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THE YOU READY TO ROCK? ISSUE

Officials raise red flag over Bike Action Plan

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE The plan that is supposed to guide the roll-out of bicycle infrastructure in Santa Monica has won a great deal of acclaim since the City Council approved it in November 2011.

It has received two planning awards from the Los Angeles and state chapters of the American Planning Association, and staff attended a meeting of the bicycle minds in Vancouver, Canada in part to discuss aspects of Santa Monica's Bike Action Plan.

Bicycle activists and staffers alike, however, worry that despite the widespread praise, the Bike Action Plan may be losing critical funding at a time that it needs it the most.

On June 12, the Santa Monica City Council approved a series of adjustments to its two-year budget that reflected both the changing economic climate and the ever-worsening conditions in funding from the state level.

In the capital improvement budget, which funds infrastructure projects like new streets and sewers, $300,000 that many had expected to be available for new bike lanes and other connections was gone.

Money for bike parking had been slashed by $90,000 in the 2012-13 year, the funding increasing slowly to $150,000 by 2016-17.

In the budget approved in 2011, staff had put aside $150,000 for bike parking every year through 2015-16.

On top of that, matching funds for grants that had been planned for before the City Council had approved the Bike Action Plan were now being taken out of the $1.2 million set aside when the council approved it in November. City officials who developed the plan said that was not the original intention.

The accumulation of funding changes caused Richard McKinnon, a planning commissioner and vocal supporter of the bike plan, to send a flurry of e-mails in advance

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MAKE SURE IT'S SAFE: **Mariel Lougee, of Venice, secures her bicycle at a bike corral located on Main Street on Wednesday. The corral was installed in place of a parking spot to allow multiple cyclists to leave their bikes in a location close to shops and businesses.**

Democratic campaigns cope with Durkee fallout

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE As election season gets underway in California, Democrats running at the local, state and even federal level will be working doubly hard to patch holes in their campaigns' hulls left in the wake of treasurer-turned-embezzler Kinde Durkee.

Durkee and her company, Durkee & Associates, specialized in providing accounting and campaign reporting services for mostly Democratic political committees for state and federal offices, as well as local elections in Santa Monica.

In March, she confessed to stealing $7 million from at least 50 of the accounts under her care, including that of City Council candidate and incumbent Terry O'Day and the Committee to Protect Community and Schools, a local organization formed to support the half cent sales tax passed in 2010, also known as Proposition Y.

Durkee also acted as treasurer for Rent Control Board candidate Chris Braun and Santa Monicans for Quality Government, a developer-backed group that got involved in the 2010 election.

According to court documents, Durkee used the money to pay for her mother's assisted living center as well as Durkee's own mortgages and other bills.

State and local law dictate that despite the fact that Durkee victimized the campaigns, they cannot raise money from donors that have given the maximum in the past.

The City Council recently raised that amount to $325 for City Council and Rent Control Board races.

Although big name candidates like Dianne Feinstein lost millions to Durkee's theft, it's smaller campaigns that may find themselves in a bind, said Hal Dash, CEO of campaign consulting group Cerrell & Associates.

"Feinstein lost $5 million, and I don't want to belittle that, but she has national reach and she's a candidate that (people) identify with and support strongly," Dash said. "Small, local, Assembly and other races where money is harder to come by, it's going

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Santa Monica Pier
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Take a mental voyage to Australia by listening to powerful and unique Australian music presented at this fifth installment of this year's Twilight Concert Series. Musicians such as Kasey Chambers, Matt Ellis and D Henry Fenton will be performing. For more information, call (310) 458-8901.

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Photographing music
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The Aussies are coming

Kasey Chambers headlines a crew of singer-songwriters from Down Under at tonight's free pier concert

BY COLIN NEWTON
Special to the Daily Press

SM PIER When you hear "Australia," most people think of kangaroos and koalas; what they might not necessarily think of is the country's healthy country music movement.

Singer-songwriter Kasey Chambers, who will headline tonight's Twilight Concert Series show at the Santa Monica Pier, admits that Australians playing American music might seem a bit odd.

"The term that is used is Americana," Chamber said. "I think it must be weird for an Australian to come over to America and play American-type music."

And yet, the music of artists like Lucinda Williams, Jimmie Rogers and Townes Van Zandt has been a part of Chambers' life since she was a girl growing up in the Australian Outback with her family.

"We really had no other form of entertainment because we weren't really in touch with any form of civilization at all, so music was all we had," she said. "My dad would sit around the campfire at night and play old country songs like Hank Williams, that sort of thing."

That sort of thing became Chambers' musical education.

Nine years later, the Chambers clan returned to "civilization" to break into the music industry. After playing with her family for a while, Chambers broke out on her own with 2000's "The Captain." And, numerous albums, accolades and awards later, she's still going strong. Her latest album, "Storybook," is the culmination of her career so far, a collection of covers of some of the country artists that have inspired her music and her life, which was released in Australia the same day as her autobiography, "A Little Bird Told Me."

"I just wanted to pay tribute. It was a bit of a thank you really," she said of "Storybook." "A lot of the music on there has shaped the person I am."

Chambers is kicking off the album's tour on the Santa Monica Pier this week.

"I'm looking forward to that. That'll be a

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HOT SHOTS

Fabian Lewkowicz *FabianLewkowicz.com*

Frederico Lynch, 13, Morgan Jarow, 10, and Andrea Perez, 12, take photos from the Pacific Park Ferris wheel on the Santa Monica Pier during Santa Monica Bay Human Relations Council's Kids With Cameras Summer Photo Workshop on Wednesday afternoon.

State officials close to completing review of special funds

JUDY LIN
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. State finance officials on Friday hope to complete a much-anticipated review of hundreds of special funds that was started after the California parks department underreported $53.8 million in two accounts.

Gov. Jerry Brown's administration is reconciling the amounts in all the state's 560 special funds, which receive money directly from users, to make sure the balances match what has been reported to the finance department and the state controller. Finance spokesman H.D. Palmer said Wednesday the review is expected to be completed by the end of the week.

"We're going to have an extremely thorough explanation of what we found and what the differences are of significance and the reasons for those differences," he said.

Meanwhile, the attorney general's office is investigating the Department of Parks and Recreation to determine why agency officials deliberately underreported the money in two special funds.

U-T San Diego reported in its online edition Wednesday that finance officials were alerted to discrepancies in state park funds 15 years ago. The controller's office pointed out "significant variations in what was being reported by the parks departments as far back as 1997-98," Jacob Roper, a spokesman for the controller's office, told the newspaper by email.

Roper said the controller's office found discrepancies in other departments, as well. He did not immediately return a request for comment from The Associated Press on Wednesday.

The alerts to the finance department stopped in 2003, when Democrat Steve Westly was in charge of the controller's office. A telephone message left for Westly was not returned.

Palmer told U-T San Diego that the current finance staff does not know how the discrepancy reports from the controller were handled nearly a decade ago.

"In terms of looking at special funds, in terms of a long look back, we're not looking through the rearview mirror," Palmer told the U-T. "We're looking through the windshield in working with the controller's office to reconcile these types of fund balance questions."

California's $91.3 billion general fund budget is generated largely through income, sales and corporate taxes. It spends another $39.4 billion through special funds, which receive money from taxes and fees for such things as recycling beverage containers, registering vehicles and renewing driver's licenses.

While the parks scandal focused on alle-

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Solutions to save

Editor:

In the July 21 edition of the Santa Monica Daily Press ("Community speaks up for post office") it seems that the closing of the Fifth Street post office is a foregone conclusion. I, like everyone I have spoken to, hope it is not.

It seems that the United States Postal Service has a knack for shooting itself in the foot in its attempts to cut costs and stem its negative cash flow. The primary profitable component of the Postal Service is first class mail, yet its cost-cutting measures have resulted in making this product segment less consumer friendly as in reducing the number of convenient neighborhood post office boxes.

Closing the Santa Monica Fifth Street post office is not a proper solution to the woes of the USPS. The predicament in which the Postal Service finds itself is caused by labor cost/pensions and subsidies in handling certain types of mail.

According to the Postal Service, closing the Fifth Street location would result in a net savings of approximately $2.6 million over a 10-year period, and the sale of the property could likely result in adding another $10 million sometime during that time frame. To retire its $25 billion deficit, the USPS would have to close 1,985,000 such facilities, each resulting in an average savings/income of $12.6 million, so one can easily see the folly of this course of action.

The real long-term solution is to reduce labor and resulting pension costs and reduce the subsidies for bound printed matter which can be mailed for as little as 1 cent per ounce.

Reducing the bound printed matter subsidy is a simple matter and will not have near the negative impact on the public or commerce as it would have a decade ago prior to widespread availability of the Internet.

Reducing labor and its resulting pension costs will require reducing the number of USPS employees. How can this be done without further impacting service? One way might be to require every multi-unit property to install a central mailbox to be located at the front of the property. This would, as in the case of my residence, eliminate the need for USPS delivery personnel to walk a total of 260 feet to deliver mail to the seven units in my building. In a densely populated city such as Santa Monica I suspect that such a modification could result in a 50 percent reduction in time to deliver a route, thereby eliminating the need for 50 percent of the delivery personnel. Over the same 10-year period referred to by the USPS, most of the excess personnel could be reduced through normal attrition.

The closing of the Fifth Street post office and relocation of its services to Seventh Street will not solve the problem and will only inconvenience first-class mail users, further exacerbating the problem.

