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PARK IT

Kevin Herrera *kevinh@smdp.com*

Members of the bicycle advocacy group Santa Monica Spoke hang out Friday at the miniature park they created at the corner of Broadway and Lincoln Boulevard for Park(ing) Day, a worldwide movement in which people take over metered parking spaces to call attention to the need for more urban open space ... at least until the meter runs out!

Airport critics to celebrate temporary SMO closure

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMO It's only for four days, but residents who live near Santa Monica Airport will be getting a reprieve from aircraft noise this week, as SMO's runway will shut down for maintenance between Sunday night and Friday morning.

Anti-airport activists are planning to mark the occasion with a "peace and quiet" vigil on Monday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Lincoln Boulevard and Rose Avenue to bring attention to SMO's impacts on neighboring residential communities.

Los Angeles City Councilman Bill Rosendahl, whose district includes Venice and other West Los Angeles neighborhoods impacted by SMO, is planning to attend. Invitations also were extended to Santa Monica officials.

"We certainly respect their rights and their opportunity to express their opinions and let the rest of the public know how they feel," Airport Administrator Rod Merl said of the planned event.

The vigil comes as Santa Monica residents who formed the group Neighbors for

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Council votes to shorten meetings

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL The next time the City Council convenes, members will be under an extra bit of pressure to get to the point.

With the goal of shortening its twice monthly sessions, the council on Tuesday approved a handful of changes to meeting procedures. Among them: the use of digital timers that will measure how long each member speaks.

The council adopted the changes after Mayor Bobby Shriver earlier this year suggested the council look into ways to shorten meetings, which occasionally run until midnight or later.

Beginning with the Sept. 28 meeting, every time a council member turns on his or her microphone, a digital clock will start running; there won't be a time limit, but — the thinking goes — just seeing the minutes pile up will encourage even the most eloquent orator to wrap it up.

It's "another tool to raise awareness of the length of time spent on an item," as a City Hall report on the changes put it.

The digital timers will only be visible to speakers — not to members of the public — so councilmembers will have to police themselves for the new procedure to have a noticeable effect.

The council also agreed to start meetings 15 minutes earlier, at 5:30 p.m., and to discontinue the practice of allowing "special needs" members of the public to comment on agenda items at the beginning of the meeting. Instead, those who are unable to wait until an item is called will be asked to submit their comments in written form so they can be photocopied and distributed to council members. A City Clerk employee will be on hand during meetings to assist with writing out comments.

Members of the council said the change would enable the public portion of meetings to begin at approximately 6:30 p.m. each week, instead of at 7 p.m. or later.

In another change, the council decided to immediately go into closed session after convening the meeting at 5:30 p.m., rather than first calling items listed on the consent calendar. Those items, which are typically routine business items that receive little or no

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS

Saturday, Sept. 18, 2010

Chile roast
Virginia Avenue Park
2200 Virginia Ave., 9 a.m.
Chile roasts return every Saturday for the month of September at the Saturday Farmers' Market in the Pico Neighborhood. Chile roasts will start at 9 a.m. and go until the chiles, which will sell for $2 a pound, are gone.

Family free day at the museum
Santa Monica Museum of Art
2525 Michigan Ave., 2 p.m. — 5 p.m.
Participants make projects that explore the science, art, and happy accidents, found in the work of Alberto Burri. For more information, call (310) 586-6488.

Meet a Laker
Nordstrom
Santa Monica Place, 1 p.m.
Meet NBA World Champion Los Angeles Lakers shooting guard Sasha Vujacic, fit model for Rock & Republic's brand new, premium denim fit for athletes. Sasha inspired the new fit, appropriately called the SV18, after his jersey number. For more information, call (310) 752-2701, ext. 1530.

A Shared Perspective: The Case study Apartments and Beyond
Santa Monica Public Library
Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium, 1 p.m. — 3 p.m.
Edward B. Sawyer, an architect commissioned by Arts & Architecture Magazine to create a series of apartment buildings in Phoenix, Ariz., will present his collaboration with Alfred Newman Beadle.

Sunday, Sept. 19, 2010

Liver life walk
Ocean View Park
7:30 a.m. — 11 a.m.
A walk to benefit and celebrate the life of those with liver disease and their families. For more information, call (310) 670-4642.

Take a walk with your mutt
Santa Monica Pier
1550 Beach Lot, 8:30 a.m. — 1 p.m.
Dogs and their owners will participate in a morning walk to raise money for A World of No More Homeless Pets. The walk will be followed a by a dog-themed festival featuring doggie yoga, training demonstrations, free treats, music and food.

Mariachi divas
The Broad Stage
1319 11th Street, 2 p.m.
In celebration of the Mexican Independence Bicentennial, the Mariachi Divas, the first all-female mariachi group to win a Grammy, will put on a free performance at the community festival. For more information, call (310) 434-3200.

Roots & Shoots 8th Annual Day of Peace Festival
Santa Monica Pier
11 a.m. — 4 p.m.
The festival will include concerts, eco-friendly exhibits, pet adoptions as well as crafts and other activities. Guests and more than 600 youth members from Dr. Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoot program will hold the annual Peace Dove Parade, releasing more than 100 hand-made 25 foot peace doves.

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

CORRECTION

In the Sept. 17 edition of the Daily Press, a page 1 headline for a story on endorsements should have said "Police, fire unions back council incumbents." The police and fire departments do not make endorsements, only the associations representing employees.

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Unemployed turn to Main Library for assistance

BY MELISSA LEU
Special to the Daily Press

MAIN LIBRARY At 19, Carmen Revier is getting ready to support a baby. After graduating from Holley High School in New York, he hitchhiked across the country to pursue his dream of becoming a professional skateboarder.

"I'm having a baby, so I can't really skateboard right now," said Revier, who arrived at the Santa Monica Public Library's Career Day on Friday with the hopes of attaining help on finding a job.

The library hosted an afternoon of hour-long classes, which offered information on job-hunting tips, mock interview sessions and resume writing.

About 40 people attended the event, with a majority of them signing up for one-on-one resume feedback from professional recruiters from Elite Placement, a temporary employment agency, and UPS.

"A lot of people don't even know [how to search], they don't have that basic [knowledge] … . They know how to surf the Internet, but they go on Facebook or Perez Hilton. They don't know how to find the information they need," said Jeff Kaplan, a reference services librarian who spearheaded the event.

Kaplan, who also teaches a class on finding jobs at the Main Branch, empathizes with those who are out of work.

"I was unemployed for six months and it was the hardest experience of my life," Kaplan said. "Just do what you can. Take advantage of the resources to get a job to make yourself as competitive as possible. There are jobs. There are just a lot more people competing for the same jobs now."

Kaplan has noticed that since he began teaching the class in 2008, the average age of the group has gotten younger.

"It's people who have a lot of the skills that the market needs … but the market is just so tight … . The oldest workers and the youngest are the most at risk," Kaplan said.

Michelle Freed, 44, immigrated from Taiwan. After working as a flight attendant for Cathay Pacific and Quantas Airways, she quit her job to become a

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TO THE HOUSE: **Samohi receiver Kris Comas scores on a long touchdown pass — he had four TDs on the night — during a 42-20 win against Palisades Charter High School Thursday. The Vikings improved their record to 2-0. They take on Villa Park Sept. 23.**

Samohi tops Pali on the road

BY FARZAD MASHHOOD
Special to the Daily Press

PACIFIC PALISADES The Santa Monica High School Vikings handled the Palisades Dolphins in a 42-20 victory at the Stadium by the Sea on Thursday, improving the team's record to 2-0.

But despite the lopsided victory, Samohi Coach Travis Clark said the game's ending was a disappointment. In the second half, the once stingy Vikings defense collapsed as a heavy fog rolled in. Players missed plenty of easy tackles as Pali's backup quarterback Ke'monte Reed ran all over the Samohi defense.

"That's not Santa Monica football. That's not the way we finish," Clark said. "It wasn't prideful. It felt like a loss."

Wide receiver Kris Comas agreed with his coach.

"It was like we gave up. I don't even know how to enjoy this," he said.

Comas performed well in the contest, scoring four touchdowns, including a juggling, 17-yard catch from starter Brock Miller and another 80 yarder off a screen pass in the third quarter.

It was after Comas' third quarter touchdown catch, which came from backup quarterback Rhys Gervais, that Pali began capitalizing on a sluggish Viking defense.

"We came out thinking our defense will still attack them, but it was like we just gave up," Comas said. "We thought the game was over. But it wasn't over. I'm a little upset with that.

"In my eyes it was a loss."

After a lopsided first half that saw a 28-7 Samohi lead, both Samohi and Palisades had plenty to prove in that second half.

The Vikings had to show that they could maintain their dominance, dominance over their out-of-conference rivals for a second year in a row and dominance for the entire 48 minutes of the football game. The Dolphins needed to find the saving grace for their wishbone formation and overcome a crushing first half.

Knowing he needed a spark, Pali Coach Perry Jones brought in Reed, who energized a struggling Dolphins running game.

In the fourth quarter, Palisades would set up shop from their own 21-yard-line. On first down, Reed opened things up with a 21-yard run, then a 9-yarder. A couple of plays later, Reed exploded past the Samohi defense for a 42-yard touchdown run to tighten the score at 35-14.

