breeder's Cup.

But like the estimated 2,000 other horses boarded at Del Mar, American Pharoah is enjoying the beach life.

"The horses love it down here," Barnes said, as he distributed peeled baby carrots to American Pharoah. "It's a little cooler."

American Pharoah is familiar with Del Mar, after winning its Grade I Del Mar Futurity for 2-year-olds last year.

"I remember saying to Bob, 'That is a really good looking horse,'" Harper said. 'Bob said, "It could be the one.' It was the one all right."

Fans can watch American Pharoah train each morning, with three of the sessions being timed workouts.

"It's terrific that he is here and it really is special," Harper said.

While there are no guarantees American Pharoah will race at Del Mar, his presence rivaled the excitement of 1996 when Cigar attempted to break Citation's mark of 16 straight wins. But Dare And Go upset Cigar in the Pacific Classic, before a record crowd of 44,181.

"To have a Triple Crown winner is really a positive," Harper said. "It sheds a positive light on our sport. A lot of smart people in our game speculated there would never be another one and American Pharoah proved them wrong."



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The regulation will become effective the day after publication of this notice in the newspaper. Copies of the new regulation are available from the Rent Control Agency at City Hall and at www.smgov.net/rentcontrol.

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THURSDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to chest high
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FRIDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to chest high
Small NW windswell and South/SW swell mix. Modest S/SSW swell from Enrique to ease. New steep SE swell from Dolores may build overnight.

SATURDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **3-4 ft** waist to chest high
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BEACH REPORT CARD

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LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	B	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	F
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	F
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A+	D
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21572 Malibu Rd..	A+	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	F
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	ns	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	F
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	F
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	B
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	B	F
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	B	A+

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A	F
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A+	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	B	B
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A+	F
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	C	C
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	D
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	A+
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A+	B
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	F
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A	F
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	F	A+
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	D
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	F	B
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	ns	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A	F
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	B	B
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of DWW jetty).	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	F
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	A+

LEGEND
DRY -- each location is graded on an A – F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone
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ns -- no sample taken

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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF



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

ON JULY 3 AT APPROXIMATELY 9:40 P.M.

Officers responded to the 1600 block of the beach to investigate an allegation of a male touching himself inappropriately. When Harbor Guards and Beach Patrol Officers arrived, they witness the man engaged in a lewd act upon himself. They detained the subject and attempted to identify him, but were unable to due to the male being uncooperative. While arresting the subject for the lewd behavior he freed his leg and kicked the arresting Officer in the chest. An additional charge of Battery on a Police Officer was added. Victor Flacha, 31, of Santa Monica had bail set at $20,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 371 calls for service on July 13.

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

DUI intersection of Main/Pico 12:02 a.m.
Found person 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 12:10 a.m.
Family disturbance 2900 block of 4th 12:53 a.m.
Loud music 1200 block of 20th 1:50 a.m.
Burglary 2200 block of Pico 3:10 a.m.
Hit and run 2400 block of 23rd 4:10 a.m.
Psychiatric hold 1500 block of 2nd 4:36 a.m.
Suspicious vehicle 2400 block of Pico 6:16 a.m.
Animal related incident 2500 block of 29th 7:47 a.m.
Suspicious person 1100 block of 15th 8:18 a.m.
Animal related incident 2200 block of Pier 9:08 a.m.
Burglary 1400 block of 6th 9:23 a.m.
Disturbance at a business 2600 block of Lincoln 9:36 a.m.
Grand theft 2200 block of Montana 9:59 a.m.
Child endangerment 1600 block of Lincoln 10:28 a.m.
Battery1300 block of 15th 11:35 a.m.
Hit and run 1500 block of 16th 12:24 p.m.
Health & safety code violation 1400 block of 17th 12:35 p.m.
Traffic accident 1000 block of 21st 12:52 p.m.
Auto burglary report 1400 block of Pearl 1:44 p.m.
DUI 3100 block of Lincoln 2:40 p.m.
Grand theft auto 1700 block of Lincoln 2:53 p.m.
Traffic accident 1200 block of Lincoln 2:58 p.m.
Domestic violence 1500 block of 7th 3:05 p.m.
Theft suspect in custody 1300 block of 3rd Street Prom 3:15 p.m.
Public intoxication 800 block of Michigan 4:55 p.m.
Hit and run 1800 block of Santa Monica 6:44 p.m.
Battery 2200 block of Virginia 7:37 p.m.
Vandalism 2200 block of 24th 7:50 p.m.
Family disturbance 600 block of 9th 8:15
Battery 1700 block of main 8:37
Suspicious person intersection of Lincoln / marine 8:58
Domestic violence intersection of 7th / Wilshire 9:24
DUI1500 block of pacific coast Highway 9:25
Loud music 800 block of 4th 9:32
Suspicious circumstances 3000 block of urban 10:17
Public intoxication 1000 block of 12th 10:24
Family disturbance 3000 block of Glenn 10:42
DUI intersection of Lincoln / Olympic 10:58
Drinking in public 1900 block of 20th 11:02
Disturbance of the peace 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 11:06 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 41 calls for service on July 13.