Joseph Palazzolo
Santa Monica





Life Matters

JoAnne Barge & Katrina Davy Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Friends with benefits may not be beneficial

DEAR LIFE MATTERS,

I'm a 19-year-old girl of East Indian and African decent. I had a daughter recently and her dad, also 19 and of East Indian descent, got deported before I even found out I was pregnant. He asked me to come to his country and marry him, but I have to wait a few months. We have also been on and off due to his infidelity.

Meanwhile this other guy and I started getting close. The man I was supposed to marry had a girlfriend who called me: he said he would explain but went M.I.A. for six weeks.

During this time my guy friend started coming over more and more. He knows that I like him and I was starting to get over my child's father. He liked me too but he said that he wasn't ready for a relationship so we just remained friends. Then we started becoming friends with benefits. We started and it was amazing, but he refused to kiss me.

Then one day I acted strange because I realized my emotions were getting out of control. He was really concerned about me and kept asking me what was on my mind. I should have told him that it felt really bad to me, but instead I acted like a total jerk and then told him we should call off our arrangement. He seemed totally cool with it. We talked a couple of times after that and then he cut me off! He told me how I made him feel really bad that day and he is now saying he doesn't want to be friends anymore.

My guy friends say that it looks like he started getting feelings for me and decided to bolt. He is not the type of guy to just cut me off because he got what he wanted; I'm the second girl he ever had sex with.

But why not be friends? He keeps acting as if I offended him and keeps saying he should just disappear. I'm really torn up about this. I need advice. Please help me understand why he is behaving this way and what I can do to get us back to being friends.

Signed,
Torn up

DEAR TORN UP,

I understand why you are feeling bad. Your situation is confusing and you obviously became attached to your "friend with benefits."

I am not so sure this is an idea that really works so well. Open marriages end, for the most part, in divorce or in need of serious counseling. Very few pulled that off.

Friends are perhaps a little less emotionally involved, at least in the beginning, but sex is a very intimate act. There are multiple reasons why this might be true, but generally speaking women get attached when they have sex. Some men do too but they can have sex much more freely without feeling an attachment.

Your friend may have been avoiding feelings by not kissing you or it may be an indication that he never had them. It may have been strictly sex for him.

From your description, it does sound like he is sensitive and if he says you upset him and made him feel like he should disappear, then he must have gotten hurt. If you can trust your other guy friends to tell you the truth, then the messages he sent must have said quite a lot for them to conclude that he was developing feelings and bolted when he got too close or got hurt.

However, don't forget that there is also the pending husband that might make him keep his distance. Perhaps he cannot be just friends? Once you have been intimate, it's difficult to go back.

It really sounds to me like you need to get yourself straightened out a bit. What is it that you really want? What does sex mean to you? Are you being cautious enough with both yourself and sex? You already are a single mother at 19; not an easy task. I can't help but wonder if you were having safe sex?

There are so many sexually transmitted diseases out there now and also, there has been a 200 percent increase in new HIV cases for your age group in the U.S.

I really recommend that you think seriously about who you are and what you want. When you are clear about this, then perhaps you can approach your guy friend again if he is still someone you want to be with. He may also trust an involvement with you more at this point.

Good luck. Hope this helps.

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Robert Morrison
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Counterfeiting money — and marriage at once

I MET WITH A GOOD FRIEND IN THE U.S. Secret Service recently. We had breakfast and talked over money, specifically, United States currency. There are innumerable ways to counterfeit American bills, he said, so they have agents to study the many kinds of counterfeits.

What they study most carefully, however, is what constitutes true money. That way, the Secret Service agents can put the counterfeit next to the true and the difference jumps out. Hundreds and 50s, not surprisingly, are among the most counterfeited of U.S. bills. It's easiest to pass these counterfeit bills in fast food restaurants and big box stores. There, cashiers may be young, inexperienced and working for minimum wage.

American money is important not just to Americans, but also to people around the world. According to my friend, as much as two-thirds of all our currency is circulating outside the continental U.S. This is another source of American exceptionalism. Lots of people around the world may not like America, they may be mad at the current administration or at the previous administration, but they sure do like our money. North Korea, not surprisingly, likes our money so much, they try to print it themselves.

In many foreign money exchanges, say, the Philippines, for example, the cashiers have to be very careful. If they take one bad $100 bill, they might be forgiven by their managers. But if they take two, they could find the totals deducted from their meager take-home pay. So, when they detect counterfeit bills, such cashiers are likely to put up a sign: NO U.S. HUNDREDS (OR 50S) ACCEPTED. That's a practical application of Gresham's Law: Bad money drives out good.

Marriage works like that, too. In northern Europe, researcher Stanley Kurtz found, when governments began to counterfeit marriage by forcing people to accept same-sex couplings as marriages, we saw the total number of true marriages dropping. Counterfeit marriages drove out true.

Here in the U.S., law professor Jonathan Turley responds to critics of same-sex couplings being recognized as marriages: "I know they say it will lead to polygamy, well, I'm for that." GWU professor Turley was wildly cheered by the audience at Washington, D.C.'s Newseum. His listeners were congressional staffers, federal clerks and, of course, journalists.

That's tragic, but not surprising. My Secret Service friend told me that those who handle lots of counterfeit bills have trouble recognizing the difference between true and counterfeit.

The debate over marriage is really a debate over counterfeit and true. The original blond bombshell, Mae West understood what was at stake better than many journalists and lawmakers do today: "Marriage is a great institution. I'm just not ready for an institution." She got a laugh. People then understood that marriage was indeed an institution.

THE ONLY PLACES IN THE U.S. THAT HAVE LEGALIZED SAME-SEX COUPLINGS ARE THOSE WHERE THE LIBERAL JUDGES AND POLITICIANS DO NOT DARE LET THE PEOPLE VOTE ON MARRIAGE.

And it's in grave jeopardy today. The only places in the U.S. that have legalized same-sex couplings are those where the liberal judges and politicians do not dare let the people vote on marriage. Wherever the people have voted — even in liberal Hawaii, Oregon, California and Wisconsin — they have powerfully affirmed true marriage.

In the South, black and white voters came together to powerfully defend true marriage. North Carolina was the last of the states of the old confederacy to vote for marriage. Tarheel State voters last May recorded a 61 percent landslide for true marriage. They voted with Billy Graham and against Bill Clinton. Imagine that.

Four years ago, Barack Obama said marriage was between one man and one woman. And he added, for the benefit of the Rev. Rick Warren's Christian audience, "God is in the mix." Now, we know, President Obama has "evolved" on marriage. And God, apparently, now is out of the mix? By presidential decree? If you're so confident in evolution, Mr. President, let the American people vote on true marriage.

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The Q Line

Smoke signals

The City Council last week decided against a ban on smoking in multi-unit residences. There were concerns that condo owners and medical marijuana smokers were not considered when the proposed ban was conceived.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
Should the council reconsider the ban or did it go too far to begin with?

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Why one person's junk is another's TV obsession

MELISSA RAYWORTH
For The Associated Press

Tracy Hutson wanders through a graveyard of ovens that haven't roasted a turkey or baked a ham since decades before she was born. Picking through their discarded parts, she muses: "The rust on this is just so gorgeous."

Her "Picker Sisters" partner, Tanya McQueen, agrees — yet another item to bargain for, purchase and turn into a high-end piece of furniture on their Lifetime network TV series.

You'll find a similar pair of women, the "Junk Gypsies," doing much the same thing over at HGTV. And these two pairs are not alone.

The list of television shows about hunting for elusive treasure amid mountains of discarded stuff keeps growing like a suburban landfill. At least three new entries are premiering this summer, adding to the already double-digit roster of shows about "pickers" and pawn shop owners and people who bid for the contents of storage containers.

Why, especially when we're so overloaded with our own clutter and junk, are we so fascinated with the search through other people's castoffs?

THE RUSH OF REMEMBERING

Jordan Hembrough, host of "Toy Hunter," which premieres Aug. 15 on the Travel Channel, believes people love junk-hunting shows because they reconnect us with a time we like to remember as simpler and happier.

We recognize items instantly, from toys to household goods to advertising signage. Previous generations of Americans kept things longer, and there was less to choose from when you did buy new: Many of us had the same CorningWare coffee pot, the same Fisher-Price toys as our neighbors.

Items designed in the 1950s and 1960s "are from a period that consciously looked to the future," says Allen Topolski, associate professor of art at the University of Rochester. It was a time of optimism, and although "we never got the jet packs we were promised," we enjoy revisiting that feeling as junk-hunting TV hosts come across this stuff, he says.

This experience won't be the same for future generations because we replace things so frequently today. Young people are also less likely to have the exact same items as their peers. "More choices means less shared history," says John Baick, associate professor of history at Western New England University, in Springfield, Mass.

So why do even viewers in their teens and 20s watch these shows?

THE THRILL OF THE HUNT

T.J. Heckman has "been into junk," for nearly all of his 26 years. He, his father and his uncle "used to go out all the time just picking up stuff. I remember when I was 6 years old bringing home a kitchen table on my bicycle."

In his work as a delivery truck driver in the Pittsburgh area, he's constantly scouting roadsides for anything potentially fun or useful. He loves bringing things home, and loves watching these shows for the excitement of scoring something awesome at little or no cost.

"The stuff today being made is garbage compared to the stuff back then," Heckman says. "They took their time and put effort into making it."

