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Chocolate milk stays on school menus

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQTRS The Board of Education voted against an outright ban on flavored milk Wednesday, instead opting for a more nuanced approach that allows parents to choose whether or not their children can drink the sugar-added beverage on campus.

The decision came after a contentious three-hour hearing packed with speakers of varying academic pedigree on both sides of the issue.

It followed closely in line with the staff recommendation, put forward by Chief Financial Officer Jan Maez and Director of Food Service Orlando Griego, which also promised "a comprehensive review" of food and drink options throughout the district, beginning with a la carte items.

The matter emerged in the July 20 board meeting when a group of parents, led by Harriet Fraser, produced a petition signed by

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Gangway on the way to SM Pier

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

SM PIER The restoration of a piece of the Santa Monica Pier's history progressed after the City Council allowed the Department of Public Works to move forward with the creation of an emergency gangway.

The gangway was identified as an important safety feature in a 2008 infrastructure assessment conducted by the firm Moffat & Nichol, according to a staff report.

"Right now, there's a temporary measure located by the harbor guard office," said Eric Bailey, a civil engineer with City Hall. "There is a way for people to evacuate the pier, and a chute for the waiting boat."

The gangway will let more people queue up for the evacuation, making the hypothetical operation run more smoothly, he said.

Officials plan to build the gangway on the southern side of the end of the pier, and estimate that it will cost approximately $700,000 to construct.

After the council's vote, engineers will create the final design, get it signed off by the Landmarks Commission and then put the project out to bid.

"We are very excited to see this," said Jim Harris, the pier's historian. "It's a project that has been several years in the making, and is part of our phase four construction for shoring up the pier and making it better and safer."

The project offers more than safety — it has historic significance as well, Harris said.

It hearkens back to the days when the iconic sign at the entrance of the pier that reads "Santa Monica Yacht Harbor, Sport Fishing, Boating" was relevant.

When the pier first opened, there was a

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END OF THE LINE: **Fishermen fill the west end of the Santa Monica Pier on Wednesday. The City Council agreed to build an emergency, permanent gangway to evacuate the pier.**

Actress Pressly pleads no contest to drunken driving

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES Actress Jaime Pressly has been sentenced to three years of informal probation after pleading no contest to drunken driving.

Santa Monica Deputy City Attorney Melanie Skehar says Pressly's attorney entered the plea Thursday for the former star of "My Name is Earl."

Pressly was also ordered to attend a six-month alcohol education class. Skehar says the Department of Motor Vehicles is also requiring an ignition locking device be installed on her car.

Pressly was arrested Jan. 5 after police say she was stopped for a traffic violation and charged with driving while having a blood alcohol content of more than .20. The legal limit is .08.

Her attorney, Richard Hutton, did not immediately return a phone message seeking comment.

Stock market ends three-day hot streak

MATTHEW CRAFT
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK Stock indexes fell sharply soon after trading began Thursday and then bounced around near their bottoms the rest of the day, ending a three-day rally.

Indexes in both the U.S. and Europe sank after Germany's main stock index, the DAX,

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Friday, Aug. 26, 2011

Breakfast on a rooftop
The Market
395 Santa Monica Place,
9 a.m. — 12 p.m.
Stop by the Good Food Festival Breakfast, located on the third floor dining deck of Santa Monica Place, for breakfast and cooking demos. Cooking demos include French pastry and fresh fig jam demonstrations. Adult price: $35. Children under 12 are free. For more information or to buy tickets, visit http://goodfoodfestivals.com/santamonica/

Armchair yogi
Senior Center
1450 Ocean Ave.,
10:30 a.m. — 11:30 a.m.
Chair Yoga is a class for seniors that teaches basic yoga postures, stretching, breathing and relaxation techniques, all without leaving your chair. Learn flexibility and alignment, and maintain balance and muscle tone in a fun and social environment. Cost: free for Senior Center members. For more information, call (310) 458-8644.

Thoroughly modern mist
Santa Monica Playhouse
1211 Fourth St., 2 p.m.
and 7:30 p.m.
"Reflections in the Mist" twists traditional tales into a modern myth about love, secrets and unopened e-mail, featuring members of Summer Stock 2011. Runs through Sunday. Cost: $20, discounts available for students and seniors. For more information, call (310) 394-9779 Ext. 1, or visit santamonicaplayhouse.com.

Saturday, Aug. 27, 2011

End of the season
The Annenberg Community Beach House
415 Pacific Coast Highway,
10 a.m. — 2 p.m.
Get sandy in this end of summer celebration with free activities for all ages. The pool will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The fitness room will be open from 8:45 p.m. to 8 p.m.. Regular admission fees apply. Pool passes go on sale at 9:30 a.m..
For more information, call (310) 458-4904 or visit www.annenbergbeachhouse.com.

Return of the flutist
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.,
3 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.
Local flutist Julianne Bruce returns to her old stomping ground for a flute solo concert with piano accompaniment. Bruce will be playing works composed by the likes of C.P.E Bach, Bohuslav Martinu and Andre Jolivet. The Santa Monica High School and Oberlin graduate will also perform a trio for flute, cello and piano. Admission is free and the program is for all ages.
For more information, call (310) 458-8600 or visit www.smpl.org.

Festival fun in Malibu
Malibu Bluffs Park
24250 Pacific Coast Highway, 4 p.m. — 10 p.m.
Swing by Malibu for the fifth annual Malipalooza. The summer festival features stage performances, food trucks, children's activities, and booths for nonprofit organizations and businesses. The event will end with a dusk screening of "Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark." Cost: free. For more information call, (310) 317-1364.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

DOWNTOWN

Fred Segal offers loaners

Ever forget a tote, a pair of sunglasses or an accessory in the rush to pack for vacation? Fred Segal Santa Monica offers a solution with its Fred Segal Lending Library – a collection of on-loan jewelry, purses, sunglasses and other accessories – at Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel.

"When stocking the library, I thought of items I forgot to pack in the past and wished I had the opportunity to borrow from a hotel," Kirsten Segal, director of marketing and event planning at Fred Segal, said. "I focused on accessories because I felt guests would forget to bring those little details or would be more inclined to borrow something fun for the weekend that they didn't already own."

The partnership enables guests of Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel to borrow a plethora of items for women, men, children and pets. Prices range from a $10 children's book to a $500 silver evening clutch.

The collection of close to 50 accessories includes embellished scarves, layered necklaces, oversized stone cuffs, chunky bangles, aviator and fold-up sunglasses, belts, totes, woven leather purses and dog toys.

"The new Lending Library is designed to be both fun and functional, and gives our guests a chance to experience one of Los Angeles' most iconic shopping destinations," Michael Fox, chief concierge at Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel, said.

The library is available exclusively at Loews. The service is complimentary for guests who purchase a suite at the hotel. The hotel is offering a special "Suite Deal" package that includes overnight accommodations in a grand suite, access to the library, complimentary parking, Internet and a welcome amenity from now until Dec. 30.

For more information on the Fred Segal Lending Library, visit loewshotels.com/santamonica.

REBECCA ASOULIN

CITYWIDE

Give your child a 'Head Start'

As students of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District gear up for another year in the classroom, openings are still available for preschool aged children in the community to get a "Head Start."

Child Development Services, which provides early childhood education for children age 2 to 5, has available spaces in Head Start and other preschool programs for 3 to 4 year olds.

School begins on Tuesday, Aug. 30 and families do not need to be residents of Santa Monica or Malibu to enroll their children.

CDS offers Los Angeles Universal Preschool (LAUP), California State Preschool (CSPP), Head Start and full fee-based programs. Class sizes range from 16 to 24.

CDS creates an environment filled with traditional preschool activities with an emphasis on play as the child's main form of learning. All programs are five days a week and use "High Scope," a research-based curriculum designed to engage children in active learning and problem solving. The classrooms are located at school sites throughout SMMUSD.

To begin enrollment, all parents must complete a pre-enrollment application. Applications are not school site specific. Site requests will be considered, but cannot be guaranteed.

If you are interested in enrolling your children or would like more information, call (310) 399-5865 or visit www.smmusd.org/cds/preschool.html.

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SUPER FLAT

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A city street maintenance crew fixes potholes Wednesday at the future site of the Expo Light Rail terminus located at Fourth Street and Colorado Avenue. The rail line is expected to reach Santa Monica in 2015.

Death penalty bill stalls until next year

DON THOMPSON
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO A legislative committee on Thursday shelved a bill that would have asked voters to close California's death row and replace capital punishment with life prison terms.

State Sen. Loni Hancock, D-Berkeley, said she agreed to turn her SB490 into a two-year bill when she realized she didn't have the nine votes she needed to get her bill out of the 17-member Assembly Appropriations Committee to a vote by the full Assembly.

"This is going to be a process. This is a tough vote for a lot of people," Hancock said in a telephone interview. "The issue is not going away. There have been people across the state who are rallying to support it."

She said she and other proponents will keep lobbying lawmakers to approve the bill when it comes up again next year.

Hancock based her legislation in part on a recent study that found California has spent $184 million a year on death penalty cases and incarceration, yet puts to death relatively few condemned inmates.

The 714 prisoners on the nation's most populous death row are more likely to die of old age.

Thursday's delay came as Gov. Jerry Brown voiced support for putting "deep, troublesome issues" like capital punishment to a vote of the people, as Hancock's bill proposes.

Brown declined to comment

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Fawcett's son ordered to rehab in heroin case

ASSOCIATED PRESS



O'NEAL

LOS ANGELES The son of Ryan O'Neal and the late Farrah Fawcett pleaded no contest Wednesday to heroin possession and was ordered to spend the next year in an intense inpatient rehab program.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Keith Schwartz also told Redmond O'Neal to serve five years on probation and gave him a three-year suspended prison sentence, which would only be imposed if the younger O'Neal gets into trouble again.

O'Neal, 26, also pleaded no contest to being a felon in possession of a firearm when he was arrested Aug. 2 in Santa Monica after a traffic stop.

He entered the pleas without an agreement with prosecutors, district attorney's spokeswoman Jane Robison said.

"The defense team appreciates that Judge Schwartz gave Redmond the help that he needs to turn his life around," attorneys Richard Pintal and Michael Brewer said in a statement. "The court recognized that drug rehabilitation is the best thing for Redmond and society as a whole."

Pintal said his client will be required to remain in a lockdown rehab facility and is facing a tough fight to beat his heroin addiction.

"It's especially insidious in that it's intensely physically addictive and coming off of, or ceasing in any respect; causes incredible physical pain," Pintal said.