"When you have an athletic quarterback like Ke'monte, he can take advantage of the creases," Jones said, adding that Reed was more able to match up with Samohi's speedy defense.

"The defense was missing major tackles when they brought in (Reed)," Clark said. "We knew they were going to give him the ball."

Reed was not all positives for the Dolphins, however, as he would cough up the ball about five minutes after scoring. The Samohi defense took Reed's fourth quarter fumble 35 yards to the endzone to

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Wasting money on leaf blowers

Editor:

The $55,000-a-year leaf blower point person is another example of how our city government wastes money ("Homeowners now targeted for leaf blower violations," page 1, Sept. 16). Gas blowers are noisy and pollute. So does the traffic that this city has incurred. We encourage electric cars. Why do we disallow electric leaf blowers? They may make a little noise, but no more than a rake on a concrete sidewalk or driveway. So I guess we should outlaw rakes next, or maybe concrete sidewalks and driveways.

The argument that the blowers blow dust and even fecal matter says a lot about policies that enforce pet owners to pick up their dog's poop, and the homeless to pick up theirs.

Stop the insanity. Save our city. Will my fellow Santa Monicans please vote to get some new blood on the City Council.

Larry Arreola
Santa Monica

A case for the ACLU

Editor:

I hope the ACLU comes and helps the minority gardeners who are being discriminated against by the city and the rich white homeowners who complain about the leaf blowers.

Graciella Flores
Santa Monica

Where does it end?

Editor:

I am a smoker and feel exactly the way letter writer James Zeruk feels ("Strong feelings on ban," Sept. 13).

My neighbor was interviewed on TV (not a smoker) and feels that [the ban on smoking on patios and balconies] is totally unjust and unfair. She said, "What about the neighbors that barbeque all the time? Their smoke, smell, etc. bothers the neighbors. What about people who make love (loudly)? Shall we kill them? What about the many, many people who throw out mattresses in the alley, probably infested with bedbugs, then the homeless sleep on them? Why don't they just call the waste district and pay to have them picked up?"

I've been in Santa Monica for 50 years, and it's not getting easier. Excuse me, I'm going to Culver City for a smoke.

What's next?

Serene Kenter
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Modern Times

Lloyd Garver — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

The ball is in our court

THE HEADLINES ABOUT THE RECENTLY completed U.S. Open tennis championship included that Rafael Nadal won, Roger Federer didn't, and Kim Clijsters — a wife and mother — won on the women's side. However, if these are the only headlines you've read, you're missing out on the big story: An Indian and a Pakistani were doubles partners. Their countries are almost always at war, but these two men became friends, played tennis and touched hands after their final match in a very emotional end to the championship.

Neither Aisam-ul-haq Querehi of Pakistan nor Rohan Boprana of India played tennis together to make a political statement. They became partners simply because they each needed a partner, and they didn't care what country he was from, or what religion he belonged to. In fact, in 2002, Querehi's partner, Amir Hadad, was an Israeli.

Querehi has said, "Sports is above religion and politics," but this year they couldn't resist making a political statement. On the jackets they wore at Wimbledon, were the words, "Stop War, Start Tennis."

That slogan may sound a bit simplistic and unrealistic. I mean, is it really possible for every soldier in the world to drop his or her rifle and pick up a tennis racket instead? Probably not. What the slogan really means is to pursue peaceful things instead of war. During the U.S. Open, some Vietnam vets asked if they could buy some of those "Stop War, Start Tennis" shirts. However, there weren't any for sale.

As Querehi and Boprana continued to win their matches in the U.S. Open, larger and larger crowds of Indians and Pakistanis came to the tennis center in New York. In fact, towards the end of the tournament, these two players looked up in the stands and saw the Indian ambassador to the U.N. sitting next to the Pakistani ambassador to the U.N. There is no confirmation that these two men shared a box of popcorn, but maybe they're taking this one step at a time.

There was a lot of excitement when Querehi and Boprana made it to the doubles championship against Americans Bob and Mike Bryan, the world champions. In a thrilling match, the Bryan brothers beat what is now nicknamed the Indo-Pak Express. However, the final point was not the end of all the on-court emotion.

When Querehi took the microphone on court, after thanking everyone, he said he wanted people to know that the common image of Muslims is not accurate. He added, "We do have terrorist groups. We do have extremists. But I feel like in every religion there are extremists. It doesn't mean that the whole nation is terrorist or extremist. Pakistan is a very peace-loving country … and we want peace as much as you guys want it. May God love us all."

At the post-match news conference, the Pakistani ambassador gave the Bryan brothers ceremonial shawls to thank them for donating some of their prize money to Pakistani flood relief. They had done so with no particular fanfare.

TO QUEREHI AND BOPRANA, THE MOST AMAZING THING WAS TO HAVE SEEN SOME PAKISTANIS CHEERING AN INDIAN, AND SOME INDIANS CHEERING A PAKISTANI.

To Querehi and Boprana, the most amazing thing was to have seen some Pakistanis cheering an Indian, and some Indians cheering a Pakistani. Some might also think it was amazing that some of the Americans in the crowd cheered a Hindu and a Muslim. And they cheered the Americans, too.

It was an exuberant moment in sports. Here, in the city where the towers fell and where there is so much Muslim-related controversy right now, New Yorkers gave all four men a standing ovation. I'm not so naive as to think that a tennis match changed everyone's opinion of other religions and nationalities. Probably by the time they got home, most of the fans reverted to whatever their old feelings had been. Most of the fans, but maybe not all of them.

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The 411 on the 211

Q: I AM A BUSINESS OWNER IN SANTA Monica and I want to make sure I am prepared for any type of crime against my business. How can I make sure I am prepared against a robbery?

A: To help prevent the occurrence of a robbery, follow these simple but valuable suggestions:

• Install an alarm system;

• Have at least two employees open and close the business;

• Do not release personal information to strangers;

• Keep purses and personal valuables locked in desks or lockers;

• Place a surveillance camera behind the cash register facing the front counter and replace videotapes regularly at varied times;

• Vary times and routes of travel for bank deposits and use unmarked moneybags and consider using armored car money couriers;

• Keep a low balance in the cash register and place excess money in a safe, or deposit it as soon as possible;

• Deposit all large bills right away. If a customer tries to pay with a large bill, politely ask if he or she has a smaller one, explaining that you keep very little cash on hand;

• Keep your business neat and clean. A tidy, orderly place of business and neatly dressed employees is inviting to customers, but not to robbers;

• Know who is in your business and where they are, and watch for people who hang around without buying anything;

• Be aware of suspicious activity outside your place of business and write down license numbers of suspicious vehicles if visible from the inside of your business;

• Make sure the sales counter is visible from the outside so that police can see in when they drive by your store. Don't put up advertisements, flyers, displays, signs, posters or other items on windows or doors that might obstruct the view of the register from inside or outside your business;

• Try to greet customers as they enter your business by looking them in the eye, and asking if they need help. Your attention alone can often discourage a robber.

Follow these tips when working late at night:

• Keep your business well-lit, inside and outside, and keep trees and shrubs trimmed so they do not block the light. Employees should report any burned-out lights to the business owner or manager;

• Be cautious when taking out the trash or cleaning the parking lot. Make sure another employee inside the business keeps you within eye contact while you are outside of your building;

• If you see something suspicious, call the police. Never put yourself in danger by trying to handle a situation yourself;

• Use only one register at night. Leave other registers empty and open, and tilt the register drawer to show there is no money in it;

• Leave blinds and drapes partially open during closing hours;

• Post signs that say "Clerk cannot open the time lock safe" and make sure important signs stay posted.

During a robbery, try to remember these tips:

• If your business is robbed, put your safety before that of money or merchandise;

• Don't talk except to answer the robber's questions and don't stare directly at the robber;

• Prevent surprises by keeping your hands in sight at all times, and don't make any sudden moves;

• Tell the robber if someone is coming out of the back room, a vault or working in another area of your business;

• Cooperate with the robber and comply with demands for your own safety and the safety of others;

• Try to remain calm and think clearly, so that you can take mental notes of the robber's physical description and other observations that may help police officers;

• If you have a silent alarm and can reach it without being noticed, use it. Otherwise, wait until the robber leaves.

What you do after a robbery can be just as important as what you do during one. Here are some helpful suggestions:

• Don't chase or follow the robber, but try to see the direction that he flees;

• If you see a "get-away" vehicle, write down a description and a license plate number;

• Call 911 or the police as soon as it's safe, and remain on the line;

• Lock your business;

• Ask any witnesses to stay until the police arrive;

• Call your business owner, manager, or other designated person;

• Don't touch anything the robber may have touched;

• As soon as you are able to, write down a description of the robber and the weapon while it is still fresh in your mind;

• When police arrive, try to stay calm and cooperate;

• Do your best to remember what the suspect looks like and any other details the police might use.

If you have further questions or would like to receive training or advice first hand please do not hesitate to contact the Neighborhood Resource Officer for your respective area.

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It's time to introduce yourself to charred tomatillos

BY JIM ROMANOFF
For The Associated Press

You've probably looked right at them dozens of times, those greenish, papery, lantern-like things in the bin next to the tomatoes at the market. And then you probably moved on.

They're called tomatillos and they are worth stopping for.