Craig Dalen, who coordinates sustainability programs at Messiah College in Grantham, Pa., sees this as a strong explanation for the popularity of these shows. "Many goods now are designed to break down and need to be replaced, and our desires are socially engineered to want more, better, the latest. I think some are rediscovering the value in these goods because of the craftsmanship and the materials."

Heckman says he is happy when a TV host can find and repurpose an old table or chair — revealing its enduring value and returning it to daily life.

Television, of course, reliably delivers those satisfying moments. Through editing, these shows offer "very clever storytelling," Baick says. Something well-made and worthwhile is always uncovered. "Like the hunt for the Holy Grail, in all the accounts it ends up being a humble cup of tremendous value," he says. For viewers in homes filled with everyday items, "this is kind of magical, that you can turn lead into gold" if you have a discerning-enough eye.

Two shows that premiered last month — PBS' "Market Warriors" (from the producers of "Antiques Roadshow") and the "American

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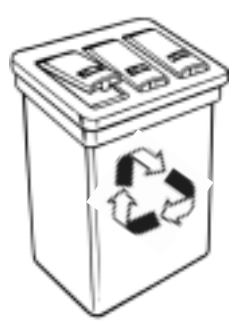

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Critics say 'Vertigo' trumps 'Citizen Kane' as best flick

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NEW YORK Alfred Hitchcock has finally usurped Orson Welles.

Hitchcock's "Vertigo" took the top spot in the 10 greatest-movies-ever list compiled by Sight & Sound, ending the 50-year run for Welles' "Citizen Kane." The magazine, published by the British Film Institute, surveys international film critics every decade.

"Citizen Kane" slid to second, making way for Hitchcock's 1958 psychological drama starring James Stewart and Kim Novak. "Vertigo" edged "Citizen Kane" by 34 votes in the poll, which gathered lists from 846 critics, programmers, academics and distributors.

"Vertigo" has gradually inched up the poll in recent decades, as Hitchcock's thriller has steadily grown in stature since its initial mixed reception.

The list also includes a new addition: Dziga Vertov's "Man With a Movie Camera," coming in at eighth place. It's the first documentary to make the list since it was founded in 1952.

Yasujiro Ozu's "Tokyo Story" ranked third, followed by Jean Renoir's "The Rules of the Game"; F.W. Murnau's "Sunrise"; Stanley Kubrick's "2001: A Space Odyssey"; and John Ford's "The Searchers." Carl Dreyer's "The Passion of Joan of Arc" ranks ninth followed by Federico Fellini's "8 1/2."

All of the top 10 were made more than 40 years ago.

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Pickers" spin-off "Picked Off" — raise the bar by merging the junk-hunting genre with competition. "Picked Off" has a $10,000 grand prize, while the "Market Warriors" winner only earns "bragging rights for eclipsing his peers," according to the show's website.

THE DESIRE TO DIY

For the "Picker Sisters" and "Junk Gypsies," it's all about what these found goodies can become. These shows, along with sites like Pinterest, offer fresh and sometimes outrageous ideas for affordable do-it-yourself projects.

Whether many viewers actually try their hand at a project is another question. But it's fun to see someone turn a chipped sink into a flower-filled planter rather than tossing it into a landfill, even if you'll never attempt a similar task.

Although the creation and sale of DIY items via sites like Etsy.com is a trend, "we are also creating in many ways a voyeuristic culture where we can consume the data and information," Dalen says. "It's easy to organize and pin it for a day that it would be nice to do it."

THE HOSTS

The last piece of the puzzle — crucial to any successful TV show — is the characters. Junk-hunting hosts and competitors fall into two major camps: the fierce, take-no-prisoners people who bristle with bravado, and the folksy, charming people you'd love to invite over for dinner.

The friction-filled family on "Pawn Stars" can't close a deal without an argument, while tattooed Darrell Sheets lovingly bumps heads with his son Brandon on "Storage Wars." Mike Wolfe and Frank Fritz, the stars of "American Pickers," invariably incur the biting sarcasm of their office manager, Danielle.

How long will these shows remain popular? Well, there's an awful lot of junk out there. And our national appetite for a voyeuristic peek into other people's attics and basements seems to run deep. (The evil mirror images of these upbeat junk shows are the shows about hoarding, where only misery comes from amassing so much stuff.)

Craig Dalen thinks that as the rate of change in our lives keeps accelerating, our hunger to look back toward an era of relative stability — "this nostalgic kind of grasping onto what we had" — is only likely to grow.

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of the hearing to question the movement of money.

"If we want this program that we've embarked upon to be a leading program, we need to rethink our priorities this evening and give direction to our officials to change it," McKinnon told council members.

Officials say that bike infrastructure is still a top priority, with $5 million put aside for it in the capital improvement budget in 2012-13 alone and another $3 million the following year.

That cash comes from various sources, including grants won by staff for the bicycle programs.

Money was moved around to help City Hall adjust to the loss of the Redevelopment Agency, an entity that funded infrastructure projects through portions of property tax dollars, said Martin Pastucha, the director of Public Works.

With that source of money gone, many projects may be put on hold, including the park directly in front of City Hall and the creation of new affordable housing.

"We had to shuffle funding to meet the community priorities," Pastucha said.

That meant saving the $300,000 that would have been used for bicycle lanes and folding lane painting projects into the annual repaving budget so that bike lanes could be added to their designated streets as workers completed other planned tasks.

The movement of other money, including the bike parking, was required to make Proposition C money stretch over more projects, including grant matches — money that local agencies have to put up to win grants from the state and federal government, Pastucha said.

"How you cobble the money together to provide these matches isn't clean," he said, referencing the numerous pots that have to be tapped in order to create a funding source to win a grant.

The inability to pin down where money is flowing to and from frustrates bicycle activists like Cynthia Rose of Santa Monica Spoke.

Although she heard about some of the funding changes the afternoon before the City Council meeting, she still hasn't been able to track down all the changes.

"All I know is that it's not good and we have lost money," Rose said. "If we have a plan that's so wonderful, why is it happening?"

Some city officials are concerned that moving money around now will jeopardize the capacity of the program in the future.

Staff have managed to win $8 million in grant funding that will fund the Bike Action Plan, said Lucy Dyke, the transportation planning manager at City Hall.

If City Hall removes some support, it means that new money will chase old projects, she said.

"Now is the time to keep building on what you had," she said. "I think that there really is a shift in the sense of using money for some future thing or ones that weren't funded to go back and backfill things that were already funded or were funded by grants."

In a way, she said, grants feed on themselves. Once you start working on a project, it makes it that much easier to get the next pot of money to start another one.

That's why she's concerned about the fact that the new budget proposes putting up over $1 million as a match for a bike share program which Dyke believed would be funded by City Hall.

Bike shares allow residents to check out bicycles to use around the city, keeping them out of cars.

The opportunity arose to get the bike share program in place before its original 2016 start date, and officials jumped at the chance to do so.

What they didn't realize was that it meant that money they thought had been promised for the grant match needed to pay for the program hadn't yet been set aside because it was originally supposed to happen in 2016.

"Now we ask for the bike share grant to be moved up, and we have to provide the grant money," Dyke said. "At least a portion of that is coming from the $2.5 million. There may or may not be money available for the next grant."

While pieces of the Bike Action Plan, like striping, may go on in a more limited way — a fact which comes with its own problems, in Dyke's opinion — she fears that bigger, more difficult projects may not get off the ground.

"A lot of people wanted separate bike facilities that are expensive and hard to plan," Dyke said. "A cycle track is never something that's going to be cheap and easy and one that you can do with a coat of paint."

If you ask April Economides, taking money from bike infrastructure is one of the worst decisions city government can make.

Economides is a principal with Green Octopus Consulting, and she makes her living making a business case for bicycles.

Getting more people on bicycles can increase traffic at local businesses, improve health and happiness and create new jobs, and she's seen it in Long Beach, the town where she lives and works.

Long Beach has a lot of aspects that aren't particularly progressive, Economides will be the first to admit, but in bicycles, the city is ahead of Santa Monica.

The progress on bicycle infrastructure has brought media attention, 18 new bicycle-related businesses and large conference, complete with tourists and hotel guests.

"The real proof is in the economic putting," Economides said.

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gations that top employees purposely underreported the amount in two special funds, it also raised questions about basic government accounting. The amount of money in special funds that is used by the finance department to fashion the annual state budget can differ considerably from the amount of money the controller's office says is in the funds.

Palmer said different bookkeeping procedures and different times when an expense is logged account for some of the discrepancies between the balances.

For example, the two sets of balances for the state's Mental Health Services Fund, which is funded by a tax on millionaires to assist the mentally ill, are off by $570 million. However, $470 million of that was the result of the finance department subtracting money already allocated to local governments, while the controller logged the check at a later date.

"The money still went out the door, but it was an issue of timing," Palmer said. "That doesn't mean there's a half a billion sitting around not being spent on mental health

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to be an obstacle."

O'Day's campaign is certainly feeling the pinch.

According to a court filing from 2011, O'Day's account went from $16,333.76 to $152.51, putting him back at square one in terms of fundraising.

"We're rebuilding all of that funding. It just kind of takes the air out of your sails to have something like that happen," O'Day said.

O'Day doesn't have much hope that his campaign will be able to recoup any of the money, although he has responded to the various court filings in order to preserve any rights he might have.

The Committee to Protect Community and Schools lost approximately $18,000, said Tom Larmore, a local land use attorney who was the contact for the Proposition Y campaign.

