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PULLING TURF

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Workers from Field Turf Builders lay down artificial turf at Santa Monica College's Corsair Field on Wednesday. The workers started on the field Tuesday afternoon and expect to be finished by Aug. 29. Both SMC and Santa Monica High School's football teams play at the facility.

Group challenges tax measure

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL A little-known measure on the local fall ballot that would expand a tax on telecommunications is attracting opposition.

A group of residents are mounting an informal campaign against a proposed modernization of the Utility Users Tax, arguing that despite what City Hall claims about the measure producing a minuscule effect on residents and businesses, it will take more out of consumers' pocketbooks.

"This city said this is an update, which is not true," Peter Tigler, an opponent of the measure who helped create a Web site called KeepInformationFree.com, said.

A 10 percent city tax is currently charged on all electricity, natural gas, cable, water/wastewater and telecommunications bills whose accounts are based in Santa Monica. The problem for City Hall — and the reason for the measure — lies specifically in the language defining telecommunications, which officials say is outdated and has not kept up with the technological changes, leaving certain sectors like businesses who use T-1internet connection, untaxed.

"It is a question of equity," Kate Vernez, the assistant to the city manager for governmental relations, said. "If people are using services, it's equitable to make sure everyone is paying their fair share."

City Hall could stand to lose $12 million in existing revenue if the voter-approved measure fails this November.

While city officials claim that the tax rate will remain the same at 10 percent, impacting most consumers minimally, those who oppose the measure say there would be a tax increase overall, arguing that the proposal would expand the law to cover the Internet — including downloads — satellite and all wireless services.

"You don't have to necessarily have a phone number or address in Santa Monica," Tigler said. "Just being here and originating a call or receiving a call here can get you taxed."

Tigler added that the measure presents privacy issues, giving authorities the ability to track Internet activities, including online subscriptions.

"This is not an update, it's an expansion and redefinition," Tigler said.

City officials disputed the report, point-

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Ed Board picks head for Lincoln

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQTRS Following intense scrutiny surrounding the departure of former Lincoln Middle School Principal Tristan Komlos earlier this summer, the Board of Education on Wednesday named an assistant principal at Malibu High School as her successor.

The appointment of Suzanne Webb, who has overseen the middle school division at MHS the past four years, comes nearly two months after the board made several administrative changes, moving Komlos to John Muir Elementary and shifting its former principal, Martha Duran-Contreras to the district's central headquarters.

The moves sparked outrage by many parents at John Muir who said they only learned about the principal changes through the media, many questioning why the board would choose to move Komlos, who was criticized by some for taking a number of maternity leaves during her two-year tenure at the elementary school. One of those leaves came when Thomas Beltran, an ESL teacher at Lincoln, was arrested in May for allegedly molesting several of his students.

"The Board of Education is sensitive to the needs of Lincoln Middle School," Oscar de la Torre, the board president, said.

Webb is making a return of sorts to Lincoln where she was a math teacher from 1996-2002, an era the Santa Monica resident called the "best teaching years" of her career.

"The vitality of Lincoln, the leadership, the collaboration amongst staff, working with the community — everything was very tight and very collegial and positive," Webb said, explaining her love for the school. "I grew so much as a teacher."

A native of Toledo, Ohio, Webb received her education at Cal State Northridge, working for several years after as a math teacher at Beverly Vista Elementary School in Beverly Hills. After leaving Lincoln, Webb spent several years providing professional development for new teachers in the district before the assistant principal position opened in Malibu.

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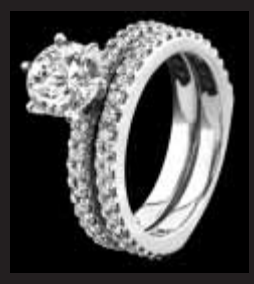

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For more information on any of the events listed, log on to smdp.com and click the "Events" tab for the given day's calendar.

Historical Society gets a big gift

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

DOWNTOWN The Santa Monica Historical Society Museum has received a donation of $630,000 from The Gilmore Family Trust, the lead gift in the museum's $5 million Endowment Fund campaign, officials with the museum said Wednesday.

"We are thrilled to receive this generous gift from The Gilmore Family Trust," said Louise Gabriel, president and CEO of the museum. "The contribution will be used to help preserve the documents, images and artifacts in the museum's many exhibits, as well as educational and research programs."

Longtime Santa Monica residents and supporters of the museum, Dr. John E. Gilmore and his wife, Kathleen, enjoyed sharing the unique diversity of the Santa Monica community with friends and colleagues. They were very active in a variety of community organizations.

Among the charities that they supported were the Santa Monica Kiwanis Club, Santa Monica Family YMCA and local Boys and Girls Club. They hoped to help preserve the history and culture of Santa Monica for future generations to enjoy.

"Dr. Gilmore understood the importance of strong community ties and was a proponent for residents to learn and appreciate Santa Monica's colorful history," Brett Carter, John Gilmore Estate trustee, said. "The Gilmores always believed the Santa Monica Historical Society Museum was performing a vital service by preserving memorabilia in celebration of Santa Monica."

The museum is an interactive cultural center that provides public access to extensive collections through interpretive exhibitions and educational programming, docent-led tours, lectures, multimedia presentations and workshops at the museum and in the community.

The non-profit Historical Society Museum will be relocating to a new permanent facility in the Santa Monica Public Library complex in the spring of 2009. The central Downtown location will serve as a cultural destination where residents and visitors to the city can discover, explore and celebrate Santa Monica's rich and diverse history in a setting that is engaging, enlightening and inspiring, officials with the museum said.

The Endowment Fund will help pay for operating expenses and ensure that the museum remains a fixture in the community for many years to come, said Ho Nguyen with the museum.

Funds are still needed for capital improvements to the museum's future home. The goal is to raise $2 million, Ngyuen said. So far the museum has been able to raise $1.3 million.

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Pier performers span the spectrum of sound

BY CHRISTINA YOON
Special to the Daily Press

SM PIER Tonight's Twilight Dance Series concert performers are as different as can be. One is considered the most popular Italian female musician of all time. The second made her mark in Argentina starring in popular comedic shows before leaving the screen for her true passion of music. And the third is a band fronted by a 21-year-old from Oklahoma that was picked up by its record label just four months ago.

Starting at 7 p.m. tonight, Sicilian-born superstar Carmen Consoli, Argentinean ambient-folk songstress Juana Molina and rootsy quintet Samantha Crain and the Midnight Shivers will each contribute their unique sounds to an eclectic show on the pier. The fact that none of the artists are familiar with one another's music doesn't seem to shake them.

"I'm looking forward to attending their shows," said Consoli. "It's hard to find solidarity with other people, especially other women and artists because competition can somehow become a negative value. I believe in cooperation."

Consoli has gained international audiences with her eight albums of jazz and traditional Italian tinged rock, which have all gone platinum in Italy and earned her three MTV Italian Music Awards. Born to a guitarist father, 33-year-old Consoli began playing music at 13.

"I took to music as a duck to water," Consoli said.

Photo courtesy Juana Molina

WILD CHILD: **Argentinean songstress Juana Molina plays the Twilight Dance Series tonight.**

Although Consoli has performed sold-out performances around the world, including the Africa Unite concert in Ethiopia and the SXSW Festival in Austin, Texas, but has never performed in California, although she was here to master her latest album, "Eva Contro Eva," which debuted at number one on the Italian charts in 2006. She said that Southern California's temperate climate and smiling population bring her back to her hometown of Catania, Sicily.

"It's a creative place full of people starving — they want to nourish themselves with different things. That's exciting for me," she said.

Unlike Consoli, Argentinean singer-songwriter Juana Molina has spent plenty of time in Los Angeles area. In fact, she spends part of the year living in Venice and the other part at her home outside Buenos Aires and has played at local venues including the Troubadour in West Hollywood. But although Molina will tread on familiar terrain, she still expressed trepidation about the challenges surrounding tonight's show.

"I'd rather play indoors," she admitted. "I usually play shows for 400 to 500 people but they come to see me, so everything's really rewarded somehow. You have a dialogue and a feedback. When you have to play in front of people who don't know who you are it's not easy. It's a hard job."