Tomatillos can be used raw or cooked much as you would a tomato. The berry inside the husk can range from marble- to plum-size and has solid, seedy flesh. Raw, they taste a bit like green apple with hints of lemon or lime, but cooking mellows the flavor.

Nutritionally speaking, tomatillos have roughly the same amount of vitamin C as a red tomato and a bit more potassium.

When selecting tomatillos choose smooth, green fruits (when they start to turn yellow they lose some of their tanginess), free of bruises and blemishes. The husks should be clean and dry.

To prepare tomatillos you will need to peel away the husk and wash away the sticky resin on the skin.

For a touch of tartness, consider adding chopped tomatillos to your favorite greens. Or to make a salad where they're more prominently featured, combine wedges of tomatillos and tomatoes with slivered red onion, then toss in a dressing made with extra-virgin olive oil and lime juice spiked with chopped cilantro and red pepper flakes.

This mellow salsa verde is made by pureeing char-grilled tomatillos, sweet onion and poblano chili peppers. The recipe can be made spicier or milder by varying the type of chili pepper you use.

Serve this green salsa with chips for dipping, or mash it up with avocado and additional lime juice for an easy guacamole.

To make huevos verde, melt some shredded Jack cheese on corn tortillas and top with a couple poached or fried eggs and a liberal amount of the salsa. Serve with black beans and additional warm corn tortillas for scooping.

Charred tomatillo, poblano and sweet onion salsa

Start to finish: 50 minutes (10 minutes active)
Servings: 4 (1/2 cup each)

1 pound tomatillos, husks removed, rinsed
1 medium sweet onion, cut into 1/2-inch-thick slices
1 small poblano chili pepper
2 tablespoons rice vinegar
1 tablespoon lime juice
1 to 2 teaspoons honey, to taste
1/8 teaspoon salt, or to taste

Heat a gas grill to high or light a charcoal fire. Grill the tomatillos, onion slices and poblano, turning occasionally, until soft and charred, 10 to 15 minutes. Remove the vegetables as they are ready. Set aside to cool for about 15 minutes.

Peel, seed and stem the poblano. Coarsely chop the onion.

In the bowl of a food processor, combine the tomatillos, onion, poblano, vinegar, lime juice, honey and salt. Pulse until the mixture is well blended but still a bit chunky. Serve warm or cold.

Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 87 calories; 14 calories from fat (16 percent of total calories); 2 g fat (0 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 18 g carbohydrate; 2 g protein; 4 g fiber; 218 mg sodium.

Using pears for an elegant, fast and child-friendly dessert

J.M. HIRSCH
AP Food Editor

The problem? An abundance of pears and no real desire to eat them raw.

The solution? An easy dessert that took 5 minutes of my time and was both elegant enough to serve to company but child-friendly enough to prompt my 6-year-old to demand seconds. And to ask for it again for breakfast the next day. And lunch.

I worked no real magic. I simply peeled the pears then used a melon baller to scoop out the core (working up from the bottom). I then poached the pears in a bath of red wine (the remnants of several open bottles), some spices and sugar.

That's it. The pears were beautiful and delicious, and I'd spent all of about 5 minutes making them.

For my son, I simply served them as is. I also could have tipped the pears on their side and placed a scoop of vanilla ice cream in the cavity. For company, I scattered some crumbled blue cheese and toasted walnuts over and around them and added a dollop of creme fraiche.

They also can be prepped ahead, then refrigerated. Either briefly warm them in a 300 F oven, or serve them chilled.

If you don't happen to have any bottles of red wine kicking around, opt for something in the $5 to $10 range.

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Red wine poached pears with blue cheese and walnuts

Start to finish: 45 minutes (5 minutes active)
Servings: 6

6 pears, peeled, stem left intact
750-milliliter bottle red wine
1 cinnamon stick
3 whole cloves
1 cup sugar
1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese
1/4 cup chopped toasted walnuts
1/3 cup creme fraiche

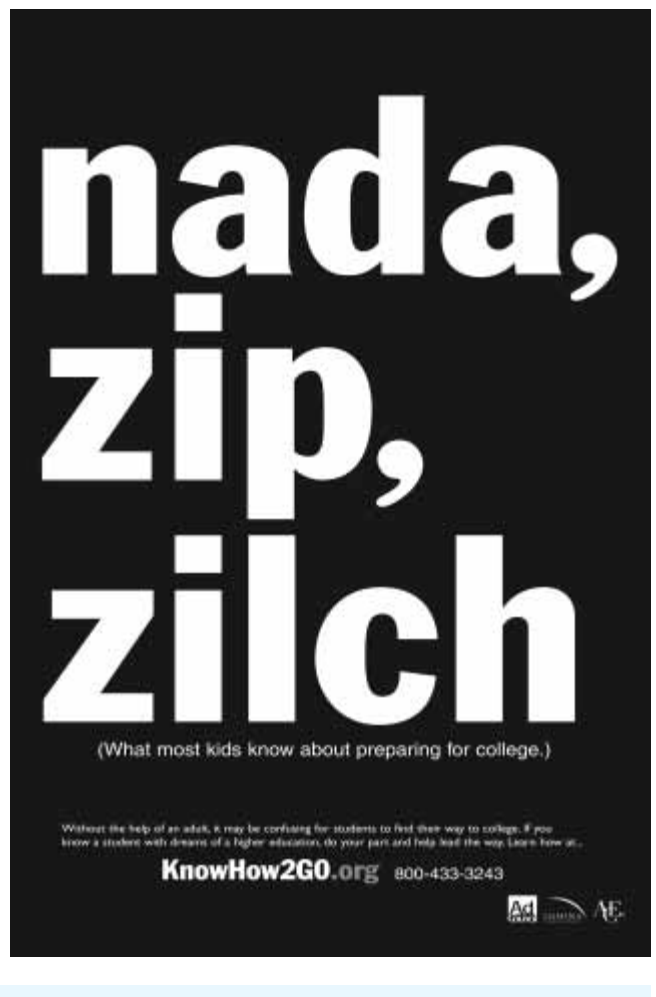
Use a melon baller to carefully scoop out the core of the pears, working from the bottom up. This creates a hollow inside the pear, somewhat resembling a bell.

In a medium saucepan, combine the red wine, cinnamon stick, cloves and sugar. Stand the pears upright in the mixture, then bring to a simmer over medium heat. Simmer, uncovered, for about 40 minutes, or until the pears are just tender. Occasionally turn the pears to help them poach evenly.

The pears can be served warm, room temperature or chilled. Arrange each pear on a serving plate and sprinkle blue cheese and walnuts on and around them. Place a dollop of creme fraiche either on the pear or on the plate next to it.

Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 242 calories; 66 calories from fat (25 percent of total calories); 7 g fat (3 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 10 mg cholesterol; 43 g carbohydrate; 4 g protein; 7 g fiber; 160 mg sodium.







The Re-View

Merv Hecht

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Whining about wine prices

FOR ME, THE LEAST INTERESTING restaurant in the new Santa Monica Place is the Sonoma Wine Garden. Yet it's one of the most popular, and it has the best views.

What's good? The Charcuterie plate, the pizza, and all of the salads. And those are the dishes people are eating, while enjoying the California sunshine. I particularly liked the fresh fig and arugula salad for $12. The figs were just at the right stage of ripeness, the hazelnuts added a nice flavor, the dressing was not too tart, but just right, and the arugula was very fresh. The pie of the day went by, and it looked very tasty.

I mentioned the view, but the inside décor is also nice, and the restaurant has a good feel to it, with a wine theme to set the mood.

And while we're talking about what's good, let's mention the service. Nice friendly wait staff, and plenty of them so there's not too much waiting. Mary, who last waited on me, seemed to know the menu well, and was conversant with the wines by the glass as well. She and I finally agreed on the Weissburgunder Heidi Schrock Burgenland Austrian wine (2008) for $15 a glass, and it was delightful: floral nose, floral flavors with a touch of tartness from the mild acidity, and a beautiful color.

But then there is the menu and the food preparation. The first time I ate there my medium rare Sonoma Burger was over-cooked and dry. That can happen anywhere. But the next time I ate there I decided to try one of the strange entrees on the menu, and I settled on the Kaiserschmarrn. This was described as a "caramelized Austrian pancake soufflé with raisins and roasted plums" ($12). I was warned in advance that it would take 20 minutes to cook, but that was OK since it gave me time to sip my wine and eat an appetizer.

I should have taken a picture to illustrate what arrived, since it's hard to describe. It certainly was not a pancake. It was not caramelized. It looked like someone had chopped up a bunch of polenta and dropped apricot jam on top of it. There were no raisins, but there might have been some slices of almonds. All I can figure out is that the chef slipped when trying to remove the pancake from the pan, it fell on the floor and he tripped over it, then picked up the pieces and dropped the plum jam on top and sent it to my table.

Of course Mary should not have served it, and she mentioned, in passing, that it looked different from the other times she had seen it.

As with all of the restaurants in Santa Monica Place, you can't lunch there if you're on a budget. A salad, inexpensive main course, and glass of wine, with tax and tip, came to $50.

