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Complaint filed in Riel case

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Firing an employee is usually the end of an employment saga, but in Santa Monica, it's just the beginning.

The case of Elizabeth Riel, a Santa Monica resident who was fired before her first day of work with the city, continues to occupy the city's political watchers as Santa Monica Coalition for a Livable City (SMCLC) has officially filed a complaint over the incident that could result in criminal

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BOYS WATER POLO:
Samohi seniors seeking section success

Defending league champions boast talent, experience

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

It wasn't particularly noteworthy when a large group of freshmen joined the Santa Monica High boys water polo team three years ago.

Some would probably find another sport or activity. Some

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Council considers taxes and revenue shifts to pay for affordable housing

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Santa Monica will look for ongoing, sustainable and possibly voter approved revenue sources to build future affordable housing units.

The City Council held a study session at their Aug. 25 meeting that attempted to define the community's need for housing and consider the available funding sources for affordable housing.

Council based their discussions on a lengthy staff report presented by Housing and Economic Development Administration Director Andy Agle. The report was praised for outlining the current status of affordable housing citywide and providing a roadmap for possible revenue ideas.

Santa Monica has multiple kinds of housing that could be labeled "affordable" and the City charter mandates 30 percent of new construction should be accessible to low income residents. According to the report, the City has exceeded the goals of Proposition R, with 40 percent of all new housing built over the past 20 years being deed-restricted for occupancy by low- and moderate-income households.

The most common housing type considered in the affordable housing discussion is rent controlled apartments. Units built prior to 1979 are governed by the City's rent control rules. Annual rent increases are set by the elected Rent Control Board and tenants in rent control units have additional protections.

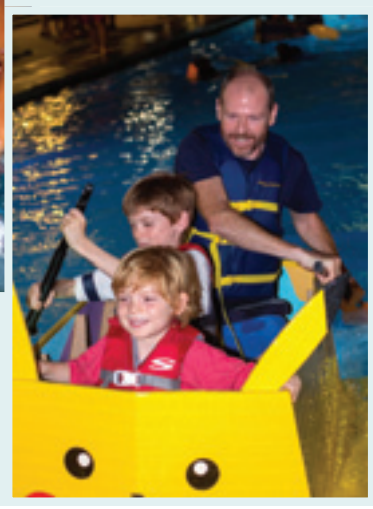
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BOAT BUILDERS

Courtesy photos

The Annenberg Beach House held its annual Cardboard Regatta on Aug. 29. Locals race across the pool in homemade boats built from duct tape and cardboard. The 2015 event attracted an enthusiastic crowd.


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September 1

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LA SELFtember Smoke Swap Event

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Ocean Park Film Program: "On The Waterfront" (1954)

Film historian Elaina Archer screens and discusses this Marlon Brando picture about an ex-prize fighter turned longshoreman who struggles to stand up to his corrupt union bosses. (Film runtime: 108 min.) Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St., 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Beach=Culture: Red Hen Press Reading

Each of the readers for this evening push the boundaries of story with a provocative daring, writing about small town murders, women immured in castles, or the follies of life in Los Angeles. Tom Janikowski will read from his debut novel, The Crawford County Sketchbook. Annenberg Community Beach House, Garden Terrace Room, 415 PCH, 6:30 - 8 p.m.

The College Process from A to Z @ Main

Diana Hanson of College Mentors will discuss the entire college process, from building a high school "resume", to college selection, testing, applications and financial aid. Grades 9-12. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 - 8:30 p.m.

September 2

Santa Monica Certified Farmer's Market (Downtown - Wednesday)

Today, the Wednesday Farmers Market is widely recognized as one of the largest and most diverse grower-only CFM's in the nation. Some nine thousands food shoppers, and many of Los Angeles' best known chefs and restaurants, are keyed to the seasonal rhythms of the weekly Wednesday Market. Third Street Promenade, 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Book Signing - The Seasonal Jewish Kitchen, A Fresh Take on Tradition

Signing by author Amelia Saltzman. Santa Monica Farmers Market, Arizona Avenue at 3rd Street, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Main Library

Save the date for the San Vicente Boulevard Historic District Community Meeting

The public is invited to an open meeting on September 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Martin Luther King Jr. Auditorium of the Main Library to introduce and discuss the proposed San Vicente Boulevard Courtyard Apartments Historic District

Community members are invited to this informational meeting that will describe the district and answer questions that property owners, residents or tenants may have concerning the historic district designation process and the benefits and incentives for those who may be included in the historic district. The Main Library is located at 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

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Ocean Park Blvd.

Thyme Café hosts fundraiser

On Thursday, September 3, Thyme Café and Market and Westside Family Health Center (WFHC) will throw a Buy Local, Give Local pre-event from 4 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Thyme Café and Market at 1630 Ocean Park Blvd. Enjoy a complimentary wine tasting and fun summer atmosphere while supporting a great, local business and giving back to a great, local cause.

Bring the whole family and dine-in or take-out. Twenty percent of your wine and retail purchase and ten percent of your food purchase will help WFHC provide quality health care to women, men and children in need in your community.

Since 1974, WFHC, located in Santa Monica at 1711 Ocean Park Boulevard right next to the Big Blue Bus stop, has been at the forefront of providing outstanding health care and health education to low-income and uninsured women, men and their families who live throughout LA County. Using the same philosophy of education, empowerment and partnership as the founders, WFHC currently provides five health programs, including Family Practice, Prenatal, Pediatrics, Reproductive Health Services and Community Outreach and Education.