Molina is no stranger to this delicate balance of emotions that comes with her music. Although she grew up passionate about music thanks to her father, a renowned Tango musician, the fear of performing her songs kept her from pursuing a musical career for years. To fund her music, Molina starred in a television comedy series called "La Noticia Rebelde" in 1988. She then starred in the hugely popular sketch comedy show "Juana y Sus Hermanas" until she decided in 1996 to quit acting to return to her first love of music, with or without her

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Reality bites

Editor:

While Kenny Mack proclaims that "the war on terrorism is a joke" and the innocence of Salim Hamdan ("Trial of Salim is a sham," page 5, Aug. 13), [I read] an article about another terrorist from GitMo, Abdullah Saleh Al-Ajmi, released in 2005 after his poetry written at Gitmo was published and his innocence proclaimed. Unfortunately for the 55 Iraqi soldiers killed and/or wounded by Al-Ajmi's suicide attack last March, they and their families will not be singing praises for this murderous poet.

While the world was focused on the Beijing's Olympics celebration of "One World, One Dream," the citizens of Georgia were awakening to a real nightmare of Russian tanks, artillery, and missiles raining down on them. Like it or not, acknowledge it or not, we all live in a world with murderous terrorists and subject to potential attack. That's "World History, World Reality."

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Santa Monica

Costly drink

Editor:

The Anisette Brasserie is indeed a welcome addition to Santa Monica and as Merv Hecht, the SMDP's wine and food editor, points out, the decor is exceptional. Whether it is as he states "one of the most beautiful restaurants in the United States," I cannot say as I have only been in a very small percentage of them, however I will accept his word on that.

My experience of the Brasserie is also rather small, it consists of one brief mid-morning visit shortly after the establishment had opened to the public. During that visit I regret my not making a selection from the wine list so very well put together by Mr Hecht. I was there simply to look the place over and read the menus with a view to returning accompanied by friends on a forthcoming special occasion. Instead, a draught Guinness was my choice as it so often is in the a.m. and therein lay my error.

The libation was served to me by a delightful young lady named Sky. It came in a lager glass which was only somewhat larger than a test tube and it was rather colder than I like. After a most pleasant conversation it was time to settle the bill and move on.

That is when I became aware that the Anisette Brasserie is probably not for the likes of me. [They charged] $9 for a rather small Guinness, when large quantities (20 oz..) are available for $6.50 at Ye Olde Kings Head and The Britannia. Not to mention The Tudor House which has recently been remodeled and is now open in the evenings, they too serve Guinness.

All of these excellent establishments are within a stones throw or should I say bottle toss of the Brasserie so don't tell me it has further to travel.

Next time you are in France or Italy on one of your wine buying tours Mr Hecht, I suggest you check out the bars and restaurants that charge $9 for a Guinness, you will find they only do it to keep the British tourists out.

N. John Gazey
Santa Monica

Your column here

Paul M. Weyrich — **Send comments to editor@smdp.com**

Playing political games at the Summer Olympics

LAST WEEK PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH attended the opening of the Olympics in Beijing, the first American president to attend outside his own country. Presumptive GOP nominee Sen. John S. McCain (R-AZ) stated that he would not have attended the opening ceremonies if he were president. Presumptive Democratic nominee Sen. Barack H. Obama (D-IL) said he and McCain were in agreement on the issue. He would not have attended either.

So what should President Bush have done? Should he be there?

As I see it, the president had three choices. He could have boycotted the Olympics, à la Jimmy Carter in Moscow in 1980. He could have gone and said nothing. Despite the view of the majority of heads of state currently in Beijing for the Games that China's record in Burma and Tibet is unacceptable, they are saying nothing. The most common comment we heard was, "We don't want to mix politics with the games."

The final option was to do what Bush did. He could make a definitive statement on human rights while attending the Olympics.

I think the president did the right thing. Had he boycotted the Olympics, it would have had little effect on the Olympics but it might have been devastating to our athletes. Had he gone to Beijing and said nothing, not only would it have been inconsistent with the president's long record on human rights and freedoms, but the people of Burma and Tibet and the victims of China's one-child policy would have felt abandoned, perhaps even betrayed.

Instead, President Bush went to Thailand and hit China hard on its repression of religion, of freedom of the press, of freedom of assembly and, of course, its forced abortions. True, many people will not have heard anything of Bush's remarks. But in this age of satellites and the Internet, word will get out. When I was active in the former Soviet Union, dissident Russians told me how excited and encouraged they were when President Ronald W. Reagan declared that they were part of an evil empire. It gave them hope and courage to soldier on. The same will be true of the president's tough stance before landing at Beijing. Of course, China's reaction was to be expected. The Chinese government told Bush not to meddle in its internal affairs. Bush has promised to raise these issues privately when he meets with China's leaders following the opening of the Olympic Games.

At first I was inclined to think that senators Obama and McCain were correct. But having seen what Bush did, I changed my mind.

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Dealing with human rights questions is a tricky matter. The USA can have only limited influence in other nations. Yet if we do not hold China to a higher standard, who will? The real lasting influence we have had in the world has not been nation-building. Our efforts there may have the opposite effect. The times we have had the greatest influence are those times in which we were a moral leader. We provided an excellent example to other governments and provided hope for people suffering under tyranny. It is amazing how moral leadership has such a dramatic effect on other nations, whereas when we try to be the world's policeman we end up creating anger and bitterness.

If Bush had done what he promised in 2000 — that is, no nation building — he would go down in history as perhaps the greatest president since George Washington. As it is, he will be judged on the outcome of two wars, and that outcome is mostly out of his control.

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A game plan for Bennigan's

THE PARENT COMPANY OF THE Bennigan's restaurant chain filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy late last month, with all company-owned franchises ceasing operations immediately.

The news came as a great disappointment to frequenters of the 32-year-old tavern-themed eatery that featured such clever Irish fare as Guinness® Glazed Popcorn Shrimp and Turkey O'Toole (a unique pretzel roll smothered with thinly sliced, tender turkey breast, melted Swiss cheese and smoky honey Dijon, served hot). Still, devotees were given a flicker of hope last week when it was revealed that a financial restructuring firm is working to open the chain for business again in the wake of the filing.

Some mid-range casual dining insiders are wary of the move, though, suggesting that Bennigan's is in need of more than just a cash infusion to stay competitive in the current market of jalapeño popper heavyweights like T.G.I. Fridays and Applebees. First and foremost, it is being advised that Bennigan's needs to seriously reconsider how to build its brand loyalty.

Which is why 33-year-old Tremayne Durham has been asked to join a focus group that's been organized in order to help align Bennigan's priorities more closely with customer desires. Logistics have yet to be hammered out, however, as to how he'll be able to participate from behind bars. Last month in Oregon, Durham agreed to plead guilty to fatally shooting a man in a dispute over an ice cream truck only on the condition that he could get a break from jail food and be served a meal of KFC and Popeye's chicken, mashed potatoes, coleslaw and carrot cake.

Restaurant industry experts and district attorneys everywhere agreed that Durham's allegiance to KFC and Popeye's was enviable. After all, it's not every day that a man waives his right to a trial and accepts 30 years to life in exchange for a bucket of Extra Crispy. Family of Colonel Sanders said the outcome would have made the late fried chicken entrepreneur proud.

Bennigan's will also have to reexamine its décor if it wants to play with the big boys like Chili's and Olive Garden, according to one restaurant design professional who spoke on the condition of anonymity since his firm is planning on dumpster diving for some Bennigan's paraphernalia if the chain doesn't reopen for use in a How Not to Decorate Your Restaurant seminar to be offered next spring through the Learning Annex.

Bennigan's interior designers are rumored to have recently studied a McDonalds in Hacienda Heights, Calif., for inspiration. The Golden Arches giant in that neighborhood made news this winter when it was redecorated using the principles of feng shui, the ancient Chinese practice of arranging furniture to promote health, harmony, prosperity and now, Extra Value Meals.

Customers in the Hacienda Heights McDonalds have reportedly responded positively to the changes, even though most don't realize they've been feng shui-ed. Similarly, Bennigan's customers have relayed for years that they, too, don't realize much of anything after a few rounds of the restaurant's famous Paddy-O Punch. And while Bennigan's probably won't feng shui its restaurants per se, since earth tones, waterfalls and bamboo might clash with its casual bar-and-grill ambiance that more closely resembles a frat house than a tea house, it is considering adding some plants that aren't plastic to the areas immediately surrounding its hostess stands.

Finally, health professionals concur that Bennigan's will have to become more heart-friendly if it wants to attract more families. While it didn't receive a bad report in a recent study by the Center for Science in the Public Interest that examined the average caloric intake per meal at leading restaurants chains, that's because it wasn't actually included in the report at all.