And what about the wines? They have an experienced wine person who must have a very good personality because everyone I've talked to so far says what a great person he is. And I like the selection of wines, which is not the usual suspects one finds in those restaurants where all the wines come from Southern and the other big distributors. This list had been given a lot of thought, and the wines are quite delicious. But, like almost everywhere, they are too expensive. There are no wines by the glass under $10, and generally it takes $15 to get a glass of what I want to drink. The Australian white that I drank (see above) sells retail for about $25 a bottle, so at $15 a glass they are charging $75 a bottle (there are usually five glasses to a bottle).

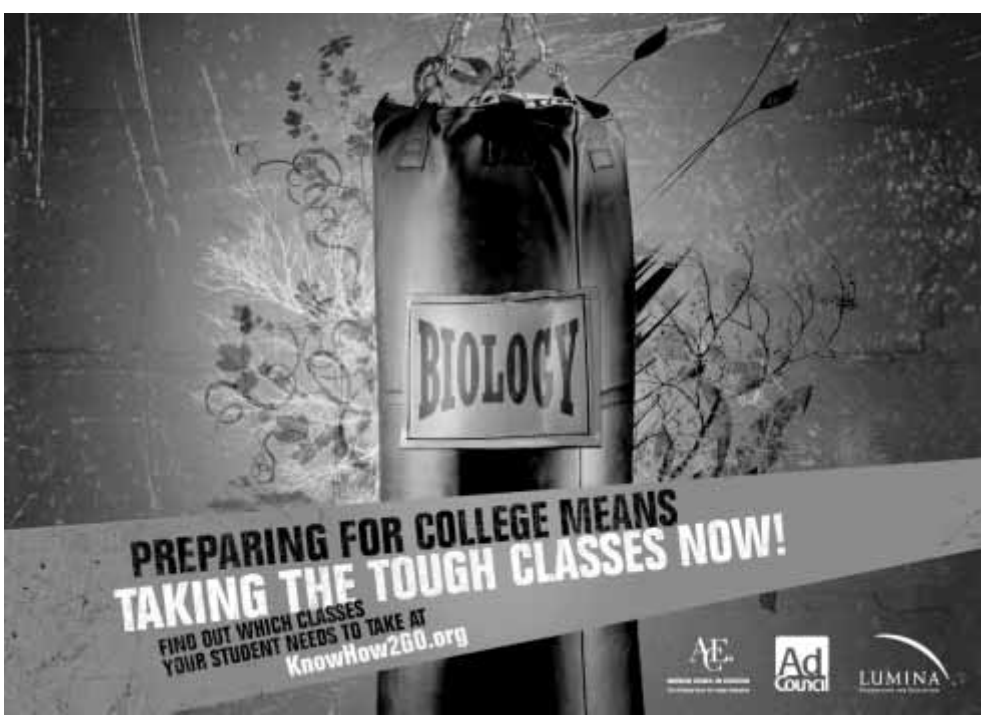
Other wines on the wine by the glass list range in retail pricing from $18 to $25, but still are priced at $15 a glass. That's too much for the Navarro Argentine Malbec, that I can buy for $12 wholesale.

The Sonoma Wine Garden has some fixing up to do, but I predict it will be a nice addition to the Santa Monica scene, and a nice place for local ladies to meet for a salad and a glass or two of wine.

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The Q Line

Tough choices

This past week, Q-line asked:
In November's election, are you more inclined to vote for an incumbent or a newcomer?
Here are your responses:

"NO, I WILL NOT VOTE FOR ANY INCUMBENT that opposed Measure T and I will not vote for Davis or O'Day all of which are in bed with Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights, who are a sham really and only devoted to how to control development. There are not candidates to speak of that oppose renters' rights and I hope renters, read: sheep, in this city will stop blindly voting for the idiots that have turned Santa Monica into an nightmare. The rampant over development with no end in sight is what is responsible for grid lock, no parking, danger to pedestrians and bicyclists, pollution and noise in an 8 square mile area that long ago reached its limit. You renters can blame yourselves because your stupidity and your votes are responsible for this mess."

"YES, I DO FAVOR CHOOSING NEW MEMBERS for City Council seats, but please check out your choice and make sure he is not bought and paid for by big developers before you cast your vote. Thank you."

"I THINK AL GORE AND THE CITY COUNCIL are behind our shifting weather pattern this year, just like the movie 'Ghostbusters' when all the evil spirits rose from the earth to infect New York City, the turgid vapor emanating from City Hall has disturbed the natural flow of nature. Again, like the darkness that fell upon the land of Mordor, evil City Hall progressive policies have helped stall our summer. I hope people are as bold in November."

"I'M VOTING FOR A NEWCOMER, THE incumbents have shown they're out of touch with the majority of Santa Monica residents and continue to pursue policies that are thought outside the bounds of what city government should do. We need to cut back, reduce our spending and have a more responsible, accountable City Council."

"AFTER ALL THE YEARS OF THESE SELF serving, incompetent nincompoops at the helm of this city, we are long overdue for change before the city turns into a complete overbuilt slum. It is so overbuilt, dirty, bum and low-life ridden, hope is fading. Out with all the incompetent incumbents, outward and upward with Susan Hartley, Ted Winterer and the like."

"OLD SYSTEMS TEND TO PETRIFY AND NOT be open to different thinking. Newcomers, too, might not come up with new ideas themselves, but might be willing to respond with greater flexibility to ideas that come from the citizens. Newcomers are not yet fully absorbed with the old power structure and could help us make modifications."

"IF ROBERT KRONOVET, WHO HAS A seizing contempt for rent control and those tenets who are benefiting from Santa Monica's rent control and fair housing policies can be elected to the Santa Monica rent control board and now be a council hopeful, then anything can happen in Santa Monica's political community."

"Incumbent or newcomer doesn't really matter. If he had a long record of supporting rent control even George W. Bush could get elected to the City Council in Santa Monica."

"SOME NEWCOMER CANDIDATES ARE spending a fortune attempting to actually buy the election. They will not be able to purchase my vote."

"I'M GOING TO VOTE FOR NEWCOMERS, NOT the incumbents. I want to get all those crooks out of office."

"WE ARE VERY LUCKY TO HAVE PEOPLE like Winterer and Hartley running for City Council. They have been working for years on the sidelines to keep Santa Monica the way it was before developers, polluters, and big business got control. And of our present council, voters, please look at where most of O'Connor's money came from. Of course, developers! When you receive the beautiful, colorful, convincing fliers praising the incumbents, get out your magnifying glass and read the very small print at the bottom telling you who paid for these fliers. You will find unfamiliar names with post office box numbers in Santa Monica. These represent out of our city developers who want you to think they are local residents, and of course, not developers. Wake up, Santa Monicans and vote for these new people, who have won the trust of the voters, who know they have honest and sincere intentions."

"YES, I'M FAIRLY INCLINED TO VOTE FOR A newcomer on the San-malicious City Council. I'm sick and tired of the self-serving attitude of those punks and it would be good to have some new people, especially for environmental reasons and Ted Winterer and Susan Hartley are certainly some of those examples. Thank you very much."

"I WOULD LOVE TO SEE TED WINTERER OR Susan Hartley elected to the City Council, apart from Kevin McKeown, the council seems to be totally unresponsive to what the Santa Monica public wants. If any of you have ever driven in Santa Monica lately, you know the congestion we have and the City Council seems content on building more and more buildings wherever they can. They seem to be in the pocket of the developers and Pam O'Connor seems particularly unresponsive to calls from the public to curtail some of the construction. I just wish we didn't have this explosion of development in Santa Monica and the streets were once again passable. Thank you for listening."

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LENDING A HAND

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Saint Monica High School football players, along with Santa Monica Police Officer and assistant coach Joe Cortez, deliver a pre-packaged meal to Victor Russo (far left) on California Avenue on Friday. The entire varsity football team donated their time to the Meals On Wheels organization.

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full-time mother.

"I always planned to go back to work when [my] children grew older, but I'm not sure this is the economy or the society... whole things changed," Freed said.

Although she graduated from college in Taiwan with a degree in accounting, she finds herself struggling to compete with new college graduates.

"I find it difficult and I feel sometimes [I'm] being discriminated [against]. A lot of recruiters they call me back and they ask, 'you haven't been working in the last three years?'" Freed said. "We stay at home moms has a lot to do… . We're problem solving. We're communicating. And I feel like we've been discarded."

At 67, Rita Northup, an artist and photographer in Venice, has been unemployed for two years.

"I think a lot of this is age, and I'm overqualified," Northup said. "They said to take out this job [on my resume] so that [I] won't look old."

She spent most of her career working as a purchasing manager at a frame store, but now relies on Social Security checks to cover her rent.

"I think [Career Day] was very interesting, because it gave me the opportunity to look at other things besides Craigslist," Northup said.

In addition to Career Day at the Main Branch, the Santa Monica Public Library also offers free one-on-one career advice and resume critiques by appointment at the Fairview Branch.

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STUDENT BODY RIGHT: **Samohi senior running back Brandon Taylor tries to elude the Palisades Charter High School defense Thursday night at the Stadium by the Sea. Samohi beat Pali 42-20 to improve to 2-0 on the season.**

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establish a 42-14 lead with 3:51 to go.

The next drive, Pali put the ball back into Reed's hands as he would take another series of runs into the endzone.

"For us to start to get our offense moving was a big thing," Jones said.

