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Facelift gets a big boost

City staff begins planning
future of industrial area

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL The efforts to give the city's industrial zone a facelift over the next few decades just got a big boost from the City Council.

As the planning begins for the future of the industrial

zone — home to the City Yards and numerous entertainment companies — City Council granted a request on Tuesday by city staff to temporarily limit large-scale development in the area.

The region in question is generally bounded by Centinela Avenue to the east, the 10 Freeway to the south, Lincoln Boulevard to the west and portions of Broadway and Colorado Avenue to the north. The zone serves as the home of Bergamot Station, the old Fisher Lumber Yard and countless office complexes housing start-up Internet companies and media corporations such as MTV and Universal.

The plan to makeover the industrial area is part of the

Land Use and Circulation Element update, which is a blueprint guiding Santa Monica development in the next 20 years.

"We want to make sure we can plan this land, but also to have some flexibility," said Planning and Community Development Director Eileen Fogarty.

As the LUCE is updated — expected to take at least another year — development in the area would be limited to projects that are less than 7,500 square feet and fewer than 15 units. Any projects exceeding the standard would require a development agreement with the city.

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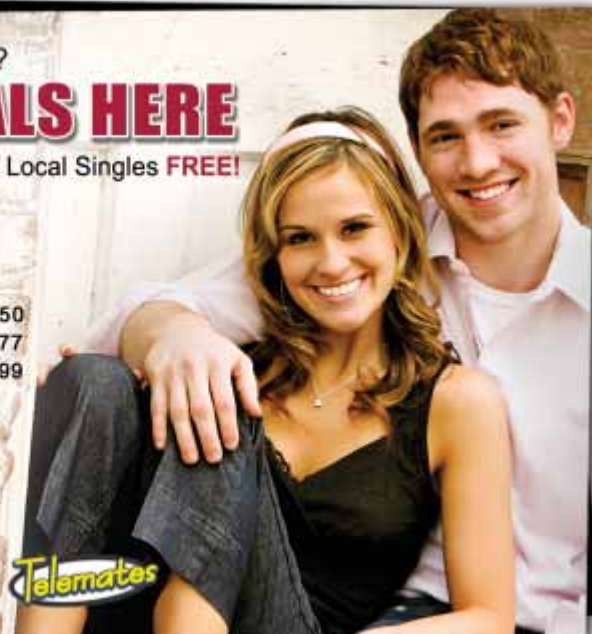
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'Ready, Set, Sold: Home Selling with Michael Corbett'

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m. — 9 p.m.

The Santa Monica Public Library presents former soap star ("The Young & The Restless") and host of "Extra's Mansions and Millionaires," Michael Corbett, for a program on making the most when selling your home. This event is free. Seating is limited; tickets will be available one hour prior to program.

Santa Monica laughter club

717 Broadway, 11 a.m. — noon

Shakti's Elements offers a class on laughter yoga, which combines breathing, dance, and movement with laughter exercises to improve health and vitality, decrease pain and everyday stress and promote a positive mental attitude. Led by Kim Selbert, Certified Laughter Yoga Leader. Suggested donation of \$3 to \$10.

Yappy Hour @ Tails of Santa Monica

2912 Main St., 6 p.m. — 8 p.m.

A social gathering for dogs and their people. There will be light refreshments, dog snacks and play time. For more information, call (310) 392-4300.

The 12 Steps for Everybody

16730 Bollinger Dr., Pacific Palisades, 7 p.m. — 8 p.m.

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Friday, July 27, 2007

'Over the Edge' screening

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 2 p.m. — 4 p.m.

The Main Library will screen "Over The Edge" — the movie debut of Matt Dillon. All ages are welcome. Seating is first come, first served in the MLK Jr. Auditorium.

Everyone Hearts the Bangles

100 Fair Dr., Costa Mesa, 7 p.m.

Nancy and Ann Wilson, of Heart, join up with the Bangles for a night at the Pacific Amphitheater. For more information, visit www.ocfair.com/pacificamphitheatre.com.

Sailaway on a Friday

1026 Wilshire Blvd., 9 p.m.

Sailaway Collective presents Maneja Beto, La Severa Matacara, Very Be Careful with DJ Mark Maxwell at Temple Bar. Tickets are \$10 in advance; \$12 at the door. For more information, visit www.templebarlive.com.

Ferocious Psychedelta Blues

1432 Fourth St., 9:30 p.m.

Harvelle's presents the Imperial Crowns. Cover charge is \$10. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.harvelles.com.

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.



Catalina raccoon put down

By the Associated Press

AVALON A raccoon believed to have stowed away on a boat to Santa Catalina Island was put to death because conservationists feared the nonnative critter could spread disease to island animals.

Two more raccoons recently spotted in Avalon were captured and moved to the mainland.

Biologists euthanized the older male raccoon after determining it was ill with intestinal parasites, a tumor near its tail and rotten teeth, said Bob Rhein, spokesman for the Catalina Island Conservancy.

Scientists for the conservancy, caretakers of 88 percent of Catalina, said raccoon droppings can carry roundworm larvae that can survive in the soil.

If ingested by other animals, they could cause blindness or death.

"We had to put it down," Rhein said Tuesday. The raccoon was euthanized July 12.

Officials were concerned the raccoon could pose a threat to the endangered island fox, which was nearly wiped out by canine distemper several years ago. Raccoons can carry distemper.

The island's fox population hasn't increased to the point where they can afford to take another big hit, conservancy biologist Julie King said earlier this month when the stowaway was reported.

The raccoon apparently slipped aboard a 38-foot yacht that Jerry and Helen Henderson of San Pedro sailed to the island on July 1. The couple alerted authorities when they arrived at the island, but the raccoon escaped.

Two more raccoons were spotted in Avalon last week, said Deputy Burt Lyon of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

The critters were subdued with tranquilizers and turned over to animal control officers.

Veterinarian Richard Denney took blood and stool samples from the two young males and said they appeared to be healthy.

"They were found in the town itself and had not gotten out into the interior," Denney said.

"The majority of them, if they appear healthy and have a good coat, they're usually not diseased."



Photo courtesy Gregg Lewis

NEWS VET: KCRW's Warren Olney has hosted 'Which Way, L.A.' for 15 years. The show began as a response to the Los Angeles riots in 1992.

Authority on all things L.A.

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SANTA MONICA COLLEGE From the destruction of the Los Angeles riots, which magnified racial tensions and effectively tore a city apart, emerged the uniting voice of Southern California.

Through his keen observations, Warren Olney — a fourth-generation Californian — has lent a local perspective to some of the most challenging issues facing the nation, covering topics such as workforce housing, charter schools and immigration on his half-hour radio program "Which Way, L.A."

The show was created in response to the LA riots on April 29, 1992, providing a forum for those covering the biggest civil distur-

bance in Southern California in decades, following the Watts riots of the 1960s.

"Which Way, L.A." marked its 15th year in April of this year — a decade-and-a-half in which the news show has grown to become one of the most popular radio programs in Southern California.

The show is produced each weekday from the small KCRW station on Santa Monica College's campus, attracting an audience of approximately 17,000 listeners at any one time and more than 22,000 podcast downloads in June, according to Will Lewis, the management consultant for KCRW.

The locally based station is the leading National Public Radio affiliate in the Southland.

The enduring popularity of "Which Way,

L.A." and its host helped jump-start the creation of "To the Point" in 2000. Focusing on broader national issues, the one-hour program — also hosted by Olney — is syndicated in 15 different markets nationwide. Each program draws about 50,000 listeners a day.

It was in 1992, when Olney was sitting before a television and watching the riots unfold, that his heart broke. The city of L.A. was being torn to shreds.

A former television reporter, Olney was unemployed at the time, the journalist within him frustrated that he couldn't cover the riots ... until the phone rang. On the other end of the line was Ruth Seymour, the general manager for KCRW,

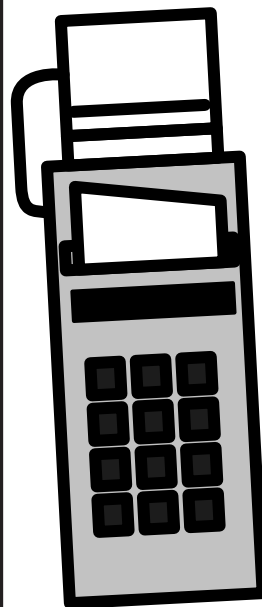
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Lohan needs to love herself first Editor:

Ms. Lindsay Lohan ("Freaky Tuesday," July 25) is evidently fully employed, with one film due out this week, another soon to be released and a third by the end of the year! This focus of learning lines, acting out difficult, albeit perhaps "young abused girl" stereotype roles, having to get along with other acting professionals on the set, and most important of all, being cooperative during final editing, are not the signs of someone addicted to alcohol nor drugs!

