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Barneys goes bargain crazy

BY MELODY HANATANI | Daily Press Staff Writer

BARKER HANGAR Christmas comes twice a year for ravenous fashionistas, hungry for the newest pair of torn jeans or barely-there tops by one of the hottest “it” designers. That time of year has come again as the legendary Barneys New York semi-annual warehouse sale touched down at the Barker Hangar last week, bargain hunters and shopping addicts flocking to the enormous metal racks to find the exorbitantly priced items drastically marked down to moderately expensive prices. The sale kicked off on Aug. 9 and will close shop on Aug. 19. “You never know what you’re going to find,” said Timothy Elliott, spokesman for Barneys New York. “There is new merchandise that arrives every day so we really advise to shop every day.” The sale is held semi-annually in New York’s Chelsea district and at the Barker Hangar every fall and spring. The hugely popular warehouse sales started in a Chelsea warehouse in 1971 and the Los Angeles version followed shortly after the Beverly Hills store opened in the 1990s. The site of award shows, charity events and video game conventions was transformed into a warehouse version of Barneys, racks filled with tops, skirts, suits and even wedding

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS



Making the Most of the Farmers' Market

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

A discussion with Nicholas Peter, chef/owner of The Little Door; Amelia Saltsman, cooking show host, food writer and author of "The Santa Monica Farmers Market Cookbook;" and Peter Schaner, farmer and market participant from Valley Center. Moderated by Amy Scattergood, Los Angeles Times staff writer. This program is free and open to the public. Seating is limited and on a first arrival basis. For more information, call (310) 458-8600 or visit www.smpl.org.

Keith Hollis and the PO' BOYZ Organ Trio

1432 Fourth St., 9:30 p.m. — 1 a.m.

Organ trio Keith Hollis and the PO' BOYZ bring a taste of New Orleans funk, sprinkled with some down-home blues to Harvelle's. \$5 cover charge with no drink minimum; 21 and over. Visit www.harvelles.com for more information.

Twilight Dance Series

Santa Monica Pier, 7:30 p.m. — 10 p.m.

Amoeba Music presents "An Evening with Patti Smith" at the 23rd Annual Twilight Dance Series.

Hitchcock in hindsight

1328 Montana Ave., 7:30 p.m.

The American Cinematheque presents a retrospective of Alfred Hitchcock's work. All screenings are at the Max Palevsky Theatre at the Aero Theatre. Guests subject to availability. Advance tickets available through www.fandango.com.

Friday, Aug. 17, 2007

Rodeo days

225 Sixth St., 10 a.m. — 6 p.m.

The Brentwood Countrymart presents rodeo-themed events through Aug. 31. Events include meeting Cowboy Bill, a mechanical bull and more. So grab those spurs and saddle up. For more information, visit www.brentwoodcountrymart.com.

Friday Family Flicks: 'Madagascar'

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 2 p.m. — 3:30 p.m.

The Main Library's Friday Family Flicks festival continues with the animated film "Madagascar." Free family fun. Seating is first come, first served in the MLK Jr. Auditorium.

Ruskin's Shakespeare

3000 Airport Ave., 8 p.m.

The Ruskin Group Theatre presents the comedy "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (abridged)." All of Shakespeare's plays are presented in 97 minutes. Tickets are \$20 for general admission and \$15 for students and senior citizens. Call (310) 397-3244 or visit www.ruskingrouptheatre.com.

'Just Beyond Reach/New Type Windows'

1423 Abbot Kinney Blvd., Venice, 11 a.m. — 6 p.m.

The night's opening reception presents a series of cibachrome photographic prints which are juxtaposed with Elizabeth Paige Smith's film installation of a suburban neighborhood consumed by technological hell and the resulting effort to find sanctuary within. For more information, call (310) 392-8060.

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





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MOVING ON UP: SMPD Capt. Jacqueline Seabrooks poses for the camera during a recent police picnic in Santa Monica.

Seabrooks is the chief

SMPD captain heads for Inglewood to head up department

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY One of the Santa Monica Police Department's highest ranking officers has been selected as the new chief of police for the city of Inglewood.

On Tuesday, the Inglewood City

Council made SMPD Capt. Jacqueline Seabrooks the city's top cop, making her the first female police chief in the history of the Inglewood Police Department.

Seabrooks, 45, will be one of only 15 women statewide to hold the top law enforcement job, and only the second woman in Los Angeles County to be named chief of a municipality, according to Inglewood officials.

She replaces retired Chief Ronald Banks, who left the department in May of last year.

In a candid interview Wednesday in her office at the Public Safety Facility,

Seabrooks, who currently oversees the Office of Criminal Investigations, said she had mixed feelings about leaving the SMPD, where she has served for the last 26 years and became the first female officer to earn promotions to the ranks of sergeant, lieutenant and captain in the department's 111-year history.

"I am completely excited at the thought of leaving for a variety of reasons," said Seabrooks, a resident of Inglewood.

"I'm excited about the thought of leaving here because I leave behind the oppor-

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City Council gives SM trees the ax

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL More than 70 trees in the downtown area will soon be just a memory.

City Council has awarded \$8.2 million in construction deals that will include a controversial project in which more than 50 mature ficus trees and more than 20 palms along Second and Fourth streets will be uprooted and either turned to mulch or be replanted elsewhere in Santa Monica, their empty plots being filled with two ginkgo biloba trees.

The call to grant a contract worth \$7.6 million to the Griffith Company generated a lot of public debate for a normally routine City Council matter — packaged along with the nine other items in the consent calendar. Taken up in the beginning of Council meetings, all items in the consent calendar are usually approved under one sweeping motion.

Councilmember Kevin McKeown was the lone vote of opposition to the project, introducing an amendment to eliminate the removal of healthy downtown trees. The motion ultimately failed.

"I am opposed on principle to using public funds to removing existing, healthy, mature shade trees," McKeown said.

The issue of pulling out 54 ficus trees — 23 of which have been identified as diseased and near death — from the downtown streetscape prompted close to a dozen Santa Monica residents and business owners to band together against the proposal.

Tensions were high in the City Council chambers Tuesday night as many of the residents called into question why the elected officials were moving forward with a contract when so many residents have publicly expressed their disapproval of the plan. Many of the residents said they understood removing the diseased trees, but questioned the necessity with relocating the healthy ones.

"I've never seen a crowd like this ...

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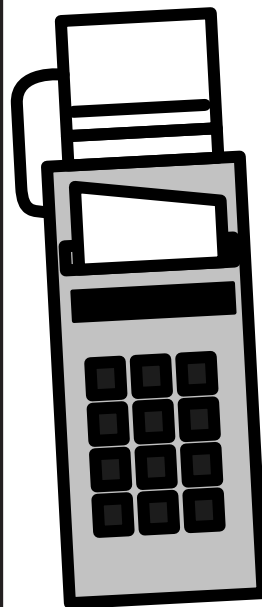
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Being green ain't so easy

Editor:
\$7.6 million dollars for more signage and less foliage? ("Ficus fiasco continues," Aug. 14) What's with Santa Monica? You can't have high hedges or tall trees. We have to kill the squirrels and you can't feed the homeless.

Personally, I don't trust that these trees will be replanted. More likely, they will be turned into mulch and sold at Merrihew's nursery. The Birkenstock crowd is leaning towards compassionate conservatism.
Ingrid O'Brien
Santa Monica

Et tu, Mayor Bloom?