Ryan O'Neal attended his son's sentencing, which was first reported by celebrity website RadarOnline.com.

Redmond O'Neal has had a string of drug-related arrests over the years. He had to be released from jail briefly to attend his mother's funeral when she died in June 2009.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Not funny

Editor:

I find it interesting that any human would find amusement in the East Coast only getting a 5.9 earthquake ("West Coast pokes fun at East Coast quake," page 1, Aug. 24), when California residents "stir their coffee to 5.9 earthquakes." And now to find out that Colorado got a 5.8 last night! This is not funny and we should be there for every human who's in crisis. I suppose this hurricane Irene isn't that big of a deal either?

Grow up!

Carl Morris
Santa Monica

Deserving of a second chance

Editor:

Picture a young man, 18 years old. He is a living contradiction – still very much at the very beginning of his life, and yet, as he looks into the future he knows that he is also very much at the end of his life. The United States is currently the only country in the world that sentences youth to die in prison. By continuing the practice of sentencing youth to life in prison without the possibility of parole, the United States denies these young people's human capacity for change, and directly violates international human rights law.

In December 2010, a bill was introduced to the California State Senate that would end the practice of sentencing juvenile offenders to life in prison without the possibility of parole in California. Under Senate Bill 9, youth sentenced to life without parole could petition a court to review his or her case, at which point they may be granted a lesser sentence and the opportunity to work toward parole.

This past February I gained personal insight into the juvenile justice system when I went along with a group of other students to the Southern Youth Correctional Reception Center and Clinic in Norwalk, Calif. and got the opportunity to speak with some of the young men inside. One young man that I talked with was serving a sentence of 80 years to life for a crime which he was present for, but did not actually commit. He had just turned 18, and was facing a transfer to an adult facility where conditions are much worse, and where he will likely spend the rest of his life. He had completed his high school education and begun college work while incarcerated. As our conversation turned to activities, he said that he once liked to read and write the occasional song. But now, as the magnitude of his sentence sinks in, he finds that he no longer has much interest in doing anything. No 18 year old should have to look into the future and see that his life is over.

The young men inside the facility are people, and not problems to be locked away eternally. Young people have a special ability to change their lifestyle and attitude. Juvenile offenders, although they have made terrible mistakes in the past, are no exception. Not all youth facing life without parole deserve a lesser sentence, but some do. It is now up to the state of California to recognize both their humanity and capacity for reform by opening that opportunity.

Miriam Shestack
Los Angeles



Laughing Matters

Jack Neworth — **Send comments to editor@smdp.com**



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IN SERVICE: **A couple uses showers at one of the newly-constructed beach bathrooms.**

Bathrooms open for business

THERE'S SO MUCH BAD NEWS IN THE world these days it's no wonder there's a malaise in the air. (Not to be confused with smog.) Let's discuss the economy. Actually, since this is a humor column, let's not.

In Afghanistan, in two months our military will have been fighting there for 10 years, what for I'm not exactly sure. Suddenly the subject of the economy isn't so unappealing.

In Libya, it appears that dictator Col. Gaddafi's final days are rapidly approaching. (Hopefully.) Gaddafi's rumored to be hiding in Tripoli wearing a berka and disguised as a woman. (Muammar isn't all that attractive as a man. To picture him as a woman gives me the creeps.)

Locally, our beloved Dodgers are currently hovering near last place. Being owned by Frank McCourt hasn't helped. (Go to Facebook and type "Don't Support McCourt.") Perversely, I'm hoping that Clayton Kershaw wins the Cy Young Award and Matt Kemp is the league's MVP as in history that's never happened to a last place team.

But in these troubled times, at least I have some positive Santa Monica news, albeit not exactly "Nightline" material. Finally, after almost a year, our new public bathrooms at the beach are open, having cost city taxpayers a mere $4.1 million or more than $628,000 per. (Yikes!) I suppose, like everything else, even the cost of "going" has gone up.

In the name of accurate reporting, I advise a modicum of caution because the project (seven bathrooms and numerous showers) constructed by CWS Systems Inc. (which I pray is not a subsidiary of Halliburton) had numerous projected openings going back to this past Memorial Day.

When July 4th arrived and still no bathrooms, radical residents considered lighting the portable toilets as giant cherry bombs. Fortunately cooler heads prevailed. (No pun intended.)

Recently, due to water main and sewer lateral problems, (whatever that means) bathrooms have been opened in the morning and closed by lunch. The nearly yearlong construction had residents wondering was CWS building bathrooms or pyramids?

Being an intrepid investigative reporter, today I took a test drive, so to speak. (Actually I was at the beach and had to use the bathroom.) So, like a restaurant critic of fine houses of cuisine, let me share with you my restroom ruminations. (Perhaps critiquing restaurants and restrooms require different skill sets.)

OK, here it goes. The new restrooms are spectacular. (A $4.4 million spectacular, that's another column.) The old bathrooms were three decades old and had acquired a certain ambiance, if you recall. And sometimes the "patrons" weren't always the most dignified of citizens, to be generous. Given a particular clientele the bathrooms often reminded me of the DMV without the eye charts.

FINALLY, AFTER ALMOST A YEAR, OUR NEW PUBLIC BATHROOMS AT THE BEACH ARE OPEN, HAVING COST CITY TAXPAYERS A MERE $4.1 MILLION OR $500,000 PER. (YIKES!) I SUPPOSE, LIKE EVERYTHING ELSE, EVEN THE COST OF 'GOING' HAS GONE UP.

Whereas the old bathrooms had open stalls making any sense of privacy impossible, the new restroom is divided into five, wheelchair-accessible separate stalls, lockable from the inside. In addition there's a larger bathroom, one men's and one women's, marked "Family Restroom." (The family that goes together stays together? Or perhaps one that at least doesn't have to make a pit stop on their drive back to West Covina.)

I wrote this column in response to numerous readers who e-mailed furious about the excessive money and time the bathrooms had taken. (Not to mention the less than attractive porta-potties that dotted the boardwalk, but thankfully are gone.) That notwithstanding, I must give the bathrooms an enthusiastic 4.5 stars. (A half-star deduction because they didn't replace the water fountains.)

Trying to end on a positive note about the new bathrooms, I leave you with those famous words from Luke 7:50, "Go in peace." (Though, I don't think that's exactly the kind of "go" Luke had in mind.)

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SMDP EDITORIALS

Unnecessary roughness

In light of last weekend's fist fights and shootings at "The Stick" involving Raiders and Niners fans, coming on the heels of the viscous beating of San Francisco Giants fan Bryan Stow during the Dodgers home opener, the Daily Press would like to remind those attending upcoming football games and other sporting events at local schools to keep in mind how much destruction can come from a split-second decision to hurl an insult or throw a punch.

It wasn't too long ago — Sept. 25, 2009 — that an Inglewood teen was stabbed multiple times as he was leaving a Santa Monica High School football game held at Corsair Field. While that incident was ruled to be gang-related, it proves that violence can strike anywhere for any number of reasons. Taunting and acting unsportsmanlike shouldn't be the spark.

We've been to many games over the years, reporting on and supporting our youth. For the most part fans of local high school sports and Little League know how to behave. But during some of those contests, there have been a few parents who have crossed the line with their comments. While no one was physically injured, there was some emotional bruising. Obsessed fans would say mean-spirited things about certain coaches, as well as the players — totally inappropriate and not in the spirit of the game. Kids should be encouraged, not made to feel inferior.

Student-athletes already face extreme pressure, either from their parents or their coaches and fellow students. No one wants to be considered a loser, and winning could mean the difference between earning a scholarship to a university a student-athlete may not be able to afford otherwise, or not getting an offer at all.

And as far as the coaches go, some don't even get paid full-time. They have day jobs, but yet still find the time to show up at every practice and every game because they love mentoring kids and they love the game. We're sure the extra cash doesn't hurt either, but nobody is getting rich here. They don't deserve to have parents bashing them from the stands. If a parent is unhappy with their child's playing time or position on the team, have an adult conversation about it. Don't heckle from the cheap seats.

Athletics, just like the arts, offer students an outlet, teaches them discipline and can become a vehicle for educational and economic advancement. Sports also help kids stay fit, and we all know how important that is (see chocolate milk debate below). Sports also provide fans an escape from reality, something sorely needed today when many are struggling to make ends meet. Sports also have the power to bring people together. They shouldn't be used to tear people apart.

This school year, fans please be civil, be mindful of those around you and, most importantly, have fun. After all, whether it's football, baseball or water polo, remember, it's just a game.

Leave it to mom and dad

As ridiculous as it is to have an opt-out clause for parents who do not want their children to drink chocolate milk in local public schools (this isn't sex ed or frog dissection where ethics are at issue), it was the best decision the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified Board of Education could make.

With a 5-2 vote, the school board before a capacity crowd instructed staff Wednesday night to create a process for parents to notify schools that their children should not be served flavored milk, which some say contains too much sugar and calories, contributing to the rise in childhood obesity.

There was a lot of emotion coming from both sides. There were those who wanted the SMMUSD to follow the lead of other school districts and outright ban flavored milk. Others said chocolate milk was the least of their worries and banning it could lead to less kids drinking milk, an important source of calcium. The district serves about 11,500 students, with nearly a third qualifying for free or reduced-priced meals that include the chocolate milk.

The Daily Press was never in support of an outright ban. We felt that the benefits of drinking milk, whether it be chocolate or strawberry, far outweighed the negatives, especially if parents are making sure that their kids are eating healthy at home and are staying active. If parents are providing nutritional food for breakfast and dinner, and are making sure their kids get off the couch, then a few extra teaspoons of sugar shouldn't matter. In the end, it all comes down to parental involvement. The school board's compromise gives parents the power to say yes or no to flavored milk.

Now, instead of wasting hours debating chocolate milk, let's focus on what really matters: reforming the disciplinary policies of the district, which the school board didn't get to because some people love the sound of their own voice and decided debating the benefits of milk dispensers over cartons was crucial. Wouldn't it be nice if parents and board members did the same amount of research and argued with the same amount of fervor about curriculum, closing the achievement gap or other critical issues.

The Q Line

Up and down

The stock market was a wild ride last week with big losses and subsequent steep gains. Who knows what this week will bring.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
Does this market volatility change your mind about investing or are you still in for the long haul?

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Prosecutor: Teen plotted gay classmate's murder

GREG RISLING
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES A teen who gunned down a gay classmate in school should be convicted of murder because he rode a tidal wave of hatred and sought revenge after the victim offended him by simply saying, "What's up baby?," a prosecutor said Thursday.

