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## SM dog parks to welcome all

BY KEVIN HERRERA | Daily Press Staff Writer

**AIRPORT PARK** No longer will the off-leash dog park here be off limits to Mar Vista residents and their pooches.

The City Council on Tuesday voted to open up the park to all LA County dogs that are properly licensed and rabies-free. In exchange for the privilege, those who live outside of Santa Monica's borders would pay an annual fee of \$15.50 to help pay for maintenance of the city park.

Roughly \$25,000 is needed each year to clean and maintain the dog area, according to city staff. Residents

pay a licensing fee of \$15 for spayed or neutered pets, and \$50 for unaltered dogs.

"We do appreciate your consideration of Mar Vista residents and their dogs," said Tom Ponton, founder and former chair of the Mar Vista Neighborhood council. "Many of us are Santa Monica employees or business owners and support your tax base in a variety of ways. We are all one big community, not two separate groups of people."

Ponton said Mar Vista residents are actively working with their elected officials to find space in Los Angeles for more dog parks.

If usage patterns at Airport Park change and grow to a point where the annual fee does not support maintenance needs, the council could re-examine the policy and make changes.

Controversy clouded what was supposed to be a celebratory day in Santa Monica when Mar Vista residents held a protest in April at the grand opening of the Airport Park, the city's first newly-constructed park to open in the last 24 years.

There were hand-made signs blasting city officials for

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS

### 'Lifeguards, Surfers and Celebrity Sightings'

2601 Main St., 7 p.m. — 9 p.m.

From horseback lifeguards patrolling beaches to keeping a watchful eye over President John F. Kennedy and Charlie Chaplin — the history of Santa Monica lifeguards is captured in Arthur C. Verge's book, "Santa Monica Lifeguards and Los Angeles County Lifeguards." Verge, a Santa Monica native and L.A. County lifeguard since 1974, will discuss and sign his book at the Ocean Park Library. For more information, call (310) 392-3804 or visit [www.smpl.org](http://www.smpl.org).

### Screening of 'Future by Design'

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m. — 9 p.m.

The Main Library will screen this documentary film about the life of futurist, inventor and social engineer Jacque Fresco. A discussion will follow the screening.

### The Santa Monica Laughter Club

717 Broadway, 11 a.m. — noon

Laughter Yoga combines yoga breathing with laughter exercises to increase health and vitality, decrease pain and everyday stress, and promote a more positive mental attitude. For more information, call Kim Selbert at (310) 471-5773.

### Yappy Hour @ Tails of Santa Monica

2912 Main St., 6 p.m. — 8 p.m.

A social gathering for dogs and their people. There will be light refreshments, dog snacks and play time. For more information, call (310) 392-4300.

## Friday, Sept. 14, 2007

### LWP! Worship Conference & Festival

725 California Ave., 7:30 p.m. — 10 p.m.

The festival features 16 stage musical performances of Gospel, Contemporary, Folk, Gregorian Chant, Christian Hip Hop, Traditional and Rock. The festival will take place at St. Monica's. Tickets are \$10 for Friday night, \$15 for Saturday night, or \$50 for a Full Event Pass.

For more information, call (310) 566-1500  
or visit [www.LeadingWithPassion.org](http://www.LeadingWithPassion.org).

### Brennan's pre-season party

4089 Lincoln Blvd., Marina del Rey, 8 p.m. — midnight

The Adult Sports League is having a kickoff party at Brennan's Bar and Grill this Friday Night. The league president will be there taking last minute sign-ups and league fees for both softball and football.

For more information, call (310) 821-6622 or visit  
[www.myspace.com/theadultsportsleague](http://www.myspace.com/theadultsportsleague).

### Caribbean dream

1026 Wilshire Blvd., 8:30 p.m.

It's Caribbean night at Temple Bar. The line-up includes Titus Fotso, Upstream, Quinto Sol and DJ Peyote Cody. Tickets are \$10. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit [www.templebarlive.com](http://www.templebarlive.com).

### 'Bathroom Talk'

1404 Third Street Promenade, 7:30 p.m. — 9 p.m.

The Promenade Playhouse presents "Bathroom Talk," an improv sketch comedy about the unusual things that occur in the Ladies room at a night club. Tickets are \$12 at the door. For more information, call Laura at (310) 430-8828.

For more information on any of the events listed, log on to [smdp.com](http://smdp.com) and click the "Events" tab for the given day's calendar.



# Mars rover Opportunity views crater

BY ALICIA CHANG

AP Science Writer

**LOS ANGELES** Two months after surviving a giant dust storm, one of NASA's robotic rovers on Mars began a risky drive Tuesday into a crater blasted open by a meteor eons ago.

Scientists want the rover Opportunity to travel 40 feet down toward a bright band of rocks in the Victoria Crater. They believe the rocks represent an ancient surface of Mars and that studying them could shed clues on the planet's early climate.

Opportunity's initial task was to "toe dip" into the crater, a move that involves rolling its six wheels below the rim and immediately back out to gauge its footing before making the actual descent later this week.

Data beamed back to Earth showed a nearly perfect mission: Opportunity successfully trekked 13 feet into the crater, but ran into higher-than-expected slip on the way back. The rover could not get over a small sand dune ripple near the crater rim and came to a rest.

Still, mission leaders called the drive a success.

"The rover stopped while it was making its last step," said John Callas, the rover project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena. "We're pretty much out of the crater, but short of the goal that we have established."

During the 90-minute descent, Opportunity snapped images of the crater walls and rocky slopes. One of the last pictures it sent back to Earth showed its wheel tracks in and out of the crater.

Mission managers are weighing whether to ask Opportunity to surmount the ripple or continue driving forward into the crater toward its target.

The long-awaited descent into the crater — measuring a half-mile across and about 200 to 230 feet deep — had been on hold since July when a series of sun-blotting dust storms raged in the southern hemisphere.

At the height of the storm, the solar-powered Opportunity and its twin, Spirit, went into sleep mode to conserve energy. Spirit is exploring another area far from Opportunity.



Photo courtesy L.A. County Lifeguard Association

**OLD SCHOOL:** The first lifeguard organization in Santa Monica is chronicled in a new book by current L.A. County lifeguard and historian Arthur C. Verge Jr.

## Swimming into the past

Book honors history of lifeguards who set the standard for today

BY MELODY HANATANI

Daily Press Staff Writer

**SANTA MONICA BEACH** The evolution of Santa Monica as one of the top beachside tourist destinations in Southern California owes a large debt to the lifeguards that have kept the water safe for more than 70 years.

Pam Anderson's red swimsuit didn't hurt either.

An organization of Santa Monica lifeguards first banded together in 1933 in the midst of the Great Depression, when

heaps of tourists and Santa Monicans alike headed to the beach to escape the harsh realities of the economic downturn.

As more people arrived at the beaches, the fear of more drowning incidents and its adverse effect on tourism rose, prompting the formation of the Santa Monica Lifeguards.

So began the story of the first lifeguard organization in Santa Monica, chronicled in a new book by current LA County lifeguard and historian Arthur C. Verge Jr.

Verge will be discussing his book, "Santa Monica Lifeguards," tonight at the Ocean Park branch library.

The organization was founded by George "Cap" Watkins, an avid swimmer who primarily earned his living as a Hollywood stuntman.

In those days, the lifeguards were an eclectic bunch, some with strong

Hollywood connections, others who would go on to become major figures in the surfing world, several winning national and world titles.

"Without safe beaches, you wouldn't have a tourist trade," Verge said on Wednesday. "I don't think Santa Monica would have developed as it did without the lifeguards on the beach."

"They made a safe environment and that helped (Santa Monica) take off economically."

Many of the lifeguards became friends with Hollywood socialites, the likes of Marilyn Monroe and Norma Shearer hanging out with the heroic men who kept a watchful eye on the swimmers. The lifeguards often baby-sat the Hollywood stars' children on the beach.

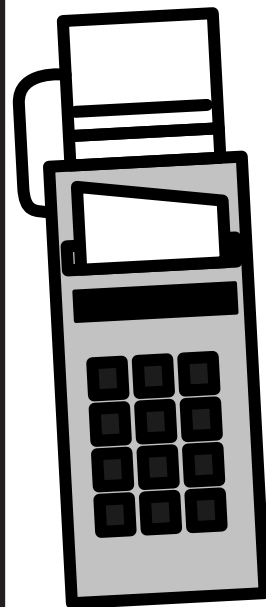
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Impeachment is long overdue  
Editor:

At the current time, I do not know why the city of Santa Monica has dug its heels in and refused a people's requisition to move forward with impeachment proceedings. Kevin McKeown and Marcy Winograd, along with many others, made an appearance on the steps of Santa Monica City Hall back in March that was flatly refused.

Since the initial requisition was presented by Jerry Rubin, (President) Bush's approval rating has plummeted to 22 percent. The move to impeach our president is in the minds and mouths of the locals. What more can the people do in this town to make City Hall understand how local this issue gets?

Sheila Dean  
Santa Monica

A doctor against health care?  
Editor:

In response to Dr. Yaron Brook's (guest commentary) titled "Be healthy or else risk the unthinkable" (Sept. 11), it's just another case of closed-minded politics. The universal health care proposal is intended for those who prioritize their physical health above and beyond their individual liberty to live as they please when it comes to daily lifestyle choices. We can all agree that there is no possible way to offer socialized health care without restrictions. If I am indigent (or otherwise unable to pay) and rely on the government to fund my health care needs, then I need to do my part. This includes, but is not limited to: Waiting in long lines, not abusing drugs or alcohol, not smoking, maintaining preventative care, etc. We are the fattest, greasiest, most spoiled nation in the world, and for John Edwards to undertake this amazing proposal will require give and take from both sides.

Brook mentions the government forcing the recipients of this proposal having to abide by such crazy things as adhering to the outdated "Food Pyramid" in order to keep their benefits. Like any other law, reality and common sense needs to play a role. The government couldn't possibly monitor such a thing as day-to-day eating habits, but it can monitor the patient's progress in lowering cholesterol and blood pressure. Eat right and take your meds or lose your coverage, simple. If I choose to spend \$4 a day on smokes and swing by McDonalds every other day, then maybe I should take that money and go get private health coverage, even if it only covers major medical. The choice is mine. The government isn't coercing anyone, you have several choices; play by the rules and get socialized coverage, get a job that offers coverage, get your own coverage, or no coverage at all.