Editor:
So sad, this ecological ageism ("Ficus fiasco continues," Aug. 14). And of all things, backed by a guy named (Mayor Richard) Bloom.
Brendan O'Brien
Santa Monica

The glass is half full, and then some

Editor:
Officials say we should conserve water, yet a number of them have been found to use more water at their homes than others of same-sized properties. Sure, save water, so their developer pals can build even more and more.
And if you do watch every drop, you will have nothing left to cut back on if water rationing ever becomes mandatory.
Mike Kirwan
Venice

No 'Span' on the horizon

Editor:
Shame on Time-Warner cable! Upon buying Adelphia, they dropped C-SPAN 2 from basic tier and replaced it with ... a blank screen!
All three C-SPAN channels are a vital public service. It's what the lucrative cable monopolies pay for the privilege of operating outside the free market. Sure, C-SPAN 2 is still carried on Santa Monica's City-TV, but not 24/7.
Most other "news" sources are partisan and dummed-down. From neo-con Reich-Wing Radio to their knee-jerk opposites on Air America, from biased blogs to YouTube clowns, people go to whichever carnival barker tells them what they want to hear.
Amid this idiocracy, C-SPAN shines as a stark example of unbiased, intelligent and in-depth political coverage. C-SPAN, C-SPAN 2 and C-SPAN 3 should all be available on the basic tier of every cable system.
The media monopolies owe it to us.
Thomas M. Sipos
Santa Monica

A drunk driver ruined something precious. Amber Apodaca.

Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk.



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Uncomfortable children's story

IF YOU DOUBTED AMERICA'S ADDICTION to cheap goods manufactured overseas, Mattel's recall of 19 million toys manufactured in China should set you straight. The subcontractors and third parties producing goods for U.S. consumption are beyond incompetent and negligent: They are seemingly racing to, literally, kill and maim the consumers who naively snap up their products.

I'm just a layman. I don't understand complex manufacturing and supply chain management issues; I haven't scrutinized the slim profit margins that multinational consumer product companies subsist on. I am, however, the kind of guy who finds it freaking intolerable that a compound found in anti-freeze can end up in my toothpaste, or that toys for tots can somehow be smothered in lead paint. Shouldn't lead paint just be given the total kibosh like its well-known, bad boy cousin asbestos?

Can you think of something worse to put in dog food than rat poison? Two-inch razor blades? A petri dish of anthrax? A live grenade belt? I'm struggling with this one.

First, the lax and totally unregulated standards of the Chinese took dead aim at our pets, now they're coming after our kids. I assume they have something up their sleeve for Grandma and Grandpa as well. And, possibly, Uncle Ralph, if he's not careful.

I probably shouldn't single out China, for this is a true problem of globalization. I won't get into a snore-inducing analysis of the global economy, but it's pretty clear there's a cost to pay when obtaining goods from shady slave-drivers operating on the edges of what's generally acceptable and decent. Just my hunch. Look at all the crap you own (possibly purchased with your share of our \$982 bajillion trade and credit deficit). Can you, with good conscience, verify that even 5 percent of your belongings were assembled in conditions that you'd be comfortable letting a family member or friend work under? It all starts with the consumer. We're addicted to buying lots of stuff, at really ridiculously, always low, low prices. And the corporate titans and brand names we all love are more than happy to oblige us by outsourcing quality control and safety standards beyond our borders.

I'm not naïve about the realities of business. I'd just prefer that the Barbie I buy for a beloved niece not act as a lethal weapon because of an unforeseen magnetic albatross that's already claimed one life and caused countless injuries.

There are over 10,000 toy factories in China that produce over 75 percent of the world's toys. And if any of them make a mistake, you can count on their top executives to forthrightly take responsibility and diligently commit themselves to righting the problem. Actually, they'll just off themselves instead of facing the music. At least that's what the manager of the Chinese factory that produced some of

the defective toys did over the weekend. It was better to hang himself in a warehouse than to even consider working towards a solution. Who can blame him, considering that the Chinese government quickly executed its former top food and drug official after it was revealed he took bribes to approve certain products?

Your incentive to be open, honest and thorough about mistakes and/or misdeeds in China is a dishonorable and rushed death penalty sentence. And to boot, your family will be forever tainted with a mark of shame (I'm just guessing on that one, but I'm a good guesser). It appears the value of a plea bargain hasn't been fully explored here.

FIRST, THE LAX AND TOTALLY UNREGULATED STANDARDS OF THE CHINESE TOOK DEAD AIM AT OUR PETS, NOW THEY'RE COMING AFTER OUR KIDS. I ASSUME THEY HAVE SOMETHING UP THEIR SLEEVE FOR GRANDMA AND GRANDPA AS WELL. AND, POSSIBLY, UNCLE RALPH, IF HE'S NOT CAREFUL.

Next summer, the Olympics will be held in Beijing, and I'm trying to think of the equivalent screw-up that would match these manufacturing scandals. A diving board that snaps in half, a javelin that's magnetically attracted towards human flesh, swimming pool water replaced with bleach. I don't know about you, but most of those sound better than a foamy morning mouthful of assorted toxins and unstable compounds.

Yesterday, CNN.com reported that Mattel's chairman and chief executive informed the world via conference call that, "No system is perfect. There's no guarantee that we will not be here again."

You heard the man. Children can die or suffer catastrophic injuries using his products and, under these current conditions, there's nothing any of us can do about it.

That's the story behind toys these days.

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Morphing into my mom is a new thing

IT DAWNED ON ME RECENTLY THAT I'M turning into my mother. I was straightening up the linen closet when I realized, "Hey, I have a linen closet."

As a kid, I avoided the linen closet in my parents' house like Bud Selig steered clear of San Francisco last week. I employed paper towels instead of regular ones to mop up spills and slept on caseless pillows if I couldn't wait for the sheets to come out of the dryer before retiring to bed. I learned early on that when anyone besides my mom penetrated the linen closet (being the dutiful spawn of Martha Stewart and Sherlock Holmes that she is), she felt it in her bones. Her a-ha! moment was always followed by an interrogation.

"What were you doing in the linen closet?" she'd ask.

"I needed a towel because Niki accidentally knocked over a glass of grape juice on the living room rug this afternoon," I'd answer, blood rushing to my face.

She'd sigh heavily. "Why were there beverages in the living room?"

"Um, I don't know," was my deftly mumbled stock response.

"Why are you girls even drinking grape juice? There's so much sugar in it. You should really drink water instead. And haven't I told you that I don't want you hanging out with your friends in the living room? By the way, do I have to say again that the bath towels are not to be used to clean up that kind of a mess? Get a rag from the laundry room, for heaven's sake. Speaking of this afternoon, didn't you have a math test? How'd that go?"

The funny thing is, the linen closet is now my favorite part of my own house. I never even knew I was missing out on the joy until my husband, Rick, and I bought a house last year that had one.

Finally, having a linen closet and a mortgage to call my very own, I understand the method to my mom's madness. What a clever idea to have a closet for the sole purpose of storing clean sheets, towels and tablecloths. Sure, I haven't a clue how to properly fold a fitted sheet, but they — wrinkles and all — still deserve a pretty place to rest while not in use. I've also discovered what my mom has always known — keeping a neat home can be one way to show love for your family.

With my exponentially expanded sense of

purpose and pride in maintaining the linen closet, it seems like a natural progression to want the rest of the house to be equally as lovely and organized. So, like my mom, I have become increasingly particular about how all details and events under my roof should — and will — develop.

Much to Rick's dismay, I can walk through the front door and know instinctively if the couch has been moved a quarter of an inch or a lampshade is even slightly askew. And, like me as a kid, he's forever looking guiltier than O.J., bloody knife in hand.

Rick took the initiative to clean the kitchen after breakfast last weekend. After washing the dishes, he turned on the garbage disposal, which was clanking loudly.

He looked at me and I walked over and switched it off. "Something's in there that shouldn't be," I said.

"Really?" he gulped.

"You can't tell? What did you put in there?" I demanded.

"Um, just normal stuff," he replied. I raised my eyebrows. "And some chicken bones."