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

EMS 1900 block of Santa Monica 3:22 a.m.
EMS 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 4:45 a.m.
EMS 100 block of Interstate 10 4:49 a.m.
EMS 2300 block of Santa Monica 5:37 a.m.
Lock in/out 300 block of Montana 5:56 a.m.
EMS 800 block of 10th 6:50 a.m.
Automatic alarm 2900 block of 31st 7:01 a.m.
EMS intersection of Main/Pico 8:27 a.m.
EMS 2000 block of Santa Monica 8:39 a.m.
EMS 1200 block of 16th 9:55 a.m.
EMS 1700 block of Main 9:58 a.m.
EMS 2000 block of Santa Monica 10:20 a.m.
EMS 1300 block of 20th 10:21 a.m.
EMS 2000 block of Santa Monica 10:32 a.m.
EMS 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 10:47 a.m.
EMS 2600 block of 20th 10:52 a.m.
EMS 600 block of Ocean 10:53 a.m.
EMS 2000 block of Santa Monica 12:25 p.m.
EMS 1900 block of 17th 12:37 p.m.
EMS 600 block of Palisades Beach 12:44 p.m.
EMS 2000 block of Ocean 12:48 p.m.
EMS 1000 block of 21st 12:54 p.m.
EMS 900 block of 3rd 1:12 p.m.
EMS 2400 block of Santa Monica 1:53 p.m.
EMS 2000 block of Santa Monica 2:19 p.m.
EMS 1200 block of 6th 2:26 p.m.
EMS 1200 block of Lincoln 2:59 p.m.
EMS 1100 block of Pico 3:11 p.m.
EMS intersection of Lincoln/Pico 3:14 p.m.
EMS 1800 block of Wilshire 4:16 p.m.
EMS 1500 block of 26th 4:45 p.m.
EMS intersection of 7th/Olympic 4:55 p.m.
Request fire 700 block of Olympic 4:57 p.m.
Assist LAFD intersection of Lincoln/Commonwealth 5:24 p.m.
EMS 1700 block of Wilshire 5:25 p.m.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Music's Hampton
7 Pale tan
11 Show up
12 Greek letters
13 Cautioned
14 Dole out
15 Like "Hamlet"
17 St. Louis sight
20 Egyptian symbols for life
23 "Well, that's obvious!"
24 Web directory
26 Tad Lincoln's dad
27 High card
28 Some amount of
29 Spears in a deli
31 Aussie hopper
32 Pot puffs
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34 Grazing spot
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46 Kind of band or show