This event will serve as a taste of Buy Local, Give Local week, which is a campaign of Buy Local Santa Monica. Buy Local, Give Local week will kick-off at the Santa Monica Wellness Festival on Saturday, September 12 and go through Sunday, September 20. During this week, Santa Monica residents and visitors are encouraged to buy from local businesses and in turn, many local businesses give back to a local non-profit. The whole community benefits!

"We are so grateful to have this generous support from a neighboring business on Ocean Park. WFHC team members love shopping at Thyme and we are grateful that they are supporting us. Support from our community is imperative to the success of our work and the health of our city," said Debra A. Farmer, WFHC's President/Chief Executive Officer.

Email mmaher@wfhcenter.org for more information about the health center or visit www.wfhcenter.org. For more information about the café, visit http://thymecafeandmarket.com or call (310) 399-8800.

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Preschool Story Time at Main

Story series for 3 to 5 year olds. A ticket is required to attend each session. A limited number of tickets are given out on a first-come, first-served basis, the morning of the program, at the Youth Reference Desk. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 11:15 - 11:45 a.m.

SCBWI Westside Writer's Schmooze

A monthly gathering for anyone interested in writing for children and young adults; includes a special discussion topic each meeting. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St., 1 p.m.

Computer Basics

Hands-on introduction to computers. Learn how to use a mouse and keyboard, work with Windows and basic computer terms. Length of class is 1-1/2 hours. Beginner level. Seating is first come, first served. For more information, please visit the Reference Desk or call 310-434-2608. Main Library, Computer Classroom, 2nd Floor, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Mindfulness Meditation

Organizers invite you to enjoy a pause in the day in which to refresh yourself by simply sitting and paying attention to your senses, feelings, and thoughts. You are welcome to stay for 5 minutes or for the entire 30 minutes. Natalie Bell, Mindful Wellness consultant, will guide the session, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month. Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 5:45 - 6:15 p.m.

Pajama Storytime (bilingual)

Grab your teddy bear and wear your pajamas for a fun evening of stories and songs. All ages welcome. Bilingual program. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd., 7 - 7:30 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting

Regular meeting of the Planning Commission. City Hall, Council Chamber, 1685 Main St., 7 p.m.

Reset Your Child's Brain with Victoria Dunckley

Child psychologist Victoria Dunckley discusses her book "Reset Your Child's Brain: A Four-Week Plan to End Meltdowns, Raise Grades, and Boost Social Skills by Reversing the Effects of Electronic Screen Time." The book outlines how to successfully implement an electronic fast. A book sale and signing follows the program. Main Library, Multipurpose Room, 2nd Floor, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 - 8:30 p.m.

September 3

Create-A-Craft: Optical Illusion

Create your own spinning toy optical illusion. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St., 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Homework Help @ Pico Branch

Get help with your homework! This drop-in program offers a separate study area, basic supplies, and friendly volunteers to assist with homework questions. For students in grades 1-5 only. Pico Branch, 2201 Pico Blvd., 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Social Security Secrets: There's Still Time!

This is a program to find out what you need to do before you hit 65. This presentation is a community service seminar offered by John C. Pak, local professional financial planner who advocates and teaches financial literacy through local colleges and lifelong learning centers throughout the county. All Library programs are free and all ages are welcome. Space is limited and on a first-arrival basis. This is an event of The Living Room ...a place for adults program series. For more information, visit smpl.org or contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600. The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair-accessible. For special disabled services, call Library Administration (310) 458-8606 one week prior to the event. Main Library, Martin Luther King Jr. Auditorium, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Rent Control Board Meeting

Regular meeting of the Rent Control Board. City Hall, Council Chamber, 1685 Main St., 7 p.m.

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What's the Point?

David Pisarra

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So long summer, it's been wonderful

LABOR DAY IS HERE AND WITH IT THE traditional end of summer. It's been a beautiful summer of warm nights and dear friends. I've indulged in the joys of life in Santa Monica.

For most of us, Labor Day is an excuse for an end of summer BBQ, time to get in that last joyous relaxing day of warmth and sunshine.

For others it is perhaps the last long weekend of childhood enjoyment; for those lucky souls who are still teenagers to enjoy the beach, eat pizza without concerns for calories or cholesterol and stay up too late dreaming of the future, with no awareness of what the day to day grind of "adult working life" is like.

Labor Day began as a holiday to honor the working class in this country. Labor has traditionally been undervalued and almost voiceless. That changed in the late 1800s with the labor movement, when a recognition of the power of unions and standing together brought laborers together in a way they had never before imagined.

Today Labor Day is rarely promoted as a day of respect for those who do the hard work of our society. Only politicians running for office generally trumpet the factory workers, the line cooks, the drivers, machinists and steelworkers that keep our society and our economy, moving. The media presents those positions as jobs that someone has to do, and tells us we should be grateful that we are not the men and women who have to do that work.

The occasional voice like Mike Rowe point out the "Dirty Jobs" and the work that "Someone's gotta do it," and he's made quite a career out of championing hard work and getting dirty. As a voice for the general population he has become the standard bearer for a work ethic that exists, but is not often heard or seen.