Yet Bennigan's is determined to find its own Jared, the guy who famously lost 240 pounds on a diet of Subway sandwiches. Or Chris Coleson, a Richmond, Va., businessman who lost 86 pounds in six months eating only McDonald's wraps, apple-walnut salads and the occasional cheeseburger.

It just has to decide how it can spin the weight-loss benefits of menu mainstays like Broccoli Bites (broccoli mixed with bacon, onions and cheese, rolled in bread crumbs, lightly fried and served with smoky honey Dijon) and Bananas Foster Xango (original and banana cheesecake served in a pastry with classic bananas foster sauce, vanilla ice cream, sliced bananas and caramel).

A timeline has not been announced for the shuttered Bennigan's to reopen, but if it happens, it is believed that it will be soon.

Editor's note: The Daily Press would like to send well-wishes to MEREDITH CARROLL and her husband Rick, who are now the proud parents of a baby girl, Eleanor Maxine Carroll, who tipped the scales at 7 pounds, 9 ounces. Congratulations. E-mail questions or comments to meredithccarroll@hotmail.com.

The Q Line

Paying to ride

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors is considering a half cent sales tax to pay for county-wide transit projects including a light rail line to the Westside.

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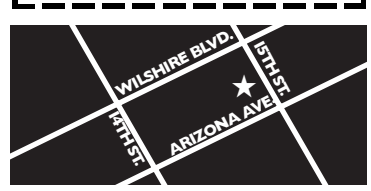

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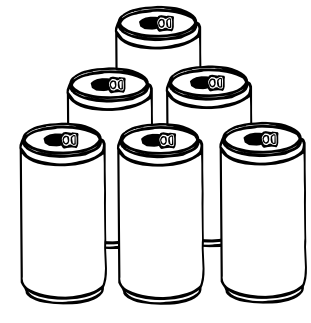
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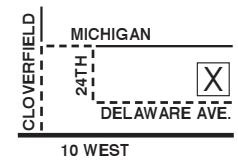

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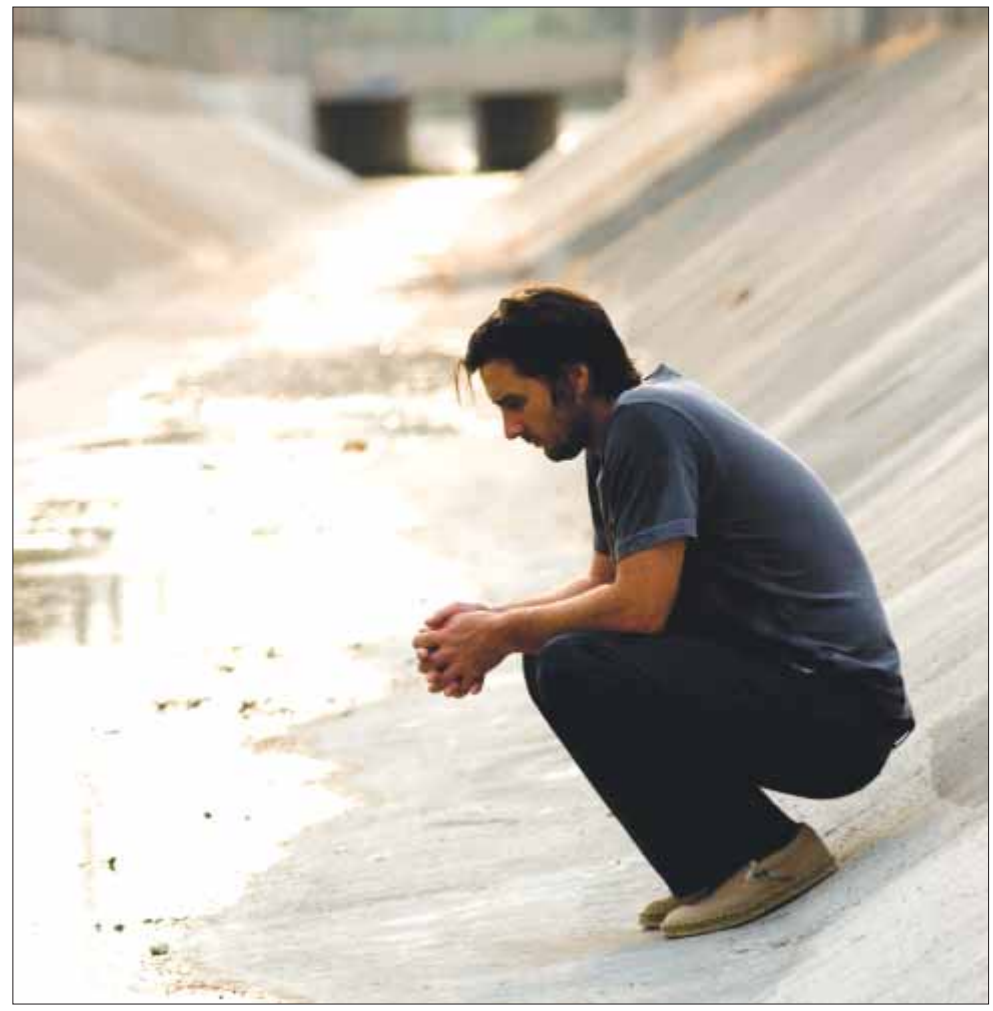

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TAKING A MOMENT: **Luke Wilson stars in Overture Films' "Henry Poole is Here."**

MOVIE REVIEW

'Henry Poole' is a gift

BY TAYLOR VAN ARSDALE

There comes a time in everyone's life when we want to make sure there's a record of our existence, something we've left behind, something that proves we've mattered.

This sentiment is often hastened upon the discovery that our time on earth has been cut short. Such is the case with Henry Poole (Luke Wilson) who after learning he's contracted a rare, incurable disease, retreats to the neighborhood of his youth, buys a rundown home and attempts to wait for the end ... undisturbed, and in relative anonymity.

In "Henry Poole is Here" his plans are thwarted when a nosy neighbor, Esperanza (Adriana Barraza), shows up with a plateful of tamales and a barrage of unwanted questions. Shortly after he turns her away, the deeply religious Esperanza interprets a stain on Poole's new stucco job to be the face of Christ – a modern day "sign."

Soon she's hustling the faithful to Poole's backyard, creating a circus of spectators intruding on Poole's solitude. Meanwhile Poole, against his better judgment, is bonding with his neighbor, pretty divorcée, Dawn (Radha Mitchell), whose daughter, Millie (Morgan Lily) hasn't uttered a word since her parent's breakup.

Then ... the miracles begin. An inquisitive grocery clerk saddled with coke-bottle glasses touches the wall and can suddenly see. Even Millie's "selective autism" is cured. Still Poole, wallowing in his own despair, cannot muster the faith to believe.

Thankfully "Poole" does not present a stereotypical take on Catholic mysticism nor does it take jabs at Christianity but rather conveys what "belief" can do for the human condition and how faith has the ability to transform our lives. Screenwriter, Albert Torres creates natural reveals, tying all the points together, without ever becoming overly didactic.

And Pellington, known for his music videos, along with music editor John Frizell, put together one heck of a great score. Blur's "Song 2" plays over Henry's anguished moments, which said Pellington, "Underscores the depths of the character's journey."

Wilson makes quality acting seem so effortless, "Poole" being his best performance to date; subtle, layered and with just the right amount of vulnerability. Check out the scene where he travels through a dry river basin and stops under a bridge looking for the name he scrawled into the metal many years ago.

The film may not resonate with teens who enjoy summer action flicks or middle-aged "pseudo intellectuals" who believe themselves to be above sentimentality – it will however have a profound effect on just about everyone else.

And unless you fall into one of the two minor categories above, a poignant scene between Wilson and Barraza will bring tears to your eyes.

In "Henry Poole Is Here" director Mark Pellington creates an uplifting, spiritual journey of a man in search of himself and his faith that continually delights and is never laborious, allowing the viewer to draw his or her own conclusions. Is it the work of God or does faith simply make you believe?

A Priest once told me, "You have to pray for faith" (fortunately I have faith in spades) but the comment always seemed a bit incongruous; if you don't believe in it – how do you pray for something you don't have; but he likened faith to that of a gift; a gift answered by prayer, which is exactly what this film is – a gift.

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Exploring El Segundo

I DON'T KNOW WHETHER MOST people know where El Segundo is, but I just discovered this cute town near the airport and found a quaint setting for a sleepy village that has quite a few restaurants to explore.