As a doctor, I'd imagine Brook is all set in this department, so it only makes sense he'd have no interest in socialized medicine. Pretty selfish viewpoint isn't it? I'd also imagine that socialized health care might potentially affect his bread & butter.

Ron Prosky  
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Iconoclast Blast

Seth Barnes

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Eating oneself  
to near death

**YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT YOU'RE** going to get when two clueless, hopelessly-behind-the-times organizations put their heads together on an issue. Ladies and gentlemen, allow me to present the Los Angeles Times and the Los Angeles City Council. The Times, well known for shedding advertisers, circulation and relevancy as the newspaper industry withers away against the headwinds of the digital age, loves nothing more than spinning trumped-up data and isolated anecdotes into something resembling a story. And there's no better place for them to go for material than the City Council, a group subsisting on attention-getting ideas with no connection to reality or their official job description.

There's no bigger buzzphrase right now than "obesity epidemic." And if there's one thing organizations with a charter for social betterment do in times of trial, it's to sling accusations at corporations and the general institution of capitalism. So it's no surprise that the City Council is considering a two-year moratorium on new fast-food restaurants in South L.A. as a way to halt the obesity crisis. And it's no great shock to see the L.A. Times plaster the story on the front page, backing up the baseless assertions of reactionaries like Councilwoman Jan Perry with blustery reams of data that do nothing more than point out the painfully obvious.

Sherlock Holmes may be dead in name, but his uncanny investigative and interrogative spirit undoubtedly lives in hard-hitting reporting like this from Monday's article:

"A Times analysis of the city's roughly 8,200 restaurants found that South Los Angeles has the highest concentration of fast-food eateries. Per capita, the area has fewer eating establishments of any kind than the Westside, downtown or Hollywood ... But a much higher percentage of those are fast-food chains."

Lord have mercy. Would you have ever guessed that the poor parts of town had more fast food joints than the affluent spots? What will they tell us next, that we can find more pawn shops, check cashing station and massage parlors there too? I'm totally floored.

And the L.A. Times doesn't just hit us with the hard data. They tug at the heart-strings as well. Take one of the individual comments in the story that we can only assume are representative of all 700,000 people in South L.A.

"By the time I go home, it's already too late to cook food," said Catalina Ayala, 23, who works at LAX.

Ayala "lives three blocks from a McDonalds and a slew of other fast-food restaurants, and eats fast food about four times a week." It seems to me that Ayala hasn't discovered a key tenet of the modern world: It is, in fact, hard for anyone, of any income bracket, to work and maintain a normal home life ... but many people do, in fact, work for hours each day and actually manage to cook themselves a meal that wasn't

processed, freeze-dried and fried. Poor people don't have a moratorium on time-management difficulties and exhaustion.

The real airball in this whole situation is a fundamental misunderstanding of how business — in the true sense of supply-and-demand — works. Those on the reactionary left who are better at tearing down than being insightful and innovative, see capitalism as a push-only phenomenon, where evil corporations foist their unscrupulous wares on an unsuspecting and defenseless public. It's actually a very dim view of human nature, as if we don't have individual will or personal control over the choices we make.

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But if there's one thing defeatists like this have right, it's the fact that corporations like to make money. They do. And they don't make outlays and investments in places that don't show any demand or promise for profit. And South L.A. shows incredible promise for profit when it comes to fast food because the residents really like it. They like it to the extent that they have the highest concentration of fast food restaurants in the county. In business, you give the customer what they want, it's not the other way around. And this is a simple fact that The Times and City Council gloss over: People in this part of the city want a lot of fast food and the restaurants have obliged them.

There's no doubt that our country has a problem with obesity and it's certainly true that poor people have fewer choices when it comes to eating healthy, but we're doing them a disservice when we attribute their behavior to anything other than their own selections and desires.

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# Leaving school days in the distant past

**THAT BACK-TO-SCHOOL FEELING IS** in the air. While autumn is up there with winter, spring and summer as my favorite season, an involuntary pit forms in my stomach when creeping into late summer days are early evening chills. That all-too-familiar feeling signifies it's time to head back to the classroom. (Never mind that I haven't been a student for more than a decade.)

I don't remember many things worse as a kid than realizing that the sun-drenched days of freedom were slowly growing shorter, that it was probably wise to grab a sweater when heading out for a leisurely twilight stroll and the end of barefoot toes on lawns dewy from sprinklers was imminent.

The idea of being a student again is attractive only in a rose-colored lens kind of way.

In elementary school, the annual rite of shopping for new fall clothes, shoes and school supplies — three-ring binders and crisp, blank loose leaf paper, unsharpened pencils and big, rubbery erasers — was inarguably thrilling. As a college student, returning to campus for the first time since spring, gossiping with friends for hours on the quad, purchasing text books in the campus bookstore and staying up all night with new suite mates in the dorm was like the holy grail of youth — the ring of freedom, the guarantee of a fresh slate (and fresh report card) and the promise of eternal immunity all wrapped into one. The possibilities on the first day of school were endless.

But when looking back with 20/20 vision, the excitement quickly dulls. It takes less than a minute to remember how quickly after the first day of class teachers presented quizzes based on the mandatory summer reading lists (who gives homework over the summer?), how effortlessly each college professor (arbitrarily) assigned 30-, 40- or 50-page papers and how rapidly mid-term exams seemed to arrive (how, exactly, is October considered mid-anything?).

As someone who's never quite learned her lesson about not waiting until the 11th hour to meet a deadline, the heart-racing, head-pounding agony of procrastinating until the night before a due date to begin writing a paper, researching a thesis topic, constructing a science class diorama or studying for a quiz is still easy to remember. Those dreadful, stomach-

churning days leading up to an inevitable all-nighter, knowing that lack of time or motivation prohibited any advance work is not something to which I can imagine voluntarily returning.

Of course, going back to the classroom (sans the homework) would be fantastic. Who doesn't long for the days of eye-opening discussions, when life altering, cloud-clearing, heaven-opening revelations based on a single passage of Shakespeare, Flaubert or Foucault were witnessed and experienced? It's the association of those seemingly life-or-death moments — "If I don't finish this and do well my grade point average will drop and my parents express their disappointment for spending \$120,000 on an education that I'm clearly not taking seriously" — that I don't miss when the first chill of autumn blows in through the window screen.

I never used to pass up an opportunity to wish on a star or pray to the gods to please, please just get me through another deadline crisis or term paper fiasco. I pined for the stress of real, non-academic life, which I was convinced couldn't be as bad as the pressures of the ivory tower. I still can't laugh when remembering the panic and tears after receiving an F on my first college writing assignment because the paper I turned in contained more than three instances of the passive active voice.

Looking back now as a full-fledged member in pretty good standing of the real world (if that's what we're calling it these days), I can't foresee feeling anything but nausea if I thought I had to go back to school in a few weeks. I cherish the memories of the unsharpened pencils, the brand new penny loafers, the piping hot pizza delivered at three in the morning and the wealth of accumulated knowledge, but I still wouldn't trade all that for my two current jobs.

Hopefully, it's just a matter of time before the correlation of the summer-into-fall seasonal changes is nothing more than a reminder that if I want, I don't have to do anything think about getting a rake to clear the fallen leaves, and show up for work on time.

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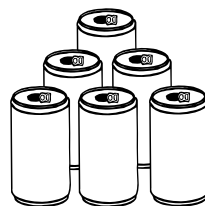
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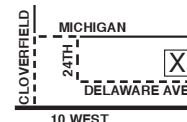
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# Radical environmentalist silenced?

## Attorney: Government sought to rob activist of free speech rights

BY ALLISON HOFFMAN

Associated Press Writer

**SAN DIEGO** A radical environmentalist was charged with violating a law adopted after the Oklahoma City bombing because the government wanted to silence him, depriving him of free speech, his defense attorney told a federal jury Tuesday.

Rod Coronado, who has advocated sinking whaling ships and destroying mink farms and animal research labs, was charged

after a 2003 speech in which he showed a San Diego audience how to make a Molotov cocktail out of an apple-juice jug.

"He has said things that are offensive, but he believed, perhaps naively, that under the First Amendment he had the right to say those things," lead defense counsel Gerald Singleton said in opening statements.

Coronado, 41, was charged in February 2006 with a single count of distributing information on explosives, destructive devices and weapons of mass destruction with the intent that his listeners commit illegal acts of violence. If convicted, he faces up to 20 years in prison under sentencing guidelines imposed after the Sept. 11 attacks.

The prosecution argued that Coronado was urging listeners to start fires similar to one that day at an unfinished condo proj-

ect in San Diego, which was apparently set by the Earth Liberation Front, an underground organization that has been listed among the FBI's top domestic terrorism targets. That blaze caused \$50 million in damages, making it the costliest eco-terror attack in the nation's history.

Coronado's earlier writings and speeches show that he boasted about teaching people to make firebombs and wanting to "hear the sound of breaking glass caused by Molotov cocktails," Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Skerlos told jurors.

"The defendant encouraged others to commit arson to advance the cause," Skerlos said.

Coronado's 2003 appearance in San Diego came at an activist gathering called Revolution Summer, where an audience

member asked about his tactics in a 1992 arson at a Michigan State University mink research facility for which he served nearly five years in federal prison.

Coronado has represented the Earth Liberation Front as a spokesman, but has not been linked to the San Diego condo fire. A 12-foot banner left at the scene read: "If you build it, we will burn it. The ELF's are mad."

No one was ever charged in the blaze.

Outside court, defense attorneys suggested that prosecutors charged Coronado because they hadn't made any arrests in the condo arson.

"He wasn't arrested that day, he wasn't arrested that week, he wasn't arrested that month," said veteran San Francisco civil rights attorney Tony Serra.