"Chicken bones?" I asked incredulously. "From last night's dinner? You can't put bones in the garbage disposal!" Then I narrowed my eyes at him. "Why were the bones going in there this morning, anyway? You said last night when I went up to bed that you were going to clear the dinner plates and take out the garbage. You didn't let the dirty plates sit on the table all night, did you? You did take out the garbage, didn't you?"

This week, I turned my focus to the closet in our bedroom and admonished Rick for the slipshod way in which his shirts were hanging. But as the words were coming out of my mouth I glanced at my side of the closet and realized I haven't totally morphed into my mom just yet. I take pride in a lot, but apparently feel little shame in having on the floor and corners of the closet mismatched heaps of my own balled-up dirty and clean clothes.

I still have a long way to go before I've turned into my mom 100 percent, but with some luck — and if I can ever figure out how to use the iron — I should get there eventually.

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Study: Back Pain Sufferers Benefit From New Technology

Santa Monica — "A new study shows that technology may have finally found a non-surgical solution for chronic back pain and sciatica sufferers."

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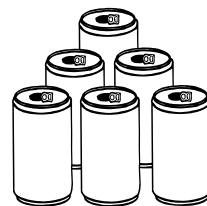
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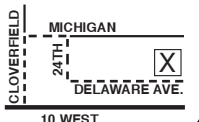
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Suspense is building

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So this week's Q-Line question asks:

Do you think the City Council should enact a freeze on all building or would such a measure be overkill?

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Banana workers suing Dole over sterilization

BY NOAKI SCHWARTZ
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES A worker from Honduras testified Tuesday that he and his wife tried for a decade to have children but failed to conceive after he went to work on a banana plantation where a pesticide called DBCP was used.

"As a man I'm worthless," Benancio Lizandro Espinoza said through a translator when asked how he felt when he found out he was sterile.

**AS A MAN I'M
WORTHLESS."**

Benancio Lizandro Espinoza
Dole worker from Honduras

Espinoza is one of a dozen banana farm workers who are suing Dole Fresh Fruit Co. and Standard Fruit Co., now part of Dole, claiming that exposure to DBCP in the 1970s made them sterile. The lawsuit also said Dow Chemical Co. "actively suppressed information about DBCP's reproductive toxicity."

Duane Miller, the attorney represent-

ing the former workers, has said the company improperly applied the pesticide and used it in amounts exceeding guidelines. Even after it was revealed that Dole workers in Costa Rica were suffering infertility problems caused by DBCP, Dole never had a program to test its employees in Nicaragua, he said.

Eleven of the 12 plaintiffs have no sperm in their bodies as a result of exposure to DBCP, he said.

Attorneys for Dole, the world's largest producer of fresh fruits and vegetables, argue that the workers' exposure wasn't severe enough to cause sterilization and that there is always a certain percentage of a population that is sterile. Attorney Rick McKnight said the pesticide was diluted with water, sprayed at night for 15 minutes and the plants were then washed with 56,000 gallons of water for more than an hour afterward.

DBCP was used to kill microscopic worms on the roots of banana plants and was approved for use in the United States by the Environmental Protection Agency until 1979. In Nicaragua, it was legal from 1973 until 1993.

Before he went to work at the plantation, Espinoza said, he and his wife had three children but were unable to conceive after

he got a job at the banana farm in 1969.

Attorneys for Dole and Dow seized on discrepancies between Espinoza's court testimony and his 2005 video deposition, which they said showed Espinoza and his wife tried to conceive for a decade before he was ever exposed to DBCP.

Michael L. Brem, the attorney for Dow, pointed out that Espinoza's wife would have been 43 by the time DBCP was being sprayed on the plantation.

Another plaintiff, who also testified Tuesday, said he was never able to conceive with his longtime girlfriend even though she had children from a previous relationship.

Joe Uriel Gutierrez said he lived on the plantation and could often smell the remnants of DBCP, adding it smelled to him of ripening guava and sometimes gave him headaches.

Dole did not always have enough face masks to go around, he said.

Gutierrez, who has lived alone since his girlfriend died two years ago, said his sterility made him "very sad because of not having a child."

The case is one of five filed in Los Angeles County by at least 5,000 agricultural workers from Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Guatemala, Honduras and Panama.

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Shooting leads to arrests

An investigation into the fatal shooting of a woman who interrupted a graffiti vandal led to three arrests, and two more people were being sought, authorities said.

Cesar Lopez, 19, was booked for investigation of murder Tuesday, and he was denied bail, said Los Angeles County sheriff's Deputy Oscar Butao.

Jennifer Tafoya, 19, and a 16-year-old boy, whose name was withheld because of his age, were arrested for probation violations, Butao said.

He did not provide further details.

Maria Hicks, 58, was shot about 10 p.m. Friday after she flashed her car's headlights and honked at someone she saw tagging a wall, according to sheriff's deputies.

As she followed the tagger, a car pulled up behind her and shots rang out at her from the vehicle, officials said. She died Monday.

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Border Patrol rescues three

Border Patrol agents rescued a 14-year-old boy abandoned by smugglers in the desert for a week and two illegal immigrants who were in the trunk of a sinking car, authorities said.

The boy was found Monday in a remote canyon in the Jacumba Mountains west of Ocatillo near the U.S.-Mexican border where temperatures had topped 100 degrees. He was left there eight days earlier because leg cramps prevented him from keeping up with smugglers.

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Trees gets the 'royal' treatment

BY KEVIN HERRERA | Daily Press Staff Writer

PALISADES PARK A fatal tree disease has infected 44 Canary Island date palms here, forcing city staff to remove and replace them or risk losing the entire species.

The Canary Island date palms — the signature trees in Palisades Park — have been infected by a fungus called *Fusarium oxysporum*, which causes the palms to wilt by obstructing the water-conducting tissue, resulting in a dried-out appearance and untimely death, according to a report to the City Council that was released Tuesday.

The report did not say if the disease is a problem in other areas of the city.

The fungus, which was first documented in the U.S. in the 1970s in California, produces short-lived airborne spores, as well as spores that will live in the soil and plant tissue for long periods of time.

There is no cure for *Fusarium*, which can spread easily by pruning equipment. If the equipment is not cleaned and disinfected, fungal-infested sawdust and or plant sap on the blades is transferred to the next tree. The fungus can also be spread by pruning infected leaves that do not yet show the symptoms of the disease, prompting pruners here to either use new handsaws or handsaws which have been cleaned and disinfected with a bleach solution.

“Since 29 percent of the 1,000-plus trees in Palisades Park are Canary Island date palms, the introduction of a new species of palm to Palisades Park ... will help to avoid an epidemic of the disease, which could severely impact the park,” Community Maintenance Director Elaine Polachek wrote in her report to the council.

City staff recommends the infected trees be replaced with the Royal palm, which is resistant to *Fusarium*, less expensive to purchase and easier to maintain. The Royal palm can reach a mature height of 60 to 80 feet, compared to 40 to 60 feet for the Canary palms.

Royal palms are fast growing and can thrive in the region's sub-tropical climate. They are often used in formal settings, such as lining boulevards or to define an entryway to buildings or in an informal setting such as a park.

The council has the option of replacing the dead and dying Canary Island date palms with the same species, with Royal palms or with a variety of other palms or trees.

If the council were to replace the palms with the same species, the cost would be considerably higher. The cost to purchase and plant a Canary palm with an 8-inch brown trunk is estimated at \$4,200 per tree — or \$184,800 for the entire 44 damaged or dead trees in the park.

The cost to purchase and plant a Royal palm of the same size would cost considerably less — \$1,900 per tree, or \$119,400 for the entire lot.

Setting costs aside, another reason why city staff is leaning towards the Royal palms is that *Fusarium* is difficult to detect in Canary palms and there is no guarantee that young trees purchased at a nursery aren't already infected with the fungus.