Calling the shooting of 15-year-old Larry King a "shocking and unforgettable murder," Ventura County Deputy District Attorney Maeve Fox implored jurors to find Brandon McInerney guilty of first-degree murder, the severest penalty he faces.

Using McInerney's own words via an interview with a psychologist, Fox said during closing arguments that the teen became enraged after Larry passed him in the hallway in February 2008 and made what he believed was the ultimate insult.

McInerney, then 14, made a conscious decision to kill King the next day, telling a friend he planned to shoot his classmate, she said. He hid a gun in his backpack and brought it to E.O. Green Junior High School in Oxnard, where he shot King twice in the back of the head, a "cold-blooded execution," the prosecutor said.

"He intentionally got that gun; he told people what he was going to do," Fox said. "He shot and killed an innocent person."

The brazen shooting in front of stunned classmates in a computer classroom gained wide attention when authorities dubbed it a hate crime because King was gay and evidence suggested McInerney had white supremacy leanings. Extensive news coverage persuaded a judge to move the case from Ventura County to neighboring Los Angeles County.

McInerney has pleaded not guilty to one count each of murder and a hate crime. If convicted, he faces more than 50 years in prison. Jurors also can consider a conviction of voluntary manslaughter, which carries a maximum 21-year term.

Defense attorneys do not deny McInerney killed King, but they contend their client came from a violent upbringing. They say he snapped when he heard moments before the shooting that King wanted to change his first name to Latisha.

In his closing argument, lawyer Scott Wippert said his client and King were a lot alike, coming from broken homes. McInerney didn't have problems with King until he started wearing makeup, high heels and began sexually harassing him, said Wippert who blamed school administrators for not addressing the simmering feud.

"We're not saying Larry King is a terror, a bad kid, but the adults should have stopped this behavior," Wippert said.

Fox said jurors should not support the defense's "smoke screen" to show the slaying was a result of "gay panic" — where someone like McInerney commits a violent act against a gay person for allegedly making unwanted sexual advances. She said it wasn't plausible that McInerney snapped because he told at least six people in the days before the shooting he was going to hurt King.

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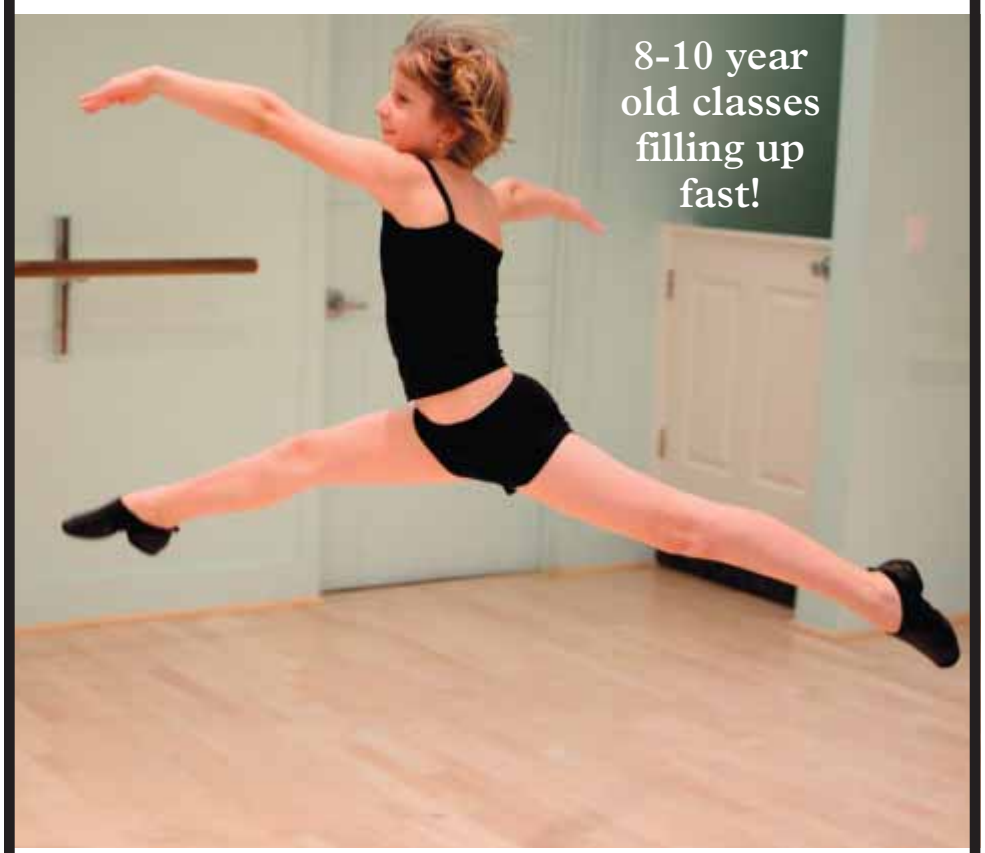

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Convention canceled over stadium construction fears

JACOB ADELMAN
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES A medical association has canceled plans to hold a gathering of 5,000 members in downtown Los Angeles because of worries about being surrounded by construction if a proposal to build an NFL stadium on part of the city's convention center campus goes forward.

Society of Critical Care Medicine CEO David Martin said Thursday that the February 2014 event would be held in San Francisco instead due to concerns about the proposal, which involves tearing down and relocating a convention center building to make space for what would be a 72,000-seat football venue.

A framework stadium plan approved by the City Council this month requires developer Anschutz Entertainment Group to finish work on the new convention center hall before the existing one is demolished.

But Martin said he was told by officials with Los Angeles' convention and visitors bureau, known as LA Inc., that part of the new building would overlap with the existing one, so the latter would have to be removed before the former is built.

Martin said he was told that the planned completion time on the new hall would be the end of 2013, which was too close for comfort to the date of his group's convention.

"We really can't risk our largest event of the year on construction," said Martin, who added that the group had not changed an existing plan to hold its 2021 convention at the Los Angeles venue.

LA Inc. spokeswoman Carol Martinez could not immediately account for the discrepancy between the construction schedule related to Martin and the plan that was approved by city officials.

"Our message to our customers has always been that there will be no disruption of service," she said.

Martinez said the medical convention's size would have been in the mid-range of those regularly held at the facility and that it would have generated some $8 million in spending by participants and other economic impacts.

She said she regretted the cancellation, but saw it as an acceptable loss in light of what would be an improved convention center campus that can attract bigger events once work is complete.

"In the long run, this will be extremely beneficial," said Martinez

AEG spokesman Michael Roth did not immediately return a message seeking comment.

Loss of convention center business during construction has been a recurring concern raised at meetings about the stadium plan.

AEG, which operates the nearby LA Live entertainment complex and Staples Center, has vowed to stick to a construction schedule that does not cause any loss of major convention center business.

The framework deal approved by city officials also calls on AEG to compensate the city for any loss in convention or trade show revenue due to construction-period disruptions.

CRIME WATCH
BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Nude men arrested for fighting in hallway

Crime Watch is a weekly series culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

FRIDAY, AUG. 19, AT 10:22 P.M.,
Santa Monica police officers responded to the 1300 block of Second Street regarding a report of two naked men beating each other with baseball bats in a common hallway of a building. When officers arrived, they located the two suspects lying nude in the hallway. Both were bloodied about the head and face and were allegedly uncooperative with officers, who were trying to determine what happened. After some time, officers determined that the two suspects reside in the same apartment complex and were drinking heavily in one of their apartments with an unknown woman. While drinking, the two men got into an argument and the woman left. The two continued fighting, with one grabbing a stick, which he used to hit the other in the head several times. The other man was able to throw his attacker's head through a wall and both ended up on the ground nude and semi-conscious. Both could not recall how the fight started and refused to cooperate any further. Both were transported to a local hospital to be treated for their injuries. Suspect John Haven, 58, of Santa Monica, was booked for assault with a deadly weapon. His bail was set at $30,000. Ronald Robinson, 63, of Santa Monica, was booked for battery causing serious bodily injury. His bail was set at $50,000.

SUNDAY, AUG. 21, AT 11 P.M.,
Officers were on routine patrol in the 2000 block of Third Street when they saw a suspicious person walking on a dark driveway that leads to a parking structure. The suspect walked north on Third Street and as he passed other subterranean garages, he was seen by officers to be peering inside. Officers contacted the suspect based on his suspicious activity. The suspect was noticeably nervous and allegedly admitted that he does not reside in the area or know anyone who does either. Officers asked the suspect if he possessed anything illegal and he admitted to having methamphetamine and a pipe in his possession that he used to smoke the drug, police said. Officers searched the suspect and recovered the drugs, pipe, and some marijuana. The suspect was placed under arrest for possession. He was identified as Christopher Dew, 45, a transient. Bail was set at $10,000.

SATURDAY, AUG. 20, AT 5:22 P.M.,
Officers were on routine patrol in the area of Highland Avenue and Marine Street when they saw a man removing recyclables from a City Hall-owned bin in violation of the municipal code. The suspect was stopped and a computer check revealed he was on parole for drugs. Officers searched the suspect and found two hypodermic needles that the suspect allegedly admitted to using to inject methamphetamine. The suspect was placed under arrest and booked for possession of drug paraphernalia. He was identified as Patrick McLaughlin, 42, of Venice, Calif. His bail was set at $250.

FRIDAY, AUG. 19, AT 2:07 A.M.,
Officers responded to the area of Cloverfield and Pico boulevards regarding a report of a suspicious vehicle circling a female who was on the ground. When officers arrived, they located the vehicle and found that all of the occupants were under the influence of alcohol. Officers said one of the occupants threw a green prescription bottle underneath the car when they saw police. Officers located the bottle, which they said contained cocaine. The person who threw the bottle was placed under arrest for possession of a controlled substance. He was identified as Brandon Swan, 27, of Santa Monica. His bail was set at $10,000. The woman who was on the ground outside the vehicle was placed under arrest for public intoxication. She was identified as Sarah Ritz, 26, of Studio City, Calif. Her bail was set at $250.

FRIDAY, AUG. 19, AT 1:40 P.M.,
Officers responded to the 2900 block of Main Street — Rick's Tavern — on the report of a woman refusing to pay her bill. When officers arrived, they made contact with an employee at the bar who said the suspect ate food and had some alcohol. When it came time to pay for the meal, she allegedly tried to leave without paying. When confronted, she began yelling and knocking over chairs. The suspect, who is on probation for burglary, had no money to pay and was placed under arrest for defrauding an innkeeper and a probation violation. She was identified as Marne Chaix, 62, of North Beach, Calif. Her bail was set at $10,000.