Publicity is out of the question, for me at least. So it may come down to deriving no self-esteem from practicing her art. After all, she is managing behavior on the job. She is obviously getting positive feedback, for unlike Marilyn Monroe, who was fired while filming and died of a broken heart because of studio management insensitivity towards her, as opposed to their fawning over Elizabeth Taylor, Lindsay Lohan continues to get roles!

That Promises rehab country club is obviously not doing their job. Needing a chauffeur to drive her and companions, she does not need a nanny, but stone-cold reinforcement of self-esteem!

Frank Muller
Santa Monica

The straight poop: Unlock the doors Editor:

"Jovial" beach maintenance supervisor Paul Davis, who "gets a kick out of watching a reporter cringe in disgust after laying eyes" on a "poop surprise" left by an apparently homeless individual ("Doing the dirty work at the beach," July 23), might benefit from a bit of advice.

"When we lock the doors (to the bathrooms), they leave this as a kind of present for us," says Mr. Davis.

Here's a thought for our beach supervisor: How about not locking up our public bathrooms?

Let's get real here. We have homeless people in our city. We do not appreciate them urinating and defecating in our parks and alleys (as the seriously demented ones do whenever they please), but what are the non-demented ones supposed to do when nature calls in the middle of the night, stop in at Shutters and ask if there is a restroom they can use in the bar?

Locking up public restroom facilities at any time is ridiculous.

What does Davis think might happen at night were they unlocked, that people would have sex in the stalls? Drink booze in the stalls? Do drugs in the stalls? Sleep in the stalls?

Well, guess what? This goes on all day long in our public restrooms at the beach, 365 days a year. It goes on in the facilities south of the pier. It goes on in Palisades Park by the California Incline. It goes on in Reed Park.

It goes on wherever there are homeless people, and as we well know, homeless people are everywhere. Locking up the public bathrooms just creates one more problem, and solves none.

Correct this situation, Mr. Davis, and perhaps you'll no longer be able to get a kick out of watching reporters cringe at feces on the sidewalks in the morning.

David Stoughton
Santa Monica

Drop the hammer on development Editor:

Thank you for (Bill Bauer's column) on July 23 concerning a moratorium on more development in Santa Monica ("Freeze it or forget it when it comes to development").

It is horrifying to read of proposed projects, and I hope Santa Monicans can do something to halt the onslaught on 8.5 miles of this tiny city.

Ruth Rosen
Santa Monica



Word in Edgewise

Kenny Mack

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Fighting terrorists with loaded guns

IN THE SIX YEARS SINCE THE PRESIDENT'S daily brief entitled: "Bin Laden Determined to Strike Inside the United States," thousands have been killed, ten of thousands wounded and billions of dollars spent on the "war on terrorism." Then there's the loss of American credibility, stature and moral high ground due to the shame of Abu Ghraib, Guantanamo, secret CIA prisons, warrantless wiretapping and the elimination of the 700-year-old Writ of Habeas Corpus. But, according to a threat assessment by the National Counterintelligence Center (entitled "Al Qaeda Better Positioned to Strike the West") and the National Intelligence Estimate, it has gotten us exactly nothing.

In fact, Al Qaeda — the supposed target of the "war" — is as strong as it's been since Sept. 11, 2001.

The findings in the CIC report are not good, and the findings in the NIE are worse. Al Qaeda's recruiting is up, planning is up and their franchise operation — Al Qaeda in Iraq (which didn't even exist six years ago) — is thriving to the point where they have a network of suicide bombers coming to Iraq from all over the region, a network of supporters funding their operations and have caused U.S. forces to ally with former Sunni "insurgents," many with American blood on their hands.

The two reports have caused me to re-examine some of the Bush Administration's most repeated statements about this "war on terrorism":

- "Two thirds of Al Qaeda's leadership has been captured or killed." The Bushies love to toss this one out whenever anyone questions whether or not we are "defeating" Al Qaeda, the implication being that the new Al Qaeda is the junior varsity team. However, it's no secret Osama bin Laden and Ayman al-Zawahiri — the two top guys in the organization before and since Sept. 11, 2001 — remain free. And the NIE assesses that Al Qaeda has "regenerated" its "operational lieutenants, and its top leadership," so they're back to where they were in the summer of 2001, only a few miles to the West.

- "We're fighting them over there so we don't have to fight them here" or the argument that the invasion of Iraq would minimize the terrorist threat at home. This is the line they use to counter the argument that the invasion of Iraq distracted from the fight against terrorism — centered in Pakistan/Afghanistan, where Osama bin Laden and Ayman al-Zawahiri are/were. But the NIE says that Al Qaeda in Iraq could be used by Al Qaeda in Pakistan to carry out terrorist attacks in the U.S. (and Al Qaeda in Iraq didn't even exist before the invasion). So the idea that invading and occupying Iraq would make us safer at home is ridiculous since this Al Qaeda franchise, founded to

resist the occupation and the puppet government, is the most likely vehicle by which the U.S. would be attacked .

- "Al Qaeda is on the run." I love this one. Whenever anyone in the administration was asked why the only remaining superpower and the biggest, baddest military force in the history of the world has been unable to find one man suspected to be traveling with a dialysis machine through terrain which would challenge a mountain goat, they've alternated between claiming he just doesn't matter all that much and claiming he's a fugitive who is running out of places to hide. Neither turns out to be accurate. According to the NIE, he has found a new safe haven to replace the one granted to him by the Taliban in Afghanistan: The Federally Administered Tribal Areas of Pakistan. And his new benefactor? Pakistani President General Pervez Musharraf.

IN FACT, AL QAEDA ... IS AS STRONG AS IT'S BEEN SINCE SEPT. 11, 2001.

It was President Musharraf who (following President Bush's example in Iraq) refuses to send enough troops into the Tribal Areas to root out Taliban and Al Qaeda fighters. It is President Musharraf who signed a cease-fire (since broken) with tribal leaders last September in which they promised to stop protecting Taliban and Al Qaeda fighters in their areas — an agreement which Assistant Secretary of State Richard Boucher said gave Al Qaeda the ability to "operate, meet, plan, recruit, and obtain financing in more comfort." It is Pakistani intelligence who use Taliban and Al Qaeda fighters as proxies in their dispute with India over Kashmir and in their ongoing border battles with Afghanistan. In short, it is the Pakistani government which is providing both aid and comfort to Osama bin Laden, Ayman al-Zawahiri, Al Qaeda, and the Taliban in their fight against the United States of America. This, of course, calls the founding principle of the "war on terrorism" as laid out by President Bush: "Either you are with us, or you are with the terrorists."

The actions of President Musharraf show where his loyalty lies, and the actions of President Bush show that his words have ceased to have any meaning.

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You want a medal for that or what?

I MUST BE SLIPPING. I HAVEN'T received nearly as many awards as an adult as I did when I was younger.

My parents sold their house this week and a few months ago, my mother not-so-subtly beseeched me to trash my assorted boxes of dusty pictures, letters, college notebooks, toys and other childhood paraphernalia by stacking them directly in the doorway to my old bedroom.

As I pored through the cartons and strolled down memory lane, I became increasingly impressed at how accomplished I was from toddlerhood through college. I have no idea how I neglected to remember my many, many, many talents. I found awards for everything.

In addition to the plethora of certificates I received from the various camps and summer programs my parents paid for me to attend (never mind that all of those awards were essentially the same: "Thanks for not whining excessively! Your parents didn't ask for a refund! Hooray! Please come back next summer so we can cash your check again!"), there were two awards from the Future Scientists of America for achievements in science. Clearly, they overlooked the fact that I was easily the only kid in the history of school science fairs to fail to erupt her homemade clay volcano. The National Rifle Association certified me twice, once as a qualified marksman and the other time as a qualified pro-marksman (long live the Second Amendment!).

In one box, I found a certificate for participating in a district-wide Story Tell-A-Thon. There was another certificate for reading 10 books in a Reading Bowl (the lesser-known cousin of the Super Bowl). One certificate recognized my somewhat vague "achievement in literature." I received a Martin Luther King Jr. certificate of merit, even though I distinctly remember being made to sit out that school assembly honoring his birthday.