Although the organization had no plans to be active in this year's election, they were going to use the money to give bonuses to staff and volunteers who had gone above and beyond, Larmore said.

Now they have a much smaller pool of money to pull from.

"It was so unexpected," Larmore said. "She was such a well-recognized treasurer."

Even Dash had used her for campaigns in the past, although no money seems to have gone missing from those, he said.

In the past, Larmore had always had treasurers that he knew, but a campaign consultant had recommended Durkee. Both he and O'Day will return to that practice in the future.

For this race, O'Day tapped Debbie Mulvaney, the former Santa Monica High School PTA president, for the treasurer spot.

"I had to find a new campaign treasurer and I did," O'Day said. "So I got that taken care of, and (now) I'm starting from zero raising money again."

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bit of fun."

Chambers will be joined by Sydney-born, Los Angeles-based, singer-songwriter Matt Ellis. Ellis' most recent musical offering was also some cover work, in this case, a single version of the Iggy Pop radio hit "Candy," performed as a duet with his wife, Vavine — although the duo has given the punky pop song a countrified twang.

"It's something we've been playing with for a while," he said. "We just wanted to get it out there."

A mash-up between Iggy Pop and pedal steel guitars might not seem so unusual when you consider Ellis' background.

"My roots were in skate punk," Ellis said of his youth skating around the streets of Sydney with his friends. "We started a band out of that, and I stayed with it."

After moving around between Australia, New Zealand and Hong Kong, Ellis settled in Los Angeles, where he's been both a performer and a spectator. Ellis has attended the free concerts at the pier before, but always in the audience. He's looking forward to "being on the other side of the fence" this year.

"I'm bringing in a seven-piece band," Ellis said. "We're doing it proper."

Rounding out the proper set is D Henry Fenton, whose newest album "Turnin'" comes out later this August. Fenton will open the concert on the pier, after taking the top spot in the Opening Act Competition sponsored by the Australian Consulate.

"I'm really excited, it's exciting to be playing there," Fenton said. "It's Australia Rocks the Pier, so we'll probably rock it a little."



CHAMBERS

Unlike Chambers, Fenton's father was less than supportive of his dreams of being a professional musician, despite his own connection to the industry. Fenton's father used to manage bands back in Australia.

"I got to see a lot of bands growing up," Fenton said.

Fenton said that his father has since cooled his negative attitude.

"The more I achieved, the more he started to relax about me going into that world," he said.

Fenton is thrilled to be playing with headliner Kasey Chambers.

"I've seen her a few times," he said. "She really knows how to work a crowd."

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services."

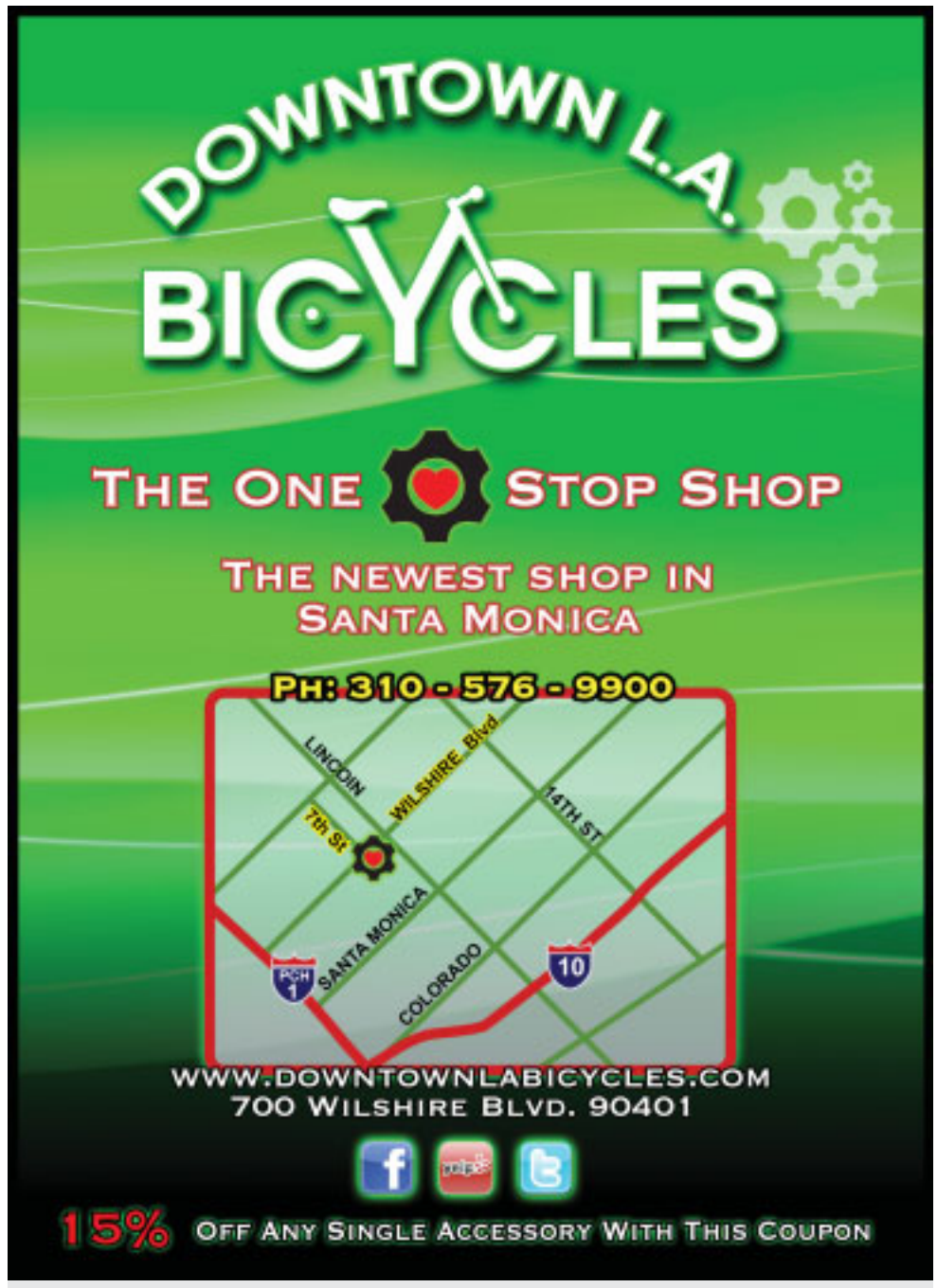
Recent accounting tricks used by state lawmakers to balance budget deficits also have made it more complicated for finance officials to reconcile the two sets of numbers. In one case, the state pushed back its last payroll day of the fiscal year by one day, from June 30 to July 1, to achieve a budget savings on paper.

On July 20, state Natural Resources Agency Secretary John Laird, whose agency oversees the parks department, revealed that the parks department sat on $53.8 million in surplus money dating back 12 years even as the state was threatening to shut 70 parks because of its ongoing budget crisis.

A preliminary investigation showed the parks department underreported two funds as far back as 2000.

The state parks and recreation fund, which is generated from park fees and rentals, held $20.4 million more than was reported. The off-highway vehicle fund, which is generated from registering all-terrain vehicles, held $33.5 million more than reported.

Parks Director Ruth Coleman stepped down, and her chief deputy, Michael Harris, was let go. Coleman maintains she was unaware of the surplus.





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An unlawful detainer action is very stressful. Also, the tenant would have the expense of litigation costs and probably attorney fees. A tenant does not have to retain an attorney to defend an unlawful detainer action, but it would be very wise to do so.

If a tenant loses an unlawful detainer case, the tenant would be evicted and owe all of the back rent and possibly the landlord's attorney fees and litigation costs. Further, the unlawful detainer judgment would probably appear on the tenant's credit reports as well as reports kept by landlord agencies which could make it difficult to rent a new home in the future.

For all of the above reasons, a tenant should never withhold any rent.

GIVE LANDLORD A LIST IN WRITING

The first thing a tenant should do is give the landlord a list in writing of items which need to be repaired. The list should be hand-delivered or mailed to the landlord. The tenant must keep a copy of that list and keep track of when and how the list was delivered to the landlord (the specific date when the list was mailed or hand-delivered).

A tenant must give the landlord a reasonable period to make repairs. What is a "reasonable period" is defined on a case by case basis. Usually, a tenant should give the landlord 30 days to make repairs. But, if the condition is serious (i.e.: no electricity, no hot water, hole in the roof), a reasonable time would be much shorter.

A tenant should list all items which need repair, in detail. Failure to notify the landlord of a specific problem may prevent a tenant from being compensated later for the defective condition.

CONTACT GOVERNMENT INSPECTORS

If the landlord does not make the repairs within a reasonable period, the tenant should contact appropriate government inspectors.

In Santa Monica, the first office to be contacted should be the Santa Monica Code Compliance Department: (310) 458-4984. The Code Compliance Department will not come to a rental unit to perform a general inspection. The tenant must have a specific list of items which need repair.

In addition to the Code Compliance Department, a tenant should call the County of Los Angeles Department of Health Services. To arrange for an inspection, a Santa Monica tenant would call: (310) 665-8484.

The advantage of government inspectors is that the government agency may order the landlord to make repairs. Also, if the tenant is in trial with the landlord (or a hearing with the Santa Monica Rent Control Board), the government inspectors' reports may be admissible as evidence.

