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THE SHARK WEEK ISSUE

Residocracy to endorse through e-vote

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE Infiltrators, start your engines.

The city's newest political party will endorse City Council candidates through an online vote by its members, according to the group's founder Armen Melkonians.

Residocracy was formed earlier this year to oppose large development projects in the city. Through a referendum, it successfully challenged council's controversial decision to approve the Hines development project.

As Residocracy is still in its infant stages, some details of the e-vote still need to be worked out, Melkonians said. They plan to send questionnaires to every candidate, the answers to which will be posted online before the vote.

Residocracy's 12-member board may provide recommendations to the membership before the vote, with a list of reasons

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SHARK WEEK AT THE AQUARIUM

Want to see live sharks during Shark Week? Visit Heal the Bay's Santa Monica Pier Aquarium to check out three species of sharks on exhibit and the marine center's shark nursery. Special activities to honor the Elasmobranchii (learn what that is and how to pronounce it) are planned all week long. Watch the sharks eat on Tuesday and Friday afternoons or hear a special presentation about these misunderstood animals while they enjoy their Sunday dinner at 3:30 p.m. The Aquarium, at 1600 Ocean Front Walk, is open from 2 to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and weekends from 12:30 to 6 p.m. Admission is free for kids 12 and under with a paying adult; for all others, admission is $5 per person.

SMRR leaders may support third council candidate

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE The Steering Committee of the city's largest political party announced its support of two City Council candidates over the weekend but support of a third may be coming.

Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights (SMRR) members failed to reach consensus and endorse any council candidates at its convention earlier this month so the question was posed to the party's 11-member board.

Four of those members recused themselves because of their involvement with this year's campaign but the remaining seven agreed to support Councilmember Kevin McKeown and Planning Commission Chair Jennifer Kennedy.

Roger Thornton, a Steering Committee member who, according to campaign disclosure statements, is serving as the treasurer of both Kennedy's and Planning Commissioner Sue Himmelrich's campaigns, did not recuse himself.

Co-Chair Patricia Hoffman is open to the idea of supporting a third candidate. It's something SMRR might do down the line if the leadership believes it to be politically advantageous, she said.

"There is a possibility that we could add one more person and when you do it by

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, August 13

Remembrance for Dr. Newton
Hacienda Room at the
UCLA Faculty Center
480 Charles E Young Dr N
A remembrance for Dr. Carol Newton, a Santa Monica resident since 1967, will be held on Friday, August 15, from 3 - 4 p.m. in the Hacienda Room at the UCLA Faculty Center. To assure adequate seating and refreshments, for those who wish to attend, please RSVP to dtomita@biomath.ucla.edu.
If you can't attend, UCLA would be happy to convey any sentiments at the remembrance on your behalf.
They can be read aloud, included in the notebook being compiled for Carol's family, or both.
If you'd like to share something written or even just a photo, please also send to David Tomita (dtomita@biomath.ucla.edu) by Wednesday, August 13.

Tapas and wine
Bar Pintxo
109 Santa Monica Blvd, 6-9 p.m.
Join Bar Pintxo on Wednesday for a Tapas & Wine night. They are launching 10 Wines from Extremadura Spain first time in the USA. They will be serving a selection of Tapas to go with these new wines for $20 per person, all inclusive. Seating is Limited--Please purchase your tickets as early as possible. Call (310) 458-2012 for more information.

Planning Commission Meeting
City Hall
1685 Main St. 7 p.m.
Regular meeting of the Planning Commission. Visit http://www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Boards-Commissions/Planning-Commission for the agenda.

Mystery Book Group: A Fountain Filled with Blood
Montana Avenue Branch
1704 Montana Ave., 7 - 8:30 p.m.
Discussion of Julia Spencer-Fleming's novel. When a violent attack on a doctor triggers a series of hate crimes in a small town, the police chief and a priest investigate a range of suspects.

Literary Elements Movie Screening: Catching Fire
Main Library, MLK Jr. Auditorium
601 Santa Monica Boulevard,
6 - 8:30 p.m.
The second chapter in The Hunger Games saga finds heroine Katniss Everdeen forced to once again play the sadistic battle to the death game, this time against other victors from past games. (146 min)

ELITE Beach Volleyball Camp
Annenberg Community Beach House
415 Pacific Coast Hwy, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
The ELITE camp is designed for more experienced players who are looking for advanced instruction and competitive play. Ages 14-18. $252/5-day week $60/drop-in class. Through Aug. 15

Thursday, August 14

Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3:30 - 5 p.m.
LEGO Block Party at Main
Use your creativity to make something remarkable. They provide the Legos, you provide the fun! Ages 4 and Up.

afterGlow Opening Reception
Annenberg Community Beach House
415 Pacific Coast Hwy, 6 - 8 p.m.
Join the artists for the opening of afterGlow the new exhibit featuring photographs from the City of Santa Monica's three GLOW festivals. Light refreshments. Open to all. No reservations necessary. Call (310) 458-8350 for more information.

Briggs and Riley Grand Opening
Briggs & Riley
395 Santa Monica Place, 2 - 9 p.m.
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Swine & Dine dinner series
FIG Restaurant
101 Wilshire Blvd, 5 p.m.
Join FIG Restaurant for a collaboration between Chef Ray Garcia and local farmers as they present an exclusive menu highlighting a flavorful nose-to-tail dining experience. Recently crowned King of Porc after his victory at the Grand Cochon in Aspen, Chef Ray Garcia will showcase a unique menu that enhances the superior flavors of locally raised heritage breed pigs. Guests can reserve a seat in advance for any of the "Swine & Dine" Dinner Series for $69 per person by calling (310) 319-3111.

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SPORTS

USC's goal: Get back to normal under Sarkisian

GREG BEACHAM
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES Cody Kessler's head has finally stopped spinning after a Southern California season featuring four head coaches, interminable drama and - somehow - 10 victories.

The quarterback is hoping for a return to normalcy for the Trojans this fall under new coach Steve Sarkisian. And even after four seasons of Lane Kiffin, title contention is still the norm at USC.

"We come to USC to win championships, no matter who the coach is," said Kessler, who started all 14 games last season. "It was a crazy season last year, but we always have players who can compete for a Pac-12 title and a national championship at USC, and I think we're in a position to do that again."

Sarkisian has returned to his native Los Angeles area to take his shot at restoring USC to the glory of the last decade. With NCAA sanctions nearly finished and a sparkling new training complex on campus, the former Washington coach believes it's time for USC to return to its spot atop the Pac-12.

"I don't know many schools that could have won 10 games twice during the middle of sanctions with the loss of scholarships - and built two brand-new buildings," Sarkisian said. "I think it says a lot about the power of SC."

Sarkisian feels he returned at the perfect time for a program ready to rise again after the chaos of 2013, and he is already making a personal mark on the Trojans.

USC has installed an aggressive, up-tempo offense that will be new to Coliseum fans used to the Trojans' traditional pro-style sets. Kessler is excited to show off his athleticism on a revamped offense including returning tailbacks Tre Madden and Javorius Allen.