Mickey Mouse personally signed one of the certificates I had stashed away, conferring upon me the status of honorary mate of the Walt Disney World Character Breakfast Crew on the Empress Lilly Riverboat. The Daughters of the American Revolution awarded my entire third-grade class second place for an "in-state scrap-

book." I got a happy face award "for being a great kid and doing a great job in physical education."

I got two certificates for accomplishments in band. It was at that same moment, though, that I stopped to wonder if the whole award giving, positive-reinforcement thing is just a little ridiculous. I mean, three awards for coming in sixth place? What is it about mediocrity that educators feel the need to encourage? Don't bother trying to run faster and get in better shape, kids — you'll get a prize just the same! The "Governator" would be horrified.

On the other hand, it seems a bit cruel to regularly pamper kids with certificates of achievement and then stop the stroking the moment they turn 21. Why not continue the award-love into adulthood? Selfless community volunteers, tree huggers and Prius owners are always getting recognized for their efforts. How about recognizing underwhelming efforts for a change? If I thought I had a shot at winning something just for showing up and not throwing a temper tantrum like when I was little, there might be an added spring in my step when my alarm clock goes off in the morning.

How about giving out ribbons to the co-workers who complete their assignments correctly and hand them in close to on time? Would it be so terrible to applaud someone for showing up to work most days, taking just the allotted hour for lunch and not ducking out until it's honestly time to go home? Three cheers to the person ahead of you in line at the public restroom who actually flushes the toilet. And to the driver whose car is so well parked that its door can swing open without denting yours — a free lunch! How about a little trophy for the person who manages to wake up without a visible hangover after a big night out?

Or an extra pat on the back to those who manage to wait until 5 p.m. in their own time zone before partaking in the first drink of the day?

I might have some serious catching up to do, but start giving out those kinds of awards and I'll be back on track to star mediocrity in no time.

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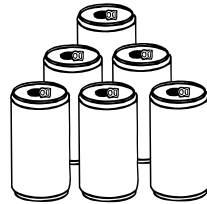
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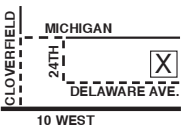
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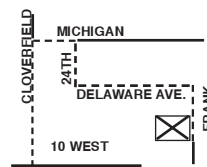
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So this week's Q-Line question asks:

If you could make a film that focused on any issue related to Santa Monica, what would it be and who would you cast in the starring roles?

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Thursday is the new Friday

College students don't wait for the weekend to party nowadays

BY EMILY SKEHAN

Special to the Daily Press

CAMPUSWIDE Fridays are so old-school.

Across the nation, both college students and party hosts seem to agree, there's no better time to get a jump on the weekend than Thursday night.

"It's the new thing," said Luke Skurman, CEO of College Prowler, a publishing house and website that provides the lowdown on college campus life. "Everyone wants to do what's not so normal and mainstream — students are looking for ways to differentiate themselves in the party scene."

Those who have long exited, or are about to enter, the world of keggers and club-hopping may wonder what all the fuss is about.

Shifting around class schedules and bumping up intense study habits have effectively pushed the weekend one day earlier for many college students, who can now put on their party hats for Thursday nights rather than waiting for the official weekend.

"I plan it so that I don't have classes on



File photo

SEE THURSDAY PAGE 7 **RACKING 'EM UP:** Julian Richardson, 24, lines up a pool shot at Barney's Beanery on the Third Street Promenade recently.

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College students find a new day to party down

FROM THURSDAY PAGE 6

Fridays," said Jennifer Cruz, an incoming freshman at Santa Monica College, "cause Friday's my weekend."

"We start partying on Thursday night," added her friend Michelle Crespo, who says her group generally hangs out at small parties in each other's homes.

At UCLA, the Greek scene kicks off on Thursdays, with fraternities often competing to hold the wildest parties and nearby bars serving up specials.

"Thursday night is pretty much the biggest night on campus," said Eddie Orozco, an incoming junior and brother of Sigma Nu Fraternity. "It's when all the best parties happen."

The consensus on Gayley Avenue's frat row is that Thursdays are the night to be seen.

"It's pretty much the norm," said Mike Nguyen, who is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, widely considered one of the most popular party fraternities at UCLA.

"You don't decide to go out on Thursdays, it just happens. People say 'What are you gonna do tonight?' and even if you don't mean to, you get trashed."

The Westwood residents explained that most of their friends avoid scheduling any classes on Fridays, at least, not before noon.

While the Thursday night affairs aren't an entirely new phenomenon at area campuses, it seems to have crept up on the current college generation.

"It's definitely a cutting-edge thing," said Skurman. "More and more people have been saying that Thursdays are an increasingly cool, out-of-the-box night to go out."

While a specific reason for the popularity of early week socializing left many fraternity members shrugging, some speculated that UCLA's status as a commuter school might contribute to the head start on partying, because many students go home for the weekends. Also, many Bruins head to night clubs all across Los Angeles — such venues are rare in Westwood — on Fridays and Saturdays, scattering much of the campus' population.

Although local bars O'Haras and The Brewing Company are popular among

older students, dance clubs and trendy night spots are typically found outside of Westwood Village.

Some students blame the weight of school work for their early start to weekend socializing.

"You have to take full days to really get your studying done," said Nguyen, an incoming junior. "It's easier to go out on Thursdays and then just stay in all day Saturday and work."

Of course, there are those who run a marathon weekend, going out Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. For that contingent, the three-night social binge can become a detrimental habit.

"I go out and party on Thursday night," said SMC sophomore Andre Lackner, "and I'm all partied out on Friday."

"Knowing that you don't have anything to do on Friday feels great, but you still have to study," Lackner explained. "When you get into this rhythm of going out, even on weeknights, it really gets in the way of studying."

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Mike Nguyen
Member, Sigma Alpha Epsilon,

Despite the interference with academic pursuits, Lackner admits to going out dancing or to parties almost every Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

"If I'm too tired to go out, I hit up the beach" he said.

While the new trend in social affairs can be exhausting for students who take their extended weekends to heart, it doesn't look like Friday nights will regain their once-prime social status anytime soon.

"Thursdays are tradition," said Orozco. At the least, they are the new Friday.

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Olney doesn't miss a beat

FROM KCRW PAGE 3

pitching a proposal for Olney to report on the riots via a new radio show.

“The idea was to sort of probe the biggest civil disturbance in the United States in the 20th Century and find out what was behind it,” Olney said last week. “What we ended up doing was give a voice to the people who felt they hadn’t been heard, which ... everybody agrees was one of the causes of great frustrations.”

“Whether it was the cause of the riot or not, I don’t know.”

The show proved to be a bandage for those touched by the riots. One year after the infighting began, producers decided to air a special six-hour “Which Way, LA,” featuring guests who had been interviewed on the program’s inception year.

“The show is core to the civic life of this city, and Warren keeps it civil, too,” said Sarah Spitz, one of the original producers of the show. “It’s a rare quality these days.”



WHAT WE ENDED UP DOING WAS GIVE A VOICE TO THE PEOPLE WHO FELT THEY HADN'T BEEN HEARD..."

Warren Olney, Host, 'Which Way, LA.'

Olney has conducted 25,000 separate interviews over the past 15 years — the most memorable being the one he just completed. He doesn’t give special weight to any one guest, something he learned as a child growing up, when his father — an

assistant Attorney General under President Eisenhower — would take him around the Capitol, introducing him to all the U.S. senators.

“He just wanted me to know they all put their pants on one leg at a time and they’re just like everyone else. I’ve tried to maintain that attitude and perspective,” said Olney, who has lived near Venice since 1972.

The show helped unite angry and confused

Angelenos at a time when their city was greatly segregated, a disconnectivity between the sub-cultures existing within the city, said Frances Anderton, producer of “Which Way, LA.”

Anderton has been a volunteer at KCRW for the past decade, claiming she jumped from the architectural world to radio primarily because of “Which Way, LA.” She is also the host of “Design and Architecture,” a talk show on KCRW.

“I didn’t know it would cause a change in careers,” Anderton said. “I definitely think (the show) was a significant moment for LA — having a journalist who truly drew in all these voices in the city.”

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City Council fails to issue moratorium

FROM LUCE PAGE 1

City Council had the option of adopting a temporary moratorium on all development in the industrial zone, but nixed the idea after learning of strict state laws that would require city officials to prove an immediate threat to public safety and welfare in the absence of a moratorium.

