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THE WELCOME TO TOWN ISSUE



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BURNING ONE DOWN: **Liz, who currently lives in Hollywood, lights a cigarette while walking along Fourth Street on Friday afternoon.**

Smoking ban still a burning issue

BY EMMA TROTTER
Special to the Daily Press

CITYWIDE In the Santa Monica Pier parking lot, cigarette butts littered the ground around the feet of Bubba Gump employee Julie Tabb as she smoked Wednesday.

"There should be more places to throw these away," she said, admitting that she will occasionally flick away a butt if she carries it too far without seeing a receptacle.

This time, though, Tabb walked about 30 feet and disposed of her cigarette in a trash can.

Not everyone is so conscientious.

"There are more important issues than cigarette butts," said a smoker as he pushed his butt through a metal grate in the sidewalk covering a water meter off the Third Street Promenade. "You'll never see that again."

Over the last decade, City Hall has passed numerous ordinances driving smokers farther away from main attractions and into alleyways and side streets, where ashtrays such as those formerly available in outdoor dining areas and patios are absent. Concerns about littering — and whose responsibility it is to combat that problem — remain unaddressed.

The number of butts that find their way onto the beach alone is one testament to the need for something more. According to Heal the Bay's Web site, which has a comprehensive database about beach debris from the last 10 years, volunteers have collected 4,606 cigarette butts — more than a quarter of all trash pieces — during 22 clean-ups since last July.

"Bits of Styrofoam and cigarette butts are by far the most prevalent items found at clean-ups," said Heal the Bay spokesperson Matthew King. "The misconception is that they're left by careless people in the immediate vicinity, but in fact the majority get in through storm drain systems."

Jose Aguilar, Downtown maintenance crew leader, estimated that his team cleans up between 1 million and 1.5 million cigarette butts each year, mostly from side streets and alleyways. Those numbers, he said, have decreased noticeably due to recent city ordinances — most violators are tourists — and he doesn't see it as a huge problem.

"It's part of routine maintenance," he said.

Another issue is fire — Aguilar said that a trash can catches fire in his district about once every two months.

One solution to the littering could be to install more receptacles, as Tabb suggested.

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Special ed gets new leadership

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQTRS A Seattle native with 25 years experience working in special education has been tapped to lead the same program in the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District where officials are still repairing a department whose relationships with parents have suffered over the past several years.

The Board of Education on Thursday confirmed the appointment of Sara Woolverton whose contract as the special education director for the Everett Public Schools in Washington had expired at the end of June, replacing former director Ruth Valadez who resigned in February after more than two years on the job to take on the same position at Lynwood Unified School District.

Woolverton's long resume begins in 1984 as a special educator in Seattle Public Schools where she was responsible for both general and special education in an inner city self-contained K-3 classroom. About five years later, she became the special educator for Edmonds School District, working on Individualized Education Plans (IEP), which outline the services that students receive during the school year.

Along the way Woolverton received her masters in special education and doctorate in educational leadership and policy studies from the University of Washington, where she was also an instructor and educational researcher. In 2000, Woolverton returned to the Seattle Public Schools as the principal intern for an alternative elementary program, moving on a year later to become the special education program supervisor for the same district and later manager. In 2006, she became one of several special education directors for Everett Public Schools.

Facing budget cuts, one of the positions was slated to be eliminated. Having the least seniority on staff, Woolverton began looking for jobs in Northern and Southern California where her daughters live, hearing about an opening in Santa Monica-Malibu.

Following the interview with a panel of parents, teachers and administrators,

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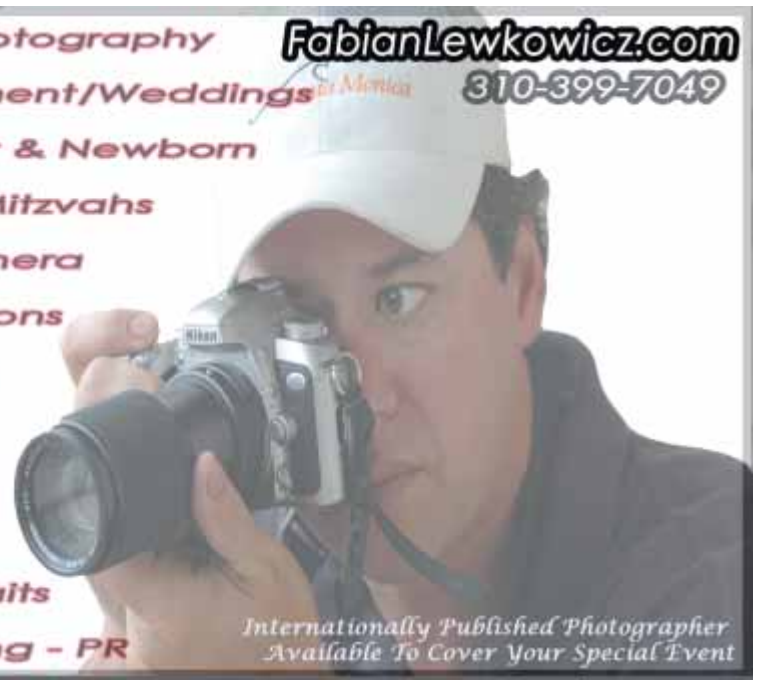
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Project room

Santa Monica Museum of Art
2525 Michigan Ave., 11 a.m. — 6 p.m.
Jeni Spota's paintings blend classical, often religious, images with contemporary elements. Take part in her first West Coast exhibition, "Don't Tread On Me." Khalif Kelly's exhibition, "Electronicon," unveils a new series of paintings depicting children interacting with fairy tale characters. For more information visit www.smmoa.org/index.php/exhibitions/details/218.

Topography, light and magic

Blue Seven Gallery
3129 Pico Blvd., 6 p.m. — 9 p.m.
Conservation photographer Robert McGinley's latest exhibition captures the beauty and vulnerability of landscapes most threatened by development. Proceeds benefit Heal the Bay and Santa Monica Baykeeper. For more information, visit www.robertmcginleyphotography.com/

Bead fair

Santa Monica Civic Auditorium
1855 Main St., 12 p.m. — 7 p.m.
Join more than 80 exhibitors on the second day of this three-day fair. The event will include classes with Jewelry Academy by Jade Gunnarson and Donna Palmer, bead spinner and wire working by Majesta M. and bead stitching with Sheri Tarrant. A weekend pass is $5 and children under 12 receive free admission.

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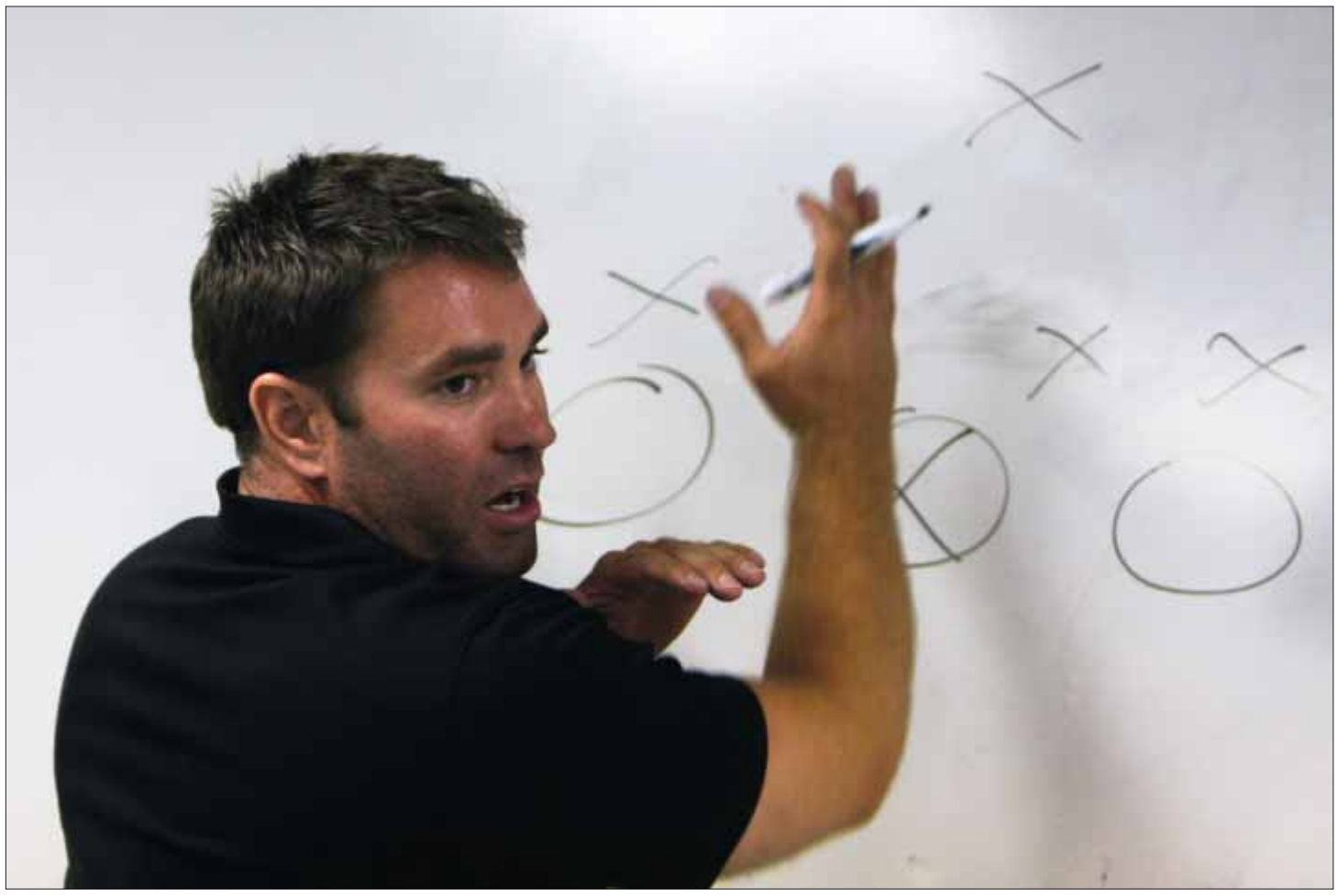
Farmers' Market

Main St., 9:30 a.m. — 1 p.m.
Shop for California grown produce and food while enjoying free live music and breakfast.

A little bit country

McCabe's Guitar Shop
3101 Pico Blvd., 7 p.m.
Enjoy performances by Chicagoan Alice Peacock, whose four albums have been featured on TV, in movies and in commercials, and local Alissa Moreno.

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



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LEARNING THE INS AND OUTS: **USA Football held a high school football coaching school at St. Monica's last Saturday. Christian Gascou, St. Monica's defensive coordinator for football, shares coaching plays and techniques with area coaches.**

Teaching the teachers

BY KENNY MACK
Special to the Daily Press

ST. MONICA The orange juice, sports drinks and donuts were laid out, an athletic apparel company sent sales reps with samples of the latest in uniforms and shoes, and two dozen football coaches unfamiliar with the term "off-season" were assembling for insight and instruction.

You wouldn't have been able to tell these men (and one woman) represented players who are almost all younger than 13.

Under the plaques, banners and retired jerseys in the St. Monica Catholic High School gym, youth football coaches from all over Los Angeles came together last Saturday for the first Santa Monica Coaching School offered by USA Football, the non-profit joint-venture of the NFL and its players association.

The day featured instruction by the manager of USA Football's West Region, Coach Bucky Brooks, and St. Monica's own defensive coordinator, Coach Christian Gascou, on everything from big-picture practice organization to the minutiae of teaching fundamentals.