Sarkisian also has been polite and cordial to UCLA and coach Jim Mora, who have taken over Los Angeles supremacy with two straight wins over the Trojans and a highly ranked team heading into the fall.

The transition has been relatively smooth for Sarkisian, who knows he must win immediately to keep USC's zealous fans happy about athletic director Pat Haden's choice. Even with a brutal early schedule featuring six straight opponents coming off winning seasons, Sarkisian believes he has the team to make an immediate run at a league title.

"I feel very connected to this team," Sarkisian said. "I feel like our staff is very connected to these players, and that goes a long way."

Here are five things to watch in Sarkisian's debut season at USC:

LIGHT IN THE TUNNEL: A half-decade after Pete Carroll left the program, the Trojans' scholarship restrictions are nearly over. USC is in its final season of NCAA sanctions limiting its number of scholarships, but Sarkisian's depth is still limited this fall. While still stacked with their usual five-star talent, the Trojans are thin at several positions, and season-ending training camp injuries for Kenny Bigelow and Jabari Ruffin have already hurt the defense.

AIR APPARENT: The Trojans lost Marqise Lee to the Jacksonville Jaguars after his junior season, but Sarkisian likely has several capable replacements for the star receiver. Nelson Agholor is back to provide a deep threat, while Darreus Rogers is expected to be the other starter. Freshman Juju Smith and oft-injured junior George Farmer are candidates for the No. 3 spot, and promising freshman Adoree Jackson could get a longer look.

DOUBLE DUTY: Smith and Jackson could be prominent parts of the offense, but they also might contribute extensively in the defensive secondary. Sarkisian's staff must be resourceful with its depth challenges, and both Smith and Jackson are learning multiple roles along with freshman receiver Rahshead Johnson.

WILCOX IN CHARGE: Sarkisian brought defensive coordinator Justin Wilcox with him from Washington, and the veteran assistant takes over a wildly inconsistent unit that shut down the likes of Stanford, Notre Dame, Oregon State and Fresno State last season, but was shredded by Arizona State and UCLA. Leonard Williams is one of the nation's top defensive linemen, and four-year starter Hayes Pullard is back to lead at linebacker in Wilcox's hybrid 3-4/4-3 scheme.

O-LINE WOES: The Trojans are thin on the offensive line, with three starting jobs wide open and a noticeable lack of depth. Left guard Aundrey Walker also has been slow to return after breaking his ankle last November. Kessler's mobility could be tested early and often, but the athletic quarterback is eager for the challenge.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Sunset Park

Carvery Kitchen opens on Ocean Park Blvd.

Carvery Kitchen brings together traditional deli with a healthy, California twist. The establishment, offering lunch and dinner, brings well-known Los Angeles restaurant family and chefs, Roman Shishalovsky and his daughters, Diana and Karina back to the quality fare that brought them attention and notoriety at Roman's, located in the San Fernando Valley, in the early 90's, and Fresh Cutt in the late aughts.

The menu features five sections offering roasted meat, poultry fish or vegetarian options. It begins with "Prime Dippers" where diners can choose from a variety of French dip sandwiches. The second section is titled "Between the Bread" offering a selection of sandwiches on a guest's choice of five different types of house-baked breads. The third section named "New Twist on Wraps" showcases the indigenous California wrap using interesting combinations including several vegetarian options. Guests can even create their own Power Wrap with their choice of roasted meat (fish, meat or poultry) and quinoa pilaf, roasted veggies, Oaxacan string cheese, candied garlic wrapped up with a lime cilantro vinaigrette. The fourth section highlights farm-grown produce with Farm Salads. Each salad can have a house roasted protein choice added to it for an additional charge. The final and fifth entrée section for patrons to choose from is the "On a Plate." It's in this arena where each "plate" is paired with a side. The dishes include but are not limited to chicken piccata, basa fish dish, adobo brisket, pan roasted turkey or a vegetarian plate which includes quinoa pilaf and avocado salad.

Lastly, there is an "Even More" section featuring sides and a "Kids Menu" with a grilled cheese press, chicken and cheese quesadilla, and a kids plate (roasted chicken or turkey).

Dishes range from $8.50 to $14.50 (without add-ons). Booth seating, family style tables and café style sidewalk seating are available. A full range of beverages are available including a Coca-Cola Freestyle machine that allows you customize your own soda flavors. Curbside pick-up is also available for lunch or dinner with parking in the garage off 31st Street.

Carvery Kitchen is located at 3101 Ocean Park Boulevard. Open seven days a week, the restaurant's hours are Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. and closed Sundays. They can be reached by calling (310) 450-0880. Catering and take-out is also available at (310) 450-0881. Carvery Kitchen can be followed on social media: Twitter, @carverykitchen, Facebook, CarveryKitchen and Instagram @carverykitchen.

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Pier

Sarah Michelle Gellar to host Mattel Party on the Pier

Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA (www.uclahealth.org/mattel) is celebrating its 15th annual Mattel Party on the Pier benefiting Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA on October 5 at Pacific Park on the Santa Monica Pier. Sponsored by Mattel, Inc., the fun-filled day for the entire family includes unlimited rides and carnival games stocked with prizes donated by Mattel; a silent auction featuring entertainment packages; sweet treats and collector's memorabilia; arts and crafts such as face painting; and the Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation will host the VIP sponsor area featuring breakfast and lunch generously donated by Wolfgang Puck Catering.

Sarah Michelle Gellar, actress and mother of two young children, will host this year's event. She will be joined by young Disney actors and actresses as well other celebrities to sign autographs, take pictures with guests and help out in the game booths.

"We are thrilled to celebrate our 15th annual Mattel Party on the Pier and this year's event should be bigger and better than ever," said Dr. Sherin Devaskar, physician-in-chief of Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA. "As always, we are very grateful to the sponsors, supporters and volunteers who make this successful event a memorable day for all. Most importantly, the funds raised will go directly to help the health and well-being of our patients."

In 2013, Mattel Party on the Pier raised more than $800,000 for Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA. The unrestricted funding helped launch high-priority programs at UCLA and support innovative research discoveries that have the potential to benefit patients suffering from disease, not only at UCLA but around the world. Recent support has been directed to inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) and gene-therapy programs, research on autism-related epilepsy and treatments to improve immune function for children who have undergone chemotherapy and bone-marrow transplants.

The Mattel Party on the Pier is expected to once again attract a sellout crowd with general admission tickets available at $150 for adults and $75 for children ages 3 to 12; children under 3 are admitted free. All net proceeds benefit Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA. To purchase tickets or for more information on the event, visit www.partyonthepier.ucla.edu. To learn more about Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA, visit www.uclahealth.org/mattel.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Bicycle Bonzo

Editor:

I live in an apt. on Lincoln Blvd. at Ashland right across from the Bonus Car Wash and next door to McDonald's. The location is a nightmare even if my apt is very nice and affordable. If I don't get hit by a car, I am sure I will get hit by a bicycle.