With just 6.2 seconds to go with Pali trailing by 22 points, Pali kicker Alex Antanasi would boot a successful onside kick.

The game was out of reach, but the Dolphins still came out swinging. To end the game, the Dolphins completed a 35 yard pass that landed them inside the Samohi 10-yard line, giving players confidence heading into their next game.

A visibly upset Clark immediately told the players to get off the field, despite their commanding victory.

Clark said he was pleased with the play of Gervais, the sophomore transfer from Washington. His decision to substitute Gervais for Miller early in the second half had nothing to do with Miller's first half interception.

"My plan before the game was to get Gervais in the game ... just to kind of get him action when the game counted," Clark said.

Clark said the night was a good learning experience for Samohi, a team that was recently ranked No. 9 in the Western Division of the California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section.

"I'm just disappointed, but I'm glad that this lesson came early," he said. "I like the way we started (the game). I don't like the way we finished it … . Championship teams finish strong. If they're going to dominate an opponent, they're going to dominate for four quarters.

"Right now we're not a championship team; we're not even close to being that."

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public discussion, will now be called once the council reconvenes from closed session.

The council also set an official goal that staff reports on agenda items be limited to five minutes or less and agreed to consider holding additional single-topic meetings when needed to limit the length of regularly scheduled council sessions.

The changes passed by a 4-2 vote, with Councilwoman Gleam Davis and Councilman Richard Bloom dissenting. Davis said she was uncomfortable with the change to accommodations for "special needs" speakers, and Bloom said he believed the council should reach a full consensus regarding any changes to meeting procedures. Councilman Terry O'Day did not attend the meeting.

The council nixed one proposed change to meeting procedures, a staff recommendation to occasionally form subcommittees of no more than three council members to address items before they come before the full council.

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a Safe and Healthy Community continue to await an announcement from the FAA about whether the agency will seek to make a controversial takeoff route for propeller planes permanent. During a six-month test run earlier this year, members of the group complained the experimental flight path resulted in a sharp spike in flights over their homes in Sunset Park and Ocean Park, though the FAA said its data showed the test had only a modest impact on Santa Monica residents.

Martin Rubin, director of the group Concerned Residents Against Airport Pollution, said Monday's gathering will be a chance to raise awareness about the airport's noise, air pollution and safety impacts and to consider a future without SMO.

"We want to give residents in the neighborhoods surrounding Santa Monica Airport the opportunity to celebrate the peace that is possible when we're free of airport pollution and noise," he said. "We want residents to imagine a future for the Westside where peace, quiet and cleaner air is possible, not just for a few days, but permanently."

Permanent closure of the airport is likely to be on many vigil attendees' minds. But that possibility is, at the very least, quite a ways off.

A contract with the FAA signed in 1984 requires City Hall to operate SMO until 2015. It's unclear exactly what will happen once the agreement expires, but City Attorney Marsha Moutrie said without a contract in place the city will have more flexibility regarding SMO.

"As to whether the city could close the airport or not, I expect that would be a legal dispute between the city and the FAA," she said.

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Friends, neighbors share memories of blast victims

BY JULIANA BARBASSA
Associated Press Writer

SAN FRANCISCO The five women grew up together and shared high school and college graduations, weddings, the births of their children and family vacations.

Four of them gathered to mourn the one who was missing — Jacqueline Greig, 44, who was killed with her 13-year-old daughter Janessa in a natural gas pipeline blast that tore through their house and destroyed almost 40 homes in their neighborhood.

A funeral mass was scheduled for Friday followed by internment.

"She had integrity, poise. She wanted to set a good example, and that is what she did," Monica Medina-Campos, one of the friends, said after the Thursday night vigil and rosary.

Medina-Campos and Greig had met at St. John Ursuline High School for Girls and went on to attend San Francisco State University together.

Their children grew up together, with Greig's devotion to family reflected in the achievements of her daughter Janessa, a class president remembered by her classmates as friendly, focused and dedicated to her faith.

The dark-haired girl with a big smile also found time to write for the school paper, act in the drama club, play the piano, take traditional Mexican folk dancing classes and volunteer with the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

"She was wise beyond her years," Medina-Campos said.

Many in the standing-room-only crowd at the vigil knew the mother and daughter, who made and kept friends easily and lived a life many said served as an example.

Like her mother, Janessa Greig was remembered for being the first to say hello to a newcomer.

"She was the only person you can say everyone liked," said Daniela Zarich, 14, a classmate at St. Cecilia School who knew Janessa since kindergarten.

"She was always friendly, smiling. That's how I always think of her," said Jazmin Gonzalez, 12, who took Ballet Folklorico classes with Janessa.

In a recording of a confirmation speech played after the congregation said the rosary, Janessa Greig appeared to be a thoughtful, well-spoken teen.

"In today's society there is so much wrong and so much evil, but our faith strengthens us," she said during the speech.

Ironically, Jacqueline Greig worked as an analyst for the California Public Utilities Commission and was a member of the natural gas committee of the National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates.

She spent time during the summer looking into a Pacific Gas and Electric proposal to replace out-of-date pipes, with no idea that one of those pipes ran through her own neighborhood, said Pearlie Sabino, one of Greig's co-workers.

Two other women died in the explosion that occurred just behind the home of the Greigs. Three people were missing.

A vigil for Jessica Morales, 20, was scheduled for Friday, with a funeral service set for Saturday.

She was with her boyfriend Joseph Ruigomez when the explosion ripped his house apart. He escaped and remained in critical condition.

Elizabeth Torres, 81, lived two doors away from the Greigs in a house she had occupied for the past 40 years. When the pipeline exploded, Torres, a mother of nine children, was with a daughter she lived with and one who was visiting. The two daughters and a son-in-law survived and were recovering from severe burns in a hospital.

Three people were still listed as missing — all members of the Bullis family, who lived just yards from the source of the blast.

California man admits Lyme disease fraud

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY, Kan. A southern California man has pleaded guilty in Kansas to marketing a phony system to diagnose and cure Lyme disease.

The U.S. Attorney's office says 79-year-old Robert W. Bradford, of Chula Vista, pleaded guilty Friday to conspiracy to commit mail fraud and introduce misbranded drugs into commerce. Three co-defendants await trial.

Prosecutors are recommending that Bradford receive a year of home confinement and five years' probation. They also want him to pay more than $40,000 in restitution and more than $400,000 earned from the scheme.

Bradford admitted setting up a company that sold a microscope the conspirators claimed could diagnose Lyme disease and a drug treatment plant they claimed could cure it.

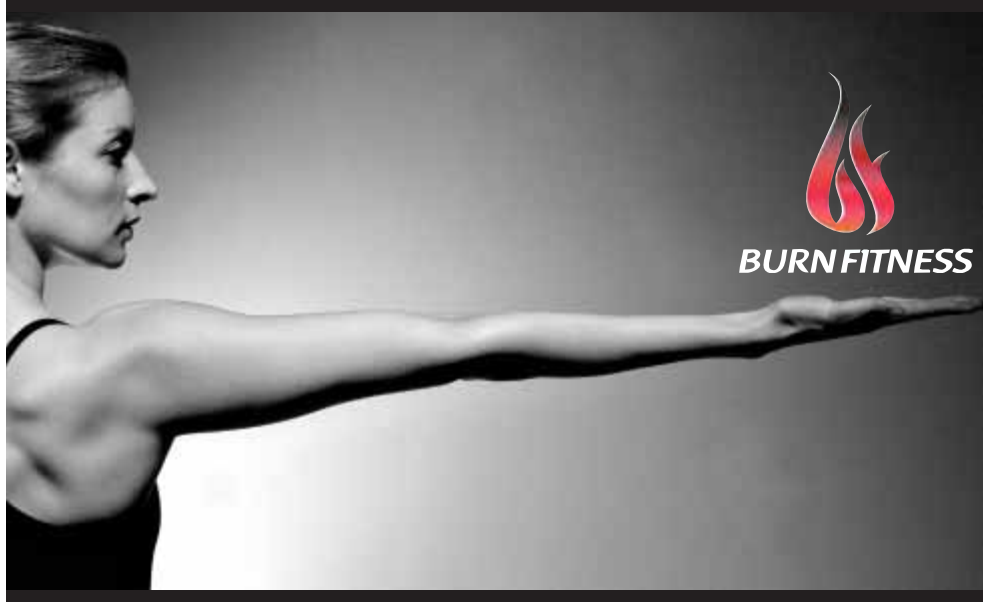
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Sentencing is set for Dec. 14.





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Relief well intersects with blown-out BP well in Gulf

BY HARRY R. WEBER
Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS A relief well drilled nearly 2.5 miles beneath the floor of the Gulf of Mexico has intersected BP's blown-out well, a prelude to plugging it once and for all, the U.S government said late Thursday.

The final seal should happen by Sunday, five agonizing months after an explosion sank a drilling rig and led to the worst offshore oil spill in U.S. history.

Retired Coast Guard Adm. Thad Allen, the government's point man on the oil spill, said in a statement that data shows the two wells are joined. The next step will be to pump mud and cement down through the relief well to seal the ruptured well permanently from the bottom.

The gusher was contained in mid-July after a temporary cap was successfully fitted atop the well. Mud and cement were later pushed down through the top of the well, allowing the cap to be removed. But the blown-out well cannot be declared dead until it is sealed from the bottom.