A Canary palm can also be infected, but appear healthy because the disease may have not progressed to the point that symptoms are visible.

City staff anticipates the tree replacements to begin in the early fall.

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TIMBER!: Diseased palm tress in Palisades Park must be removed before the illness spreads to other specimens.

Residents threaten to intervene

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almost never on the consent calendar,” said Art Harris, City Council meeting mainstay.

The remaining six City Councilmembers voted for the project, viewing it as a good compromise from the original proposal presented a few years ago, whereby all of the ficus trees were to be removed. Several councilmembers emphasized that most of the downtown trees within the project area — between Second and Fourth streets, and Wilshire Boulevard and Colorado Avenue — were going to remain, and of those that will be uprooted, more than half will be relocated, not terminated.

“It's been a bumpy road, in a sense there has been a lot of disagreement, and I think that has led to a better decision than what was first proposed,” said Councilmember Ken Genser.

Along with the uprooting of the trees, the project also calls for beautifying the streetscape with improved lighting on the streets, as well as on the remaining ficus trees, and installing accessible curb cuts and curb extensions.

Kathleen Rawson, the director of the Bayside District Corporation, said she believes the project will have a huge impact on downtown Santa Monica, adding that she was looking forward to the sidewalk renovations and enhanced pedestrian lighting.

The Bayside board, which manages the downtown district along with City Hall, approved the conceptual plans for the project, Rawson said.

The businesses along Second and Fourth streets have not fared well in comparison to the success of the Third Street Promenade. Rawson feels the pedestrian-oriented element of the plan will help the vibe of the area.

A 'DEVIOUS' DEED

Several residents on hand Tuesday asked the council to separate the project into two sections, approving the streetscape improvement portion and tabling the tree removal process to a later time, where it could be discussed during a public notice hearing.

Since the final designs were already reviewed and approved by Caltrans, the project would have to forgo any grant funding if modified in any way, according to city staff.

Harris criticized Council for placing such a volatile item in the consent calendar, saying it seems “devious” and “unnecessary.”

“I actually believe there is a case that can be made to remove the trees and I haven't heard it tonight. That is a problem,” Harris said.

When it comes time for the trees to be carted away from the downtown area, the construction company could face a slight problem — protesters willingly chained to the trees.

At least one resident, meeting regular Jerry Rubin, has vowed to chain himself to the trees. Architect Dan Jansenson, whose office is located on Fourth Street, said he personally knows of several people who are planning a similar protest, something he believes would embarrass Santa Monica.

“No amount of electrically-operated parking structures or hydrogen-powered Priuses are going to make up for the photos of people who are chained to trees as the trees are getting cut down,” Jansenson said, adding such photographs will be plastered on every major news outlet in the country.

It could take up to 30 days to finalize the contract with the Griffith Company, during which time city staff and construction management will determine the timeline of the project, including when the trees will go. Construction could begin as early as September, according to Craig Perkins, the director of environment and public works management.

DIAGNOSING THE TREES

The trees are decaying both in the roots and canopy due to poor pruning practices and wear-and-tear over the years from passing buses and sidewalk repairs, said Walt Warriner, the community forester.

City Councilmember Bob Holbrook mentioned the safety risks associated with keeping aging and dying trees, referring to an incident in January 2001, when a car carrying a couple driving on Broadway was crushed by part of a fallen Eucalyptus tree. The couple later successfully sued the city.

But aside from the falling trees and limbs, there are also dozens of people who get injured by tripping over cracked sidewalks and tree wells caused by overgrown and mature trees, Holbrook added.

The life expectancy for the ficus trees ranges anywhere from 50 to 60 years. The trees were planted on Fourth Street in 1965 and a year later on Second Street.

Approximately 350 trees have been relocated within the city in the past 10 years and more than 95 percent of the moves have been successful, Warriner said.

The tree removal and relocation will consume approximately \$600,000 of the project.

“What we're doing here is progressive urban forest management by removing older trees, diseased trees, declining trees and replacing them with new trees,” Warriner said.

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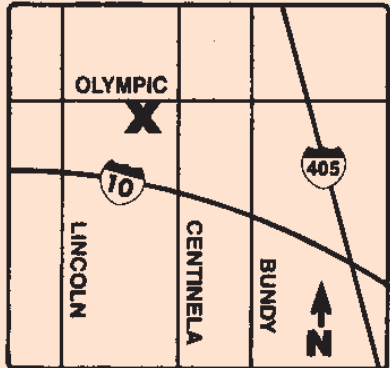
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SMPD captain is moving up

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tunity for us to hire another police officer, promote a new sergeant, a new lieutenant and a new captain," Seabrooks added. "That, right there, is a positive thing ... I'm really excited about moving forward because it is a new chapter in my career, probably one of the final chapters, and I'm looking forward to that kind of a challenge."

But Seabrooks said she would be remiss if she didn't mention the many friends and colleagues she would miss when she departs.

course work, she serves as a volunteer tutor through a literacy program hosted by the Santa Monica Library.

"I know I'll definitely miss the people and the personalities and the style that we know is Santa Monica," Seabrooks said. "I'll always have a connection here. There are people in this organization and municipality that are like family."

Seabrooks said she will remain engaged, but whether or not she can be as involved in the community here as she is now is hard to tell.

instrumental in guiding the SMPD's response to gang violence. Under her leadership, the Office of Special Enforcement's Traffic Section expanded its focus to include grant programs enabling the implementation of various traffic-safety education programs.

Seabrooks, who holds both master's and bachelor's degrees in Public Administration and is a graduate of the FBI's National Academy and the Senior Management Institute of Police, was also instrumental in developing and providing training to the men and women of the SMPD in the area of cultural competencies.

"Capt. Seabrooks' leadership and influence have been far reaching in the law enforcement arena, in this organization, and certainly, in the community," SMPD Chief Timothy Jackman said in a press release issued Wednesday.

SMPD Lt. Alex Padilla said he was "sad" to see Seabrooks leave because of her involvement with youth and her experience and leadership within the department, "but at the same time, it's good to know that the city of Inglewood is going to be getting someone who has a lot of experience, someone with character and strong leadership qualities to help Inglewood move forward."

Elected officials in Inglewood said they chose Seabrooks because of her achievements and her leadership skills, noting that nothing is more important than the safety of their residents and visitors. City

Councilmembers there also praised the stewardship of Interim Chief Julius I. Davis, "who provided skilled and stable leadership during some challenging times for the Inglewood Police Department."

There were those in Inglewood who would have preferred the council pick an insider from the department, however, Seabrooks seemed unfazed by the initial reaction. She said on Wednesday that she didn't plan to push a certain agenda, but rather wanted to reach out to her command staff and the community, making decisions collectively.

"Of course, I'm concerned about being an outside person, but I think at the end of the day, what they want me to do and what they want me to come in with is an open mind," said Seabrooks, who moved to Inglewood four years ago.

"I'm not going to be loud or brash or obnoxious, because I'm not loud, brash or obnoxious here ... depending on who you talk to," she said with a laugh.

"In the end, we know we all want the same thing. We want to feel safe, secure and know that when the police are called they are going to come and we are going to do the right thing."

Seabrooks expects to begin her tenure as chief in October. In the meantime, she said she will continue to work hard for Santa Monica and is in the process of setting up a cold case unit.

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Timothy Jackman, SMPD Chief

During her time on the force, Seabrooks was very active in the community, becoming a faithful supporter of the Police Activities League's (PAL) youth programs for many years. She has run the Los Angeles Marathon with the PAL youth five times and bicycled it twice.

In her spare time, when she is not teaching college-level criminal justice

"I am going to some place new and it's going to require a lot of attention," Seabrooks said. "But my support will always be here, whether it's vicariously or directly will have to remain to be seen."