Though the original meaning of Labor Day has lost some its shine in those parts of the country that are more rust belt than engine of society, we should still take a moment and remember what the intent was: commemorating the economic and social achievements of workers. Beginning principally in Australia as an outgrowth of a strike, it came to stand for the concept of an eight-hour work day, and eight hours of recreation.

The idea of eight hours of recreation is foreign to almost all of us today, which is ironic, because the advent of technology was supposed to free us. In some way it has, as I have written about before, productivity for many people has become mobile. This is where the law of unintended consequences comes into play, and we see how the dream and the reality meet, but in a way that no one foresaw.

For knowledge workers, technology has actually become the great enslaver, and for manual workers, technology has dramatically reduced the need for their efforts. When the factories of yesteryear were redesigned, to accommodate the robots, workers were displaced, and we have not found a way in which to utilize them. This has resulted in a surplus of labor.

There are many people who look at office workers and think that because they are not swinging a hammer, or riveting sheet metal, that they are not doing "real" work. But the truth of the matter is, in terms of stress, and costs to one's life, the office worker, who is now expected to be "on call" all the time, is likely suffering from greater stress than the

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Misrepresenting vaccination rates

Editor:

In response to the article published on August 17, 2015 by Jeff Goodman, PS1 Pluralistic School has been misrepresented. Until now, it has been possible for a family entering kindergarten to fill out a personal exemption form regarding their child's immunization record merely out of convenience. There is no procedure in place to communicate the accurate records to the State once the school has followed up with each family. Actually, we can report that our school's Measles immunization rate is more than 90 percent.

We applaud the new law that will go into effect beginning with the next school year limiting the possibilities for inaccurate information so that a school's accurate records will be available to both schools and the larger community.

Amanda Perla

PS1 Pluralistic School, Director of Communications and Marketing

RIEL

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charges.

Riel was offered the position of Communications and Public Affairs Officer in 2014, however, then City Manager Rod Gould rescinded the offer for what was described as "personnel reasons." Riel sued and the city settled for $710,000. Critics contend the cost was actually closer to or above $1,000,000 when the city's legal fees are factored in.

Gould has since retired.

Court documents related to the lawsuit show that then Mayor Pam O'Connor was upset with Riel's hiring and that she sent several emails to Gould expressing her distrust and dislike of Riel. Riel was a political supporter of current Mayor Kevin McKeown, had contributed to a mailer critical of O'Connor and had written commentaries for the Daily Press also criticizing O'Connor's positions.

In his deposition, Gould cited Riel's past political activity as the reason he withdrew the job offer and said Riel should have been more forthcoming about her past actions during her job interview.

SMCLC issued a statement saying O'Connor's actions during the case amount to a violation of the city charter. The official complaint asks for two results.

"First, to determine whether councilmember Pam O'Connor's actions led to the firing of Elizabeth Riel by the City Manager in violation of Section 610 of the City Charter, and, if so, to initiate appropriate legal action," said SMCLC's statement. "Second, for the City Council to independently conduct a full, public review into all of the facts surrounding Ms. Riel's firing, to make appropriate findings as to councilmember O'Connor and senior staff's role in Ms. Riel's firing, and for the City to establish additional procedures to prevent future political interference in City employee hiring and firing decisions."

According to the city charter "Neither the City Council nor any of its members shall order or request directly or indirectly the appointment of any person to an office or employment or the removal of any person therefrom, by the City Manager, or by any of the department heads in the administrative service of the City."

A violation can result in misdemeanor charges.

Mayor McKeown issued a statement saying he would ask for more information.

"Revisiting the inherent propriety of Elizabeth Riel's termination is unnecessary," he said. "That was resolved by the settlement. The released documents have generated an allegation regarding compliance with the City Charter, which we can and must consider. I have today asked that the full documents, not just excerpts, be provided to the City Council. If Charter compliance is properly enforced or directed by the City Council itself, that will require us to meet as a body to make decisions. This week when the City Attorney returns I have scheduled a meeting with her, the City Manager and the City Clerk to explore options."

Diana Gordon, SMCLC co-chair, said it was important to pursue complaints against high level staff given the city's willingness to issue citations to vendors illegally selling fruit or ticket landscapers who use a leaf-blower.

"No-one holds the highest officials in city government responsible for following our laws," she said. "What I think is reprehensible here is to do nothing."

O'Connor has called the SMCLC investigation a politically motivated attack by long-time opponents.

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steelworker, who worked an eight hour day, and though they were physically exhausted at the end of the day, could go home, and put their job behind them. Plus, new studies are showing how incredibly unhealthy it is to just sit all day. Our bodies are designed to move and being sedentary leads to all kinds of problems like obesity, which leads to back problems, heart disease, diabetes and loss of muscle tone, which makes us more prone to injury and falling.

The manual worker has a freedom that the knowledge worker does not enjoy. It is impossible to take home your work when you are a metal fabricator for Boeing. But I feel safe in saying that many a legal secretary has lost a good night's sleep worrying about some form that was due to be filed with the court.

Labor used to mean hourly shift workers, and it still does, but as we have progressed in society to become more dependent upon our knowledge skills, we have also changed the face of labor. As work has become portable, people are more capable of working all the time, and the traditional concept of a laborer, needs to adapt.