"Great coaches are excellent at communicating with their players and staff," Coach Gascou says. "Not only do they teach football concepts and fundamentals in a clear and concise way for even the most novice player to understand, but their philosophy is conveyed in such a way that the entire team — players and staff — adopts it and follows it almost without even knowing it."

Of course, dealing with the X's and O's are only half of a coach's job. The other half is dealing with overbearing, sometimes inappropriate behavior from parents. Coach Gascou recommends sending a letter home at the beginning of the season saying, "We will not discuss playing time."

In addition, he says it's a good idea to give parents a list of qualities or characteristics that will lead to playing time in order to better quantify what it will take to get their kid on the field. His philosophy is to "try to establish clear lines of communication from the outset based on mutual respect."

"I believe it's very important to establish some guidelines at the very beginning of the year so that the parents know what to expect from the program and us as coaches … because the parents are a key component of the team," he added.

For high school coaches like Gascou, there is also the issue of recruiting.

"The players know that this is a team game and everyone has a role to play that is equally important whether they are being recruited or not," he said. "Privately we

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Samohi's Ross chooses SMC

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SMC Guess Christian Ross likes Santa Monica.

After starring for Santa Monica High School's football team last season the speedy running back has decided to stay close to home and play for Santa Monica College.

He is expected to split running back duties with Kendall Gordon, who played for Samohi rival Culver City last season.

"I may be getting a few less carries," Ross said of the platoon at running back. "It will help me with more energy later in games."

Ross was recruited by a number of big schools including Oregon and the University of San Diego, but qualifying for larger schools was problematic.

"I want to focus on my grades," Ross said of attending SMC. "I want to try and qualify."

He doesn't expect to play at SMC for two years hoping to transfer after his freshman season.

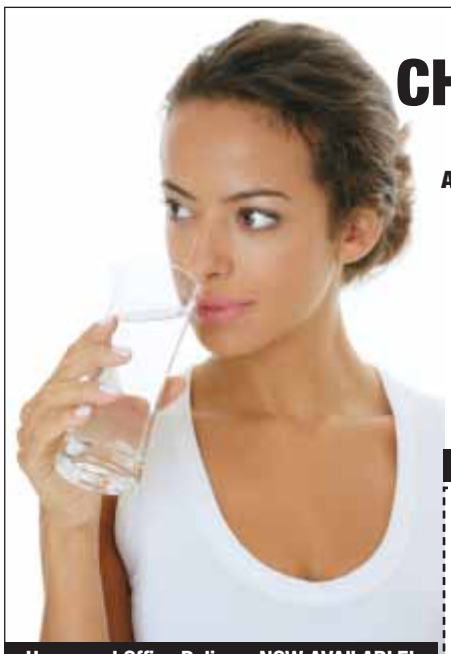
SMC Head Coach Robert Taylor is happy to be landing a workhorse like Ross.

"He was my number one pick," Taylor said of Ross' recruitment.

SMC's first practice of the season takes place Aug. 13 at Corsair Field.

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Setting the record straight

Editor:

Community Corporation of Santa Monica would like to correct the wrong information provided in a letter to the editor. The city of Santa Monica requires affordable housing providers to give a preference to Santa Monica residents and full-time workers. Santa Monica tenants who are Ellised, opted out of Section 8 by their landlords, or displaced by government action go to the top of the waiting list. All other city residents and full-time workers are preferred over non-Santa Monicans. CCSM focuses its outreach in the Santa Monica area, including locally-based employers, service organizations, neighborhood groups, and faith-based groups.

Joan Ling
Executive Director
Community Corporation of Santa Monica

Suggestion box

Editor:

The Joan Baez concert was a good example of how City Hall just often does not get it. City Hall used about six speakers, which made Joan's voice available to those within 100 feet of her.

The rest of us on the beach or in the pier crowd just had to "overcome" the poor speakers.

City Hall needs more speakers and needs to also direct the speakers at the beach where the bulk of the crowd is.

Also, the police should not buzz around on the beach in those ridiculous four-wheelers during concerts. One of the officers did not have his light on at night and nearly ran over several people. City Hall should get better speakers and tell the cops to just walk it.

This should be common sense but Santa Monica often just does not get it.

Greg Chamberlain
Santa Monica





Modern Times

Lloyd Garver — **Send comments to editor@smdp.com**

Remaking Iraq in our image

SOME OF THE CRITICISM GEORGE W. BUSH and his administration received when they began the war against Iraq was that they were trying to force our culture on the Iraqi people. President Bush might not have even disagreed with this, since he seemed to preach that our culture was the best culture in the world. However, many people felt that our value system just wouldn't work in Iraq. They said that the Iraqi people would never adopt Western values and customs. Some were very condescending about it, and said that Iraqis "weren't ready" for Western ways. In at least one area, these critics were wrong. Our country's policy can probably take credit for the fact that something Western has definitely been embraced by the Iraqi people: nose jobs.

In today's Iraq, cosmetic surgery is "in." It wasn't that long ago that Iraq's plastic surgeons were busy trying to repair the ravages of war. Now that things have calmed down somewhat in certain areas, these doctors also spend some time lifting rear ends, performing liposuction, and "fixing" noses. The most popular cosmetic surgery in Iraq is the nose job. The cost, as cited in the Los Angeles Times is between $600 and $1,000. I don't know what accounts for the $400 cost range. I hope the doctors aren't charging by the inch.

It's ironic that cosmetic surgery is on the rise while Iraq has become so religiously conservative. While this type of surgery is not condemned by Iraq's clerics, surgeons are instructed to adhere to religious law. That means the doctors are not supposed to look at the "forbidden" parts of the female anatomy, even while they perform surgery. So if a woman is having a breast reduction or enlargement, the doctor is supposed to abide by the principle, "You can touch, but you can't look." In this area, they haven't quite adopted Western ways, since what men in our society often hear is the exact opposite.

So how are we responsible for all this cosmetic surgery? Before the war, Iraq was a much more insulated country. However, since 2003, Iraqis have had the opportunity to watch satellite TV. And what have they seen on satellite TV? I'm not talking about "Becker." They've seen Egyptian and Lebanese celebrities who apparently look like they go to plastic surgeons about as often as you and I go to the bathroom. Hard to believe that celebrities would use artificial means to enhance their looks, isn't it? And just like in our country, there is a frenzy in Iraq to have phony looks that imitate these phony looks.

Iraqis are also able to watch Western-style music videos on their TVs now. Some people in Iraq feel that the desire to change their looks is the result of Iraqis seeing beautiful people, dancing and singing on the tube. One Iraqi woman, a 45-year-old mother of two, said that she hoped her liposuction would make her look more like Beyonce. So look what our culture has given them: an obsession with looks and celebrities. And you didn't think the Bush policy was working.

HERE'S A CULTURE THAT REFUSED TO WILT FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS DESPITE THE SANDSTORMS OF THE WINDS OF CHANGE, BUT THEY JUST CAN'T RESIST BREAST JOBS AND TUMMY TUCKS. I GUESS THE WAR'S BEEN A SUCCESS.

Most of the Iraqis who want cosmetic surgery say that it is because they think it will help them get married. See? They've adopted the notion from our culture that plastic surgery will lead to love. And some of you didn't think they were ready for Western values.

When the war in Iraq started, the pro-war folks said that we wanted to give the Iraqi people things that all the people in the world were entitled to. What they really seemed to mean was that we wanted the Iraqis to have the right to remake themselves in our image. And that's what they're doing. Kind of. They're not imitating the way we look naturally, they're imitating the way we imitate the way people look.

It is pretty amazing. Here's a culture that refused to wilt for thousands of years despite the sandstorms of the winds of change, but they just can't resist breast jobs and tummy tucks. I guess the war's been a success.

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The Q Line

THREE DECADES LATER

This past week, Q-line asked:

Santa Monica's rent control law, first passed by voters April 10, 1979, has been in effect for three decades and it continues to be a hot button issue in this city by the sea. Do you think rent control has served the city well or do you believe it is in line for an overhaul?

Here are your responses:

"YES, VERY DEFINITELY. RENT CONTROL IS in line for an overhaul – but not by the people who are currently running it. It needs to be done by an impartial outside committee."

"RENT CONTROL HAS BEEN THE BEST thing this city has ever done. I've lived in a rent-controlled apartment for a while. It gives me and my children an opportunity to have good schools and to afford it. I just lost my job and without rent control, I would be on the streets. Rent control is terrific."

"AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, RENT CONTROL in its original form no longer exists. With de-controlled re-control, apartment building owners are doing very well here in Santa Monica and are fortunate to have tenants at all considering the economy as it is today. The simplicity of the rental situation is that the apartment building owners do not want to be under any form of control. Some of these owners actually believe that they are lords of the land. Alas! Woe is me!"

"WELL IF THE LANDLORDS CAN'T GET the fair-market value for their apartments, they're better off just shutting them down and going out of business. That's what rent control does: it puts landlords out of business."

"SANTA MONICANS FOR RENTERS' Rights has sold out our once-quiet, sweet town to over-development and tourism because they throw money away on every crazy socialist program. Now we are a noisy, crowded, dirty, bum-filled, gridlock mess."

"NO, I DON'T THINK RENT CONTROL has worked at all. I'm a former landlord in the city of Sanmalicious. I think it's been really awful. I still manage to rehabilitate a building though, but I think it was a terrible law, because it didn't help a lot of the people that needed it. So no, I don't think it has helped the city at all."

"I BELIEVE THAT THE SANTA MONICA rent control should definitely be overhauled. I mean, some people are earning $4,000 a month, they definitely shouldn't be living in an $800 a month one-bedroom. But yet, if their neighbor only earns $1,500 a month, they definitely deserve to keep their apartment. I'm not saying that anybody should be kicked out of their apartment, but the people that are earning much, much more and have more assets – I think they should be remaining in the apartment, but their rent should go up accordingly. I also feel that the renters in Santa Monica that are in the rent-controlled apartments should get to vote and their opinion in this, not just the landlords, but the renters in the low-income rent control apartments."

"SANTA MONICA HAS CERTAINLY BEEN served well by rent control. But it might be time for an overhaul. I believe it's now time to start considering commercial rent control as well."

"THERE ARE BY FAR MORE RENTERS than apartment owners, so it's a no-brainer that they would want to vote to cut their rents. It is not based upon any fairness, but purely greed. If there is anything good or righteous about rent control, it would be based on the tenants' combined incomes, whether they were in the poverty levels. As it is, many renters are much richer than their landlords, yet get deep cuts in their rents."

"WHILE I OPPOSE RENT CONTROL, which distorts the free-market mechanism, I see the rationale for helping less fortunate people. They often contribute to the community in other ways. But I definitely feel that there needs to be a means test. People with significant assets and/or incomes should not be subsidized."

"I AM A TENANT, AND I'VE ALSO BEEN an apartment manager for [real estate management companies] and the only word that comes to mind is that they are crooks. We need rent control so we can be protected from people such as them. Yes, we need rent control. And those who don't want it, well, naturally just move out to buy a condo or a home! It does serve a purpose for those who don't make the amount of an attorney or a physician and/or etceteras!"

"RENT CONTROL IS NO LONGER THE real issue. The group that poses as its chief advocate is actually now a front for developers and unconcerned with the resulting quality of life for residents. As a result, we have an entrenched City Council with lifetime tenure, with no term limits, which can even get away with undemocratically picking its own non-elected new members."

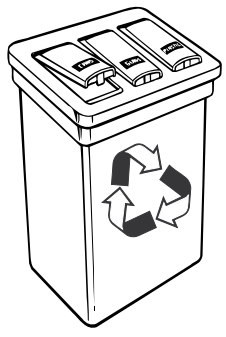
"IN THESE TIMES THAT ARE HARD FOR everyone, you need to leave rent control alone. Just leave it as it is, it's a thing that needs to stay in place in the city of Santa Monica. There's no money to move, no money to relocate, so just leave it alone."