Some of her colleagues in the SMPD said they would miss Seabrooks tremendously. She has been described as a valuable member of the force who has been

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Friends of the late Hal Fishman watch a flyby in his memory at the Santa Monica Airport on Wednesday. Fishman was a broadcast news legend in Los Angeles and had many friends at the airport.



Barneys sale draws crowds

FROM BARNEYS PAGE 1

dresses lining the aisles, interspersed with tables of denim and hand bags.

Many women, digging their heads into the racks, came with few layers on,

I WENT LAST YEAR ... I HAD TO GET THAT RUSH AGAIN."

Andrew Bender , Shopper

dressed in tank tops in order to easily slip on merchandise over what they were already wearing. There are no dressing rooms in the warehouse.

Though the sale included markdowns starting at 50 percent off, many items would still be considered out of reach for the average person. Stuck in a rack of blouses, a plain white cotton dress shirt was priced at around \$200, marked down from nearly \$600.

Mario Gallegos of Beverly Hills left after

an hour in the warehouse on Wednesday with a few jackets and shirts and anticipating a \$250 bill in the near future.

Gallegos went to the sale on one of the busy days last year, leaving without buying a pair of shoes that caught his eye because they were too expensive. He came back later during the week and found the shoes were already gone.

"I regret not buying the pair of shoes," he said.

The Barneys sale is famous for drawing large crowds on opening day and on the weekends, lines pouring out the door as people wait to pound the racks inside. The scene on Wednesday stood in stark contrast, relatively empty as would-be shoppers were probably working.

Andrew Bender of Santa Monica left the sale on Wednesday with a suit, parka and several casual shirts and a tab totaling roughly \$750.

Bender doesn't consider himself a "big shopper," but tries to fit in most of his year's shopping during the Barneys sale.

"I went last year and I bought more than I should've and I had to get that rush again," he said.

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BIG DEAL: A shopper leaves the Warehouse Sale for Barneys New York on Wednesday, which is being staged through Sunday at Barker Hanger located at Santa Monica Airport.

Punk legend rocks the pier

BY GERRY SHIH

Special to the Daily Press

SANTA MONICA PIER There has perhaps never been a greater legend in rock who exposed the folly of commercial music buyers with such inadvertent clarity.

Patti Smith, progenitor-empress of punk rock, Rimbauld and Verlaine's spiritual poet child, 2007 Rock Hall of Fame inductee, and absolute commercial flop, will grace Santa Monica's Twilight Concert Series at the pier tonight.

The 60-year-old rocker, sometimes hailed as the "female Bob Dylan," is widely considered one of the most influential pioneers of the punk genre despite yielding only one top 20 hit (1978's "Because the Night") while piggybacking on the songwriting of Bruce Springsteen.

Born in Chicago and raised in New Jersey, Patricia Lee Smith fled the city and the factory where she worked in the late '60s to settle in the freewheeling art-hobo scene of New York City.

She worked odd jobs, wrote poetry and rock journalism, befriended writers and artists (including notable photographer Robert Mapplethorpe), and thrived in the grand, grungy bohemia of '70s Manhattan.

Smith's musical career took off around

1974, when she began playing regularly at the famed CBGB club with her band featuring Lenny Kaye, guitarist Ivan Kral, Jay Dee Daugherty on drums, and pianist Richard Sohl. Smith's 1975 debut album, "Horses," presented a raw, garage band sound to the world but received an indifferent commercial response, peaking at number 47 on the U.S. pop albums chart. The effort featured her spoken word poetry, and the sales disappointment proved inexplicable as it ultimately became perennially hailed as one of the greatest all-time rock albums.

In the following decades, Smith's music career ebbed and flowed, but her queen mother status in punk rock never faded. To date, she has released 10 studio albums, including "Twelve," a critically praised collection of covers released in April of this year.

The Santa Monica performance falls in the middle of her current 22-performance tour, thoroughly covering America from coast-to-coast and a few select cities in Canada, England, France, as well as Greece. The band she will bring to the pier tonight will include Kaye, Daugherty, and bassist Tony Shanahan.

Admission is free.

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PUNKER CHICK: Patti Smith and Her Band will perform at the Santa Monica Pier tonight.

Acclaimed Dead tribute returns to 14-Below

BY GERRY SHIH | Special to the Daily Press

MID-CITY Deadheads are a dime a dozen and decent tribute bands are easy to find. But few can safely claim to be the number one Grateful Dead tribute band in Southern California and not expect any contention.

Cubensis, as frontman Craig Marshall will insist, is just that.

The five-man group covering the Dead since 1987 has brought its faultless recreations of the legendary jam band's shows back to Santa Monica's 14-Below nightclub for weekly performances every Sunday night at 7:30 p.m.

Cubensis had previously enjoyed a nearly eight-year residency at 14-Below, but after the reputed nightclub changed ownership at the end of 2006, the band moved out and found little difficulty finding venues. Bars like Marlin in Huntington Beach opened its arms and offered its stage.

There were rumors of 14-Below closing, a long-time employee at the venerable local watering hole said, but with the return of Cubensis, the club is packed pretty

full and "they're coming back in droves."

Talk to Marshall, a retired postman, and it's quickly obvious how wholly, hopelessly, and happily he has immersed himself in the Grateful Dead.

It was 1967, still his high school years, when Marshall first heard Jerry Garcia, Phil Lesh, Bob Weir, and company live at the Shrine Expo Hall.

"Oh man," he said, recalling that first exposure. "It changed everything. I was reborn."

So he immediately picked up the guitar, basically an Italian "two-by-four with strings", and began learning. He slowed Grateful Dead vinyls down to half speed and plucked along with Garcia, steadily improving, his understanding of the music growing deeper, and simple, familiar songs began to unfold into lush symphonies to his ear.

In 1986, finally frustrated by the San Francisco band's reluctance to play in Southern California, Marshall formed Cubensis, first known as Sugar Cubensis — a clever wordplay on both LSD and psychedelic mushrooms. The objective, he said, was to fill the



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SEE CUBENSIS PAGE 16 **SMILE:** Craig Marshall is Cubensis' frontman.

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'I Think I Love My Wife'

Chris Rock writes, stars, and directs this uproarious view of matrimony. Loosely based on the 1972 French film, "Chloe in the Afternoon," Rock is joined by Gina Torres as his wife and Kerry Washington as the alluring ex-mistress of an old friend who now creates havoc with Rock's life. Extras includes features, deleted scenes, and a music video. (Fox)

'The French Connection' I and II Box Set

Gene Hackman's indelible characterization of feisty New York narcotics detective Popeye Doyle earned him an Oscar. The original, winner of five Academy Awards, was directed by William Friedkin ("The Exorcist"). The follow-up featuring Doyle in Marseille determined to nail drug dealer Alain Charnier (Fernando Rey) was helmed by John Frankenheimer ("The Manchurian Candidate"). Bonus material on this three disc set include a behind-the-scenes documentary, trailers, still gallery, and a deleted scenes feature hosted by Friedkin. (Fox)

The Shakespeare Collection

A quartet of the legendary Bard's best work adapted for the screen is lavishly presented in this five-disc presentation. An all-star cast performs in this timeless tale of murder, corruption, and revenge in director/star Kenneth Branagh's two-disc special edition of "Hamlet." Laurence Olivier delivers a classic performance as the proud general in "Othello." Winner of a pair of Academy Awards, "A Midsummer Night's Dream" features James Cagney and Olivia De Havilland. Divided by family but bonded by love, Norma Shearer and Leslie Howard star in the classic romantic tale, "Romeo and Juliet." An encore of bonus material includes a Branagh intro and commentary, a vintage Olivier interview, Ms. De Havilland's screen test, and numerous shorts, features, trailers, and scholar commentaries. (Warner Bros)