# Mother's plight thrusts 8-year-old boy into action

BY PETER PRENGAMAN | Associated Press Writer

**LOS ANGELES** With his mother deported to Mexico for violating immigration laws, Saul Arellano has been thrust into the national spotlight as the face of her cause.

The 8-year-old had already become a household name in immigrant circles when his mother took refuge in Chicago's Adalberto United Methodist Church in August 2006 and stayed there a year.

But as he's expected to take part Wednesday in pro-immigrant activities inspired by his mother, his obvious reluctance to be the poster child of the immigration movement has even raised questions from supporters about whether

he's being exploited.

A few hours after Elvira Arellano was arrested in Los Angeles on Aug. 19, Saul was brought to a news conference where supporters denounced her detention. He didn't look into the cameras or even speak, instead hiding behind his godmother.

"I don't want media," he told his mother while visiting her a day later in Tijuana, where she was deported.

Anti-illegal immigrant groups have long accused Elvira and immigration activists of sacrificing Saul to push for a legalization program for an estimated 12 million illegal immigrants. The boy has been zigzagged the country the last year while appearing at rallies, on television programs and

meeting lawmakers.

With Elvira deported, and removed from the American spotlight, many Hispanic activists and immigrants are wondering how long Saul will be part of the movement, and asking whether there is any justification for him to continue.

On dozens of pro-immigrant blogs and online forums on Spanish-language newspapers, most contributors reiterate a common view that Elvira represents the thousands of families being separated by stepped-up immigration raids the past year. But many also worry the exposure could hurt Saul, arguing he should live with his mother in Mexico and have a semblance of a normal childhood.

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# Regulators ignored calls for inspections

BY GARANCE BURKE  
Associated Press Writer

**SALINAS** Government regulators never acted on calls for stepped-up inspections of leafy greens after last year's deadly E. coli spinach outbreak, leaving the safety of America's salads to a patchwork of largely unenforceable rules and the industry itself, an Associated Press investigation has found.

The regulations governing farms in this central California region known as the nation's "Salad Bowl" remain much as they were when bacteria from a cattle ranch infected spinach that killed three people and sickened more than 200.

AP's review of data obtained through the Freedom of Information Act found that federal officials inspect companies growing and processing salad greens an average of just once every 3.9 years. Some proposals in Congress would require such inspections at least four times a year.

In California, which grows three-quarters of the nation's greens, processors created a new inspection system but with voluntary guidelines that were unable to keep bagged spinach tainted with salmonella from reaching grocery shelves last month.

The AP review found that since last year's E. coli outbreak, California public health inspectors have yet to spot-test for bacteriological contamination at any processing plants handling leafy greens. And some farms in the fertile Salinas Valley are still vulnerable to bacteria-carrying wildlife and other dangerous conditions.

"We have strict standards for lead paint on toys, but we don't seem to take the same

level of seriousness about something that we consume every day," said Darryl Howard, whose 83-year-old mother, Betty Howard, of Richland, Wash., died as a result of E. coli-related complications.

She was one of two elderly people to die in the outbreak that began in August 2006 and also included the death of a child and sicknesses reported from more than 200 people from Maine to Arizona.

By mid-September, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration issued a two-week nationwide warning not to eat fresh spinach. Authorities eventually traced the likely source of the E. coli to a cattle ranch about 40 miles east of Salinas.



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Darryl Howard, Relative of a victim

But a regulatory backlash never happened.

State Sen. Dean Florez, a Central Valley Democrat who sponsored three failed bills to enact mandatory regulations for leafy greens earlier this year, said momentum faded as the E. coli case dropped from the headlines and the industry lobbied hard for self-regulation.

"That legislation was held up waiting for this voluntary approach for food safety to

see if it works," said Florez, who is skeptical of that approach.

"It only took one 50-acre parcel to poison 200 people and bring the industry to its knees," he said. "We don't get why the industry would be playing this game of roulette with our food."

Among the AP's other findings:

- Since September 2006, federal Food and Drug Administration staff inspected only 29 of the hundreds of California farms that grow fresh "stem and leaf vegetables," a broad category the agency uses to keep track of everything from cauliflower to artichokes. Agency officials said they did not know how many of those grew leafy greens.

- California lettuce and spinach have been the source of 13 E. coli outbreaks since 1996. But if salad growers or handlers violate those new guidelines, they are not subject to any fines, are not punishable under state law and may be allowed to keep selling their products.

Last year's outbreak prompted a temporary downturn in sales of salad greens, but more than 5 million bags of salad are now sold each day nationwide, a number the industry says will grow as health-conscious consumers opt for more greens and vegetables.

Much of those sprout near Salinas, where the fog lifted on a recent morning over fields of romaine and iceberg already wilting in the August sun.

Men in sweat shirts and baseball caps cut heads of lettuce from the ground and loaded them into cardboard boxes to be taken to a nearby plant owned by Castroville-based packager Ocean Mist Farms. From there, they would be shipped out to supermarkets and buyers as far away as Japan.

In an attempt to reassure wary customers, Ocean Mist's vice president recently helped organize a group to police food safety, run entirely by the \$1.7 billion leafy greens industry.

Some 118 salad processors have signed on to the California Leafy Green Products Handler Marketing Agreement, which uses its own voluntary food safety guidelines.

Public health inspectors can impose mandatory food-safety rules on the farm only after an outbreak, said Patrick Kennelly, chief of the food safety section at California's Department of Public Health.

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# Campaign donor gets the wrath

## Clinton response to disgraced fundraiser sets precedent

BY JIM KUHNHENN  
Associated Press Writer

**WASHINGTON** In returning \$850,000 to donors associated with a disgraced fundraiser, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton sets a significant new standard for how campaigns should respond in the face of potential scandal.

Clinton's decision also underscores the price — financial and political — that her campaign is paying for failing to spot trouble with the fundraiser, Norman Hsu, even after receiving a warning. The campaign announced it would now conduct background checks on its fundraisers, an extraordinary and potentially time consuming step.

By returning the money, Clinton also puts pressure on presidential rivals and other politicians with rainmakers who have dubious pasts or who have employed questionable fundraising tactics, including the campaigns of Barack Obama and John Edwards.

Hsu, a Hong Kong native who appeared suddenly in the New York political scene about four years ago, is under guard in a Colorado hospital after failing to show up for a bail hearing last week in California. He had been wanted as a fugitive for skipping sentencing on a 1991 grand theft case to which he had pleaded no contest.

In the past two weeks, news reports raised questions about his fundraising practices and revealed his fugitive status. Law enforcement authorities said the FBI is now investigating whether Hsu paid donors to contribute to politicians. His lawyer has said Hsu did not break the law

and that donors he solicited contributed their own money.

Despite his high-profile political activity, California authorities were apparently unaware of his whereabouts. And despite his abrupt entry into the circle of political money "bundlers" during the 2004 election, politicians did not inquire about his past.

"There were a few people who were scratching their heads, that he was being so generous," said John Catsimatidis, a New York businessman and longtime Clinton money man. "But he was a pleasant guy and nobody thought anything of it."

The Los Angeles Times reported Tuesday that an Irvine, Calif., businessman cautioned the Clinton campaign in June that he suspected Hsu was running an investment scam. The newspaper said the campaign's former finance director for Western states, Samantha Wolf, denied the claim and pronounced Hsu "completely legit."

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Larry Noble, Former general counsel at the Federal Election Commission

Asked Tuesday what the campaign did in response to the warning, Clinton spokesman Howard Wolfson said: "It prompted another search of publicly available information which did not reveal the decade-plus old warrant."

Caught flat-footed by the Hsu revelations, the Clinton camp said it will now take extra steps to examine their fundraisers, including conducting criminal background checks.

"In any instances where a source of a bundler's income is in question, the campaign will take affirmative steps to verify its origin," Wolfson said.

Larry Noble, former general counsel at the Federal Election Commission, said Clinton raised the bar on how to respond to troublesome fundraising.

"At one time the standard was if a person is convicted of a crime I'll return the money; then it was if they are indicted," Noble said. "What we're seeing now is the Clinton campaign being very proactive about trying to get out in front of what experience has shown can be a very distracting story."

Aggressive vetting of bundlers, Noble said, "is a big step because, one, it's going to take resources and, two, it may well turn off or insult some fundraisers."

With the cost of campaigns increasing exponentially, candidates are under increasing pressure to rely on fundraisers,

Catsimatidis said. "I'd say 99.9 percent. But there is that oddball that occurs once in a while. It happens and one has to be on the watch for that."

Last month, lawyer Geoffrey Fieger, who represented assisted suicide advocate Jack Kevorkian, was indicted on charges of conspiring to make more than \$125,000 in illegal contributions to Edwards' 2004 presidential campaign. Fieger pleaded not guilty and authorities have said the Edwards campaign was unaware of the activity.

Edwards campaign spokesman Eric Schultz said the campaign will await the outcome of the case against Fieger before acting on the money he helped raise.

"From Day One, the campaign has taken their lead from and cooperated fully with the Department of Justice," Schultz said. "Once this prosecution concludes, if Geoffrey Fieger is found guilty, the campaign will donate all the money in question to charity."

He said the campaign, like Clinton's has also stepped up its vetting of fundraisers.

"We have always had an extensive vetting process for our raisers, but based on the Hsu revelations, and to err on the side of caution, we have begun doing criminal background checks as well," he said.

Obama has already given to charity money that Hsu contributed to his Senate campaign in 2004 and to his political action committee in 2005. Hsu did not assist Obama's presidential campaign but he helped host one fundraiser for Obama during his Senate run. Obama's campaign sent letters to donors potentially affiliated with Hsu, seeking assurances that the money they donated was their own.

Campaign spokesman Bill Burton said the campaign was not returning any money from those donors yet because it was still awaiting their response.

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### TWENTYNINE PALMS

## Taxi firm says free military shuttle hurts business

Free shuttles for the military between Palm Springs International Airport and Twentynine Palms was a patriotic gesture hatched by a La Quinta resident.

But Top's Taxi claims its eight-cab fleet has already lost thousands of dollars to the Soldiers Organized Services shuttles, which estimates 1,200 Marines have been transported since May between the airport at the Marine base.