The law also requires a super majority of Council to approve the moratorium, which in this case, would’ve required six votes. There were only five voting members

at Tuesday’s meeting in which Mayor Richard Bloom and Council member Kevin McKeown were both absent.

Several residents asked Council to approve a moratorium, frustrated with the large-scale developments popping up citywide.

“I don’t like what I see as the New York-ification of Santa Monica,” said resident Susan Hartley.

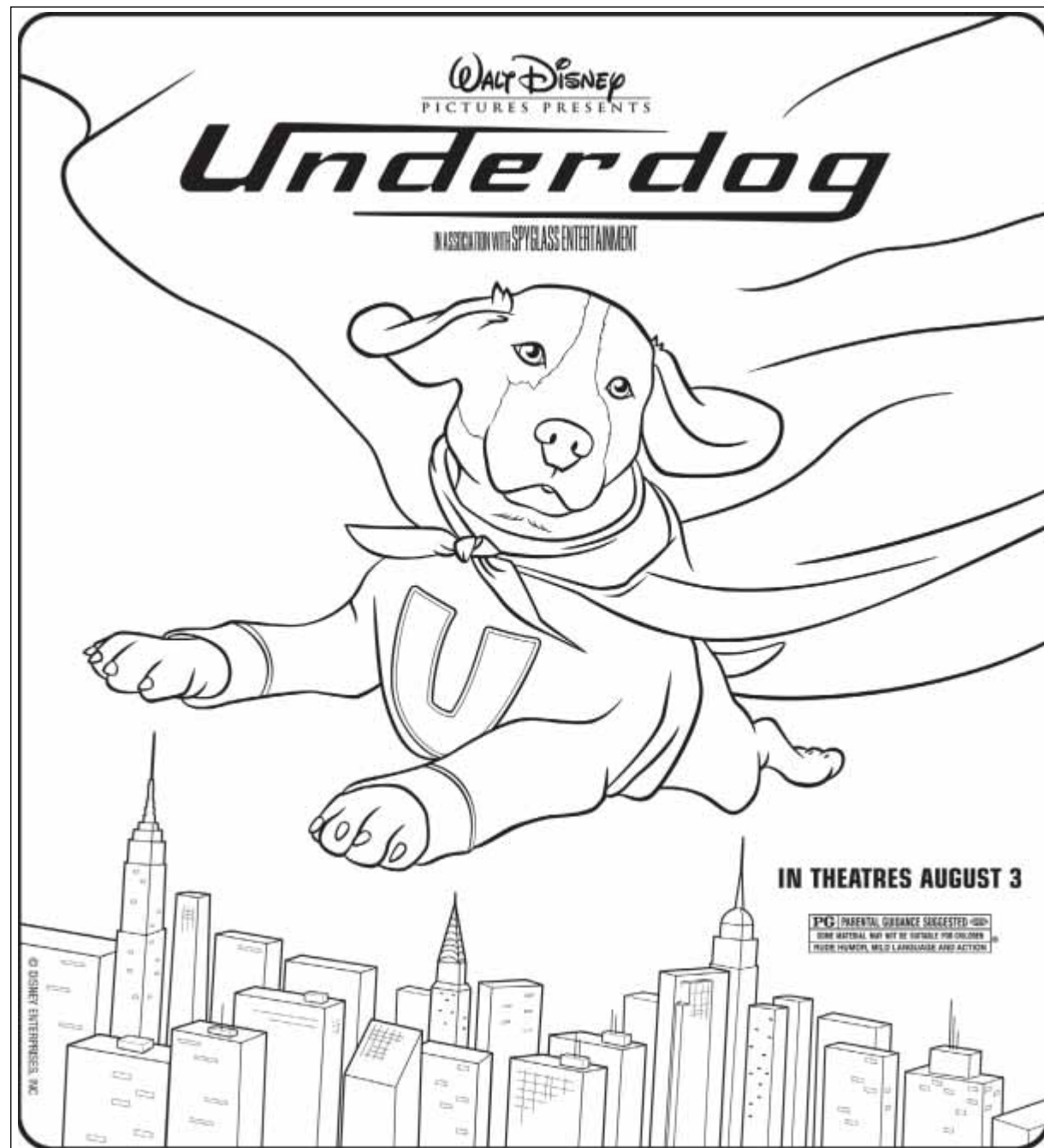
Council member Ken Genser suggested lowering the number of allowable developments to 5,000 square feet and less than eight units, believing the threshold was still too

high. His motion to lower the development standards failed.

The decision to limit development followed a city-sponsored workshop last weekend in which close to 100 residents discussed the future of the industrial area and the Land Use and Circulation Element.

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NEW DVD RELEASES

BY RANDY WILLIAMS



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'The Simpsons' Season 10

Double digit seasons is rarefied air in television and the wacky adventures of the animated dysfunctional family from Springfield are part of small screen history. "The Simpsons" has long surpassed "The Flintstones" as prime time's longest-running animated series. Creator Matt Groening provides 23 episodes of mirth and merriment. This season Marge, Homer, Bart et al are joined by characters voiced by George Carlin, Alec Baldwin, Lisa Kudrow, Jerry Springer, Ron Howard, and Elton John among others covering inventions, road rage, the Super Bowl, organ donation, and Vegas. (Fox)

'Tales from the Crypt' Season Six

Adapted from those gruesome horror comics of the 1950s come 15 new gory stories. Purposely campy, deliberately over-the-top, darkly humorous, it is one of HBO's best shows. Designed for a three year run, the popularity of the series stretched it to seven. The cryptkeeper (John Kassir) will keep you in stitches as he takes the audience through some harrowing yarns. Storylines revolve around predatory lawyers, plastic surgery, vampires, and a shelter for the blind. Guests on the double-disc title include: John Lithgow, Hank Azaria, Isabella Rossellini, Richard Lewis, Shelley Hack, and yes, even Humphrey Bogart. (Warner)

'Star Trek' Captain's Log Fan Collective

The fifth in the series, goes to a new level, not just by including a fifth disc, but by providing a host of brand-new content. Each series: "Star Trek," "Next Generation," "Deep Space Nine," "Voyager," and "Enterprise" are represented. As usual, fans selected the initial 10 episodes – two per series – but each "captain" – William Shatner, Patrick Stewart, Avery Brooks, Kate Mulgrew, and Scott Bakula, picked a third episode as a personal favorite. The captains introduce their personal favorites and the five-disc offering includes new interviews from the space chiefs. (Paramount)

'Miami Vice' Season Five

It is the final season for this fashionable series from the mid-80s starring vice squad detectives Crockett (Don Johnson) and Tubbs (Philip Michael Thomas). This five-disc, 21-episode offering features storylines revolving around a murderous professor, ancient art, political leaders, and of course sex, drugs, and rock 'n' roll. The latter was a key part of the show's success not only for one of the most popular soundtracks of all-time (theme tune earned composer Jan Hammer two Grammy Awards), but also guest appearances on the show by musical contributors such as Glenn Frey and Phil Collins. (Universal)

'Hustle' Season Three

A group of sophisticated British con artists band together to attempt to pull off complex scams but their backs are against the wall after failing in Las Vegas. This two-disc third season presentation includes storylines involving hip-hop, unscrupulous bankers, and a challenge for leadership among themselves. Witty, insightful, and imaginative, "Hustle" was created by the producers of the highly acclaimed spy series, "MI-5" and features that veteran spook of yesteryear in "The Man from U.N.C.L.E." series, Robert Vaughn. Cast interviews included. (BBC Warner)