The Esther Williams Collection

The movie mermaid from Hollywood's Golden Era is featured in five films: "Bathing Beauty," "Easy to Wed," "On an Island with You," "Neptune's Daughter," and "Dangerous When Wet." Among the co-stars are Red Skelton, Lucille Ball, Jimmy Durante, and Ricardo Montalban. Before heading to Hollywood, Williams was a world class swimmer whose gold medal dreams were washed away when the Olympics of 1940 were canceled due to WWII. The five disc collection provides waves and waves of extras including outtakes, cartoons, interviews, and classic shorts. (Warner Bros)

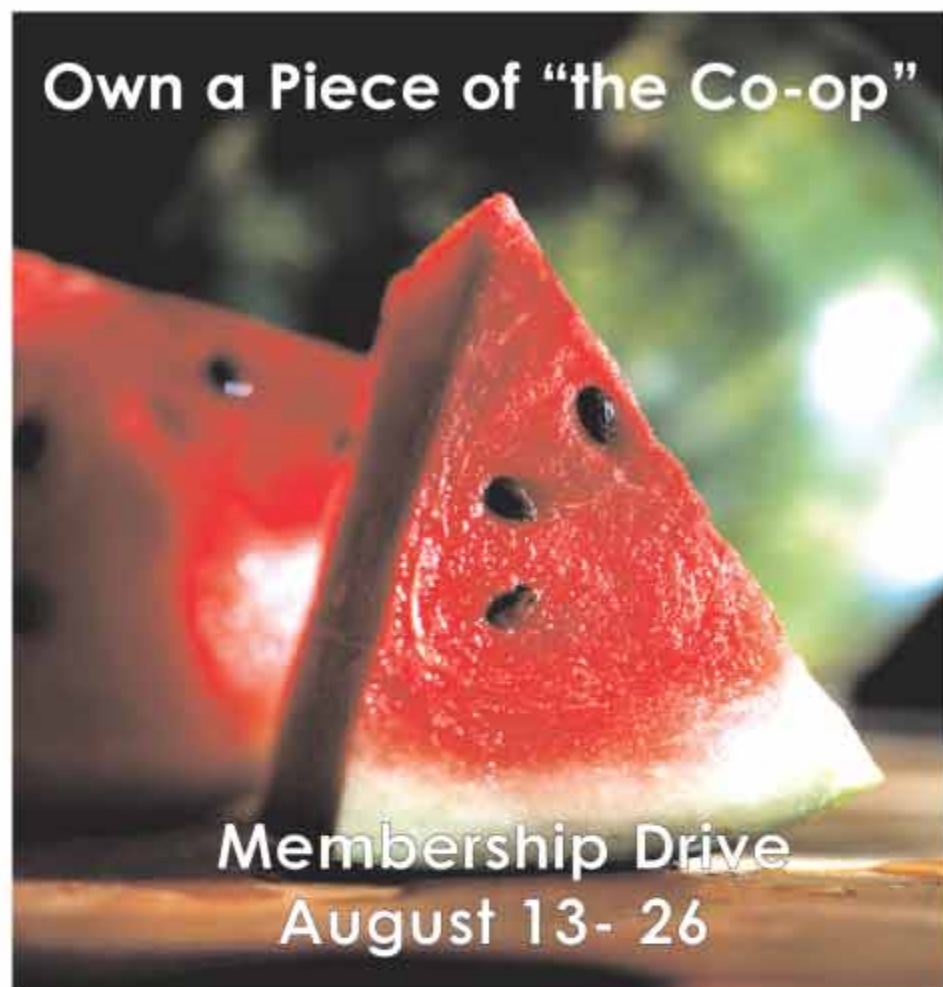
'Rome' The Complete Second Season

With a power struggle and civil unrest following the assassination of Julius Caesar in 44 B.C., Rome's future looks dark. In his will Caesar has anointed Octavian as his heir but a falling out between him and the steadfastly ambitious Mark Antony along with a divided senate make for chaos in the once mighty empire. Extra features include a tour of the production, an interactive guide to the series, audio commentaries, a feature about class differences in Rome, and a revealing look at the famous love affair between Antony and Cleopatra. (HBO)

'Popeye the Sailor' 1933-1938 Volume One

Toot-toot. Well blow me down. The classic animated sailor steps aboard the dvd ship with Olive Oyl, Wimpy, Swee'pea, and Bluto in this four-disc collection that includes everything but fresh spinach. There are 60 newly restored, black-and-white uncut cartoons. A boatload of special features include a pair of retrospective documentaries, I Yam What I Yam: The Story of Popeye and The Roots of Animation 1900-1920, as well as early cartoons from creator Max Fleischer and commentaries from voice artists, animators, and historians. (Warner Bros)

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Hitchcock time

The Aero Theatre will present an eight-day marathon of the works of legendary director Alfred Hitchcock. Two films will be shown daily from Aug. 16-19 and Aug. 23-25, with the 1958 suspense masterpiece "Vertigo" receiving solo billing on Aug. 22. Hitchcock's 1972 thriller "Frenzy" will kick off the proceedings at 7:30 p.m. tonight, and cinematic milestones such as "The Wrong Man," "Rope," "Lifeboat," "The Man Who Knew Too Much," "Suspicion," "Psycho" and

"Rear Window" will represent Hitchcock's three decades of filmmaking.

Visit www.americancinemathèque.com for movie times and more information. Advance tickets are available at www.fandangogo.com. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, and \$8 for students and seniors with ID.

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Whirlwind drama

The popular "L.A. Cafe Plays" are showing again on Sunday at the Ruskin Group Theater. Five short plays will be conceived,

written and rehearsed within 10 1/2 hours, then staged at 7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Beginning at 9 a.m. that day, writers will have four hours to produce a seven- to 10-page one-act play, then directors and actors have the remaining six-plus hours to rehearse.

The monthly production, which has drawn widespread acclaim from audiences and press, has featured past known actors such as Dylan McDermott, Olivia D'Abo and Dan Lauria.

Tickets are \$10. The theater is located at 3000 Airport Dr., next

to the Santa Monica Airport.

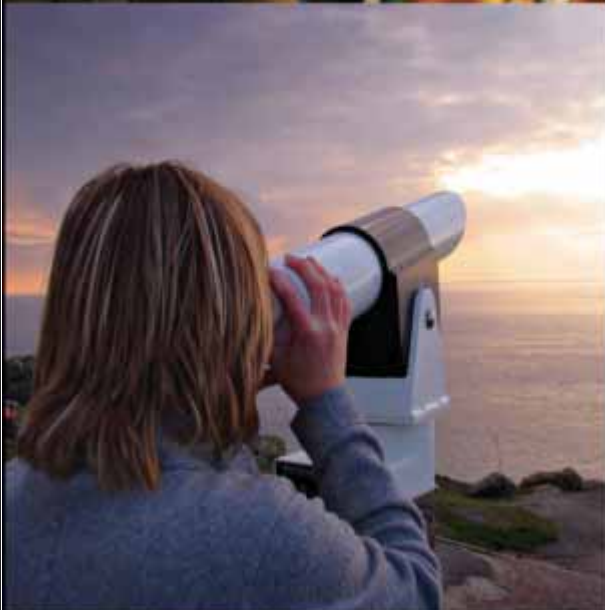
For more information, contact G. Bruce Smith at (310) 305-8205.

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Art for aid

Ten local artists have banded together to present an art show to raise money for orphans in Sudan. Stop by the garden of St. Augustine-by-the-Sea Episcopal Church in Santa Monica on Sunday, Aug. 26, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. to support the art benefit for Sudanese children.

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ODD PAIRING: Imagine Shakespeare meets Bozo the Clown.

Funny macabre

Angela Berliner will direct a side-splitting comedic rendition of Shakespeare's bloody drama "Titus Andronicus," with The Actor's Gang, in its second annual summer-in-the-park series. The outdoor production features live music, masks and puppets, running just under one hour. Performances take place in Culver City's Media Park every Saturday and Sunday morning through Sept. 2 at 11 a.m. Admission is free.