We are all more likely to be considered laborers, these days, and we should all take advantage of the original intent. To take a break, and recognize our accomplishments, whether they are wrought by hammer or keyboard, we all need to relax more.

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POOL TIME: **Many water polo players have stuck with the team since joining as freshmen.**

WATER

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would make new friends and go their separate ways.

But as the Vikings enter their upcoming fall campaign, those hypothetical scenarios haven't panned out, and the ninth-graders who jumped in the pool back in 2012 haven't gone anywhere.

"They love the sport, and they're all really good friends," coach Matt Flanders said. "It's such a big group, but they all stuck together."

Their talent and experience suggest an anticipated campaign for senior-heavy Samohi, which is hoping to make a deep postseason run after losing to Crescenta Valley in the CIF Southern Section quarterfinals last year.

Although the Vikings have won three consecutive Ocean League titles and four of the last five, they are seeking the playoff success that has eluded them. The program made it to the semifinals a couple seasons ago, but hasn't reached the section title game in nearly 20 years.

"This is our best shot in the last four years to get back to the CIF finals," Flanders said.

Flanders' optimism is due largely to the presence of the returning seniors, including Jackson Kennedy, Joseph Robson and Matthew Holt. Kennedy earned all-CIF section recognition in Division 4 last year and also joined Robson on the all-conference

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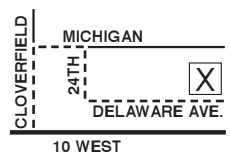


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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
FOR BIG BLUE BUS PROPOSED FARE ADJUSTMENTS
MAIN LIBRARY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2015, 6:00-7:30PM

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by Big Blue Bus at the Santa Monica Main Library 2nd Floor Multipurpose Room, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica, California, on Thursday, September 10, 2015 for Big Blue Bus patrons. The hearing will allow for questions beginning at 6:00pm, followed by a short presentation from 6:30-7:00pm and more questions until 7:30pm.

At the April 28, 2015 Council meeting, staff presented Evolution of Blue, the Big Blue Bus service integration plan for first-last mile connectivity to the Expo Light Rail Line, which Council unanimously adopted. The plan included a fare adjustment recommendation to help fund an 11% increase in service. Big Blue Bus' biennial budget, adopted by Council on June 23, 2015, also included a recommended January 2016 fare restructure. In summary, Big Blue Bus proposes to adjust fares as follows:

a. Senior, Disabled and Medicare cash fares or passes stay the same.
b. Adjust Regular pass prices - in many cases, pass prices are reduced.
c. Create a new 7-day pass for a sale price of $14.00.
d. Increase REGULAR fare cash prices from $1.00 to $1.25 and Rapid 10 base fare increase from $2 to $2.50
No change is proposed on the $0.50 reduced rate cash base fare, or $1.00 reduced rate base fare on the Rapid 10.

See details of this proposal, including the full proposed fare table, at **BigBlueBus.com**. Big Blue Bus will review all public comments submitted during the comment period until September 12. Based on feedback received, Big Blue Bus may make adjustments to the draft proposals as necessary, before submitting a Staff Report for City Council review in October. If approved by City Council in October, fare adjustments would become effective January 10, 2016.

Interested parties may comment in person at the hearing, or may submit written comments prior to the hearing: Big Blue Bus, 1660 7th St., Santa Monica, CA 90401, Attn: Planning and Community Engagement, or by email at Suja.Lowenthal@bigbluebus.com. For additional information contact Suja Lowenthal, Planning and Community Engagement Manager, at 310-451-5444.

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HOUSING

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According to the report, rent control establishes a stable housing situation for those in controlled units. However, changes to state law have undermined the long-term effectiveness of rent control. When tenants leave a rent-controlled unit, the rent now resets to market rate. Those high rents, combined with an increasing number of rent-controlled units leaving the market have taken many once affordable units off the market.

"At the current rate, the long-term rent-controlled stock will have mostly disappeared within the next 18 to 20 years," said the staff report.

Aside from their dwindling supply, rent control is not income-based. While rent controlled units are stable, they do not necessarily provide housing for those that can't afford market rate units.

Deed restricted affordable housing is the only real remaining option for affordable units. To qualify for deed restricted housing, tenants must make a percentage of the area's average income. That percentage varies based on the specific requirements of the unit and the size of the household. A family of four would be categorized as Extremely Low if it made 30 percent of the average ($25,600), Very Low at 50 percent ($42,700), Low at 80 percent ($68,300) and moderate at 120 percent ($77,750).

Deed restricted units can be newly built or rehabbed and funded though public funds or by private developers as part of a development agreement. The City has about 4,500 deed-restricted units.

Aside from deed-restricted units, the City also participates in voucher programs to offset the cost of rent. However, staff said the effectiveness of those programs is in decline due to the rapidly rising cost of rent.

According to the staff report, 50 percent of Santa Monica households (23,387) have incomes that would qualify a family of four as "low-to-moderate income" while the City has only 16,178 units at those price points.

Since 1998, the City has lost half of its low-to-moderate housing stock with only 33 percent of units currently renting at that level.

Aside from those in the low-income categories, the City is also pricing out moderate-income residents with average rents exceeding the income levels of those making more than the average income.

State regulators have said the City should produce 974 affordable units by 2021 (of that figure, 490 have already been approved).