"I MOVED HERE IN JUNE OF 1978 AND so I've been on it since the beginning. If it wasn't for the rent control, I would probably be homeless. I became disabled, and thank God because the rent hasn't been increased. I've been allowed to stay in my apartment. I've had five different owners, and two that were really bad. My daughter got a disease because the landlord didn't want to take care of the apartment, so we finally got the city to back us. I want to thank the rent control, and yes I think it's worked and I'm glad it's here."

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Another day, another state budget delay

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Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO Negotiations over closing California's $26.3 billion budget deficit appeared stuck Friday, as government offices closed for the second time this month and a health program for low-income children stopped accepting new applicants.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and the Legislature's four top lawmakers had no meetings scheduled after a disagreement over repaying billions of dollars to schools halted talks earlier in the week.

With little apparent action in the Capitol, the effects of California's fiscal crisis were being felt throughout the state.

Most state agencies, including the Department of Motor Vehicles, were closed Friday as part of the three-day-a-month furloughs ordered by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger. Prisons, state hospitals, highway patrol and firefighting agencies remained staffed.

About 100 protesters gathered outside the governor's Los Angeles estate to denounce pay reductions for state workers and proposed cuts to health and social programs.

Healthy Families, which offers reduced-cost medical coverage to low-income children, began putting new applicants on a waiting list because of a projected shortfall of at least $90 million. It was the first time the program had done so since it was started 12 years ago.

Advocates fear as many as 570,000 children would be denied access to health coverage, but program officials pegged the figure around 400,000 if the freeze were imposed for an entire year.

The move was made to prevent the state from having to remove children from coverage if lawmakers approve deep funding cuts, said Ginny Puddefoot, deputy director for health policy at the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board, which oversees the Healthy Families program.

Even with the enrollment freeze, families continued applying.

"I understand there's no money, but the kids, they deserve to have some health insurance, some coverage. We don't have enough income to pay for their medical bills," 26-year-old Pa Lor said as she signed up for the waiting list at a Sacramento County Healthy Families contract provider.

Puddefoot said the recession was driving up need as parents lose jobs and struggle to find new ones, especially ones that provide health insurance.

The U.S. Department of Labor reported Friday that California's unemployment rate remained steady at 11.6 percent from May to June, the highest in modern record-keeping.

Not all developments Friday were grim. Citibank announced it was extending the period it will accept IOUs, which the state began issuing this month to preserve cash. That will provide temporary relief for vendors who have been issued IOUs instead of payments for providing staffing, cleaning office supplies and other services to the state.

Citibank said it would extend the deadline to July 24 after previously saying it planned to stop accepting the state's registered warrants.

"We are deeply disappointed that the California budget situation remains unresolved," Rebecca Macieira-Kaufmann, president of Citibank California, said in a statement.

Bank of the West and some credit unions have said they will continue to accept IOUs but JPMorgan Chase & Co., Bank of America Corp., Wells Fargo & Co. and several other major banks have already stopped honoring California's warrants.

Meanwhile, local government officials from around the state were meeting in Sacramento to discuss Schwarzenegger's proposals to take billions of dollars from local treasuries. They also were debating whether a constitutional convention is needed to change the state's governance structure.

As California's bond rating sinks, threatening the state's ability to fund infrastructure projects, budget negotiations hit a snag over education funding.

Schwarzenegger disagrees with the Legislature's two Democratic leaders over whether the state should guarantee that schools will always get back what is cut during lean budget years.

Both parties agree schools should be repaid about $11 billion from recent budget cuts, but Democrats want a written guarantee enshrined in the state's complex education funding formula that schools will always get such repayments.

The administration believes such a change would require voter approval.

Education advocates prefer to make repayment permanent because they feel the governor hasn't always made good on his past promises. In 2005, the administration agreed to repay $2.9 billion to public education after the state's largest teachers union accused Schwarzenegger in a lawsuit of taking school funding and refusing to pay it back.

In Los Angeles, protesters anticipated deeper cuts to health and social service programs in any final budget deal.

Dozens of union members, home-care workers and their supporters gathered Friday near Schwarzenegger's estate to ridicule his proposed spending cuts, chanting "shame on you" and "no budget, no peace."

Dozens of armed police watched over the crowd and guarded the private road leading to the home.

At one point, two disabled women in motorized wheelchairs began moving up the road, while leading the crowd in the civil rights anthem "We Shall Overcome." Police blocked them; they were ticketed for trespassing but not taken into custody.

"The criminal is in Sacramento. His name is Arnold," Lillibeth Navarro, one of the women, shouted as police surrounded her.





CITY OF SANTA MONICA NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENTS TO CITY BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

The Santa Monica City Council is now accepting applications for appointment of members to the following City Boards and Commissions:

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REAL ESTATE PEOPLE SAY THAT VALUE is location, location and location. Restaurant people say that value is in food and service. How about a restaurant that has no chef, and no experienced manager, but serves great food with good service in a great location! That's Shangri-La on Ocean Avenue in Santa Monica.

The old hotel has been updated, but hasn't lost the 1930s art deco look. The lunch room is spacious and attractive. There's a nice view of the Pacific Ocean. And there's a terrific patio where you can eat outside when the weather permits.

I've only had lunch there, but the food was very good. First we shared the charcuterie plate — plenty for two — and enjoyed both of the spreads ("rillettes") and the sliced salamis.

Then my friend Mike had the steak and frites, and the quality of the steak was as good as anywhere. If anything, the portion was more than necessary, so I ate some of it for him because I'm very helpful when it comes to food.

I had the soft shell crab sandwich, and it too was nicely prepared.

When we asked the name of the chef we were told that the original chef left, so there was no chef for the moment but the sous-chefs were following the old recipes. Then I asked to meet the manager, and I was told there is no one particular manager, but Katy, who is doing a training program from her university in France, was doing the job well.

We looked at the pool/patio area and were impressed by the comfort, spaciousness, and overall beauty of the setting.

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GENERAL COMMENT: Sometimes I eat in an ordinary restaurant but find an extraordinary dish. That's the case with the lobster roll at the Fuji Wok & Sushi. It's a perfectly good Chinese restaurant with a sushi bar, run by a "master chef" from Hong Kong. But the one reason to go here is for the lobster roll. It's like no other I know of. First of all, it's wrapped in soy paper instead of seaweed paper. Second, it has real lobster inside, with avocado. But the star quality is the sauce on top. The chef won't tell me the secret recipe, but it's worth the trip.

WHERE: 3905 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City, Calif. 90230. Telephone: (310) 391-6848 or (310) 390-2158. You can also order off the Web. Talk about full service!

WHEN: Seven days a week, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., 10:30 on Friday and Saturday nights.

BEST DISHES: There are plenty of good Chinese dishes, and the sushi is fine. The yellowtail was particularly fresh.

BEST FEATURE: Nice open space, very full menu, free delivery and the lobster roll.

WORST FEATURE: If it's crowded it can take a while to get served.

WHAT TO DRINK: I had a beer.

PRICES: Don't even worry about it. I think the lobster roll, enough for two, at $12.95 might be the most expensive thing in the house.

BOTTOM LINE: Another great ethnic restaurant. Isn't Los Angeles wonderful?

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WHAT DO YOU THINK?
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Cool flavor: New twist on ice cream cake

BY J.M. HIRSCH
Associated Press Food Editor

Surely I'm not the only person who has spent the past 20 years trying to recreate that one perfect ice cream moment from my youth.

Long before cake batter ice cream became commonplace, I found a tiny ice cream shop serving scoops of cake ice cream. As in, chunks of cake — fully baked and frosted — had been mixed into vanilla ice cream.

It was rich and sweet and creamy and cakey in ways cake batter ice cream can only dream of.

Cake Ice Cream

Start to finish: 1 1/2 hours (10 minutes active)
Serves four
1 pint vanilla ice cream, softened enough to mix
2 frosted yellow cupcakes, roughly chopped
1 frosted chocolate cupcake, roughly chopped

In a large bowl, combine the ice cream and chopped cupcakes. Gently stir until well mixed. Transfer to a container just large enough to hold the ice cream, then cover tightly with plastic wrap, pressing it onto the surface of the ice cream.
Place the ice cream in the freezer until firm, about 1 hour.

Lemon Meringue Pie Ice Cream

Start to finish: 1 1/2 hours (10 minutes active)
Serves four
1 small (1 pound) lemon meringue pie (or half of a large pie)
1 pint vanilla ice cream, softened enough to mix
Pinch finely ground salt
Pinch cinnamon

Place the pie in a large bowl. Spoon the softened ice cream over it, then sprinkle on the salt and cinnamon. Using a large silicone spatula, carefully stir the pie and ice cream together, breaking up the pie as you mix.
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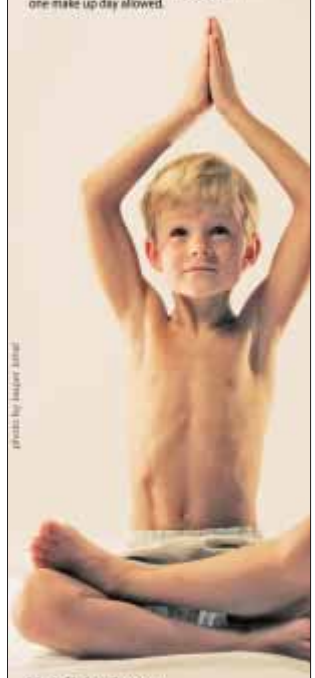
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New special ed director brings 25 years experience

FROM SPECIAL ED PAGE 1

Woolverton was advised to run a Google search on special education in Santa Monica, met with a slew of articles about some of the challenges it has faced in the past three years.

The history further piqued her interest in the job.

"I really respected the fairness of that to let candidates know what they might be walking into," she said. "I did a little research with some articles that had been printed about the events and when I had my second interview with (Superintendent) Tim Cuneo and some other folks, I had a dialogue with them about their perception of the events and who I am in relation with things like that."

She is coming into a department that is still in rebuilding mode after being hit by accusations that officials fostered a hostile environment during negotiation sessions for their children's education plans, slamming the practice of including confidentiality clauses in settlement agreements between the district and certain families. There were concerns by parents that those agreements weren't being included in the student's records.

The district has taken steps to restore trust with parents over the past few years, including holding public forums and creating task forces that deal specifically with ways in which improvements can be made.

Woolverton remembers a point in the interview when a parent asked whether the agreements would be made in the IEP, confused by the question until she read the articles later.

"I had repeatedly declined, sometimes to the great ire on the parent's part, to have closed-door negotiations because the law does not allow for that," she said of past IEPs.

First on the to-do list for the new director is to get a copy of the California education code and familiarize herself with the key issues that tend to come up in special education, though she believes that the law in California is essentially the same as in Washington because both follow the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Time will also need to be spent meeting with the special education team, evaluating its strengths and weaknesses, and learning about some of the high profile cases in the district.

One of her biggest tasks in which she will be expected to dive into fairly soon is to analyze special education programs with the collaborative working group, which was formed to review old studies, audits and strategic plans. The group made a series of recommendations in April based on those studies, including hiring a full-time integration director and developing an IEP packet for parents.

The one portion that the working group did not have enough time to fully explore was programmatic issues. Several members of the working group who began analyzing that aspect of the department will continue for the next several months, Cuneo said.

"They will look at all the programs offered and how to align them," he said

Woolverton came from a second crop of candidates who applied for the position. Officials expanded the search after the first field in which 40 people applied didn't yield any viable prospects, going beyond California.

Cuneo said that the SMMUSD's recent history might have deterred some candidates, but added that the district's reputation is changing.