Lincoln continues to be a highway in spite of efforts to make it more pedestrian friendly. The sidewalks are teeming with bike riders who don't really give a damn who is trying to walk along them. Supposedly, the police targeted illegal bike riders for ticketing the month of July. That must have occurred on the Promenade because I did not see one single cop issuing a ticket to bike riders on this part of Lincoln the entire month of July.

I would be grateful if the editor would dig up some information on the number of tickets issued in my neighborhood and publish the results in this paper.

Yesterday, while waiting for a light to cross Lincoln after walking my small dog in an area contiguous to car crazy Lincoln, a bicyclist came along the sidewalk within inches of my dog and me and purposely kicked my dog in the head as he passed.

What the hell? Next time someone comes that close to me on a bike, s/he will get a snoot full of pepper spray and I hope s/he dumps in the busy boulevard at the mercy of always-speeding motor vehicles.

RIP, Bicycle Bonzo.

Killeen Pilon
Santa Monica

Safety first

Editor:

In order for bicycles and cars to safely share our streets, drivers of both must understand and agree on the rules. At the age of 10, I was taught by a police officer that bikes and cars are supposed to follow the same rules, and that car drivers should treat bike riders as other moving vehicles. Therefore, I follow bike riders as I would another car, and I only pass them when it is absolutely safe.

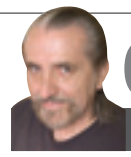
At the same time, bike riders should obey traffic lights and stop signs, ride on the appropriate side of the street, signal when they are turning or changing lanes, and use a light at night.

Traveling west on Marine Street at 5 p.m. last week, a bike whizzed past me and went through the red light at Lincoln Boulevard. While the rider was not hit, it does not make it was a safe or legal maneuver!

Education is needed for all parties if we are to prevent accidents, which are likely to be more serious for those on bikes.

Abby Arnold
Santa Monica





Curious City

Charles Andrews Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Single payer, soaring vocals, and meaningless words

ANSWER MY PRAYER, WHERE'S MY SINGLE PAYER?! I went to a birthday party a couple of weeks ago for a good friend of mine, and yours, and was impressed with the other friends I met there. Since the celebrant is in the medical field, it's no wonder the place was crawling with M.D.s, but there are some doctors who turn a cold shoulder because they feel this guy costs them money. Doesn't really, but possibly keeps them from depositing that extra million or two.

Birthday boy was praised by some articulate impassioned speakers who know first-hand what good he has done, and all wished him a long life and expanded influence. When wishing well might hit you in the pocketbook, you know it's a good cause.

Yes, our dear old friend Medicare was celebrating a 49th birthday, and the usual gang of suspects gathered at a home off San Vicente where many such fundraisers are held. The yard was beautiful, the food outstanding, live music, but I went for the speeches and was amply rewarded.

Several medical experts explained passionately what a mess, a very expensive mess, our health care system is in because we refuse to do it like almost every other country, eliminating the middle men (insurance companies, the real death panels who come between us and our doctors) and using the massive base of our population to negotiate much, much lower costs on everything.

My temptation is to say it's insane, but it's a very calculated and effective effort by the entities that make incredible profits, out of our pockets. We already have a proven system to deliver great medical care to the whole country at a fraction of the cost, one that has worked well for almost 50 years - Medicare. Medicare is single payer. No insurance companies.

The very simplest thing to do would be to put everyone on Medicare. No new bureaucracy. These physicians spoke from their personal experiences of heartbreaking situations they saw people in because we refuse to value our citizens over insurance, hospital and pharmaceutical company profits. Obscene profits.

The group sponsoring this affair was Physicians for a National Health Program (California), and their website is full of great info. Local doc Paul Song was eloquent and moving in explaining the human cost of this complicated issue, but the plum I went for was the chance to hear Michael Hiltzik, one of my journalist heroes, the Pulitzer-winning business section columnist for the LA Times. He ran down a complete history, and it was enlightening. I highly recommend you read everything he writes in the Times. He suffers no fools and pulls no punches calling out corruption in business wherever he finds it, and of course he finds it everywhere.

AND THE ANGELS SING. I started writing for print eons ago because I had a passion for and strong opinions about music that I wanted to share with a wider audience than just the two drunk guys at the bar. After decades of that I figure I've done my part and now I write mostly about other things. But the motivation was always to give wider exposure to music I thought was exceptional, that others might not otherwise hear about.

So I'm pleased to be able to let you know about a performance this Saturday by a group of local young women whose choral talents and the program they've put together will likely take you straight to heaven. And it's free.

They call themselves Huls' Angels, because they all came out of the outstanding choral program at Santa Monica High School led so masterfully by Jeff Huls. Hooked on the high of sonorous, soaring vocals, they decided last summer that graduation didn't mean having to give that up, so they got together from the far corners they had spread out to, to create and rehearse a program, completely on their own. The maiden voyage last year was phenomenal, and I expect this year to be just as memorable.

Mt. Olive Lutheran Church (1343 Ocean Park Blvd.), Saturday, Aug. 16, 3 p.m. sharp. The Summer Alumnae Concert. (Do I have to disclose my daughter is part of it? How do you think I found out?)

THIS LITERALLY VERY UNIQUE DILEMMA. The Merriam-Webster folks, held in high regard for a couple of centuries, seem to have decided it's time for a break. Maybe we shouldn't be the experts and final authority on words and their meanings, they decide, even though someone has to. No - power to the people!

Many will argue that language is always changing, and new words are added as they gain popularity in everyday usage. We no longer speak or spell as Shakespeare did, do we?

Then there's the other argument: words mean something! They must mean something for us to communicate, and the more nuanced the meanings the more precise and expressive the language can be. Yes, language changes, over decades, and centuries - not from week to week. And it's not a popularity contest. Just because a lot of people start misusing a word is no reason to enshrine that misuse and ignorance and make it the norm.

"Chillax" has been made legit, and that makes me nervous. (Is "legit" legit?) "Bromance" and "frenemy" - please keep your distance. I will not go to a "funplex" nor get close to "jockdom." "Schmutz" and "tuchus" are now kosher. "Geocache" was voted in by a Facebook contest. Voted in. Contest. Facebook. Merriam-Webster. Yikes.

But here's the one that tipped my canoe. They just announced that "literally" and "figuratively" can be used interchangeably, since many people now do. I'm literally turning over in my grave myself, though it didn't quite kill me. That will happen when "unique" becomes the next one thrown on the village square bonfire of egalitarian ignorance accommodation. Pretty unique, most unique, kind of unique. I reference the distinguished professor of language "Weird Al" Yankovic, and his brilliant "Word Crimes."

Journalism, and now the very language I love - why do so many things I cherish disappear before my eyes? Thank God there's still one company making black raspberry chocolate chunk ice cream.

(NOT SO) RANDOM QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "The difference between the almost right word and the right word is really a large matter - it's the difference between the lightning bug and the lightning." - Mark Twain

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Southwest braces as Lake Mead water levels drop

KEN RITTER
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS Once-teeming Lake Mead marinas are idle as a 14-year drought steadily drops water levels to historic lows. Officials from nearby Las Vegas are pushing conservation but also are drilling a new pipeline to keep drawing water from the lake.