With varying definitions of "need" the report also discussed funding options.

Santa Monica historically funded housing programs via its redevelopment agency. However, when voters eliminated that funding source, the City lost up to 90 percent of available funds for low-income housing.

While some state, federal and county resources are available, the council debated its local options including cuts to City services, increased allocations to affordable housing when possible, general obligation bonds and additional taxes (on hotels, sales, utilities, property sales and/or parking).

Councilman Winterer provided the blueprint for direction to staff.

He said he was open to potential adjustment of the City's reserves with an understanding that economic forces could prevent too much cash from leaving those accounts, exploration of allocations above the rate of inflation, a ballot measure that included language to preserve existing buildings, exploring tax increases (including a hotel tax option, shared sales tax with the school district, utility tax, expansion of the parking tax and a possible tax related to real estate). He said he was not in favor of a parcel tax or general obligation bonds.

Winterer also said the City should be more proactive in broadcasting its actions to safeguard existing housing.

"As we go forward we need to be emphasizing that message that we do do a lot of work to preserve the existing housing stock in the City, keep existing Santa Monicans in place without development, because affordable housing has been conflated with development," he said.

Mayor Kevin McKeown and the majority of councilmembers backed Winterer's priority list.

McKeown said the discussion would be ongoing and more information is needed.

"In a study session like this, as much as I wish we were likely to come up with the answer tonight, that's highly unlikely, we'll be lucky if we ask the right questions," he said.

"We have to have compelling data as to where we're going, why were' going there, how we intend to get there and why these are the best ways to do it."

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first team, while Holt was a second-team all-league honoree.

The entire senior corps, Flanders said, has improved dramatically over the last several seasons.

"They've been playing together the last four years, and they've really matured," Flanders said. "Most of them played club in the offseason, so they're bringing in a lot of experience. We've got a lot of athletic talent. The skill level is very high."

The players' hunger for success this season was on display during the offseason, when they turned in what Flanders called several "dominant" performances in the Malibu summer league.

Flanders said the students are able to hold each other accountable because they are so accustomed to playing with one another.

"They've learned what to expect out of each other," he said. "It's been instrumental in our recent success."

Even with such a seasoned roster, Samohi is working on fundamentals as it heads into the season, "making sure the little stuff is under our control," Flanders said, "because that's the stuff that wins games."

The Vikings' campaign starts off with a few tournaments and officially begins Sept. 16 with a road game against Palisades. The team's first home game is scheduled for Sept. 17 against Hoover, and its first conference match is set for Oct. 7 against Torrance.

El Segundo will be Samohi's toughest league opponent, Flanders said.

"They're big, they're strong and they're aggressive," he said. "Those games will be tough."

Overconfidence could also be an obstacle for the Vikings this season, Flanders said.

"They're very good, and they know they're very good, so that could be a bit of a challenge," he said. "But they work very hard."

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **72.9°**

TUESDAY – **FAIR TO GOOD** – SURF: **3-4 ft** waist to shoulder high occ. 5ft
SSW/SW tropical swell due to peak - larger sets for focal points. SSW swell. Small WNW swell.

WEDNESDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **3-4 ft** waist to shoulder high
SW tropical swell due to ease. Fading SSW swell.

THURSDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to chest high
SW swell fades.

FRIDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
Fading SW swell. New South swell starts to show.

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 **January 12, 2015**

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QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 14
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 33/20
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 5/19

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	B	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	F
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	F
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A+	D
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21572 Malibu Rd..	A+	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	F
Surfrider Beach (broach location)- daily.	A	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	ns	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	F
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	F
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	B
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	B	F
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	B	A+

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

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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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF



Crime Watch is 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.

ON AUGUST 24 AT ABOUT 2:20 A.M.

Officers were dispatched to the 1800 block of 22nd St. regarding a report of a domestic violence. Officers spoke with the victim who told them she was in an argument all day with the suspect over their dog and that the suspect had been drinking alcohol. Later in the evening, the suspect hit her on the side of her face with his fist. He then left the house for about an hour. When he came back, the suspect became angry again and hit the victim two more times in the head. The victim locked herself in the bathroom hoping the suspect would go to sleep. When the suspect started dumping her clothes onto the floor and accusing her of cheating. The victim became scared for her safety and called police. Gary James Sanati, 47, of Santa Monica had bail set at $20,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 379 calls for service on Aug 30.