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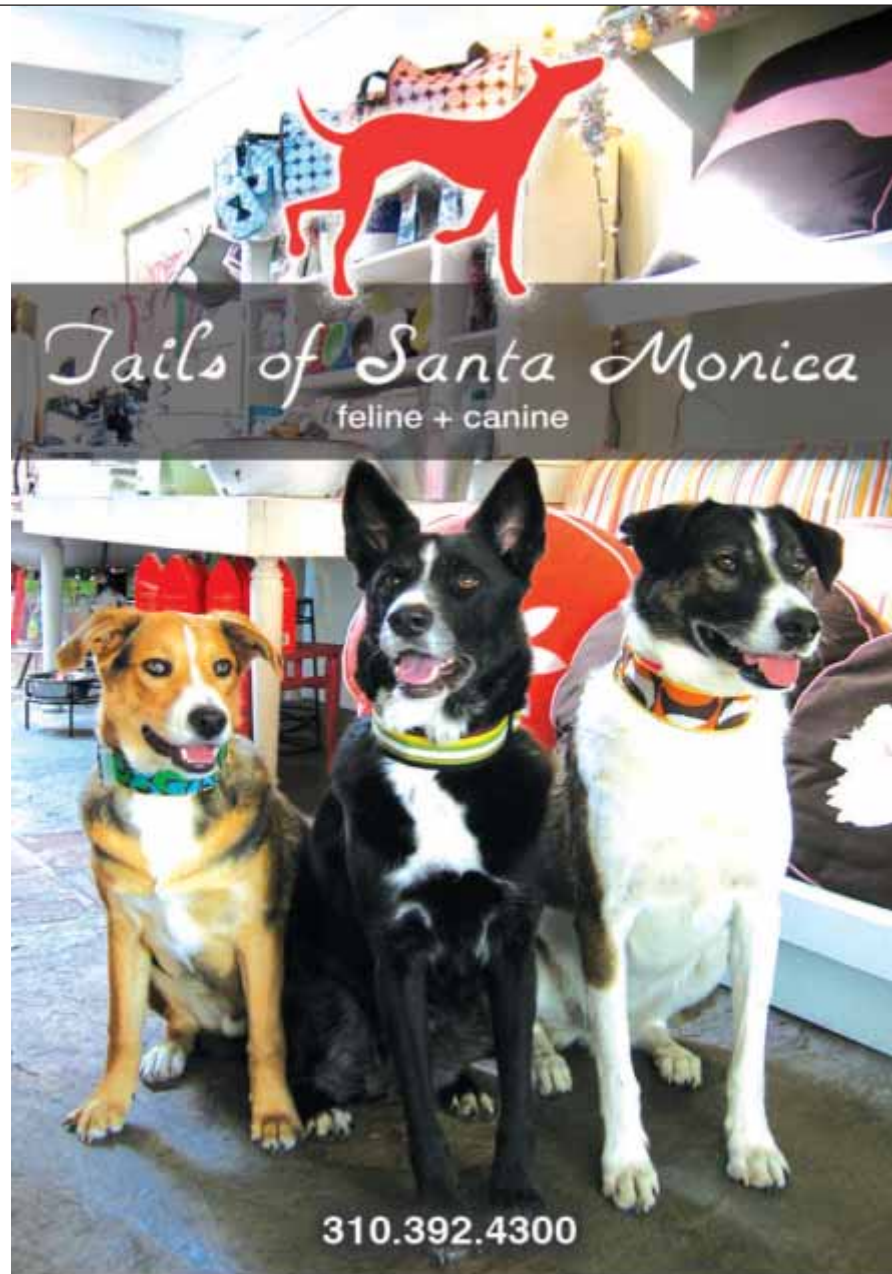
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BOOKREVIEW

BY DANE ROBERT SWANSON



Mr. A's Final Exam

Harvey Allen

Harvey Allen's grandson, Zachary asks him, as recorded in the last chapter of this memoir, "Should I become a teacher?" It is a good question. It is a question that needs to be asked and answered.

The author answers it in "Mr. A's Final Exam: The Good, the Comical, and the Absurd." This memoir, told in the first person, covers the 43 year period from 1959 to 2002 when he worked within the Los Angeles public school system educating the city's youth. He may not have always succeeded, but he did the best he could with what was given to him.

The theme of this memoir is the educational process at public schools. The thesis is the teachers' influence depends on the teachers' involvement with the students.

Allen treats the student as he would like to be treated. He uses stories to show the effects a teacher can have for good or ill on a students' total schooling experience. He picks out some milestone events in his students lives. If they wanted to improve themselves he was willing to help them do so. He really cared for his students. We need more teachers such as he was.

Chapter one covers his first year of teaching and the adjustments he made to the system. The structure seems choppy in places but he soon centers his memoir on the individual students in the subsequent chapters.

The students covered a vast range of abilities. "Their IQ's ranged from 85 to 170," is how he put it for his early class. Another teacher told him, "Harv, don't concern yourself with trying to reach every kid in class. Just know that somewhere along the line, maybe another teacher will relate better with them. You can't be all things to all students; nobody can" But he did try.

The subsequent chapters optimistically relate individual stories of students he encountered during his years as an educator.

We watch as he moves up in the system from teacher to assistant principal and then back to teacher. We see a concerned and hands-on type of teacher. He expected the best from his students and they respected him enough to achieve to the best of their ability.

The last chapter acts as a summing up of the points covered in the book. As for the question asked by his

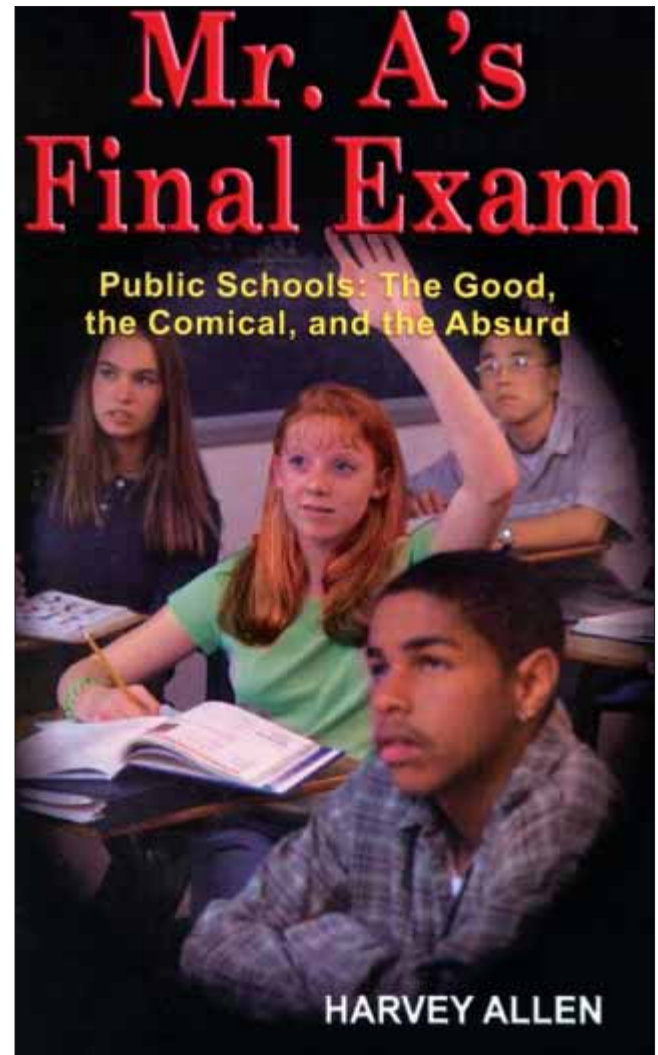


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grandson, the answer seems to be that your decision should be based on knowledge, that you shouldn't approach this life choice with blinders on.

This book should be part of the school counselors' library to be loaned out when a student comes for career advice.