The average taxi ride from the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center to Palm Springs costs about \$130, while the Palm Springs to Twentynine Palms trip can cost up to \$180.

"How can you compete with free? Should we just change our whole business model and become nonprofit?" asked Top's Taxi office manager Jason Sawaia.

Erica Stone started driving military personnel stranded at Palm Springs International Airport to the Marine base in October. She launched Soldiers Organized Services in May and now estimates SOS has 90 volunteer drivers who use their own cars to transport Marines.

Attorneys for the Morongo Basin Transit Authority, which regulates high desert taxi service, sent letters to SOS this summer asking to clarify how it operates. Authority general manager Joe Meer said he's satisfied SOS doesn't act as a taxi service.

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### SANTA ANA

## U.S. paying \$55 million to paralyzed girl

The government must pay nearly \$55 million to a Costa Mesa girl paralyzed in a vehicle crash caused by a federal employee.

U.S. District Judge Alicemarie H. Stotler ruled after an eight-day, nonjury trial that Leilani Gutierrez, who is now 9, will get \$54 million and her mother June will get a little more than \$1 million. The judgment was filed late Friday, but announced on Wednesday.

The girl is a quadriplegic dependent on round-the-clock nursing. Her attorney Wylie Aitken said she has a life expectancy of no more than 35 years.

"The government acknowledged its liability in this horrible accident, and this judgment will help to some extent ease the pain that this girl is now forced to live with," U.S. Attorney's Office spokesman Thom Mrozek said.

June Gutierrez was driving her Chevrolet Suburban south on Newport Boulevard after a Mother's Day outing when Department of the Army employee Michael Leinert ran a red light and broadsided the sport utility vehicle.



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# Performing underground

Promenade Playhouse offers a taste of the eclectic in SM

BY MELODY HANATANI | Daily Press Staff Writer

**DOWNTOWN** The ever-so eclectic Third Street Promenade has long been known as the premier entertainment destination on the Westside, with three movie theaters, a seemingly endless program of street acts and restaurants that showcase late-night performances.

But there's another option in the promenade entertainment scene and it just takes a little digging to discover — just follow the applause.

The Promenade Playhouse is buried deep into the corridor on the promenade, far enough away to shield itself from the ruckus of the street performances and the pleas of solicitors.

The 11-year-old playhouse is located on the promenade, between Santa Monica Boulevard and Broadway.

The theater, which holds two stages on the ground floor and a classroom on the second, is nearly hidden from public view — a small amount of advertising tacked onto a sandwich board right outside an unmarked door is the only evidence there is a performing arts venue located there.

"It's a one-of-a-kind space in a one-of-a-kind location," said Scott Channon, who manages the theater and produces the Saturday night comedy show.

Actress and producer Natalia Lazarus founded the Promenade Playhouse in 1996 as an acting school, opening the venue for public events in 2004.

"I thought it was a waste to leave it as a school," Lazarus said.

The New Yorker was the associate director of the Duality Playhouse in the Big Apple before she relocated to Los Angeles to be a cast member on the ABC soap opera, "Port Charles."

A theatrical actress at heart, Lazarus longed to open a venue similar to the Duality Playhouse and found her dream in an empty narrow two-story structure on the 1400 block of the promenade.

The old building underwent heavy-duty renovation — the ceiling was removed and an office and classroom were constructed on the second story.

Today, the playhouse carries an underground aura, its walls made of brick and its stages made out of plywood, scattered with props. It's the kind of place that is populated through word-of-mouth.

"It's very cute and very upscale," Lazarus said. "It's not your traditional black box."

The playhouse hosts a regular comedy show, titled "3rd Street Comedy," and regular theatrical productions. But the theater is perhaps most well-known for its accredited two-year acting school where students can take the famous Sanford Meisner acting technique and character preference courses. At the conclusion of the program, students can graduate with an associate's degree in drama.

Vincent Lappas, who teaches some of the courses, said the playhouse gives promenade-goers another option besides watching a movie.

"It's such a fun place to perform because of the energy on the promenade," Lappas said. "I love the option of bringing something fun to the weekenders."

The playhouse is looking to expand its reach, recently partnering with The Vine Entertainment, an Ocean Avenue-based production company, producing an industry showcase and a short film festival next month to coincide with the American Film Market.

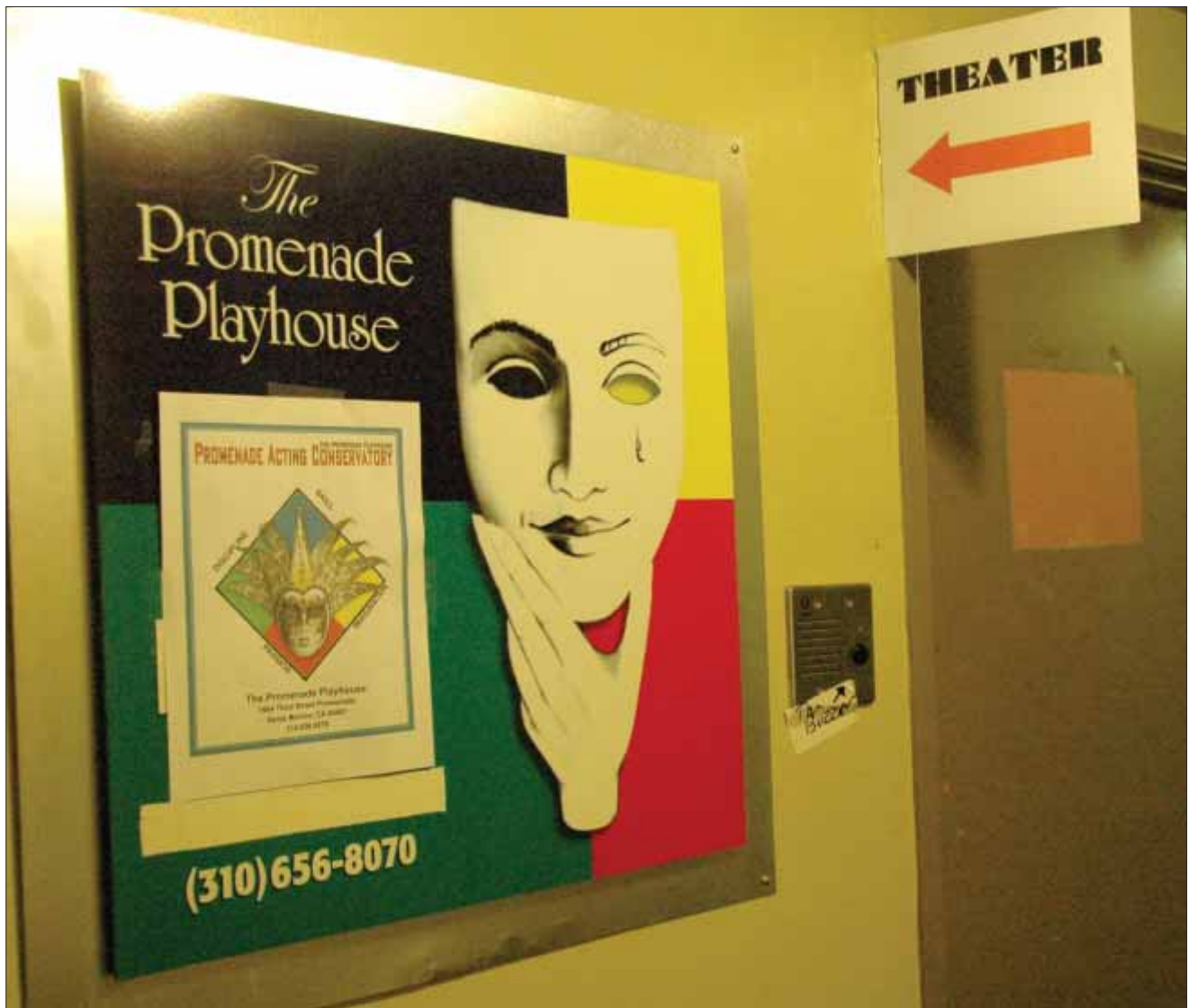
More than 300 shorts will be screened during the film festival.

Gino Cabanas, the chairman of The Vine Entertainment, discovered the playhouse about three months ago while he was walking in an alley looking for a place to shoot a short film he was producing at the time.

"It reminded me of the small intimate off-Broadway houses," Cabanas said. "To me, theater is like a church — it's a place where you're very respectful of the work."

*The Promenade Playhouse is located at 1404 Third Street Promenade.*

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**SAY CHEESE FOR THE CAMERA:** Brad Greenquist, (holding the camera) who subleases theater space from the Promenade Playhouse, teaches a film acting class to his students last week. He teaches his class every Tuesday.

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# Local dog parks opened to all after controversy

FROM DOG PARKS PAGE 1

excluding Los Angeles residents from the nearly 1-acre dog park, a move that was done to ensure that Santa Monicans and their 5,500 licensed dogs could use it without having to worry about overcrowding.

Local law prohibits dogs who are not licensed in Santa Monica from using the city's three dog parks and one dog run. The law was enacted in the '90s, when City Hall began building off-leash dog areas at the request of residents.

City staff initially offered Mar Vista residents 15 permits for Airport Park as part of a pilot program, however that proposal was rejected.

Various media outlets jumped on the story following a second protest in May involving Los Angeles City Councilman Bill Rosendahl, who joined with residents in calling on City Hall to lift the ban in light of the fact that Mar Vista residents not only work and play in Santa Monica, contributing to the city's tax revenue, but also must deal with traffic and pollution coming from Santa Monica College's Bundy Campus and the airport.

City staff said they wanted time to monitor usage at the park to see if there was a strong demand from residents. A survey found that there wasn't, prompting staff to go before the council with the recommendation to open it up to everyone, something which was supported by the Recreation and Parks Commission.

Over the course of 15 weeks, a maximum of 24 dogs were seen at the park at one time and during most of the day there were far fewer dogs, city staff said. The most popular times for use are on weekday and weekend afternoons and evenings with weekend use being slightly higher overall.