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>
> **Sara Woolverton**
> special education director

"The word on the street now is that we are changing," he said. "We are addressing the issues here and there is a very new climate and a very positive place for people to come because we are really moving forward."

It was Woolverton's experience dealing with similar issues in Everett that also interested Santa Monica-Malibu officials. Cuneo said he spoke to the superintendent at Everett who said that Woolverton was one of the critical members in their district who helped them turn the special education program around.

Special education advocates said they were pleased with the hire.

"What I understand is she comes highly recommended and highly qualified," Theresa Harris, the chair of the Special Education District Advisory Committee, said. "We're absolutely thrilled that she's accepted the offer and that the board has approved her contract."

Claudia Landis, who is the vice-chair of the committee, said that she believes the process of finding a director was well thought out, open and inclusive.

"The choice of this person was done with an open process that was inclusive of a broad array of stakeholders," she said. "The sense of the community of the outcome was that it was fair."

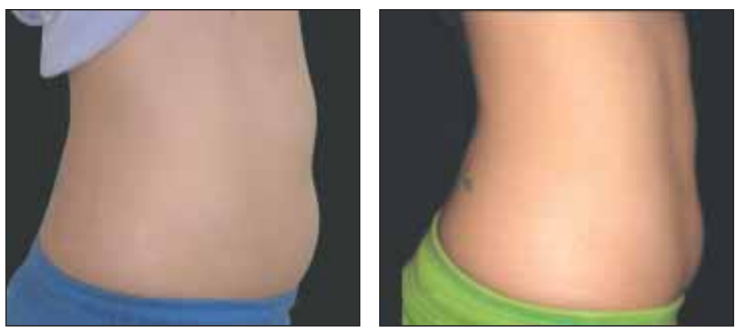
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Smoking a divisive issue

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Currently, City Hall has installed no receptacles specifically for cigarette butts. Recycle Coordinator Wes Thompson of the Solid Waste Management Division said the issues of encouraging smoking close to the doors of businesses and who would empty and maintain the receptacles stalled discussion.

That hasn't stopped some business owners from putting out their own receptacles, said Kathleen Rawson, CEO of Bayside District Corp., the group the manages the downtown area.

"Whoever puts them out cleans up after them," she said.

Montana Avenue Merchants Association Chairman and Caffe Luxxe owner Mark Wain sees no problem with that.

"In essence, by providing a receptacle the city would be encouraging people to violate the ordinance," he said, referring to a law passed in 2006 that made smoking illegal anywhere within 20 feet of public entrances, exits and windows. A $250 fine is charged to violators in outdoor areas of assembly such as dining areas, bus stops and ATM lines.

Jane Walker of Three Bags Full on Montana confirmed that smoking has decreased in the popular shopping district since the ordinance took effect.

"People can no longer just sit and smoke," she said. "The stores are too close together."

Smoking is banned entirely on the promenade, Farmers' Markets, the beach and public parks, and strictly limited on the pier. Violators of these laws, which took effect at different times within the last six years, can be charged up to $750.

In February, the City Council banned smoking in the common areas of condominiums and apartments. Residents can seek damages of at least $100 in small-claims court against first offenders.

Then, in April, City Hall distributed "tool kits" to business owners consisting of window clings, patio signs, tip cards in five languages and posters reminding customers of the laws. The campaign centered around the slogan "Smoking Doesn't Belong Here."

Some business owners think City Hall hasn't gone far enough.

Gary Gordon, CEO of the Main Street Business Improvement Association, said it's been clear since the 2006 ordinance that people have been tossing more cigarette butts onto the sidewalk. Unfortunately, he said, those with power to change anything split on the issue of installing receptacles.

"It's an impasse," he said. "A perfect catch-22."

Gordon cited issues that are difficult to reconcile, such as the potential for receptacles to both promote smoking and curtail littering.

A problem also arises when a business owner puts up a receptacle without assistance from City Hall. If the receptacle is outside the mandated 20 feet from the business, property rights and liability are at issue. If the receptacle is within 20 feet, the business owner may be charged with knowingly allowing people to smoke, a violation of the ordinance.

"The burden is on the city to figure something out," Gordon said, clarifying that, like the Montana association, his organization supports the ordinance and wants to be a part of the solution.

"There's nothing about this ordinance that makes it any harder for either smokers or businesses to comply with littering laws," countered Deputy City Attorney Adam Radinsky, adding that he has not heard of anyone being fined merely for using a receptacle within 20 feet of a business.

Radinsky said City Hall researched the issue in other California communities with 20 feet laws — such as Berkeley and Davis — before enacting the ordinance.

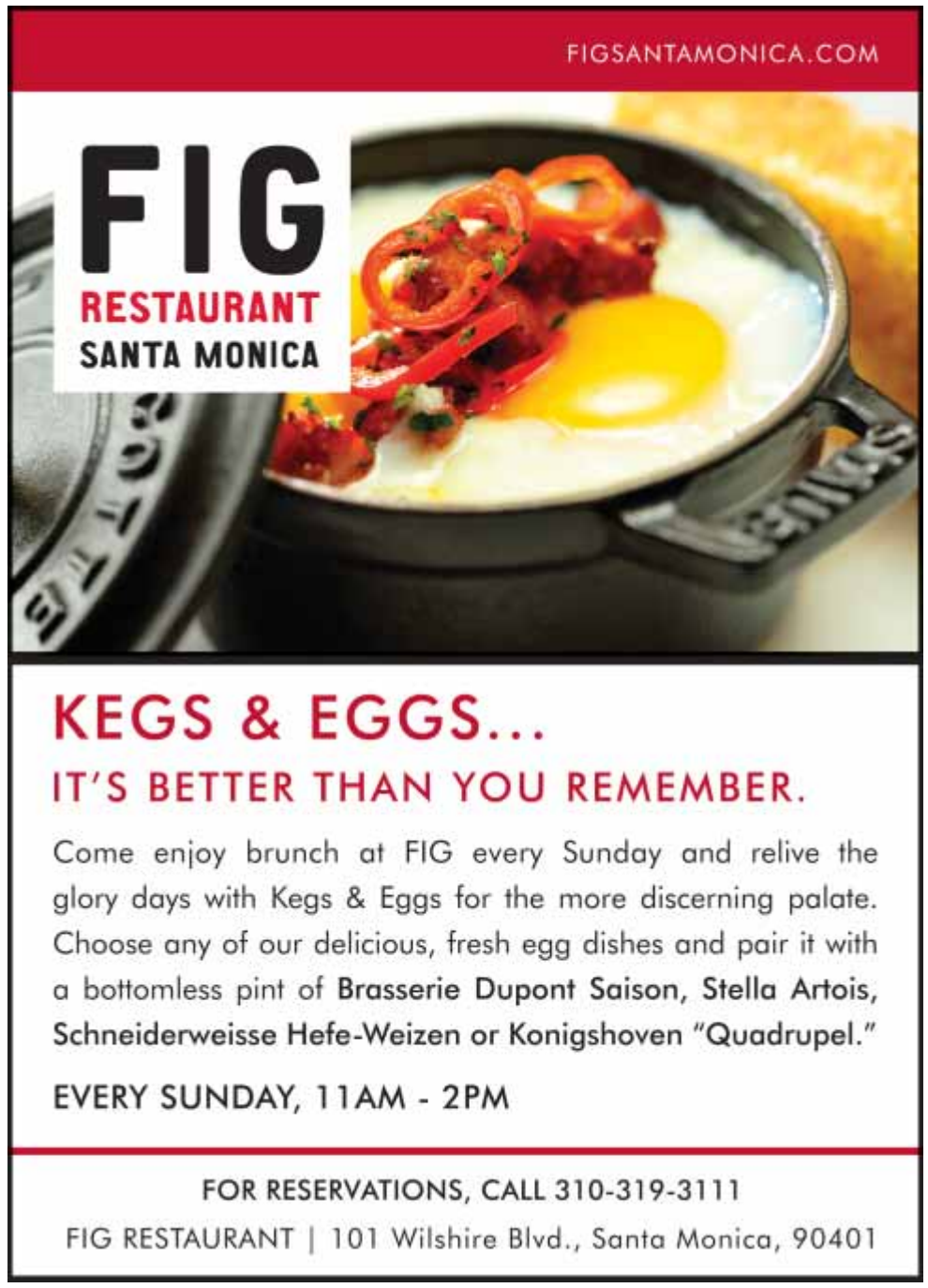
"It would probably would be a good idea to offer some sort of receptacle," Rawson said. "It's not a crime to smoke but it is crime to litter, and the city is not setting people up to abide by that law."

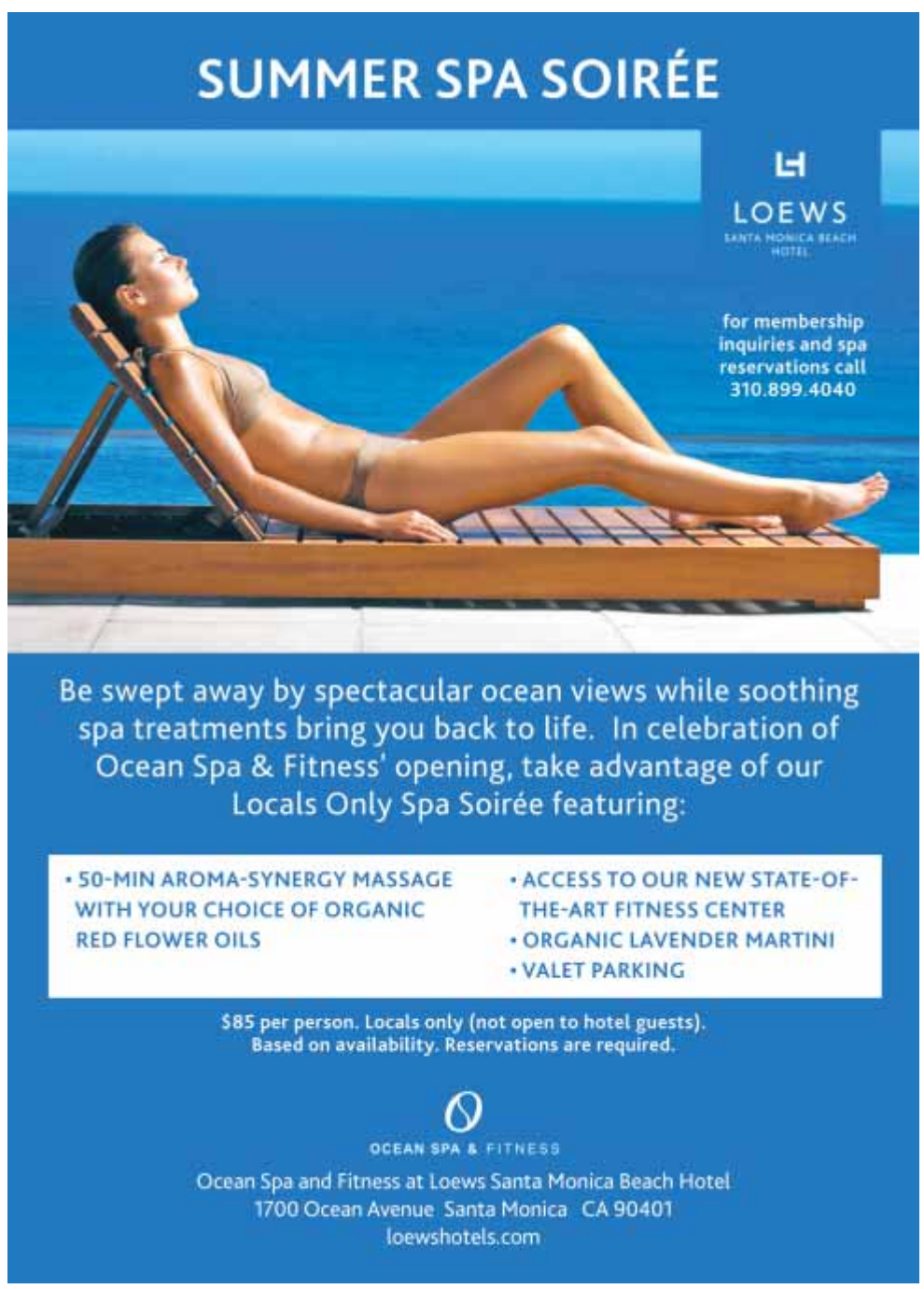
Overall, though, Rawson said that it takes "a community effort" to keep Santa Monica clean.