PETITION FOR RENT DECREASE

If the landlord does not make the required repairs, a tenant may file a petition for rent decrease. The petition is filed with the Santa Monica Rent Control Board, located in Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Room 202, Santa Monica, CA 90401; (310) 458-8751. The petition for rent decrease may be filed 30 to 180 days after service of the written notice to the landlord of items which need repair.

If the petition is granted, the rent will be reduced. But, the rent reduction is prospective (from that point forward). The Rent Control Board does not have the authority to award any money to compensate the tenant for past conditions or reduced services.

SMALL CLAIMS COURT

If a tenant wishes to be compensated for the defective conditions or reduced services in the past, the tenant would have to file a lawsuit. A suit could be filed in superior court. Although an attorney is not required for superior court, it is likely that the landlord would retain an attorney. When one party has an attorney and the other does not, it is a big advantage. If the tenant retains an attorney, the expenses might make such a suit in superior court impractical.

Usually, the most economical way to proceed is to file a lawsuit in small claims court. A person can sue in small claims court for up to $7,500.00. And, there are no attorneys in small claims court. Thus, the expenses are greatly reduced.

CONSULT WITH AN ATTORNEY

Even if the tenant is not going to retain an attorney on a full-time basis, it is usually a good idea to at least have a consultation with a tenants' rights attorney, especially before filing suit in small claims court or filing a petition for rent decrease.

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Michael Jackson's siblings resume attack on his will

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LOS ANGELES More than three years after Michael Jackson's death, his youngest brother continues to raise questions about the validity of the pop superstar's will.

On Twitter and cable TV, Randy Jackson has called the five-page document signed in 2002 a fake. The one place he hasn't made the claims is a courtroom, where legal experts say he faces almost insurmountable hurdles to invalidate the will and stiff odds against ousting the men who run the lucrative estate.

In a recent letter, Randy Jackson and three of his siblings called on Jackson's estate executors to resign and renewed claims that the will is a fake.

The letter states the family was too overwhelmed after the singer's death to meaningfully challenge the will that gave only family matriarch Katherine Jackson and Michael's three children — Prince, 15, Paris, 14, and Blanket, 10 — a stake in the estate.

"At that time we couldn't possibly fathom what is so obvious to us now: that the Will, without question, it's Fake, Flawed and Fraudulent," the letter originally signed by Randy, Jermaine, Janet and Rebbie Jackson states.

On Wednesday, Jermaine Jackson rescinded his support for the letter and said it never should have been made public.

The delayed challenge likely dooms any effort to invalidate the will. Even if it was thrown out, it would not alter the stake received by the King of Pop's three children, experts say and an appeals court has noted.

Randy Jackson has since posted on Twitter that he believes the estate is trying to isolate his mother to the detriment of her health. "It is my fear and belief, that they are trying to take my mother's life," Randy Jackson wrote last week.

The estate has denied the accusations. "We are saddened that false and defamatory accusations grounded in stale Internet conspiracy theories are now being made by certain members of Michael's family whom he chose to leave out of his will," it wrote in a statement.

Jermaine Jackson said Wednesday he still has concerns about the estate's operations but realizes "the way to address such matters is through the proper channels and via a private dialogue, not public conflict."

Almost from the moment it was filed, the will has been a topic of controversy for some members of the Jackson family. The pop superstar's father Joe Jackson attempted to get a stipend from the estate, but like his children, he was excluded from any share.

Katherine Jackson explored the possibility of challenging the executors and was given permission by a judge but settled before a full hearing was held.

The document is straightforward and simple, and many key provisions of how Jackson's estate is constructed are set out in a trust. That document has never been publicly released.

Many of the misgivings stem from the will's final page, which bears the signatures of three witnesses who claim Michael Jackson signed the document on July 7, 2002, in Los Angeles. Jackson's family points out that the singer was in New York on that day, a point the Rev. Al Sharpton recently bolstered by showing video of the "Thriller" singer appearing with him at an event in Harlem that day.

"I don't think that kind of extrinsic fraud would be enough to overturn the order admitting the will to probate," said Marshall Oldman, a probate attorney who represented Peter Falk's wife in a conservatorship proceeding.

He said the only valid argument of Jackson's siblings is that they did not receive proper notice that their brother's will had been accepted into probate. Superior Court Judge Mitchell Beckloff accepted the will in November 2009. Any challenge would have had to been filed within four months, Oldman said.

The California 2nd District Court of Appeal noted in an October 2010 ruling against the singer's father that the period to challenge the will had already expired. Even if the will were thrown out, the court noted, California law would require the estate to benefit Michael Jackson's children.

"I don't see how you come in three years later, and say, 'oh, by the way, the will's a fraud, a forgery, because he wasn't in LA when he was purported to be,'" said Howard Klein, a probate attorney for nearly 50 years and partner in the Los Angeles firm Feinberg Mindel Brandt Klein & Kline. "It's something that should have been brought up a long time ago."

Randy Jackson, in comments on Twitter and to Sharpton on his MSNBC show last week, has repeatedly accused the estate's executors of criminal conduct. Both Klein and Oldman said even if the executors were charged with wrongdoing, it wouldn't open the door for more of Jackson's relatives to gain access to the estate.

Jackson's children are deemed his heirs without the will, and a 1997 version lodged with the court but never publicly released also doesn't name the singer's siblings as beneficiaries of his estate.

Klein said even if Jackson or other siblings try to challenge the document, their bid will likely be rejected because it is too late. The judge could also rule, as he did against family patriarch Joe Jackson, that because he isn't a beneficiary of the will, he isn't entitled to contest it.

"It would be a tough sell," Klein said of any effort by another Jackson relative to challenge the will now.

The executors recently informed a judge that there have been $475 million in gross earnings for the estate since Michael Jackson died in June 2009 from an overdose of the powerful anesthetic propofol. Jackson died with more than $500 million in debts, but the earnings have been used to repay many of the singer's creditors and provide a spacious hilltop home for Katherine Jackson and the children along with private schooling, staff, security, vacations and other perks.

Katherine Jackson has requested and the estate is recommending approval of a nearly $35,000 a month increase in her stipend so she can retain her own attorney, accountant and homes in Indiana and Las Vegas, court filings show.

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Jackson Galaxy understands cats

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Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Many cats are tail talkers. If those tails start to twitch and wag, watch out for fangs and claws, warns cat behaviorist Jackson Galaxy.

If you try to pet a cat when its tail is wagging and get bitten, "You had it coming," says Galaxy, who helps solve behavior problems, both human and feline, on his Animal Planet TV show, "My Cat From Hell."

When a cat's angry enough to wag its tail or the fur on its back stands up, its ears flatten and eyes dilate, the owner needs to figure out what's wrong, he says.

Galaxy figures cats and owners equally share the blame for relationships gone wrong, but when it comes to changing behavior, cats are the easier students — by a wide margin.

His house call kit is a guitar case loaded with cat toys and treats. But there's no magic wand in the box, he says. It takes time and hard work. "You get what you give."

Galaxy, 46, has an usual job — and he's an unusual guy. He's 6-foot-5, bald, wears specs and ear hoops, sports a long goatee, prefers bowling shirts and sneakers, has tattoo "sleeves" and has started tats on his legs so that he'll one day have a "full suit."

He plays the guitar, has a degree in acting and has been addicted to drugs, alcohol and food. He's also written an autobiography, "Cat Daddy."

Galaxy was working at an animal shelter in Colorado more than 15 years ago when a man walked in with a cat in a cardboard box. The cat, named Benny, had been hit by a car and was "unbondable," the man said. Benny and Galaxy spent the next 13 years bonding and developing what Galaxy calls "cat mojo."

He had a practice with a holistic vet before moving to Los Angeles in 2007 and opening a private consulting firm. He was at a pet adoption fair when he met the friend of a friend who introduced him to reality TV producer Adam Greener ("Extreme Makeover: Weight Loss Edition"). "My Cat From Hell" began airing in spring 2011. In each episode, viewers witness owners struggling to find domestic harmony with their cats.

Emilie Bandy and Mike Petriello are fans of Galaxy's show. For seven months, they tried to turn their New York City apartment into a peaceful place for their cats, Olive and Pepper, but Olive attacked Pepper every chance she got. They went to the vet, gave Olive doses of Prozac, searched for answers online and in bookstores, slept in separate rooms so they could each care for one cat, and put planning for their September wedding on hold.

"We were genuinely afraid for the cats' lives if we left them together," Bandy said.

When they learned Galaxy was filming season three of "My Cat From Hell" in Manhattan, they made a video and submitted it. Their problem with Olive and Pepper became the summer's first episode. In it, Galaxy:

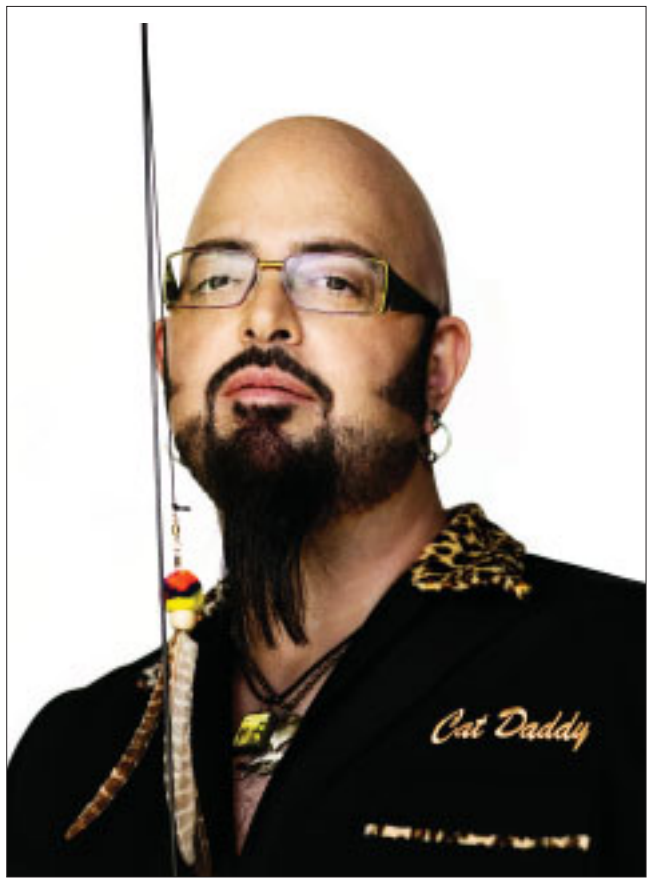
— Gives Olive a food dish with a middle bump so she has to eat around it, ensuring that Pepper finishes and leaves first.