Along with the recommendation, city staff also proposed operating hours for all dog parks in the city, as well as a limit on how many animals could be allowed in a dog park at one time. Staff said they have received complaints from park users about professional dog walkers who bring upwards of six dogs to the off-leash areas at one time. Some have said the dogwalkers fail to pick up after their animals and have difficulty controlling such a large group.

One resident, Sean Butler, said he was opposed to a limit on the number of dogs one could bring to a park at one time, saying that, in the past, he has owned as many as four dogs and would often take all of them to a dog park at the same time. Placing a limit at three, as staff recommended, would not be fair to some dog lovers with multiple pets.

"If the goal is to make sure people pay attention to their dogs, there is no evidence showing that the number of dogs makes a difference," Butler said. "I know some people with only one dog who don't pay attention."

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Sean Butler, Resident

The council decided to go with a limit of four dogs. It also approved the new hours of operation, which are 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on weekdays and 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on weekends. That's for Joslyn Park, which is .83 acres, Pacific Street (.42 acres) and Airport Park only. For the dog run at Memorial Park, the hours are from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. for both weekdays and weekends.

"This was a very contentious issue for a number of reasons," said Mayor Richard Bloom just before the vote was taken. "For that I am extremely pleased with the responsible manner in which the city handled this issue."

Bloom said he understood the frustrations felt by Mar Vista residents, but felt city staff "was on top of this issue from the get go," and tried to negotiate with residents. When that failed, staff continued to monitor the park, as they said the would from the outset.

"Now here we are and hopefully we are all going to sing 'Kumbaya' and walk away tonight," Bloom said.

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# Book credits lifeguard with tourism boom in and around Santa Monica

FROM LIFEGUARDS PAGE 3

The Santa Monica Lifeguards, which started with 18 participants, merged with its LA County brethren in July 1974. Today, there are between 60 and 70 lifeguards patrolling Santa Monica's beaches, according to Verge.

**THEY MADE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT AND THAT HELPED (SANTA MONICA) TAKE OFF ECONOMICALLY."**

Arthur C. Verge Jr.  
Author, 'Santa Monica Lifeguards'

It took Verge about a year to compile the material for the 128-page book, a collection of short stories and photos donated by former lifeguards and Bill Beebe, the photographer for the now-defunct Evening Outlook.

A history professor at El Camino College, Verge is also

the author of the "Los Angeles County Lifeguards," a photo book also published by Arcadia Publishing.

Born and raised in Santa Monica, Verge, a third-generation Santa Monican, joined the LA County Lifeguards in 1974 and has remained in the organization since, patrolling the Santa Monica and Venice beaches a few days out of the year. His father, Arthur Verge, a retired professor at Santa Monica College, was a Santa Monica lifeguard until 1964 and is also featured in the book.

Verge, who now lives in El Segundo, is expected to bring along a few veteran lifeguards that worked on Santa Monica's beaches following the end of World War II when he presents the book this evening.

"(Verge) knows the material so well and is so well acquainted with the people, the players and the history," said Jamie Watson, who works at the Ocean Park branch library. "It's significant to highlight our history and that (the branch library) was around when lifeguards were getting formed."

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# CHANNELSURFING

BY JACK NEWORTH

## Riveting TV or just plain porn?

**WHEN I FIRST SAW "SCENES FROM a Marriage,"** directed by the late Ingmar Bergman, I was just coming out of an intense five-year relationship. Being it was Bergman I wasn't expecting a musical, but I also wasn't prepared for how close to home it would strike. Put it this way, strangers in the theater wound up scolding me to stop groaning. (And it wasn't that I had indigestion.)

"Tell Me You Love Me," which debuted on HBO Sept. 9 at 9 p.m. (Eastern) has been compared to "Scenes from a Marriage," only with steamier sex scenes. Much steamier. (HBO's theme, "It's not TV, It's HBO" may never be truer.) "Tell Me" is about the trials and tribulations of three couples in and out of the bedroom — actually four, including therapist, Dr. May Foster (Jane Alexander) and her husband, Arthur Foster (David Selby).

Each couple in "Tell Me" is trying to save their relationship. The acting is brilliant, as is the direction and much of the writing. There isn't a false note. But the question is, are the couples' dilemmas compelling and addictive enough to sustain an ongoing series? And if not, should the intensity of the sex scenes make up the difference?

Couple number one (I sound like the "Newlywed Game") is Jamie (Michelle Broth) and Hugo (Luke Kirby.) They're young, beautiful. (not fake beautiful) and in love. Hugo wants very much to marry Jamie but is hesitant when his bachelor buddies ask him if he's ready to sleep with only one woman for the rest of his life. Hugo's answer, "I'll deal with it," suggests he anticipates the possibility of an occasional dalliance. It's definitely the wrong answer, if for no other reason, than Jamie overhears it. Being honest, Hugo asks Jamie does she really think

she's never going to be attracted to anyone else as long as they're married? She admits of course she will, but is troubled that the subject of cheating has come up before they're even married. Soon, the wedding is put on hold.

Katie (Ally Walker) and David (Tim DeKay) are a seemingly happily married. They have good jobs, two healthy children and a house in the burbs. Their problem is sex. Katie wants more (or even some) but David says, "It's tough to have two kids and still be sexual." As often is the case in real life, sex isn't the problem, intimacy is. But Katie's positive things would be fine if their sex life improved and seeks help from Dr. Foster. David refuses to join her, saying, "To address a problem is to say there is a problem," which he's not ready to admit they have.

Palek (Adam Scott) and Carolyn (Sonya Walger) are also married and trying, unsuccessfully, to have a baby. Carolyn takes her continued bareness as a personal failure and Palek resents the pressure, however subtle. They too are in therapy with Dr. Foster, who recommends for the next week that they completely forget "trying" to get pregnant and just enjoy each other. This prescription somehow leads to Palek and Carolyn having sex when they take a break from his mother's boring dinner party.

The creator and executive producer of "Tell Me You Love Me," Cynthia Mort, said HBO executives threw up warning flags about the intensity of the sex scenes. She wondered why it was acceptable to show rapes and other mayhem on "The Sopranos," but not intimate relations between married couples. (Given "The Sopranos" unbelievable success, I'm not sure Ms. Mort's criticizing that par-

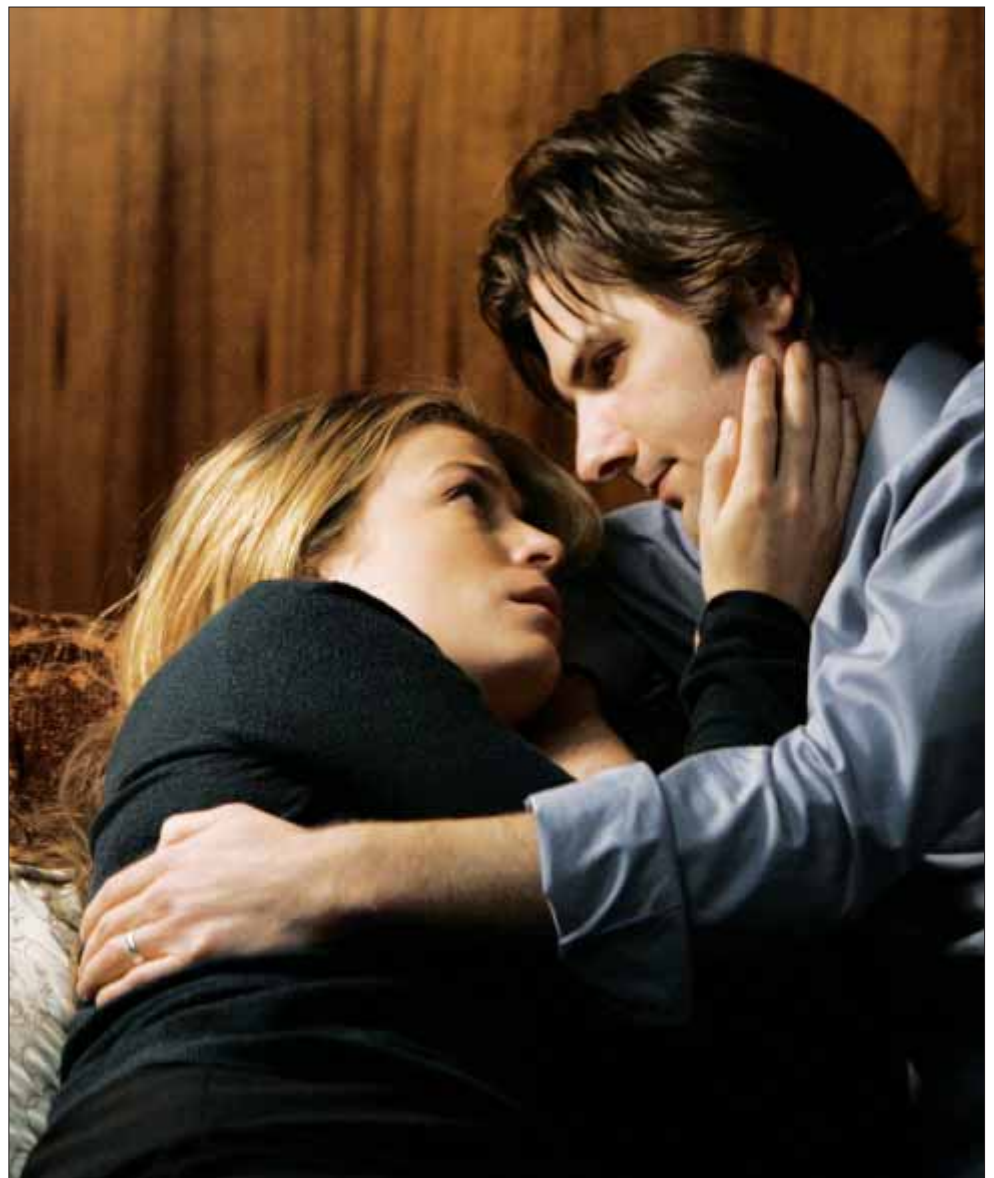


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**TENDER MOMENT:** Sonya Walger and Adam Scott star in HBO's 'Tell Me You Love Me.'

ticular show to HBO was the wisest choice, and yet she seems to have prevailed.)