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

Traffic Accident Ocean / Pico 12:23 a.m.
Party Complaint 800 block of California 12:37 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 400 block of Wilshire 1:00 a.m.
Domestic Violence Main / Hollister 1:07 a.m.
Fight 2900 block of Main 2:01 a.m.
Assault With a Deadly Weapon 2900 block of Main 2:17 a.m.
Party Complaint 800 block of 6th 2:34 a.m.
Hit And Run 19th / Montana 3:00 a.m.
Assault With a Deadly Weapon 400 block of Santa Monica Pier 3:24 a.m.
Grand Theft 1300 block of 3rd Street Prom 4:44 a.m.
Person With A Gun 4th / Wilshire 6:56 a.m.
Burglary 1100 block of Bay 7:52 a.m.
Identity Theft 200 block of Marguerita 9:42 a.m.
Arson 3rd Street Prom / Santa Monica 11:48 a.m.
Traffic Accident 14th / Michigan 12:11 p.m.
Indecent Exposure 1500 block of Ocean 12:37 p.m.
Battery 1100 block of Arizona 1:22 p.m.
Hit And Run 200 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 1:22 p.m.
Critical Missing Person 1000 block of 3rd 1:28 p.m.
Traffic Accident 1500 block of 4th 2:08 p.m.
Traffic Accident 1500 block of 4th 2:29 p.m.
Burglary 1000 block of 3rd 2:35 p.m.
Public Intoxication 100 block of Santa Monica 2:48 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 1900 block of 22nd 2:58 p.m.
Family Disturbance 1300 block of Franklin 3:20 p.m.
Burglary 1300 block of 15th 3:43 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 21st / Arizona 3:44 p.m.
Lewd Activity 3200 block of Wilshire 3:49 p.m.
Vandalism 3100 block of Virginia 4:12 p.m.
Fraud 3300 block of Pico 4:16 p.m.
Traffic Accident 4th / Pacific 4:28 p.m.
Public Intoxication 1100 block of 11th 4:32 p.m.
Traffic Accident 1500 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 4:32 p.m.
Grand Theft 1500 block of Ocean 4:58 p.m.
Person With A Gun Ocean / Arizona 5:49 p.m.
DUI 1400 block of 4th 6:00 p.m.
Missing Person 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 6:16 p.m.
Traffic Accident 2100 block of Ocean Park 7:01 p.m.
Family Disturbance 700 block of 19th 7:13 p.m.
Traffic Accident 1500 block of Pacific Coast Hwy 7:14 p.m.
Battery 200 block of Santa Monica Pier 7:31 p.m.
Hit And Run 300 block of Olympic Dr 7:58 p.m.
Traffic Accident Cloverfield / Pico 9:05 p.m.
Traffic Accident 200 block of Ocean Park 9:37 p.m.
Hit And Run 4th / Pico 10:02 p.m.
DUI Lincoln / Ashland 10:30 p.m.
Fight 2nd / Arizona 11:41 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 6th / Broadway 11:47 p.m.
Fraud Suspect 100 block of Santa Monica Pl 11:56 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 62 calls for service on Aug 30.

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

EMS 1500 block of Harvard 12:08 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1200 block of Ocean 1:22 a.m.
EMS 2600 block of Main 1:48 a.m.
Injuries From Assault 2900 block of Main 2:05 a.m.
Injuries From Assault Lincoln / Strand 2:32 a.m.
EMS 1800 block of Montana 3:00 a.m.
EMS 1900 block of 18th 3:07 a.m.
Injuries From Assault 400 block of Santa Monica Pier 3:35 a.m.
EMS 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 3:43 a.m.
EMS 600 block of Marine 7:00 a.m.
EMS 1300 block of Wilshire 8:25 a.m.
EMS 1400 block of 2nd 8:34 a.m.
EMS 1200 block of Lincoln 8:45 a.m.
EMS 800 block of 20th 8:46 a.m.
EMS 500 block of Olympic 9:33 a.m.
EMS 1400 block of Lincoln 9:36 a.m.
EMS 1500 block of 5th 10:08 a.m.
EMS 2300 block of Main 10:14 a.m.
EMS 1500 block of 6th 10:26 a.m.
EMS 1400 block of 9th 10:35 a.m.
EMS Lincoln / Pacific 10:55 a.m.
EMS 1400 block of 7th 11:32 a.m.
EMS 100 block of Bay 11:39 a.m.
Trash/Dumpster Fire 3rd Street Prom / Santa Monica 11:50 a.m.
EMS 14th / Michigan 12:12 p.m.
EMS 400 block of Ocean 12:31 p.m.
EMS 2600 block of Lincoln 12:38 p.m.
EMS 2700 block of 3rd 12:51 p.m.
EMS Ocean / Seaside 12:53 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 400 block of Santa Monica 1:24 p.m.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

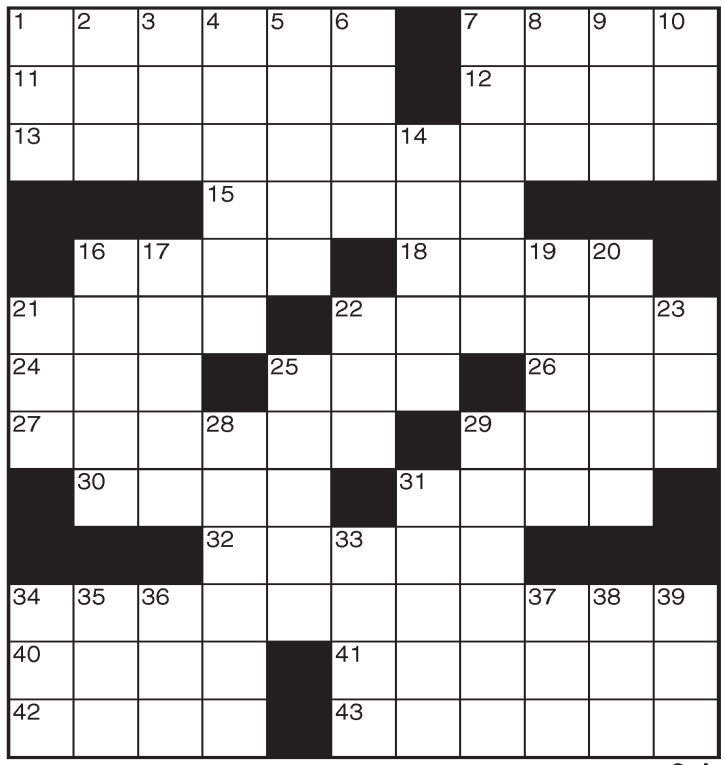
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9 Pink lady ingredient
10 Print units
14 Caruso, for one
16 "The Three Musketeers" author
17 "My Fair Lady" role
19 Indian lute
20 Bank job
21 Buddy
22 Salary
23 Catch sight of
25 Tribal leader
28 Baby
29 Dog
31 Wreck beyond repair
33 Research settings
34 Cry loudly
35 Cain's mother
36 Writing tool
37 Poem of praise
38 Wee bite
39 Pig's place