Hundreds of miles away, farmers who receive water from the lake behind Hoover Dam are preparing for the worst.

The receding shoreline at one of the main reservoirs in the vast Colorado River water system is raising concerns about the future of a network serving a perennially parched region home to 40 million people and 4 million acres of farmland.

Marina operators, water managers and farmers who for decades have chased every drop of water across the booming Southwest and part of Mexico are closely tracking the reservoir water level already at its lowest point since it was first filled in the 1930s.

"We just hope for snow and rain up in Colorado, so it'll come our way," said marina operator Steve Biggs, referring to precipitation in the Rockies that flows down the Colorado River to help fill the reservoir separating Nevada and Arizona.

By 2016, continued drought could trigger cuts in water deliveries to both states. While water authorities say they've been saving water for potential dry days, the prospect of the first cuts is already prompting action.

"I've downsized in the last couple of years, probably a good thing the way this water shortage is going," said farmer Dennis Bagnall, who has planted just 225 of the 1,500 acres that are typically green this time of year on his farm south of Phoenix.

Last week, officials announced an $11 million pilot program involving the federal government and water agencies in Denver, Los Angeles, Las Vegas and Phoenix to pay farmers, cities and industries to reduce river water use.

"We can certainly hope for better conditions than we've experienced in recent times, but we have to actively and continue to plan for the worst case," said Michael J. Lacey, director of the Arizona Department of Water Resources.

This week, an update from the federal Bureau of Reclamation, the keeper of the Colorado River network's dams and reservoirs, will help set the course for water deliveries for the next two years. Administrators say they are confident they can meet current commitments next year.

Federal officials and water administrators in metro areas such as Las Vegas and Phoenix say they're committed to finding new ways to make every drop of river water count - from cloud seeding to pipelines to new reservoirs to desalination plants.

They point to agreements to leave surpluses unused in wet years, share pain in dry years and buy water designated for farms for city use.

But they're all watching Lake Mead, the biggest in a Colorado River basin that supplies water to California, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Nevada, Utah, Wyoming and part of Mexico. The states get annual allotments dating to the Colorado River Compact of 1922.

Over the years, the amount hasn't kept pace with a post-World War II development boom in the Southwest, and pressure has increased with drought gripping the region for almost 15 years.

The effect of increased demand and diminished supply is visible on Lake Mead's canyon walls. A white mineral band often compared with a bathtub ring marks the depleted water level.

The lake has dropped to 1,080 feet above sea level this year - down almost the width of a football field from a high of 1,225 feet in 1983.

A projected level of 1,075 feet in January 2016 would trigger cuts in water deliveries to Arizona and Nevada.

At 1,000 feet, drinking water intakes would go dry to Las Vegas, a city of 2 million residents and a destination for 40 million tourists per year that is almost completely dependent on the reservoir.

That has the Southern Nevada Water Authority spending more than $800 million to build a 20-foot-diameter pipe so it can keep getting water.

The region is also stressing water conservation, prohibiting grass lawns for new homes and fountains at businesses. Officials say the overall effort has reduced consumption 33 percent in recent years while the Las Vegas area added 400,000 residents.

But severely restricting water use for swimming pools or lawns in a city like Phoenix wouldn't make much difference, said Kathryn Sorensen, the city's Water Services Department director, because conservation efforts need to be applied across the western U.S.

"The solution can't come just from municipal conservation; there isn't enough water there," she said.

If cuts do come, they'll test the agreements forged in recent years between big, growing cities and farmers.

In California, home to 38 million residents, farmers in the sparsely populated Imperial Valley in southeast California have senior water rights ensuring that they get water regardless of the condition.

Kevin Kelley, general manager of the Imperial Irrigation District, defends his agency's position at the head of the line and dismisses the idea that water should go to those who can pay the most or make the most compelling economic argument.

Imperial Valley farmers grow some 200 crops, Kelley said, from alfalfa to cotton and celery to zucchini. "There has to be a place in a diverse economy and a diverse Southwest for a place like this that grows food and fiber year-round," he said.

In Arizona, reduced deliveries of Colorado River water would largely affect the Central Arizona Project, which manages canals supplying 80 percent of the state's population. A tiered system means farmers would face cuts first, shielding Native American tribes and big cities.

Bagnall, who owns Morningstar Farms in Coolidge, Arizona, worries about the future of farming in the region. Tighter supplies mean there will be less farming and fewer dollars going to agricultural services like fertilizer suppliers.

"Eventually," he said, "the prices are going to hit the consumer. Sooner or later, it's got to go up. So it's just a domino effect."

Associated Press writers Brian Skoloff in Coolidge, Arizona, and Felicia Fonseca in Flagstaff, Arizona, contributed to this report.

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Parents reminded to immunize children before school starts

With children starting school earlier than usual this year, UCLA pediatrician Dr. Piper Calasanti reminds families to schedule a visit to their healthcare provider for necessary vaccinations, especially for diseases such as whooping cough and measles, which have increased in prevalence in California over the past year.

"There are several vaccinations children are required to have before they can go back to school and others the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommend," said Dr. Calasanti, whose practice is based in Santa Monica. "All of them are important for protecting children - and those around them - against serious and often life-threatening diseases."

Children entering kindergarten are required to be vaccinated for polio, chicken pox, measles/mumps/rubella, hepatitis B, and tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis (whooping cough), she noted. Students entering seventh grade are required to have a booster shot of the Tdap (tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis) vaccine.

"We are not only seeing more whooping cough in recent years, but also more severe cases, which have resulted in several deaths," said Dr. Calasanti. "Vaccines are safe and effective. Since they are recommended by the CDC, as well as the American Academy of Pediatrics, parents can be comfortable with their children receiving them."

The CDC recommends middle- and high-school-age children receive a vaccination to prevent catching meningococcal meningitis, a disease that's more common among older children. In addition, to prevent certain types of cancer, the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine is recommended by the CDC for preteen boys and girls.

Dr. Calasanti advises parents to check their children's vaccine record with their healthcare provider every year until their late teens as some vaccines require occasional boosters to remain effective. Additionally, all children older than six months should receive an annual flu shot for additional protection, she says. This year's flu vaccine will be available in the fall.