THURSDAY, AUG. 18, AT 3 P.M.,
Officers were on routine patrol in the area of Main Street and Colorado Avenue when they saw the driver of a blue Hyundai fail to stop at a red light, nearly colliding with a bicyclist. Officers conducted a traffic stop and during their investigation they could smell marijuana. The driver, who was visibly nervous and sweating profusely, allegedly made several contradictory statements and was asked to step out of the vehicle after officers saw marijuana on the rear floorboard. The driver gave officers consent to search the car, at which time they found several ounces of marijuana, concentrated cannabis and a large amount of U.S. currency. The driver was placed under arrest and booked for possession of marijuana for sale and transportation of pot for sale. Her bail was set at $20,000. She was identified as Karolyn Loberfeld, 64, of the Pacific Palisades.

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MILK
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700 people in favor of removing flavored milk from local schools.

The Los Angeles Unified School District had already banned the drink, after celebrity chef Jamie Oliver castigated the district for selling it on campuses.

By Wednesday's meeting, that petition had 1,000 signatures.

Those for a total ban told board members that the non-fat chocolate milk sold on Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District campuses is harmful to children's health, contributing not only two teaspoons of added sugar, but also extra sodium.

"If our children drink the three recommended dairy servings in the form of chocolate milk exclusively, the resulting 24 grams of added liquid sugar a day exceeds by 30 percent the amount that the (American) Heart Association considers defensible for the entire day," said William McCarthy, a nutrition researcher at the UCLA School of Public Health and former chair of the district's Health and Safety Advisory Committee.

Proponents of the chocolate beverage argued that the nutritional benefits of milk far outweigh the negatives of a few extra grams of sugar when high-quality protein, vitamins and calcium are taken into account.

Young girls, in particular, need to accrue as much calcium as possible to prevent diseases like osteoporosis and osteopenia, which describe conditions where bones become brittle because they don't have enough calcium, parents said.

"It's critically important for (my daughter) and all girls since the level of calcium consumption is critically linked to bone development," said parent Lisa Balfous. "Many children who qualify … simply will not drink the unflavored milk if that is the only offering."

Staff cited one study at the July 20 meeting that looked not only at the amount of milk taken by students at lunch, but also the amount thrown away.

The two-year study looked at seven school districts for two years, and showed that kids drank up to 35 percent less milk in the first year than when they had the option to choose either chocolate or strawberry-flavored milk.

The National Academy of Sciences, Institute of Health and others have all published research indicating that although the added sugar isn't good for children, if it gets kids to consume more nutrient-rich foods it's OK.

"Every organization that has weighed in on this, every credible organization with a mission to synthesize research and create policy recommendations has weighed in on this issue on the side of flavored milk," said Board President Jose Escarce.

Escarce also pointed out that those who would be most impacted by the loss of milk in their diets would be low-income students who participate in the free or reduced-price lunch program.

For some of those students, he said, that might be the only serving of milk they get in a day.

He and other speakers, including Webster Elementary School parent Soniya Perl, said the school district should target other foods that add as much or more sugar to children's diets without the benefits of milk.

"There is licorice in schools, and rewards given that are of minimal nutritional value," Perl said. "Chocolate milk, on the other hand, is not considered to have minimal value."

Board members Nimish Patel and Ralph Mechur, who were both for the ban when it was previously discussed at the July 20 meeting, remained steadfast in their position that removing the option would eventually force kids to make the right choice.

They were both willing to find middle ground, however.

"Let's not make this a black and white issue," Patel said. "Let's find a solution tonight. Let's make that solution tonight. We don't have to vote yes or no, we can make a modified proposal that we can vote on that will benefit our children."

Together, they agreed on a motion that would give parents discretion over their children's habits, as well as include an educational component teaching kids the ill effects of excess sugar in their diet and a review of other foods in the district.

That spirit of compromise hit an uncompromising hurdle, however, over whether or not parents should be asked to give their permission for children to buy the flavored milk or should be asked specifically to opt out.

"I have a hard time supporting this," Patel said. "Everything else we do in our schools is an opt-in. We need them to drink plain white milk."

The end vote passed 5-2, with Patel and Mechur the two no votes.

Escarce congratulated the parents who brought the issue forward for their work and advocacy.

"It made a huge difference," Escarce said. "It set a course in revising our menu, and begun a campaign to give more importance to white milk while students who are the most vulnerable will not reduce their vitamin D."

Opponents were disappointed by the outcome, but were prepared to push forward for the wider discussion of district food items promised by the board.

"We're obviously disappointed about the result, but felt we got the issue on the map," Fraser said. "There's so much more that needs to be done. We feel we must be optimistic going forward, and that significant changes can be made."

In the mean time, SMMUSD could see a change in its chocolate milk as early as January.

Driftwood Dairy, which sells the district milk, will be reducing the amount of sugar in the milk by three grams from 20 to 17.

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suddenly dipped 4 percent. Traders struggled to explain the dive. The Dow Jones industrial average closed down 170.89 points, or 1.5 percent, to close at 11,149.82. It had been up 85 points the first few minutes of trading.

Bank of America Corp. jumped 9 percent on news that Warren Buffett will invest $5 billion in the troubled bank. BofA had lost half its value this year as investors worried about its need to raise capital and its growing liabilities related to subprime mortgages. BofA stock was up 26 percent early, to $8.80, and closed at $7.65, up 66 cents.

Other banks also rose after the billionaire investor gave his backing to Bank of America. Morgan Stanley gained 2.7 percent and Citigroup Inc. 4.8 percent. BofA and American Express Co. were the only two of the 30 companies in the Dow to rise.

This week's trading has been marked by a series of sudden reversals. Robert Stein, a money manager responsible for $1.2 billion at Astor Asset Management, said questions about the economy have made investors uncertain and the stock market more volatile. Gains made one day have disappeared the next, or even in the same day.

"We're not seeing anything that's convincingly bearish enough to call another recession, but nothing optimistic enough to suggest that a recovery is going to regenerate," Stein said.

Friday could be another day of big swings as Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke gives a highly anticipated speech at a conference in Jackson Hole, Wyo. Bernanke speaks at 10 a.m. EDT.

Earlier Thursday, the government reported an increase in the number of people applying for unemployment benefits last week. The Labor Department said applications rose to 417,000, the highest in five weeks, but the figure was inflated by a strike at Verizon that earlier this week.

The S&P 500 index fell 18.33 points, or 1.6 percent, to 1,159.27. The Nasdaq fell 48.06 points, or 1.9 percent, to 2,419.63.

The S&P, the benchmark for most money managers, has gained 3 percent this week but is still down 10 percent for the month. Thursday's drop broke a three-day rally in which the Dow gained 503 points.

Paul Zemsky, chief investment officer of ING Investment Management in New York, said this week's gains were a result of investors bargain-hunting after stocks fell too far over the past month. He also said some of the gains were caused by technical trading as investors bought shares to exit short positions, or bets that the market would continue to fall.

Zemsky expects to see more big swings as long as the fear of recession hangs over the market. "People are trying to adjust their positions to news," he said. "Once it's clear where the economy is headed, I think things will calm down."

There's plenty of speculation about whether Bernanke will offer more support for the economy. It was at the same conference last year that he laid out an argument for what became a $600 billion bond-buying program by the central bank.

Zemsky thinks there's little chance Bernanke will announce any action Friday. "There's nothing more than hope that Bernanke will drop a gift from the sky."

More than three stocks fell for every one that rose on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading volume was above average at 5 billion shares, thanks to BofA, which accounted for nearly 900 million shares.



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directly on her bill.

"In general, I've said as a principle, that when we have deep, troublesome issues that create gridlock in the Legislature, going back to the people could be a way to break the gridlock," Brown said at a news conference he called to discuss a jobs creation proposal.

Brown, a Democrat, vetoed a death penalty bill in 1977 during his first stint as governor, though lawmakers overrode his veto. He enforced the state's death penalty law while he was state attorney general before he was elected to a third term as governor in November.

Hancock said she expects support for her bill to grow as the state's fiscal condition continues to worsen. She said lawmakers, and voters, will be faced with a choice between spending money on a dysfunctional capital punishment system over funding basic services like police and schools.

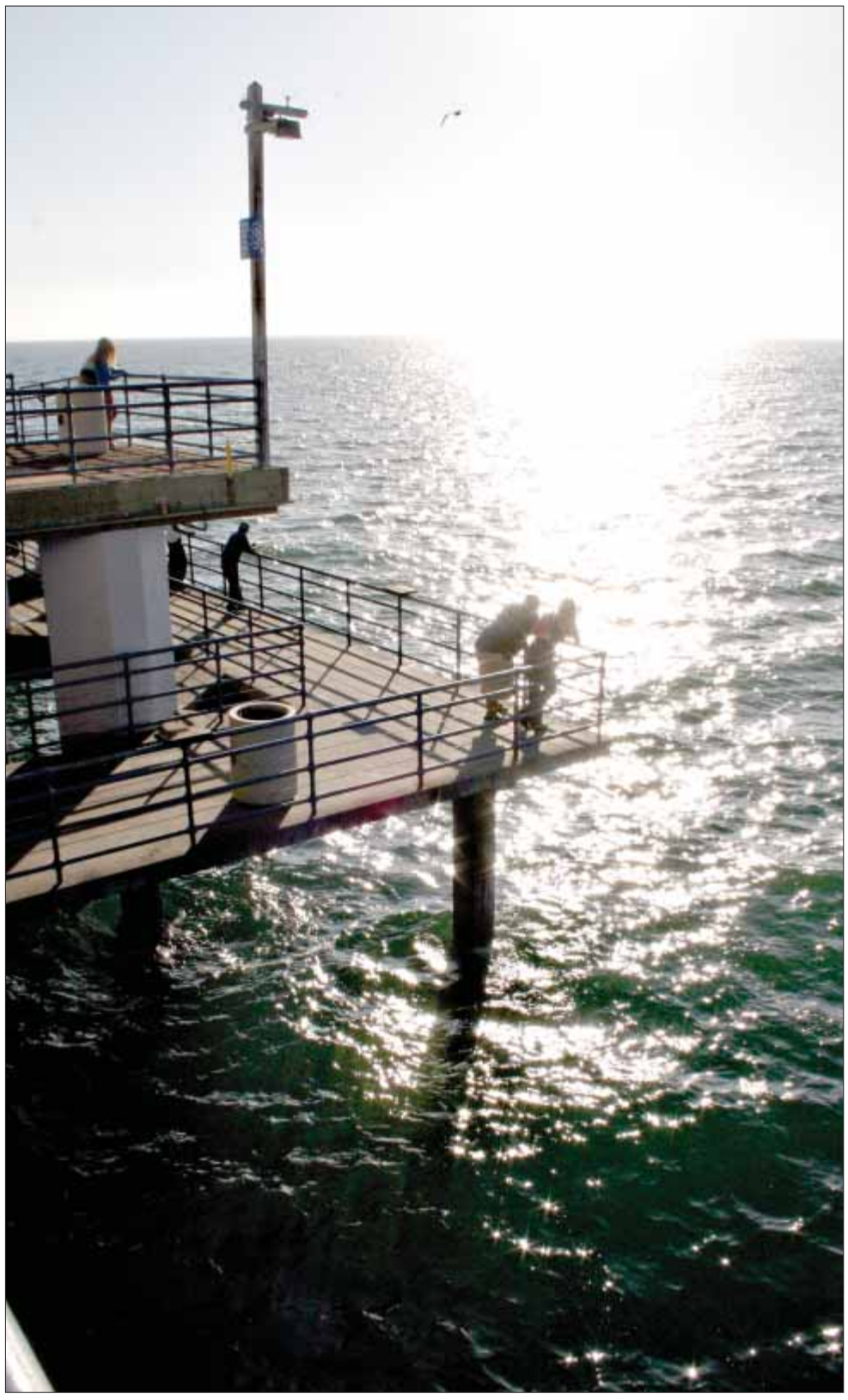
"It is something that's not tough on crime, it's tough on the taxpayers," she said. "Many times important bills take two or three years to get out of the Legislature."