— Shows the couple how to build trees and platforms where Pepper can escape if Olive starts to attack. "Build a vertical world," Galaxy says.

— Tells them to stop running every time Olive whines, scratches or throws a temper tantrum. "Don't positively reinforce bad behavior," he says.

It's been three months since the last catfight. Bandy and Petriello are back in the same bedroom, wedding planning is again in full swing, and the couple spends hours each day playing with both cats in the same room.

The cats may never be fast friends, but they are coexisting — and Pepper's confidence is growing.



GALAXY

Karen "Doc" Halligan of Los Angeles calls Galaxy "fabulous," but acknowledges that he's playing to a tough crowd.

"People do not understand the need to train cats and that they need socialization just as much as dogs. Since they have not been domesticated that long, people just think they are independent and don't need it," says the veterinarian, author, TV consultant and director of veterinary services for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Los Angeles.

Besides the show and his consulting work, Galaxy sells his own line of essence oils and is a board member for Stray Cat Alliance and FixNation in Los Angeles and Neighborhood Cats in New York.

Early on, there were a handful of cases that stumped him, but Galaxy believed then that psychotropic drugs were inappropriate for pets. He's changed his mind.

"Why not use holistic, homeopathic measures? Why not use empathic measures? Why not use traditional Western measures? Why not use acupuncture and Prozac on the same cat?" he asked.

Cats have an attention span of about 3 seconds, so Galaxy believes punishment is pointless. "Count to 10, clean up, forgive and move on," he says. Air in a motion-detecting can is great for disciplining cats the instant they misbehave, he says.

Despite cats' short attention span, there is nothing wrong with their memory, he says. Most cats can be taught almost anything, he says, but he doesn't believe a cat should be taught to walk on a leash or jump through hoops just to satisfy an owner. Most cats will feel the same way, he says, but some will enjoy the lessons and the activities.

Galaxy's tattoos include 15 cats (Benny will be on his leg) but he also has three real ones, along with a blind dog.

Does he think cats will one day become doglike and gather in parks, take obedience classes, share play dates and go surfing?

"I totally hope not," he says. "I love cats for who they are. I want everyone to embrace what I call the raw cat."









Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 66°

Swell Forecast

West facing breaks are looking at waist to at times chest high sets. West facing breaks are looking at knee to waist high surf.

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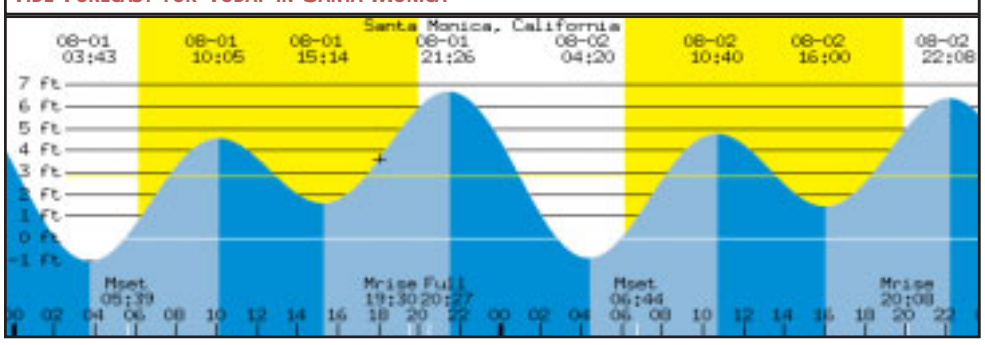

BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of: **July 25, 2012**

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QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 8
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 26 / 16
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 0 / 10

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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
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.	ns	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 Blocker County Beach.	A+	ns
Pearce State Beach at creek mouth.	A	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Pearce Beach, at 21672 Malibu Rd.	C	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location) - daily.	A	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	F	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19648 PCH stairs.	A+	ns
Pena Creek at Los Tunas County Beach.	A+	ns
Topanga 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.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17208 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	ns

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	C	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A+	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	ns
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	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.	A+	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 CBW 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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OLYMPICS

Avoiding spoilers is a sport of its own

LEANNE ITALIE
Associated Press

NEW YORK Mandy Hauck turned 25 on Wednesday, but she's avoiding Facebook and her happy birthday messages to steer clear of Olympic spoilers about her favorite sport, fencing.

Hauck has also deleted her iPhone apps for CNN and ESPN, opting for news from the London Games the old-fashioned way, via TV coverage that's time-delayed by NBC for prime time.

The network is making live streams of the action available in real time online. Hauck's hanging tough, though, in favor of doing actual work during the day as the marketing communications manager for a software company in Atlanta, a job that requires her to stay on Twitter while she attempts to stay away from its main page and trending topics.

"I enjoy the experience of sitting with my family and friends in front of the television and cheering for the athletes as if they were competing live," said Hauck, a former college fencer who has been following two-time American gold medalist Mariel Zagunis in London. "It's much more entertaining and enjoyable that way!"

It's also incredibly difficult with social media in full flower. Olympic spoilers have people turning off phone alerts, hiding their iPads and shushing co-workers in search of simpler times, when screaming at the TV during nail-biting competition was a sport unto itself.

Pervasive spoilers even solicited an apology from NBC's Olympics executive producer, Jim Bell. He tweeted a mea culpa for a Monday night gaffe, when the network ran a "Today" show teaser with swimmer Missy Franklin showing off her gold medal — just before the network aired the race where she won it.

While angry tweeters have taken to — yes, Twitter — to grouse about spoilers, Paul Redfern at Gettysburg College in Pennsylvania has entered what he calls "my Olympic dark period" on social media. That's not an easy thing when your job description includes overseeing social media engagement. He's also the dad of two young kids.

"Watching the prime-time broadcast is a family tradition," he said. "The Summer Olympics are almost always on for part of our vacation and we always gather as a family to watch each evening."

Redfern is leaving the tweeting on behalf of the college to another person in the office for the duration.

Lisa McTigue in Los Angeles is a former competitive swimmer who truly loves sitting down to soak up the Olympics on TV. Unfortunately, she's also an Internet marketing consultant who can't do her job without Facebook, Twitter and other social media.

"All the excitement I have felt for the Olympics in previous years is completely gone," she said. "In previous years, I felt inspired to get back in the pool. This year, that inspiration and excitement is — meh."

Despite complaints, NBC's corporate owners said Wednesday that they expect to break even on the London games after once predicting they'd take a $200 million loss. On Tuesday night, 38.7 million people tuned in.

Count Rob Holliday among the Olympic traditionalists. He, too, has turned off push alerts and kept Twitter and Facebook use to a minimum. He's also avoiding major online news sites and turns off the radio and TV when anchors issue Olympic spoiler alerts.

"I thought it was a fairly airtight plan," he said. "After jumping through all those technological hoops, I walked in to my daughter's pediatrician's office only to hear a woman say, "'Guess what? Team USA won the gold in women's gymnastics!' Argh!!"

Graduate student Shraddha Sankhe, who's spending the summer in Washington, D.C., as a communications intern for a nonprofit, considers it mission impossible to avoid Olympic spoilers, so he's going with it.

He's been plugging in to social media big time to follow results and watching live feeds online. "It doesn't make sense to wait for the results to be 'seen' on network television a few hours later," Sankhe said. "Internet more than makes up for a cable subscription these days for students like me."

Sankhe caught the opening ceremony live via BBC One using a link forwarded by friends on Twitter.

Olympic purist Jennifer Chang in Saratoga, Calif., can't afford to go dark online due to her communications job for a medical research foundation. But she's curating the Twitter feeds she follows. She's temporarily dumping the ones that are spilling news without spoiler warnings in favor of those using the broadest terms possible to announce results while providing links to details within a tweet.

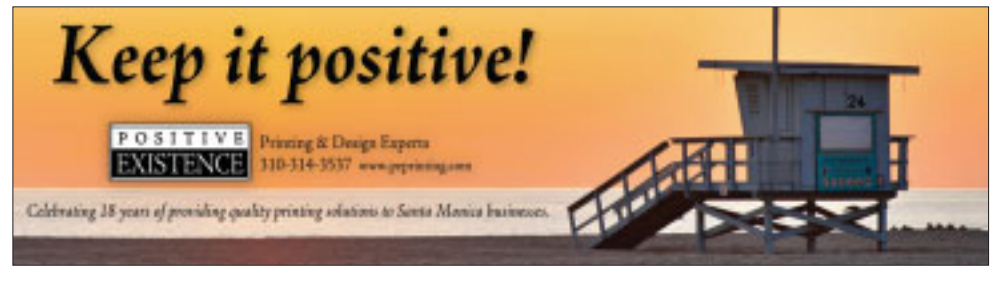
That, she said, leaves it up to her to link for further news while staying in touch online. "I appreciate that greatly."