Even Dr. Foster's relationship has potential problems. And yes, we get a glimpse of rather frisky senior sex. (Thankfully, or otherwise, only a glimpse however.) Arthur Foster has recently retired while his wife continues her therapy practice, the combination of which suggests potential conflict. As she readies for work, he's in an amorous mood. She says that's why he shouldn't have retired. He says that's why he did retire.

It's almost impossible not to admire the honesty of "Tell Me You Love Me." The biggest criticism will likely be the sex. Scott, who plays Palek, says every

such scene is an integral part of the plot, which may be true but sounds defensive. And Broth (Jamie) may have appeared even more so when she told one interviewer, "We're actors, not porn stars!"

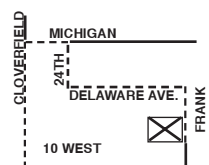
The issue for me is not the sex, but are the characters' problems sufficiently compelling enough to bring viewers back week after week? As with so many pilots, it's difficult to tell. Judging from the integrity of "Tell Me You Love Me," I hope they find a way.

"Tell Me You Love Me," airs on HBO every Sunday at 9 p.m. (Eastern.)

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## NEW RELEASES

BY TAYLOR VAN ARSDALE



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**COWBOYS:** Christian Bale stars in '3:10 to Yuma,' a western with a dramatic side.

# Taking the train to serious drama

I needed a testosterone injection this weekend and went looking for a raucous, wild, shoot 'em up, instead I found, in director James Mangold's "3:10 To Yuma" a superbly crafted morality tale with just the right amount of kick.

That "Itchy Foot Girl" was seated behind and slightly left of me, and decided to remove her shoes to better scrape and scratch the souls of her feet on the chair adjacent, and that I still was able to immerse myself into the drama and enjoy the heck out of this flick is a testament to the fine cast performances, especially Christian Bale whose engaging, brilliant intensity will have you riveted to every frame.

The story opens on struggling rancher Dan Evans (Bale), affected by a terrible drought, now in danger of losing his land to the railroad company eagerly waiting to foreclose. Enter Ben Wade (Russell Crowe) a notorious outlaw, responsible for more than 18 robberies, whose recent capture inspires a local banker to offer \$200 to any man willing to transport Wade to the train (the 3:10 to Yuma) which will take him to federal prison.

Evans willingness to step up to the task is not driven so much by temerity as it is by necessity – Evans needs the money, but more importantly he needs to prove himself a worthy role model for his son (Logan Lerman).

Wade is not your typical western adversary; he's eloquent in his speech and manner and he even sketches people and birds in a notebook he carries – he's more like a misunderstood artist, involved with the wrong crowd, who just happens to mercilessly kill people.

Both men gain mutual insight from their time together, each seeing in the other a piece of the man they'd aspire to be. When Wade tells Evans, "Your conscience is sensitive. I don't think it's my favorite part of you." We know it is precisely the part Wade wishes he

## '3:10 to Yuma'

A Lionsgate release. Produced by Cathy Konrad. Executive producers: Stuart M. Besser, Ryan Kavanaugh, Lynwood Spinks. Directed by, James Mangold. Written by Halsted Welles, Michael Brandt, Derek Haas, based on the short story by Elmore Leonard.

### Starring:

Ben Wade - Russell Crowe  
Dan Evans - Christian Bale  
Byron McElroy - Peter Fonda  
Alice Evans - Gretchen Mol  
Charlie Prince - Ben Foster  
Grayson Butterfield - Dallas Roberts  
Doc Potter - Alan Tudyk

Release Date: September 7, 2007  
Running Time: 117 minutes

could cultivate.

During the journey Wade's band of lawless desperadoes come to aid his escape. Best western villain award goes to Charlie Prince (Ben Foster) who, with his piercing eyes, behaves like a demented, meth-injected miscreant, pretty much stealing every scene from Bale and Crowe – which is no easy feat. Performances all around are superb.

Luke Wilson (in an all-too-brief cameo) sports a nice set of yellow-stained dentures, Peter Fonda is terrific as the unstoppable (keep shooting him, he just won't die) bounty hunter, and Sci-Fi fans will be happy to see Alan Tudyk ("Firefly" and "Serenity") as the affable doctor.

While it's no galloping adventure "Yuma" trots along at a steady clip. See it with your shoes on.

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**MORE THAN A MOVIE:** Vox Lumiere reinvents silent films with exciting new music and dance, creating a completely new entertainment experience. They will appear at the pier Thursday.

Drive-in with flair

The Santa Monica Pier’s drive-in series (unique in its lack of actual driving-in; moviegoers sit on the pier or down in the sand) heats up tonight as Vox Lumiere takes to the stage in front of a screening of the 1927 silent film classic “Metropolis.”

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Admission is free but tickets are required. Tickets are available on the Wednesday prior to each weeks’ screening. Tickets must be picked up in advance at the Santa Monica Visitor’s Center at 1920 Main St, the

kiosk at 1400 Ocean Ave, the cart on the Third Street Promenade or at Vidiots at the corner of Pico Boulevard and Fourth Street.

For more information, visit [www.santamonicapier.org](http://www.santamonicapier.org) or call (310) 458-8900.

EMILY SKEHAN

Late bloomer

Wisecracking septuagenarian Herb Astrow finally got his big break. Over 50 years after his first and only acting role in a college production of “Death of a Salesman,” Astrow has revived his long decided, but inactive, career on stage with his comic storytelling. Astrow’s one man show, “Herbicide,” written by Astrow and directed by Lee Costello, will run at the Santa Monica Playhouse for two performances only, on Saturday, Sept. 15 at 8 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 16, at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and proceeds benefit the Save the Santa Monica Playhouse campaign. The Playhouse is located at 1211 4th St. Call (310) 394-9779 for more information.

GERRY SHIH

Festival heats up

Once again, the Venice Community Housing Corporation (VCHC) will host the Venice Music Festival on Sunday, Sept. 16. A trio of annual events including a brunch, a silent auction and the Music Festival concert will raise money for the VCHC’s ongoing

efforts to provide affordable housing, social and family support services to low-income families and at-risk youth in Los Angeles.

The Festival will begin at 2 p.m. and continue until 5 p.m. in an expanded performance space around the Palms Court, located at 733-743 Palms Blvd. A suggested donation of \$5 is requested for the Venice Music Festival.

Scheduled to perform at the Venice Music Festival are Ashley Maher and her Big Global Band. Maher’s highly individual and infectious brand of world/folk/jazz has gained her an international following, four acclaimed albums and performances with several major African icons.

Argentinean rockers Los Pinguos will be sure to have the audience dancing with their mixture of Latin rhythms.

A silent aauction will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Items available for bidding include art, restaurant gift certificates, personal and professional services.

There will be some activities for children so bring the whole family!

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Ticket look-out

Concert and comedy lovers should hurry to purchase tickets for two upcoming events later this year. “Queen of Soul” Aretha Franklin is scheduled to perform at the Nokia Theatre on February 14 and wisecracking Larry the Cable Guy will bust up an audience on March 1 at the same location. These tickets are likely to sell out if readers don’t act fast, so visit [www.goldenvoice.com](http://www.goldenvoice.com) to purchase seats ASAP.

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Ocean melodies

Starting Sept. 15, a weekly children’s concert series will usher music in at breakfast time at the Santa Monica Pier.

Anyone young at heart will enjoy the musical guests and activities such as singing, dancing, puppet, dress-up and face-painting, as well as balloon art, but the event is highly recommended for children ages 5 and under.

This Saturday, pier legend Michael Cladis and entertainer Rachel Owen will kick off the concerts with an interactive, automotive-themed program entitled “Cars!”



Photo courtesy Aretha Franklin

**SOULFUL LADY:** The legendary Aretha Franklin is coming to Los Angeles.

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ENTERTAINMENT BRIEFS



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**CHOICE CUT:** Art Institute-Los Angeles students demonstrate their culinary skill during last years Taste of Santa Monica.

A food enthusiast's delight

Self-proclaimed Epicureans who want to sample the variety of delicacies offered in our seaside city should attend the Sixth Annual Taste of Santa Monica, a fun-filled food festival this Sunday from Noon to 4 p.m. on the Santa Monica Pier.

Featuring an eclectic mix of up to 40 restaurants serving dishes sure to tease one's taste buds, guests can eat to their heart's delight with an all-inclusive entrance ticket. Tickets are \$40 pre-sale, \$45 at the door and \$10 for children under 10.

The festival will also feature live music, a cash bar, silent auction, raffle and wine garden.

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KCRW program "Bookworm" airs today at 2:30 p.m. with author/actress/director Miranda July. Host Michael Silverblatt will talk to the director of indie film "Me and You and Everyone We Know" about her new book of short stories that wrestles with this generation's fear of paralysis, its narcotized sleep-walker mood.

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Talking about Israel

This Tuesday, Sept. 18, the authors of the controversial article "The Israel Lobby and U.S. Foreign Policy" will discuss their theory as part of the Hammer Museum's forum series.

The article by John J. Mearsheimer of the University of Chicago and Stephen M. Walt of Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, was one of the most controversial in recent memory. Originally published in

the London Review of Books in March 2006, it provoked both howls of outrage and cheers of gratitude for challenging what had been a taboo issue in America.

The forum begins at 7 p.m. and is free to the public. The Hammer is located at 10899 Wilshire Blvd.

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**TRIPPY:** 'Pink Floyd the Wall' features offbeat animation.

Dark side of the screen

The 1982 classic "Pink Floyd the Wall," Alan Parker's metaphorical musical based on the psychedelic band's 11th album, will play tonight at the Santa Monica Aero Theater. The film, told from the point of view of a down-and-out rocker named Pink with mommy issues, will start at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$9 general admission and \$8 for seniors. The Aero is located at 1328 Montana Ave.