However, Hancock couldn't find enough votes even in a committee that her fellow Democrats control by a 12-5 majority.

"It's unfair to victims to retroactively apply such abolishment to victims who believe their offender was justly sentenced to death," said Dawn Sanders-Koepke, a lobbyist for Crime Victims United of California. "We would argue we need to fix the system, not throw it away."

She said even the study cited by Hancock included steps that could be taken to make capital punishment more efficient and less costly.

A coalition of death penalty opponents calling itself California Taxpayers For Justice said it hopes to bypass the Legislature by gathering enough signatures to put the issue on the November 2012 ballot. Spokeswoman Erin Mellon said more details would be released Monday, including who is behind the coalition that she said includes law enforcement officials, victims and survivors who oppose capital punishment, and those wrongfully convicted of capital crimes.



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NICE VIEW: **Santa Monica Pier visitors gaze out at the Pacific Ocean on Wednesday.**

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focus on getting fishing at the end of the pier, and ultimately the west end became a popular boating facility.

After several failed attempts, officials finally succeeded at securing a federal grant to create the proposed yacht harbor, which was completed in 1934, Harris said.

Notables like Charlie Chaplin and Errol Flynn kept their boats there, and when World War II swept the nation, it was requisitioned for naval purposes.

The breakwater that created the harbor was a constant problem, however. Its top rock layer was too light, and needed maintenance on a regular basis, Harris said.

When the infamous 1983 storm blew in and destroyed the pier, it took the gangway with it, and although the remainder of the pier was restored, the gangway was never replaced.

Until now.

According to an environmental report, workers will have to demolish and remove an existing concrete piling and an 18-by-8-foot wide section of concrete decking of the southern fishing platform.

A 2,160 square foot barge will float off the south side of the pier, anchored by 12 piles driven into the sea floor.

The gangway will connect the pier to the barge.

The document acknowledges that the project could have an impact on the environment around the pier, including effects on animal habitats and the look of the beach when construction materials are piled up near the pier.

Constructing the emergency gangway and floating dock is expected to result in only temporary problems, according to the environmental document, mainly from the one-time disruption of installing the dock anchors.

Staff expects recovery "of existing marine species and composition and diversity … within two years or less."

At the council meeting, Mayor Pro Tem Gleam Davis pulled the item from the consent agenda to assure the public that the installation of the gangway was not an invitation to large vessels to dock by the pier.

Although bringing boats back to the pier is not in the cards right now, the gangway will be constructed with the future in mind, Bailey said.

"This is just what it sounds like," Bailey said. "If they revisit the issue, it's designed in such a way that those options are not eliminated."

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With a slumping economy, ensuing global conflicts and our own personal dilemmas, a few drinks come as a welcome respite for many. But before you have that extra glass of wine at dinner, make sure you are aware of some new laws and issues that may drastically affect your driving privileges. California has some of the toughest DUI laws in the country, and while no one plans to get arrested for DUI, here are 5 helpful tips to remember if you find yourself at the wrong end of a DUI checkpoint this year.

1) Submit To FSTS: When arrested for DUI many people look for a quick and easy way out of it such as refusing to submit the officer's tests. Well, truth be told, this doesn't really work. Refusing to submit to field sobriety tests (FSTS) will almost always earn a year suspension from the DMV regardless what happens with your court case. Refusing to submit to FSTS might weaken the State's evidence against you, but is it worth risking an automatic one year suspension? This includes submitting a breathalyzer test at the scene of the arrest (called a PAS test). A PAS test might not even be admissible in the criminal case, but if you are below a .08 it will save you a ton of hassle…and probably earn a get out of jail free card. Submit to testing and let a skilled lawyer take it from there. Even if the test results appear "bad," by hiring the right attorney there are many legal arguments and challenges that can be made to the manner in which the tests were administered, your statements, and the results of the tests.

2) Request A Hearing: if arrested for DUI you will receive a temporary driver's license that is good for 30 days before your license is suspended. However, you have the right to request an administrative hearing with the DMV in order to challenge the suspension. This hearing might also yield valuable testimony from the arresting officers that could help you later on when fighting your case in court. Administrative hearings are conducted either in person or telephonically, are far less formal than a court proceeding, and have a lower evidentiary standard of proof required to sustain a suspension. Administrative hearings must be requested within 10 days of arrest, so make sure to act fast if you are arrested. A trained experienced lawyer is also advantageous in order to help navigate through the complexities of the DMV.

3) Know The Penalties: In most Los Angeles County courtrooms a "standard" first time DUI conviction carries with it a $390 fine, 3 month alcohol program, 3 year probation, and mandatory installation of an ignition interlock device (a new 2010 law that L.A. County D.A.'s and C.A.'s are widely enforcing). Typically, prosecutors will not seek jail confinement on a 1st time conviction. In addition to the fines, the court will add on various penalty assessments and fees that could raise your final bill to upwards of $1,750. Depending on the circumstances of your case (under 21, high blood alcohol, refusal) the court could also order you to complete community service, caltrans work, attend AA meetings, and complete a MADD or hospital/morgue program. A first time DUI conviction is priorable, meaning it will be used to enhance punishment on any subsequent DUI in a 10 year period. A second time DUI begets similar punishment with heightened fines and a mandatory minimum of 96 hours (4 days) in jail. Of course, all of these penalties and punishments are subject to change based on varying circumstances, and it should be noted that there are additional restrictions that the DMV can enforce on top of all the court required punishments.

4) Be Polite & Courteous: No matter what crime you are arrested for, be it for DUI or some other offense, dealing with police officers in a calm, respectful, and appropriate manner is always the best approach and will reward you in the end. Officers will note your behavior in their reports, and any belligerent outburst or tirade will likely be used against you as a sign of intoxication and could also earn you additional charges. Of course the opposite is also true meaning if you are calm and collected it could be used as a sign of non-impairment. Even if you didn't do anything wrong always remember that you attract more bees with honey!

5) Don't Drive!: The easiest tip of all...drink to your heart's content and enjoy the holidays, and when you're done take a cab, ride a bus, or call a friend...just don't drive!

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Tupperware returns without 'burp'

LEANNE ITALIE
Associated Press

Cindy Hallman-Morris grew up with Tupperware's burping bowls, gelatin rings and pickle keeper, but she considered herself a casual buyer of the brand once she had her own kids.

Until this year, when she was sucked — happily — into the Tupperware vortex.

"I attended a party and then hosted a party and then it seemed everyone I knew was giving a Tupperware party," said the 44-year-old high school math teacher in Asheville, N.C.

"It's never ending!"

Tupperware, it seems, is enjoying a renaissance 65 years after it first hit the market with Wonder bowls, Bell Tumblers and Ice-Tup molds for homemade frozen treats.

Long gone is the signature burp, that whoosh of air from pressing on the center of a lid to tightly seal in the goodness. Also gone is the color goldenrod, fussy floral accents and the soft pastels of the 1950s and '60s.

Today's Tupperware is drenched in edgy shades of "purplicious" and "fuchsia kiss," or crisp in greens dubbed "margarita" and "lettuce leaf." You can buy contemporary takes on Wonderlier bowls and those little salt and pepper shakers, but Tupperware Brands Corp. also sells an appetizer tray that looks like a caterpillar, fancy chef's knives, bakeware and heavy stainless steel pots and pans.

The company has choppers, whippers and microsteamers. Updated FridgeSmart containers with the two familiar vents are embedded with dishwasher-resistant charts recommending how much air to let in for various fruits and vegetables. Broccoli's a heavy breather, for instance. Asparagus isn't.

The Orlando, Fla.-based company has acquired a sense of humor with a set called Thatsa Bowl and Thatsa Mega Bowl, but left the Jel-Ring Mold pretty much alone while aggressively modernizing, diversifying and pursuing emerging markets around the globe.

A few years ago, the company boasted that a Tupperware party was held somewhere in the world every 2.3 seconds. Now it's 1.7 seconds, driven by a direct sales force of 2.6 million — still mostly women — in nearly 100 markets, said Rick Goings, the chairman and chief executive who arrived 20 years ago from Avon.

Worldwide sales last year totaled $2.3 billion, including beauty and personal care products.

"I got here and found out the company was in trouble," Goings said. "The headquarters was for sale. They had just written off $100 million. Everybody loved it but they loved it in a historical sense, like the Model T."

One of the first things he did was hire Susan Perkins, the company's first woman chief of design, to replace generations of stuffy industrial wonks who likely never had to use Tupperware at home.

Also on Goings' plate: making products more appealing to young people, and ceding ground to lower cost plastic containers and bags — which, according to him, are lousier than Tupperware for the environment because they don't last as long or work as well.

The company has had more than seven straight quarters of positive sales growth and expanding earnings, due largely to markets outside the United States, but nothing quite so explosive as the early decades.