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Maritime musical mystery

The Santa Monica Playhouse will present six performances of "The Friendship" from Wednesday, Aug. 29, through Saturday, Sept. 1, at 7:30 p.m., and matinee performances Saturday and Sunday, Sept 1-2, at 2 p.m. The musical, written by Evelyn Rudie, is about four groups of finalists onboard the U.S.S. Friendship racing to win the "National Devil's-Food-Cake-Mix Devil's Island Treasure Hunt." But a crime is committed at sea, and the cast will enlist the help of the audience to decipher clues and solve puzzles. The ending changes nightly, to the surprise of everyone, including the actors. Tickets are \$20 for evening shows and \$17.50 for matinees.

For more information, call the Santa Monica Playhouse at (310) 394-9779.

GS

A summer festival

Music and skate fans of all ages are invited to attend the "Summer Strummer Festival," a music, skate and lifestyle extravaganza to be held at Santa Monica's Bergamot Station art gallery. The day-long Labor Day weekend event will feature more than 40 bands on three stages, an afternoon skateboarding expo, autograph session and Gibson guitar giveaways. General admission tickets are \$30 in advance and \$40 at the door. Limited VIP tickets are also available for \$60.

A portion of the proceeds will go to

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Fabian Lewkowicz fabianl@smdp.com

THRASH: Skate time at Bergamot Station.

VH1 Save the Music Foundation and the Los Angeles Ballet.

Doors open at 11 a.m., and the music will run from noon to 10 p.m.

GS

The Brothers grin

Legendary comedy duo The Smothers Brothers will be bringing laughs to the Pepperdine University Center for the Arts next month. The show takes place on Saturday, Sept. 15, at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$65 for the public and \$10 for Pepperdine students, and can be purchased by calling (310) 506-4522 or online at www.smothersbrothers.com.

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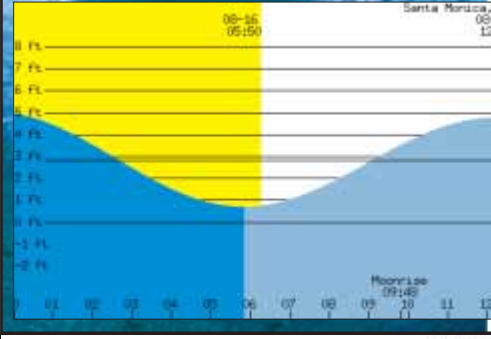
SWELL FORECAST (2-4 FT)

Today looks like the wind swell will pick up a bit. No southern hemi is due around this time, so the wind swell is the only thing we can count on. Size for west facing breaks should run about waist high with standouts seeing rare chest high waves. South facing breaks picking up the wrap should see some knee to waist high waves, but likely weak with broken-up lines.

LONG RANGE SYNOPSIS

WIND SWELL DURING SECOND HALF OF THE WEEK

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QUICK STATS

(for the last 28 days)

Number of sewage spills -- 3

Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0

Number of wet days -- 0

Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 42 / 45

Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 6 / 15

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Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for 3 days after a rainstorm. After a rain, indicator bacteria counts at beaches throughout California usually far exceed health criteria in the state's Beach Cleanup and Health Warning Protocol.

LOCATION	DRY	WET	LOCATION	DRY	WET
Los Cerritos Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth	A+	ns	Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns	Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Luchessa and Los Aliso creeks	A+	ns	Will Rogers State Beach at Tennessee Canyon drain	A	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach	A+	ns	Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauque)	A+	ns
Bread Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A+	ns	Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain	A	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	ns	Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain	A	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wilshire Rd. (private)	A+	ns	Santa Monica Municipal Pier	F	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns	Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Venice storm drain	A	ns
Escandido Creek, just east of Escandido State Beach	A	ns	Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restaurants)	A+	ns
Larigo Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns	Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain	A	ns
Selkirk Canyon at San Blocker County Beach	A+	ns	Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain	C	ns
Puente State Beach at creek mouth	A+	ns	Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain	A	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puente Beach, at 24572 Melrose Rd.	A	ns	Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain	C	ns
Sunbiter Beach at Malibu Colony fence	A+	ns	Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south	F	ns
Sunbiter Beach (beach location) - daily	A	ns	Venice Beach - projection of Topmail St.	A+	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	A+	ns	Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach - Wrigley tower	A	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A+	ns	Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth	C	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (paint zero)	A+	ns	Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 18948 PCH stairs	A+	ns	North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach	A+	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach	A+	ns	Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jerry)	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon	A+	ns	Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain	A+	ns
Tongva State Beach at creek mouth	A	ns	Dockweiler Beach - opposite Hypanion Treatment Plant	A+	ns
Castroville Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	F	ns	Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain	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			

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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Cubensis returns to local nightclub

FROM CUBENSIS PAGE 12

void for Southern California's Deadheads, and the group started off playing backyard parties for a handful of years, before breaking into the club scene.

Fast forward 10 years, and Cubensis was establishing itself as the number one Dead tribute band around, pulling 100 to 150 people a night, three nights a week. An L.A. Weekly reviewer wrote that the band played "with the same laid-back mastery as the Real McCoy," and the L.A. Times, Ventura County Star, Orange County Register, and other newspapers gave highly favorable reviews.

The objective was met. Sometimes, Marshall would be approached after shows and told that Cubensis was better than the Dead themselves. He would scratch his head and respond: "No, no, we just do an echo of that. What they've accomplished can't be matched."

Marshall lived by what he said was the Dead's philosophy: Live your own life, don't hurt anyone, accept people, don't preach, smile and dance everyday. He met Garcia at San Francisco International Airport once and received Garcia's cool vote of approval. He considered taking the band to play five nights a week, a frequency that would guarantee a solid income enough to make a living, but rejected the idea. The players, all accomplished musicians, had too much to do. Rhythm guitarist Nate LaPointe continues to record with his own band and teaches guitar by day. Everyone is basically a "pro musician bum," said Marshall.

After accumulating a growing and loyal fan base, some of whom came multiple nights a week to listen to their Dead covers, the band remained undecided about introducing some original music to Cubensis sets.

"We may bring some new music," Marshall said. "It would probably be a good business move, so expect something."

But after hearing his disgusted friends and acquaintances who have recorded original albums, he's not quite enthusiastic about making the foray into that "vile pit of serpents."

So for now, it's still all about live jams and recreating the swirling, colorful experience of the San Francisco band that had captivated so many since the wild '60s.

"We're about sharing the Dead experience with the old Deadheads and the younger fans," Marshall said. "It's a privilege to play this music."

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Torch bearer

Mia Farrow leads torch relay through impoverished nations

MIA FARROW joined genocide survivors in a torch-lighting ceremony Wednesday at a Rwandan school where thousands died in a 100-day frenzy of killings in 1994.

The 62-year-old actress, whose screen credits include “Rosemary’s Baby” and “The Purple Rose of Cairo,” is leading an

Olympic-style torch relay through countries that have suffered genocide to press China, host of the 2008 games, to help end abuses in its ally Sudan’s Darfur region.

More than 200,000 people have died and 2.5 million been chased from their homes in Darfur since 2003, when tribes of ethnic African farmers

rebelled against the Arab-dominated central government, accusing it of neglect and discrimination.

“We welcome China’s recent U.N. vote to allow a peacekeeping force into Sudan,” said Jill Savitt, director of Dream for Darfur, the group that organized the ceremony.

“However, China now must continue to press Sudan to

ensure that the words on paper translate into action. That means adequate and verifiable security on the ground in Darfur.”

The U.N. Security Council has authorized a joint U.N.-African Union operation of 20,000 peacekeepers and 6,000 civilian police for Darfur.