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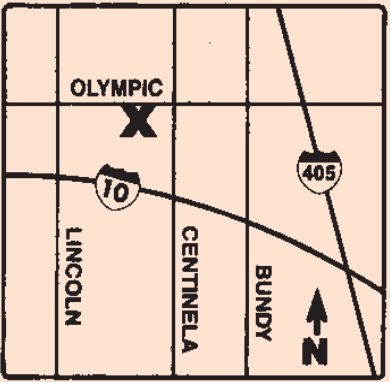
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# NEW DVD RELEASES

BY RANDY WILLIAMS



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**BIG DOGS:** 'Wild Hogs' features Martin Lawrence, John Travolta, Tim Allen and William H. Macy.

## 'Wild Hogs'

A group of middle-aged weekend road warriors suffering from stale Midwest suburban lifestyles go out looking for adventure (and get more than they desired). The action item involves tossing their cell phones and donning their leathers for a road trip on their motorcycles from their Ohio home to the west coast. The foursome are played by John Travolta, Tim Allen, Martin Lawrence and William H. Macy. A box office hit, the picture became one of the highest-grossing films in Travolta's 30-year career (\$168.2 million). A two-disc presentation is loaded with extras including: Writer/director commentaries, out takes, an alternate ending, deleted scenes and a feature titled "How to Get Your Wife to Let You Buy a Motorcycle." (Touchstone)

## 'Face-Off' Special Collector's Edition

Nicolas Cage and John Travolta literally face-off against each other in veteran Hong Kong director John Woo's American action feature. Travolta plays Sean Archer an FBI agent whose son was killed by terrorist Castor Troy (Cage). The two-disc set is loaded with bonus material including deleted scenes, an alternate ending, a film profile of director Woo and a making-of segment entitled "The Light and the Dark." The picture was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Effects/Sounds Effects Editing. Travolta also starred in another Woo drama, "Broken Arrow." (Paramount)

## 'Bobby Z'

Despite agreeing to impersonate a recently deceased drug dealer in order to gain his freedom, an ex-con's life (Paul Walker as Tim Kearney) takes a turn for the worse when he gets caught in a crossfire between deadly forces. Finding himself on the run from both a ruthless government agent (Laurence Fishburne) and some ticked off drug lords, Kearney doesn't have a lot of support helping him out of this deadly masquerade. Ultimate Fighting Champion Chuck Liddell also stars. (Sony)

## 'The Lookout'

Joseph Gordon-Leavitt stars as a promising high school athlete whose bright future is dimmed after suffering a head injury in a car accident. Working as a bank janitor he is taken in by a con artist's vision of a better life and agrees to be part of a heist of his employer. Screenwriter Scott Frank ("Minority Report") makes his directorial debut in this thriller. Bonus features include a making-of feature and commentary by Frank and the film's cinematographer, Alar Kivilo. (Miramax)

## 'The Office' Season Three

This popular mockumentary of cubicle hell led by Steve Carell as the earnest but clueless boss at a paper supply company in Scranton, Pennsylvania presents all 24 episodes of season three on four discs. Based on the BBC Series featuring Ricky Gervais, universal office drama such as potential closures, romance, mergers (corporate that is) and promotions are played out in clever fashion. The presentation works overtime to provide a wide array of bonus material that includes episode commentaries, a blooper reel, a music video, an Emmy award excerpt, interviews and deleted scenes among other offerings. (Universal)

## 'Fabio Montale'

Cesar award-winning actor Alain Delon stars as the title character, a grizzled and disillusioned detective in his hometown of Marseilles. Featured in three crime mysteries ("Total Chaos," "Chourmo" and "Solea") based on Jean-Claude Izzo's best-selling novels, Delon delves into the seamy underbelly of this multi-ethnic French port confronting street gangs, shady politicians, corrupt police officers and the Mafia. (Koch Lorber)



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# Tips for the 'floordrobe'

I blame Martha Stewart. It's all her fault that I started organizing my closet. At the very tail end of summer, I decided that this — regardless of the fact that I am organizationally-challenged — was a doable project. But, after watching Martha 10 to 11 a.m. every weekday during my summer vacation from teaching, I had been brainwashed into believing that I, too, could make Shaker lemon pies, lifelike roses out of coffee filters, and personalized piñatas. All the while, I was lounging in my pajamas and eating a breakfast of eggs cooked in the microwave. Martha would be so disappointed. If only I could do something to make it up to her.

My closet.

Three years ago, when my landlord showed my husband and I the apartment, the "walk-in" closet was, of course, empty, and enormous, and made me think that walking-in when it was full of clothes was going to be as easy as Shaker lemon pie. But the truth of the matter is that, full of clothes, my closet is the size of an airplane lavatory.

I don't need a bigger closet. What I need is organization.

The first step in closet pruning was to group my clothes into categories by season. I was born and raised in California; I've heard people talk about seasons. Martha Stewart talks about seasons. But here in Santa Monica, it makes more sense to categorize by time of day: "Midday" and "nippy morning/late evening." There are the clothes that I wear when it's warm, and the clothes that I layer over the clothes that I wear when it's warm.

I skipped Step 1.

Step 2 included subcategorizing by item so that the pants were with pants, shirts with shirts — this was dependent upon me having done Step 1. So you can see how the whole project was doomed from the start. It's like building a piece of furniture from Ikea for the very first time, and thinking that, please, if a whole dining room table can be put together with nothing but an Allen wrench, there can't possibly be any need to follow the single page of step-by-step pictographs.

So, because I skipped Step 2, I also had to skip Step 3 — sub-subcategorizing by color. My mother's closet is sub-subcategorized. It's the Amazing Technicolor Dream Closet, a rainbow of textiles. (My

### 'Do as I say'

Steps to Westside closet organization:

- **GROUP** by item.
- **WITHIN EACH ITEM**, group by color.
- **DIVIDE** the clothes that you don't wear into clothes to trash, donate, dry-clean, or tailor (and then actually take the trash clothes to the trash, and so on).

mother lives in Central California and has a closet the size of my bedroom. No joke. I once spread my arms like Leonardo DaVinci's Vitruvian Man, and used my arm span to measure the square footage.)

I started on Step 4 — dividing the clothes that I don't wear into four piles: 1) give away, 2) throw away, 3) dry clean, and 4) tailor.

But there are some clothes that don't belong in any of those piles. The vintage Levi's and yellow tee that I wore six years ago, when my husband and I eloped in Las Vegas. The circa 1920s silk dress that I wore in a play during my first semester of college; the costumer let me keep it because, during my six-weeks as a fun-loving flapper, the antique had ripped and been sewn back together a half dozen times. My overly-ambitious first sewing project: A Donna Karan two-way stretch jersey dress in beige, the "It" color 10 years ago. I never wore it (it was beige — who looks good in beige?), but that dress is a testament that I saw something through to completion. That dress negates every elementary school extracurricular activity that I signed up for and quit. That dress negates that it's mid-September and I still have clothes piled on the end of the bed and heaped on the floordrobe.

Martha Stewart would never be distracted by nostalgia. No, she would create a clothing time capsule and tuck in a lavender sachet. Great. Just what I need. Another project.

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NCAA FOOTBALL
USC preparing for big exam

Trojans getting ready for first of several major road contests

BY JOHN NADEL
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES Beating No. 1 Southern California since 2002 has been a most difficult proposition, and an impossibility at the Los Angeles Coliseum.

So to have a chance, an opponent has had to face the Trojans at home or, in the case of Texas in the BCS championship game two years ago, at the Rose Bowl.

That should give No. 14 Nebraska (2-0) some hope Saturday at Memorial Stadium in the Cornhuskers' first home game against a No. 1 team since 1978.

"Obviously a very difficult place to play," Trojans coach Pete Carroll said Tuesday at his weekly news conference. "Visited before, but I've never been there for a game. I know just historically it's an extraordinary crowd. They've got a great following.

"It's going to be a fantastic challenge for our young guys to handle it, deal with it well, perform like they're capable."

The game kicks off what looks to be a difficult road schedule for the Trojans, who also travel to play Washington, Notre Dame, No. 19 Oregon, No. 8 California and Arizona State. All are unbeaten except Notre Dame.

"These road games are hugely challenging," Carroll said. "It's served us well in the past to take on big matchups and get there and figure out a way to get a game won, get the heck out.

"We are accustomed over the years to playing teams that are prepared to give us the best shot they could possibly give us, and their fans are always ready to answer the call. That's what we have come to expect and that's normal for us to be in that situation."

USC (1-0) has won 34 straight games at the Coliseum going back to 2001. The Trojans are 60-6 since the beginning of the 2002 season, having lost at Kansas State and Washington State in 2002, at California in 2003, and at Oregon State and UCLA last season besides the last-minute 41-38 loss to Texas. The six losses were by a total of 22 points.

One of USC's 34 straight wins at home was a 28-10 triumph over Nebraska last September in a game the Cornhuskers seemed to approach with a keep-it-close attitude, running the ball 36 times for 68 yards.

"If they want to play a conservative game like last time, that's fine with us," USC defensive end Lawrence Jackson said. "If they want to have Sam Keller throw 50 or 60 times, that's OK, too."

Carroll said he believes Nebraska coach Bill Callahan knows what he's doing.

"They know what's best for them," Carroll said. "We really don't know what to expect. They're going to be up to the task. This is a veteran football team with great schemes and great coaching.

"They can do anything. They can totally open it up if they want to, or close it up and hammer you. Last year that was the way they went after us. Maybe they attacked our speed. We're not real big on defense. I don't know what to expect this time around. But we are preparing."

The Trojans weren't particularly impressive in a 38-10 season-opening victory over Idaho on Sept. 1. They will have had two weeks to prepare for Nebraska.

"I'm glad we got our win and met a number of objectives in the game," Carroll said of the opener. "We have the benefit of some guys coming back to us off this break."

Chauncey Washington, USC's leading rusher last season, didn't play against Idaho. Patrick Turner, the Trojans' leading returning receiver, sat out as well. Both are expected back this weekend.

One player who won't be back is defensive back Josh Pinkard, who Carroll said will probably need surgery on his left knee.

Jackson said that as a longtime fan of college football, he looks forward to playing at a place like Nebraska.

"It's a great opportunity to play in this stadium," he said. "When you play on the road in a hostile environment, it tests your character as a team. This is not the only tough place we'll play.