I paid Main Street a visit the other night to check out Chef Hannes' establishment, which was an enjoyable experience. I had a few friends that wanted to try something new and we looked online for something that would not be crowded and overwhelmed by trendy packed venues on a Saturday night.

We discovered Chef Hannes in an online search and ventured over to El Segundo. Who knew this small town had such a variety of places to check out; there was Sushi, Vietnamese, Italian and this eclectic Hannes place. It seemed that the menu had a little of every cuisine from Italian to Asian.

The atmosphere was something along the lines of a country kitchen with casual table settings and the chef himself attending to the customers as they walked in. It was very quiet and calm for a Saturday night which all of us welcomed.

We had a friendly wait person who informed us of the specials, which included grilled scallops, Chilean sea bass and arugula salad with goat cheese. My friend picked the scallops, I ordered the pasta with turkey sausage and our other companion had a chicken gumbo.

We all ordered the special salad which arrived with arugula, roasted eggplant, tomatoes and goat cheese. It was a large serving that was delicious with just the right amount of vinaigrette. On the table they served a sliced baguette with some sort of potato garlic spread that was loaded with garlic and olive oil. It was quite addictive and we all polished it off without a problem.

The entrees were also abundant portions and were well seasoned and perfectly cooked. I don't often order pasta as I am aware of avoiding carbs as a way to maintain my girlish figure but I was in the mood for some hearty fare and upon eating this dish was delighted with my choice.

The sauce had a nice combination of tomato, sausage and basil and there was enough of it to coat the pasta. My friends both enjoyed their entrees as well, especially the scallop dish.

I would recommend checking out this place. I discovered before leaving that they have a garden area in the back so you can sit outside and enjoy the weather.

For those of you who may want to try their hand at a pasta with chicken sausage that I often make at home, here is my version of this delicious dish.

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Pasta with Turkey Sausage and Swiss Chard
Serves 4 to 6

Ingredients
2 Tb. olive oil
1 pound turkey or chicken sausage, casings removed, roughly chopped
1 cup dry white wine
1/2 cup chicken broth
1/2 cup heavy cream
1/4 cup parmesan cheese, grated
1/4 tsp. red pepper flakes
Fresh pepper
1 small bunch Swiss chard, rinsed well, roughly chopped
1/2 pound pasta, a short shape
Grated pecorino cheese

Procedure
1. Heat a tablespoon of oil in a large skillet until hot, add the sausage and cook until browned, about 5 minutes. Remove with a slotted spoon to a paper towel lined plate. Pour off most of the fat and add the wine to the skillet, deglaze the pan and reduce to about one third. Add the broth, cream, cheese, red pepper flakes and fresh pepper. Cook until the sauce coats the back of a spoon about 5 minutes. Season with salt and add the sausage back to the pan. Transfer the sauce to a large serving bowl and cover with foil.
2. Heat the same skillet and add a tablespoon of olive oil. Add the greens and sauté until wilted, about 5 minutes. Season with salt and pepper and add to the bowl with the sauce.
3. Meanwhile cook the pasta in salted boiling water until al dente, drain. Add to the bowl and toss well. Serve hot with the grated pecorino.

Have all the fun of a fair at home with a corn dog

BY HOWIE RUMBERG
Associated Press Writer

What would a day at the fair be without chowing down a corn dog?

A little healthier, for sure. But a whole lot less fun.

Like fried dough and cotton candy, corn dogs go hand-in-hand with summer fairs and festivals. You look forward to eating them when walking the parade grounds or seaside boardwalks, but never at home. Why not?

A corn dog is just a hot dog on a stick wrapped in cornbread. How hard could it be? Turns out, not very.

While my main inspiration for making my own corn dogs was adding a little whimsy to an end-of-summer cookout, it also was an opportunity to try to create a great-tasting version that was somewhat less artery-clogging.

Corn Dogs
Servings: 10
1 cup all-purpose flour
1 cup yellow corn meal (fine ground)
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
1 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1 egg
1 1/4 cups buttermilk
1 1/2 teaspoons honey
1 1/2 quarts vegetable oil (or enough to fill a large skillet to a depth of 1 inch)
Ten 7- to 8-inch wooden skewers
10 Hebrew National Reduced Fat Beef Franks (or other thin hot dog)

In a medium bowl, whisk together the flour, corn meal, baking soda and powder, salt and cayenne. Set aside.
In another medium bowl, whisk the egg until frothy, then add the buttermilk and honey and whisk. Add the wet ingredients to the dry, and gently stir with a wooden spoon until just incorporated. Do not overmix. The batter should be very thick and slightly lumpy.
Ladle some of the batter into a tall drinking glass, slightly longer than the hot dog.
In a large, deep skillet or a deep fryer, heat about 1 inch of oil to between 350 F and 375 F. Heat the oven to 275 F (the oven is used to keep the finished corn dogs warm while the others cook).
One at a time, skewer each hot dog, inserting the skewer through one tip of the dog and pushing it about halfway up the length of it. Dip the hot dog into the glass of batter, slowly twirling it as you pull it out.
Place the skewered hot dog into the oil. Fry, using tongs to turn the corn dogs occasionally, until all sides are a deep golden brown, about 30 to 45 seconds. Two to 3 hot dogs can be fried at a time.
Transfer the corn dogs to papers towels to drain, then place them on a baking sheet in the oven. Repeat with remaining hot dogs

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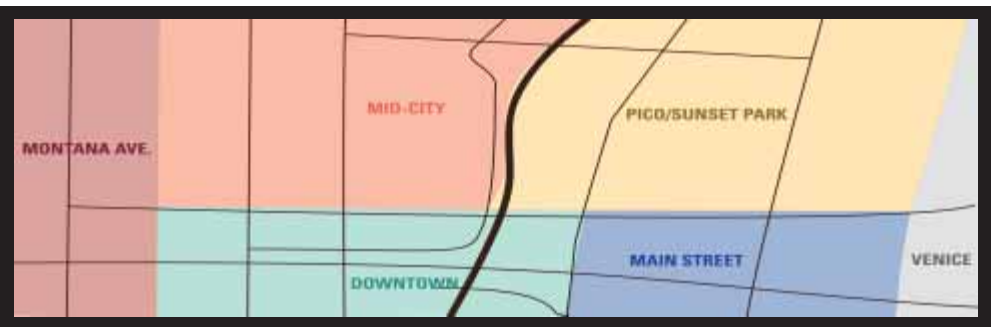