Some Twitter fanatics are taking full advantage of filters available on Tweetdeck and other tools used to organize feeds.

Beth Laughlin, a former competitive gymnast, has gone dark on news feeds of all kinds as she intensely follows the sport. But her husband, Will Laughlin, turned out to be the spoiler.

"Halfway through my first cup of coffee, a New York Times alert popped up on my iPad: U.S. women win team gold. The words fell out of my mouth before I knew what they meant or could gulp them back down," he said.

"My wife cocked her head sideways in disgust and said, 'You just ruined it!' She still cheered and cried while watching the events unfold on TV, but it really wasn't the same."



MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
(310) 260-1528

From Here to Eternity (NR) 1hr 58min
Love Is a Many-Splendored Thing (NR) 1hr 42min
7:30pm

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade
(888) 262-4386

Amazing Spider-Man (PG-13) 2hrs 16min
1:15pm, 4:40pm, 8:00pm

Dark Knight Rises (PG-13) 2hrs 44min
1:00pm, 4:45pm, 8:30pm

Magic Mike (R) 1hr 50min
1:30pm, 4:15pm, 7:00pm, 9:45pm

Katy Perry: Part of Me 3D (PG) 1hr 35min
1:45pm, 4:30pm, 7:10pm, 9:40pm

AMC 7 Santa Monica
1310 Third St.
(310) 451-9440

Amazing Spider-Man (PG-13) 2hrs 16min
11:45am, 6:15pm

Amazing Spider-Man 3D (PG-13) 2hrs 16min
3:00pm, 9:45pm

Brave (PG) 1hr 40min
11:00am, 1:40pm, 4:15pm, 6:45pm, 9:30pm

Ted (R) 1hr 46min
11:00am, 11:45am, 1:45pm, 2:30pm, 4:40pm, 5:30pm, 7:30pm, 8:30pm, 10:15pm

Dark Knight Rises (PG-13) 2hrs 44min
11:15am, 12:15pm, 3:00pm, 4:05pm, 6:45pm, 7:50pm, 10:30pm

Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG) 1hr 34min
11:15am, 1:55pm, 4:30pm, 7:00pm, 9:20pm

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
1332 Second St.
(310) 478-3836

Well Digger's Daughter (La Fille du puisatier) (NR) 1hr 40min
1:20pm, 4:10pm, 7:10pm, 9:45pm

Intouchables (R) 1hr 52min
1:40pm, 4:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:10pm

Beasts of the Southern Wild (PG-13) 1hr 31min
1:00pm, 3:20pm, 5:40pm, 8:00pm, 10:15pm

To Rome With Love (R) 1hr 35min
1:30pm, 4:20pm, 7:20pm, 10:00pm

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

Ice Age: Continental Drift 3D (PG) 1hr 34min
11:45am, 2:30pm, 5:00pm, 7:45pm, 10:15pm

Moonrise Kingdom (PG-13) 1hr 33min
11:55am, 2:40pm, 5:15pm, 7:55pm, 10:25pm

Dark Knight Rises (PG-13) 2hrs 44min
11:45am, 3:30pm, 7:10pm, 10:00pm

Savages (R) 2hrs 10min
12:15pm, 3:35pm, 7:00pm, 10:10pm

Watch (R) 1hr 42min
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Step Up Revolution (PG-13) 1hr 40min
11:30am, 5:00pm, 10:20pm

Step Up Revolution 3D (PG-13) 1hr 40min
2:15pm, 7:40pm

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Join a friend for munchies, Sag

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Meetings prove to be very important. You might not be sure which way you would like to go until you hear all the different perspectives. A partner or friend pushes very hard to get what he or she wants. Detach and make a firm decision. Tonight: Think "weekend."

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ You showcase your skills in organization and management. With your high energy and determination, you are able to materialize what you want. Make sure to spend more time with a family member who wants your attention. Tonight: Could go till the wee hours.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Reach out for different perspectives. You seem to understand exactly what is needed, but it is important to be open to the best path. A child could be rather rowdy. A loved one also might act in a childish manner. Tonight: Let your imagination come into play.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Listen to someone's ideas before lashing out at him or her. You might be vested in having your way much more than you think. Take a walk or do something else to help you relax. Tonight: Visit over dinner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You might think you have a sign on your door that says "Visit Me." Fortunately, you are a gregarious person who likes people. Try not to be gruff as you establish limits. You could come off a lot harsher than you intend. Tonight: Certainly no lack of people, ideas or plans.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Your attention to detail is in high demand. Someone makes it clear that he or she needs your abilities. Listen to what's being shared by a superior, parent or older friend. This person has experience on his or her side. Tonight: Do not go to extremes.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ The natural twists and turns of your life's path will land you in the right place. Just follow your intuition and do not overthink. Your high energy attracts a key person. This person likes what you are about. Tonight: Consider starting the weekend early.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ With so much going on lately, you could feel overwhelmed and tend to be a bit sarcastic. A partner, associate or friend pitches in and makes the day easier. It is this person's pleasure, so you do not need to make a big deal about it. Tonight: Get some extra downtime.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Suddenly, everyone needs to get things off his or her chest. This will keep you busy, so be sure to schedule time for some and just respond to others. A friendship has been, and will continue to be, too demanding. Tonight: Join a friend for munchies.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You put in that extra effort without hesitation. When provoked, your energy becomes much higher and focused. Do not be at the mercy of others. Choose how you want to handle a financial matter, then follow through. Tonight: Double-check your budget.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ You will have the ability to move an important relationship or situation forward right now. Do not hesitate; overthinking could become a problem. Sometimes you just need to act. Tonight: Whatever suits you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Know when to back off and do something else. You could be overtired, as is an associate or loved one. For now, recognize your need to center and take on nothing major. Dote on yourself for a change. Tonight: Get some extra Z's.

Happy birthday

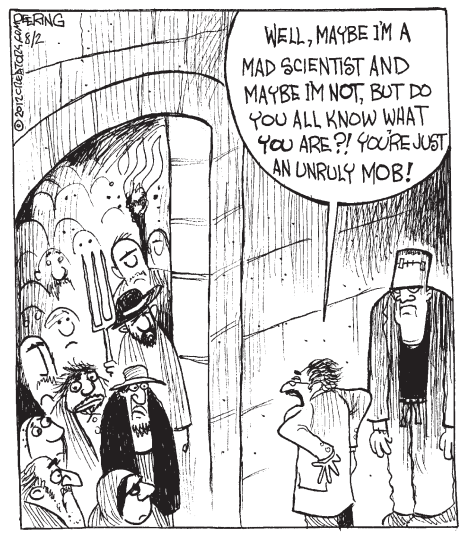
Optimism can make the impossible happen this year, especially with you. You will network and expand your horizons in the next 12 months. You also will manifest a long-term dream, which will delight many people. If you are single, you attract many potential suitors. The issue is deciding which one to choose. Are you even ready to settle down? Regardless, you have a great time as you try to figure out your love life. If you are attached, the two of you seem to manifest happiness wherever you go. You learn to talk through the less-than-easy feelings. Closeness happens naturally. AQUARIUS is loyal like you are.

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

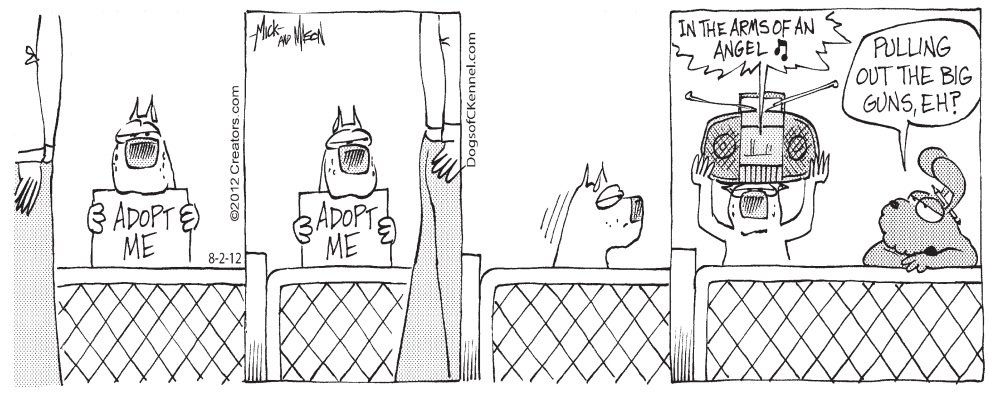
Speed Bump
By Dave Coverly



Strange Brew
By John Deering



Dogs of C-Kennel
By Mick and Mason Mastroianni



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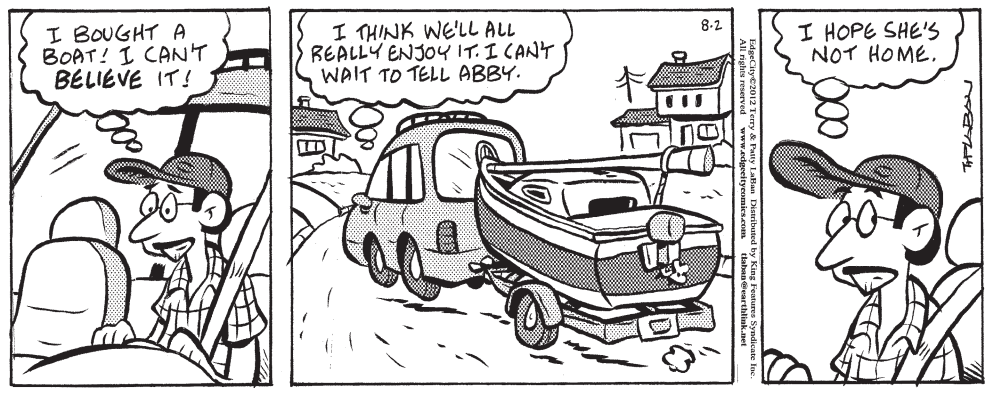