The April 20 blast sank the Deepwater Horizon rig, killing 11 workers and triggering the spill that eventually spewed 206 million gallons of oil into the Gulf. BP PLC is a majority owner of the well and was leasing the rig from owner Transocean Ltd.

The disaster caused an environmental and economic nightmare for people who live, work and play along hundreds of miles of Gulf shoreline from Florida to Texas. It also spurred civil and criminal investigations, cost gaffe-prone BP chief Tony Hayward his job and brought increased governmental scrutiny of the oil and gas industry, including a costly moratorium on deepwater offshore drilling that is still in place.

Gulf residents will be feeling the pain for years to come. There is still plenty of oil in the water, and some continues to wash up on shore.

Many people are still struggling to make ends meet with some waters still closed to fishing. Shrimpers who are allowed to fish are finding it difficult to sell their catch because of the perception — largely from people outside the region — that the seafood is not safe to eat. Tourism along the Gulf has taken a hit.

BP took some of the blame for the Gulf oil disaster in an internal report issued earlier this month, acknowledging among other things that it misinterpreted a key pressure test of the well. But in a possible preview of its legal strategy, it also pointed the finger at its partners on the doomed rig.

Jupiter making closest approach in nearly 50 years

BY MARCIA DUNN
AP Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. Better catch Jupiter next week in the night sky. It won't be that big or bright again until 2022.

Jupiter will pass 368 million miles from Earth late Monday, its closest approach since 1963. You can see it low in the east around dusk. Around midnight, it will be directly overhead. That's because Earth will be passing between Jupiter and the sun, into the wee hours of Tuesday.

The solar system's largest planet already appears as an incredibly bright star — three times brighter than the brightest star in the sky, Sirius. The only thing brighter in the night sky right now is our moon. Binoculars and telescopes will dramatically improve the view as Jupiter, along with its many moons, rises in the east as the sun sets.

"Jupiter is so bright right now, you don't need a sky map to find it," said Tony Phillips, a California astronomer under contract with NASA. "You just walk outside and see it. It's so eye-catching, there it is."

Phillips has never seen Jupiter so bright. "To an experienced observer, the difference is notable," he said Friday.

Coincidentally, Uranus also will make a close approach the same night. It will appear close to Jupiter but harder to see with the naked eye. Through a telescope, it will shine like an emerald-colored disk less than one degree from Jupiter.

Jupiter comes relatively close to Earth about every 12 years. In 1999, it passed slightly farther away. What's rare this time is Uranus making a close appearance at the same time, Phillips said. He called it "a once-in-a-lifetime event." While seen right next to Jupiter through a telescope, Uranus actually will be 1.7 billion miles from Earth on Monday night.

Phillips urges stargazers not to give up if it's cloudy Monday night. Jupiter will remain relatively close for many weeks, he noted, providing good viewing opportunities for some time. And for those who are early risers instead of night owls, Jupiter will be visible setting in the west just before sunrise.

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Few in Wash. city are angry at acid hoax woman

BY NIGEL DUARA
Associated Press Writer

VANCOUVER, Wash. The scars on her face were real, but her story about being splashed with acid was a horrific hoax.

A day after Bethany Storro's revelation turned the victim who drew worldwide sympathy into a curiosity and the object of much derision, few who banded together here to collect money for her medical bills were angry with her on Friday.

They were just puzzled: What could bring the 28-year-old grocery store worker to disfigure herself in such a public way, and invent a tale about a black woman assaulting her with a cup of acid?

Storro's mother is "just worried about her mental health," said friend John Pax, whose gym hosted a fundraiser that netted nearly $1,000. "But no one's asked for their money back yet. No one's angry.

"We just worry about her," he said.

Some in the black community in this leafy city on the banks of the Columbia River were saddened that someone claiming to be a crime victim had again placed an African-American in the role of villain.

"I'm not angry at all, and the reason is that this has happened many times before, unfortunately," said Margo Bryant, president of the Vancouver branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Bryant praised the police, and said she didn't hear of any blacks in the area being questioned.

"At least (police) were willing to accept that this individual was not telling the truth, or not automatically accept she was telling the truth because she is white," Bryant said.

Police on Friday were planning to turn the case over to prosecutors. Storro could face charges of filing a false police report.

Storro told police a stranger in a ponytail accosted her near a small park on Aug. 30, uttering the now-infamous words — "Hey, pretty girl, want something to drink?" — before scorching her face.

Instantly, her tale grabbed the headlines. And only grew when she appeared before reporters, her head bandaged and alongside her parents, to ask a nameless, faceless attacker: Why?

Storro said it was only chance and, perhaps, divine providence that led her to purchase a pair of sunglasses just minutes earlier.

Umpqua Bank took up a collection to help her pay medical bills, raising "a few thousand" dollars, said bank spokeswoman Lani Hayward. By Friday, no one asked for their donation back, she said.

Police grew more suspicious, as inconsistencies in her story began to add up.

They searched her home and her car. They wanted to know why no witnesses had seen an assailant. Why didn't the splash pattern of the acid jibe with Storro's account. And, finally, why would Storro be wearing sunglasses just after 7 p.m.?

Under questioning, she folded.

But the question of her motive remains unanswered.

Pax, the gym owner, said the tall tale wouldn't make city residents more resistant to help out the next time someone is in need.

"This is a close-knit community," he said. "It's safe here. If something like this happened again, we wouldn't hesitate to do it again."

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City TV Tenant Improvement Project (SP2109)

Bids shall be delivered to the City of Santa Monica, Office of the City Clerk, Room 102, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California, not later than 3:00 p.m. on **October 14, 2010**, to be publicly opened and read aloud after 3:00 p.m. on said date in City Hall. Each Bid shall be in accordance with the Contract Documents.

Job Walk: Wednesday, September 29, 2010 at 10:00 am

ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE: $1,500,000
CONTRACT CALENDAR DAYS: 210
LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: $1,500 PER DAY
COMPENSABLE DELAY: $1,000 PER DAY

Contract Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's Finance website at: http://www.smgov.net/finance. Contract Documents may also be examined in City Hall, at the Public Works counter, phone number (310) 458-2205. The Contractor is required to have a **Class A** or **Class B** license at the time of bid submission.

Pursuant to Public Contracts Code Section 22300, the Contractor shall be permitted to substitute securities for any monies withheld by the City to ensure performance under this Contract.

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CITY OF SANTA MONICA
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Applications due by noon, Tuesday, October 19, 2010.
Appointment to be made by City Council, October 26, 2010.

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(SP2118)

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PRE-BID MEETING OR JOB WALK: Wednesday, September 22, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.
Pier Carousel Building, 200 Santa Monica Pier

Participation in the pre-bid meeting/job walk is not mandatory but it is highly recommended. Interested parties should be punctual, meeting at exterior stairs at the pier carousel building located at 200 Santa Monica Pier, Santa Monica CA 90401.

ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE: $60,000 - $80,000
CONTRACT CALENDAR DAYS: 90
LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: $300 Per Day
COMPENSABLE DELAY: $100 Per Day

Bidding Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's Finance website at: www01.smgov.net/finance/purchasing/. The Contractor is required to have a **Class B** (General Contractor) or **Class C-43** (Sheet Metal Contractor) license at the time of bid submission. Contractors wishing to be considered must submit Bids containing all information required pursuant to the City's Request for Bids ("RFB").

Pursuant to Public Contracts Code Section 22300, the Contractor shall be permitted to substitute securities for any monies withheld by the City to ensure performance under this Contract.



Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 64°

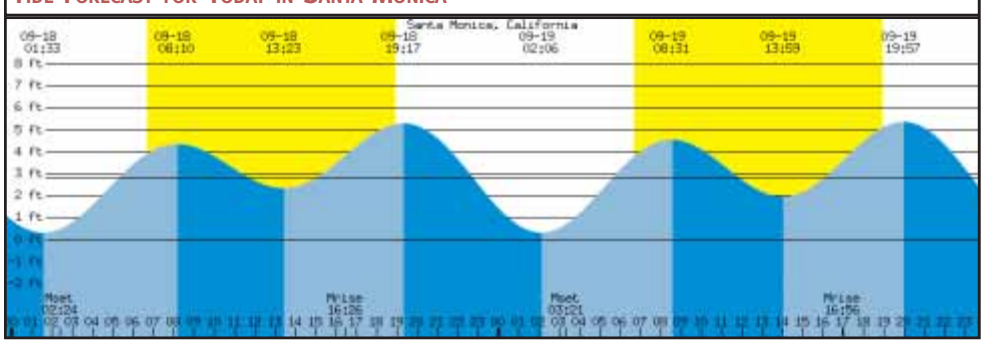
Swell Forecast

Head high+ for south facing breaks, with the top spots seeing set waves maxing out around 1-2' overhead.

Long Range Synopsis

Swell should back down to head high max for south facing breaks.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of **September 11, 2010**

HEAL THE BAY - 1444 9th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401 - www.healthebay.org - brc@healthebay.org - 800 HEAL BAY

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 -- 0
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather - 42 / ns
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 2 / ns

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: The Diller – von Furstenberg Family Foundation, Grousbeck Family Foundation, simplehuman, SIMA, Carlson Family Foundation, Inc.