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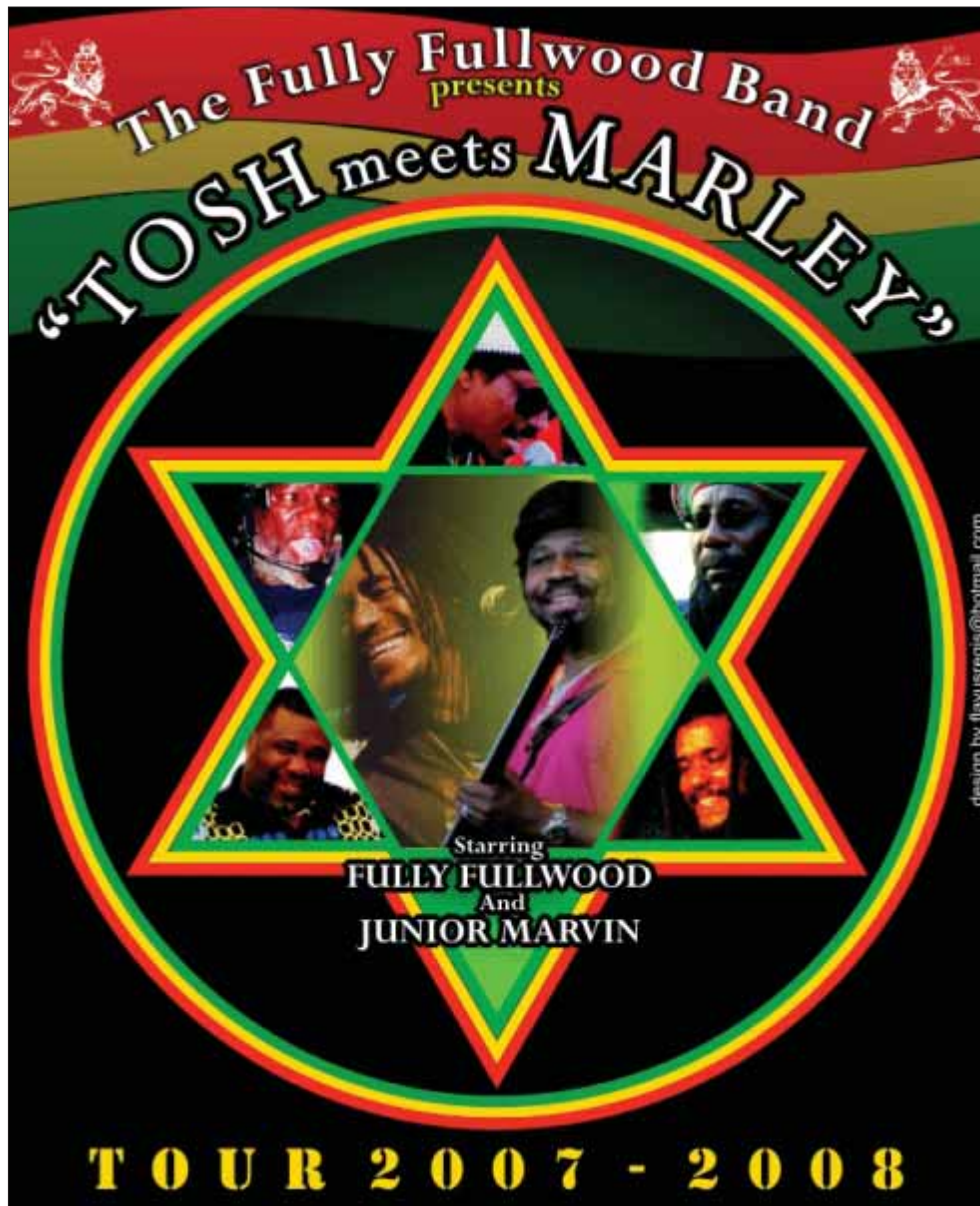


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ISLAND SOUNDS: Fully Fullwood and Junior Marvin headline this week's concert at the pier.

Jammin' at the pier

BY REAGAN WHEELER

Special to the Daily Press

SANTA MONICA PIER — For those who never got to see the late reggae legends Bob Marley or Peter Tosh live in concert, tonight's Summer Twilight show could help satiate that inner Rasta.

With "Tosh Meets Marley," concertgoers will be exposed to a healthy helping of the Wailers and friends. The band's two frontmen — Junior Marvin and George "Fully" Fullwood — both played with Tosh. Marvin also played with Marley and The Wailers for five years.

The band's reggae sound has been heard on countless Marley and Tosh albums. Fullwood played bass in-studio for many of Marley's enduring songs, including "Sun is Shining," while Marvin toured the world as part of the Wailers.

"Officially, I am still a Wailer," Marvin said on Monday.

Fullwood and Marvin were both excited to be performing on the Santa Monica Pier tonight.

"I've heard about the pier," said Fullwood. "It's always been a popular place for people to play. It will be a nice experience for me and the other guys."

"Tosh Meets Marley" also features Tony Chin, Vince Black, Georges Kouakou, Jawge Hughes, Claudio "Peppe," Donovan Carless and Karl Wright, many of whom played with Tosh back in the '70s and '80s.

"One of our important main things is playing to a crowd that appreciates the music of these great legends," said Fullwood.

Many of "the classics" will be performed tonight, including "I Shot the Sheriff" and "Get Up, Stand Up," according to Marvin, who added the latter song, unbeknownst to most

fans, was co-written by Marley and Tosh. The band will also be playing some of their own songs, many of which will be on upcoming albums from Fullwood and Marvin.

The songs are in tribute to the Jamaican-born musicians whose words were more than just words, said Fullwood.

"With Bob, his music was more like a passage," he said.

Fullwood and Marvin got to know the men that made reggae what it is today. To them, smoking herb was not all Marley and Tosh were about. During the '70s and '80s, these musicians "were a voice for those who didn't have a voice," said Fullwood. With lyrics like "Emancipate yourselves from mental slavery/None but ourselves can free our minds," their songs featured messages about Africa's wealth in contrast to the vast poverty and suffering that the people have suffered for decades.

Fullwood feels many listeners misunderstand the legends.

"If you bought one of Bob's albums and really listened to his words, there are great messages in there," Fullwood said. "These artists have so many messages that are so unique."

Tonight's concert, located on the west lot of the Santa Monica Pier, is expected to "make you wanna move your dancing feet," just as Marley said in his 1971 song, "Sun is Shining." The jam session begins at 7:30 p.m. and parking is available at 2030 Barnard Way. However, spaces are limited and attendees are encouraged to walk, bike, or take public transit. A free bike valet will be provided.

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Lohan projects in jeopardy

BY MELODY HANATANI | Daily Press Staff Writer

HOLLYWOOD Poor "Poor Things."

This week's arrest of troubled actress Lindsay Lohan in Santa Monica on DUI and cocaine possession charges has not only put the star's career in jeopardy, it has likewise blindsided the production of a movie based on a real life, homegrown drama.

Lohan was set to play a supporting role in the dark comedy flick "Poor Things," loosely based on the true story of Helen Golay, a Santa Monica landlord-turned murder suspect, who is currently awaiting trial in the L.A. County women's jail in Lynwood. Rumors had been circulating, even before Lohan's arrest Tuesday, that the production was in trouble. Now, speculation that the delayed production will be canceled altogether is gaining steam.

Lohan was set to start shooting "Poor Things," also featuring Shirley MacLaine, when she entered rehab back in May. The film's producers, who previously had supported Lohan, would not say Tuesday whether she would be part of the production.

Lohan is still set to appear in the film "Dare to Love Me," which is to begin shooting this summer, said Michael Sands, a consultant for production company Bowline Entertainment.

"The producers have compassion and kindness for her, so for now she's insured and still with the movie," he said. "She hasn't been convicted of any crimes."

All Hollywood productions need insurance, and trouble-some or troubled actors can often stand in the way of that requirement.

"I don't see how she's employable for the next 18 months," said longtime publicist Michael Levine, who does not represent Lohan. "Who's going to insure her?"

Lohan's latest film, "I Know Who Killed Me," is set to open Friday, but TriStar Pictures has subdued its marketing

of the star.

Meanwhile, the fate of "Poor Things," which was initially to have begun filming May 30, but postponed when Lohan was involved in a crash while allegedly driving under the influence, remains uncertain.

Last week, an item in the New York Post's Page Six reported the film was canceled after Lohan's wild child partying ways had scared companies out of financing the movie. Other news outlets have reported the Golay-inspired project was shelved due to unchecked spending.

Trent Haaga, who wrote the screenplay for "Poor Things," said on Monday that he received a message from the producers that the item in Page Six was just gossip, and that pre-production was moving forward.

The film also stars Rosario Dawson and Olympia Dukakis in a dark comedy about so-called "Grandma Gangs" that murder men for financial gain.

The plot is based on the case of the 76-year-old Golay and 74-year-old Olga Rutterschmidt, of Hollywood, who face murder charges in the deaths of Paul Vados and Kenneth McDavid, both of whom were killed in separate yet similar hit-and-run incidents in 1999 and 2005, respectively.

Investigators believe the two women befriended Vados and McDavid while they were still homeless, setting them up in free apartments and gaining their trust. The women allegedly convinced Vados and McDavid to sign them onto their life insurance policies before they met their demise.

Golay and Rutterschmidt are currently imprisoned in the county women's prison in Lynwood and are awaiting a trial, tentatively scheduled to begin in early September.

"Poor Things" is being produced by Still Rolling Productions.

The Associated Press also contributed to this report.

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IN THEATERS NOW: Lindsay Lohan stars in TriStar Pictures' psychological thriller 'I Know Who Killed Me.'

Lohan says she's innocent of multiple charges

Actress is latest young star to battle addiction in full-view of public

BY SANDY COHEN

AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES Lindsay Lohan says she's innocent.

The 21-year-old actress was arrested and released on bail for investigation of misdemeanor driving under the influence and with a suspended license, and felony cocaine possession, early Tuesday in Santa Monica, less than two weeks after completing her second trip to rehab.