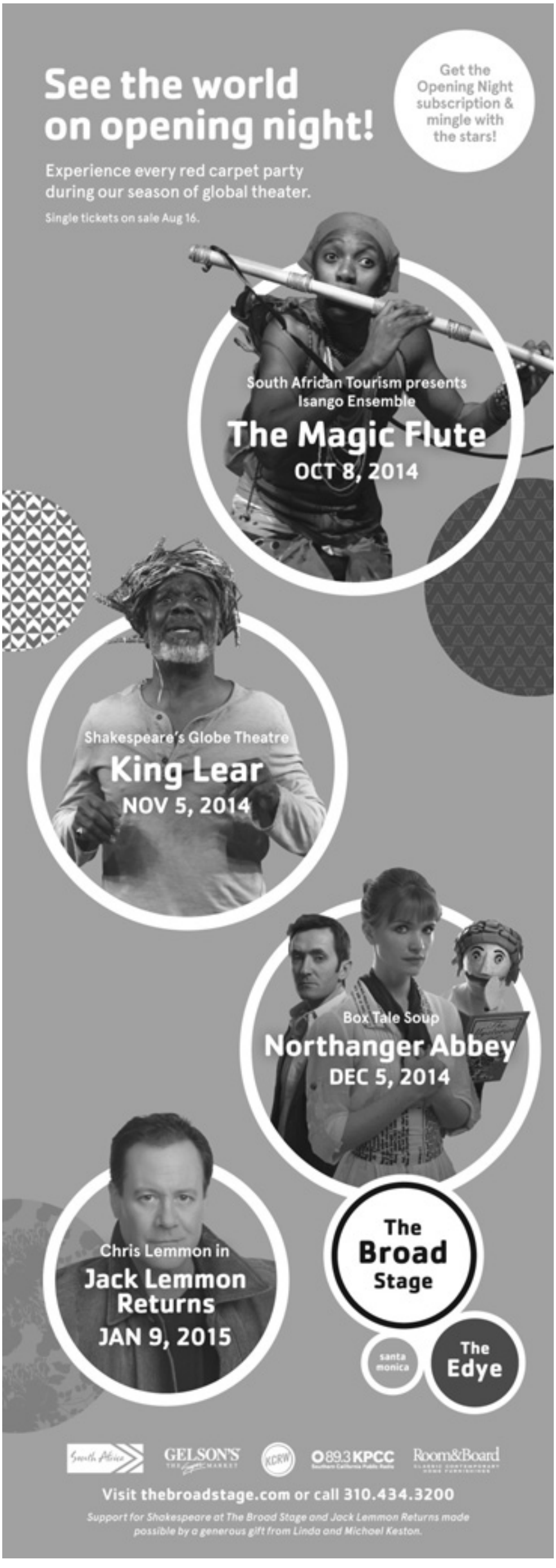
Schools are highly susceptible to outbreaks of infectious diseases because students can easily transmit illnesses to one another as a result of poor hand washing, uncovered coughs and the density of school populations.

"When children are not vaccinated, they are at increased risk for diseases and can spread serious illness to others in their classrooms and community," said Dr. Calasanti.

"We're all invested in keeping our children healthy to ensure they can make the most of each and every school day," she continued. "Vaccines are one of the easiest and most important ways we can protect them against disease."

Dr. Calasanti practices at UCLA Pediatric Specialists, 1131 Wilshire Blvd, Santa Monica. To schedule an appointment, please call (310) 825-0867. For more information about vaccine requirements, go to www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules.

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E-VOTE
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why they support certain candidates, but that hasn't been decided, Melkonians said.

Leadership from the city's largest political party, Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights (SMRR), recently complained that they were being infiltrated by outside groups interested only in winning its highly sought-after endorsement. SMRR's endorsement convention was, by most accounts, filled with groups bullet-voting their favored candidate. The membership was unable to reach a consensus on a council candidate and none were endorsed.

SMRR requires members to pay a $25 annual fee.

What does it take to become Residocracy member?

"Just go online and sign up," Melkonians said.

Members are required to provide a first name, e-mail address, city, and ZIP code.

Melkonians said that, as of now, they are confident in their membership.

"It's a representation of our views and the people who have already joined since it's such a new organization," he said. "The only thing we have not decided yet is would there be a cut-off date for the votes to count for the endorsement process, so we don't have some kind of last minute infiltration. But we haven't seen a spike in membership. It's steady as before."

The group hosted a rowdy candidates' forum earlier this month and asked the attendees to fill out a survey. Councilmember Kevin McKeown, Recreation and Parks Chair Phil Brock, and Planning Commissioner Richard McKinnon all scored well but no endorsements were made.

"That was for informational purposes," Melkonians said of the forum and the survey. "We thought it was important to get the forum out early before the candidates actually qualified and that allowed people to get to know their viewpoints even before they're going through their process."

Links to footage of the forum will placed on the e-vote portion of Residocracy's website.

The questionnaires will go out in the near future, Melkonians said, with the e-vote process beginning shortly thereafter.

"I think it's important to get the voice out before the full electioneering takes full effect and I think that's part of the flaw I see in our democratic system is that once the money gets into the democratic election the voices are heard differently," he said. "Our system is basically trying to work around those deficiencies in the system."

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Steering Committee, the Steering Committee gets to choose whomever we want," Hoffman said. "That's totally flexible. It could happen. It might not happen. It is a situation that we are playing by ear."

SMRR does not refer to the Steering Committee's support as an endorsement but the candidates will receive SMRR's highly sought-after financial backing. SMRR-backed candidates almost always win election.

McKeown led both rounds of membership voting at the convention but Kennedy placed fifth, behind former Planning Commissioner Frank Gruber, and current Planning Commissioners Richard McKinnon and Sue Himmelrich.

"I hear rumblings that people are unhappy that we selected Jennifer since she didn't have as many votes at the convention but, from the people who do the work in SMRR, she had 100 percent confidence," Hoffman said. "It was such an easy choice."

Prior to this election season, Kennedy worked as SMRR's coordinator, the organization's only paid position. She has volunteered with SMRR for many years.

"I am grateful to have the support of SMRR because of how dedicated the organization is to renters, and the community as a whole, and how they uphold their mission," Kennedy told the Daily Press in an e-mail. "I have put forth the same dedication to our community and will continue to do so."

Both Kennedy and McKeown support Himmelrich to fill the third council seat that is up for grabs.

"With Jennifer Kennedy and me, the SMRR steering committee has supported two rock-solid slow growth candidates, who've proven our commitment to protecting renters and creating truly affordable housing," McKeown said in an e-mail, "not just a few cheap units slapped onto bad projects."

Gruber alluded to the third council seat in an e-mail to the Daily Press.

"I'm disappointed that the committee didn't support me, when I received such strong support from the membership at the convention, where I came in a close second to the winning candidate," he said. "But the committee left an open slot on the SMRR slate, and I will continue to run on the progressive values of SMRR to represent all Santa Monica on the City Council."

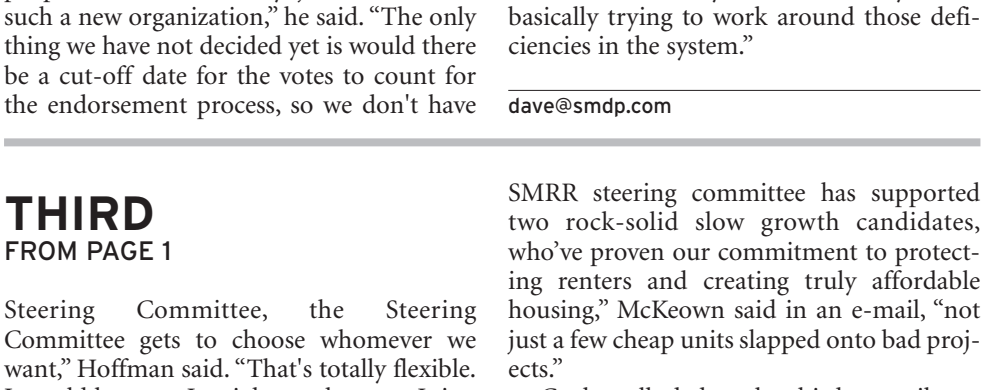
Calls and e-mails to Himmelrich and McKinnon we're not returned by press time.