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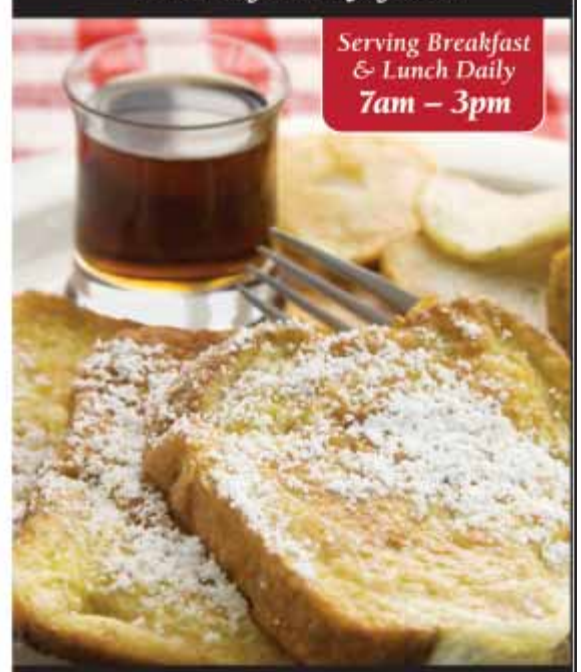
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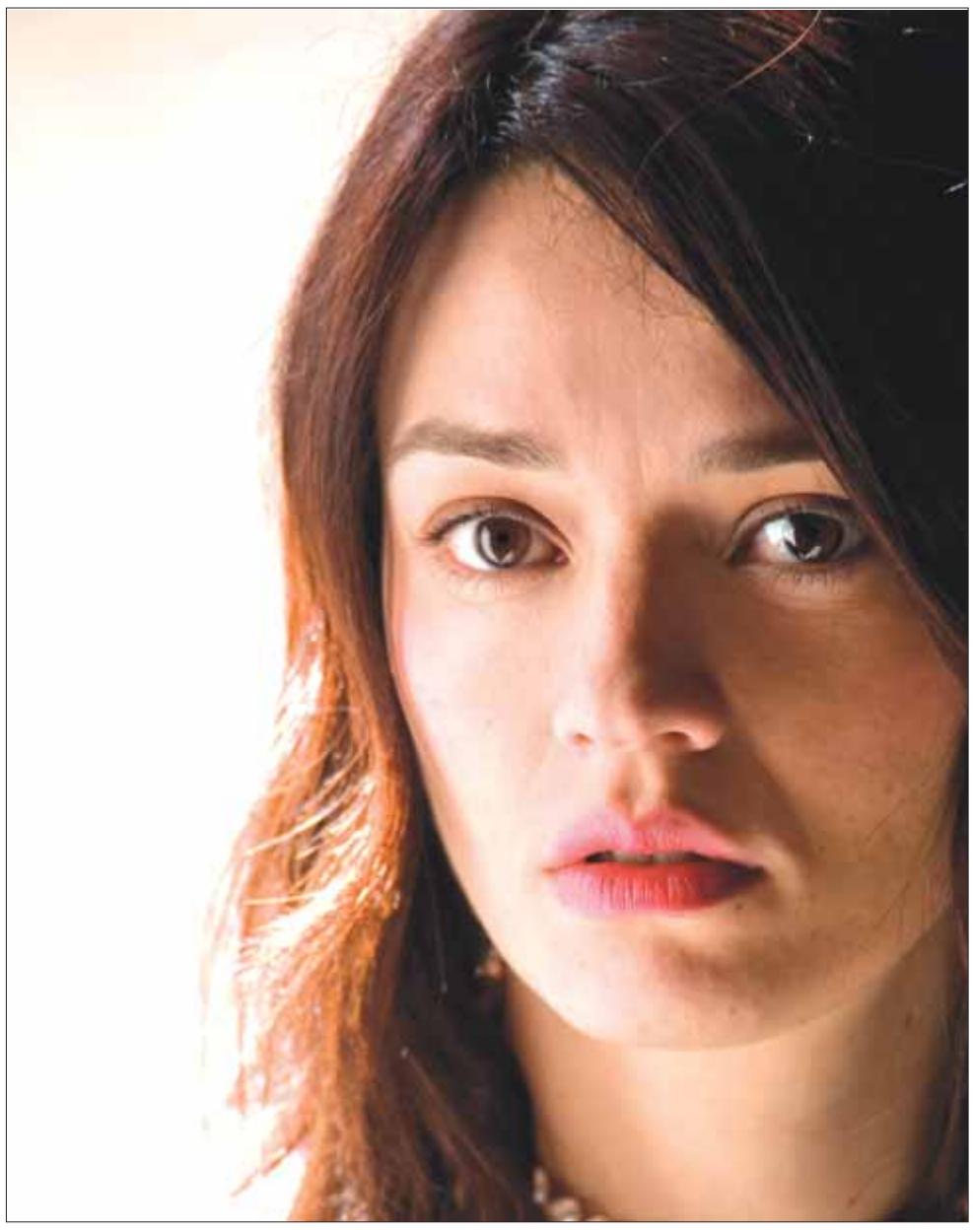

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COMING WEST: **Sicilian-born star Carmen Consoli headlines the Twilight Dance Series tonight.**

Unique female voices collaborate on the pier

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stage fright.

"It's something that's healed by playing live, little by little," Molina said. "Because what I do is like an egg — it's really hard and rough, but if you knock it, it breaks. Everything very strong is also very fragile."

Molina will take the stage alone tonight, leaving her without a band to lean on if pressures rise.

"Since I'm doing everything on my own, I can't repeat exactly what is on the record," said Molina, whose folksy, electronic sound has been compared to Björk and Beth Orton. "I know the recipe, and it's like I'm cooking the show live. When you cook, even if you have the same ingredients, it doesn't always taste the same."

Samantha Crain, for one, considers her band to be one of her main ingredients. The 21-year-old musician has toured with her Midnight Shivers, for about a year and a half now, and the singer wants to be sure that they don't get ignored.

"We are a female-fronted band but we don't want to get lumped into the female singer-songwriter category," Crain said. "We're a band and that wouldn't be fair to the other members."

Crain and the Midnight Shivers have been on tour constantly since they were picked up by Ranseur Records in March. Before that, Crain has had to juggle touring with taking on odd jobs in her hometown of Shawnee, Ok., such as sorting clothes at a warehouse or serving coffee out of a drive-through trailer.

While Crain is appreciative of her recent jump-start, she's also not completely surprised by it.

"The career path hasn't changed, although the speed of it has," she said. "The way we were going was always this way, and eventually we would have gotten there."

Arriving in Santa Monica about three days ago, Crain and her band have already played a live show at the Hotel Cafe in Hollywood.

Tonight's performance at the pier will be the band's last before the members take a short break and prepare to record their full-length album in September.

Shawnee is not as far from Santa Monica as Rome or Buenos Aires, but tonight's show may make Crain feel as though she has traveled many more miles than the other two more seasoned acts.

"This is a completely different situation for us," she said. "I'm excited to see how many people are going to be there. We usually play much smaller venues so it'll be an interesting change of pace."

Although Crain has already said goodbye to the days of tearing movie tickets at the local theater or serving up a piping hot cup of coffee between gigs, it is still possible to see some of her small-town foundations. When asked about her impressions of Los Angeles so far, Crain thought long and hard before answering.

"It's big," she said.

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Principal taught math at Lincoln

FROM **PRINCIPAL** PAGE 1

Despite her physical absence from Lincoln, Webb always kept her eye on the various principal openings that had popped up since her departure, always opting to wait because she didn't feel ready.

When news came that the district was seeking a new principal, Webb decided to throw in her name.

"Working with [MHS Principal] Mark Kelly the past four years, he did a good job in preparing me," she said.

A panel consisting of Lincoln teachers, parents and district administrators interviewed several candidates, forwarding the three top prospects to Interim Superintendent Tim Cuneo for consideration. Cuneo made the recommendation for Webb during the board meeting.

De la Torre said that Webb is one of the most accomplished teachers in the district, boasting skills as an administrative leader.

"The combination of her knowing what needs to happen in the classroom and in the central office is convincing," he said. "She has a proven track record."

Eric Marcos, a math teacher at Lincoln, taught summer school at Malibu a few years ago under Webb's supervision. He attended the meeting on Tuesday and seemed visibly pleased with the appointment.

When Marcos was first hired at Lincoln, he took over Webb's old classroom, saving some of her old posters, including the "classroom rules."

"She's very organized and lively," Marcos said. "I think she is going to be a good energy for our school."

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> **Suzanne Webb**
> Incoming principal, Lincoln Middle School

The new principal comes at a somewhat vulnerable time for the Lincoln community which is trying to recover from the revelation that a former teacher was accused of molesting his students. Webb said while she intends to work with district staff closely regarding the matter.

"I'm really going to focus on starting the school year out having a successful and positive transition for our teachers and students in the community," she said.

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NEW VIEW: **A group of residents are mounting an informal campaign against a proposed modernization of the Utility Users Tax. A new Web site was created to present the group's opposition.**

Measure aims to modernize tax on telecommunications

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ing out that satellite and the Internet — including downloads — are neither currently nor will be taxed under the measure.

What the redefined UUT will do is begin taxing text messages, pages and voicemails that are "unbundled," meaning they aren't included in the caller's monthly plan. Carol Swindell, the finance director for City Hall, pointed out that most cell phone users subscribe to plans that already include those services at a flat rate, the packages already being taxed under the existing UUT structure.

Swindell also refuted claims that a cell phone user whose account is not based in Santa Monica would be charged a tax by City Hall for making or receiving calls within city limits.

Many cities have updated their own UUTs through voter-approved initiatives, which is required under Proposition 218. Similar opposition campaigns have been waged against most, according to Mike Madrid, a consultant to the League of California Cities, which is an association of city officials from across the state.

The most high-profile campaign took place earlier this year when Los Angeles city officials placed a UUT update on the ballot, opponents arguing that the proposal would tax the Internet, which turned out to be false, Madrid said. The measure passed.

"It's a standard ploy people will use because they know people would be concerned about that," Madrid said.

Aside from the recent opposition campaign, the measure has gotten on the ballot with relatively little stir from the public.

Consumer Watchdog, which is based in Santa Monica, has not taken a position on the measure.

Carmen Balber, the consumer advocate for the organization, said that the measure is basically logical.

"The reality is when the telecommunications tax originally passed, it was intended to tax telecommunications itself," Balber said.

"THIS CITY SAID THIS IS AN UPDATE, WHICH IS NOT TRUE."