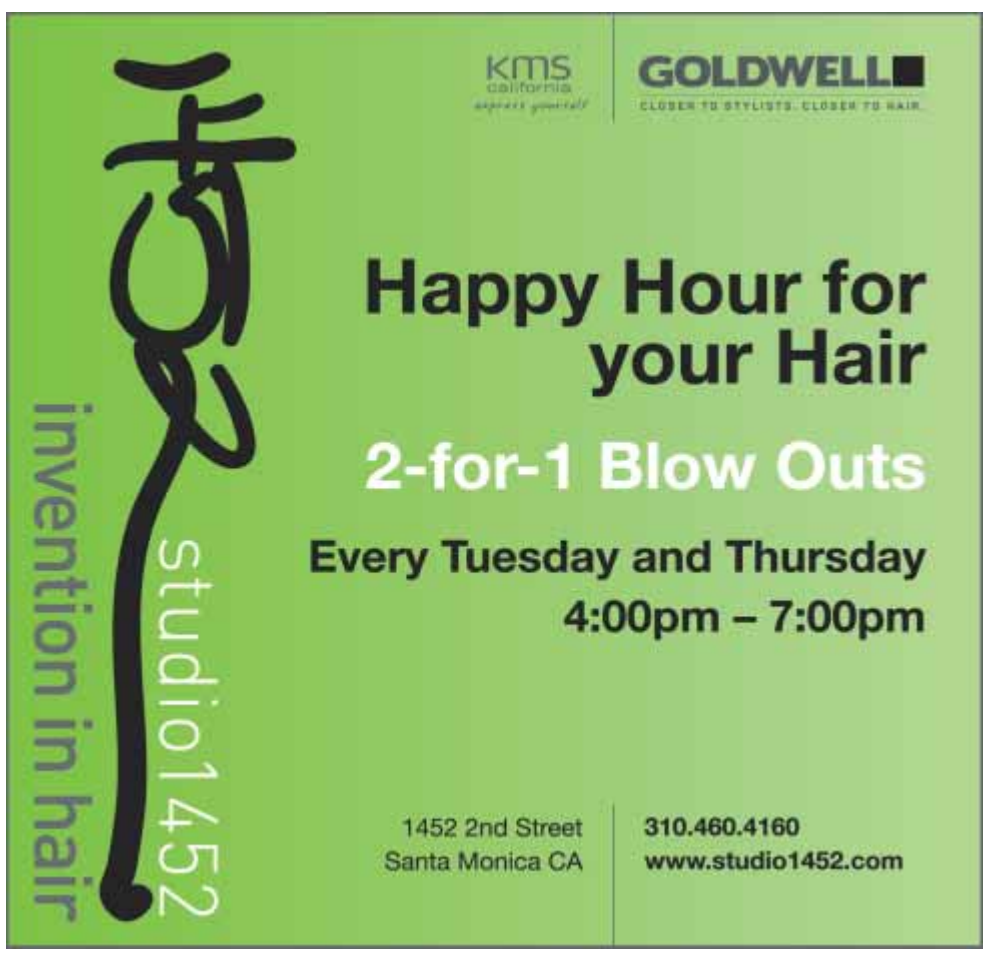
In the end, most people have a stake in combating litter.

"I don't want this to turn into New York," said David Nieto as he smoked a cigarette outside the promenade restaurant where he works. "I don't litter because it's wrong."

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Camp focuses on basics

FROM COACHES PAGE 3

may talk with the player and try to answer any questions that he may have about the recruiting process."

For the coaches at the school, scouts probably won't be an issue. Despite all the hard work they put in getting their teams and their players prepared, there is no expectation of success. In fact, the general assumption was that on any given play, there is no telling what any given player might actually do. After all, they're just kids there to have fun.

As one coach put it, "if they're not having fun, they're not coming back."

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Violin suspect extradited to U.S.

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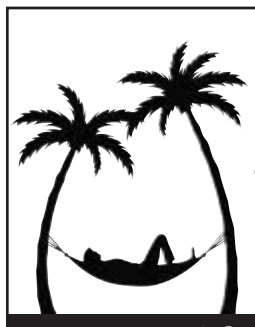
LOS ANGELES A man who has been in custody in France for two years has been extradited to Los Angeles to face federal charges of transporting two rare, stolen violins.

The FBI said in a news release that 43-year-old Anthony Eugene Notarstefano of Long Beach, Calif. was returned Friday.

The FBI says Notarstefano was arrested in 2007 for trying to sell the two violins and a rare bow worth a total of more than $300,000 to Paris music stores.

The violins — one crafted in the 18th century, the other in the 19th century — were stolen from the Hollywood home of a Los Angeles Philharmonic violinist in 2006.

Notarstefano is scheduled to appear in federal court on Monday to face charges of foreign transportation of stolen goods and possession of stolen goods.


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Do you want to have a say in whether or not the school district should place another tax on property owners and renters because of the state budget crisis?

If so, the Board of Education is looking for you to join a new citizens committee to examine whether or not it is feasible to place an emergency parcel tax on the ballot.

The board at its July 16 meeting approved the creation of the committee. The tax, if approved by voters, would help offset funding shortfalls from the state and create some financial stability, district officials said.

The draft charges of the committee are as follows:

• Report to the Board of Education with a recommendation regarding the feasibility of an emergency and temporary parcel tax.

• Work with a polling firm to craft questions for community input.

• Work with the chief financial officer to delineate the steps necessary to place a parcel tax on a future ballot.

• This report should be made no later than the Dec. 10, 2009, board meeting.

It is possible that this committee would also later examine the feasibility of a bond measure following recommendations regarding an emergency and temporary parcel tax.

The committee will meet regularly through Dec. 10. The schedule of meetings will be determined at the committee's first meeting. Additional meetings will be scheduled as needed.

Members of the public who would like to serve on the committee need to complete an application, a link to which can be found in the bottom left-hand corner of the district's Web site: www.smmusd.org. Completed applications can be e-mailed to swahrenbrock@smmusd.org, faxed to (310) 581.1138, or dropped off at the district office,1651 16th St. in Santa Monica.

Completed applications must be submitted to the superintendent's office no later than August 11.

A subcommittee of the Board of Education will review all completed applications and bring forward a list of recommended committee members for board approval at the August 19 board meeting.

Senior exemption

Residents 65 years old or older have until July 31 to file for an exemption from the Measure R parcel tax for 2009-10. Measure R was approved by 73 percent of the voters in Santa Monica and Malibu during the Feb. 5, 2008 election. The measure combined two existing parcel taxes that were set to expire. The measure raises more than $10 million for schools.

To qualify for the exemption residents must own and occupy their properties as their primary residences, in addition to being 65 years old. Those seniors who have previously received the exemption should have received a renewal form in May. Those who have not can contact Dawn Smithfield at the district at (310) 450-8338, ext. 269.

First-time applicants can print out an application at the district web site. Applicants must include two documents proving their age and property ownership.

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Caught in the act

Santa Monica police officers cited over 120 drivers who failed to yield to pedestrians during a citywide sting on Thursday. Officers worked a dozen intersections in various neighborhoods during the four-hour operation. Volunteers walked through marked crosswalks as motorcycle cops waited for drivers to pass through before the volunteers made it across.

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Photographer Julius Shulman dies at 98

SUE MANNING
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LOS ANGELES Photographer Julius Shulman, who turned photos of Modernist buildings into works of art, has died, colleagues said Thursday. He was 98.

Shulman died Wednesday night at his home in the Hollywood Hills and had been in declining health, said gallery owner Craig Krull, who represented him.

"He, in my opinion and the opinions of many, is the most important architectural photographer in history. He elevated what you might consider a commercial genre to a fine art," Krull said.

The Getty Center bought Shulman's archive of 260,000 photos in 1995. Shulman then teamed up with collaborator Juergen Nogai and worked into his 90s to build another library of photos.

Shulman's pictures at one time sold for less than $50 each, but in later years would bring between $2,000 and $20,000.

His most famous work was a black-and-white photo taken of a glass and steel frame home built by architect Pierre Koenig in the Hollywood Hills above Laurel Canyon Boulevard as the sun was setting on May 9, 1960. It was No. 22 in John Entenza's Arts & Architecture magazine's Case Study housing program.

The picture from outside the cantilevered house was shot through its glass walls toward a sea of sparkling city lights below. Two women seem to be chatting in the living room, and the horizontal pattern of the ceiling above them extends outside to the house's overhang. It was a lifestyle statement that made Shulman's career.

It was also a last-minute job for the photographer known as one-shot Shulman because he never used a light meter and seldom had to take more than one shot.

For No. 22, though, he took two photos at once — one of the view below with a 7.5-minute time exposure and a 4-by-5 camera, and the other of the house, with a flash. Critics hailed it as a photo that was both time specific and timeless.

"He may not have considered himself an artist, but his work has been reviewed in all the important art magazines of the day," said Krull, who has represented Shulman for 20 years.

Sotomayor on the fast track to Supreme Court

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WASHINGTON Supreme Court nominee Sonia Sotomayor won her first public pledges of support from Senate Republicans and one prominent GOP opponent, after a smooth performance at her confirmation hearings that has placed her firmly on track to become the high court's first Latina and the first Democratic-named justice in 15 years.

Three centrist Republicans announced they'd support Sotomayor even as the Senate's minority leader, Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, said he'd vote no. The split was a vivid reflection of the divisions in the GOP as the party faces a tricky vote on Sotomayor, wary of alienating its conservative base but equally afraid to anger Hispanic and women voters.

GOP Sens. Richard Lugar of Indiana, the Senate's most senior Republican, Mel Martinez of Florida, its lone Hispanic Republican, and Olympia Snowe of Maine all announced they'd vote for Sotomayor, praising her qualifications and her testimony at four days of Judiciary Committee hearings this week.

"I was pleased that Judge Sotomayor repeatedly recognized in her responses this week that 'the job of a judge is to apply the law' rather than independently make policy, and that it is the law, rather than one's own sympathies that 'compels conclusions in cases,' " Snowe said in a statement.

McConnell planned a speech Monday in which he'll say the 55-year-old appeals court judge's past statements demonstrate an "alarming lack of respect for the notion of equal justice," and question her ability to separate her sympathies and prejudices from her decisions.

McConnell joins other GOP conservatives who are lining up firmly against Sotomayor, including Sen. Robert Bennett, R-Utah, who announced Friday that he'll vote no, citing her position on gun rights and comments he said indicate "a tendency toward judicial activism." But with solid backing from Democrats, who enjoy a lopsided majority, and a growing number of Republicans, there's virtually no doubt the judge will be confirmed as the 111th Supreme Court justice.

Republicans have said they won't try to block or even delay a vote to confirm her, which is expected in early August.

Sen. Jeff Sessions of Alabama, the senior Republican on the Judiciary Committee, said Thursday that neither he nor any GOP senator he knows of is interested in holding up the vote. The panel is likely to cast the first votes on Sotomayor's nomination in late July, although Democrats were pushing for a committee vote as soon as Tuesday.