Mayor Pam O'Connor, who was backed by the Steering Committee before her last election, did not get the nod this time around. SMRR opposed the controversial Hines development project, which O'Connor voted in favor of earlier this year.

Steering Committee members Hoffman, Sonya Sultan, Judy Abdo, Bruria Finkel, Roger Thornton, Michael Tarbet, and Linda Sullivan remain able to vote.

Co-Chair Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswien is running for the Board of Education. Maria Loya is running for the Santa Monica College Board of Trustees. She did not receive an endorsement from SMRR membership or support from the Steering Committee. Genise Schnitman is married to McKeown. Denny Zane is serving as Himmelrich's campaign manager.

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WEDNESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
Small South swell; Minimal WNW/NW swell mix; Cleanest in AM

THURSDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high
Inconsistent waves up to waist high at summer standouts;
Very small South swell; Minimal WNW/NW swell mix; Cleanest in AM

FRIDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
New blend of South and SW swells; Minimal WNW/NW swell mix; Cleanest in AM

SATURDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
Holding blend of South and SW swells; Minimal WNW/NW swell mix; Cleanest in AM

BEACH REPORT CARD

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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 -- 4
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 39 / 37
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 3 / 6

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Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for at least 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+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	A+
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	A+
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A+	A+
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21572 Malibu Rd..	B	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	A+
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A+	A+
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	B
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	A+
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	A+
Tuna Canyon.	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	A+
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	A+

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

LEGEND

DRY -- each location is graded on an A – F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone
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Hundley: UCLA can rise to title contention

GREG BEACHAM
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES Brett Hundley believes his whole football career has been building to this season at UCLA, and he wasn't about to leave before he found out what comes next.

"You look too far ahead, and you don't realize what a moment you have in front of you," Hundley said. "I didn't want to leave before I felt like it was time to go."

That's why the quarterback blew off the NFL for a year to lead a loaded Bruins roster in search of a Pac-12 title and more this fall.

Hundley isn't alone in his excitement about the next step in coach Jim Mora's three-year construction of a national title contender in Westwood. After two winning seasons punctuated by victories over rival Southern California and ensuing bowl trips, the Bruins are loaded with talent and experience at key positions, making them the preseason favorite in the Pac-12 South.

"We've done something at UCLA," said Hundley, the two-year starter. "We've helped build something, but it won't mean anything if we don't finish what we start. You can't get complacent when you have a little success."

Mora is equally excited about the Bruins' chances, but the veteran coach is guarding against too much excitement about a team that seems ready to take the next step to national prominence.

"Our success right now, in my opinion, is still very limited," Mora said. "We haven't won the Pac-12 championship. We're 0-3 against Stanford. I don't want our players to feel like we're extra special and we've accomplished the goals we set out to accomplish."

Indeed, the Bruins haven't won a league title since 1998. But with Sports Illustrated cover boy Hundley leading a wealth of young talent, UCLA is primed for its best chance yet to get back on top.

Hundley has devoted himself to the maximization of that opportunity, spending the summer in constant study and preparation. Mora has returned the commitment by increasing his attempts to prepare Hundley for the NFL.

The quarterback spent time with innumerable NFL veterans and current stars in the offseason at camps and on UCLA's campus, working with everybody from Donovan McNabb and Tim Tebow to current stars Peyton Manning and Philip Rivers.

"I'm learning as much as I can, and I believe it's going to pay off this season," Hundley said.

Here are five things to watch in UCLA's highly anticipated season:

ONE-WAY JACK - FOR NOW: Myles Jack had one of the most dynamic freshman seasons in conference history, excelling as a linebacker and a running back. He was named the Pac-12's offensive and defensive freshman of the year, but he's concentrating exclusively on the defensive side of the ball in training camp this month. His ball-carrying days aren't over, however: Mora has acknowledged Jack will be a change-of-pace option in UCLA's offense all season long.

NEW BOSS: Jeff Ulbrich takes over for Lou Spanos as the Bruins' defensive coordinator, although Mora still closely oversees the unit. Ulbrich is a longtime 49ers linebacker who played for Mora in the NFL, and his energy and recruiting acumen have been a boost to the Bruins during his two years as their linebackers coach.

ON CAMERA: Mora's worries about the Bruins' focus didn't stop him from giving permission to the Pac-12 Network for "The Drive," a season-long reality series about his club. Mora says it won't be a distraction because UCLA controls the access and availability to the network's cameras.

THE REPLACEMENTS: Anthony Barr and Cassius Marsh are in the NFL, leaving the UCLA defense without two of its most important players. Barr and Marsh sacked and rattled quarterbacks all season long, leaving the Bruins looking for new avenues of pressure. Jack could play a major role, and Owamagbe Odighizuwa could be ready for a huge comeback season after missing 2013 with injury.

GAINING DEPTH: UCLA used 18 freshmen last season, most in key roles. Several youngsters could contribute again, but the Bruins are banking on the experience gathered last season to propel them higher this fall. "A lot of guys who were young last year, they're not young and inexperienced anymore," Hundley said.



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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ No wonder others are jealous of your energy and enthusiasm. You seem to draw the results you want. A child could play a major role in what goes on. Today the universe seems to greenlight any opportunities that enter your life. Tonight: Find a good reason to celebrate.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ You'll see what is happening, and you'll decide to sit in the dugout and let others play the game! As a result, you will learn a lot about the people around you. A partner might get upset because he or she wants your attention. Tonight: Make the most of the moment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You might be in the mood to be more adventuresome, as long as you have your friends behind you. You seem to say the right words to get the responses you desire. This pattern will continue for a while. You could be overtired by the end of the day. Tonight: Midweek break.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You might be too concerned about someone's reactions if you express your true self. At the same time, if you hold back, you still might not like the response you get. Try not to be difficult in an argument that is likely to arise. Tonight: Act as if there were no tomorrow.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You seem to be anywhere but in the present moment. Your mind might drift to someone who is not as involved in your life as he or she used to be. You often manipulate others with your charm, but you really don't need to. Be spontaneous. Tonight: Into the midweek scene.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You might feel completely challenged by a situation. Just follow your instincts, and you will land well, no matter what. You are in a period in which you are like a cat with nine lives. Tonight: Spend time with a good friend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Others will come forward; some of them will have questions, while others will have some remarkable stories to share. Lighten up, and enjoy those around you. Tonight: Live life to its fullest.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ You might hesitate to continue down the path you currently are on. Maintain your focus, especially when dealing with others whom you count on. Your attention flatters many people, yet others seem to get nervous around you. Ask yourself why. Tonight: Off to the gym.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Sometimes you can't seem to suppress your energy. You have a strong sense of direction and a strong sense of what needs to happen. Pushing others will not work; you simply need to let them notice the benefits of heading down your chosen path. Tonight: Out partying.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ How much stress do you think you add to your life? Try to relax about a domestic matter. Clearly, worrying doesn't help. You have more control of your life when you are in control of yourself. Tonight: Mosey on home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You might want to understand what is motivating you with a friend. What do you really want from this person? Someone who is quite authoritative could push your buttons. Lie low and rethink a decision, and you will be a lot happier as a result. Tonight: Join a favorite person.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Be aware of how much you offer to others. Sometimes you give too much of yourself, which results in you getting hurt. Let others make more of an effort, and the results will be much better. A long-distance call could be agitating you. Tonight: Be where there is music.