Peter Tigler
Keep Information Free

She added that while cities tend to try and sell similar measures as a tax reduction, it is in reality an increase because it's charging a service that previously wasn't covered before.

City Hall has spent more than $33,000 sending out two mailers on the ballot measure, the first distributed last month, the second sent last week. The literature was created by city staff.

Vernez said the fliers were not in response to the Web site.

"We just want to get the facts out there," she said.

The measure also aims to correct confusion that arose after the federal excise tax — for which the local UUT was modeled — was repealed on almost all telecommunications services in 2006. The change caused issues in interpretation of the local law, questions as to whether cities that mirrored their UUT after the federal excise tax could still make assessments on telecommunications.

The repeal led to lawsuits filed by the telecommunications companies against municipalities, challenging their authority to collect the tax. City Hall has not been sued.

"We want to make sure that this tax as it exists is approved by voters and is one that tells telecommunications that they need to collect and collect equitably," Swindell said.

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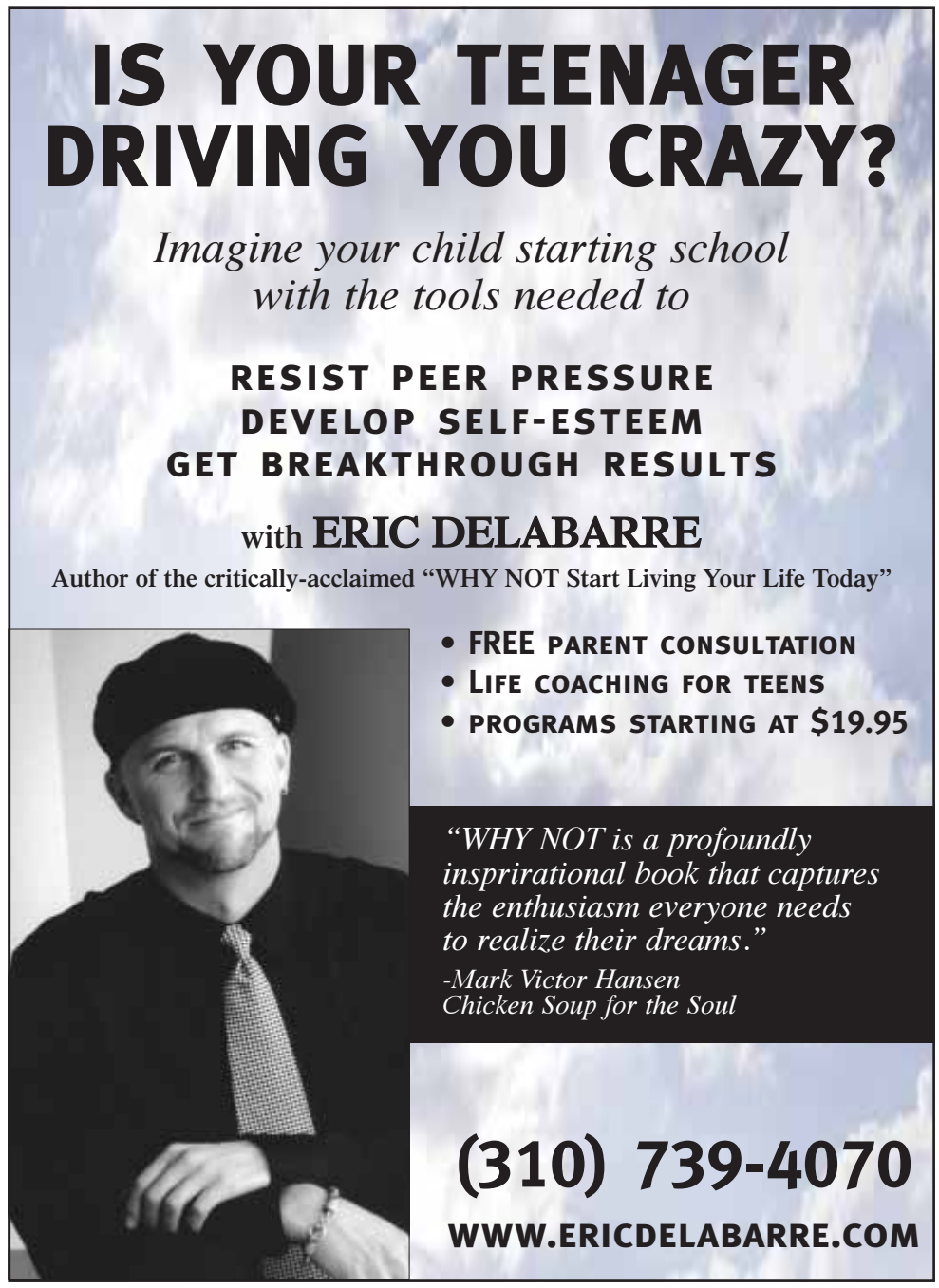


SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp: 66°**

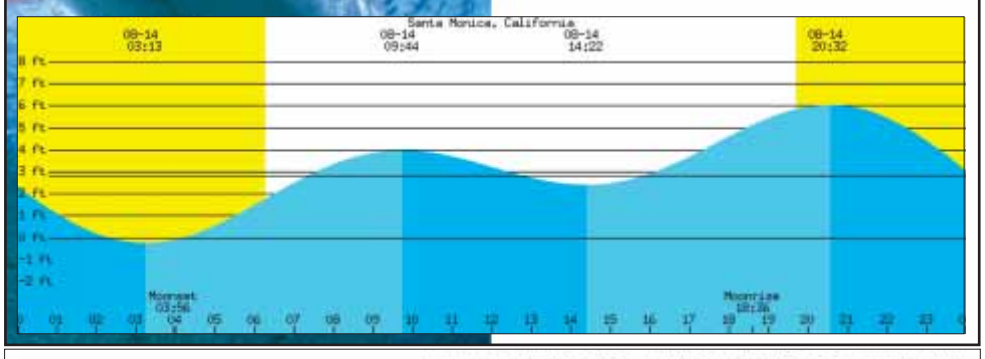
Swell Forecast (1-2 FT)

Thursday the 14th we should see some steep angled, 170-degree SSE swell from action that formed last week near Chile. Although holding ground swell-long 16-second periods, this swell has a tough angle for SoCal. And since we're only getting the extreme radial, angular spread from this swell, anything above waist high from this would be rare at south facing breaks. Light NW wind swell is expected, but nothing at all from the Tropics.

Long Range Synopsis

Saturday the 16th we should see some NW ground swell ...

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous four weeks up to the ending date of **August 5, 2008**

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QUICK STATS (for the last 28 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 1
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 0
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 40 / ns
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 4 / ns

The Beach Report Card is made possible by simplehuman, The Goldhirsh Foundation, the James Irvine Foundation, Ford

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 Las Alloe creeks	A+	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private)	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	A	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach	A+	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach	C	ns
Pearco State Beach at creek mouth	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Pearco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	F	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily	A	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	A+	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A+	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero)	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs	A+	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth	A+	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	A+	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain)	A+	ns

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence	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)	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain	B	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier	D	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms)	B	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.	C	ns
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth	B	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain	B	ns
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty)	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain	A+	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain	A+	ns

LEGEND

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

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Henry Poole Is Here (PG) 1hr 40min
7:30

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1441 Third Street Promenade

The X-Files: I Want to Believe (PG-13)
12:05, 2:40, 5:10, 7:35, 10:00

Hancock (PG-13) 1hr 32min
1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:05, 10:20

The Wackness (R) 1hr 35min
12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30

Transsiberian (R) 1hr 51min
12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:40, 10:10

AMC 7 SANTA MONICA
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WALL-E (G) 1hr 37min
12:10, 2:30, 5:00, 7:20, 9:45

Step Brothers (R) 1hr 35min
11:50am, 2:20, 5:00, 7:45, 10:20

Journey to the Center of the Earth - 3-D (PG) 1hr 32min
12:20, 2:50, 5:20, 7:45, 10:10

Tropic Thunder (R) 1hr 47min
12:00, 1:30, 2:35, 4:15, 5:10, 7:00, 7:50, 9:40, 10:30

The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor, The (PG-13) 1hr 54min
1:15, 4:05, 6:45, 9:30

Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants 2, The (PG-13) 1hr 57min
1:45, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15

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Elegy (R) 1hr 48min
1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50

Bottle Shock (PG-13) 1hr 50min
1:30, 4:10, 7:00, 9:55

Brideshead Revisited (PG-13) 1hr 40min
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