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Pete Carroll, Trojans coach

"I actually don't understand the concept of a tough road schedule. It's the same guys, home and away. If you can't make adjustments to be successful, you lose. You saw Oregon go into Michigan. It's about execution."

And, Jackson added, doing the kind of job Oregon did can take a rabid crowd out of a game.

"We expect it to be loud," he said. We show up to play football. Our approach doesn't change no matter how big the crowd is or the hype is."

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# No baby

## Foxy Brown's manager says rapper, sentenced to jail time, isn't pregnant

Jail officials will not need to make maternity accommodations for **FOXY BROWN** — her manager says the rapper isn't pregnant, despite her lawyer's courtroom contention that she was.

The revelation came Wednesday as her manager and Koch Records announced that Brown would release a new album while serving a one-year jail sentence.

Brown, who hasn't released an album since 2001's "Broken Silence," was sentenced Friday to one year in jail for violating probation that stemmed from a fight with two manicurists in a New York City nail salon three years ago.

In August, defense lawyers told the court that Brown was three months pregnant. But in a statement released Wednesday, her manager, Chaz Williams, said: "And to the pregnancy rumors, this is the official statement: She is not pregnant."

Brown herself didn't address the issue of pregnancy in her statement about her new album,

"Brooklyn's Don Diva," which is set for release Nov. 20. Her new single, "Don't Surrender," will be released to radio stations Thursday, Giovanna Melchiorre, a representative for the independent Koch Records, said.

"This is just a temporary situation," Brown said in a statement. "I made my bed and have no problem lying in it. My will is steady. What doesn't kill me will only make me stronger."

Brown, whose real name is Inga Marchand, was arrested last month in the New York City borough of Brooklyn on charges of hitting a woman with a cell phone when the pair fought over the music volume from Brown's car stereo. Her other violations include leaving the state without permission and dropping court-ordered anger management sessions with a psychologist.

"I visited Foxy at (Riker's Island prison) the day after sentencing, and her spirits were high," Williams said. "I expected nothing less. I was in court at sentencing and

she didn't blink an eye. She's a strong girl."

Before Friday's hearing began, Brown asked Criminal Court Judge Melissa Jackson for a second chance and promised to straighten out her life. But Jackson didn't budge.

"I'm not going to give you any more chances," she told Brown.

Williams downplayed the ruling.

"I'm sorry Miss Jackson, we're not impressed, and definitely not stopping musically," he said.

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### ZEPPELIN UNITED

**LED ZEPPELIN** will perform a one-time comeback concert in memory of Ahmet Ertegun, a co-founder of Atlantic Records.

The band will perform together for the first time in 19 years on Nov. 26, at London's The O2 venue, on the banks of the River Thames.

Promoters said the concert would pay tribute to Ertegun.

AP

# The White Stripes cancel shows

The **WHITE STRIPES** have canceled upcoming tour dates "due to health issues."

"Meg White is suffering from acute anxiety and is unable to travel at this time," the duo said Tuesday in a posting on their Web site. "We hate to let people down and are very sorry."

A representative for the White Stripes declined comment Wednesday.

Drummer White and singer-guitarist Jack White are touring to promote their latest album, "Icky Thump."

Shows set for this month in Albuquerque, N.M.; Austin, Texas; San Diego; Inglewood, Calif.; and Berkeley, Calif., have been canceled. Ticket holders can get refunds at the point of purchase, the Web site said.

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# Defer to someone else, Aries

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

### Happy Birthday!

Learn to be the diplomat. Others seem to want and demand control. It might be wise to learn to lie back. Your ability to make money is enhanced by your sixth sense. Buy a lottery ticket or two. If you are single, you could meet that special someone toward the end of 2008. Make sure he or she is available, or who he or she appears to be. If you are attached, you'll both gain from frequent getaways together. LIBRA absolutely adores you.



### Born Today

**Actress Nell Carter (1948)**  
Actress Jacqueline Bisset (1944)  
Actress Jean Smart (1959)

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#### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ You might be the victim of too many thoughts. As you try to sort everything out, you might feel overwhelmed. An effort or a gesture warms up a relationship. Tonight: Defer to someone else.

#### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Keep track of all the ideas that fly. Many people have very different ideas from you. Nevertheless, you are able to tie in everything in a compact, clear way. Creativity flourishes with a brainstorming session. Tonight: Let someone else run the show.

#### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ If you hit a block or a problem, your resourcefulness will come into play. Allow more fun to emerge in your life. You don't always need to be so serious. A partner or friend makes a caring gesture. Tonight: Why not flirt?

#### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ If you can work from home, then do. Though many people want to talk to you, you still might be more productive working behind the smoke screen of your home. A key person knows how to find you anyway. Tonight: Fun and games.

#### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ Knowing when to let others carry the flag is instrumental to your popularity and success. Some people might feel as if you are always around and pushing. Step back. The end result will be dynamic. Tonight: Hang out with a friend or two.

#### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Understanding your responsibility and liabilities proves to be very important. At a later point, you won't want an uncomfortable surprise. Curb a tendency to spend if you're upset. Find out other ways to let go. Tonight: Your treat.

#### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Your very social and charming style helps frequently draw results you would like. You don't need to wish; now is the time to act and make what you want happen. Step up to the plate. Make a dream a reality. Tonight: Go for what you really want.

#### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Know when to back off and let others take the lead. By observing, you might gain a lot of information about key people in your life. Though this subtle role generally is not you, it does prove to be most beneficial. Tonight: Get much-needed R and R.

#### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★★ Keep your eye on the big picture, and you won't be disappointed. If you get caught up in others' whisperings or gossip, the net result won't be the same. Don't question so much, and try to understand where others are coming from. Tonight: Where people are.

#### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Step up to the plate, where you can make a difference. You could be surprised by what comes up for you if you relax. A loose idea or financial matter needs tightening. You will be the one who needs to do it, too. Tonight: A must appearance.

#### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You might want to try a different approach. Though you have great ideas, making them workable takes a lot of effort. You know what you need. Go for exactly that. Don't settle. Walk in another's shoes. Tonight: Say yes to learning more.

#### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ A partner is absolutely sure that he or she is right — though you might not be. Let time answer any questions and choose to be more diplomatic than in the past. Express your caring through actions, not words. Tonight: Togetherness needs to be the theme.

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**Brothers Solomon, The (R)**  
2:05, 4:35, 7:10, 9:45  
**Death Sentence (R)**  
1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00  
**Hairspray (PG)**  
1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:40  
**Mr. Bean's Holiday (G)**  
1:15, 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:10  
**Stardust (PG-13)**  
1:30, 4:20, 7:30, 10:20

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1:40, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50  
**Becoming Jane (PG)**  
1:45, 4:30, 7:10  
**Paris, je t'aime (R)**  
9:45  
**Self-Medicating (R)**  
1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40

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12:10, 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:20  
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12:20, 2:50, 5:30, 7:50, 10:30  
**Nanny Diaries, The (PG-13)**  
11:50am, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50  
**Rush Hour 3 (PG-13)**  
12:00, 2:10, 4:40, 7:00, 9:40  
**Shoot 'Em Up (R)**  
12:30, 3:00, 5:20, 7:30, 10:00  
**Superbad (R)**  
1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10

Janric Classic 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 Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

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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.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Crazes
- 5 College houses
- 10 Bank offering
- 11 Singer Estefan
- 12 Aware of
- 13 Pillaged
- 14 Frays
- 16 Removes, as a page
- 20 TV host Dick
- 23 Sugar suffix
- 24 Corrosive agents
- 25 Egg buy
- 27 Apt. units
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD  
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ In July, a California appeals court rejected the challenge of Nizameddine Chokr, 51, leaving in place his five-year-plus sentence for repeatedly masturbating in public. However, Chokr, a suede-pants-wearing, facially discomfiting, secret FBI agent (according to him), shamelessly lamented that women are constantly demanding sex from him, leading him once to proclaim in court, "I am the best ever." He termed one of the masturbation episodes (according to a July Orange County Weekly report) an "involuntary" discharge and expressed confusion why patrons in Angelo's Hamburgers restaurant would scream when he unzipped to clean himself. In another incident, he said he tried mightily to resist two women who picked him up at a bus stop, but said he had to accede to their sexual demands lest they file bogus criminal charges.

■ In April, a woman hanging out laundry on the sixth-floor roof of a building in Nanjing, China, fell off but was only slightly injured when she happened to land in a shallow pool of the contents of the building's septic system, which workers were cleaning.

TODAY IN HISTORY

**1847** Mexican-American War: Six teenage military cadets known as Niños Héroes die defending Chapultepec Castle in the Battle of Chapultepec. American General Winfield Scott captures Mexico City in the Mexican-American War.

**1862** American Civil War: Union soldiers find Robert E. Lee's battle plans in a field outside Frederick, Maryland. It is the prelude to the Battle of Antietam.

**1898** Hannibal Goodwin patents celluloid photographic film.

**1900** Filipino resistance fighters defeat a small American column in the Battle of Pulang Lupa, during the Philippine-American War.

**1922** The temperature (in the shade) at Al 'Aziziyah, Libya reaches a world record 57.7°C (135.9°F).

**1948** Margaret Chase Smith is elected senator, and becomes the first woman to serve in both the U.S. House of Representatives and the United States Senate.

**1956** IBM introduces the first computer disk storage unit, the RAMAC 305.

**1969** The Premiere Episode of Scooby-Doo, Where Are You?

**1994** Ulysses probe passes the Sun's south pole.

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THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Mark J. Saladino, Public Administrator be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

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|                            |   | <u>Single Family Homes</u> | <u>Condos &amp; Townhomes</u> |
|----------------------------|---|----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Santa Monica Canyon        | = | \$ 2,113,000               | No Listings                   |
| North of Montana           | = | \$ 3,890,745               | \$ 1,696,517                  |
| Between Wilshire & Montana | = | \$ 2,821,455               | \$ 901,752                    |
| South of Wilshire          | = | \$ 1,001,250               | \$ 677,407                    |
| Sunset Park                | = | \$ 1,485,840               | \$ 633,491                    |
| Ocean Park                 | = | \$ 2,139,182               | \$ 1,080,959                  |

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