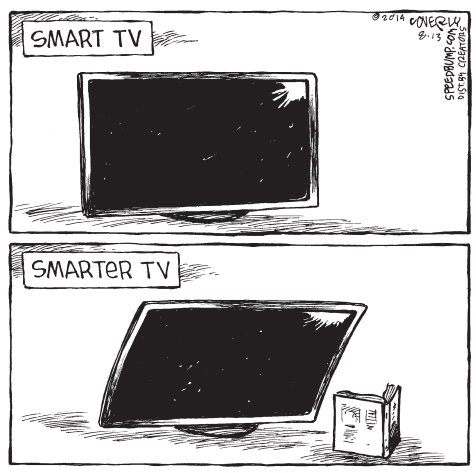
Wednesday, August 13, 2014

This year you open up and seem much more prepared to receive positivity into your life. Negative habits easily can be worked on. You are in the midst of starting a 12-year luck cycle, and this year could prove to be excellent. If you are single, romance will not elude you. Just don't commit until you are sure that you're with the right person. If you are attached, the two of you will decide to fulfill a long-term goal or desire. The friendship between you is as strong as the romance. ARIES always causes a tumultuous situation around you.

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

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By Dave Coverly



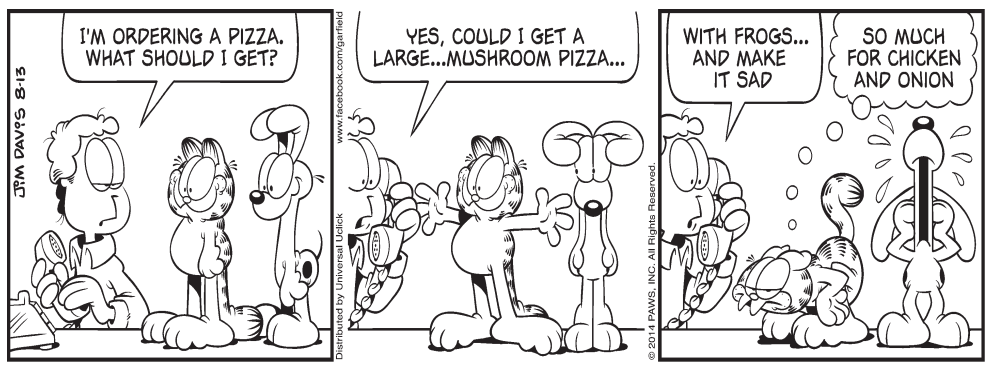
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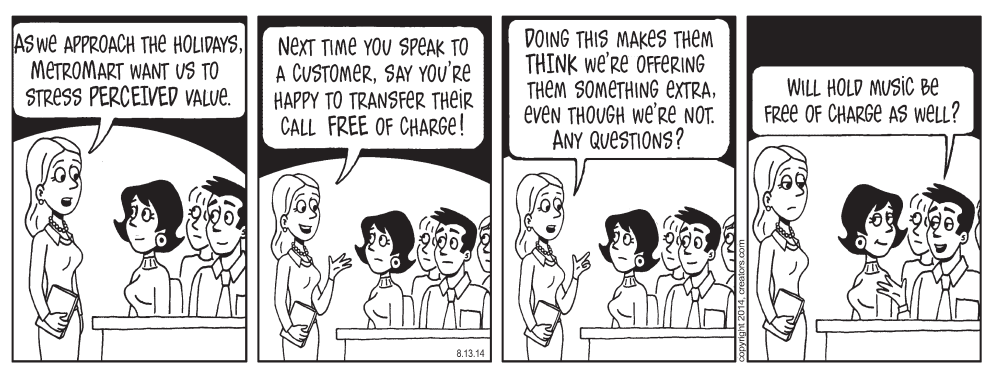
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Sudoku

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 ★★★

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

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

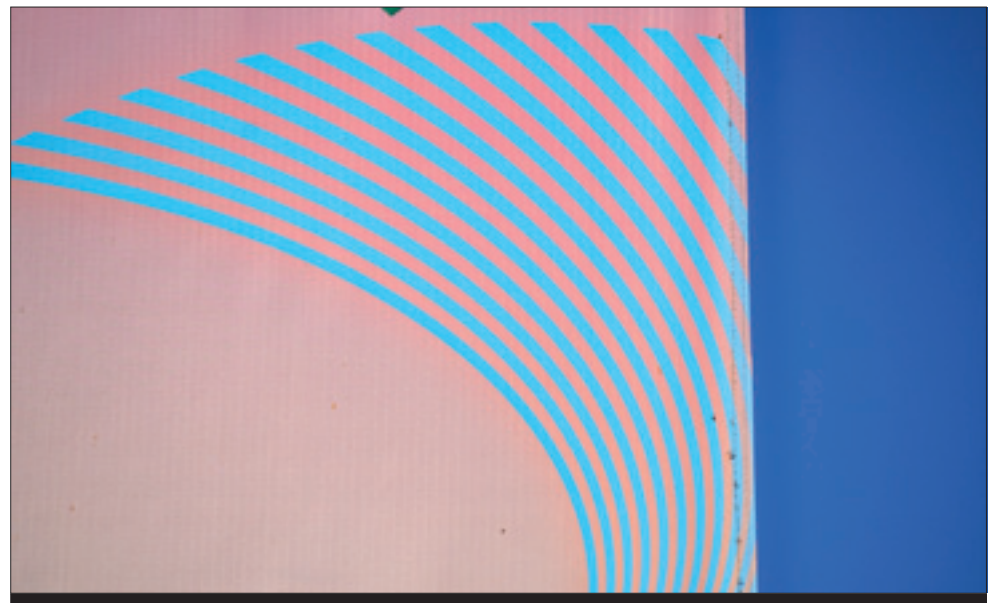
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4	7	5	6	2	9	8	1	3
3	6	8	1	5	4	2	7	9
6	8	7	3	9	5	1	4	2
5	3	9	4	1	2	7	6	8
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DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 384 calls for service on Aug. 11.