The "party plan" for selling in homes to friends and neighbors was put in place by inventor Earl S. Tupper's right hand, a divorced mom from Detroit named Brownie Wise, after Tupper's failed attempts to sell in stores. Home parties remain the way most consumers scoop up their Tupperware, though there's an option to host online parties and Tupperware itself sells from its website.

Admired by House Beautiful in 1947 as "Fine Art for 39 Cents," Tupperware today is functional, fun and fashionable, but it isn't cheap. The microwave SmartSteamer, for example, goes for $139 and a seven-piece Vent 'N Serve set for $130.

"It IS quite pricey, but it lasts forever," Hallman-Morris said. "It really does."

Pricey, that is, in today's palooza of plastics. There wasn't much by way of comparison back in 1938, when Tupper first got his hands on a sticky black glob of polyethylene slag, then figured out how to turn it into squishable kitchen storage and cereal bowls. Plastics of the time were hard, brittle and smelly, prone to leaks and easily breakable. Without lids, homemakers used moist towels, tin foil or shower caps to make food last on the counter and in ever-improving refrigerators.

Tupperware's success is a study in perfect post-war timing, a period of rapid growth in consumer products, consumption and the rise of suburban living after women were sent home from wartime factories.

Not bad for a New Hampshire farm boy and failed tree doctor who barely graduated high school. Tupper's base material and

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introduction to the business came at DuPont during a year's stint in its plastics division in Leominster, Mass. But it was the flamboyant Wise, not the all-business Tupper, who refined the party plan, allowing the company to soar to 20,000 dealers by 1954, a golden year.

Stanley Home Products used the party plan before Tupperware came along, but Wise refined it, whipping women into a frenzy for selling the newfangled plasticware. She first peddled Stanley, adding a bit of Tupperware to the mix and later switching altogether, catching Tupper's eye with an impressive sales network in Detroit, then Florida.

Appointed vice president and head of sales, Wise promised real money and recognition for hard workers, without the need for formal education or job experience.

The company's lifetime guarantee that products won't chip, break, crack or peel remains in place. So do big-ticket incentives for top sellers.

"I basically was able to walk away from not knowing where my next paycheck was coming from," said Kevin Farrell, a Los Angeles actor who dons Daisy Dukes, crazy makeup and a blonde wig to sell Tupperware in drag as the brash southern trailer-dweller Dee W. Ieye.

He sells a lot of Tupperware — six figures' worth most years. Farrell's a regular recipient of big Wise-inspired prizes, a Pontiac G-6 convertible for one.

"It feeds me better than doing television work. There's a joy from going into people's homes and bringing them a great product and having fun at the same time," he said.

Wise, an admirer of positive thinkers like Norman Vincent Peale, put on splashy Homecoming Jubilees every year for hundreds of Tupperware Ladies. Held at the company's swank headquarters, the jubilees were equal parts circus and revival meeting, with themes like the Gold Rush-style "big dig" in 1954. Wise buried about $50,000 worth of mink stoles, diamond rings, gold watches and little cars that the faithful could redeem for the real thing after they dug them up.

Wise had her own rags-to-riches story: a meager Georgia childhood and a desperate need to support son Jerry after a bad marriage to an abusive alcoholic whom she divorced in 1941.

"Brownie made it clear, if you're divorced, married, single, disabled, Asian, Hispanic, Jewish, Christian, it doesn't matter. Tupperware is an opportunity for you," said Laurie Kahn, who wrote, produced and directed the 2004 PBS documentary "Tupperware!"

"These women were very traditional, yet they were subverting the system from the inside," she said. "They could earn more money than their husbands if they were successful, and be able to put their kids through college and buy houses."

Some made millions through their own sales forces. Husbands quit jobs as firefighters, factory workers or truck drivers to help when their wives' Tupperware businesses took off, Kahn said.

Wise, often photographed in her favorite peacock wicker chair amid fawning male Tupperware executives, was the first woman to make the cover of Business Week, in 1954, well before Mary Kay, Martha Stewart or Oprah. But four years later, she was unceremoniously dumped by the quirky, paranoid Tupper after seven heady years with the company.

The falling out was complicated, fed by Tupper's disdain for Wise's excesses and his desire to sell the company to avoid heavy estate taxes in the event of his death, by some accounts. According to Kahn's film, Tupper felt that suitors for the company would have no interest in taking on a female at the top.

After receiving a paltry $35,000 settlement, slightly less than her annual salary, Wise was unable to make her Tupperware magic reappear. She dabbled in real estate, took up pottery making and died in relative obscurity in 1992 at age 79.

"She was living the life she wanted to, but Tupper held all the cards. She poured her whole life into Tupperware," said Bill Kealing, who wrote the 2008 book "Tupperware Unsealed" (University Press of Florida).

Tupper's patent for his famous air-tight, leak-proof seal, modeled on an inverted paint can lid, expired about a year after he fired Wise. He sold the business for $16 million to Rexall Drug Co., renounced his U.S. citizenship and wound up living in Costa Rica. He died in 1983 at 76.

As for Tupperware parties? Rexall, with access to thousands of drug stores, could have sold the products off shelves but kept the home party plan in place. Tupperware Brands has since spun off as an independent once again.

Goings chalks up the party plan's success to the power of the demo.

"It still works. People still have the same values," he said. "We're sensing people want to get reconnected."

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SPECIAL MEETING

DATE/TIME: August 29, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Council Chambers, (wheelchair accessible)
Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street

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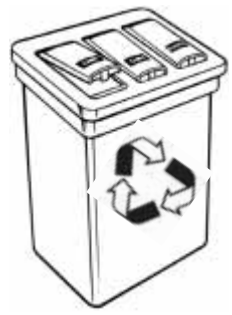

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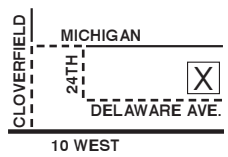

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Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 61°

Swell Forecast

NW swell come ashore, hitting SB/VC early in the day, and finally SD mid to late morning. Size should run head high at most west facing breaks with pluses at standouts going about 2' overhead.

Long Range Synopsis

NW is expected to back off a bit, more along the lines of chest to at times head high for west facing breaks.

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 30 days up to the ending date of **August 17, 2011**

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QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 2
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 0
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 32 / ns
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 0 / ns

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechasa and Las Alisa 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 Rameer Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A	ns
Solstice Canyon at Don Blocker County Beach.	F	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	F	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	D	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	C	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	F	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.	ns	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.	C	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.	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	B	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	ns
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	ns
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	ns
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	C	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A+	ns
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of 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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BEACH VOLLEYBALL

NBA's Love exits early in debut on sand

BY BETH HARRIS
AP Sports Writer

MANHATTAN BEACH Kevin Love won't be giving up his day job anytime soon. Idled by the NBA lockout, the Minnesota Timberwolves All-Star hit the sand to compete in his first pro beach volleyball tournament Thursday. He and his partner lost in straight sets, but Love called the action "addicting" and wants to keep honing his game.

As the lowest-seeded players in the Manhattan Beach Open, Love and pro partner Hans Stolfus drew the top-seeded team of Sean Scott and John Hyden, who won last week's tournament in Hermosa Beach and are undefeated this summer. Scott and Hyden took it easy on Love and Stolfus, handing them a 21-16, 21-15 defeat under blue skies next to the Manhattan Beach pier.

"Obviously getting beat is never fun, but being competitive, playing against the best team in the country, a team that hasn't lost all summer, was a lot of fun," Love said.

Wearing a black T-shirt and shorts and black sunglasses, Love's legs were caked in sand up to his knees and sweat dripped from his chin as he dug for low balls and spiked some winners in front of a small crowd.

"It's like having a good basketball sense, you got to have a good court sense out there and for me, I haven't spent enough time out there on the volleyball court to really know," said Love, whose 53 consecutive double-double games last season set a record.

At 6-foot-10, Love was easily the tallest player on the sand, making him perfect to play the blocking position at the net. The 6-5 Stolfus handled defensive duties in his first tournament since being off two years because of injury.

"We both said, 'Let's have as much fun as possible,'" Stolfus said. "If we went in too serious we'd put too much pressure on."

Stolfus chattered encouragement to Love throughout the match. Love came up with several solid blocks and hit some clean winners, earning kudos from Hyden.

"Obviously, he needs a lot of work," he said. "He came along pretty well for never playing before."

Scott was impressed by Love's height and athleticism, but he said Love would "have to put in a lot of time and effort getting the finer things, like ball control."

Love was embraced by the other players, despite his likely status as the only millionaire in the group.

"It brings beach volleyball to the limelight," Hyden said. "Hopefully it helps the sport. It's never bad having guys like that."

Born in nearby Santa Monica, Love grew up in Lake Oswego, Ore., spending most of his time in the gym. Visiting the ocean was never on his agenda, despite being the nephew of Beach Boys lead singer Mike Love, so discovering a new game has livened up his summer.

"It's addicting," said Love, who practiced just 10 times before his debut in one of the oldest beach volleyball tournaments in the world. "It's an excuse to get on the beach and near the ocean.

"I definitely want to keep playing, see how good I can get. These guys, they have their 10,000 hours in, so I'm kind of struggling in that regard."

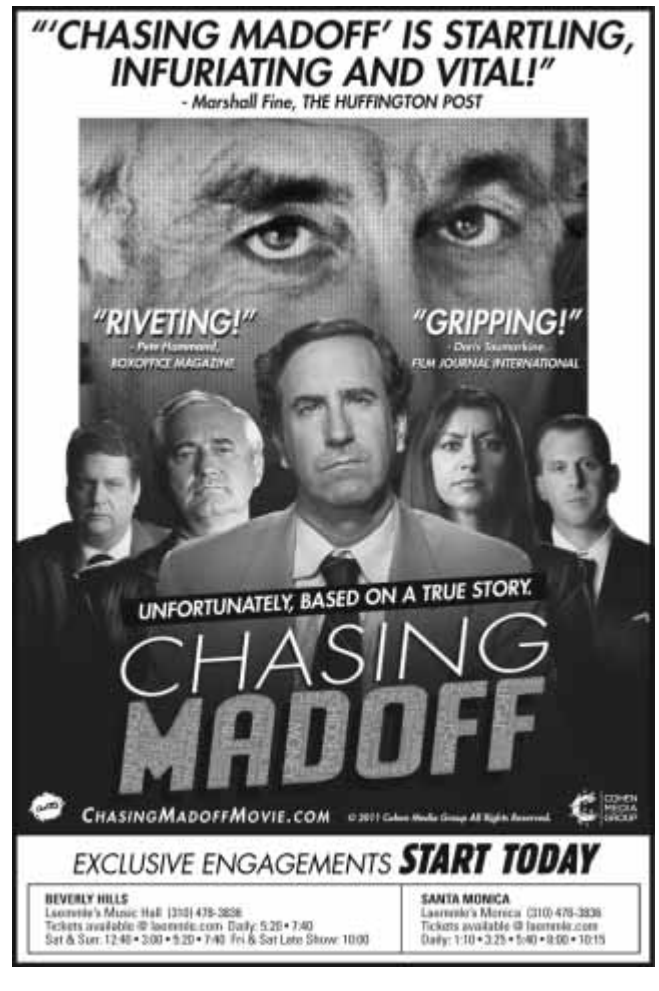
Love trained with Jesse Rambis, the 25-year-old son of Kurt Rambis, who was fired last month as Timberwolves coach. The younger Rambis played volleyball at UCLA and now plays on the pro tour.