Sudan at first resisted

the proposal, but backed down. The new force will absorb a 7,000-member African peacekeeping force now in Darfur, and was to be in place by year’s end.

The school where Farrow appeared Wednesday is Ecole Technique Officielle, where 2,000 Rwandans were executed during the country’s genocide.

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Hatcher adds new title: Advertising pitch woman

TERI HATCHER is the newest face of Badgley Mischka – a partnership that brought together old friends.

Hatcher bumped into Mark Badgley and James Mischka on the red carpet of the “American Idol” finale in May.

She reminded them that they were the first to create a gown for her when she starred in the ‘90s TV series “Lois & Clark: The New Adventures of Superman,” they said.

So when the designers invited her to be their latest celebrity model, Hatcher showed up for the photo shoot with the hand-painted platinum silk velvet gown with a gold baroque pattern that she wore to the 1995 Emmys.

“She was one of our first celebrities,” Mischka said.

Hatcher, who stars on ABC’s “Desperate Housewives,” is both sophisticated and down-to-earth, said Badgley, making her a great match for the brand.

Plus, he told The Associated Press in an interview, she’s the same size as the brand’s fit model.

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★★★★★ Your attitude attracts many, but today a magnet seems to be pulling you in. You cannot stop the inevitable; move forward. Investigate a matter that might expand your mind, which could involve school for some and travel for others. Tonight: Hang out.
- TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**
★★★★ Analyze your limits and decide what is doable. A well-planned schedule is backed with much energy. When do you say "enough"? Right now is an excellent period to do what you must, freeing up spare time. Tonight: Share with a key person in your life.
- GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**
★★★★★ Others clearly play an enormous role in your life. Your imagination adds even more flourish to what goes on. You delight others and certainly love the flights of fantasy. Positive feelings and opportunities occur. Tonight: Keep it light!
- CANCER (June 21-July 22)**
★★★ Settle and enjoy what is happening around you. If you can do what you need to do from your home, please do. Many people will be looking for you. Do what you must right away so you can visit with others. Tonight: Don't venture too far.
- LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**
★★★★★ Act like you know what you are doing. A positive attitude draws the results you want. Let your fire within crackle. Friends come back with many ideas. Tonight: Though you might anticipate hanging with one person, you might wind up with many.
- VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**
★★★ You have the potential to take risks (yes, you), as you see the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Remember, it is a pot and it could fall over, letting the gold tumble out. Not everything is a guarantee. Take off your rose-colored glasses. Tonight: Your treat.

- LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**
★★★★★ Zoom in with confidence, whether discussing plans or how to squeeze in so much in such a little time. Respond to someone at a distance. You might be clocking an important piece of information. Tonight: Take the lead; others will follow.
- SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**
★★★ Examine what is doable without accepting more responsibility. The less you appear, the more powerful the results will be. A partner tries to understand where you are coming from. Tonight: Get all the sleep you need.
- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**
★★★★★ Others want to take the lead. What is to stop them? Though you certainly can handle a lot on your plate, why try? Others appear more than capable of assuming a bigger role. Let go and see what occurs. Tonight: In the social whirl.
- CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**
★★★ You might want to assume a different approach and follow through with a boss. Dig into your resourceful mind when dealing with a work or daily issue. The solutions could be endless if you just let it happen. Tonight: Say "yes."
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Transformers (PG-13)
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11:15am, 1:45, 4:15, 10:15

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Talk to Me (R)
1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45
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1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:00

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12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:55
Becoming Jane (PG)
1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45
La Vie en Rose (La Mome) (PG-13)
1:20, 4:45, 8:10
The Ten (R)
12:15, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:00

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El Cantante (R)
11:00am, 1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 10:10
Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix (PG-13)
12:10, 3:10, 6:30, 9:50
Hot Rod (PG-13)
12:00, 2:40, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00
I Now Pronounce You Chuck & Larry (PG-13)
11:10am, 1:50, 4:40, 7:20, 10:20
Rush Hour 3 (PG-13)
11:30am, 12:30, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30

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Difficulty
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	3	9		7	5		4	
		4				5		9
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7	4	8	6	2	3	5	9	1
6	3	1	9	4	5	8	7	2
2	9	5	8	7	1	4	6	3
4	5	2	1	8	6	7	3	9
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WHICH IS TURNED INTO ETHANOL.

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WHICH COLOGNE SHOULD I USE?

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HOW ABOUT "EAU DU SLIDE RULE"?

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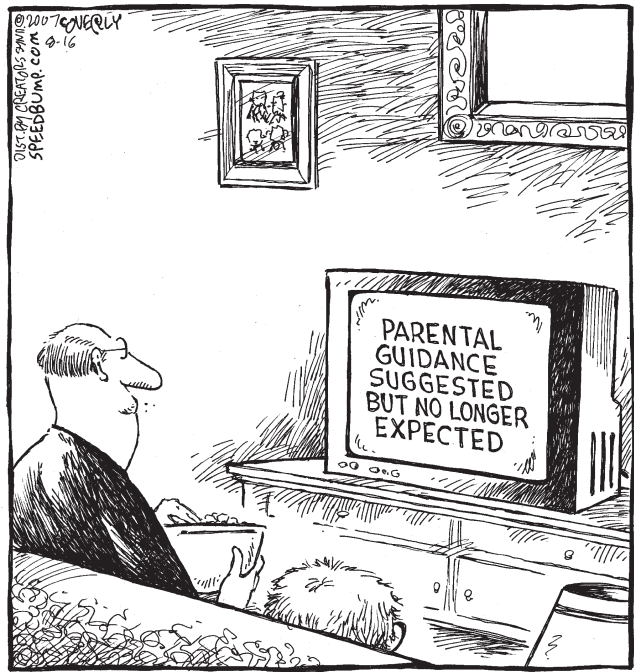
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 First name in jazz
 - 5 Rough guesses
 - 10 Zest source
 - 11 Perfect place
 - 12 Creative germ
 - 13 Island wrap
 - 14 Airlines
 - 16 Priests, at times
 - 20 Trembling trees
 - 23 Earthy prefix
 - 24 Invasions
 - 25 Doughy ring
 - 27 Candle count
 - 28 Clash
 - 29 Blockades
 - 32 Cross-country runners
 - 36 Female followings
 - 39 Right away, in the ER
 - 40 Drink
 - 41 Folded food
 - 42 Quick drives
 - 43 Dance unit
- DOWN**
- 2 Pollux's mom
 - 3 Wolfish look
 - 4 Worried
 - 5 Fab drummer
 - 6 Trunks
 - 7 GI address
 - 8 Storage spot
 - 9 Depression
 - 11 Manual readers
 - 15 Holm and McKellen
 - 17 Quiche base
 - 18 Stagger
 - 19 Shoe part
 - 20 Kaffiyeh wearer

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E	V	E	N	T			R	E	B	U
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Yesterday's answer

- 21 Lengthy account
- 22 Berth place
- 25 Hamilton's duel opponent
- 26 Lends a hand
- 28 To the point
- 30 River of Deutschland
- 31 Poetic feet
- 33 Coup target
- 34 Aqueduct event
- 35 Terminate
- 36 Towel word
- 37 Concert aid
- 38 Hitler's no.

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ According to police, Derrick House and another man planned to kill four people in a 1985 Chicago drug hit and needed a stranger to knock on the door so that House and his companion could gain entry. They paid teenager Charles Green \$25 to do that, and House completed the mission. Green was convicted and imprisoned for "participating" in the murder. House got the death penalty, but as a result of legal challenges, was recently released. House's companion was never convicted. Thus, the only one of the three still in prison 22 years later is the one who just knocked on the door. In August, a judge is scheduled to hear Green's latest petition for a new trial.

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1777 American Revolutionary War: Battle of Bennington - British forces are defeated by American troops.

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