"I am innocent ... did not do drugs they're not mine. I was almost hit by my assistant Tarin's mom I appreciate everyone giving me my privacy," Lohan wrote in an e-mail to "Access Hollywood" host Billy Bush, the show reported on its Web site Tuesday night.

Police found cocaine in one of Lohan's pockets during a pre-booking search, Sgt. Shane Talbot said. Police initially said Lohan was also being booked for investigation of transporting a narcotic but later said she was not.

Police received a 911 call from the mother of Lohan's former personal assistant saying that Lohan was chasing her in an SUV, said Lt. Alex Padilla. The assistant had quit hours before, he said.

Authorities found Lohan and the woman

in a "heated debate" in the parking lot of Santa Monica's Civic Auditorium at about 1:30 a.m.

Lohan's arrest comes as she still faces DUI allegations connected to a Memorial Day weekend hit-and-run crash in Beverly Hills. The actress completed more than six weeks in rehab less than two weeks ago, and had checked into a recovery clinic in January.

She had worn an alcohol-monitoring ankle bracelet since her July 13 release from rehab and was tested daily to support her sobriety, her attorney, Blair Berk, said. She said Lohan had relapsed and was receiving medical care at an undisclosed location. Lohan's publicist, Leslie Sloane Zelnik, had no comment.

Lohan joins a long list of young actors who have battled problems with drugs,

alcohol, or both. They include River Phoenix, Drew Barrymore, Corey Feldman, Anissa Jones, Danny Bonaduce and Macaulay Culkin.

Phoenix, who starred in "Stand By Me" as a teen, died outside a Hollywood nightclub in 1993 from a lethal combination of cocaine and heroin. He was 23. Feldman, his "Stand By Me" co-star, also battled addiction and was arrested for heroin possession when he was 19.

Jones, who played Buffy on TV's "Family Affair," was just 18 when she died of a drug overdose in 1976. Bonaduce found fame at 10 as a star of "The Partridge Family," only to struggle with addiction and homelessness as a teenager. Culkin, best known for his starring turn in the kid-friendly "Home Alone" films, was busted in his early 20s.



Photo courtesy NBC

LAUGHING MATTER: Rob Schneider dressed like Lindsay Lohan on Tuesday's episode of the 'Tonight Show.' Lohan was scheduled to appear before her arrest in Santa Monica on drunk driving charges forced her to cancel the appearance.

Barbara chastises Leno

By the Associated Press

NEW YORK Barbara Walters thinks Jay Leno went over the line when he had Rob Schneider on as a guest dressed like Lindsay Lohan.

The real Lindsay Lohan was scheduled to be on the "Tonight Show" last night, but as Leno joked, she was already booked.

So, Schneider came out instead, wearing a black dress, blonde wig and an ankle bracelet he made believe was filled with alcohol.

Walters said on "The View" that even though she knows comedians will make fun of Lohan, "it just seems so mean."

Elisabeth Hasselbeck says she stops feeling badly "when a person who's drinking gets behind the wheel of a car when 43-thousand people a year are killed by drunk drivers."

Meanwhile, Kelly Ripa has an idea about how to possibly scare Lindsay Lohan straight: have her spend time with Ripa's sister, who was nearly killed by a drunken driver.

Ripa said on "Live With Regis and Kelly" she'd like Lohan to see "the physical agony a person lives with" after being hit by a drunken driver.

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The tours last approximately 90 minutes and begin at 6:30 p.m. in the lobby of Sony Pictures Plaza. Free parking is available under the Sony Pictures Plaza building off Madison Avenue in Culver City.

For more information or to make reservations, please call (310) 520-TOUR or (323) 520-TOUR. Admission is \$25 per person, though discounted rates for group and student tours are available. Children 12 and older are welcome. This is a walking tour, so please wear comfortable footwear. Sony Pictures Studios also offers tours during the day, Monday through Friday. For further information and directions, visit www.sonypicturesstudios.com.

EMILY SKEHAN



Uncommon appearance

Rapper Common, whose new album "Finding Forever" hits stores Tuesday, July 31, will be visiting Santa Monica on the same day. The emcee, whose lyrics focus on spirituality, poverty and social awareness, was nominated for a Grammy in 2006. Common will sign autographs as well as make an exclusive performance at the Starbucks at 4356 Third Street Promenade, starting at 12 p.m. The event is free.

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The Ruskin Group Theatre is pleased to announce it is extending "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)" – a hilarious, irreverent and fast-paced romp through the Bard's plays – through August 12.

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Musical museum

Rock returns to the Hammer Museum courtyard this Thursday, July 26, as part the "Also I like to rock" series of free concerts hand-picked by local independent radio powerhouse Indie 103.1. Bands Sea Wolf and Midnight movies perform tonight starting at 8 p.m.

As displayed on their debut EP, "Get To The River Before It Runs Too Low," the sound of Sea Wolf is a combination of delicate, arching melodies and foggy, elegiac narratives.

The sound of Midnight Movies conjures a certain noir Los Angeles, replete with mystery, desire and yearning. "On Lion the Girl," their second full-length release, the band explores haunting new vistas and back alleys of the soul, with an expanded lineup and more expansive songwriting.

The Hammer is located at 10899 Wilshire Blvd, Westwood, 90024.

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Book talk

Author Liliane Pelzman will read and discuss her novel "And No More Sorrow," the story of an optimistic Holocaust survivor this Tuesday, July 31. Ready readers should make their way to the Barnes & Noble located at 1201 Third Street Promenade at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call (310) 260-9110.

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'Fast Times' returns

The American Cinematique at the Aero Theatre presents a special 25th anniversary screening of "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" on Thursday, July 28. The film is a raunchy and painfully-funny look at Southern California high school students by director Amy Heckerling. Cameron Crowe ("Almost Famous") wrote the screenplay for the 1982 film.

The screening will take place at the Max Palevsky Theatre at the Aero (1328 Montana Ave.) in Santa Monica. For more information, call (233) 466-FILM or visit

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REAGAN WHEELER



Chad Jason Scheppner is 'Dracula'

Bite into theatre

Guaranteed to get your spine tingling and your blood flowing, Ellen Geer's adaptation of Bram Stoker's gothic horror novel, "Dracula," plays at Theatricum Botanicum's outdoor theater in the dark and remote Topanga woods.

Dracula is a quintessential story of suspense and horror, boasting one of the most terrifying characters in literature: Centuries-old Count Dracula, whose diabolical passions prey upon the innocent, the helpless and the beautiful.

Unlike previous stage versions, including the 1927 play by John Balderston and Hamilton Deane upon which the 1931 film with Bela Lugosi was based, Geer remains faithful to the novel – a collage of letters, journal entries and newspaper clippings that fit together like the pieces of a puzzle to tell the tale. The result is a fresh look at this epic, supernatural and heartbreakingly human novel.

Dracula runs Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., July 28 through September 28. Tickets are \$20; seniors, students and members of Equity pay \$15 and \$18; children ages 7-14 are \$8; children under 5 are free. The Theatricum Botanicum is located at 1419 North Topanga canyon Blvd. For tickets and information, call (310) 455-3723 or visit www.theatricum.com.

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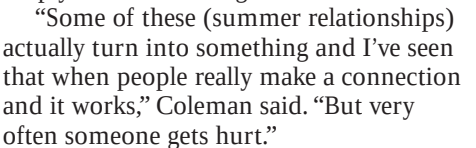
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Peace lover Swizz Beatz says he doesn't support 'Stop the Snitching'

The city's police department has called for **SWIZZ BEATZ** to renounce anti-snitching sentiments or it will drop sponsorship of a "Peace on the Streets" rally. In his current single, "It's Me Snitches," Swizz raps: "Freeze, you know who it is/ It's me, snitches" and "I ain't gonna shoot ya/ I could just choke ya." It's lines like those that

appear to advocate violence and silencing snitches – or police informants – that concern police in a city that is among the nation's most dangerous. The police department says a culture that opposes cooperating with authorities makes crimes more difficult to solve and the city harder to clean up. "The use of the word

'snitches' in the song was just an edit for radio," Swizz says in a statement Wednesday to The Associated Press. "If I supported violence or the 'Stop Snitching' campaign, I wouldn't have agreed to be a part of the event ..." Other city officials say they have been assured that Swizz is no longer rapping about hard-core

violence and will have a positive message in the two songs he's scheduled to perform at the rally Thursday. "He's actually sharing a lot of positiveness," says the Rev. Tony Evans, a spokesman for Mayor Gwendolyn Faison. "A lot of artists, even though they have material that might not be appropriate for all

ages, they do want to position themselves as having a positive impact on communities." The New York-based producer, whose real name is Kasseem Dean, is to be paid by Philadelphia radio station Power 99 to appear at the rally, sponsored by local government and school board.