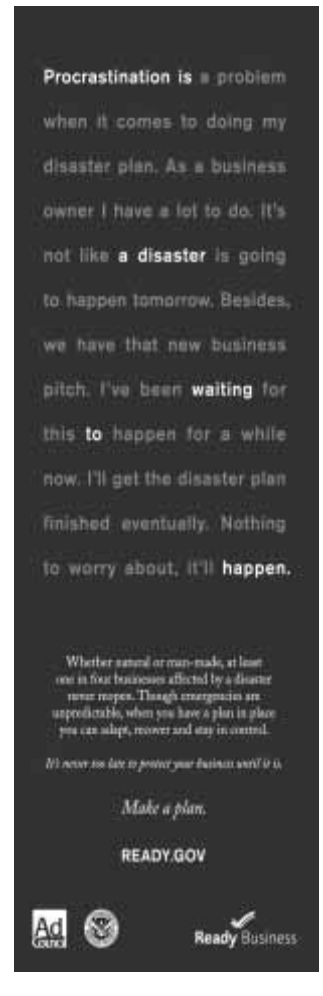
"He picked up a lot of the basic skills really quick and well," Rambis said. "His offensive game is going to be good because he can contact the ball at a good height. He's smart, he wants to learn and he's athletic."

The effects of the NBA lockout were felt at the beach. Rambis said his mother, Linda, wanted to come and watch Love play, but as an employee of the Lakers, she was prohibited from having contact with any players.

"I really do hope that we have a season. I do think that we will miss games," Love said. "We need to get something figured out. Hopefully, the players will come out on top, but we'll be able to come to a deal that makes sense."

Love has spent the summer traveling, working out, preparing for his beach volleyball debut and attending classes at UCLA, where he starred for one season before jumping to the NBA.





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Rise of the Planet of the Apes (PG-13) 1hr 50min
12:00pm, 2:40pm, 5:20pm, 8:00pm, 10:35pm

Final Destination 5 3D (R) 1hr 35min
11:50am, 2:20pm, 4:50pm, 7:20pm, 9:50pm

One Day (PG-13) 1hr 47min
11:30am, 2:15pm, 5:00pm, 7:40pm, 10:20pm

Sarah's Key (Ell s'appelait Sarah) (PG-13) 1hr 51min
11:00am, 1:40pm, 4:20pm, 7:00pm, 9:40pm

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Crazy, Stupid, Love (PG-13) 1hr 47min
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Colombiana (PG-13) 1hr 47min
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Smurfs (PG) 1hr 42min
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Spy Kids: All the Time in the World 3D (PG) 1hr 28min
1:00pm, 5:55pm, 10:35pm

Spy Kids: All the Time in the World (PG) 1hr 28min
10:30am, 3:30pm, 8:20pm

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Amigo (R) 2hrs 08min
1:30pm, 7:00pm

Our Idiot Brother (R) 1hr 30min
12:30pm, 2:55pm, 5:20pm, 7:45pm, 10:10pm

Midnight in Paris (PG-13) 1hr 28min
4:30pm, 9:55pm

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Horrible Bosses (R) 1hr 40min
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Go with a great idea tonight, Sag

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ A block could become an opening. Your creativity opens up; nearly anything is possible. The unexpected occurs. Your sixth sense comes through as well. A boss or supervisor could change his or her tune. Tonight: Take a stand, if need be.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Consider revising your opinions in light of a friend's surprising statement. Don't make a big deal out of what you hear. Mull over the pros and cons. A family member or roommate could feel uncomfortable with your willingness to mentally or emotionally "pioneer." Tonight: Go home first.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Your ability to make an impression is enhanced by your willingness to let bygones be bygones. You move forward with electric clarity. A sudden turn is possible. Tonight: Be open to others.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Your ability to move forward on a key project could make all the difference. Understand the possibilities that present themselves. You might need to toss out an idea or two in the middle of a discussion in order to get feedback. Tonight: Let go and relax.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ You feel a change in the air. Claim your power. Worry less about other people's reactions. Listen to your feelings. A promise of newness touched with excitement could be difficult to say no to. Tonight: The world is your oyster.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Recently you have felt better and more empowered. Yet you could be out of kilter today. Don't worry; this low energy and confusion will pass. Trust that this is the downside of feeling great. Just wait for the cycle to swing the other way. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ You deserve to feel perky and on top of life. Understand what is happening within. Some trepidation might be appropriate. Realize what is behind these feelings, but still remain optimistic and on the bright side. Tonight: Let your popularity speak.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Reach out for others, knowing how you feel about an important friendship. You could feel pushed. You have more than your fair share of responsibilities to handle right now. A discussion could feel strangely out of kilter. Tonight: Out late.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Seek out more information, especially as someone is more than willing to talk -- finally. Impulsiveness marks your actions. Make it OK to live out your fiery side. Make an adjustment financially, as long as it won't cause more pressure. Tonight: Go with a great idea.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Deal directly with a key associate. You might feel a bit awkward as you have this discussion. You might be surprised by an investment or a roommate. You learn more about what you've been taking for granted. Tonight: Visit over dinner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Others take the lead. You can ask subtle questions when you feel it is appropriate. You will have an opportunity to straighten out a misunderstanding, if not today, in the near future. You will need to get past a grudge or sensitivity. Tonight: Choose your company with care.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You might want to revamp your schedule, determining your highest priorities. An insight could stun you. A partner now seems to be able to talk about what is going on. Listen attentively without making too many judgments. Tonight: Get some exercise.

Happy birthday

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

This year, go within before acting. Often your judgments could set you down the wrong path. Learn to clear your mind and then eye a situation. Releasing personal biases could be helpful. You have the ability to devour knowledge. Break past your mental filters. Many of you will enroll in classes. Others will travel or consciously get involved with people who are very different. If you are single, the relationship you choose now might not be "the one." Get to know this person well. If you are attached, the two of you could plan a long-desired special trip. LEO reads you well.



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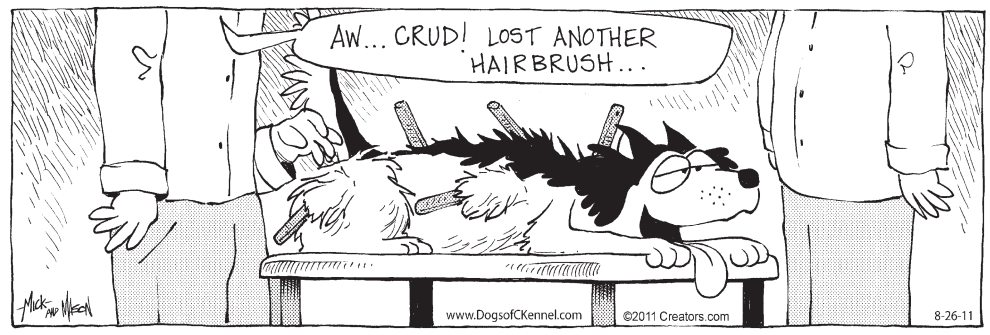

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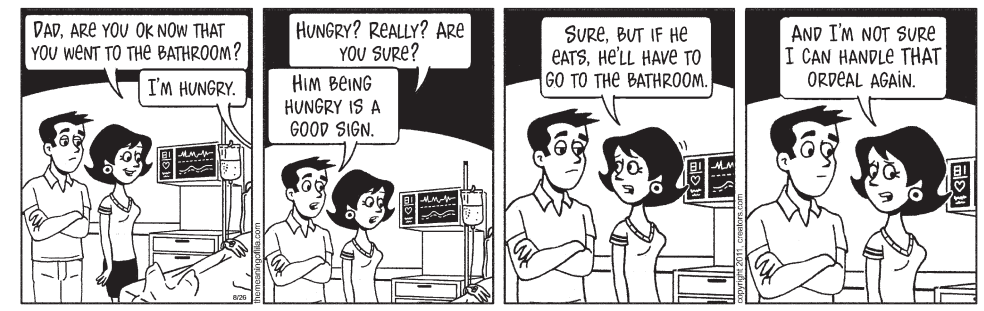

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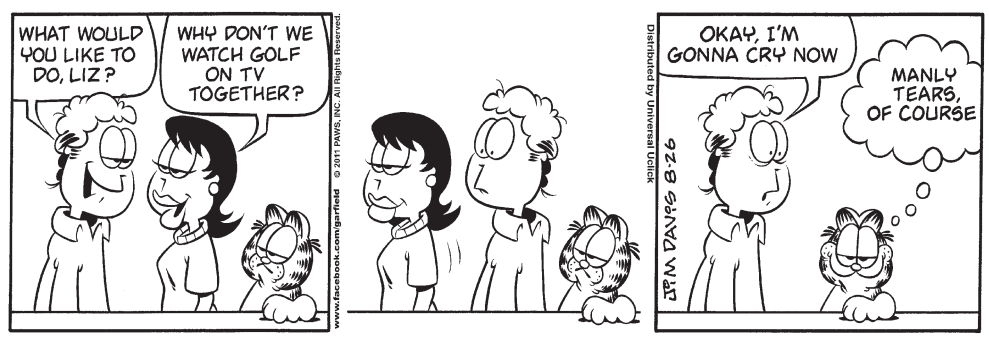