Tell No One (Ne le dis a personne) (NR) 2hrs 05min
1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:15

MANN'S CRITERION THEATRE
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Dark Knight, The (PG-13) 2hrs 30min
11:30am, 1:40, 3:00, 5:00, 6:30, 8:30, 10:00

The Pineapple Express (R) 1hr 45min
10:50am, 11:50, 1:30, 2:30, 4:10, 5:10, 7:00, 7:50, 9:50, 10:30

Hell Ride (R) 1hr 23min
12:20, 2:50, 5:20, 7:40, 10:20

Mamma Mia! (PG-13) 1hr 48min
11:10am, 2:00, 4:30, 7:10, 10:10

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Take personal time, Virgo

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Your high energy helps you focus and make what you need happen. Others look to you for direction and advice. At times, you could feel overwhelmed by all that might occur. Understand what your common goals are. Tonight: Find your friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Be willing to do your own research. Take a stand, and read between the lines. What someone is not saying could be far more important than you realize. A creative moment helps push a project across the line. Tonight: Out and about.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Take in what a partner shares. Though the impact of this knowledge could toss a curveball into your life, you ultimately will be better off with this knowledge. Use your mind to sort through the real problem. Tonight: Check out a new spot, or a site if on the computer.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Others run with the ball, but they now are receptive to what you are asking. In fact, you finally get a grasp on an issue, which points you in a new direction. Think positively about a transformation and change of direction. Tonight: Enjoy the moment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Try a more even approach with those around you. Someone might be a bit off the wall, and your attitude calms down what could be a toasty situation. Relax, but also encourage others to express what is going on. Tonight: Out and about.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Your imagination might be a touch haywire, causing your mind to drift elsewhere. Do not be surprised by what someone might do in order to get your attention. Tonight: Take some long-overdue personal time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Stick to basics. You must open up to what before seemed impossible. Get ahead of the game, knowing what you want. As the day ends, consider a positive change with your work. Tonight: Fun and games — start the weekend early.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ What you thought was the status quo could explode. You cannot control other people. Do not even try. An even and/or steady approach achieves your long-term desires. A risk might backfire. Ask more questions. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Get a strong hold on your budget, and you will be much happier. Disciplining yourself could take unusual effort, but you will succeed. Curb a tendency to be possessive, and stay secure. Tonight: A heart-to-heart chat with a friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ If you can, stop and look around. You could be surprised by what you see, especially if you can clear out your issues. The unexpected could add a certain charge to your day. You can handle the unexpected. Tonight: Your treat.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ If you want to play it low-key, do so. You could have your hands full with a financial matter. Stay in touch with your feelings, and you will make an excellent decision. Your energy perks up at the end of the day. Tonight: All smiles.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Use the daylight hours to the max. You might suddenly decide to reprioritize your errands and projects. Others might ask questions; answer them. You might get more support by being open. Tonight: Zoom in on what you want.

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★★★★ Positive ★ Difficult
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Difficulty Level ★★★

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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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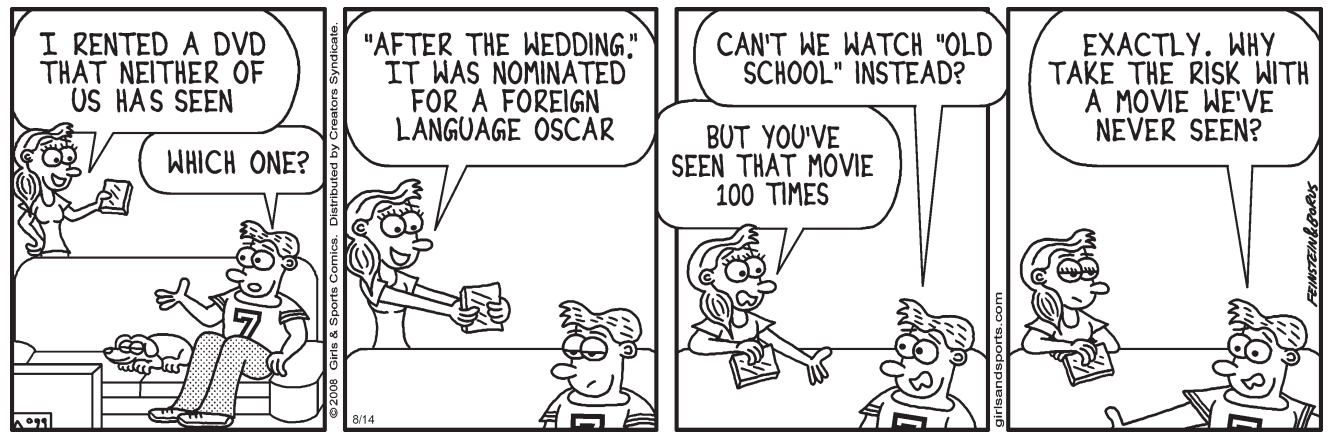

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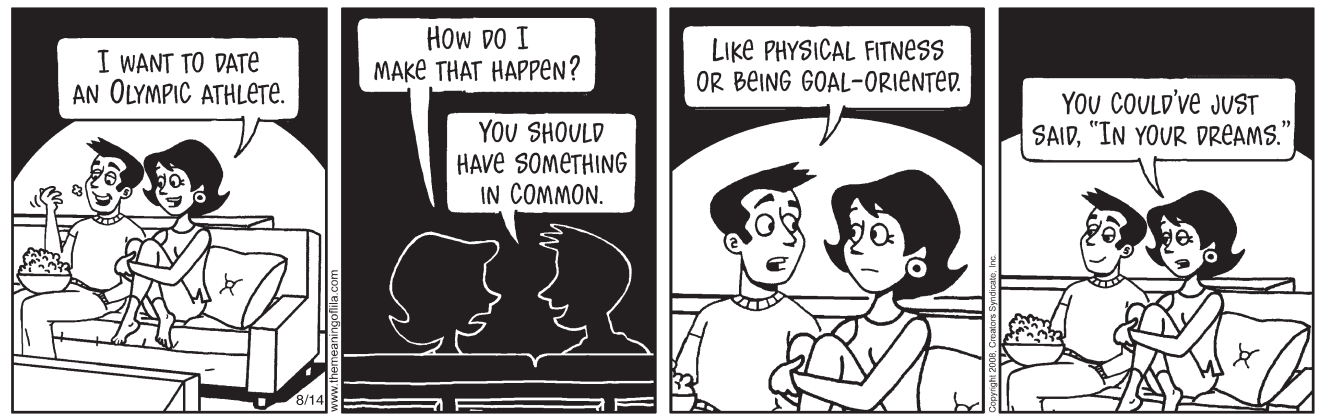

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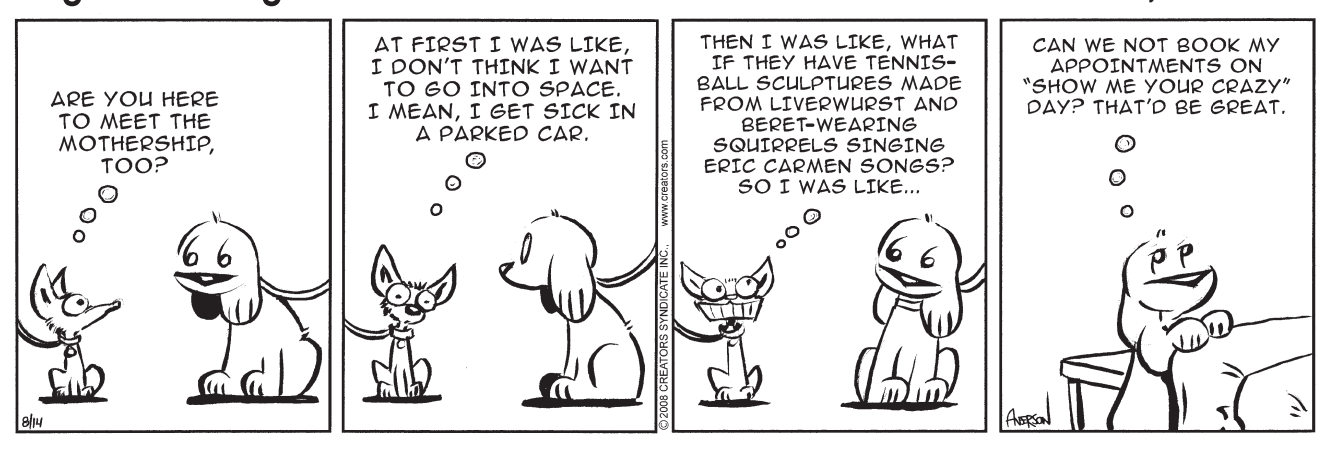