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JILL ACTS HER AGE

After years of portraying younger characters, the 33-year-old actress is among her peers in VH1's new half-hour comedy "I Hate My 30's."

"I have to say it felt really good to be surrounded and just working with people who were kind of close to my age," says **JILL RITCHIE**, who played Lindsay Lohan's friend in 2005's "Herbie Fully Loaded." During filming of the movie, Lohan was in her teens.

AP

May to complete doctorate he abandoned decades ago

BRIAN MAY is completing his doctorate in astrophysics, more than 30 years after he abandoned his studies to form the rock group Queen. The 60-year-old guitarist and songwriter said he plans to submit his thesis, "Radial Velocities in the Zodiacal Dust Cloud," to supervisors at Imperial College London within the next two weeks.

May was an astrophysics student at Imperial College when Queen, which included Freddie Mercury and Roger Taylor, was formed in 1970. He dropped his doctorate as the glam rock band became successful. Queen were one of Britain's biggest music groups in the 1970s, with hits including "Bohemian Rhapsody" and "We Will

Rock You." After Mercury's death in 1991, May recorded several solo albums, including 1998's "Another World." But his interest in astronomy continued, and he co-wrote "Bang! The Complete History of the Universe," which was published last year. He was due to finish carrying out astronomical observations at an obser-

vatory on the island of La Palma, in Spain's Canary Islands, on Tuesday, the observatory said. May told the British Broadcasting Corp. that he had always wanted to complete his degree. "It was unfinished business," he said. "I didn't want an honorary Ph.D. I wanted the real thing that I worked for."

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

Sort through options, Gemini

Happy Birthday!

This year you often feel challenged by those you care about most. Your creativity and ingenuity come into play as you attempt to defy certain precepts or understand more of what is going on. You have been serious if not demanding, wanting more from your life. If you are single, you have many admirers. Do you really want to remain the lonely Lion? You have a choice. If you are attached, you will enter a new, romantic phase of this bond. SAGITTARIUS always encourages you to take the next step.



Born Today

Actress Sandra Bullock (1964)
Singer Mick Jagger (1943)
Ice skater Dorothy Hamill (1956)

- ARIES (March 21-April 19)**
★★★★ Refuse to sabotage yourself. Listen to what is being shared. New beginnings become possible because of a child or loved one. Relax and know that someone else's seriousness will add that touch of solidity. Tonight: Add in fun.
- TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**
★★★ A friend or associate jolts you, reminding you that there is another way. You might be overwhelmed by news that heads in your direction. Know when to pull back and lean on another's expertise. Tonight: Say "yes."
- GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**
★★★★ Others appear to have momentum on their side. Not understanding the pros and cons of a situation, you might opt to pull back or defer to someone else. Investigate new possibilities with an eye to a snafu. Tonight: Sort through your options.
- CANCER (June 21-July 22)**
★★★ You get a lot done, and quite quickly at that. Your ability to move past a problem demonstrates your flexibility and skill in getting down to basics. If you are not comfortable with someone, say so; make it OK. Tonight: Aim for what you want.
- LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**
★★★★ Your ingenuity gets you past a financial issue. A partner could be unusually difficult or touchy. Think in terms of growth and new development. Anything is possible with the correct mental attitude. Tonight: Put your feet up and relax.
- VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**
★★★ Someone jolts you. Though you might not be able to change someone's mind, you will make a difference. Facts, more than opinions, count, and you will see the end results. Investigate rather than declare. Take your time. Tonight: Happy at home.

- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**
★★★★ Knowing your limits might be best, but if you don't, don't worry! You will get a strong indication of when you've had too much. Your nerves will let you know when to back off. Do just that. Tonight: Get together with a trusted pal.
- SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**
★★★ Investigate and see what the possibilities are. What appears to be a brilliant idea at first will boomerang. Know that you are lucky to have this occur early on in the game. Otherwise, it could have been a problem. Tonight: Treat yourself.
- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**
★★★★ What you see as a boomerang might only be a change in events. What comes up might be more important than you initially thought. Everything plays into a decision. You are getting feedback. Tonight: Rework an idea.
- CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**
★★★ An unexpected reaction could shed more light on a situation than you choose to realize. Relax and honor a decision that a partner makes. You still might have difficulty deferring. Don't overthink a hassle. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.
- AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**
★★★★★ Your friends play a strong role in plans. You might want to say "no" to a sudden expenditure, but you are likely to do the opposite. Think in terms of gains and growth. Not every decision can be explained. Tonight: Zoom in on what you want.
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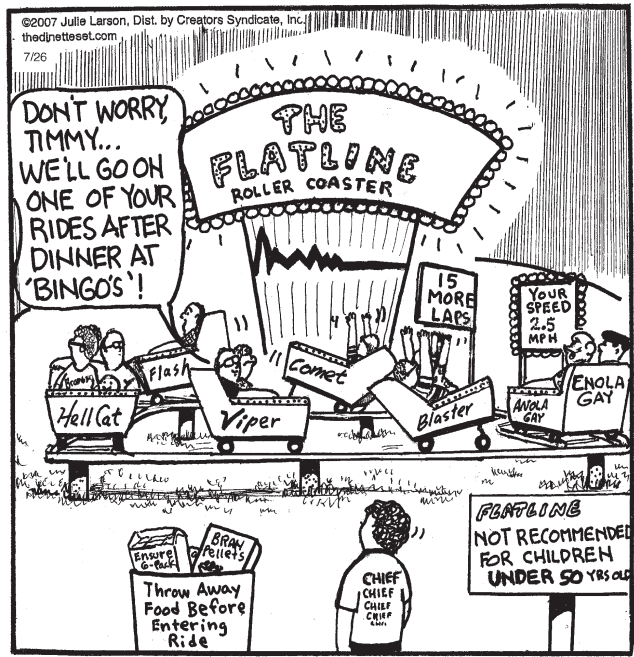
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Twelve hundred troops from Poland were deployed to Afghanistan in June as part of a NATO buildup to patrol the Pakistan border, searching for Taliban forces, but Polish commanders admitted that they would not be combat-ready for several weeks because the keys to all their Humvees had been stolen. One commander said spare keys had been ordered.

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1822 José de San Martín arrives in Guayaquil, Ecuador, to meet with Simón Bolívar.

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1934 Assassination of Austrian Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss.

1945 The Labour Party wins the United Kingdom general election of July 5 by a landslide, removing Winston Churchill from power.

1953 Fidel Castro leads an unsuccessful attack on the Moncada Barracks, thus beginning the Cuban Revolution.

1965 Full independence was granted to the Maldives.

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Notices

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S No. 1095170-01 APN: 4270-010-033 TRA: LOAN NO: XXXXX8525 REF: Power, Brian IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROP-ERTY OWNER: YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED November 15, 2004. UN-LESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On August 15, 2007, at 10:00am, Cal-Western Reconveyance Corpora-tion, as duly appointed trustee under and pursu-ant to Deed of Trust recorded November 22, 2004, as Inst. No. 04 3017251 in book XX, page XX of Official Records in the office of the County Re-corder of Los Angeles County, State of California, executed by Brian Power, will sell at public auc-tion to highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan as-sociation, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state: At the West side of the Los Angeles County Court-house, Southeast District, 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, California, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County and State described as: Completely described in said deed of trust The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 2405 34th Street Unit 4, Santa Monica, CA 90405. The un-dersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be held, but without covenant or war-ranty, express or implied, regarding title, posses-sion, condition or encumbrances, including fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to pay the remaining principal sums of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust. The total amount of the un-paid balance of the obligation secured by the property to be sold and reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is: \$564,348.79. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the success-ful bidder shall have no further recourse. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a writ-en declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of De-fault and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located. For sales information: Mon-Fri 9:00am to 4:00pm (619) 590-1221. Cal-Western Reconveyance Corporation, 525 East Main Street, P.O. Box 22004, El Cajon, CA 92022-9004 Dated: July 23, 2007 Trustee Sale Officer: Wendy V Perry. (R-147445 07/26/07, 08/02/07, 08/09/07)

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