Republican-turned-Democratic Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, a member of the committee who had hinted strongly that he would support Sotomayor, made it official Friday with a statement in which he said he'd vote for her and urge colleagues to do the same.

Sotomayor "displayed intellect, restraint and judicial demeanor" at her hearings, Specter said.

Three days of grueling questioning before the Judiciary panel gave Republicans no new ammunition to use against the nominee, the daughter of Puerto Rican parents who was raised in a South Bronx housing project, educated in the Ivy League, and rose through the legal ranks to spend 17 years on the federal bench.

Two Republicans on the committee, Sens. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina and John Cornyn of Texas, came away calling most of her judicial record "mainstream," although both said her rulings — along with her four days of Senate testimony — were strikingly at odds with her past comments.

Even former House Speaker Newt Gingrich — who created a stir and political difficulties for his party by suggesting a remark by Sotomayor was "racist" shortly after she was nominated — acknowledged Friday that she came across in the hearings as "dramatically more moderate" than she had before. Still, he said it would be four or five years before it was clear whether she'd be a justice who would please conservatives or one who won confirmation by "fundamentally misleading the Senate."

Gingrich helped stir the biggest controversy surrounding Sotomayor's nomination, over a remark she made in 2001 and echoed in several other speeches she's given over the years — that she hoped a "wise Latina" would usually reach better decisions than a white male.

Pressed by Republicans about the remark during her confirmation hearings, Sotomayor expressed regret, saying she'd been misunderstood. Sotomayor also parried virtually all senators' questions on hot-button issues like guns and abortion rights, and insisted she would be an impartial justice.

"I do not permit my sympathies, personal views or prejudices to influence the outcome of my cases," she said.

Bennett, Lugar and Snowe are among the current GOP senators who voted for Sotomayor when she was confirmed to New York's 2nd Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals in 1998. The others were Thad Cochran of Mississippi, Susan Collins of Maine, Judd Gregg of New Hampshire and Orrin Hatch of Utah.

This time, the underlying politics are dicey for Republicans. They must be careful to keep faith with constituents like National Rifle Association members who oppose her, yet avoid offending the Hispanic voters who represent the fastest-growing segment of the electorate.

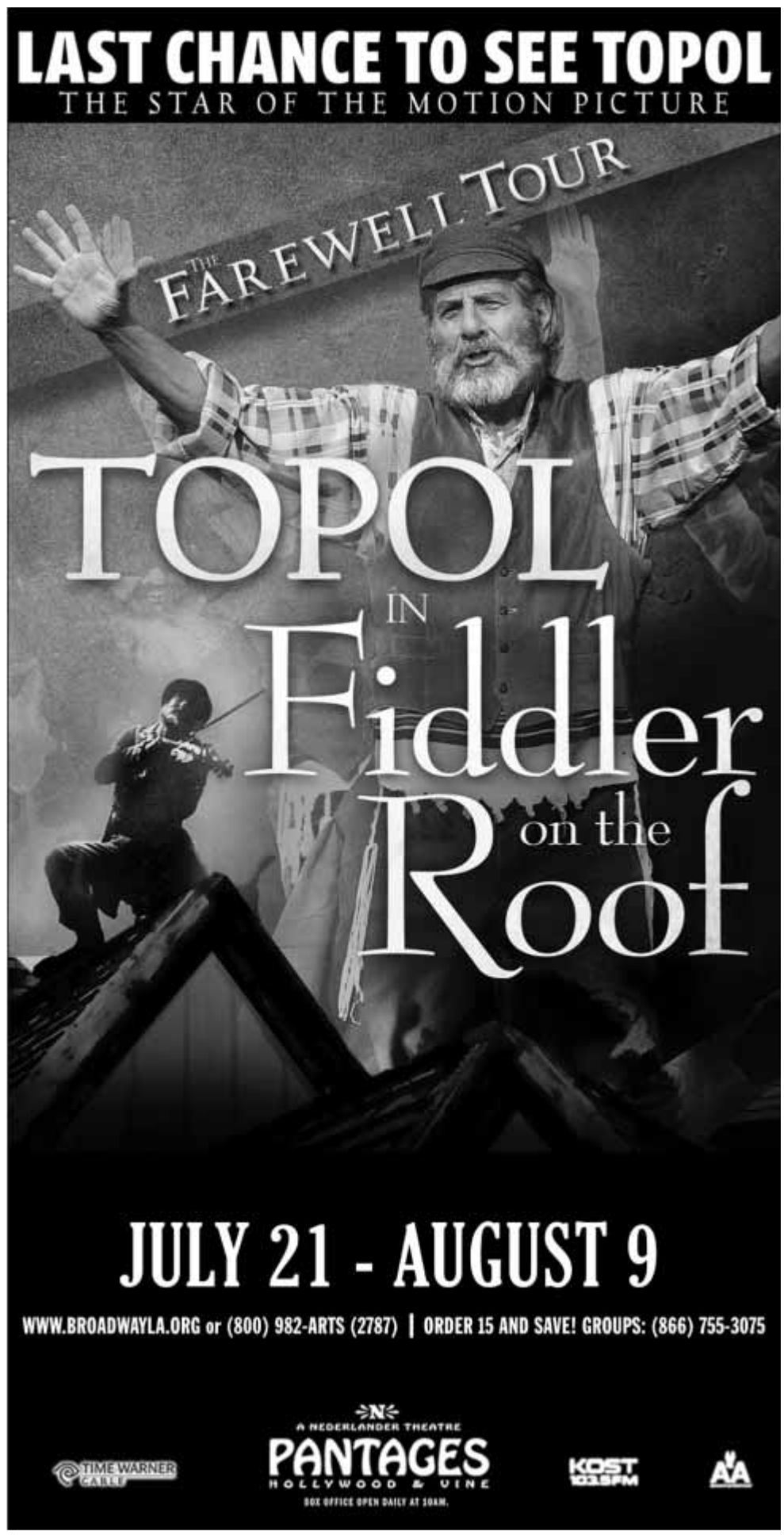
Sotomayor's hearings were as much a prelude for future Supreme Court fights as a battle over the judge herself. Republicans criticized Obama's assertion — made before nominating Sotomayor — that he was looking for a justice with "the quality of empathy," and an earlier statement when he was a senator that some decisions depend on what's in a judge's heart.

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Banks go as customers go

IEVA M. AUGSTUMS & STEPHEN BERNARD
AP Business Writers

NEW YORK The big banks are making big money again, but they won't be back to health as long as they have to deal with a recession and customers defaulting on mortgages and credit cards.

The impressive numbers included a $3 billion second-quarter profit announced Friday by Citigroup and $2.4 billion for Bank of America. They followed similarly robust earnings for Goldman Sachs and JPMorgan Chase.

That the banks managed to turn a profit at all is remarkable. Just 10 months ago, many of them looked to be on the verge of collapse. The stock market staged a huge rally this week, driven by the signs of health in banking.

But Bank of America CEO Ken Lewis had some sobering words during a conference call with Wall Street analysts after his company's results were released Friday: "Profitability in the second half of the year will be much tougher than the first half."

Bank of America Corp., JPMorgan Chase & Co. and Goldman Sachs Group Inc. earned profits this spring largely on investment banking and trading — not traditional banking businesses, which still look shaky. Citi benefited from selling its majority stake in the Smith Barney brokerage.

Strip away those money-makers, and the banks have to rely on customers who are losing their jobs or earning less money. The banks will suffer as long as their customers do.

Bank of America, JPMorgan Chase and Citigroup Inc. all reported they lost more money on loans during the second quarter. Bank of America alone set aside $13.4 billion to cover loan losses. But the banks also saw signs that loan delinquencies were starting to stabilize.

Celent analyst Isabel Schauerte said Bank of America's earnings tell the story of the financial industry.

"B of A's results are the bellwether of where Main Street is headed. Measured by credit losses, a moderation of default rates is not in sight," Schauerte said. "For the investment banking business of B of A, in contrast, the worst days seem to have passed."

President Barack Obama's top economic adviser said the signs of improvement displayed by the banks would not have been possible without government infusions, guarantees and other programs provided by the government.

"There is no financial institution that would be reporting the kind of positive results that we have seen in the last quarter but for the extraordinary public support provided by the government," said Lawrence Summers, the director of the White House's National Economic Council.

The profits announced this week raise more questions about when banks will be able to repay their bailout money. Goldman Sachs and JPMorgan Chase have already repaid their loans. Others, like Bank of America and Citigroup, have not.

"Moving forward, companies that are solvent and performing should be held to the promise to repay the taxpayers with interest," said Rep. Darrell Issa of California, the top Republican on the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, which is convening a hearing next week on bailout oversight.

The banks that reported earnings this week cited similar trends:

• Mortgages: Bank of America's second-quarter revenue was bolstered by a spike in mortgage refinancings as interest rates tumbled early in the quarter. But rates have been climbing lately, and analysts expect that surge in refinancings to taper off. And more people are defaulting on mortgages.

• Credit cards: Credit card losses tend to track the unemployment rate, and banks are expected to keep losing money on credit cards as more people lose their jobs. JPMorgan Chase, Citi and Bank of America all have huge credit card operations.

• Investment banking: By far the quickest recovery in the banking business has come in the investment banking sector, helping Goldman Sachs earn $2.7 billion in the second quarter. Some of the rebound has come from the big stock market rally this spring. Companies also did well because there's less competition since Lehman Brothers and Bear Stearns went under.

Analysts say that besides the problems with loans, bank earnings may suffer because the country has less of an appetite for debt.

• Commercial real estate: While home foreclosures are increasing, the commercial real estate market is expected to keep causing loan losses for banks. Rising store and office vacancies are cutting into landlords' and developers' cash flow, and leading them to default on their mortgages.



BOOKREVIEW

BY DANE ROBERT SWANSON

‘How I Went To the Oscars without a Ticket’

By Dee Thompson • Xlibris

With a title like “How I Went To the Oscars without a Ticket” you may be asking yourselves, “Is this a how to book? Or maybe a motivational book? Or, yes, I know, an autobiography?” It is none of the above.

Who hasn’t dreamed of being up there with the stars on Oscar night? Also who wouldn’t want to be in on the Governor’s Ball? Author Dee Thompson did and was able to have his dream come true. In this small 81 page booklet we have the true story of how he did just that. It fulfills the promise of the title.

On the cover page it says it is a true life story. In the press release he sends out, Thompson promises to detail how he started his career as an actor. I looked and read it over and over yet did not find that in this story.

He also says in the press release that it will also show “how he was able to overcome his obstacles.” Handing out resumes and head shots does not constitute an obstacle. Everyone looking for a job hands out resumes. This is one thing a person looking for guidance and inspiration will not find in this story. He didn’t detail his background such as: where he grew up, what life was like before he decided to become an actor, his roles he played before he got discovered or the jobs he had before he became a filmmaker.

I would have liked more of an autobiographical slant. He doesn’t develop the story of what he did before “I got the acting bug and moved to Los Angeles, California in 1996. You see, I decided to do this after treading the acting waters on the East Coast first, back in North Carolina.”