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Los Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Seguit Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Las Alisos creeks.	A+	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A+	ns
Pearce State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Pearce Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	B	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A+	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	F	ns
Corbin Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	ns
Puma Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	D	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	A+	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A+	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	B	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A+	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	ns
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A	ns
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	ns
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	ns
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	B	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A+	ns
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty).	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	ns

LEGEND

DRY -- each location is graded on an A - F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone

WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days

ns -- no sample taken

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Torre to retire as Dodgers manager

BY GREG BEACHAM
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES Joe Torre never got the Los Angeles Dodgers to the heights his Yankees once reached, and now the veteran manager is moving on.

Torre said Friday he will retire after his third season with the Dodgers, and Los Angeles immediately announced hitting coach Don Mattingly will replace him in 2011.

Torre took over the Dodgers before the 2008 season after 12 successful years and four World Series titles with the New York Yankees. Although he revitalized the Dodgers while making the playoffs twice during his relatively brief stint in Hollywood, he never matched his success in the Bronx.

He led Los Angeles to division titles in each of his first two seasons, but lost both times to Philadelphia in the NL championship series. His current Dodgers began their penultimate homestand of the season Friday at 72-75 and in fourth place, 11 games behind San Francisco, with their playoff chances all but erased.

"It has been an incredible honor to wear the Dodger uniform, and I will always carry with me some very special memories from the past three seasons," Torre said in a statement. "This was not a decision I took lightly, but I believe it's the right one for myself and my family, and I'm truly thrilled that Donnie will be the one leading the Dodgers. It's time that the Dodgers had a new voice, and I have the utmost confidence in him. I know he's ready for the challenge."

Torre is almost certain to get quick admission to the Hall of Fame: Every manager with at least four championships except him already is in Cooperstown.

Torre turned 70 in July, and has been rumored to be interested in returning to the broadcast booth — or even in owning a team. He has a 2,318-1,990 regular-season record in 29 major league seasons as a manager that included stints with the Mets, Atlanta and St. Louis.

"I know that he had talked about (retiring)," said Yankees manager Joe Girardi, who played for Torre in New York. "It'll be interesting to see how he feels in December — if he stays retired. Joe has been doing it a long time, and I'm sure there's other things Joe wants to do with his life. Am I surprised by it? I don't think I would have been surprised either way, because I know how much he loves to manage, but I also know how much he loves his family."

Mattingly was Torre's bench coach with the Yankees, but lost out to Girardi for the manager's job in New York when Torre left following the 2007 season. He then followed Torre to California, and has long been assumed to be the heir apparent.

This will be Mattingly's first major league managing job, although he plans to manage a team in the Arizona fall league.

"The opportunity to manage the Los Angeles Dodgers is truly an honor," Mattingly said in a statement. "There are few organizations in the world with the history, tradition and track record of success as the Dodgers. I'm looking forward to continuing what I came here to accomplish with Joe, and that's to win a world championship."

The Dodgers' tumultuous front-office status likely helped Torre make up his mind, with owners Frank and Jamie McCourt mired in a messy, ongoing divorce trial that has affected the team's entire operation.

"Over the past three years, I've had the opportunity to work with Don closely and have gotten to know him both personally and professionally, and I'm convinced that he's the right person to lead the Dodgers," general manager Ned Colletti said. "His work ethic is unparalleled, his baseball knowledge is vast and his leadership skills have been established during more than three decades in professional baseball.

"Donnie has also learned alongside the best in the business. Joe Torre has been a great friend, a strong leader and an incredible presence for this organization and I cannot thank him enough for his service to the Dodgers. I respect his decision to step aside and I look forward to the day where I can watch him take his rightful place in Cooperstown among baseball's legends."





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Saturday, Sept. 18
Double Feature
Rear Window (NR) 1hr 52min
The Man Who Knew Too Much (NR) 2hrs
7:30pm

Sunday, Sept. 19
The Birds (NR) 1hr 59min
Marnie (NR) 2hrs 10 min
7:30pm

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade

I'm Still Here (R) 1hrs 48min
11:30am, 2:10pm, 4:50pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

The Tillman Story (R) 1hr 34min
12:05pm, 2:40pm, 5:15pm, 7:45pm, 10:20pm

Other Guys (PG-13) 1hr 47min
2:00pm, 7:15pm

Eat Pray Love (PG-13) 2hrs 13min
1:30pm, 7:05pm

Salt (PG-13) 1hr 39min
11:25am, 4:40pm, 10:00pm

The Kids Are All Right (R) 1hr 44min
11:00am, 4:35pm, 10:10pm

AMC 7 Santa Monica
1310 Third St.
(310) 289-4262

Alpha and Omega (PG) 1hr 28min
11:00am, 1:20pm, 3:45pm, 6:15pm, 8:45pm

Alpha and Omega 3D (PG) 1hr 28min
11:40am, 2:10pm, 4:45pm, 7:15pm, 9:45pm

Inception (PG-13) 2hrs 22min
11:30am, 3:00pm, 6:30pm, 9:55pm

Going the Distance (R) 1hr 49min
11:15am, 2:00pm, 4:45pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

Resident Evil: Afterlife 3D (R) 1hr 40min
11:00am, 12:00pm, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, 4:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:00pm, 8:00pm, 9:30pm, 10:35pm

The American (R) 1hr 43min
11:35am, 2:15pm, 5:00pm, 7:45pm, 10:30pm

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
1332 Second St.
(310) 394-9741

El Superstar (NR) 1hr 45min
11:00am, 1:00pm, 3:20pm, 5:30pm, 7:40pm, 10:15pm

A Film Unfinished (NR) 1hr 45min
11:00am

Bran Nue Dae (PG-13) 1hr 42min
1:10pm, 3:25pm, 5:40pm, 8:00pm, 10:15pm

Soul Kitchen (NR) 1hr 33min
1:55pm, 7:10pm

The Concert (Le concert) (PG-13) 2hrs 2min
4:25pm, 9:40pm

Cairo Time (NR) 1hr 42min
11:00am, 1:00pm, 3:15pm, 5:30pm, 7:45om, 10:00pm

AMC Criterion 6
1313 Third St.
(310) 395-1599

The Town (R) 2hr 5 min
10:45am, 12:00pm, 1:35pm, 3:20pm, 4:35pm, 6:30pm, 7:40pm, 9:40pm, 10:45pm

Machete (R) 1hr 45min
11:20am, 2:00pm, 4:35pm, 7:15pm, 9:55pm

Easy A (PG-13) 1hr 33min
11:15am, 12:15pm, 1:50pm, 2:50pm, 4:25pm, 5:25pm, 7:00pm, 8:00pm, 9:30pm, 10:30pm

Devil (PG-13) 1hr 20min
10:55am, 1:10pm, 3:30pm, 5:55pm, 8:25pm, 10:50pm

For more information, e-mail news@smdp.com

Let the good times roll, Libra

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Find friends and steer an understanding course. New beginnings become possible. Extremes mark a partnership, and there is little you can do. A family member is full of life. You cannot suppress this person under any circumstances. Tonight: Where the action is.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Others might be contrary. Start getting used to this behavior; it is a trend for the next few months. An easy and caring approach opens many doors and eliminates conflict. Extremes are likely when getting together with friends. Tonight: A must appearance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Let your imagination play more of a role in making plans. Allow more self-expression. As of late, you might have been holding yourself back. Why? Realize what is going on within yourself before making a difficult situation worse! Tonight: Listen to great music.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ A partnership always is key to your well-being. Though you might not like what a child or new friend could be up to, don't judge. Get into the moment. Try to avoid being overly stern. Recognize that that attitude is more of a defense mechanism. Tonight: Togetherness works.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Listen to suggestions. More is being offered than you thought possible. You have a strong drive and understanding. Entertain an idea, but let someone else instrument it, especially if it is a get-together or some other celebration. Tonight: Defer to the majority.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ An easy pace marks your plans. You need to turn away from what isn't working in your life and greet what does. Be careful when dealing with your finances and spending money. The unexpected occurs with a friend or partner. Go for the moment. Tonight: Above all, make it relaxing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ You are serious and know what you want, though you could be a downer without intending to be. You have a tendency to overindulge, but right now you are holding yourself back to such a level that others cannot recognize the old you in the new you. Tonight: Let the good times happen.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Understand that your family also needs your attention. You cannot take others for granted. Use your instincts with someone you care about. You have an opportunity to open up doors. Do just that in an unprecedented manner. Tonight: Order in.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ You might want to understand more of what motivates you in the present circumstances. Swallowing anger always has ramifications. A friendship could be difficult to continue as it is. You might need to rethink how you handle difficult situations. Tonight: Visit with your pals.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ A friend could be pushing your buttons like he or she rarely has. You see others with newfound understanding and in a new light. Your ability to communicate can always be enhanced. Learn from a very dynamic communicator around you. Tonight: Go with the moment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ You might be close to unstoppable, as the Moon accents you. Clearly, plans to travel might change. Suddenly, you can fill in the gaps with lots of fun plans. You don't need to respond to an authority figure. Tonight: Treat those around you in the best way possible.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You might decide to do your own thing, and be quite delighted with the idea. You could be working through something that appears to be difficult to come to terms with. A partner has become difficult. Tonight: Take some needed space.