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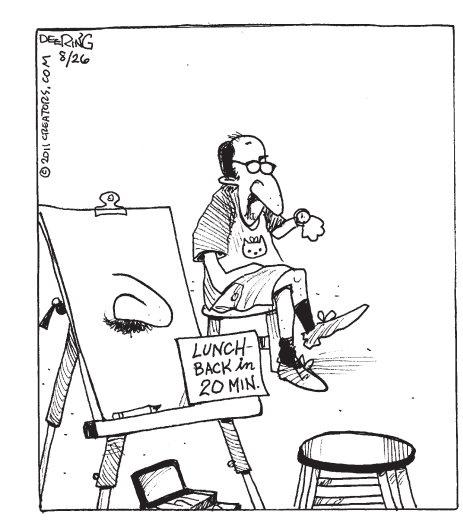

Speed Bump

By Dave Coverly



Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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

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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

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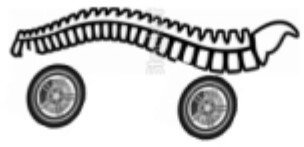

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1 College study
6 Wheel minder
11 Stay away from
12 Lower
13 Like corsets
14 Milk, in Mexico
15 Moose's kin
16 Scottish river
18 — -Tiki
19 Long, long time
20 Print measures
21 Have life
22 "Blade" star
24 Skedaddled
25 Pipe material
27 Aspirin target
29 Collar
32 Rock's — Fighters
33 Dude's address
34 Yank's foe
35 Suffering
36 Detective Archer
37 Binary base
38 Commercial cow
40 Washroom fixture
42 Detroit team
43 Detached
44 Cars' scars
45 Saturn sights

DOWN

1 Scuffles
2 Arthurian isle
3 Best Supporting Actor of 1983
4 Exalted verse
5 European grazer
6 Store events
7 Tad's dad
8 Best Supporting Actor of 1968
9 On the beach
10 Lamented loudly
17 Trap
23 "The Gold Bug" writer
24 In favor of
26 Prying tool
27 Traveling
28 Lassie, for one
30 Bee activity
31 Some steaks
33 Sanctify
39 Acct. addition
41 Ring legend

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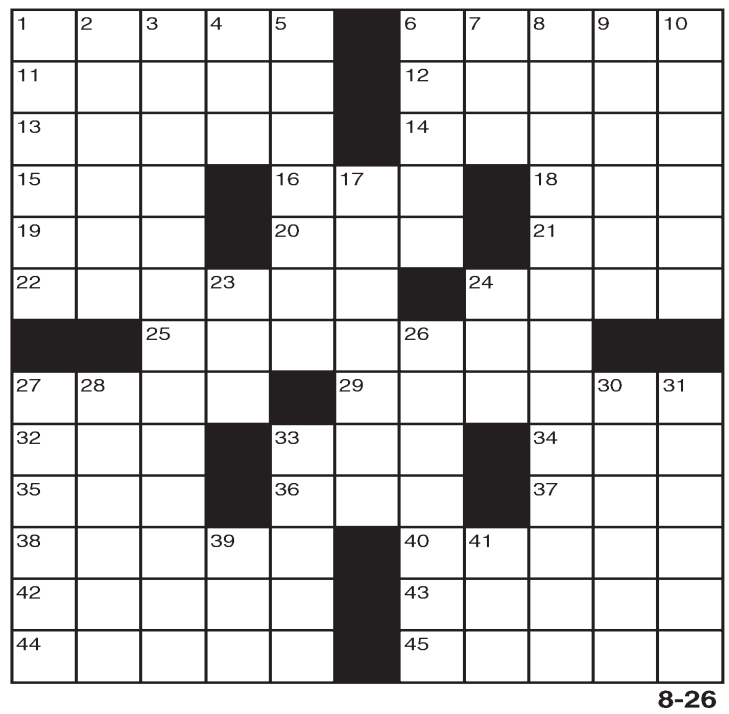

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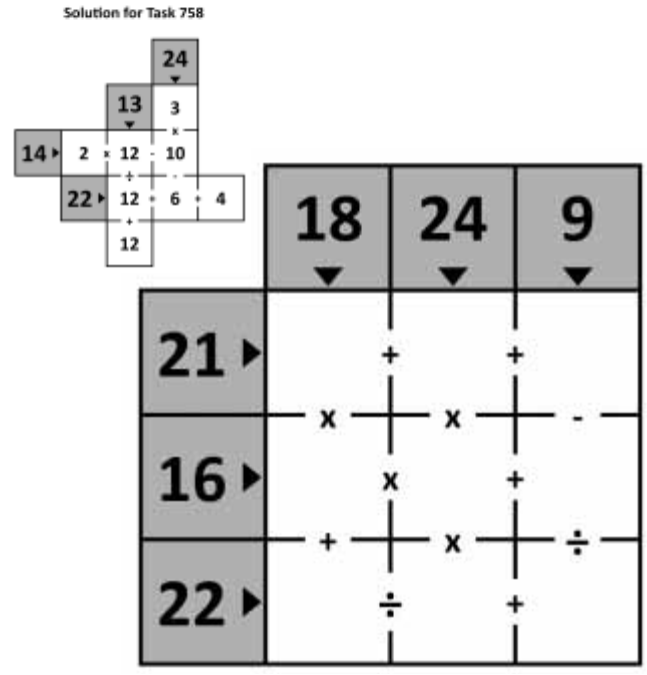

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ (1) Ronald Adams, 49, was arrested in June for assaulting an 8-year-old boy in his home in Ouachita Parish, La., after an argument over which TV program to watch. Adams allegedly threw a TV remote, hitting the child in the head, because the kid insisted on "cartoons" while Adams preferred "wrestling." (2) Authorities in St. Lucie County, Fla., investigated an incident in May in which a woman allegedly fired an AR-15 rifle at a target inside her bedroom closet and in which the gunshots went through the wall and damaged a washing machine, springing a water leak throughout the residence. (Officials said the woman's husband fired shots, too, and that it wasn't the first time the couple had engaged in bedroom target practice.)

■ Arrested (again) for prostitution (this time, Columbus, Ga., April; previously in News of the Weird, in Tampa, Fla., 2009), Ms. Suk Kim Ho, 46. Charged with conspiracy to commit child molestation (Woodstock, Ga., June), Mr. Patrick Molesti, 58. Arrested for lewdness for allegedly exposing himself (Howe Township, Pa., June), Mr. Handy H. Wood, 35 (not to be confused with the man arrested in Columbia, Mo., in July, on suspicion of the same thing, Mr. Willy Wood, 54). Charged with DUI in a crash into a library (Buffalo, N.Y., July), Mr. Jack Goff, 47.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1970 The then new feminist movement, led by Betty Friedan, leads a nation-wide Women's Strike for Equality.

1971 The United States Congress declares August 26th as an annual Women's Equality Day.

1977 The Charter of the French Language is adopted by the National Assembly of Quebec

1978 Papal conclave, 1978 (August): Pope John Paul I is elected to the Papacy.

1978 Sigmund Jähn becomes first German cosmonaut, on board Soyuz 31.

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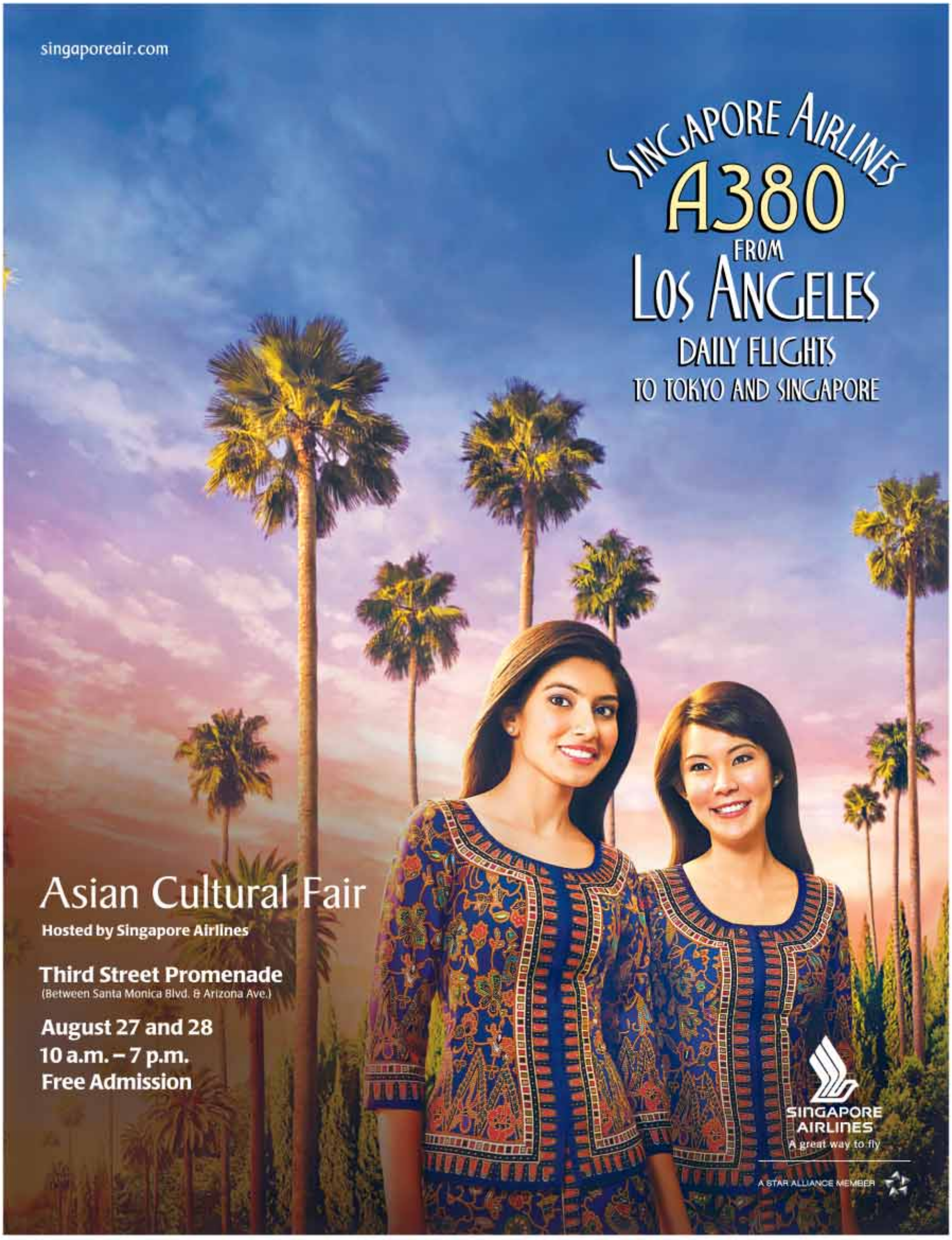

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