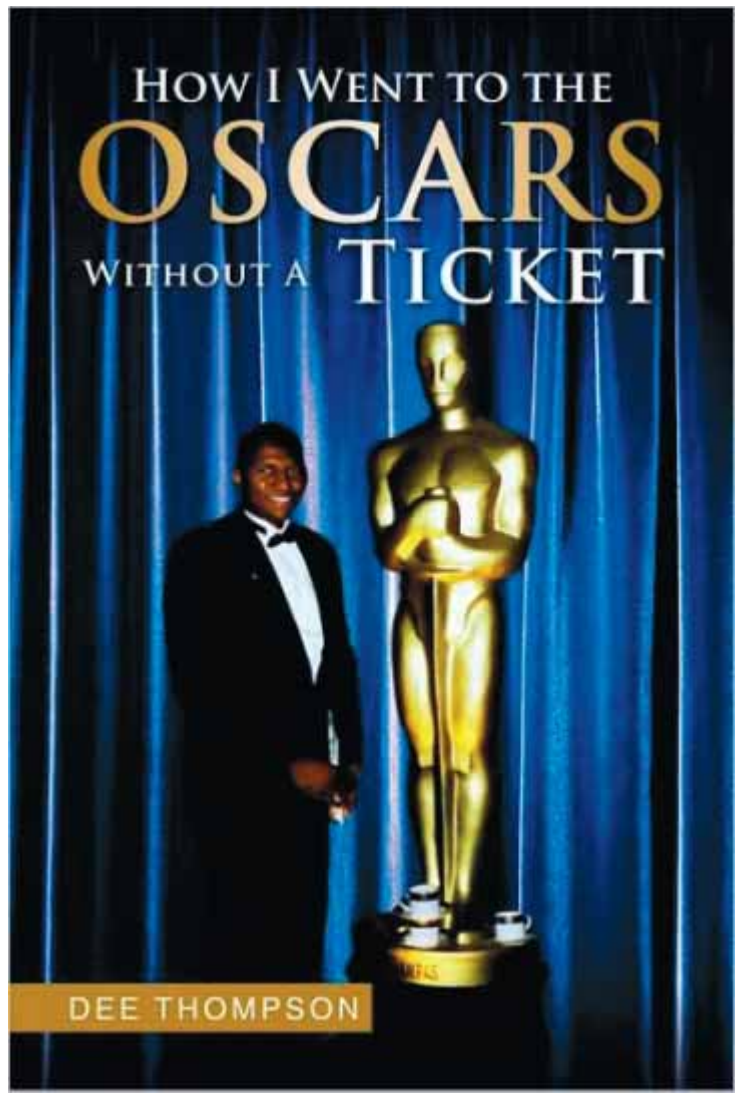
He does say he used to work for the airlines part-time while he sent headshots to agents in L.A. He never mentions before that time. It is almost like it didn’t exist. It would have been nice if he had detailed some of the work in North Carolina

The back cover of the book states that he started his theater work on the stage at Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, N.C. This is not mentioned in his work. Also stated is that he served in the U.S. Navy. This would have been a nice bit of information to develop in the book. The back of cover of the book states he did act in a baseball film “Major League: Back to the Minors” and in “Miracle in the Woods” which was a TV movie of the week.

The back also states that he wrote, directed, acted in and produced “Barbed Wire” a film accepted and premièred in 2006 at the Urban Film festival in Atlanta. These facts would have helped the story.

Thompson includes lots of pictures of the program for the 69th Annual Academy Awards. Also included are the detailed lists for each area up for nomination. This will be helpful for those who collect that type of information.

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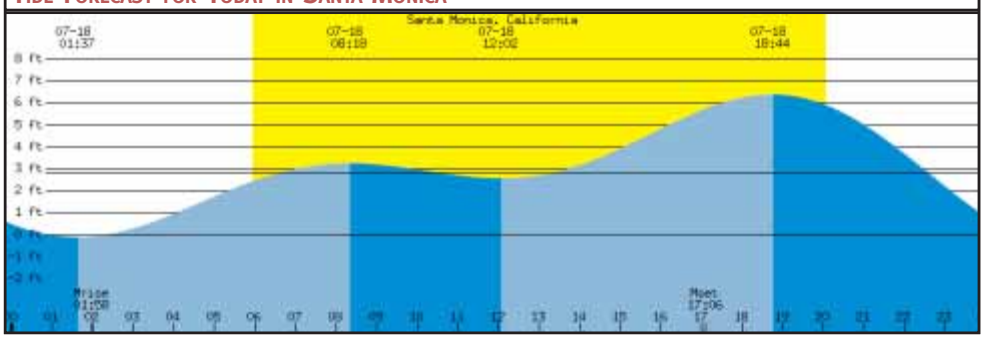
Swell Forecast (not available)

The weekend should see a slight swath of southern hemi swell (200 degrees, 14-seconds) to bring south facing breaks into waist or waist+ waves. Minor swell from TS Delores (170 degrees, 12 seconds) should bring waist to maybe chest high sets to breaks able to work a SE angle.

Long Range Synopsis

Early this week SW swell is expected to back off to knee+. NW wind is not looking to be anything above waist high at best right now.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



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- Number of sewage spills -- 0
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- Number of wet days -- 8
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 44 / ns
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 4 / ns

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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
Las Corrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lachusa and Las Alisa creeks	A+	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private)	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	A	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach	A+	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Don Blacker County Beach	A+	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	A+	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A+	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero)	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs	A+	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth	A	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	A+	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	F	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	F	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua)	A+	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain	A+	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain	A+	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier	D	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms)	A+	ns
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain	A+	ns
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain	A+	ns
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south	A+	ns
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St.	A+	ns
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth	C	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain	A+	ns
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty)	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain	A+	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain	A+	ns

LEGEND

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

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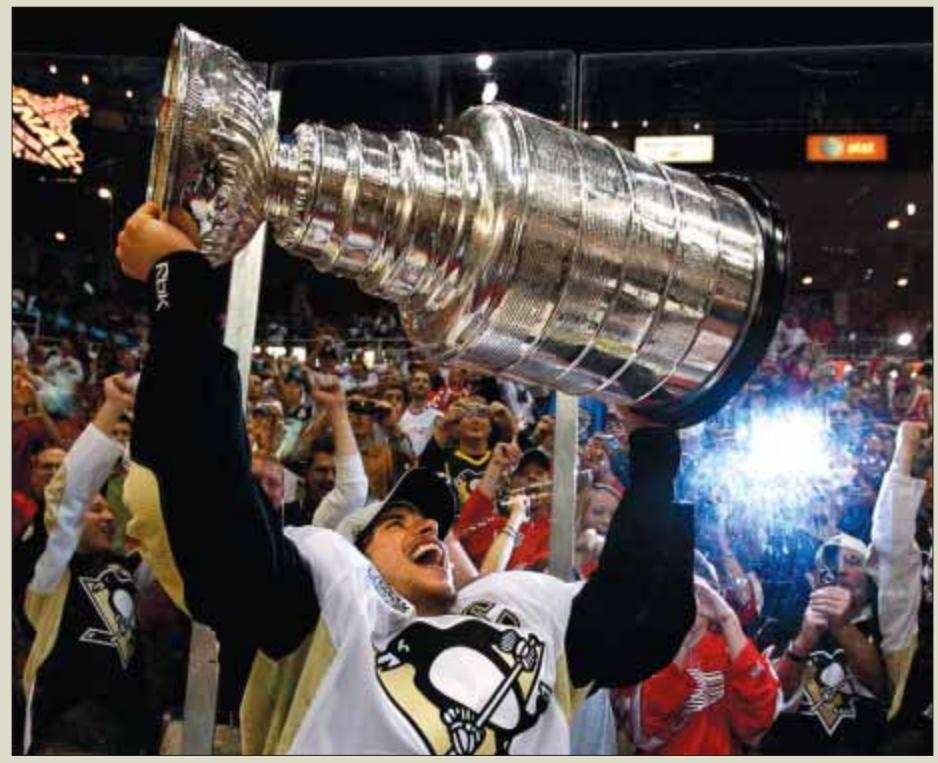
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BY RANDY WILLIAMS



Associated Press

'Pittsburgh Penguins: Stanley Cup Champions'

This package chronicles one of the more interesting comeback stories of 2009. Persevering through a loss in last year's Stanley Cup finals to the Detroit Red Wings, roster changes and the firing of coach Michel Therrien and bringing in a rookie to shake things up, the Penguins go on to beat the Flyers, Capitals and Hurricanes in the playoffs to set up a revenge series in the NHL Finals to bring back another trophy to Pittsburgh (the Steelers have the Super Bowl crown). (Warner Bros)

'Life on Mars' Series 1

Here's a four-disc, eight episode U.K. police drama with a twist. Detective Sam Tyler, on the heels of a killer's trail in modern-day Manchester, gets struck by a passing car and wakes up in 1973. What happened? Is he crazy, in a coma, a strange dream from someone spiking his coffee? Whatever the case may be, Tyler still has crimes to solve, now with comparatively low-tech (there's no hint of CSI-level equipment or methods even remotely on the horizon here), highly aggressive 1970s methods operating within a homicide unit where heavy drinking is substituted for heavy thinking with a boss who has no problems roughing up suspects — or his staff, especially Sam. Bonus material includes: commentaries; "Take a Look at the Lawman," an hour-long documentary with cast and crew interviews and behind-the-scenes footage; an interview clip with director Bharat Nalluri; "The Music of Life on Mars" segment; "Get Sykes" segment with the series' production designer Brian Sykes and an outtakes reel. The original U.K. series aired on BBC One for two seasons (2006-2007). Stateside, ABC remade it for the 2008-2009 season starring Jason O'Mara and Harvey Keitel. (Acorn)

'Miles Davis: That's What Happened — Live in Germany'

One of the most innovative musicians in jazz history who also helped launched the careers of noted musicians like Herbie Hancock, Chick Corea and John McLaughlin, Davis is captured on film performing at a 1987 show in Munich. It came following the release of his Grammy Award winning album, "Tutu," and the set list features two tracks from that record, the title track and "Portia," plus his unique arrangements of Michael Jackson's "Human Nature" and Cyndi Lauper's "Time After Time." Miles and his Art and an extended interview from that year are also part of the title. (Eagle Rock)

'Los Angeles Lakers: NBA Champions — Special Edition

Capped by a historic and gratifying win against the Orlando Magic in the NBA Finals to earn their 15th crown in franchise history, this package contains all the highlights of the Lakers season from training camp, the road to the best record in the Western Conference regular season and through the playoffs. Special segments include: Lakers Roundtable; slideshows on Paul Gasol and Kobe Bryant and fourth quarter playoff replays among others. (Warner Bros)

'Streetfighter: The Legend of Chun-Li'

From characters based on the popular video game, this live-action martial arts thriller features Kristin Kreuk ("Smallville") as a concert pianist turned global crime fighter in pursuit of the mobsters who have kidnapped her father. An interesting mix of cast mates include Neal McDonough and Michael Clarke Duncan as the mastermind behind the abduction, and his henchman, Balrog, respectively as well as Chris Klein and Moon Bloodgood as detectives, Black Eyed Peas singer Taboo as the claw-wielding Vega, and Hong Kong stars Pei-pei Cheng, Josie Ho and Edmund Chen in supporting roles. (Fox)

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MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
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Double Feature: Jesus Christ Superstar (NR) 1hr 48min & Godspell (NR) 1hr 43min
7:30

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade

The Hangover (R) 1hr 36min
12:00, 2:30, 5:05, 7:40, 10:15

I Love You, Beth Cooper (PG-13) 1hr 42min
11:10 a.m., 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) 2hrs 33min
11:15 a.m., 2:45, 6:15, 9:45

Blood: The Last Vampire (R) 1hr 29min
11:40 a.m., 2:10, 4:40, 7:15, 9:50

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1310 Third St.
(310) 289-4262

The Proposal (PG-13) 1hr 48 min
11:15 a.m., 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:20

Up (Digital 3-D) (PG) 1hr 36min
10:30 a.m., 1:15, 4:05, 7:10, 9:50

The Hangover (R) 1hr 36min
12:05, 2:40, 5:20, 8:00, 10:35

Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen (PG-13) 2hrs 30min
11:00 a.m., 6:20, 9:45, 2:30 a.m.