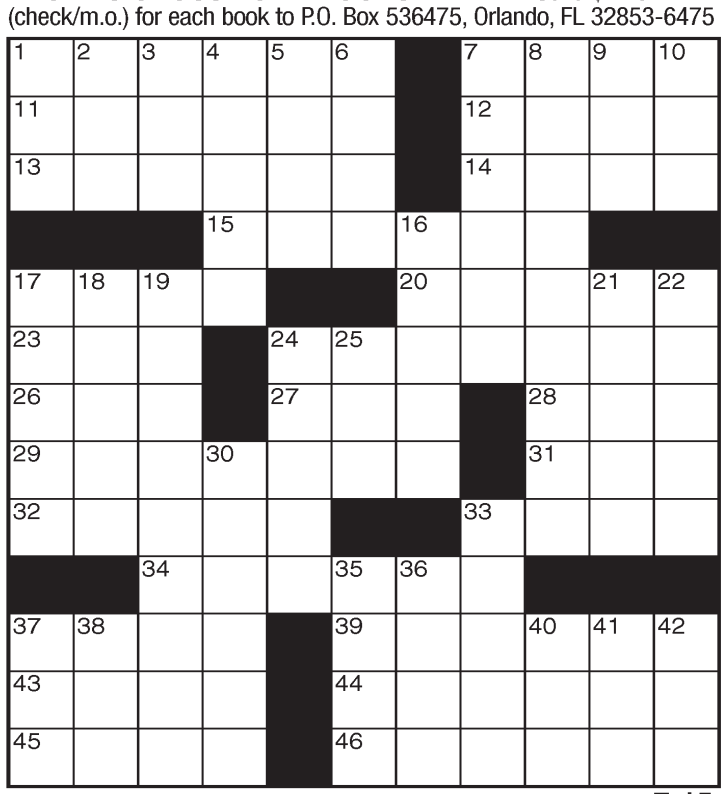
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1 Bar concern
2 Radio's Glass
3 Hockey's Bobby
4 Last inning, usually
5 At any time
6 Mother of Castor and Pollux
7 Royal fur
8 Approval indicator
9 Go bad
10 Exploit
16 Airport areas
17 Make suitable
18 Marco from Miami
19 Chess victory
21 Vietnam's capital
22 Watch secretly
24 Party dip
25 Drink cooler
30 Continue
33 Took an oath
35 1920s art style
36 Plow pullers
37 Stopped standing
38 Bullring call
40 Slow-witted
41 Much of N. Amer.
42 Capitol Bldg. figure

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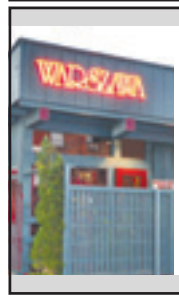
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Difficulty Level ★★★

GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 7/11
11 39 46 52 54
Power#: 3
Jackpot: 60M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 7/10
24 27 45 51 54
Mega#: 8
Jackpot: 123M

SUPER LOTTO
Draw Date: 7/11
18 23 33 34 39
Mega#: 10
Jackpot: 56M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 7/13
5 17 26 32 38

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 7/14
MIDDAY: 8 4 0
Draw Date: 7/13
EVENING: 2 1 0

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 7/13
1st: 04 Big Ben
2nd: 06 Whirl Win
3rd: 09 Winning Spirit
RACE TIME: 1:43.26

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1. Archaic. abundance; plenty.
2. Archaic. abundant harvest.

TODAY IN HISTORY

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

1975 – Space Race: Apollo–Soyuz Test Project features the dual launch of an Apollo spacecraft and a Soyuz spacecraft on the first joint Soviet-United States human-crewed flight. It was both the last launch of an Apollo spacecraft, and the Saturn family of rockets.

1979 – U.S. President Jimmy Carter gives his so-called 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" but in which he never uses the word malaise.

1980 – A massive storm tears through western Wisconsin, causing US$160 million in damage.

1983 – Orly Airport attack is launched by Armenian militant organisation ASALA at the Paris-Orly Airport in Paris; it 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.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Sweden has unemployment issues, like most countries, but, still, the Oliver & Eva sex shop was not prepared for the deluge when the nation's Employment Service website posted its opening to hire a "sex toy tester." Until the service was forced to pull the announcement, applications were coming in at the rate of one every 20 seconds, with 14,000 emails greeting the employer the first morning. The sex shop emphasized that the tester must be "driven," "methodical" and "with patience" and a knowledge of Microsoft Excel.

■ News of the Weird tracks the "armed and clumsy," who can't avoid shooting themselves accidentally, but then there are these guys: (1) Adam Hirtle, 30, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, checked into a hospital on June 10 after intentionally shooting himself in the foot with a .22-caliber handgun -- twice, "curious" to see how it felt (with and without his boot to compare pain levels). (2) Jeremiah Raber, 38, recently commenced a crowdfunding campaign for a kids' sports version of his "Nutshellz" jockstrap -- according to Raber the strongest such apparel in the world, made from breakthrough "Dyneema" (supposedly half the weight of Kevlar but twice as strong). Recently, using a ".22 long rifle," Raber had business partner Matt Heck shoot him directly in the delicate area, but according to Raber, he felt just a "tap."