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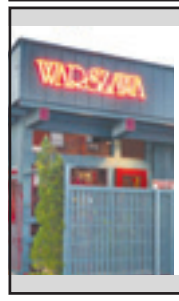
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Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from (easiest) to (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★★

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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

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DAILY LOTTERY

POWERBALL Draw Date: 8/29
18 21 25 28 29
Power#: 16
Jackpot: 120M

MEGA MILLIONS Draw Date: 8/28
13 35 40 60 68
Mega#: 9
Jackpot: 74M

SUPER LOTTO Draw Date: 8/29
6 20 32 39 43
Mega#: 16
Jackpot: 13M

Fantasy 5 Draw Date: 8/30
9 19 22 25 28

DAILY 3 Draw Date: 8/30
MIDDAY: 5 8 4
Draw Date: 8/30
EVENING: 8 5 5

DAILY DERBY Draw Date: 8/30
1st: 12 Lucky Charms
2nd: 04 Big Ben
3rd: 11 Money Bags
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TODAY IN HISTORY

1905 – Alberta and Saskatchewan join the Canadian confederation.

1906 – The International Federation of Intellectual Property Attorneys is established.

1911 – The armored cruiser Georgios Averof is commissioned into the Greek Navy. It now serves as a museum ship.

1914 – St. Petersburg, Russia, changes its name to Petrograd.

1914 – The last passenger pigeon, a female named Martha, dies in captivity in the Cincinnati Zoo.

1920 – The Fountain of Time opens as a tribute to the 100 years of peace between the United States and Great Britain following the Treaty of Ghent.

1923 – The Great Kantÿ earthquake devastates Tokyo and Yokohama, killing about 105,000 people.

1928 – Ahmet Zogu declares Albania to be a monarchy and proclaims himself king.

1934 – SMJK Sam Tet is founded by Father Fourgs from the St. Michael Church, Ipoh, Perak, Malaysia.

1939 – World War II: Nazi Germany and Slovakia invade Poland, beginning the European phase of World War II.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in Alexandria, Virginia, has an award-winning "telework" program allowing patent examiners flexible schedules, leading half of the 8,300 to work at home full-time -- despite a 2014 Washington Post report on employees gaming the system. In August, the agency's inspector general exposed several of the most ridiculous cases of slacking off, including one examiner who was paid for at least 18 weeks' work last year that he did not perform and that his manager did not notice. (The examiner, who had been issued nine poor-performance warnings since 2012 and who had flaunted his carefree "workday" to co-workers for years, abruptly resigned two hours before a meeting on the charge and thus left with a "clean" personnel record.) Wrote the Post, "It's a startling example of a culture that's maddening."

■ A woman identified only as Zeng, age 39, was finally imprisoned in August in Urumqi, China -- 10 years after she was convicted of corruption. Availing herself of a traditional "probation" option in Chinese law for expectant mothers, Zeng had remained free by getting herself pregnant (and proving it) 14 times during the 10 years (although only some of the fetuses were carried to term).

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Conan's pitch is all wet



by Colin Newton

So you may have noticed that it's a been a little hot lately. Seems like, in California at least, we've been in a bit of a drought ... OK, I'm sure everyone's aware of the drought. And you're probably aware of some of the things you should be doing to help out to conserve water. But it all seems a little daunting sometimes, doesn't it?

Well, fear not, because no less an authority on environmental awareness than Conan O'Brien has stepped forward to help put our water conservation habits in order. Conan's Team Coco has joined forces with the National Resources Defense Council to put out a series of informative videos chock full of water-wise tips.

But are these videos genuinely helpful, or are they simply moronic? It's one thing when a celebrity jumps on the drought bandwagon; it's another thing for the information to be heartfelt, useful or — most important — funny.

So it turns out that checking for a few leaking toilets (they don't need to be able to talk) and swapping out a few plants can make a big impact — the best tips for conserving water are really about remembering that, if you live in Los Angeles, you live in a desert, and you should start acting like it from time to time. And, most mercifully, being lazy can help you save the environment. To paraphrase O'Brien and sidekick Andy Richter, I am way ahead on that one.

For more information on ways to save water, visit SaveOurWater.com. Go to giive.org and search the Causes directory to find environmental nonprofits in your own community.