Public Enemies (R) 2hrs 23min
11:30 a.m., 2:45, 6:40, 10:00

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) 2hrs 33min
9:10 a.m., 12:00, 12:45, 3:30, 4:15, 7:00, 7:45, 10:30, 11:15

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

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

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

The Hurt Locker (R) 2hr 26min
1:00, 4:00, 7:10, 10:15

The Poker House (R) 1hr 48min
1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50

Mann's Criterion Theatre
1313 Third St.
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The Ugly Truth (R) 1hr 36min
7:30

Bruno (R) 1hr 28min
11:30 a.m., 12:30, 1:40, 2:40, 3:50, 4:50, 6:00, 7:00, 8:15, 9:10, 10:30, 11:30

Away We Go (R) 1hr 37min
11:10 a.m., 4:30, 10:00

My Sister's Keeper (PG-13) 1hr 46min
2:00, 7:20

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs 3D (PG) 1hr 27min
11:20 a.m., 1:50, 4:10, 6:30, 8:50

Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (PG) 1hr 27min
12:20, 2:50, 5:10, 9:50

Be mindful of your budget, Taurus

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You might be a lot bolder than you realize. If you notice everyone heading for the hills when you start talking, consider this a distinct possibility. Tonight: Strutting your stuff.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ A tendency to sublimate your anger could come out in some wild spending. Keep all the tags and receipts. Tonight: Be mindful of your budget.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Your energy and forcefulness translate well. Others find you exciting and dynamic to be around. You could wonder why you do certain things. A sudden insight becomes possible if you detach a little. Tonight: Whatever makes all sides of the Twin smile.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ How you see a situation and the choices you make could change dramatically during the day. Some interesting insights and/or information heads your way, illuminating an issue. Weigh and consider rather than judge. Tonight: Keep it low-key.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Follow an impulse to bring friends together, whether it is for a baseball game or a party. Everyone feels better with a little R and R. You might be inclined to be more creative and dynamic than you have in the past. Tonight: Paint the town red.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Someone continues to demand a lot and push you hard. No matter what you do, it seems as if that person always wants more. If you want to open a new door or try another approach, do. Understand that you are dealing with a controlling person. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Your ability to understand others is a supreme asset. Add in your natural instincts to be diplomatic and charming. No one really wants you to be anywhere but with them. Opt for unusual plans rather than the tried-and-true. Tonight: Look for something exciting.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ No matter how hard you try or what choices you make, a partner wants to ride over your decisions. Worry less about a control game and be more centered about who you are. Let this person do what he or she needs to do. Simply accept him or her. Tonight: Head in a new direction.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Your way of approaching what might be viewed as critical surprises many and could draw quite a reaction. Do be willing to deal with fast change, especially on the home front. Tonight: Happy at home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Don't underestimate how important your involvement is in a project or group happening. Spontaneity and sudden happenings play an interesting role in your plans. Tonight: Someone shares his or her feelings.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ No one wants to curb your playfulness, or will. You might want to tame a competitive streak. Someone who could be more than a friend lets you know how much he or she cares. Tonight: Loving the moment.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ As you deal with different scenarios, you could feel exhausted. Why not take the day off and spend it at home? You could be tired from all the activity and energy around you. Tonight: Do exactly what you want.

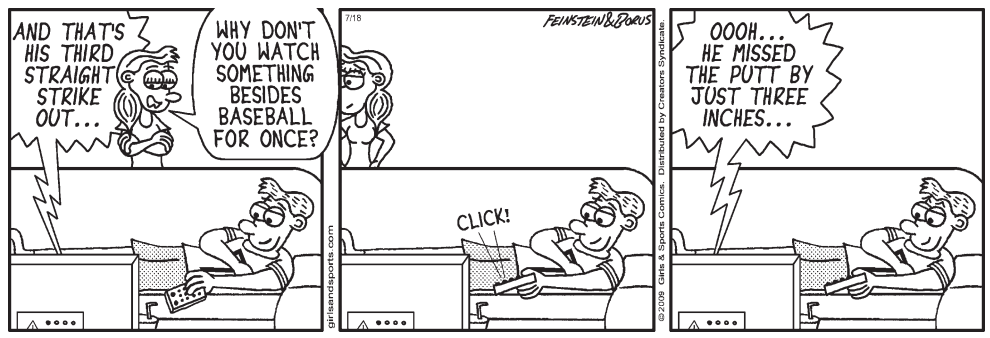
Happy birthday

This year, you might not want to share everything that is going on in your life or in your mind. Often, you will hold a lot in, not exactly sure how to express your deeper feelings. You are also prone to sudden changes involving traveling, going back to school or dealing with strangers. The unexpected is the theme this year. If you are single, you open up to a new panorama of possibilities. You could meet someone quite different and exciting. Give yourself time to get to know this person. If you are attached, your relationship could become quite exciting should you choose to be more vulnerable. GEMINI can be your worst enemy or your best friend.

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

Girls and Sports

By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



The Meaning of Lila

By John Forgetta & L.A. Rose



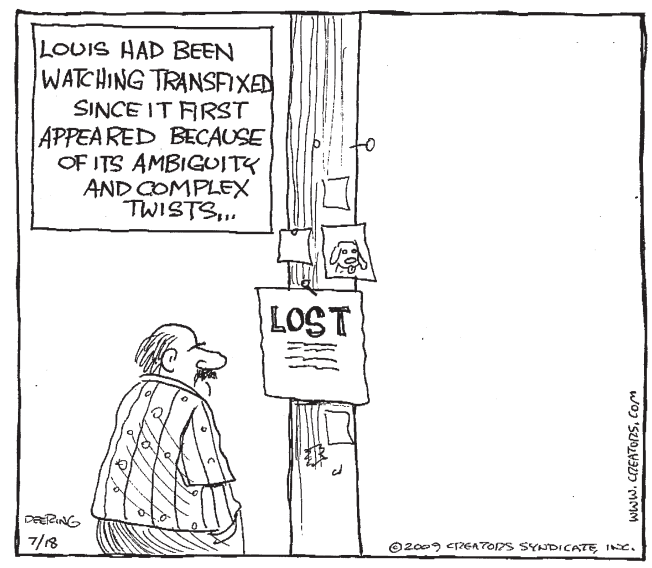
Garfield

By Jim Davis



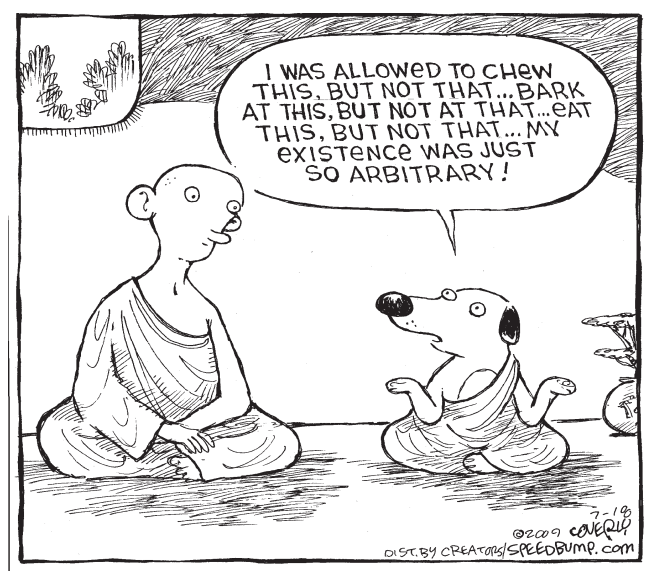
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Speed Bump

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Difficulty Level ★★★★

	3		5	1				
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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

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

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Little devils
5 Pricey entree
10 Mail-order pioneer
12 Concert spot
13 Permit
14 Covets
15 Ring great
16 German article
18 Annual B-ball tourney
19 Fellow player
21 Further
22 Road marking
24 Man, for one
25 River to Khartoum
29 Citi Field's forerunner
30 Concur
32 Engine need
33 List abbr.
34 King topper
35 Met business
37 Zeal
39 Open-sea catches
40 Fishing spots
41 Outpouring
42 "Desperate Housewives" role

DOWN

1 Jacob's father
2 Laid-back
3 A bit faded
4 Hit show letters
5 Forest youngster
6 S&L offering
7 "Imagine" singer
8 Whole
9 Discernment
11 Worry
17 Words of emphasis
20 Leg bone
21 Some skirts
23 Camera accessory
25 Excite
26 Montana capital
27 Guide
28 Concert bonus
29 Chimney grimes
31 Pithy
33 Naturalness
36 Scoundrel
38 Umbrella feature

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Yesterday's answer

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7-18

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DAILY 3: MIDDAY: 1 1 0
EVENING: 3 8 8

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3rd: 07 Eureka
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Victor Delfi was arrested and charged with robbing the Lincoln Park Savings Bank in Chicago, having tipped off authorities when he tried to deposit red-dye-stained money into his own account at another bank. (2) Marlon Moore, 39, was indicted in Miami in June in what the Internal Revenue Service said was a series of attempts to cheat the U.S. Treasury. Using several aliases, Moore allegedly requested bogus tax refunds in the amounts of $5.959 trillion, $2.975 trillion and $6 trillion. (Also, under his own name, he asked for a tax refund of $10 million.)

■ A 34-year-old man survived a single-car rollover accident in Nelson, Calif., in May, extricating himself and walking away, but was struck and killed minutes later by an Amtrak train as he crossed railroad tracks. (2) In April in Houma, La., a 23-year-old motorist, having sideswiped a driver waiting to make a turn, drove away without stopping and was killed minutes later when he crashed into another car.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1536 The English Parliament passed an act declaring the authority of the pope void in England.

1792 American naval hero John Paul Jones died in Paris at age 45.

1872 Britain enacted voting by secret ballot.

1918 American and French forces launched a counteroffensive against the Germans during the Second Battle of the Marne in World War I.

1932 The United States and Canada signed a treaty to develop the St. Lawrence Seaway.

1947 President Harry S. Truman signed a Presidential Succession Act which placed the speaker of the House and the Senate president pro tempore next in the line of succession after the vice president.

1984 Gunman James Huberty opened fire at a McDonald's fast food restaurant in San Ysidro, Calif., killing 21 people before being shot dead by police.

WORD UP!

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Obituaries

JOHN MANUEL DOOLEY
03/13/1954 – 07/08/2009

John Manuel Dooley passed away in his Mt. Vernon, Washington home on July 8, 2009, at the age of 55. Johnny was born in Santa Monica, California on 03/13/1954 son of John and Ida B. Dooley.

John's early and continued passion in life was music & writing. Johnny began his music endeavors singing in the church choir and continued to adulthood forming his own band functioning as the lead singer and piano player. John was an extremely intelligent man who loved to read and could and loved to debate any subject he felt passionately about, and there were many.

John attended Sunday school at Calvary Baptist Church and was a junior member of the Usher Board and junior member of the Church Choir. He often assisted his mother, Ida B. Dooley, on many of the church projects she loved to be involved in. Johnny graduated from McKinley Elementary School, John Muir Junior High School and Santa Monica High School. He participated in sports and the "Boys Club" as it was known, back in the day.

John is survived by his brother, R. C. Owens and his sister-in-law Susan Owens of Manteca, California, his niece, Melinda Grissett and her husband Robert Grissett of Jacksonville, Florida and nephew, Kelvin Owens and his wife Irene Owens and children, Savannah, Alana, Giana and Brandon Owens of Mountain House, California. He was preceded in death by his father and mother, John and Ida B. Dooley and niece, Pamela Owens and nephew Darren Owens.

A memorial service for John will be held at the Calvary Baptist Church, 1502 20th St., Santa Monica, California on Saturday July 25, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests, in John's memory, donations can be made to the Calvary Baptist Church and/or the American Diabetes Association.

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