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'Cause Celeb' catches celebrities in the act of doing good

Actress stars as The Rescuer

By Colin Newton

Maybe you've felt like your life could be a movie, but Santa Monica's Marie Paquim can actually say her life will be. An actress since the age of three, Paquim was kidnapped by human traffickers and rescued by the FBI following a two-and-a-half-year search.

Even as she develops her ordeal into the upcoming *The Land of the Free* she still makes time for dogs.

"I was looking for a nonprofit related to animals because I love animals," Paquim told *Giive a (bleep)*. "I was looking for the right nonproft."

Paquim found the right organization in the form of the Ace of Hearts, a Los Angeles-based nonprofit that rescues dogs from animal shelters and cares for them until they find foster homes. There she found Madeline, her beloved white bull terrier.

"She was abandoned by her owner and looks like she's been abused," Paquim said.



Marie Paquim (left), Hank the rescue dog and Ace of Hearts founder Kari Whitman.

The actress said her own experiences give her a special bond with animals that have been abused.

"I was treated like an animal," noting LA is an especially dangerous city for strays. Ace of Hearts is trying to make the City of Angels a little safer for dogs.

For more information, visit AceofHeartsDogs.com.

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Get some distance from others tonight, Leo

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ You might be overwhelmed by everything you see as you encounter power play after power play. Whether to get involved in one of these control games will be your decision. What you do could surprise others. Tonight: A new beginning is possible once you rid yourself of frustration.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ You will try to explain where you are coming from, but someone else might decide to throw his or her issues into the mix as well. This person seems to want the spotlight on him or her right now. Try not to get involved in a power play. Tonight: Catch up on a pal's wild day.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You have a lot to say, and you want others to hear what you're saying on an authentic level. A loved one could become very controlling over a financial issue. Step back and let this situation play out. You might opt for a new beginning. Tonight: Curb a tendency to be rebellious.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Others listen to what you have to say. You are open-minded and full of ideas. A partner could be very demanding, angry and sometimes even controlling. You are likely to get into a tiff with this person. Tonight: Avoid a difficult situation, and you will be much happier.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ You might want to get away from the wild interactions happening around you. Your temper could flare up suddenly and catch you and others off guard. Sort through any angry feelings that keep bubbling up, and process them before sharing. Tonight: Get some distance from others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Emphasize what is going on with a group of friends. Maintain a caring position, especially with a dear friend. A power play is likely to occur around a loved one. Know that you cannot interfere or protect this person, despite your desire to help. Tonight: Join your friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Understand what is happening with a family member. You might experience some pressure from someone who is in charge. Your responsibilities demand attention, and there is no way around it. Expect a tantrum from a loved one. Tonight: Home is where the heart is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Your beliefs could trigger quite a response. You might need to use other words to communicate what you are feeling. Express your thoughts in a meaningful way. A friend could shock you with his or her actions. Tonight: The fun begins when you decide it does.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ One-on-one relating will help make your path easier throughout the day. You might have difficulty believing that, though, as you feel someone has his or her eye on a situation that's near and dear to you. You would be well-advised to back off. Tonight: Use self-discipline.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You might feel unusually ornery, and could unintentionally take it out on others. A little restraint would make your life substantially easier during the next few days. A loved one will want to have a new beginning or say goodbye to a problem. Tonight: Be cool.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You might want to stay home or dive right into work. The objective remains the same: Avoid the myriad personalities in your life who could be reacting to the New Moon. High energy and uproar will surround you on some level. Tonight: Get away from the raving crowds.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ You might enjoy some of the ups and downs of your day. Tap into your ingenuity when something falls apart or when a friend seems to change his or her attitude toward you. Keep an open mind, and don't take comments so seriously. Tonight: Be with your favorite person.

Wednesday, July 15, 2015

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

This year you experience life more intensely. You also have an opportunity for a new beginning in your life. You are unusually creative and dynamic. Others count on you for solutions. If you are single, romance will knock on your door anytime from September on. This person might be very important to your life's history. If you are attached, as a couple you might decide to do a special seminar together or take a long-desired trip. This event will add a great deal of depth to your relationship. You might see a lot of limitations in a fellow CANCER. Could they also be in you?