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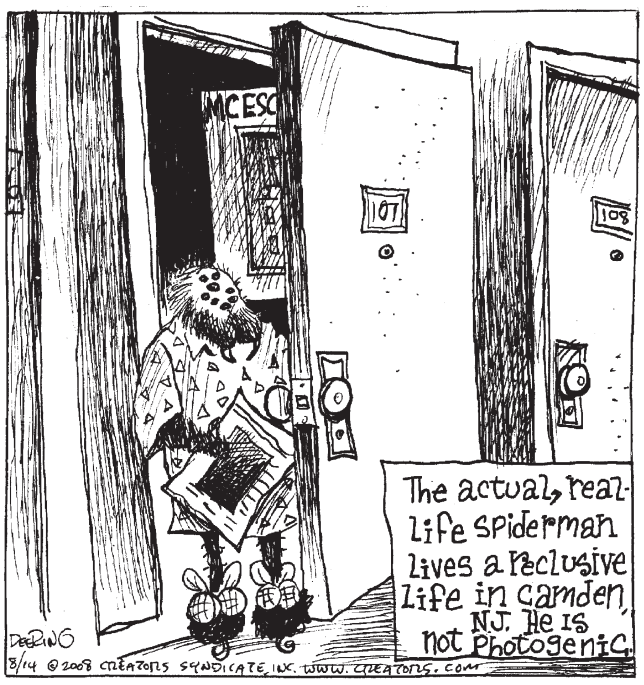

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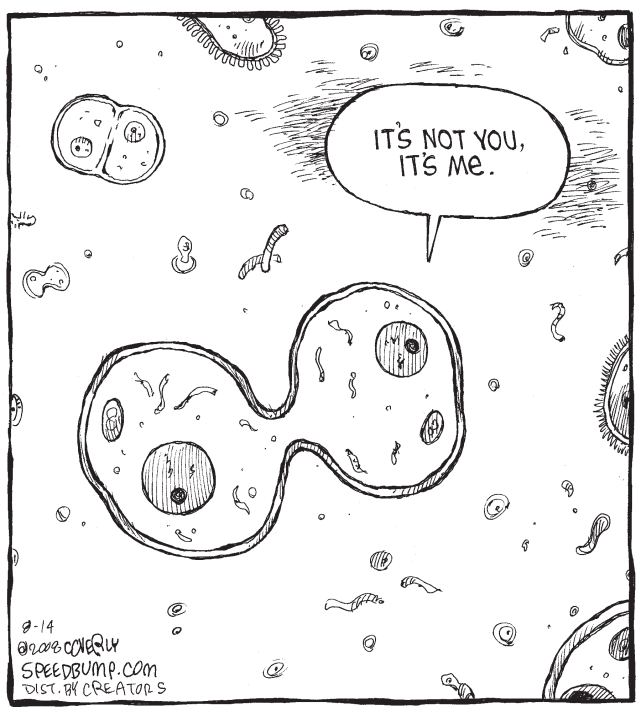

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Leg part
5 Hoof sounds
10 Globe area
11 Kind of shower
12 Jazz legend Getz
13 In recent days
14 Studio sprayer
16 Ninnies
20 Ropes
23 Mary's boss
24 Bay
25 Hard stuff
27 Hockey's Grimson
28 Finished a hole
29 Building ventilator
32 Military branch
36 Beach outfit
39 "Das Kapital" author
40 History, essentially
41 Writer James
42 Camp sights
43 Anchor's offering

DOWN

1 Hacienda house
2 Italian wine region
3 Tale teller
4 Entertainer's admirers
5 Market worry
6 Flexible
7 Keats poem
8 Buddy
9 Crafty
11 Obscures
15 Real hoot
17 Bunches
18 Take a nap
19 Took to court
20 Bart's sister
21 Opposed to
22 Disparaging remark
25 Physically fit
26 Footrest
28 Louvre setting
30 Virtuous fellow
31 Pointers
33 Fad
34 Ship staff
35 Alimony payers
36 Wager
37 "— had it!"
38 Boxer Norton

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ In March, a jury acquitted the former parking manager for Fresno, Calif., Bob Madewell, of all misuse-of-funds charges, including one count for reducing the minor league baseball Grizzlies' parking fees in exchange for tickets for his brother and himself, and another count in which he paid a female worker $300 in city funds to let him touch her breasts. Juror Trish Riederer, in an interview with the Fresno Bee, said she and her fellow jurors believe that Madewell did everything that prosecutors say he did but that the city did not have clear procedures in place about Madewell's scope of authority.

■ Fifth-grade teacher Susan Romanyszyn, 45, was arrested in Bucks County, Pa., in January and charged with 17 counts of threatening bombings and gun violence after she was assigned to teach fourth grade, instead.

■ Sixth-grade teacher Roshondra Sipp of Jackson, Miss., aroused parents' ire in May for forcing the class to vote on who among them would be most likely to die young or get pregnant while still in school or get HIV or go to jail. Then, Sipp posted the results, enraging parents whose little charmers made the lists.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1848 the Oregon Territory was created.

1900 international forces, including U.S. Marines, entered Beijing to put down the Boxer Rebellion, which was aimed at purging China of foreign influence.

1935 President Roosevelt signed the Social Security Act into law.

1945 President Truman announced that Japan had surrendered unconditionally, ending World War II.

1947 Pakistan became independent.

1948 the summer Olympic games in London ended.

1958 Elvis Presley's mother, Gladys Love Smith Presley, died at age 46.

1969 British troops went to Northern Ireland to intervene in sectarian violence between Protestants and Roman Catholics.

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Obituaries

EUGENE EDWARD Ellspermann, Jr

EUGENE EDWARD Ellspermann, Jr. suddenly passed away, Tuesday, July 22, 2008.

Born November 8, 1930 in St. Louis, MO he relocated to the Santa Monica, CA area with his family at a young age. "Genie" was a Santa Monica graduate of Class of '50. He then joined the US Army where he held the ranking of private, US Army 1953 6th Inf. Div. Fort Ord, CA. At base, he enthusiastically worked as a truck mechanic and assisted his unit in the early testing of atomic bombs in Nevada.

After marriage and three children, he enjoyed his time bartending at multiple Santa Monica restaurants including: Cheerio's, Broken Drum, Penquin's and Casa Escobar. He also got pleasure from playing cards and tending bar at his local Moose Lodge.

The 1994 Northridge earthquake prompted him to relocate to Summerlin, an area just north of Las Vegas, NV where he met his best friend – his dog Bear. There he worked proudly as an employee of Wal-Mart for many years until his passing.

Preceded by death are his parents Josephine Louise and Eugene Edward Ellspermann, Sr. and his sister Kathleen.

Surviving are his sister Mary Jane Jorgenson; son, Greg Ellspermann and wife Susana; daughters, Lisa Ellspermann-Ramos, and husband Edward; and Jackie Gonsier; six grandchildren, Samantha, Jessica, Jennifer, Ben, Gabriella, Jasmine; and nieces and nephews.

Gene – You will be truly missed. Keep an eye on us all. We love you dearly.

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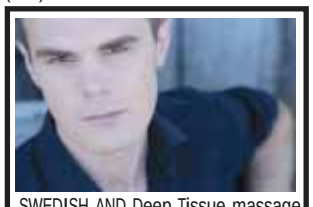
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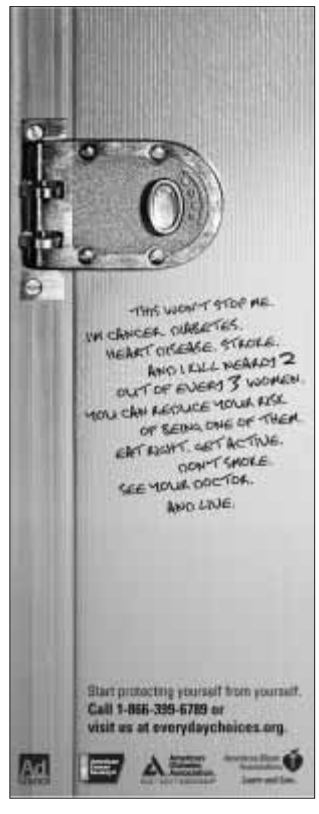

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