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

Fight at Ocean Ave. and Marguerita Ave. at 12 a.m.
Battery on 1200 block of 15th St. at 1:17 a.m.
Battery at Ocean Ave. and Broadway at 2:07 a.m.
Auto burglary on 1000 block of Lincoln Blvd. at 7:46 a.m.
Identity theft on 1800 block of Lincoln Blvd. at 9:51a.m.
Burglary on 100 block of Broadway at 10:18 a.m.
Fraud on 900 block of Broadway at 11:32 a.m.
Burglary on 800 block of 11th St. at 12:01 p.m.
Petty theft on 1500 block of the beach at 12:47 p.m.
Fraud on 2200 block of 3rd St. at 12:54 p.m.
Strongarm robbery at 1400 block of palisades park at 1:07 p.m.
Burglary on 3000 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 2:36 p.m.
Grand theft auto on 1500 block of Princeton St. at 2:39 p.m.
Fraud on 800 block of 2nd St. at 2:46 p.m.
Traffic accident on 1600 block of 4th St. at 2:57 p.m.
Burglary on 2200 block of 3rd St. at 2:59 p.m.
Petty theft on 2400 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 3:35 p.m.
Grand theft auto on 2900 block of Colorado Ave. at 4:01 p.m.
Grand theft at 3rd St. Prom and Broadway at 4:52 p.m.
Petty theft on 1300 block of 3rd St. Prom at 5:26 p.m.
Burglary on 2200 block of Colorado Ave. at 6:20 p.m.
Grand theft auto on 1600 block of Ocean front walk at 6:40 p.m.
Traffic accident at 7th St. and Arizona Ave. at 6:45 p.m.
Traffic accident at Lincoln Blvd. and Olympic Blvd. at 7 p.m.
Traffic accident at Lincoln Blvd. and Olympic Blvd. at 7:01 p.m.
Battery on 1900 block of Euclid St. at 7:19 p.m.
Traffic accident at Cloverfield Blvd. and Interstate 10 at 7:52 p.m.
Battery at Main St. and Ashland Ave. at 8:16 p.m.
Traffic accident on 1000 block of Pacific Coast Hwy at 10 p.m.
Assault on 2200 block of 24th St. at 10:44 p.m.
Report of shots fired on 3000 block of Delaware Ave. at 11:27 p.m.
Battery on 1700 block of Main St. at 11:34 p.m.



MYSTERY PHOTO

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Mississippi's source lake
7 Muddy up
11 Domestic denial
12 Computer menu choice
13 Car-washing aid
14 Put away
15 Shortage
17 Life stories
20 Choose
23 Curry on TV
24 Giveaway
26 Gangster's gun
27 Penguin's cousin
28 Saloon brew
29 Draws air
31 Set fire to
32 Most new drivers
33 Lackluster
34 Frank
37 Latte topper
39 Stump figure
43 Singer Fitzgerald
44 Heavenly
45 Water source
46 Checked (out)

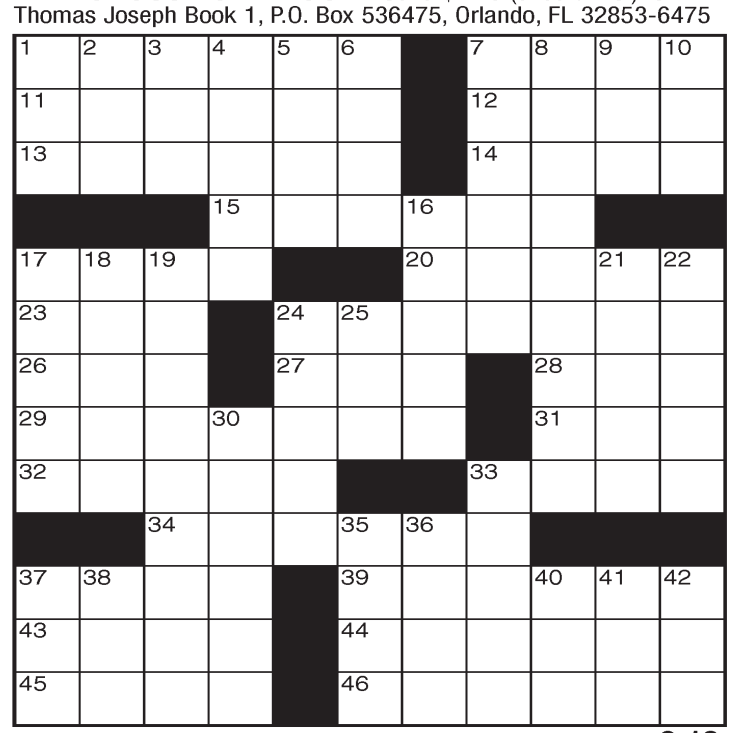
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1 Office-holders
2 Pinnacle
3 Commotion
4 Excites, in slang
5 Parakeet home
6 District
7 Steal steers
8 Alert
9 Groom's answer
10 Depressed
16 Stinks
17 Knock off work
18 Laughable
19 Site for portentous writing
21 Eyelashes
22 Comb parts
24 Unfaithful
25 Regret
30 Muppets drummer
33 Opera cheer
35 Tacit okays
36 Idle on film
37 Handful of
38 Flamenco cry
40 Service reward
41 Low number
42 Spectrum end

B	I	T	E	S	■	B	L	A	S	T
A	D	O	R	E	■	A	O	R	T	A
W	E	A	R	A	N	D	T	E	A	R
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Yesterday's answer

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8-13

DAILY LOTTERY

Draw Date: 8/9
3 12 31 34 51
Power#: 24
Jackpot: $40M

Draw Date: 8/8
9 16 61 70 75
Mega#: 7
Jackpot: $128M

Draw Date: 8/9
8 13 14 16 33
Mega#: 4
Jackpot: $9M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 8/11
14 18 21 29 39

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 8/12
MIDDAY: 2 6 8
EVENING:

Draw Date: 8/11
1st: 11 Money Bags
2nd: 10 Solid Gold
3rd: 05 California Classic
RACE TIME: 1:49.52

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Jeff Mizanskey, 61, is a poster child for one well- known criticism of mandatory-minimum sentencing laws -- that nonviolent marijuana users (and small-time sellers) may wind up doing decades of hard time and in fact more time than some sociopathic offenders serve for heinous offenses. Mizanskey is 20 years into a life sentence with no possibility of parole for several violations of Missouri's "prior and persistent drug offender" law, and his only chance for freedom is a clemency plea now under consideration by Gov. Jay Nixon (and still opposed by Mizanskey's prosecutor).

■ Also, from the foreign press: (1) Moscow Times reported the arrest of "Tomas" in Moscow in March for allegedly stealing a mobile phone, noting that he was referred to adult court even though family members claim he is only 13. Officials decided he must be at least 16, based on medical examination -- especially "of his genitals." (2) Turkey's Hurriyet Daily News reported in May that a 62-year-old man on an Istanbul TV dating show said he was just "an honest person looking for a new wife" -- while also casually mentioning that he had served two prison terms, one for murdering one wife and the other for murdering a girlfriend. "Bad luck always found me," he said. "This time I'll leave it to God."

TODAY IN HISTORY

1979 - The roof of the uncompleted Rosemont Horizon in Rosemont, Illinois, collapses, killing 5 workers and injuring 16.

2004 - Hurricane Charley, a Category 4 storm, strikes Punta Gorda, Florida, and devastates the surrounding area.

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