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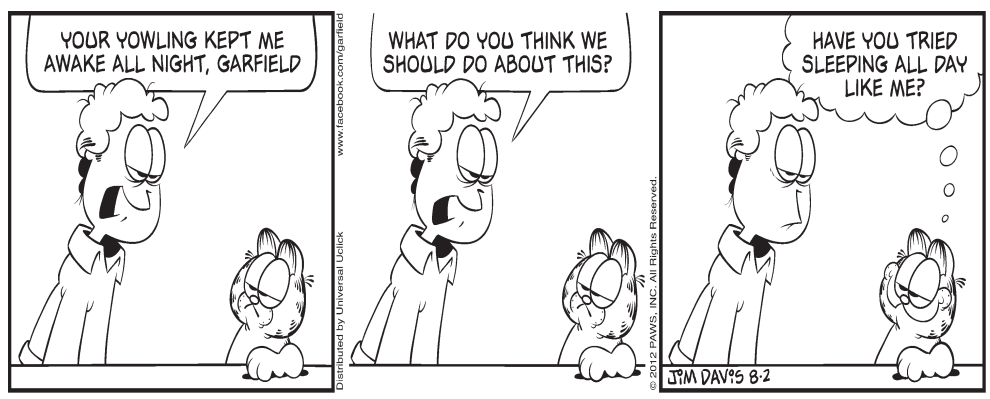

The Meaning of Lila
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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from ★ (easiest) to ★★★★★ (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★★★

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

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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

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

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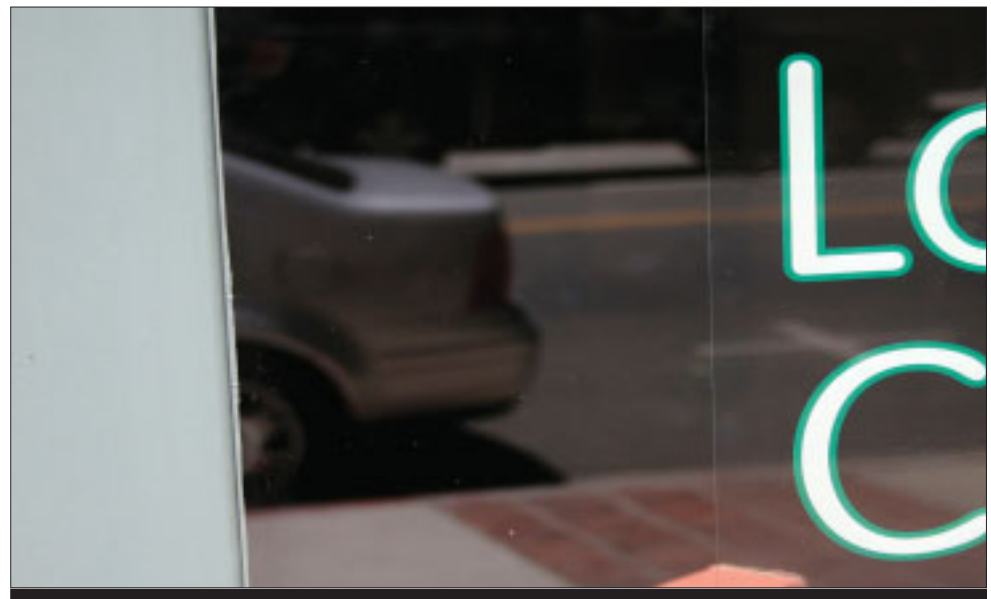

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Airport line
5 New York nickname
11 Russian river
12 Green, perhaps
13 Sushi need
14 Norway neighbor
15 Buffet staple
17 Messy room
18 Crew member
22 Search for water
24 Computer part
25 Boxing legend
26 Winter air quality
27 Turner and Fey
30 Theater boxes
32 Insecure feeling
33 Decline
34 Rural heap
38 Baltimore player
41 Home of the Bruins
42 Unproductive
43 Revue piece
44 Takes the helm
45 Spot

DOWN

1 Street edge
2 Sills song
3 Start of a golf drive
4 Rains in the winter
5 Be effusive
6 Further
7 Small quake
8 Stashed
9 Act like
10 Most senators
16 Color
19 Some football players
20 Pop singer Sands
21 Workout count
22 Almanac fill
23 Lena of "Chocolat"
28 On the beach
29 Less fresh
30 French article
31 None too bright
35 Longings
36 Brisk pace
37 Singer Perry
38 Dict. label on an old word
39 Scoundrel
40 Fury

G	E	T	Z	■	M	A	R	I	A	H
O	G	R	E	■	O	R	A	N	G	E
R	O	A	N	■	P	O	R	K	E	R
E	S	C	■	F	U	M	E	■	■	■
■	■	K	R	U	P	A	■	S	A	P
T	O	S	I	R	■	S	P	I	C	E
A	X	I	S	■	■	■	I	D	E	A
C	E	D	E	S	■	B	L	E	S	S
O	N	E	■	T	W	E	E	T	■	■
■	■	■	B	R	A	G	■	R	D	S
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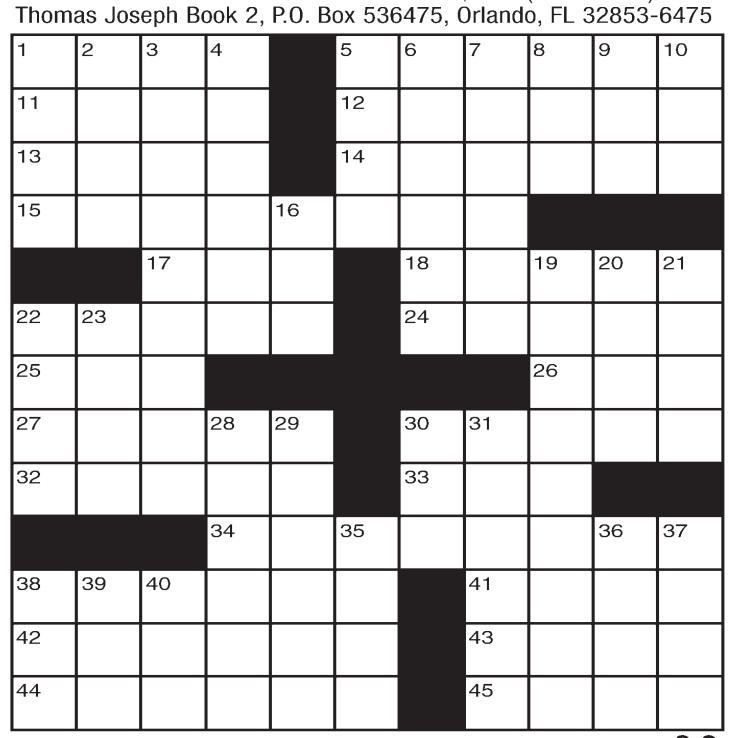

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Meganumber: 37
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Draw Date: July 28
14 19 22 36 40
Meganumber: 3
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Fantasy 5
Draw Date: July 31
2 21 22 23 32

DAILY 3
Draw Date: July 31
MIDDAY: 0 9 6
EVENING: 2 2 1

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2nd: 12 - LLUCKY CHARMS
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ The Illinois Supreme Court affirmed a lower court ruling in June in which Marshall Hollins was sentenced to eight years in prison for taking cellphone photographs of a 17-year-old girl with whom he was having sex. That sex was voluntary and, since Illinois' age of consent is 16, legal. However, the court ruled, it is still illegal in Illinois to take sexual pictures of a child, and that particular law defines underage as under 18. (Hollins had claimed, unsuccessfully, that he surely ought to be able to take pictures of a legal event.)

■ British soccer player John Terry was acquitted in July of hurling racial abuse at opponent Anton Ferdinand, even though Terry's three-word phrase was acknowledged by the judge to contain the word "black" and two words that are commonly censored in family newspapers. According to a New York Times dispatch before the verdict, there was much testimony about the "paint-peeling profanities" that soccer opponents routinely use on the pitch (in particular, referencing each other's mothers' sex lives). In handing down the verdict, the Westminster Magistrates' Court judge said he was not certain that Terry was not simply repeating a slur that he had heard moments earlier.

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1932 - The positron (antiparticle of the electron) is discovered by Carl D. Anderson.

1934 - Gleichschaltung: Adolf Hitler becomes Führer of Germany.

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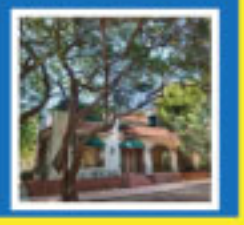

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