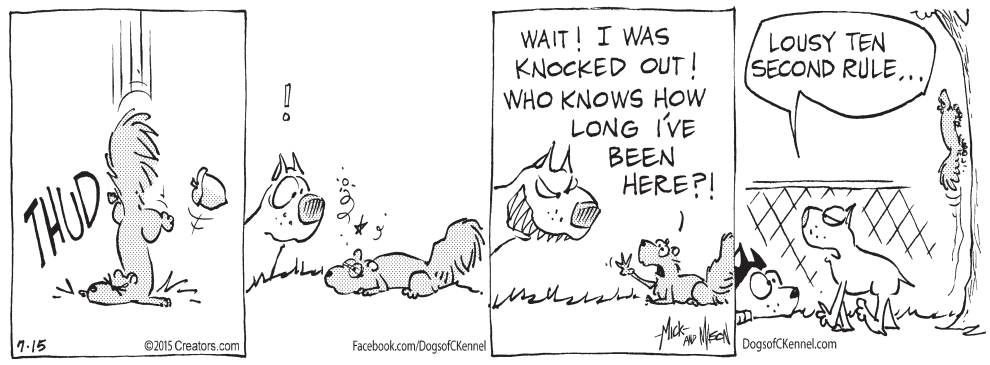
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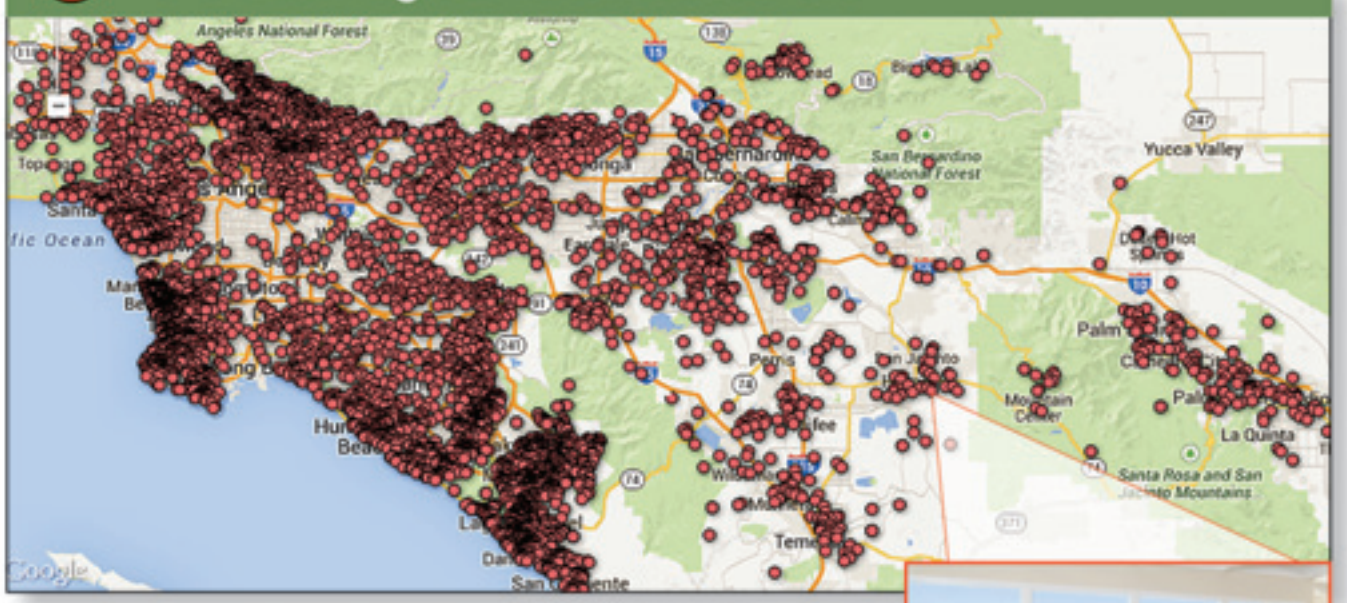
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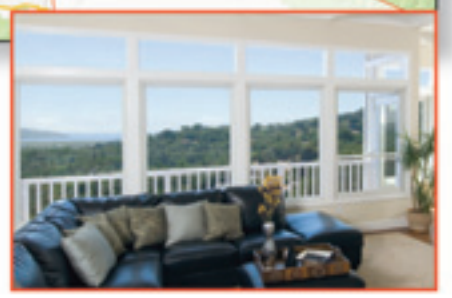
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