Happy birthday

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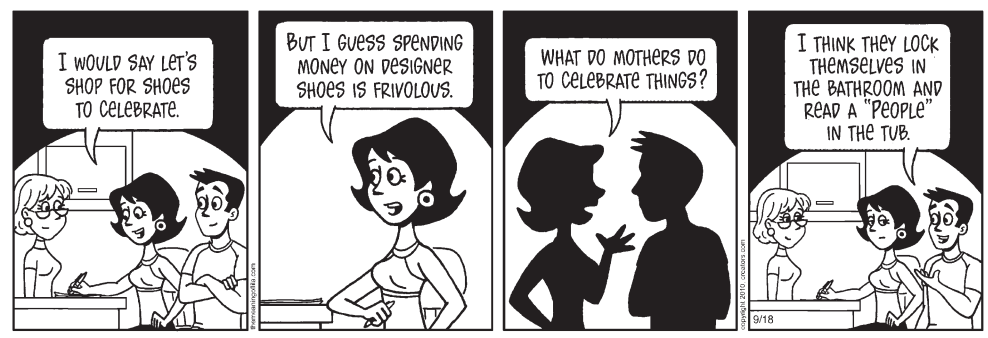
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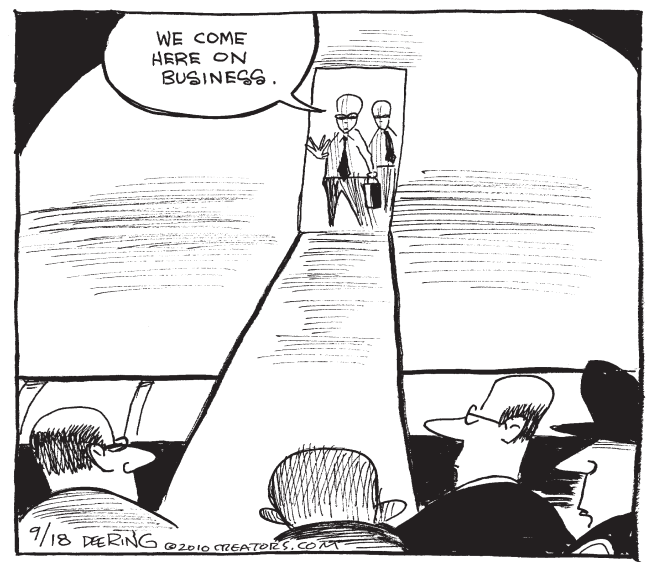
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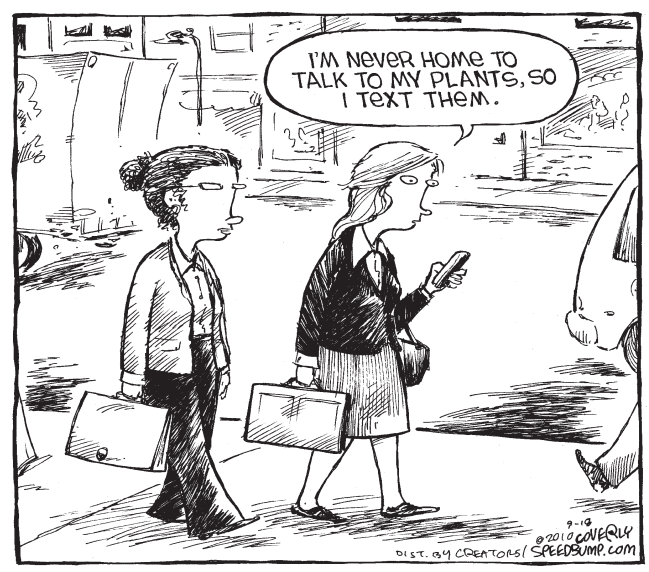
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Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★★★

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

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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

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

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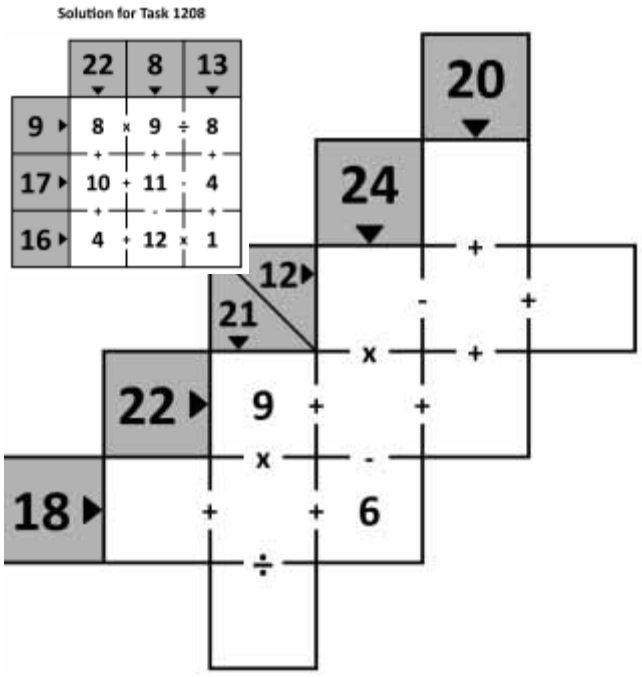
• Fill the grid with the set of given numbers (1 to 12) to satisfy the Equa demands (7 to 24) in the shaded boxes. The Equa demands represent the sum of the digits that you will insert into the empty squares.
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• You must follow the given math operations for each square and you must make sure all the numbers satisfy the demands in the shaded boxes when connected in adjacent threes and calculated together from left to right, and top to bottom.
• The numbers you insert into the grid must satisfy the Equa demands both horizontally and vertically.

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Fill in the empty fields with the given numbers so when calculated together they satisfy all Equas in the gray boxes:

3, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 10

Solution for Task 1208





MYSTERY REVEALED!

Alejandro Cesar Cantarero II *news@smdp.com*

City Hall employee Brenden McEneaney correctly identified this photo of a poster hanging in the window at Wahoo's Fish Tacos on Wilshire Boulevard in Downtown Santa Monica. He will receive two VIP passes to Pacific Park. Check out Monday's paper for another chance to play. Send your mystery photos to *editor@smdp.com* to be used in future issues.

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Roman censor
5 Okla., once
9 Underworld boss
10 Some swords
12 Exact copy
13 "Picnic" role
14 Totals
16 Middling card
17 High card
18 Perfect example
20 Ethics concern
22 Alimony payers
23 Case for Mulder
25 Hawk
28 Auto race site
32 Checks the fit of
34 For fun, for short
35 Skill
36 Facing the audience
38 Critic, at times
40 Like some cigars
41 Newsman Kroft
42 Grab — (eat)
43 God of war
44 Clip

DOWN

1 Cotton cloth
2 Penitent person
3 Zesty flavor
4 A person, to that person
5 Musical speeds
6 Clean Water Act org.
7 Fenway Park team
8 Ruling group
9 "Beat it!"
11 Sides in an ongoing battle
15 Tau follower
19 Abound
21 Car bar
24 Camera accessory
25 Flag features
26 Book boo-boos
27 Roadside eyesore
29 Middle East language
30 Annul
31 Play part
33 Massage targets
37 Oompah producer
39 Brink

M	A	D	E	■	■	H	A	H	A	■
O	P	A	R	T	■	I	V	O	R	Y
S	O	L	A	R	■	R	O	U	T	E
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Yesterday's answer

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■	1	2	3	4	■	5	6	7	8	■
9					■	10				11
12					■	13				
14					15		■	16		
17			■	18			19			
20			21			■	22			
■	■	■	23			24		■	■	■
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35			■	36			37			
38			39		■	40				
41					■	42				
■	43				■	44				■

9-18

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ More Poor Multitaskers: (1) A 47-year-old woman accidentally drove off a boat ramp in Sacramento County, Calif., in August and drowned, as she had become distracted on a cell phone call with her daughter. (2) In Cincinnati in August, Colondra Hamilton, 32, was arrested after a routine traffic stop. Officers said they found Hamilton with her pants unbuttoned, a sex toy in her lap, and a computer playing a video in the passenger seat.

■ Police in Bonita Springs, Fla., charged Randall James Baker, 45, with aggravated battery in August (1998) for shooting his friend Robert Callahan in the head -- sending him to the hospital. A sheriff's spokesman said Baker and Callahan had a playful tradition between them -- that any time either of them acquired a new baseball-type cap, the other would try to shoot the little button off the top. This time, according to the sheriff, alcohol played a bigger role than usual.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1454 In the Battle of Chojnice, the Polish army is defeated by the Teutonic army during the Thirteen Years' War.

1502 Christopher Columbus lands at Costa Rica on his fourth, and final, voyage.

1573 Spain attacks Alkmaar.

1635 Emperor Ferdinand II declares war on France.

1679 New Hampshire becomes a county of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

1739 The Treaty of Belgrade is signed, ceding Belgrade to the Ottoman Empire.

1759 The British capture Quebec City.

1793 The first cornerstone of the Capitol building is laid by George Washington.

1809 The Royal Opera House in London opens.

1810 First Government Junta in Chile. Though supposed to rule only in the absence of the king, it is in fact the first step towards independence from Spain, and is commemorated as such.

1838 The Anti-Corn Law League is established by Richard Cobden.

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