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Visit a friend tonight, Leo

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Your success will be defined by your ability to connect on an individual level. You might have strong feelings about a situation, but be careful about how you verbalize your thoughts. You will surprise yourself with the outcome of a discussion. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★ You will gain more information by saying little and observing more. A family member or loved one keeps seeking you out, as he or she might have a surprise for you. This person seems to be wearing his or her feelings on his or her sleeve today. Tonight: Go for the unknown.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ A meeting will have a caring tone. What you see happening will be what you wished for. Be imaginative in your choices when communicating with a special person. You'll find a receptive audience, no matter which direction you head in. Tonight: Add fun to the moment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You could be in the position of making a radical change. Your ability to handle problems will emerge nearly immediately. You tune in well to various factors and people in difficult situations. Your innate sensitivity allows you to make choices that work. Tonight: All smiles.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Your happiness around travel, a foreigner or a new adventures radiates off you. Though you might not be ready to discuss what has happened, the people around you will sense a change. An unexpected call or conversation lights up your day even more. Tonight: Visit with a friend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Someone's overture invites a strong response, though you might choose not to share it. This person will keep tapping on your door until you respond. Doing nothing is not appropriate here, even if it feels like the right move. Make an extra effort. Tonight: Say "yes" to living.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Respond positively to someone's efforts toward you. This person is much stronger than you might realize; he or she is capable of adapting, changing and support him- or herself all at once. Observe him or her more carefully. Tonight: Say "yes" to a special invitation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Run errands and clear out as much as you can. You have the ability to make many projects seem easy. When others try to follow in your footsteps, they often are overwhelmed. A person who has been in that position openly admires your ability. Tonight: Join a pal for dinner.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ You have a strong sense of self. When you decide to go off and do your own thing, as you will today, expect a strong response. You see others as being unpredictable, while they tend to see you in the same light. Enjoy the different perceptions. Tonight: Think "weekend."

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ You could be at the point where you would like others to either not comment or take over what you are doing and run it the way they want. This feeling indicates that you need a few days off. Look at your calendar and schedule a getaway. Tonight: Unexpected developments.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You might be taken aback by an offer from someone who cares a lot about you. You could be overwhelmed and have difficulty responding. Think carefully about your options before you speak up. A spontaneous event will lead to new friendships. Tonight: Hang out.

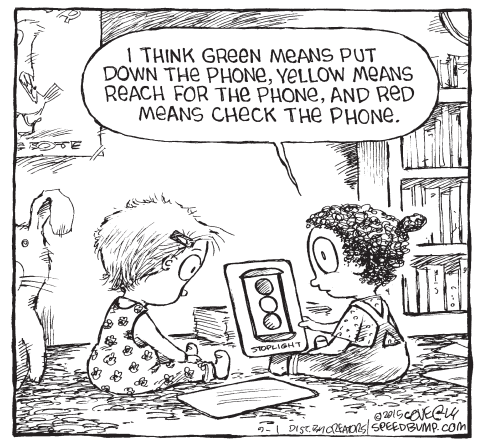
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You might be more concerned about a financial matter than many of your associates are. You could have some difficulty explaining a feeling and making it logical. Be aware of your idea, but don't share them with those who are cynical. Tonight: Treat yourself to a favorite food.

Tuesday, September 1, 2015

This year you seem to be walking around with a magic wand. What you wish for often becomes reality. Know that if you focus on a certain area of your life, you will achieve positive results. If you are single, your charisma speaks. You could get involved in a life-altering relationship, which could point to a major lifestyle change. If you are attached, you will start acting like newlyweds. Your romantic ways draw in your significant other even closer. ARIES has a hot temper, but he or she becomes cold and analytical with you.

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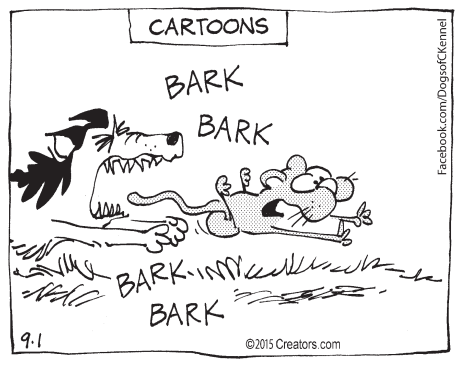
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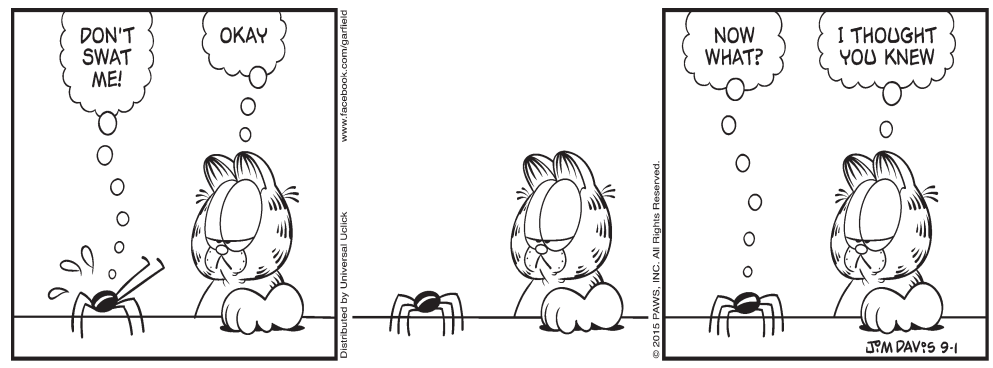


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